

# School Problems Told in Letter

## Superintendent Tells Plans to Director

An outline of the plans for the solution of the integration problem in Hillsboro has been prepared and forwarded to Dr. R. M. Eyman, director of education, State Department of Education, by Paul L. Upp, superintendent of Hillsboro Schools.

Upp stated in a letter to Eyman that he felt the plans of the board "are of interest to you and should be forwarded to you for your analysis and study."

Eyman, earlier, had vouchsafed an interest in the local controversy, stating that it should clear up when the new buildings are completed.

The superintendent visited the state department of education Wednesday to talk to the director and assistants about this matter and others concerning the local district.

**FOLLOWING** is the outline of the program as presented to the state director:

"Our plan for correction of our classroom congestion and building problem and integration was delayed by failures of our bond issues for new elementary buildings in November, 1949, June, 1950, and November, 1950. An attempt to give you the historical development of our integration efforts and status of building development follows:

"(1) The senior high school, grades 9-12 inclusive, have always been integrated. (2) The 7-8 grades at Lincoln were integrated in July, 1951. These grades are now in the senior high building. (3) At approximately this time tentative plans were discussed and analyzed for the integration of grades 1-6 inclusive, pending the passage of an adequate

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**WILES SAID** that the theatre owners do not want to get out of paying taxes that are fair, and that are charged to all businesses evenly. What they do object to, he said, is the special tax. Pointing out that the money from this tax goes into a fund earmarked for playground use, the secretary said that "Actually, the theatre is subsidizing the playground program here."

Council took the matter under advisement and told Wiles and McBeth that they would decide on the matter at some later date.

The group approved a plan presented by R. J. Davis, city safety-service director, to appoint Robert Martin, former meter repairman, to the combined tasks of meter repairman and meter patrolman. Martin was given a raise in salary from \$210 a month to \$236 a month, which is a first class patrolman's pay, so long as he handles both jobs. It was pointed out that the merging of the two jobs would save the city about \$2,000 per year in salaries, since it did away with the necessity of employing another patrolman.

In the only other matter taken up at the meeting, council authorized Davis to purchase an additional 600 feet of water main and fittings for the Doyle subdivision. The money for this purchase had already been appropriated.

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bond issue and construction of two new elementary buildings.

"(4) Following the passage of our bond issue in November, 1953, more definite plans were discussed and made for total integration. (5) On August 9, 1954, a motion to follow my (Upp's) recommendation for integration was approved unanimously by the Hillsboro board of education. This recommendation made integration complete upon completion of construction of the two elementary buildings."

**THE OUTLINE** goes on to explain the status of two new elementary buildings. Webster is now under construction and will probably be occupied in the fall of 1955. Plans for rebuilding of Washington have been tentatively approved and this work is expected to start in the spring of 1955. Upon completion of the new Webster Building, both the old Webster and new building there will house pupils who are at present attending the Washington and Webster buildings.

"Following completion of construction of the two elementary buildings, all elementary pupils grades 1 to 6 in the Hillsboro School District will be assigned to the new buildings," the statement to the director continues.

The old Webster building will be demolished and removed and the Lincoln Building will be abandoned and disposed of, the outline adds.

"In my judgment," Upp told the director, "the plan is an intelligent, fair and workable one which reflects the forethought and good planning of our board of education, the desire of all our citizens and school officials to achieve integration in a dignified and effective manner."

## Polio Victim

Mrs. Doris Parshall, 34, wife of Irwin Parshall, Hillsboro Rt. 8, is confined at University Hospital, Columbus. A Greenfield physician, Dr. L. R. Cornelius, listed her illness as paralytic polio, confirmed by tests.

She was taken to the hospital Saturday. She had been ill for a few days prior to that. She has some paralysis of the lower limbs.

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