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County School Notes

(By County Superintendent)
STATE OF NEBRASKA
Department of Public Instruction
John M. Matson, State Superintendent
Lincoln

August 17, 1921

My Dear Superintendent:

The purpose of this letter is to give you information pertaining to the emergency teacher's certificate. The last legislature amended the certification law making it much more difficult to secure this certificate than it was under the old law. The permit formerly granted by the county superintendent was abolished by the new law. Before an emergency certificate can be issued under the present law an actual emergency must exist, that is, it must be impossible to secure regularly certificated teachers in the state. When this condition prevails the county superintendent and members of the board of the district in which there is a vacancy may make application to the state superintendent, which must be accompanied by a statement showing that an earnest effort has been made on the part of the county superintendent and school district board to secure a teacher with a certificate by making thorough inquiry of the various institutions in the state maintaining teachers' preparatory courses, of county superintendents in counties in which a surplus of teachers is reported, and of all other sources known by the county superintendent and board through which teachers might be obtained. Where an emergency is desired for a teacher who is to teach in a city school district organized under article XXII, the application of the emergency must also be signed by the city superintendent. This is the only condition under which legal application can be made for an emergency certificate. In fact, it would be illegal for this department to grant an emergency certificate if a qualified teacher can be secured. I have not issued any emergency certificate as yet for the ensuing school year, neither do I expect to do so as long as teachers holding valid certificates are available.

It will avail them nothing for persons to write me direct or to call and see me personally regarding the emergency certificate, and I hope county superintendents will not encourage school board members and persons desiring emergency certificates to write or call on me personally. The application for the emergency certificate must come through the county superintendent, and in case of city districts must come through signed by the city superintendent; therefore, direct application to this office by the board or teacher cannot be given any recognition. County superintendents should bear in mind that legal application cannot be made for the emergency certificates if it is possible to secure qualified teachers, and I hope they will not make application for the emergency certificate when available qualified teachers are to be had in other counties. The fact that a district desires a certain person to teach their school does not create an emergency within the meaning of the certificate law, even though she may be someone who taught in the district the previous year or who resides in the district.

The question is often asked, "what are teachers to do who have failed by a fraction of a per cent, or in a few subjects, to meet the requirements for their certificates?" In answer to this, will say they will have to wait until the state's entire available supply of regularly certificated teachers wanting positions is exhausted. When there are no more qualified teachers, to be had and there are schools in the state in need of teachers, the emergency certificate may be issued upon proper application, provided we are satisfied that the person for whom the application is made is competent to do the work contemplated. If we are not so satisfied the application will be rejected. The law makes it optional with the state superintendent to issue emergency certificates under any condition. Not more than one emergency certificate can be granted to the same person under the new law, and is valid only in the district designated.

The next regular examination will be held in November; there will be no special examinations held before that time. During the past school year we gave seven examinations which we think was ample if teachers took advantage of their opportunities and did

**"I smiled-
and he shot me"**



AFTER MONTHS and months.
MY WIFE persuaded me.
TO HAVE it done.
SO I went around.
TO THE photographer.
AND GOT mugged.
WHEN THE pictures came.
I SHOWED them to a gang.
OF AMATEUR art critics.
AND PROFESSIONAL crabs.
DISGUISED AS friends.
WHO FAVORED me.
WITH SUCH remarks as,
"DOESN'T HE look natural?"
"HAS IT got a tail?"
"A GREAT resemblance."
AND THAT last one.
MADE ME sore.
SO WHEN friend wife.
ADDED HER howl.
I TRIED again.

THIS TIME they were great.
FOR HERE'S what happened.
THE PHOTOGRAPHER said.
"LOOK THIS way, please."
AND HELD up something.
AS HE pushed the button.
AND NO one could help.
BUT LOOK pleasant.
FOR WHAT he held up.
WAS A nice full pack.
OF THE cigarettes.
THAT SATISFY.

LIGHT up a Chesterfield and
sense the goodness of those
fine Turkish and Domestic to-
baccos in that wonderful Ches-
terfield blend. Taste that flavor!
Sniff that aroma! You'll regis-
ter "They Satisfy." You can't
help it.

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not put off taking their examinations until it was too late for them to complete their work. To those wishing to teach who have failed to secure their certificates, my advice is to begin now making preparation for their regular certificates and secure the same at the earliest possible date. They should not count upon the emergency certificate.

Since the summer schools are closed and the last teachers' examination before the schools open has been held, county superintendent may ascertain very definitely right now as to whether or not their teachers will be able to secure the certificates they will need. I wish to suggest that county superintendents check up the teachers that secure schools in their counties, and if there are any who do not have the proper certificates, the directors or secretary or the board be notified immediately, and also the teacher. If you have not done so, have the

director report to you at once the teachers they have employed. Each holder of a state or city state certificate shall before he begins to teach register the same in the office of the county superintendent, without fees. No such certificate is valid until so registered. This applies to teachers of city schools as well as to those in all other districts. School officers may be held personally liable for money paid to teachers who are not legally qualified. Districts permitting teachers to teach who are not legally qualified will not be eligible to receive their share of the state apportionment. It is a duty incumbent upon the board to see that their teachers are legally qualified, and the certificate is the proper evidence. County superintendents will be asked when their schools have convened to report to this department a list of their schools, showing the grade of certificates held by each other also its date

of issuance and expiration. This will enable this office to know definitely the districts that are violating the laws of Nebraska in the matter of permitting teachers who are not legally qualified to teach in their schools.

Yours very truly
JOHN M. MATZEN,
State Superintendent.

Ernest Barrett expects to leave for Lincoln soon to learn the barber trade.

Mrs. Lulu Schaffer of Lebanon, Kas., is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. Art McKim.

Mrs. Joe Mudd is entertaining her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Magala of New York City.

Mrs. Chas. Barrett departed this morning for Gallatin, Missouri, where she will visit relatives.