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Presentation of Facts As To Vocational Training

WHAT HAS BEEN DONE AND IS PLANNED IN ST. JOHN—
STRIKING FACTS FOR THE CITIZENS TO CONSIDER—
—SAVE THE EVENING CLASSES—

March, 1912.—The board of school trustees decided to open evening technical classes. Dr. H. S. Bridges advocated the establishment of a trades school.

November 15, 1918.—The city council requested the board of school trustees to investigate, consider and report on vocational training.

January 13, 1919.—A committee of the board of school trustees reported that, while approving of the principle of vocational training, yet the board was unable to undertake the work at present, owing to its unsatisfactory financial situation.

June 11, 1919.—The common council requested the board of school trustees to apply to the vocational education board for power to establish, equip and maintain a vocational school.

July 14, 1919.—A resolution was passed by the board of school trustees to carry out the recommendations of the common council.

October 20, 1919.—The board of school trustees appointed a committee for the administration of vocational training.

Chairman—Dr. A. F. Emery.
Members—Mr. Thomas Nagle, Mr. J. D. P. Lewis, Mrs. Richard O'Brien, representing the board of school trustees; Mr. Alex. Wilson, representing capital; Mr. G. P. Hennessey, representing labor; Mrs. W. E. Raymond, representing home.

Secretary—Mr. A. G. Leavitt, secretary board of school trustees.

January, 1920.—First vocational evening classes were opened. They continued until April.

December 6, 1920.—In accordance with regulations of the Vocational Education Act, Mr. W. C. Lawson, M. C. B. A., late director of the vocational branch of the department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment in New Brunswick, was appointed local director of vocational training.

January 6, 1921.—Vocational training classes re-opened.

Aim of Vocational Training.
To extend the present educational system to provide special training in all

industrial, commercial and home-making occupations:

(1) In day schools for boys and girls enrolled in the public schools who have chosen some industrial, commercial or home-making occupation as their vocation.

(2) In part-time and evening schools for boys, girls and adults who are employed during the day.

Need of Vocational Training.

1. Less than 25 p. c. of boys and girls who enter school reach the high school.

2. The present "classical" high school course qualifies only for professional occupations. "Tuition is free."

3. The old apprenticeship system is dead.

4. Boys and girls who choose "common work" a vocation "must pay for their training."

5. Boys and girls who would choose an industrial occupation or home-making cannot obtain any training.

6. Boys and girls who are compelled to work for a living must join the hard-worked and poorly-paid ranks of "unskilled labor."

7. A technical or industrial high school or trade school is urgently needed, where industrial and commercial training or training in household science can be obtained by these boys and girls.

8. This training should be supplementary to the existing public school system, and "tuition should be free."

History of a Grade.
In 1910 Grade I contained 1,167 pupils. Here is the record for succeeding grades:

Grade II.....1,090
Grade III.....974
Grade IV.....974
Grade V.....845
Grade VI.....718
Grade VII.....593
Grade VIII.....382
Grade IX.....304
Grade X.....190

Note.—Largest number drop out between Grades VI. and VIII., and between the ages 14 to 16. The 304 shown as entering the high school includes 35-40 non-residents who were not previously in the class.

Plan for Development of Vocational Training in St. John.

1. Continuance this winter of evening classes for men and women, boys and girls who are employed during the day.

2. Opening, next fall, of a full-time day school with some few selected industrial, commercial and home-making courses. Continuance and development of evening classes for both fall and winter.

3. The addition, next year, of other courses in industrial and commercial training and home-making in the day schools. Opening of part-time classes by arrangement with employers. Continuance of evening schools.

4. Erection, as soon as possible, of a suitable building, fully equipped for the provision of technical training in all industrial, commercial and home-making occupations in day, evening and part-time classes, free of charge, as a part of the present public school system.

FACTS AND FIGURES.
Analysis of Finances For 1920.

Received from the city council \$18,000.00
Surplus of assets over liabilities.....974
Comptroller McIntyre's report.....\$5,262.69
Government grant.....\$2,748.93
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Actual net cost of evening classes to city, 1920.....\$4,422.28
Total cost per student in 1920.....\$8.07
Cost of teaching per student in 1920.....2.84

Analysis of Finances For 1921.
Estimated available funds (Comptroller McIntyre's report).....\$6,518.74
Estimated total cost for 1921.....6,367.47

Note.—Three thousand dollars of the estimated available funds have not yet been received, viz., \$2,000 from the city council and \$1,000 from the provincial government.

Estimated Cost 1921-22.
The city council have been asked for \$25,000.

This would provide as follows:
Evening classes, fall, 1921.....\$2,000
Evening classes, winter, 1922.....\$2,000
Day schools, 1921-22.....\$21,000

The amount of instruction depends upon amount of money received.

Statement of Facts.
The cost of vocational evening classes per student in 1920 was \$8.07.

The cost per student will become less each year.

Less than \$5,000 of the citizens' money was actually consumed.

In 1920, 709 students attended the classes; 324 received the full forty-eight hours instruction each.

In 1921, nearly 800 applications have

PROBATE COURT, SAINT JOHN.
To the devisees, legatees, and creditors of Lucie Paulin, late of the Parish of Caracquet in the County of Gloucester, in the Province of New Brunswick, Spinster, deceased.

The Executor of the Will of the above named deceased having filed his accounts in this Court and asked to have the same passed and allowed. You are hereby cited to attend, if you so desire at the passing of the same, at a Court of Probate, to be held in and for the County of the City and County of Saint John, at the Probate Court Rooms, in the Pugsley Building, in the City of Saint John, in the City and County of Saint John, on MONDAY the TWENTY-EIGHTH day of FEBRUARY next, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, when said accounts will be passed upon.

GIVEN under my hand this twenty-seventh day of January A.D. 1921.
(Sgd.) H. C. MCINERNEY,
Judge of Probate.

(Sgd.) STEPHEN B. BUSTIN,
Registrar of Probate.
WILLIAM M. RYAN,
Proctor.

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been received; 450 are enrolled. The remainder cannot be accommodated.

The city council have refused to grant money for vocational training.

If the money is not received the evening schools must be closed.

The citizens will be denied the advantages of free technical education.

In the establishment of vocational training, evening schools have always preceded the day schools.

St. John is the only city of her size where it is supported.

The vocational evening schools this year are better organized, better instructed and more attended. They should be continued and developed. Why should the people of this city be denied the benefit of the liberal government grants, viz., 60 p. c. for salaries, 50 p. c. for equipment, and 25 p. c. for buildings?

THE BOY SCOUTS

Welcome to Rev. E. P. Wright and Bride—Nova Scotia Campaign.

In place of the regular weekly meeting of the 11th Troop (St. Luke's) on Monday evening, the Scouts took this opportunity of welcoming back their scout master and his bride after their wedding trip. A very fine spread was gotten up for this occasion by Messrs. T. J. Green, Waters and P. B. Brennan.

Assistant Scoutmaster Ralph B. Brennan acted as chairman and after presiding

entertaining words of welcome on behalf of the troop, also presented to Rev. E. P. & Mrs. Wright several pieces of fine plate.

Rev. Mr. Wright spoke to the scouts on the Scout Law for a few minutes and took the opportunity to thank the scouts for their kindness.

This was also Patrol Leader George Green's birthday, and you should have seen the birthday cake all lit up with candles that was sprung on the feast.

The only part left was the candles after the boys had finished with it.

Among the guests present were the following: Rev. R. P. and Mrs. McKim, Mr. and Mrs. H. Usher Miller.

The committee responsible for the evening's entertainment was the following: Asst. Scoutmaster Ralph B. Brennan, Troop Leader R. Edgar Adams, Patrol Leader George Green (who is now fifteen), and Scout Ralph Miller.

The Nova Scotia Provincial Council of the Boy Scouts Association are going to hold a campaign week from February 27 to March 5, for men and money. This campaign is being put on under the combined auspices of the Halifax Rotary, Commercial, Overseas, Progressive, etc., and Dartmouth Rotary, Commercial etc. clubs. The object

is to raise a budget for the Province of Nova Scotia of about \$10,000 and endeavor to get more scoutmasters and men interested in scouting.

We are in receipt of the first copy of a very excellent magazine just issued by the Imperial Headquarters of the Boy Scouts Association, London, England, named the "Jamboree". As a result of the recent Jamboree held at Olympia in London there has been established a department of scouting in the Imperial headquarters to be known as the "Boy Scouts International Bureau" with Commissioner Hubert S. Martin, Esq., C. B. E., as director. This magazine is printed in the following languages: French, Italian, Spanish and English. The very fine cover has been specially designed by Sir Robert Baden-Powell, Chief Scout, and the object is to get in touch with the largest number of Scouts in these different countries, from time to time this magazine will be translated into more languages.

A film showing the activities of the Boy Scouts of the World at the recent "Jamboree" has been received and it is expected to be shown in a few days.

The February number of our magazine "Canadian Boys" has just been received. This month it is the Sea Scout Number. Is it getting any better? Well we should smile, there is a very considerable increase in pictures, exciting stories and is certainly holding its claim of "Canada's only National Magazine for Boys."

EDISON SAYS WHAT FORD PROPOSES IS POSSIBLE
West Orange, N. J., Feb. 12.—Thomas A. Edison was seventy-four years old yesterday, looked many years younger and acted as he looked.

Asked for his opinion on Henry Ford's announced intention of producing milk synthetically, Mr. Edison said it was "entirely possible and if such milk is made it will be much purer. There are going to be great advances in chemistry within the next few years."

MORNING NEWS OVER THE WIRES

Henry Stanley Ross, who says he lives in St. James street, St. John, and Ernest Scullion pleaded guilty in Moncton yesterday on a charge of holding up Mil-edge LeBlanc, manager of the Sunny Brae rink, and were remanded for sentence.

Hector Dumont of North Bay, Ont., due to hang tomorrow, may be permitted to live longer on account of the date being fixed for Sunday. The date was first set for January 18 and postponed for a month. The matter is now before the dominion cabinet council.

Five hundred United States blue-jackets were fired at by unknown persons in Vladivostok on Tuesday night and one was wounded. Three Russian officers were arrested. The impression is that the affair was arranged by communists with the object of embroiling United States and Japan in strained relations.

One night this week the office of the Canadian Express Co. in St. John was entered and two cases of gin, a quantity of chocolates and some cigarettes were stolen.

Frank B. Trites, a C. N. R. machinist at Moncton, died yesterday after two weeks' illness with pneumonia. He leaves two young sons, his mother, six sisters and two brothers.

FRANTIC ESCAPES FROM HOTEL FIRE IN AMHERST, N. S.
(Canadian Press Despatch.)

Amherst, N. S., Feb. 11.—Frantic escapes were made shortly after 8 o'clock this morning from the St. Regis Hotel here when fire broke out on the first floor of the building near the chimney and filled the hotel interior with thick smoke. The damage was limited to about \$5,000 loss but the threats were many. Still slumbering guests, barely aroused, fled down the fire escapes in scanty attire and one man having a room in the third story smashed the window pane and came down the fire rope.

TO VISIT ST. JOHN.

Colonel John McMillan, accompanied by Lieut.-Colonel John Rawling of the Salvation Army will arrive in St. John

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LOCAL NEWS

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