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PUBLIC SCHOOL INEFFICIENCY

The Russell Sage Foundation has taken a hand in aiding many worthy causes, and it has also taken notice and investigated the cause of failure in many other lines. For two years the Foundation has been carrying on a searching inquiry to ascertain why it is that the public schools of the United States do not accomplish more for the children of the country. While the investigation has not fully determined the exact cause nor suggested anything remedial, it has given as its conclusion that "the ratio of the finished product to the raw material is less than it should be and that the plant is too big for the work it is accomplishing." In other words, the schools of the United States are not educating as many children as they should, and the amount of money the schools are costing is out of proportion to the number of children educated in them.

The ideal schooling is that in which the child enters in the first grade, completes the eight grades of the primary and grammar schools in eight years and enters and completes high school. The percentage of instances in which the ideal is attained individually is very small, and there is not a city where the schools approach it.

The number of the backward pupils who fail to pass each year to the grade ahead determines the inefficiency of the school system. To get at the causes which operate to prevent children from making grades each year, the Foundation studied fifty-five cities. In these fifty-five school systems there are 2,000,000 school children. This year there are 15 per cent, or nearly a half million children, who failed to pass on to the

next higher grade, and they are consequently taking the same work this year that they took last year. The cost of the school system in the fifty-five cities studied aggregated nearly \$90,000,000. Of this sum about \$14,000,000 is spent in the wasteful process of children repeating grade work. In some cities, as in Camden, N. J., where 30 per cent of the school children repeat, the figures show what a terribly heavy item of expense this inefficiency of the school system entails.

It was found that more boys than girls are "repeaters", as they are called by educators, and that more boys than girls drop out of school work before finishing, a fact which may be gathered from casual observation, and that the number of years in school for the average American boy falls very low, despite the idea that education is constantly becoming more general.

Just where the difficulty lies has not been determined. It had been supposed that the immigrant child, or child of foreign parents, was a large contributing cause, but a comparison of cities and their foreign population has effectually discredited the idea. A table shows:

	Percentage School Efficiency.	Percentage Foreign Population.
Boston	67	72
Minneapolis	63	69
Chicago	55	77
New York	52	77
St. Louis	51	61
Cleveland	50	61
Cincinnati	48	61
Jersey City	45	71
Philadelphia	38	55
Baltimore	35	38
New Orleans	31	38

Among the cities in the table the three most American cities—Philadelphia, Baltimore and New Orleans—have the most inefficient school systems, while most foreign cities—Chicago, New York, Cleveland and Boston—have the most efficient.

MARKET REPORTS.

St. Louis Wool
St. Louis, Oct. 19.—Wool firm, territory western mediums 24@29; fine mediums 23@26; fine 14@20.

New York Metal
New York, Oct. 19.—Lead steady, \$4.32 1-2@4.40; copper dull, standard spot, \$12.25@12.50; silver, 51.

Chicago Provisions
Chicago, Oct. 19.—Wheat, December, \$1.05; May, \$1.04 7-8@1.05. Corn, October, 59 3-4; December 58 5-8. Oats, December, 39 5-8; May, 42. Pork, October, \$23.25; January, \$18.27 1-2. Lard, October, \$12.30; November, \$11.72 1-2. Ribs, October, \$11.15; January, \$9.32.

Money and Stocks
New York, Oct. 19.—Money on call, 4@1-2; prime paper, 5@1-2; Mexican

dollars, 43; Amalgamated, 83 3-8; Atchison, \$120 3-4; New York Central, \$136 1-2; Southern Pacific, \$129 1-2; Union Pacific, \$203 1-3; Steel, \$90 1-8; Steel, preferred, \$127 7-8.

Chicago Live Stock
Chicago, Oct. 19.—Cattle 14,000, mostly 10 lower; beaver \$4@8.30; Texas steers \$3.80@4.90; western steers \$4@7.25; stockers and feeders \$3@5.10; cows and heifers \$2.00@5.40; calves \$7.00@9.25.
Hogs 15,000 steady, light \$7.05@7.65; mixed \$7.30@7.85; heavy \$7.20@7.85; rough \$7.20@7.40; good choice heavy \$7.40@7.85; pigs \$5.25@7.00; bulk sales \$7.45@7.75.

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