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The Educational Report.

A summary of the report submitted to Gov. Fletcher by the Vermont Educational Commission has been made public. While it does not give a complete idea of what the commission has found and recommended, it does reveal the wide investigation made and the importance of the changes proposed in Vermont's educational system. Should all the recommendations be fully considered by the next legislature there would be little use in calling for a sixty day session as the framing of laws to put the system into effect could not be hastily done. It is probable the commission has found and recommended too much, that the legislature will not be able to act on all the suggestions. But that does not detract from the importance of the commission's work nor relieve the press from as full and intelligent discussion of it as possible.

The report is bound to arouse very active opposition. First the college and universities of the state will make an active fight for the large appropriation they have been receiving from the state. Possibly the impression will be created that the commission opposes any state aid to these institutions. It does so far as the granting of state scholarships and direct appropriations are concerned, but it suggests that the state have certain forms of education furnished by the higher institutions of the state for a definite sum, for instance the education of teachers for Vermont schools.

The two remaining normal schools of the state will, of course, be well represented at the legislature in a fight to continue as state beneficiaries. For many years it has been realized by thoughtful persons that the normal schools were not worth what they cost the state but the men back of them have succeeded in saving them. The fight will be renewed this session with the additional force of the commission's verdict. Further centralization of the public schools will be opposed to some extent but there is no question about the superiority of schools of suitable size over small schools with only one or two pupils in a class.

Another source of opposition will be started by the proposed increase of expense of the system proposed by the commission over the present system. For the year 1913 the state paid for transportation, supervision, normal schools, universities and college, teachers' meetings, etc., \$241,596.75. The commission would have the state pay about \$750,000 a year exclusive of the institutions of higher education. Such a jump as this is sure to cause inquiry and hesitation on the part of the thrifty.

This article has sought to make clear only the objections the plan of the commission will meet. That is only one side of the case. There is much that will appeal to the people in it, but space will not permit their presentation at this time. We reserve until future issues more complete and favorable discussion of the commission's work.

Prouty's Story Continued.

Many friends of Charles A. Prouty have been surprised and grieved at the uncertain course he has pursued as a candidate for the United States Senate. A year ago many republicans were urging Mr. Prouty to become a candidate. After mature deliberation his answer to them was his health would not permit him to undertake an active contest for that place therefore he would not be a candidate. Soon after in response to fervent representations to him that he should be a non-partisan candidate for the place he said that he did not believe there was such a great demand, but if there was he would consider it his duty to respond to the call. Then the progressives conceived the idea that it would be well for them to capture this non-partisan man and his host of followers and swallow them in a

great progressive victory. To them Mr. Prouty said that if he was to be a candidate at all it would be as a republican. Then followed the report that Mr. Prouty did not care to be a candidate, either republican, progressive or non-partisan. Then "the people," in the form of H. Nelson Jackson, husband of one of Vermont's richest women, and the owner of the highest powered automobile in the state, got T. R.'s sanction of Mr. Prouty and he is now reported to have said that he has refused to be considered as a republican candidate and accept the nomination of the progressives.

Now we have high regard for Mr. Prouty but like Patrick Henry we know of no guide for the future except the past, and we would suggest the possibility of similar vacillation and uncertainty on any strong issue that might come before him as a senator. If it should take as long to decide whether or not he was in favor of some proposed action, how effective would he be as a champion or advocate of any desired legislation. You naturally would answer that a man of Mr. Prouty's ability would not be so shift and undecided on any issue. But who would have dared thought a year ago that Mr. Prouty would have changed and lost political color and finally accept the one he had rejected in the way he has done? The Prouty story, if continued along the lines of the opening chapter, might be very uncertain reading.

An Unwarranted War.

Actual hostilities have broken out between Austria and Serbia, the former country having a war army of 2,000,000 men and the latter of 240,000. This would seem a small matter if only these countries were involved but evidently Germany has chosen this time when England is so seriously involved in the Home Rule fight at home to make a display of its military strength and involve the whole of Europe in the struggle. The alleged offence to Austria is the fomentation of a pan-Serbian movement in which the 6,000,000 Servians under control of the Austrian government seem inclined to revolt and annex themselves with Serbia itself. The first move was a note from Austria to Serbia demanding that the plotters of the assassination of the crown prince of Hungary be caught and punished and that Austrian officers be allowed to assist the Servians in ferreting out the men they desired punished. Serbia consented to all the demands but the last and diplomatic relations were severed. The first firing it is reported was by the Servians on some vessels conveying Austrian troops along the Danube. Since then Austria has taken the aggressive in the territory of Serbia.

Germany says Austria must be allowed to deal as it wishes with Serbia and Russia objects to the seizure of more territory by Austria as it may threaten Russian interests on the Black sea in the future. France is the ally of Russia and may be called on to aid that country against Germany and Austria. England would like to see German power crushed and so would help France and Russia. Italy is in league with Austria and Germany and may be forced to assist them in the great continental struggle. The war armies of Serbia, Russia, France and England number 10,490,000 men. Those of Germany, Austria and Italy number 8,400,000. But there are the naval forces in addition to the armies and the smaller armies would be fighting on the home ground and so would have a distinct advantage.

The possibilities of a very serious war are great and evidently the Europeans are in a mood to take advantage of them. But the issue is too small to warrant such a struggle and we shall be surprised if there is not some way devised to stop the fighting and restore a little decency among the land thirsty of Europe.

The decision of the interstate commerce commission on the appeal for an increase of five per cent. in freight rates has finally been made and only a part of the roads will be allowed to advance. No advance is allowed New England and the east. The commission shows that free trip passes worth \$18,520,000 were given in 1913 and suggests that the railroads discontinue so much free service. It also shows that the rail-

roads held property valued at \$684,000,000 that is not used for transportation purposes at all and advises the sale of this property as fast as it can be safely done. This seems sensible advice. It is evident the commission thinks the railroads should be better managed before the public be asked to contribute larger revenues.

The Brattleboro Reformer says: "Danville, in Caledonia county, has 135 miles of highway—more than any other town in the state. Danville receives from the highway fund twice the amount it contributes through the 5 per cent assessment on the grand list." We would add that Danville has some of the best country roads in the state to show for money it has received from the state treasury.

PASSUMPSIC

Rev. L. W. Sanford Has Resigned—A Real Estate Deal.

Rev. Mr. L. W. Sanford sent in his resignation Sunday. It was a surprise to all. It will go into effect September 21.

Fred Miles has sold his place to Mrs. Ida Sherburn. She will take possession the first of September.

Will Eastman was called last week to Littleton, N. H., by the illness of his father, Lewis Eastman.

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Chase and three boys of Hanover, N. H., were in town Sunday.

Mark Bruce made a business trip to Boston last week Monday returning Wednesday.

The Ladies' Mission Circle will meet with Mrs. L. H. Vitty Tuesday afternoon.

There will be an entertainment in the church Friday evening. Miss Christina Hall of Barnet will read and there will be several musical selections.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Blanchard and son returned home Saturday.

Mrs. Frederick Mills returned to her home Thursday.

Mrs. Fred Miles went Friday to Boston to take little David Wreck home.

Mrs. Emma Wells is home from St. Johnsbury.

Miss Isabelle Smith is home from Concord, N. H., for a two weeks' vacation.

Mrs. F. C. McGill returned from Greensboro Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Stevens returned home Wednesday.

The Misses Helen and Jeanette Slapp of East Hardwick are visitors of the Misses Ethel McGill and Marguerite Esdon.

Earle Esdon was home over Sunday.

Mrs. Perry Moore of Lynn, Mass., was a visitor in town last week.

Mrs. Eva Woods of Revere, Mass., came Sunday to spend a few days with Mrs. Leslie Thomas.

Frank Pierce of California, formerly of Chicago, is here visiting friends and relatives.

Walter Doran and Ray Cook are at Mrs. Lilla Dow's, coming through from Providence on motor cycles.

MUSEUM NOTES.

The flower tables are now showing several kinds of goldenrod and asters beside many ferns, grasses and several rare orchids. The following is the list since July 29: Oak Fern, Canadian Tic-trefoil, Checkerberry, Fruit of Wild Black Currant, Turtle-head, Wild Carrot, Wild Balsam-apple, Fruit of Clasp-leaved twisted-stalk, Horewood, Canada Goldenrod, Bushy Goldenrod, Climbing false Buckwheat, Fruit of Purplish Meadow-rue, Brook Lobelia, July 29; Mountain Sandwort and Boot's Rattlesnake-root from Mt. Mansfield, July 30; Round-leaved Orchid, Purple Fringed Orchis, Thoroughwort, July 31; Trailing Christmas Fern, Water Plantain, Indian Pipe, Elecampane, August 1; Great Bur Burdock, Green Headed Cone-flower, Common Polypody, Virginia Wild Rye, and Northern St. Johnswort, August 3.

WALDEN

Miss Gladys Perkins is spending the week at Joe's Pond with friends from Barre.

M. G. Fleming and family of St. Johnsbury spent Sunday at N. J. Kingsbury's.

Miss Marion Rogers entertained a few friends at her cottage at Cole's Pond for several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Chase of Fitchburg, Mass., visited relatives in town last week.

Michael Goslant of Lanesboro was a recent visitor in town.

Mrs. L. C. Cahoon is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Hattie Percy of De Kalb, N. Y.

Mrs. G. H. Kingsbury is the guest of her son E. H. Kingsbury at Montpelier for a few days.

The Ladies' Mite society will meet in the Woodman's Hall this week for dinner.

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EAST CONCORD

Telephones Disabled During Thunder Storm—Death of Mrs. James Vance.

A terrific thunder shower passed over this place last Sunday evening, putting all telephone lines out of commission, but no serious damage was done.

The life of Mrs. Jane Vance went out the eve of July 27 at her home in this place after an illness of many months of suffering, which she bore with great fortitude. She was the widow of the late Volney Vance, who died six years ago. Mrs. Vance was a great lover of her home and family to whom she had lovingly devoted the greater part of her 66 years. She was the mother of five children, four of whom survive her, Fred, of Lowell, Mass., Bert, of Littleton, N. H., Joseph, and Mrs. Bertha Smith, who lived with her and cared for her in her last illness. She also leaves an adopted daughter, Essie Vance. The funeral was held at the church Thursday. Rev. Leonard Fuller spoke taking for his text, "She Hath Done What She Could." The interment was at Sunnyside cemetery beside her husband. Those called from out of town to attend the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Burt Vance of Littleton, N. H., Mrs. Lillian Tilton; Mr. and Mrs. George Vance and son, Fay, of Whitefield, N. H., Leslie Hartshorn of Lyndonville, Mrs. Burt Montgomery of Rochester, N. Y., and Miss Izalee Sanborn of Lakeport, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Hartshorn of Lyndonville spent a part last week at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hartshorn. They were also guests of their sister, Mrs. Lewis Stockwell.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Morrison and daughter, Marjory, and Joseph Morrison are at Kinear's Mill, Canada, visiting. The trip was made by auto.

Eighty-seven automobiles and 16 motor cycles passed A. D. Fisher's house at Mile's Pond last Sunday.

Mrs. Fred Whipple and two daughters, Lyndia and Katie, are taking a two weeks' vacation with relatives in Lunenburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Weir have entertained the past week their mother, Mrs. Lizzy Nichols, Mrs. Luvia Ladd and daughter, Sepha, and Mrs. H. A. Jackman of St. Johnsbury.

Mrs. Madeline Jackman, who has spent the summer with her grand parents has returned to her home in St. Johnsbury.

Harold Warren is visiting in Lyndonville.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Smith, Miss Mable Wilson and Alfonso Harriman took a 200 mile auto trip last Sunday, going through Dixville notch.

The sign "Please Keep Out of My Hen Yard" was posted by Hubbard Fisher last Tuesday morning after having his slumbers "suddenly" disturbed at midnight by George Boutwell and his automobile while returning from a trip to Groveton, N. H. The river was somewhat mixed up and was running the car into boulders and ditches. Consequently Hubbard's hen yard and Boutwell's auto are badly in need of repair.

The ice cream social held at the home of Mrs. H. A. Whipple last Saturday evening proved a very pleasant occasion and \$6.80 was added to the treasury of the Ladies' Aid society.

Miss Alice Sunbury of Lowell, Mass., and Charles Pike and son of Littleton, N. H., and T. A. and Nimes Elgoin of Whitefield, N. H., were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Webb recently spent several days with friends in Whitefield, N. H.

Guy and Earl Isham were in St. Johnsbury last Monday.

Mrs. Frank Sease was happily surprised recently in receiving a beautiful bouquet of flowers from Northway, N. H., by her son, Nelson Sease, picked from his garden, showing the great variety which grow there.

EAST BURKE

Oscar Phillips is running the store for Mr. and Mrs. Carl Frasier during their absence.

A. B. Colby has bought a five passenger automobile.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jeffrey and Mrs. W. J. Jeffrey are going to Passumpsic Sunday where Mr. Jeffrey held a Bible meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Humphrey from Lyndonville and Miss Annie Danforth from Medford, Mass., visited at B. F. Humphrey's Tuesday.

Miss Mildred Vance returned Monday from Boston. Her cousins, Leland and Evelyn Gray accompanied her for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Frasier went Sunday afternoon to Flint, Michigan. They will visit Wisconsin and possibly Iowa before returning home.

Mrs. George Smith and grandson, Master Raymond Smith, from Methuen, Mass., are visiting her sister, Mrs. Walter Counter.

Kenneth Stafford from St. Johnsbury is visiting relatives here for a few days.

Mrs. Daisy Sherburn is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Jasper Foster, and children from Underhill.

Celia Vance returned Monday from several weeks' visit with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Silsby in Rumney, N. H.

Miss Della Burdick has accepted a position in a hotel at South Poland, Me., and went about 10 days ago.

The next Grange meeting, August 10, the question for discussion by the ladies is "Does the Farmer's Wife Have a Harder Life than her Sister in Town?" for gentlemen, "Does the Farmer Have More Discouragement than Those Engaged in Other Vocations?"

Curtis Harvey has been spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Harvey. He returned to New York the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lucia were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Warner Drown at West Burke.

Mrs. Charles Freeto and three children, Alvah, Roy and Phil, spent a part of last week in Lyndonville with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wells. They were visitors in St. Johnsbury Saturday.

Mrs. George Burrington spent the

week-end with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Lang, at Lyndonville.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Colby and son, Earl, visited friends in Lyndonville Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Garvin from Orleans spent Saturday with her sister, Mrs. Oscar Phillips. Master Leighton Phillips, who has been spending several weeks with them returned home with them.

Melvin Nelson is visiting his mother, Mrs. Hattie Wright.

Wilbur Proctor is moving to East Haven this week.

Mrs. Ethel Legasy spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wilson.

CASPIAN LAKE NOTES.

Mrs. Munson and her son, Levi, of Morrisville spent the week-end at the Hardy cottage.

The Carsons of Greenwich, Conn., have taken the Slayton cottage for a month.

Madison Rogers of Baltimore is spending two weeks at the Eichelberger's.

Miss Lucile Stone entertained her young friends with a dance Monday night at "Cedar Nuke."

Dale McCray had a very novel party Wednesday evening.

Rev. Mr. Lukins of Princeton and Rev. Mr. Jackson of Montclair, N. J., occupied the Presbyterian and Congregational pulpits, respectively, last Sunday.

The Barre Golf club sent a team of 21 canny Scots over on Saturday some of them with golf sticks they used in the old country, and was defeated 23 1-2 to 39 1-2. The score, Nassau system, was peculiar. Not a Greensboro man failed to score at least half a point, only five of the Barre team failed to score, while six matches were halved.

The Montpelier team comes on Saturday this week.

Play began on Monday for the Sanborn cup. This is regarded as the "blue ribbon" event of the season as far as the local events are concerned.

EAST CABOT

E. E. Paige and chauffeur of Pittsfield, Mass., Mrs. Floyd Parsons and son of Paterson, N. J., are guests of relatives in town.

Bert Cate of Illinois is visiting his father, N. H. Cate.

L. L. Allen of Auburndale, Mass., is spending a few weeks at the home of his niece, Mrs. Ellis Leonard.

Mrs. Walter Abbott and daughter, Inez, were at Barre Wednesday.

Horace Davis and wife of Northfield, their son, Fred, and wife and daughter, Roberta, of Fitchburg, Mass., were guests at Robert Barr's over the week-end.

Lyman Hunt of Billerica, Mass., is visiting his sister, Mrs. Melvina Young.

Phil Austin of Manchester, N. H., is spending a few days with his brother, Charlie.

Enos Hopkins has finished work at George Morse's and gone to his home in Calais.

Mrs. Gilbert Hill is home after a week's visit at the home of her son, Henry, and family at Hardwick. Mr. Hill went up to accompany her home.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Heath and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Houghton and Charles Houghton went to Wiloughby Lake and Speedwell Farms recently in Mr. Houghton's auto.

EAST BARNET

Alvah Blandin's children were all at home Sunday and several grand children. It was quite a family reunion, 14 setting down to dinner.

Robert Cartwell from Middlebury is visiting friends here.

E. G. Farnsworth is visiting friends at Bishop's Crossing, Can.

Mrs. Wood is stopping with her daughter, Mrs. Dudley Blaine.

Mrs. Ames, who has been away for some time has returned to her home.

Robert Gammell is a good deal better and was able to go to St. Johnsbury recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Kendall, Mrs. Clarence Kendall and Mrs. Mary McGill went to Old Orchard Beach last Friday. Mrs. George Morse from Littleton, a sister of the Mrs. Kendalls accompanied them.

Mrs. Bessie Capron, who has been spending a week in Danville returned home Sunday.

Mrs. Gertrude Walker has her little girl with her.

Harold Gammell returned home Saturday.

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Public Examinations

Teachers' examinations and examinations for free tuition in high schools and academies will be held at Barnet Village, Peacham Corner and Walden Heights on Thursday and Friday, August 13 and 14, 1914, at 9 o'clock. The arithmetic will be given at 9 o'clock Thursday. HARVEY BURBANK, Union Superintendent. Walden, Vt., July 27, 1914.

MONROE

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gibson and Robert and Mrs. Charles Hosford motored to Lake Sunapee Saturday to spend Sunday with Rev. D. E. Burns' family who are spending their vacation at their cottage there.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Kimball of Orange, Mass., are visiting at P. E. Blanche's.

Miss Belle Hinman of St. Johnsbury spent last week with her parents here.

Misses Hazel Warden and Doris Sornborger of Burlington, spent last visiting at Easton and Franconia.

Miss Madine Colby of Woodsville is visiting her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hosford.

Young ladies' night will be observed at the Grange Wednesday evening.

served at the Grange Wednesday evening. week at Oscar Frazer's. Misses Mary and Inez Fisher are Misses Julia Fisher is working for Mrs. Frances Hall at North Monroe. Quite a number from this place attended the band concert at North Monroe Friday evening. Mrs. Henry Hinman was in St. Johnsbury Saturday.

The 25 cent piece was made famous by the American Liver Tablets, the perfect laxative.

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