# THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

# PROVINCIAL INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

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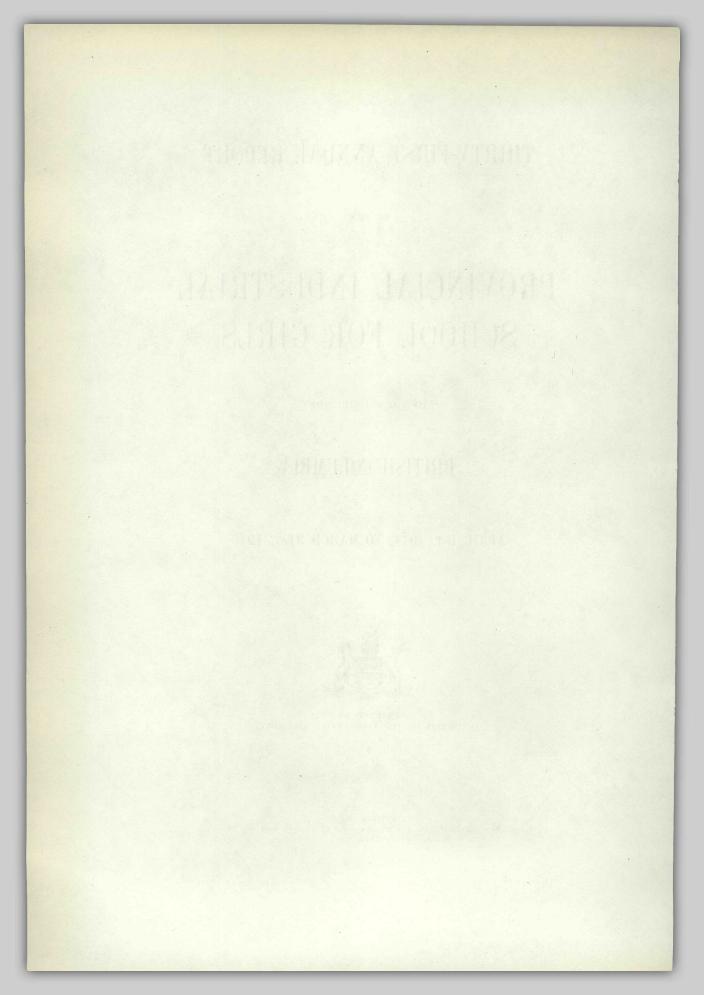
## BRITISH COLUMBIA

APRIL 1st, 1944, TO MARCH 31st, 1945



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To His Honour W. C. WOODWARD, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of British Columbia.

### MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

The undersigned has the honour to present the Thirty-first Annual Report of the Provincial Industrial School for Girls for the year ended March 31st, 1945.

> G. S. PEARSON, Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office, Victoria, B.C. PROVINCIAL INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, VANCOUVER, B.C., APRIL 1st, 1945.

### The Honourable G. S. Pearson, Provincial Secretary, Victoria, B.C.

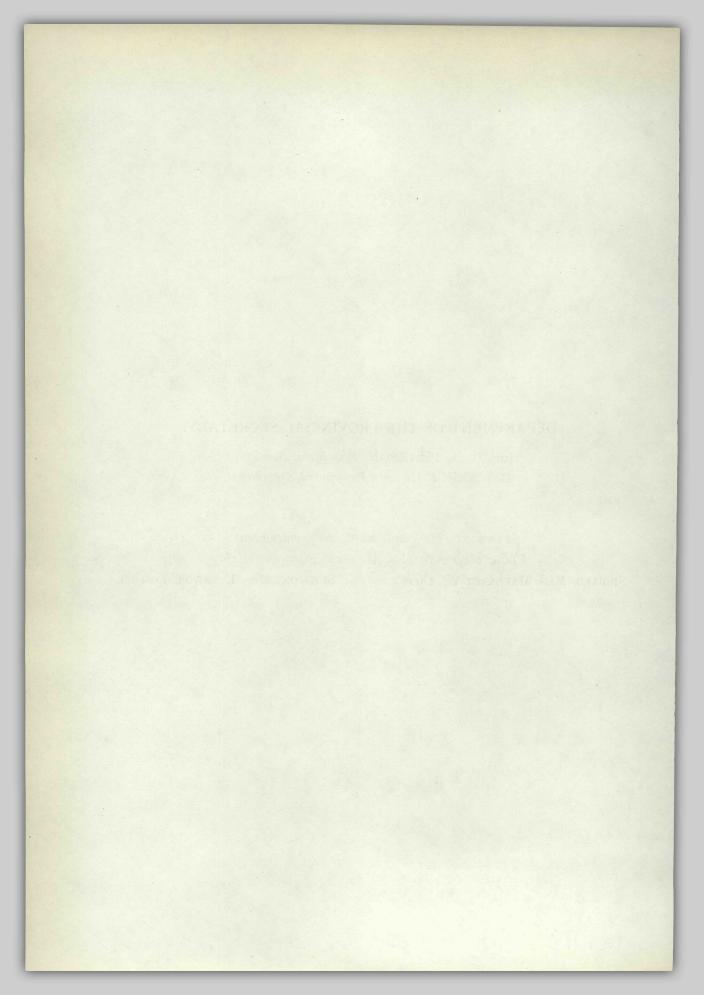
Sir,—I have the honour to submit herewith Annual Report of the Provincial Industrial School for Girls, covering the fiscal year April 1st, 1944, to March 31st, 1945.

MAUDE V. FLEMING, Superintendent of the Provincial Industrial School for Girls.

### DEPARTMENT OF THE PROVINCIAL SECRETARY.

HON. G. S. PEARSON, Provincial Secretary. P. WALKER, Deputy Provincial Secretary.

FLEMING, Miss MAUDE V., Superintendent. PECK, Miss Ayra E., Assistant Superintendent. SIBBALD, Miss MARGARET W., Clerk. SCHMOK, Miss ELEANOR, Teacher.



### PROVINCIAL INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.

### REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

### The Honourable George S. Pearson,

Provincial Secretary, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B.C.

SIR,—I have the honour to submit herewith the Thirty-first Annual Report of the Industrial School for Girls from April 1st, 1944, to March 31st, 1945.

The report shows the largest increase of admissions in the history of the school. At the beginning of the fiscal year there was a total of fifty-three girls in the school and during this period there were fifty-six admissions. Statistical reports alone do not give an adequate picture of the increase in the problems which they bring with them. The largest number of girls came from the age-group of 16 and 17 years, and this increased the disciplinary problem. There was a tendency on the part of the older group to dominate the younger group. With the increase, and no means of segregation, it was very difficult to carry on a training programme. We had girls of 12 and 13 years of age to whom we were expected to give the same training as to girls of 17 and 18 years. Younger girls whose charge was incorrigibility were obliged to mingle twenty-four hours a day with older girls committed on a more serious charge and of questionable experience.

From observation and knowledge of the girls sent to us under the "Juvenile Delinquents Act," it was possible to discover a few contributing causes; the disruption of the home by the absence of the father in the army, the mother working in a defence industry and, in some cases, permitting the presence of another man in the home; moving of the family to a new community and making it necessary for the teen-age girl to attend a new school and find new companions; a divided home and one parent or both remarried; lack of respect for parental authority; the apparent lack of moral and religious training; and, perhaps the most serious of all, the feeling of insecurity in family relationship.

Many of the older girls arrive at the school with bad habits crystallized, and nothing short of a miracle will change their aim in life. To them we can hope to provide custodial care only, and at times even this is very difficult. To make our training programme more effective, we would recommend a closer cooperation between the day-school authorities and social agencies, so that the young offender, who is usually a truancy problem, may early receive help and guidance in a controlled environment when it is most needed and not, as is frequently the case, "as a last resort." This policy carried out in an institution where segregation is possible and an organized effort made to educate parents to their responsibility, would assist greatly in the solving of this increasing problem of juvenile delinquency.

The health of the girls has been excellent, with no infectious diseases during the year. On admission, each girl received a physical examination, including chest X-ray, and considerable dentistry was required. There were several eye examinations and glasses supplied when necessary.

The Child Guidance Clinic gave us regular appointments and all girls who had not been examined previous to commitment were given an examination. We appreciate the co-operation and valuable advice given in planning for the girls during their stay in the school, and later in rehabilitation.

Arrangements were completed for several girls to secure employment on their release from the school, but there appears to be a great need for more specialized training, preferably in industry. As we had no equipment in the school to enlarge the scope of our vocational training, efforts were made to enrol some of the girls in outside courses, but without success.

With the larger number of girls, we found it necessary to organize more classes of instruction. A class in woodwork in charge of a Pro-Rec instructor was started and other classes in weaving, knitting, fancy work, and sewing provided other valuable occupation. We plan to hold a bazaar later in the coming year to dispose of the articles made in these classes. The proceeds will be used to buy other materials and to supply a donation to the Junior Red Cross Fund, a branch of which functions in our school. A course in Home Nursing was given by a staff member of the Victorian Order of Nurses, and a First-aid course by the Assistant Superintendent of our school. The enthusiasm of the girls was maintained throughout these courses.

Many of the girls have had very little religious training and in some cases were unable to state any church affiliation. The usual Protestant service was held each Sunday afternoon, and we are indebted to representatives of the Church of England, United Church, Salvation Army, and the Women's Christian Temperance Union for their continued interest and inspiration. During the early part of the year the Roman Catholics were represented by a Priest and two sisters, who came for early mass on Sunday, but owing to other calls on their services this had to be discontinued. Two groups of women continued their Thursday evening meetings with the Protestant and Roman Catholic girls.

We were fortunate in our entertainment programme in having many enjoyable musical evenings provided through the courtesy of the Women's Philharmonic Orchestra, the Women's Musical Club, the Salvation Army Junior Band, and the Lion's Club Orchestra. One of the outstanding and thrilling events was the introduction of a weekly movie show in the school. This entertainment, made possible through the purchase of a movie projector, shared with two other Provincial institutions, has favourably affected the school discipline, as the girls consider it a special privilege that must be maintained by good conduct. A large assortment of records, magazines, books and games were donated by the pupils of two high schools in the city and other interested friends. At the Christmas season the Salvation Army and W.C.T.U. provided each girl with a gift. We had the usual Christmas tree and other festivities.

In the realm of sport the Pro-Rec instructor was part-time leader in gymnastics, basketball, and baseball. The latter still remains the most popular game and we believe it is a valuable recreation, not only from a health standpoint, but as a factor in training the emotions.

A change was made in the day dresses of the girls. The blue uniforms were discarded and coloured patterned prints were introduced. Each girl chose colours and patterns for two dresses and helped in their making in a sewing class.

During the year we had several visitors at the school, including members of the Legislative Assembly, the Women's School for Citizenship, and students in Social Service and Public Health courses at the University. Their continued interest in our work here is much appreciated.

In conclusion, to you, sir, to the Deputy Minister, to the Adviser on Social Welfare Policy, and to the officers of the Public Works Department I wish to express my gratitude for your courtesy and co-operation during my first year at the school.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

MAUDE V. FLEMING, Superintendent.

### REPORT OF INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, 1944-45 Z 9

### EXPENSE AND REVENUE STATEMENT OF SCHOOL, MARCH 31st, 1945.

Total inmate-days from April 1st, 1944, to March 31st, 1945 16,272	
Per capita cost, one year	\$941.70
Per capita cost, one day	2.58
Operating expenditure by voucher—	
Salaries	\$21,907.49
Cost-of-living bonus	3,519.77
Office and school supplies, etc.—	
Postage, office and school supplies \$331.40	
Telephone and telegraph 184.89	
	516.29
Travelling expenses	554.11
Farm operations	
Furnishings, equipment, etc.	1,308.45
Clothing—	
Clothing \$262.45	
Boots and shoes 319.78	
	582.23
Janitors' supplies	262.37
Fuel, light and water—	
Fuel\$1,957.01	
Water 286.70	
Light and power 541.84	
Provisiona	2,785.55
Provisions— Groceries\$4,398.92	
Meat 1,499.65	
Fish 223.00	
	6,121.57
Medical attendance, medical supplies, and dental cost—	-,
Medical attendance \$491.25	
Medical supplies 228.93	
Surgery 35.00	
Dental cost 199.50	
	954.68
Good Conduct Fund	351.05
Incidentals and contingencies	1,689.29
Total expenditure for year by voucher	\$41,436.34
Maintenance and repairs (expended through Public Works Depart-	
ment)	3,118.92
Inventory, March 31st, 1944	1,243.23
	\$45,798.49
Less board \$2,167.68	
Less board \$2,101.00 Less rent 470.23	
Less rent 410.25 Less inventory, March 31st, 1945 1,156.54	
Less inventory, march orst, 1340 1,100.04	3,794.45
	\$42,004.04

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POPULATION OF SCHOOL, MARCH 31st, 1 On roll, April 1st, 1944	
Girls admitted during year April 1st, 1944, to Ma 31st, 1945	rch
Released as wards of Juvenile Court	61
Fransferred to Essondale Mental Hospital	
Transferred to Women's Division, Oakalla Prison	
Farm	11
Transferred to St. Joseph's Hospital	1
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Total in school, March 31st, 1945	

GIRLS ADMITTED FROM APRIL 1st, 1944, TO MARCH 31st, 1945.

No.	Place of Birth.	Parentage.	RESIDENCE TO BEING TO SC	ADMITTED	Length of Term.
		British Columbia.	Canada.		
19.1	120		Years.	Years.	4-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1
717	Vancouver, B.C	Irish-Scotch	14	14	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
718	Winnipeg, Man	Scotch-Canadian, French-Cana-			
		dian	11/2	16	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
719	Central Butte, Sask	Unknown	31/2	15	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
20	Vermilion, Alta	Polish-English	3	15	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
21	Barrhead, Alta	Irish-English	5	15	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
122	Somerset, Man	Belgian-English	2	17	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
23	Balcarres, Sask	French-Canadian, French-Indian	7	16	Sec. 16, J.D.A., 1908.
24	Vancouver, B.C	Scotch, English-American	15	15	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
25	Vancouver, B.C	English-Spanish	16	16	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
726	Humboldt, Sask	Polish-English	3	17	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
27	Vancouver, B.C.	Negro	14	14	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
28	Edmonton, Alta	English-Irish	5	15	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
29	Hillcrest, Alta	Ukrainian-Polish	2	17	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
30	Vancouver, B.C	English-American	17	17	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
31	Tucson, Arizona, U.S.A.	German-Scotch	11	11	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
32	Riske Creek, B.C	Indian	17	17	Indefinite.
733	Czechoslovakia	Czechoslovakian	16	16	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
734	Vancouver, B.C	Swedish-Canadian, English	14	14	Indefinite.
35	Calgary, Alta	Scotch-Irish	7.	17	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
36	Qu'Appelle, Sask	German	2	17	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
737	Vancouver, B.C	Scotch	15	15	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
738	Cranbrook, B.C	Russian-English	13	13	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
739	Spruce Lake, Sask	English-Irish	3	14	Juvenile Delinguents Act. 192
740	Telkwa, B.C.	Indian	- 16	16	Two months.
41	Saskatoon, Sask	Russian	2	16	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
42	Moricetown, B.C.	Indian	16	16	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
43	Vancouver, B.C	English-French	17	17	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
44	Ocean Falls, B.C	English-Icelandic	17	17	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
45	Alert Bay, B.C.	Indian	18	18	Indeterminate.
46	Vancouver, B.C.	Indian	16	16	Indefinite.
47	Calgary, Alta	French-German	3	17	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
48	West Vancouver, B.C	German-Scotch	16	16	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
49	Budapest, Hungary	Hungarian	13	15	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
50	Port Alberni, B.C.	English-Canadian	15	15	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
51	Trenton, Ont	Unknown	2	15	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
52	Regina, Sask.	English	9	16	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
53	Grayson, Sask	Austrian	3	17	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
54	Monarch, Alta	German	15	17	Indefinite.
55	Shuswap, B.C.	Indian	16	16	Indefinite.
56	Lloydminster, Sask	American	5	17	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
57	Edmonton, Alta	Polish	12	14	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
58	Calgary, Alta	Unknown	5	14	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.

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No. Place of Birth.		Parentage.	RESIDENCE PREVIOUS TO BEING ADMITTED TO SCHOOL.		Length of Term.
			British Columbia.	Canada.	
759	Orville, Wash., U.S.A	Canadian-American	14	14	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
760	Victoria, B.C	Irish-English	12	12	Undefined.
761	Vancouver, B.C	Italian-American	17	17	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
762	Spirit River, Alta	Indian	1	17	Indefinite.
763	Gull Lake, Sask	French-Canadian	3	16	Indefinite.
764	Kitwanga, B.C	Irish-Scotch	15	15	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
765	North Vancouver, B.C	Bulgarian-American	13	13	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
766	Port Alberni, B.C	Scotch-Indian	15	15	Undefined.
767	Vancouver, B.C	English-Scotch	17	17	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
768	Vancouver, B.C	English-Irish	16	16	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
769	Vancouver, B.C	Unknown	15	15	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
770	Moricetown, B.C.	Indian	16	16	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
771	North Vancouver, B.C	French, Irish-American	15	15	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.
772	Vancouver, B.C	Canadian	16	16	Sec. 20, J.D.A., 1929.

### GIRLS ADMITTED FROM APRIL 1st, 1944, TO MARCH 31st, 1945.—Continued.

### NATIONALITY OF PARENTS.

1
1
1
1
1
1
2
1
8
1
1
1
1
4
1
1
1
1
1
1
1
3

English-Scotch	1
English-Spanish	1
French-Canadian,	
French-Indian	1
French-German	1
French, Irish-	
American	1
German-Scotch	2
Irish-English	2
Irish-Scotch	2
Italian-American	1
Polish-English	2
Scotch-Canadian,	
French-Canadian	1
Scotch, English-	
American	1
Scotch-Irish	1
Scotch-Indian	1
Swedish-Canadian,	
English	1
Russian-English	1
Ukrainian-Polish	1
Total	56

### WHERE GIRLS WERE BORN.

Alberta	10	Hungary	1
British Columbia	29	United States	2
Manitoba	2	Czechoslovakia	1
Saskatchewan	10		
Ontario	1	Total	56

### BRITISH COLUMBIA.

### AGES OF GIRLS.

12	years	 1
13	years	 2
14	years	 5
15	years	 14

16	years	17
17	years	 15
18	years	 2
		-

Total ...... 56

### PLACES OF APPREHENSION.

Vancouver	36
Victoria	3
North Vancouver	3
Kelowna	1
Penticton	1
Williams Lake	1
Prince Rupert	1
Clinton	1
Cranbrook	1

Kamloops	1
New Westminster	1
Alert Bay	1
Dawson Creek	1
Langley	1
Cloverdale	1
Smithers	2
	-
Total	56

### OFFENCES COMMITTED.

Incorrigibility	18
Sexual immorality	21
Theft	9
Assault	1
Destruction of	
property	1
Veneral disease	2
Intoxication in a	
public place	2

Intoxication on Indian	
Reserve	1
Found without lawful	
excuse upon prem-	
ises specified in a	
beer licence	1
	-
Total	56

### LENGTH OF SENTENCE.

43	Indefinite	7
	Indeterminate	1
1	Undefined	2
1		
1	Total	56
	1	Indeterminate 1 Undefined 1

### **RELIGIOUS STATISTICS.**

United Church	10	Lutheran	1
Church of England	11	Pentecostal	1
Roman Catholic	20	Presbyterian	1
Baptist	4	Unity Centre	1
Protestant	5		
Nazarene	2	Total	56
Church of England Roman Catholic Baptist Protestant	11 20 4	Presbyterian Unity Centre	1

### GIRLS AND THEIR PARENTS.

Number who have both parents living	30
Number who have father living, mother dead	5
Number who have mother living, father dead	10
Number who have mother living, father unknown	5
Number who have mother dead, father unknown	2
Number whose parents are unknown	4
Total	56

Of the above, the parents of eight girls are separated; two parents are divorced; four girls have stepfathers; four girls have stepmothers; and four girls are adopted.

### MEDICAL OFFICER'S REPORT.

### Miss Maude V. Fleming,

Superintendent, Industrial School for Girls, Vancouver, B.C.

DEAR MADAM,—The following medical report applies to the period from April 1st, 1944, to March 31st, 1945:—

Patients seen by physician, including treatment		36
Complete physical examination		4
Patients treated for Neisser infection		2
Smears taken for Neisser infection		7
Blood taken for Kahn test		4
Girls treated for syphilis	10.215	
Anti-luetic treatments for syphilis	S. And M.	5
Prontylin tablets for Neisser infection (5 grains)	) 2	,16
Urine tests		4
Vaccinations		1
Admitted to General Hospital-		
Maternity cases	4	
Emergency		
X-ray for pregnancy	1	
Ischio rectal abscess	1	
Facial infection	1	
Tonsilectomy		
to 2 stasheres and 7 american defendent	10 1 <u>-</u> 41	1

The general health of the girls has been very good. Each girl on admission receives a complete physical examination.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

MARY B. CAMPBELL, Medical Officer.

### BRITISH COLUMBIA.

### DENTIST'S REPORT.

Miss Maude V. Fleming, Superintendent, Industrial School for Girls,

Vancouver, B.C.

DEAR MADAM,—The following is the report of dental services rendered at the Industrial School for Girls during the year ended March 31st, 1945:—

Visits to dentist	10
Number of girls seen	34
Amalgam fillings	40
Porcelain fillings	3
Cement fillings	26
Extractions	52
Cleaning	1

All of which is respectfully submitted.

STANLEY MCQUEEN, D.M.D.

### GENERAL REPORTS.

Visits to eye specialist	1
Glasses provided	1
Visits to skin specialist	7
Girls treated for skin conditions	3
Admitted to Ward X, General Hospital, for observation	4
X-rays at chest clinic	49

### Miss Maude V. Fleming,

Superintendent, Industrial School for Girls, Vancouver, B.C.

DEAR MADAM,—Following are movements of high school pupils from April 1st, 1944, to March 31st, 1945:—

On roll April 1st, 1944 Enrolled during the year	4 5	
Grade IX Grade X	8 1	9
Released or left class		7
On roll March 31st, 1945		2

These girls were enrolled in Government Correspondence Courses and attention and interest has been good. Owing to the fact that I feel that these girls, on leaving this institution, make little or no use of their school work, efforts have been made to provide some form of vocational training for those girls who must earn their own living and who are mentally equipped to take such training. So far these efforts have met with no success.

> AYRA E. PECK, Assistant Superintendent and School-teacher.

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Miss Maude V. Fleming,

Superintendent, Industrial School for Girls, Vancouver, B.C.

DEAR MADAM,—From April 1st, 1944, to March 31st, 1945, there was an average daily attendance of twelve pupils.

Fourteen pupils were on the roll April, 1944, and during the year twentyseven more names were added, making a total of forty-one pupils on the roll eight in Grade VIII., twelve in Grade VII., eight in Grade VI., six in Grade V., four in Grade IV., two in Grade III., and one in Grade I. Twenty-six of these were enrolled in a partial course in the Government Elementary Correspondence School, and the remaining fifteen received individual instruction.

Of those enrolled, fourteen left the school or were withdrawn before completing their course, six are still continuing, and five satisfactorily completed the prescribed lessons in literature, language, health, spelling, and mathematics. One Grade VIII. girl completed the course in all subjects.

> ELEANOR SCHMOK, School-teacher.

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