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HIGH SCHOOL CREDITS IN CCC

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With the lowering of the entrance age for boys in CCC camps, the question of correspondence work done in these camps has again come up. A large number of boys 17 to 19 years old have joined the CCC. They may lack one or two units of credit for high school graduation or they may wish to do work for additional school credit.

In this matter, the Department of Public Instruction will give permission to high schools to accept credit for work done in institutions with approved correspondence courses for either electives or constants. It will be understood that local school officials may exercise the option of accepting or of rejecting this work as they see fit. Both students and schools should arrange for such work in advance.

While the number who wish to avail themselves of the opportunity may be small, it is hoped this move will assist some very worthy young men. I am sure school people generally will recognize the fairness of this move.

—SDEA—SUPPORTS, DEFENDS EDUCATION ALWAYS—

SCHOOL LAW INTERPRETATIONS

School Boards Superintendents Teachers

Vincent J. Linn, Deputy State Supt.

Board Purchases: A board of education may not buy coal from an elevator company of which a member of the board is manager. (Sec. 75)

H. S. Tuition: 1. A county maintaining an accredited 4-year county high school, has no liability for tuition of pupils attending high school elsewhere. 2. A pupil residing more than 10 miles from a high school in the district other than one maintaining a county high school may attend school in another district in this state or an adjoining state and the home district is liable for tuition. (Sec. 286)

Pupils' Injuries: An independent consolidated school district is not liable for damages for injuries sustained by pupils resulting from a bus, provided for transportation, becoming involved in an accident. (Sec. 289)

Board of Health: "Regularly licensed osteo-

paths may conduct Mantoux tests and issue certificates to school teachers."

Tax Levy: A tax levy for payment of a judgment against a school district must not exceed 2% on the assessed valuation for any one year.

School Buildings: School districts may not invest funds in erecting a building not on school grounds nor in a building for the purpose of leasing to the city.

Reopening School: A special meeting held without notice when all members are present and participate may reopen a closed school.

—SDEA WELCOMES NEW TEACHERS—

HOLDING POWER OF SO. DAK. SCHOOLS

R. W. Kraushaar, H. S. Supervisor

While the total elementary school enrollment in South Dakota* increased only 26% from 1905 until 1934, the number of 8th grade graduates increased 725%. In 1934 there were 13,461 pupils graduated from the 8th grade as compared with 1,632 in 1905. During this same period the enrollment in elementary schools increased from 103,766 to 130,531.

In 1905 the number of 8th grade graduates was 1.6% of the total elementary school enrollment; in 1934 it was 10.3% of the total. In 1920, which may be considered a half-way mark for the period, the number of 8th grade graduates was 5.8% of the total.

Holding Power of High Schools

From 1920 to 1934, the enrollments in high schools of the state increased as follows:

Freshmen—from 5,512 to 10,648

Sophomores—from 3,643 to 9,346

Juniors—from 2,302 to 8,370

Seniors—from 1,799 to 7,488

Of those who enrolled as freshmen in the fall of 1930, 66% were graduated in 1934.

*Based upon tabulations in master's thesis, "Inequalities in the Opportunities for Secondary School Attendance in South Dakota," by Supt. P. J. Simons, Ravinia, S. D., at Univ. of Iowa, 1935.

—SDEA INVITES ALL TEACHERS TO MEMBERSHIP—

We'll be seeing you at Mitchell during the SDEA convention. The dates are Nov. 24-27.