

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TEACHERS APPOINTMENT BUREAU

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For a number of years it has been the practice of the Teachers Appointment Bureau to issue an annual report covering in considerable detail the work done during the year. The data for such a report have been collected for the past appointment season and are on file in the secretary's office. Because of curtailed income, reduction in clerical help, and the necessity for the strictest economy it has seemed unwise to undertake the preparation and distribution of a fifty page mimeographed report. In lieu of such a statement the following brief summary of the activities of the bureau is submitted. Any who are interested in more complete facts relative to any phase of our work are cordially invited to consult the secretary at any time.

REGISTRATION OF CANDIDATES

During the past year we had 748 registrants. This is a decrease of 93 or 11% from the figure of 841 for last year. It is 17.8% less than the banner enrollment of 911 in 1939-40. Of the 748 registrants 128 were enrolled for the first time, 140 renewed previous registrations, and 480 were carried over from the previous year because the period for which they had paid their fee had not expired. Up to September 1 of the current year 319 of these have been withdrawn for failure to renew registrations. We now have 429 persons on our list to be carried over to the coming appointment year. Of these 397 are experienced teachers and 32 are without experience. Our records show that of the 397 experienced persons 352 are employed in teaching for the school year 1942-43. Of the remaining 45 reports show that 13 are employed in other work, 4 are in the U. S. army, 10 are married, 14 are not regularly employed, and 4 failed to answer our inquiry. Of the 32 inexperienced registrants 16 are employed, 10 are married, 1 is in the army, 4 are unemployed, and 1 failed to report. This means that only 18 of our present registrants were not regularly employed on September 1 and that the status of five others is unknown.

As this is written it seems probable that our registrations will drop further for next year. The demands of the war effort will take more people, salaries in business and defense plants are higher than in teaching, and the present enrollment in education courses is less than it has been. Unless undergraduates can be persuaded to take up teaching as a patriotic service the outlook for schools is not encouraging.