



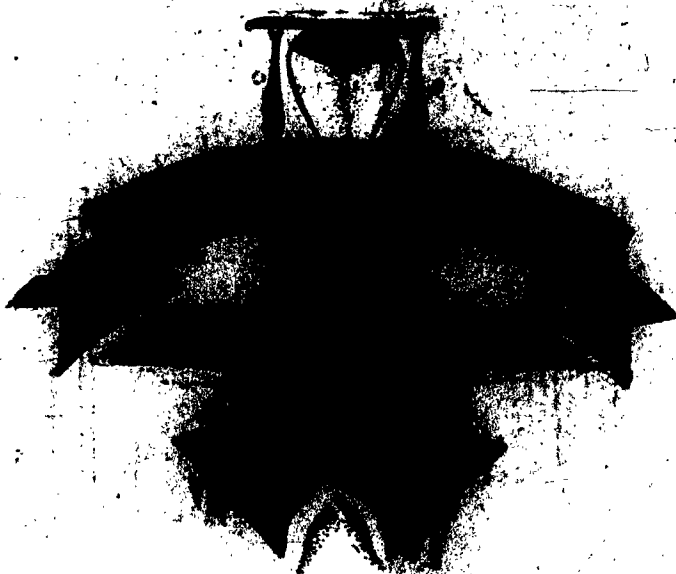
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To all we extend best wishes for a Happy New Year and offer our best endeavors to make it a prosperous one.



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### EDUCATION BOARD MEET

ADDITIONAL RURAL STUDY  
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Attendance Record At High School  
98 Per Cent For December  
Saving In Heating Costs This  
Year.

Possibility that the Potsdam school may be made the center of instruction for students in seventh and eighth grades from districts within a radius of five miles or more of Potsdam was discussed at a meeting of the board of education held at the office of President F. L. Cullley Friday evening. A board was present. Various other matters pertaining to the local school were also considered.

The past year an eighth grade established at the high school and attendance in it now numbers sixteen, which is somewhat larger than was anticipated. A number of requests have been made from neighboring districts which would like to have their upper grade scholars here to do away with overcrowding their own schools and from the standpoint of the superior educational advantages offered locally. Superintendents of the supervisory districts adjacent to Potsdam have considered the proposition and are favorable to it. They will meet with the board the near future and go over the matter.

No definite details have been worked out as yet the matter being still in the embryo stage. The proposition would necessitate the erection of probably two or three school buses to bring scholars to and from their homes. The state education provides a most liberal allowance for operation and the plan, if adopted would entail no added expense to local union district, the boundaries which are approximately those of the village.

Principal E. H. Cole of the high school reported to the board that average attendance at the school during the month of December was 98 per cent, which was considered a good record. Special attention has been given by the school faculty attendance this term and the results have been most gratifying. As a result of the local school based on a certain extent on attendance records, there is a pecuniary benefit to the district in this record.

Operation costs of the cafeteria opened at the high school toward the close of the year show that on prices charged a profit of around ten dollars was realized from the first month of operation. It is not the intention to operate the cafeteria on a profit basis, charges being made to cover actual cost and depreciation and the charge for items on the menu offered may be reduced somewhat.

The cafeteria is operated to a certain extent in connection with cooking classes in the domestic science course and such of the dishes prepared by the students as can be utilized are offered in the cafeteria. The cafeteria is now feeding about fifty students daily for lunch. Principal Cole reported to the board. It is being supported and this number will be increased. Lunches are served only to students and such faculty members as may desire to eat there.

Mild weather thus far this year saved the taxpayers of this district about \$900 in heating costs according to the report of Dr. F. T. Swan, chief of the board. The oil burners at school used this much less fuel so far this season.

#### RECOVER STOLEN COAL

Police Break Up Gang Operating  
Railroad Yards

Spurred on reports of repeated coal thefts at the local railroad yards, police set a watch on Tuesday evening of last week and caught five men in the act of removing coal from a car consigned to Lamar Brothers Inc.

About seven hundred pounds of coal were taken from the car. It was estimated and over half of it was recovered. Police held a warrant for the man as the result of their investigation and are seeking for one or two others who they believe are implicated.