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TEACHERS' SALARIES 1/13/55

January 13, 1955

Mr. R.V. Carter
State Editor
Richmond Times-Dispatch
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Mr. Carter:

In connection with the enclosed answers to your inquiry of January 10, 1955, I wish to add this comment.

The increase in State Funds for 1955-56 will pay in part the increase required for added teachers. I will in no sense apply for increased salaries.

My considered opinion is that the State should not arbitrarily require the payment by localities of the entire amount required for salary increases in teachers salaries.

The localities have had to bear a terrific burden of increasing costs for operation other than instruction, and for capital outlays and debt service in recent years and this increase seems destined to continue.

I think teachers are not paid adequate salaries and the positive proof is found in the acute shortage of teachers.

Very sincerely yours,

O.L. Emerick
Division Superintendent

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