

5,000,000 STUDENTS

2,500,000 STUDENTS



1821

FIRST HIGH SCHOOL

1921 1933

THE FIRST 2,500,000 STUDENTS ... BUT ONLY 12 YEARS TO ENROLL THE NEXT 2,500,000 STUDENTS

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## RAPID ELIMINATION OF CHILDREN FROM INDUSTRY

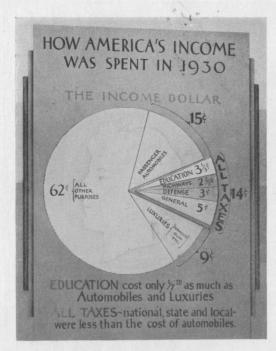
THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN GAINFUL OCCUPATIONS DECREASED 75% BETWEEN 1910 AND 1930

CHILDREN ARE BEING EXCLUDED FROM INDUSTRY THE SCHOOLS MUST MAKE PROVISION FOR THEM.

Fewer Children Work—More Children Go to School: Can it be possible that our high school enrollment has doubled in the past twelve years? The statistics are reliable. We must acknowledge this significant, almost revolutionary social change.

What are the causes of this increasing demand for a secondary education? One of them is illustrated in Part II of the above chart. In 1910, 18.4 per cent of the children in this country ten to fifteen

years of age were employed in gainful occupations. In 1930, this percentage had dropped to 4.7 per cent which is a decrease of 75 per cent in a period of twenty years. Higher standards of living, the demand of society for better trained workers, and other causes have contributed. The school itself has become more attractive and more helpful through its enriched curriculum.



WE CAN AFFORD COST OF EDUCATION

Above all things, I hope the education of the common people will be attended to.

George Washington

I view education as the most important subject which we as a people can be engaged in.

- Abraham Lincoln

Religion, morality and knowledge being necessary to good government and the happiness of mankind; schools and the means of education shall forever be encouraged. -Ordinance of 1787

Education for the children of all the people, extending from the primary grades through the university, constitutes. America's noblest contribution to civilization.

-Calvin Coolidge

A NATIONAL OBLIGATION

Let us make no false economy at the expense of children. — Mrs. Hugh Bradford, P.T.A.

Education is a necessity not a luxury, since the growth of the child cannot be halted or postponed during an economic emergency.

— Citizens Conference

In this time of economic distress, it is particularly important that full support be given the education of our children. -Louis Johnson, American Legion

Resolved, that the American Tederation of Labor.... urge the protection of our public schools and put squarely before fellow citizens the danger in which reduction of school revenues will place their schools.

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## A Social Institution



SCHOOLS KEEP PACE IN A CENTURY OF PROGRESS

## "The Testing Time for American Democracy Has Come"

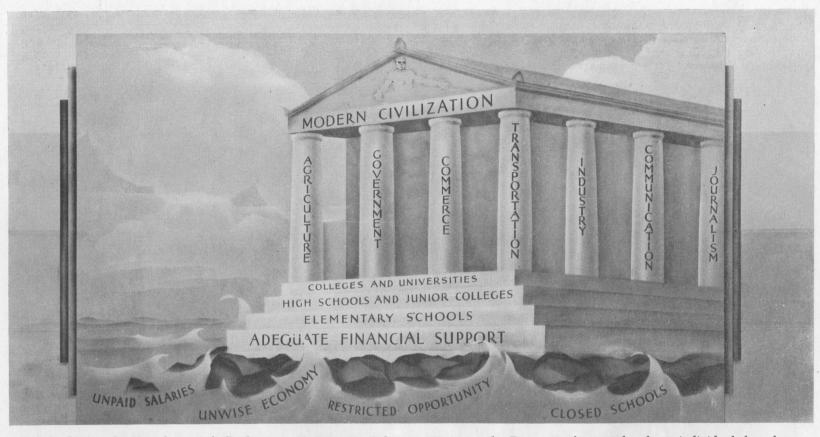
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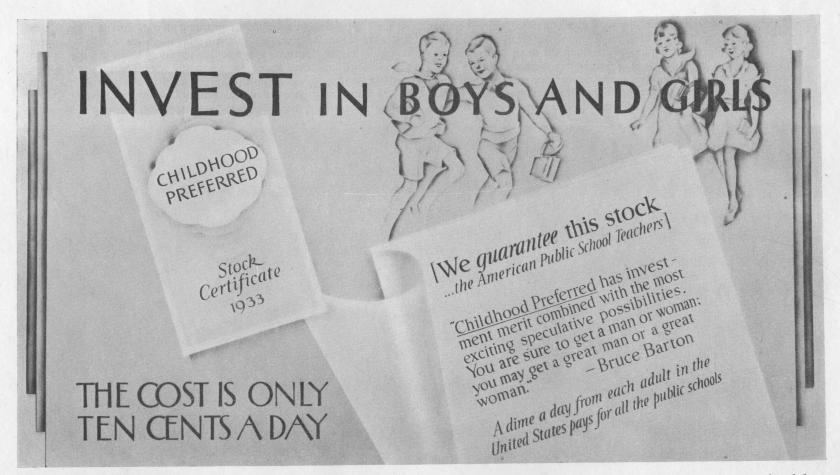
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Schools Are the Foundation of Civilization: Newton D. Baker says, "Schools are the very base rock upon which the success of our modern life and our democratic institutions rests." Gifford Pinchot states that "Education is the soundest social insurance that can be employed, and the nation that neglects it is inviting disaster." "When buildings decay, we can rebuild them. When bridges collapse, we can rebuild them. When material things disintegrate, they can be

reconstructed. But once the morale of an individual has been broken down, it is gone forever. More than the stock market crash, more than lost fortunes, more than want and deprivation and hunger—this is the tragedy of the depression. Schools, libraries, recreation centers—these keep up the morale—and the unemployed are using them! Take them away and what then? Be selfish and be afraid. Watch the cost of crime go up."—National Municipal Review.



Schools—Our Best Investment: Education, according to H. A. L. Fisher, is the eternal debt of maturity to childhood. Many years ago William Penn said, "For this learning be liberal. Spare no cost; for by such parsimony all is lost that is saved." Governor McNutt says, "The hope for future prosperity and leadership lies in trained

men and women. Roads and buildings may wait, but not the children." Louis Johnson, Commander of the American Legion has said, "In this time of economic distress, it is particularly important that full support be given the education of our children."

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