

Present Teacher 'Load' Retained By Commission

Salaries For Instructors Will Be Fixed At Next Meeting Of Group, Scheduled For Early Next Month—Claude Gaddy Resigns As Assistant Secretary.

Raleigh, June 18 — The state school commission, meeting in executive session here today, voted to retain the present basis of teacher allotment for the coming scholastic year.

The ratio of teachers to pupils—or "teacher load"—now in effect in elementary schools provides for one teacher for the first 25 pupils, two for 45, three for 75, four for 110, five for 145, six for 180 and one for each 36 pupils thereafter.

In high schools, the ratio is one for 25, two for 40, three for 60, four for 85 and one for each 35 pupils thereafter.

Salaries for teachers will be fixed at the next meeting of the commission, to be held early next month.

Gaddy Quits Post
Claude G. Gaddy, assistant commission secretary, resigned. It was understood he might become city superintendent of schools here.

Lloyd E. Griffin, executive secretary of the group, announced there had been a transfer of \$143,000 from the contingency and emergency fund to take care of obligations incurred during the 1934-1935 school year. Principal items involved, he said, were fuel, gasoline and oil bills. Teachers have been paid in full.

Another transfer from the contingency fund probably will be made to take care of deficits during the last school year, Griffin said.

Janitors probably will receive a 4.16 percent salary increase during the next school year, he said. The commission estimated \$433,000 would go to janitors, compared to \$412,405.63 in 1935-1936 and \$353,961.37 in 1934-1935.

Other items of plant operation earmarked by the commission are: Fuel, \$430,000; water, lights and power, \$110,000; janitors' supplies, \$50,000; telephones, \$13,000.

The total set aside for plant operation was \$1,036,000, compared to \$1,081,465.39 in 1935-36 and \$915,924.92 in 1934-35.

Fuel Estimates Lower
Fuel estimates were \$8,800 lower than the amount spent during the last school year because of the "unusual winter," Griffin said. Estimates for water, lights and power were \$4,500 more than last year because of new construction and additions to present buildings.

Reports submitted to the commission showed there were 23,581 teachers in North Carolina public schools during the last school year and 23,322 during the 1934-35 period.

Teachers received \$16,600,000 in salaries in 1935-36 as compared with \$13,456,000 in 1934-35.

Griffin said the commission "had expected instructional salaries to run even higher than they did" during the last school year.

Reports from 120 of the state's 168 public school units indicated attendance in high schools had increased 6,000 and attendance in elementary schools had dropped 4,000 during the last scholastic term.

The commission voted to allot all superintendents' travel and office expenses July 1 instead of allotting smaller sums each month. Superintendents will continue to receive the funds in monthly installments, however.

This morning, the commission approved an election in Monroe for a 15-cent supplementary school tax and similar levy already voted for in Albemarle. A 10-cent supple-

LUCKY STRIKE NINE BEATEN 4-3 BY LONGHURST

Roxboro Club Triumphs In Tenth Inning—Wilton Defeats Helena 6 to 2.

Longhurst nosed out the Lucky Strikes 4 to 3 in a 10-inning game Saturday to maintain its Central State league lead. In the other loop contest Wilton trounced Helena 6 to 2.

Saturday's contest proved a beautiful mound duel between Lefty Parker and Hicks, each allowing nine hits. Parker fanned 10 and Hicks seven. Poole and R. Gentry, of Longhurst, secured three hits apiece while Mason and Parker topped the Luckies' attack with a brace of bingles apiece.

Parham Hurls Well
Parham held Helena to five hits and fanned six. He allowed a run in each of the first two innings but was invincible thereafter. Wilton rallied for three runs in the seventh and two in the eighth to triumph.

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| Lucky Strike | 110 | 100 | 000-3 |
| Longhurst | 000 | 120 | 000-4 |
| Wilton | 000 | 100 | 320-6 |
| Helena | 110 | 000 | 000-2 |

Club members of Madison County have purchased nine heifers and three bull calves, all pure bred Jerseys, since last September.

Farmers of the Mount Pleasant section in Nash County recently ordered 12 queens and two three-pound colonies of bees from the Alamance Bee Company of Graham.

mentary tax in Gastonia, to be voted on in July also was approved.

FARM QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Question: Is it economical to carry pullets to the hen year for production purposes only?

Answer: This question naturally reverts back to the breeding of the birds. Heavy producing pullets of good breeding can be carried over, but all except the known heavy producers should be replaced by pullets. As a usual thing, hen year production is about 25 per cent less than that of the pullet year and the bird must also be fed through a three-month moulting period which makes it unprofitable to carry any but the heavy egg producers to the hen year.

Question: When should I begin feeding grain to my young calves?

Answer: Small amounts of both grain and hay should be offered the calf at about two weeks of age or when the change from whole milk to skim-milk is made. Only a small handful is given daily, but this amount can be gradually increased as the calf grows older until it is receiving around three pounds a day at six months of age. Feed only as much as the calf will clean up. The grain should be fed just after the milk and while the calf is still fastened to the stanchion.

Question: What is the best control for tobacco bud worm damage?

Answer: The application of poisoned corn meal bait is the best medium for controlling this damage which is caused by the corn ear worm. One pound of arsenate of lead thoroughly mixed with 50 pounds of corn meal and applied at the rate of one peck, or twelve pounds to the acre will give satisfactory results. The applications should be made early in the morning when the tobacco bud is open. A small pinch of the poison should be dropped in the center of the bud. Begin applications about ten days after the plants are set and repeat every week or ten days until the plants are topped.

Question: What must I substitute for green feed to keep my layers in health and production?

Answer: Where green feed is not available, a balanced laying mash reinforced with a potent fish oil should be kept before the birds at all times. The addition of from 5 to 7 and one-half percent of alfalfa leaf meal will, in most cases, provide ample insurance for the lack of this green feed. Where possible, dehydrated alfalfa leaf meal should be used. The use of this leaf meal and a good laying mash should keep the birds in a good, healthy, laying condition.

Question: Does altitude make any difference in the time of processing in canning fruits and vegetables?

Answer: Yes. Water boils at approximately two degrees lower for every 1,000 feet above sea level and it is necessary, therefore, to cook products longer in high altitudes, as the lower temperatures will not sterilize as readily as the sea level boiling point. A table showing the proper processing time for the higher altitudes is given in Extension Miscellaneous Pamphlet No. 39, a copy of which will be sent free upon application to the Agricultural Editor at State College.

Question: When should I select my seed Irish potatoes for planting next year?

Answer: Seed potatoes should be selected at harvest time. Go through the field just before general digging and dig separately a large number of hills, keeping the potatoes of each hill to themselves. Select the seed potatoes from those hills having the largest number of uniform tubers that are typical of the variety. Selection of the seed potatoes from the stored crop gives no assurance of good yields nor freedom from disease.

FINAL RITES HELD FOR MRS. REAVES

Deceased Had Been Ill Since Last January. Funeral Held Last Friday.

Mrs. Ruth Harris Reaves, age 30, passed away at her home in the Woodsdale community Thursday, June 18, at 8 p. m. Tuberculosis was given as the cause of her death, and she had been ill since January.

She is survived by her husband, John Reaves, one son, Claiborn Reaves, two daughters, Lila and Lottie Reaves. Eleven stepchildren also survive.

The funeral services were conducted from the home at 3 o'clock Friday, June 19th. Elder Theyn and Rev. Bennett of Durham were the officiating ministers.

Pallbearers were Ernest Bowes, Jessie Reaves, Ernest Wheeler, A. C. Humphries.

Immediately following the services interment followed in the Paul family cemetery.

Macon County 4-H club boys will finish and exhibit 15 calves at the Fat Cattle Show in Asheville this fall.

R. C. Rector of Marshall, Madison County, has irrigated his garden this spring by changing the run of a small stream.

W. P. Aldridge of Caswell County says the new terraces on his farm saved enough soil during a recent torrential rainfall to pay the cost of terracing.

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| 1923 | 18,031 | 1928 | 27,618 | 1933 | 31,078 |
| 1924 | 19,228 | 1929 | 30,858 | 1934 | 35,769 |
| 1925 | 21,628 | 1930 | 32,540 | 1935 | 36,100 |
| 1926 | 23,264 | 1931 | 33,346 | 1936 | —? |

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