

March 25, 1939.

Mr. J. F. Kincaid,
Leesburg, Virginia.

My dear Mr. Kincaid:

On the date indicated I received a copy of the inclosed letter. After the receipt of this letter I importuned Mr. Buck to give the school an accredited rating in 1936-37 and he consented to do this only with the understanding that I would not make further requests that their regulations be set aside.

When certificates accrediting the schools in 1937-38 were sent out the usual certificates for accrediting schools was not sent to Lucketts.

One of the present requirements for accrediting high schools is an average daily attendance of 50. This requirement changes in September 1940 to an enrollment of 75. The average daily attendance of the Lucketts high school department for the last year of its operation was 33.

It is significant that the year 1917-18 the enrollment in the Lucketts, Limestone, Oak Hill, and Furnace Mountain elementary grades was 253 while in the present year the enrollment at Lucketts to which children are brought from all of these school areas is just about one-half as much.

It might, of course, be suggested that children are staying out of school on account of consolidation. The facts are that as far back as 1897-98 only 32% of the school population was in average attendance and in 1917-18 this had stepped up to 45% while in 1937-38 it was 60%.

Very sincerely yours,

Division Superintendent.

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