

Must Speed Up Building Program, School Board Told

Rising Birth Rate Will Bring Increased Elementary Enrollment, Committee Says

By DAVID WATSON
Indianapolis' school building program must be accelerated to meet increasing population trends, a report to the Board of School Commissioners had revealed today.

Prepared by the board's buildings and grounds committee, the report cited the continuous rise in the birth rate for the past several years and forecast a heavy increase in elementary school enrollment.

Last September a general statement of building needs presented to the board after enrollment figures were compiled indicated a minimum requirement of 50 additional classrooms before September of this year.

The survey also pointed out a need for another 50 classrooms to replace obsolete buildings.

Take Pre-School Census
In an effort to determine further building requirements, school officials are making a census of pre-school age children in school districts.

Over-crowded conditions in some school areas were partly attributed, in the report of the buildings committee, to mass housing projects and real estate development.

Although there is a definite need for elementary classrooms, the committee reported that the situation is not critical locally in comparison with other large cities throughout the country. It further stated that there are no half-day classes in the city schools at the present time.

The real pressure is expected to come with the anticipated in-

Farrington Begins Rule City's Educators 3d School Term

Mrs. Bruck Elected Board Vice President

Clarence L. Farrington, president of the Board of School Commissioners, today started his third term as the board's presiding officer.

Voting by secret ballot, board members last night re-elected Mrs. Louis W. Bruck to the vice presidency.

Mr. Farrington, who is the first board officer to serve three successive terms as president, expressed his appreciation for the confidence placed in him by other members of the group. He praised the board for its operations in the past as a conscientious unit.

Additions Under Way

A 15-room addition to Broad Ripple High School will be completed early this year and a two-room addition to School 80 is expected to be finished this month.

Plans for a new building, School 77, were started in last year's expansions and alterations and additions to six other buildings were scheduled.

At Crispus Attucks, new shop facilities had been approved and preliminary sketches for music and shop spaces at Washington were okayed. Plans for the new Manual building had also been given the nod.

Now under consideration are new buildings in the areas of No. 4, 630 W. Michigan St., and No. 23, 360 W. 13th St.

Commissioners last night ap-

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Rita Scolded By Trade Paper

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 12 (UPI)—"on our whole industry," Mr. A. movie trade paper has urged the film industry to "wash its hands of Rita Hayworth" because of her romance with Aly Khan.

Owner W. R. Wilkerson of the Hollywood Reporter urged the action in a page one editorial yesterday. He recommended similar treatment for other film personalities who get unfavorable publicity.

"When something comes along as flagrant as Miss Hayworth's romance with Aly Khan, a married man with children, it becomes something extremely bad and J. D. Baker, 6061 Birchwood Ave., executive vice president.

for Miss Hayworth and reflects

Watts' attorney, W. S. Henry, said he would ask the U. S. Supreme Court to review the case. Mr. Henry and other defense counsel argued Watts confessed under duress to the slaying of Mrs. Mary Lois Bannery, 39, in November, 1947.

They also contended he was improperly indicted because no members of his own Negro race

have ever served on the grand jury of Marion County.

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