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STATE FUNDS IN FINE CONDITION

State Irreducible School Fund and Other Land Board Items Improved.

HOLDING 4,000 NOTES

Conditions of Common School Fund Given Today by George Brown, Clerk of State Board.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)
SALEM, March 28.—The condition of the state irreducible school fund and other funds administered by the state land board are in better condition than a year ago, according to George Brown, clerk of the board.

Out of 4,000 notes held by the board only around 200 are in process of foreclosures because of delinquency on principal.

With over \$7,000,000 in the common school fund the condition of that fund is as follows:

Mortgages out for foreclosure September 30, 1923, aggregating \$206,450; mortgages sent out for foreclosure since September 30, 28, totalling \$49,850; total of these two items, 226 mortgages or \$256,300; foreclosures completed and sheriff's deeds issued since September 30, 1923, 6, or \$3713, reinstated or paid in full, 23, aggregating \$50,000; remaining in process of foreclosure, 197, aggregating \$202,585; total of three latter items, 226 mortgages, aggregating \$356,300.

Since September 30, Sheriff's certificates of sale have been issued in three cases representing loans totalling \$61,000.

The agriculture college fund shows only two mortgages out for foreclosure on September 30, last, representing \$1100. None has been added since and both of these loans were in process of foreclosure on December 31.

In the university fund all loans continue in good standing.

The condition of the rural credits fund of over \$465,000, is as follows:

Mortgages out for foreclosure September 30, 1923, eleven aggregating \$17,333.01; mortgages sent out for foreclosure since September 30, one aggregating \$1600; total of these two items, 12 mortgages, re-completed since September 30, none; reinstated or paid in full, 3, aggregating \$7262.88; remaining in process of foreclosure, 9, aggregating \$11,670.13; total of three latter items, 12, representing \$18,933.01. No sheriff's certificates have been issued since September 30.

The various funds on December 31 last were:

Common school fund—first mortgage loans, \$6,777,370.82; notes out for collection \$203,085; certificates of sale, \$66850.50; cash, \$1171.88; total \$7,148,478.21; cash in interest account, \$170,145.77.

Agricultural college fund—first mortgage loans, \$165,046.50; notes out for collection, \$1100; school district bonds \$31,190; cash, \$6257.54; total, \$203,504.04; cash in interest account, \$4918.47.

University fund—first mortgage loans, \$33,345; school district bonds \$14,500; cash \$5790.36; total \$103,035.36; cash in interest account, \$2447.82.

Rural credits fund—first mortgage loans, \$452,283.26; notes out for collection, \$11,618.19; cash, \$1655.75; total, \$465,557.20.

Rural credits expense fund—cash, \$841.30; continuing appropriation under act of 1917 \$2884.17.

SCHOOL BOARD DELAYS ACTION

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the two teachers.

After these talks had been made Director Taylor who was one of those voting against the two teachers explained his action.

"Miss Casey is a young woman," he said, "and was born and raised in Roseburg. She is so well acquainted with the pupils under her that she is not able to obtain the proper discipline. Both the city superintendent and the high school principal said that she was weak in this particular, and we thought that it would be best for her to teach in some other school for a year or two until these children with whom she is so well acquainted are out of school, and she will then be able to obtain better discipline in her classes.

"Regarding Miss Tracy, there have been a number of complaints, some coming from persons who were willing to make their names known and some from others who did not wish their names known. One person told me today, after hearing that there was a petition out in favor of Miss Tracy, that he wished we would wait and give opportunity for a petition of remonstrance."

Mrs. F. H. Churchill stated that she circulated one of the petitions in favor of Miss Tracy and found that no one could understand why she had not been reinstated.

Mrs. B. W. Maddox stated that she had been in Miss Casey's classes and knew that the discipline was good.

Carl Wimberly stated that he had talked with high school students regarding the discipline in Miss Casey's classes and that he had been told that the discipline was good.

Mrs. W. F. Chapman said that she

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had circulated one of the petitions in favor of Miss Tracy and that only three refusals had been met, and that she visited persons as their names came upon the list of the association, and that she had not selected those to call upon.

Chairman Bellows stated that no one had ever officially appeared before the board to make objections either of the teachers, and stated that in his belief persons having complaints should appear personally, and that directors should not consider complaints unless they were made in such manner.

Mrs. Maddox spoke again, stating that it appeared to be an injustice to let teachers go who have homes in this city and hire teachers who are just sightseers; teachers who stay for a year and then move on trying to see as much of the country as they can and having no interest in the community or the school.

City Superintendent M. S. Hamm explained the grading given the teachers. A record is kept of each, he stated, and is presented to the board, the teacher being graded on a number of different points. The high school principal marked Miss Casey poor in discipline, and Mr. Hamm stated that he marked her average.

He stated, however, that he did not think that this was sufficient grounds to warrant her dismissal. Her work is showing improvement, he stated. Not all teachers are gifted alike and some are able to obtain better discipline than others. This is particularly true of more mature and experienced instructors. Only the best disciplinarians are placed in charge of the study hall, he said. Mr. Hamm stated further that he had never seen Miss Casey play any favorites, and that he had never received any complaints about her work. Two parents had complained to him of Miss Tracy he said.

Dr. Shoemaker said that he had endeavored to trace down some of the complaints made, and said that the only one he had been able to locate was made by A. J. Willard, a local barber, and wanted to know if this was one of those coming before the board. He was advised that such was the case, and then asked to know if the boy had made any better record since being moved to the Benson school.

Superintendent Hamm answered Dr. Shoemaker, stating that the boy had failed to make grades in the Benson school, and also said that the parents of one of the boys in the same grade with the Willard boy asked to have their child moved to the Rose school away from him.

Mrs. Churchill stated that she understood that the whole trouble grew out of a fight between the Willard boy and Miss Tracy's nephew.

Mrs. George Houck, W. F. Chapman, Mrs. R. D. Williams and Mrs. D. H. Harris, spoke commending Miss Tracy.

Chairman A. A. Bellows presented two petitions, one from the grade school teachers, and the other from the high school faculty, asking for the reinstatement of the two teachers.

The teachers also presented in their petitions resolutions stating that they believed the action of the board to be unfair to the profession. When complaints are made against teachers they should be notified of the nature of the complaint and given the name of the person making it and afforded an opportunity to appear in their own behalf, it was stated. Further than that, it was held that if there should be any dissatisfaction with the work of any teacher that teacher should be given an opportunity to resign.

After these matters had been presented the board turned to the regular order of business.

The first matter taken up was the appointment of a director to succeed A. T. Lawrence who resigned. Director Finlay proposed the name of Stanley Kidder.

"What church does he belong to," Director Taylor immediately asked.

From the ensuing conversation regarding directors it appears that church affiliations largely determine the qualifications for directors, as the church affiliations of every man whose name was proposed was asked, or mentioned.

The directors all finally agreed upon the name of A. J. Geddes, and Mr. Geddes was chosen. He has previously served in this capacity, being a member of the board for a number of years, and is well qualified in every particular.

Dr. Finlay then made a motion to reinstate the two teachers who had not been tendered contracts, but was unable to secure a second to his motion.

"I think we ought to wait until the new director is present," Mr. Taylor said, "and give him an opportunity to express himself. If we wait until next meeting it will also give anyone having objections a chance to appear."

"Well what's the use of delaying this thing any longer?" Finlay wanted to know. "Nothing more could be said for these teachers, and if anyone wanted to make any complaint they have had plenty of time. If we continue this kind of action we are going to lose all of our teachers. I understand that there are a good many of them right now who are debating whether or not to sign up their contracts for another year. They are absolutely justified in their requests that they be given a hearing on any complaints and that they have a right to know when complaints are made against them. Such action as has been taken is not only unjust but discourteous as well. Even a dog shouldn't be treated like that. We should show more judgment, for it isn't easy to get good teachers."

However, no second could be secured to the motion and so the board passed on to other business.

City Superintendent Hamm presented a chart showing the expected enrollment for next year. All of the buildings will be crowded to capacity it was shown, and it is expected that it will be necessary to get outside accommodations for some classes. This, however, will be undertaken only as a last resort.

The board elected Miss Enid Waterman of Hermiston, Oregon, to take the place of Miss Thelma Gooding who is being forced to resign because of ill health. Miss Waterman will teach in the 1st and 2nd grades at the Rose school.

I was reported that Miss Emily Webber, Miss Inge Glodde and Miss Gooding had returned their contracts unsigned, and the city superintendent was instructed to secure teachers to fill the vacancies.

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