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Foreword |

This bulletin is one of a series reporting the findings of investigations undertaken during 1936-37 under the Project in Research in Universities of the Office of Education. The project was financed under the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935, and conducted in accordance with administrative regulations of the Works Progress Administration. Study findings in addition to those reported in this series will be made available in other Office of Education or institutional publications.

The Project in Research in Universities represents a unique and significant innovation in cooperative research. Sixty universities and comparable institutions located in 32 States, the District of Columbia, and Hawaii combined efforts with the Office of Education to conduct 40 studies, 23 of which were proposed by the Office and 17 by the institutions. Each institution was invited to participate in all of the approved studies that it was in a position to undertake. From 1 to 14 studies were conducted in each institution, and a total of more than 150 separate study reports were made to the Office of Education.

An important feature of the project was the widespread and coordinated attack on each problem by a number of universities at the same time. Each study proposed by the Office of Education and accepted by the universities was conducted by two or more institutions. As many as 31 institutions, located in 20 States representative of each major geographical division of the country, participated in 1 study alone. The task of planning, administering, and supervising the many subjects and studies on a national scale, under complex and often difficult conditions, demanded the finest type of cooperative endeavor. Except two places where qualified relief workers could not be found or retained, every institution which actually began work on the project carried it through to successful completion. The fine professional spirit in which responsibility for the work was accepted and maintained by the institutions made possible the successful completion of the project within approximately 1 year.

With this professional spirit of cooperation in worth-while research and

study of educational problems was manifested a strong humanitarian desire to join hands with Federal agencies striving during the years of the depression to afford gainful and socially desirable employment to college graduates or former college students in the type of work for which they were best prepared. For these contributions to educational research and to the social good of the Nation, the Office of Education extends to its colleagues and helpers in the universities of the country its grateful acknowledgment and appreciation.

This bulletin presents the results of a study of the economic status of rural teachers. The incomes of these teachers have recently been lower than in many years. Rising living standards, increased demands for higher educational qualifications, growing needs for genuine and stable leadership in the rural schools, all point to the necessity of giving more attention to the problem of making this field of teaching attractive economically. The study, therefore, concerns itself with the whole question of the incomes of rural teachers, with the ways in which these teachers use their incomes, and with their assets and debts. Data are presented also to show the relationship of such factors as types of school taught, age of teachers, years in the profession, extent of education, number and types of dependents, etc., upon income and expenditures of teachers. In short, the whole purpose of this study was to bring together some basic statistics which would be helpful to those interested in the improvement of the status of the rural teacher.

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Assistant Commissioner of Education.

Economic Status of Rural Teachers

A study of the economic status of rural teachers concerns more than their salaries. The cost of room and board as well as other commodities and services essential to a teacher's well-being varies considerably among communities. The standard of living may be higher in one locality than in another. In addition to these factors there is the question of family and the number of dependents. Teaching in the rural schools cannot rise to the level of a profession unless men and women can depend upon the income it affords to maintain a home and rear a family. Unless the salaries are such as to enable a person to choose rural teaching as a permanent field of work, the profession will continue to attract a transitory and relatively untrained body of young people whose aim in life will be to get into the larger schools or into occupations other than teaching. Questions concerned with teachers' incomes from sources other than salaries for teaching must also be considered if the economic welfare of the teachers is to be understood.

Thus far but little information along these lines has been brought together. Salary studies have from time to time pointed out that differences in salaries paid in different school systems are in part justified by peculiar economic conditions. Until recently no large body of facts has become available whereby all the related factors may be intelligently evaluated or given weight in considering the economic status of the teachers. The National Education Association 1 recently published the results of an extensive investigation of the economic status of teachers of city schools and appointed a special committee to make a similar study of this whole situation in the rural schools. Other recent studies limited to one or more aspects of the teachers' economic status have also been made. These dealt, for example, with the relationship of salaries to the cost of living,² the pur-

¹ National Education Association. Research Division. The Teacher's Economic Position. Research bulletin of the National Education Association, 13: 165-267, September 1935.

National Education Association. Department of Classroom Teachers. The Economic Welfare of Teachers. Washington, D. C., The Association, 1931.

Eella, W. C. Teachers' Salaries and the Cost of Living. Palo Alto, Calif., Stanford University Press, 1933.

Harry, David P. (Jr.) Cost of Living in the State of New York. New York, N. Y., Teachers College, Columbia University, 1928.

chasing power of 3 the teacher's dollar for one period compared with that of another. Despite the fact that in the larger urban centers the teachers have from two to three times as much pay as those in the smaller schools, nearly all of the studies of economic status have been concerned with the teachers employed in the larger cities.

The situation in rural schools is particularly critical. Salaries in most rural centers have been drastically reduced at a time when the cost of living was rising. Higher qualifications are demanded. The disparities between the salaries of city teachers and rural teachers are growing wider. The lowest paid teachers, almost always found in the rural schools, are affected most. The present study, though limited in a number of ways, attempts (1) to stimulate thought on the problem, (2) to present some basic data, and (3) to cite some related studies which may be helpful in clarifying the issues involved.

⁸ Butsch, Russell L. C. Trends in the Purchasing Power of Teachers' Salaries. American School Board Journal, 87: 18-20, October 1933.

March, Arthur L. Teachers' Salaries and Living Costs in 1929-30. Washington Journal of Education 10: 200-201, March 1931.

Procedure and Scope of the Study

E and a number of others expressed an interest in it. Coordination between the several cooperating universities was secured (1) by using similar inquiry forms, (2) by tabulating the data on forms worked out by the study coordinator in the Office of Education, and (3) by applying the same statistical treatment to the data reported. Where it was deemed necessary the local units varied the forms suggested for use in the study as a whole by making certain additions. But where such additions were made the resulting materials were tabulated separately for local use. Every effort was made to think through in advance all phases of the study and to plan in detail all matters relating to its success as a coordinated undertaking. Each cooperating institution prepared a brief summary of the data making such, analysis as would be helpful to their understanding, and noting carefully any conditioning factors. The data reported for the study, therefore, are comparable in every detail. Upon reaching the Office of Education the several reports were studied and the summary data from each institution. consolidated into tables so as to produce a fairly clear picture of each of the various aspects of the problem under investigation.

All major sections of the United States except the Rocky Mountain and far Western regions are represented in the study. From five States the data reported are for teachers of white schools only; for one, Tennessee, data are presented separately for the white and Negro schools; and for one, Maryland, they include both white and Negro teachers, the proportion being 5 to 1. Only the rural teachers living within the respective States studied by the cooperating institutions were included. In Tennessee, the studies for the white and Negro teachers were gathered separately and indifferent universities. The State school authorities were in no way responsible for the data except to grant permission for making the studies.

The 8 universities which completed units of this coordinated study sent the

The names and locations of the participating universities, together with the names and official titles of the persons responsible for and assisting in this coordinated study, are listed on the back of the title page.

questionnaire to a total of 38,768 rural teachers. Of these, 5,431, or 14.1 percent, returned usable replies. The percentages returned ranged from 34 in one State to 43 in another (table 1). Estimates were requested where exact information was not available. The rural teachers participating in this investigation did so voluntarily, and were protected with respect to their names and localities. Moreover, the care with which the form 2 was filled in suggests that most of those supplying the information made of it a serious business. It is, therefore, believed that the data presented by this study are sufficiently accurate to provide good indices of the actual situation.

In five of the States attempts were made to make the study State-wide. In others the forms were sent to the rural teachers of representative counties only. The data supplied are probably not representative for the Nation as a whole, but for some of the States for which data are presented they should provide fairly reliable pictures.

TABLE 1 .- States to which forms were sent and number and proportion returned

	Number of	Forms :	eturned
State	forms sent out	Number	Percent
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Illinois	7, 000 3, 694 1, 700	1, 035 668 310	14. 8 18. 1 18. 2
Negro	1, 000 5, 485 8, 000 1, 889 10, 000	430 1,010 269 488 1,221	43.0 18.4 3.4 25.8 12.2
Total	38, 768	5, 431	• 14.1

The detailed data supplied by the questionnaires were tabulated for each State at the several institutions participating and treated as though each study were independent. Specific directions were followed so that the master distribution tables resulting were similar item for item for each aspect of the problem. The tables were arranged so as to reveal the range between the highest and the lowest salaries of teachers, as well as the central tendencies, for each of the factors studied. Similar procedures were outlined for computing the summary measures needed. The distributions, together with the computations, were checked and verified at the Office of Education, and consolidated as indicated in the accompanying tables.

Four types of summary measures were computed in connection with each of the factors involved in the study. They undertake to answer three

See appendix.

⁸ Assistance was obtained in checking, verifying, and consolidating the data from all of the institutions by special arrangement with technicians from Howard University, Washington, D. C.

basic questions: (1) How many teachers provided usable information from each State in connection with a given question? (2) What is the average or typical practice for each type of data? (3) What is the range of the middle 50 percent of the distribution in each case?

The four types of summary measures used in answering these three questions may in general be defined as follows: "Total cases" means the number of teachers reporting on each question; "median" means that measure in each distribution which most closely fits the middle teacher when a count is taken from either extreme of the distribution; "Q₁" is the measure in each distribution below which there are 25 percent of the cases; and "Q₃" is the measure below which there are 75 percent of the teachers. "Q₁" is often referred to as the 25th percentile point in a distribution, and "Q₃" as the 75th percentile point. That portion of a given distribution falling between these quartile points is commonly known as the interquartile range. It includes the middle 50 percent of the cases reported in connection with each question.

The teachers responding were requested to give all data for the period from September 1, 1934, to August 31, 1935. The information relating to incomes or outlays, presented in this study, therefore, covers an entire year. Where estimates were used this fact was to be indicated. In cases where the answers contained items which had to be derived through computation, definite formulas were provided to insure uniformity of response.

The number of teachers supplying information varies considerably for the several factors studied. This is explained by the fact that there were more teachers of one type reporting than of another type.\ It is further explained by the fact that some of the teachers gave most of the information but failed to answer certain questions. For some States the number of cases reported for a given type of teacher is consistently small, meaning either that there are few schools of that type within the area canvassed or that few of the teachers reported. For example, data for open country schools having teaching staffs of three to six teachers are in most instances few and those for schools with as many as seven teachers are fewer still. Where the number of teachers reporting was 10 or fewer no medians or quartiles were computed and the spaces in the several tables were left blank. Although it is recognized that such measures based on distributions of fewer than 25 or 30 cases may not be reliable, they may be accepted with qualifications. The validity of the medians as representative measures of the true situation may in part be determined from the spread of the interquartile range. A small number of cases and a wide range means that the median has doubtful value; a narrow range, on the other hand, means that the cases, although hew in number, are grouped closely about the central tendency, thus making the median a fair measure of the factor in question.

Type and Use of Statistical Data Presented

THE STATISTICS in this study relate to four major aspects of the economic status of rural teachers and the relationship of these to certain professional and social variables. The first series of tables presented (tables 2-8) is devoted to the incomes of rural teachers; the second (tables 9-12) centers attention upon the expenditures made by these teachers; the third (tables 13-15) relates to the general question of the economic assets and liabilities of rural teachers under varying conditions; and the fourth, consisting of but two tables (tables 16 and 18) presents data on the relationship of the money these teachers have invested in education to the types of schools in which they are employed and to the salaries they receive as teachers.

ANNUAL SALARIES AND OTHER INCOMES OF RURAL TEACHERS

Teachers' receipts, by size of school.—The data relating to the problems involved in the annual salaries and other receipts of the rural teachers are considered first from the standpoint of the size of the school (table 2). Priority has been given to this aspect of the problem because the "rural school" in itself represents a variable quantity which must be broken into subgroupings more homogeneous in character. Grouping the schools by size is perhaps the easiest method of showing the "ruralness" of these schools. One-teacher and two-teacher schools are almost without exception located in the more sparsely settled communities and attended by farm children. Schools of three to six and seven or more teachers located in the open country also serve farm children, but they are found in the more thickly populated agricultural communities and are organized similarly to urban schools. The village and town schools vary in size from three-teacher schools attended chiefly by farm children to larger schools resembling city schools in organization and curriculum offered.

Only two aspects of the income of the rural teachers investigated are shown

here. They are (1) the "salary," and (2) the "total receipts." As the term implies, the first-named gives the net income of the teachers from salary for teaching, or to be more exact the salary remaining, after deductions have been made for discounts and other losses from warrants, deductions for retirement funds, and the like. Total receipts include the annual salary for teaching, but in addition show the earnings from work other than teaching, contributions received from friends and relatives, business incomes, money borrowed, withdrawals from previous savings, and the like.

The use of these data may be illustrated from the statistics presented for Wisconsin (table 2). Of the 800 teachers of one-room schools reporting, the median teacher had in 1934-35 an annual school salary of \$643; 25 percent received less than \$581; and 25 percent received more than \$697 per year. The total receipts of the median teacher was \$687, including an average amount from sources other than salaries for teaching of \$44 per year (median total receipts minus median salary income). There was considerably wider variation in nonteaching receipts than in teaching incomes. In the one-room schools of Wisconsin the typical teacher at the first quartile had honteaching receipts of \$36 per year while the one at the third quartile received \$100 from such sources.

Teachers of two-teacher schools had both a larger salary median than those of one-teacher schools and a higher total median for other than salary income, showing medians of \$712 and \$86, respectively. This same tendency for both types of receipts to be higher as the schools become larger may also be observed for the successive classes of schools. Almost without exception the rural teachers reported some receipts from sources other than teaching. Such receipts, however, were for the most part small and, as will appear later (table 8), the major portions of such nonteaching receipts came from contributions of relatives other than children and from borrowed funds.

Teachers' receipts, by types of services rendered.—There were marked differences in receipts between teachers teaching only elementary grades, those teaching partly grade and partly high-school classes, those teaching secondary pupils only, and those in supervisory 2 positions (table 3). Data for Maryland, for example, show salary medians of \$948, \$1,180, \$1,232, and \$1,800, respectively, for these various classes of services to the rural schools. Receipts from sources other than teaching are, \$88, \$153, \$108, and \$315, respectively. It appears from these, and from comparable data for the other States, that those teaching secondary pupils not only are paid higher salaries, but they also have somewhat higher nonteaching receipts than those teaching elementary pupils, and that those occupying

For purposes of this study retirement funds usually considered part of net earnings are deducted.

Only those persons were counted as supervisors who devoted half or more of their time to the supervision of rural teachers.

supervisory positions receive still more from both sources. Since teachers are commonly promoted from grade-school positions to high-school or to supervisory duties, the differences noted, especially those in salaries for teaching, may be due in part to factors other than pay graduated to varying types of services.

Teachers' receipts, in relation to years of training, experience, and tenure. - Data are next presented to show the relation of the receipts of rural teachers (1) to the amount of their education or training (table 4), (2) to the length of their years of professional experience, and (3) to the years they have been in the same position (table 5). It may be assumed that a teacher with more education should beentitled to a larger salary. Likewise longer experience and tenure should help a teacher to give better service which should be reflected in the economic income provided. The differences in salary medians show, however, that training on the high-school level, 1 year or 2 years of college receive comparatively little monetary recognition in the rural schools. In Illinois, for example, the median teacher with high-school education or less had a salary of \$591, those with 1 year of college had \$592, and those with 2 years of college had \$558. Training higher than the sophomore year of college was, apparently, more substantially rewarded. The median teacher in the same State who had 5 years or more of college training received nearly twice as much salary as the one with 2 years of college or less. Similar relationships between salaries and education, although perhaps not quite as marked, may be observed in the other States, except in the case of the Negro teachers of Tennessee. The latter had nearly the same salary income regardless of amount of training. The explanation is probably to be found in the fact that since all of the salaries reported for this group are but little above the subsistence level those with little training could not be paid a great deal less than those having more training, and still make a living. There may, of course, be other factors involved. Receipts other than salaries show no definite relationships to amount of training.

Rural teachers do not receive salary increases in proportion to education until they have 2 years of normal school training or the equivalent. It is probable that those reaching the higher standards also occupy the higher teaching positions. The differences noted in the salaries paid might, therefore, reflect differences in type of position quite as much as amounts of training.

Additional years of experience and tenure appear to have a fairly direct relationship to salaries in all States supplying data (table 5). Receipts from sources other than salaries also show increases with these factors. The median rural teacher of Illinois, for example, with 1 year of professional experience has a salary of \$534; the one with 6 or more years of experience

Teachers who were in their positions for the first year were paid a median salary of \$554; those in the same schools for more than 6 years received \$905; nonteaching incomes were, respectively, \$116 and \$148. The other States show similar differentials in salary with increases in the years of experience and tenure. The number of years a teacher holds the same position seems in most States to have a greater effect upon salary incomes than total professional experience. But even after 6 or more years of service rural teachers' salaries remained extremely low when compared to incomes in other types of activities. In no State except Maryland did such salaries exceed \$1,000; in several States they did not greatly exceed \$600.

Teachers' receipts, by number of dependents.—It is also significant in a study of the economic status of rural teachers to inquire concerning the number of dependents whose support must come from the salaries and other receipts of these teachers. Separate information was gathered to show the receipts of those who had children to support and those who had dependents other than children. However, table 6 presents the situation only by total number of dependents. First, it will be of interest to note whether or not these teachers had dependents and what kinds. An average of 3 out of 10 rural teachers had children dependent upon them, either their own or adopted. In the case of the Negro teachers of Tennessee, however, fully a third had children; and in Oklahoma about two-fifths of the white teachers of rural schools reported child dependents. On the other hand, only about one in eight of the rural teachers of Vermont reported such dependents.

When, however, the number of dependents other than children was taken into account the picture changed considerably (table 6). When such dependents were added to the child dependents the percentage of all teachers reporting who used their incomes for the support of persons other than themselves, is raised to about 45. For the rural teachers of Oklahoma and Maryland the proportion having dependents was approximately three out of five; of the Negro teachers of Tennessee four out of five.

The next question to be examined through the data presented in table 6 is the relationship of the salaries and other receipts of rural teachers to the number of dependents. There seems to be clear evidence that those who had dependents supplemented their income more frequently than others by means other than teaching. This suggests that their salary incomes were too small to meet their needs and those of their dependents, and, therefore, they had to resort to other means of making a satisfactory living: It also suggests that the more persons becoming dependent upon a rural teacher's income the more teaching becomes less than a full-time job, one that must be in part supplemented through activities other than teaching.

^{*}Only those who drew their chief support from the teacher in question were counted as dependents.

If further study should establish the truth of this observation it would have far-reaching implications upon the question of the salary and the general economic and professional status of these teachers.

Teachers' receipts, in relation to sex and marital status.—Still another question commonly raised concerning the economic status of rural teachers is concerned with differences in salaries based on sex or marital status (table) 7). It is commonly known that the economic advantages offered by industry and by city school systems in comparison to rural teaching are such that those who have families to support tend to leave the profession or seek promotions to the larger schools. Data showing the present salaries and other receipts throw some light on these problems. The median salaries show that unmarried men teachers receive higher salaries than do unmarried women teachers (table 7). Except in the case of Vermont the differentials are very small. Data for the single women of Oklahoma, as well as those for the Negro teachers of Tennessee, show slightly higher salary medians than for the single men. The number of single men reporting is small in these cases so that the slight differences noted are probably not significant. In Vermont, however, single men teachers appear to receive salaries significantly higher than single women, the medians being \$1,125 and \$641, respectively. Again the number of men reporting is comparatively small.

As a group, the rural teachers who are married seem to receive salaries distinctly higher than those who are unmarried. The differentials between married and single women are again comparatively small except in Vermont; between married and single men, however, they are quite marked. In three of the States the married men teachers received annual salaries which were higher than those of the unmarried men by approximately \$275.

Examining next the question of receipts from sources other than teaching the summary measures reveal (1) that, except in Vermont, the men teachers consistently had larger receipts of this type than the women teachers, and (2) that, except in the cases of the Negro teachers of Tennessee and the women teachers of Texas, teachers who were married had much larger nonteaching receipts than those who were not. Married teachers in greater number than single ones supplement their incomes from sources other than teaching; this appears to be true in more cases of the married men than of the married women. The data for Vermont seem to suggest that when the differentials between the salaries of men and women and those between married and unmarried persons are large, the differences between receipts from other sources are small. This seems to support the observation that the nonteaching receipts are closely related to economic necessity.

Sources of receipts other than salaries .- The remaining question relating to

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the incomes of rural teachers on which this study presents data is the nature of the sources of the supplementary incomes (table 8). The data for Illinois show, for example, that of the 1,032 teachers supplying information on this general question 349 earned wages from activities other than teaching, 288 received contributions from relatives other than dependent children, 24 derived some income from dependent children, 149 had income from business investments such as interest, dividends, or rents, 207 augmented their salary income by borrowing money, and 91 drew upon funds previously. saved to supplement their current income. Sixty-nine of the rural teachers reporting from this State received incomes from gifts, inheritances, sale of property, and similar sources shown in this table under the heading "Occasional receipts." Some of the teachers had no income other than salary for teaching; others had incomes from two or more of the sources listed. It appears from these statistics that a large number of the rural teachers of this State supplement-their incomes in one way or another. The data suggest that the most popular sources of such supplementation were employment earnings other than salaries for teaching, contributions from relatives, and borrowed funds. A number of them also seem to have had some incomes from business or investments.

These observations as to means of supplementing salary earnings seem in general to hold also for the other States. The proportions of the total number of teachers augmenting their incomes from any specific source, however, varied considerably. Between a third and a fourth of the rural teachers of Illinois, Vermont, Wisconsin, and Texas had earnings from sources other than salaries for teaching; of the Negro teachers of Tennessee only one in eight reported such earnings. In only one State—Texas—was the proportion of teachers augmenting their funds through borrowings larger than this.

As concerns receipts from sources other than teachers' salaries, it may be noted (table 8) that of the 349 Illinois teachers reporting nonteaching salaries or wages the middle 50 percent earned between \$36 and \$101 during the year in question, the median being \$93. It may be observed in general that the median amounts of money obtained from contributions from relatives and from borrowings were larger than the median amounts earned through nonteaching activities. Again drawing upon Illinois to illustrate the use of the data the median receipts from the several supplementary sources are seen to be as follows: Nonteaching earnings, \$93; contributions of relatives other than dependent children, \$158; contributions of children, \$75; business incomes, \$61; borrowed money, \$114; and withdrawals from savings, \$98. For Vermont they were, respectively, \$59, \$131, \$36, \$40, \$94, and \$89. For Wisconsin they were \$50, \$120, no data, \$22, \$112, and \$73. The relative importance of the several sources appears to be similar in the various States when judged from amounts of money involved.

ANNUAL EXPENDITURES AND SAVINGS OF RURAL TEACHERS

The economic welfare of rural teachers, like that of any other group of workers, is dependent upon factors other than incomes. There are questions of how they use or misuse their incomes, what social and economic advantages they secure from these incomes, and whether or not there is anything left to provide for future needs after current needs are met. The data comparing the teaching and the nonteaching incomes contain some clues to the adequacy of the teachers' salaries to satisfy their needs under varying conditions. These clues will take on more meaning, however, as data relating to the various types of expenditures and current savings are examined. The next major series of factors to be considered in this study (tables 9 to 12) relates to the purposes for which the teachers use their money and how much they have left at the end of the year.

As in the case of incomes, the teachers were requested to report on a complete and detailed check list of expenditures and savings. The purpose was to make the meaning of each item as distinct and definite as possible and to insure the inclusion of all possible types of savings and outlays. (See questionnaire form in appendix.) Cross references between items were provided where these seemed necessary to prevent ambiguity and misunderstanding. To avoid multiplicity and secure statistical reliability certain related items were grouped in tabulation under specific headings. Some of these will need definition to be fully understood. Under "Basic essentials" were grouped expenditures for food, housing, clothing, health, and daily transportation. This group includes all such primary living needs as board or food supplies, room or house rent, light, heat, gas, cleaning, repairs; taxes, dental and medical services, etc. Since expenditures of the type included in this group form so important a part of the cost of living, data for each subgroup will be presented separately in connection with some of the factors to be examined. Under "Education and recreation" were grouped expenditures for education, church support, memberships, travel, books, magazines, recreation, etc. Under "Occasional and business" were grouped gifts, subscriptions, attorney's fees, cosmetics, tobacco, and the like. Under "Debt liquidation" were placed the repayment of borrowed funds, interest • on such debts, etc. (omitting amortization of mortgages), and other deferred payments on property; and under "Current savings" were included bank deposits, investments, payments on home or furniture, insurance, retirement assessments, and like accumulations of capital acquired during the year in question. To balance the data examined on the incomes of these teachers all data presented include expenditures for dependents as well as those for the teachers themselves.

Types of annual expenditures and savings.—The first question to be considered

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is: How do the rural teachers as a group allocate their available funds among the several needs and interests of their daily living? (Table 9.) The reading of the table may be illustrated with the data for Illinois. A total of 1,012 teachers from that State reported expenditures under the heading "Education and recreation." Three hundred and sixty-seven indicated that some of their funds were devoted to the liquidation of debts incurred in previous years; 943 reported putting aside some money for savings. There are similar variations in the number of teachers who reported detailed information on the several types of expenditures included under the "basic essentials."

The median expenditure reported from Illinois was \$195 for board or food supplies, \$124 for room rent and other housing costs, \$98 for clothing, \$31 for services relating to health, and \$63 for costs relating in one way or another to travel connected with the duties of teaching. When the expenditures for all these basic essentials were grouped together, the median annual outlay was \$448. Since the medians for food, housing, etc. (columns 2 to 6), are computed upon separate arrays of teachers, varying both in the number and in the identity of the cases, their sum will approximate rather than equal the median for all of the basic essentials (column 7).

The sum of the basic expenditures shown in column 7 plus those shown in columns 8, 9, 10, and 11 represent the total expenditures of all types of rural teachers. When percentages for the various medians were computed upon such approximate totals it was found that in the case of Illinois about two-thirds of the rural teacher's income was spent for the basic essentials and that about two-fifths of this went for food and one-fourth for housing. The annual savings equalled about one-eighth of the total income and a slightly larger share went for education and recreation. The amount used for debt liquidation was also large but fewer than half used their funds for this purpose.

The data for Illinois were analyzed in some detail not only because they illustrate the reading of the table but because the rural teachers in the other States for which data were reported showed similar divisions among the types of expenditures. In summary, between 60 and 70 percent of the expenditures of the rural teachers from most of these States went for the basic essentials. Food and lodging claimed from 35 to 45 percent of the total. From 10 to 15 percent of the incomes were set aside as savings.

The cost of living of rural teachers, as measured by expenditures for basic essentials, was apparently highest in Maryland and lowest in Tennessee. Generally speaking, the variations in the cost of living among the several States are similar to those observed (see table 8) for income.

Allocations to basic essentials and current savings. Dividing these teachers into groups in order to note the effects of various factors upon the amount and nature of their expenditures, data are first presented according to the size

of the schools in which they teach (table 10). Two aspects of the situation will be examined, viz, the expenditures for the basic essentials and the amounts left over for savings. While the data are somewhat erratic, due to small numbers of cases reporting from the larger schools, they show a definite tendency for the cost of living, as measured by the basic essentials, to increase with the size of the schools. Whether this means that the cost of board, room, etc., are higher in the more populous communities where the larger schools are located or whether the teachers in such communities spend more for these purposes because they have greater incomes cannot be discerned from these data. It is probable, however, that both factors are responsible. There are more likely to be available, in the more populous communities, modern homes providing a high standard of living than in communities served by the smaller schools, thus increasing the cost of accommodations.

Despite the fact that the rural teachers employed in the larger schools spent more to maintain a living than those in the smaller schools they showed more savings in all States except in Oklahoma. Apparently the differences in income were sufficient to more than offset the increases in cost of living. These data seem to show that larger salaries are an advantage both because they permit a higher standard of living and because they enable the recipient to achieve greater economic security.

Current expenditures and savings, by number of dependents.—The available data for each of the major fields of expenditure will next be examined to see how those who have no dependents and those who have one or more dependents distribute the funds available among the several categories composing the total cost of living (table 11).

The median amounts devoted to the basic essentials grow larger as the number of the dependents increases. The teachers of Illinois, for example, who had no dependents spent only \$355 for this purpose; those with one child, \$575; two children, \$588; three children, \$746; four or more children, \$750. The remaining types of expenditures show no very definite relationship to the number of dependents. In some States-Illinois and Maryland -median expenditures for education and recreation decreased slightly with increases in dependents; in others-Oklahoma and Vermont-they increase. Medians showing current savings are less than \$100 for all groups, except in Maryland, and they tend to decline in most States as dependents increase. It appears that the funds devoted to basic essentials increase with the number of dependents. It also appears that only when these essentials are provided for, are allocations made to other things. It is quite conceivable, for example, that a teacher with five or more dependents will have very little for books, recreation, debt payments, and savings after the basic ' essentials have been supplied.

Current expenditures and savings, by sex and maxital status.—Some statistics have already been examined relating to the economic status of rural teachers, by sex and marital status (table 9). These revealed some fairly definite variations between the incomes of men and women teachers, especially between married men and women.

The data gathered by the study show (table not included) that in every State the annual expenditures of the men teachers for the basic essentials run higher than those of women teachers. In the case of the unmarried teachers of certain States, Oklahoma and Vermont, for example, the data show men teachers paying out for such essentials more than \$100, or about 25 percent more per year than the unmarried women teachers. Since the number of men reporting was not as large as desired for some of the States, the comparatively small differences between the medians of single men and women may not in all cases be significant. In the case of the married men and women, however, the differences shown were so large that there can be no doubt but that the men spent more for the essentials than the women. In all cases except in Tennessee these differences approached closely, or even exceeded, \$100 per year.

The greater expenditures of the men teachers were not limited to the basic essentials. In all but one State substantial differences were also found among the expenditures for educational and recreational purposes. The differences between the married men and women were less marked than those between the single men and women. These differences suggest that the men spent considerably more on professional advancement and recreational activities than the women spent. Differences among the remaining types of expenditures were too small and erratic to be very significant, but in the great majority of cases those reported by the men were higher. Savings, too, were higher in all but two of the States, but the differences were small. It may be concluded from these findings (1) that the cost of living of the married teachers was considerably higher than that of the single teachers, (2) that it was higher for the men than for the women, and (3) that it was highest for the married men.

Relationships of the annual expenditures and savings to salary incomes.—Certain relationships between the incomes and the expenditures of the rural teachers have been suggested in the discussion in the preceding paragraph. Data were gathered to show the median amounts allocated to the several types of expenditures and savings by the teachers having various salary incomes. It was found (table 12), in general, that practically all types of expenditures increased as salaries increased. In Illinois, for example, for teachers who received salaries ranging between \$400-\$499 the median expenditure for food was \$137; for housing, \$73; for clothing, \$82; for health, \$31; for transportation, \$62; for education and recreation, \$56; for occasional

and business expenditures, \$31; for debt payment, \$77; savings, \$45; the teachers of this State receiving from \$700 to \$800, however, had the following expenditures, respectively: \$224, \$150, \$113, \$33, \$83, \$90, \$38, \$79, and had \$77 left for savings. The greatest differences were found in expenditures for food, housing, and savings; those of the higher paid teachers being from 80 to 100 percent greater. Practically no differences were found between the amounts the two salary groups used for health services and for debt liquidation.

Relationships between salaries and expenditures and savings were found to be very similar in the other States to those noted for Illinois. In all but one State the groups receiving the higher salaries reported expenditures for food which were nearly a half higher; housing costs and savings were also much higher, in many cases being actually doubled. The remaining types of expenditures equalled, and in most cases exceeded, those of the lower paid teachers. But in these the differences varied so much in amount that no generalization was possible. It should, therefore, be concluded that when rural teachers receive increases in salary they (1) definitely increase their expenditures; (2) that most of such increases go for better, or at least more expensive, food and housing; and (3) that they definitely increase the amount set aside for savings. The data suggest that the percent of increase in the expenditures approximates rather closely the percent of increase in salary.

Whether the lowest paid teachers spent too little for food, housing, or health, etc., to get a proper quantity or quality is not revealed by these data. It may be that the costs of some of these commodities and services were lower in the communities where the lower paid teachers were employed and that, therefore, a similar quantity and quality could be procured for less. General observation, however, suggests that when such commodities and services cost less they are also lower in quality. It is, for example, a well-known fact that the teachers of the one-teacher schools in which the lowest salaries are paid usually pay comparatively little for room and board, but it is also well known that the services these lower expenditures provide are on the whole also very limited in character. Farm homes do not always have modern conveniences. The teacher often does not have a suitable place in which to work.

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF RURAL TEACHERS

It would seem quite as important in a study of the economic status of rural teachers to give attention to the question of their future security as it is to determine their current incomes and outlays. The next series of tables (tables 13-15) will, therefore, show the number of these teachers reporting assets and debts and the amounts of such assets or debts at the

time the data were gathered. The effects of some of the same factors reviewed above in connection with the income and expenditure sections of this study were also examined to determine their relationships to the present financial standing of these teachers.

The terms "net assets" and "net debts," used in the tabulations for this portion of the study, will need to be briefly defined. Each teacher was requested to report the market or estimated value of all his possessions, including all types of real and personal property, securities, bank deposits, retirement funds, the cash surrender values of life insurance, and the like. Each was asked to list debts and unpaid obligations. The sum of the gross debts of each was then subtracted from the sum of his gross assets. This gave a remainder which was considered the teacher's present financial standing. If the remainder was positive, the teacher was recorded in the proper column of a sheet showing net assets; if the remainder was negative, the teacher was obviously in debt and was, therefore, recorded with others on another sheet showing net debt. After this had been done, median and inter-quartile ranges were found for the various distributions in the same manner as in the income and expenditure sections of the study.

Assets and liabilities in relation to size of school.—The factor to be considered set from the standpoint of the net assets or debts of rural teachers is the size of the schools in which they were employed. Data were gathered and grouped by sizes of schools in the same manner as in the foregoing parts of the study. The effects of this factor were, however, not conclusive. The data are, therefore, not presented in tabular form. A few of the most important facts revealed will, however, be reviewed to indicate the economic status of these various types of rural teachers as concerns assets and liabilities.

As a group, two-thirds of the teachers employed in the rural schools reported some assets; about one in five were in debt; and about one in six had neither debts nor assets. Of those employed in the one-teacher schools 63.8 percent, and of those in the larger schools 70 percent, showed assets; 21.4 percent and 19.1 percent, respectively, showed debts. The differences among the teachers employed in the smaller and larger rural schools were, therefore, not great but in both aspects the latter showed an advantage. In the amounts accumulated the data also showed the teachers of the larger schools to have an advantage. The median amounts varied among the States, but the average amount for the larger schools was about \$850; for the smaller schools it was about \$680, indicating a difference of about \$170.

Not only did comparatively few rural teachers report themselves to be in debt, but the amount of their indebtedness was small. Again there was wide variation among States but the average for the larger schools was about \$190; for teachers of one-teacher schools the average was found to be about \$20 less. In amount of indebtedness, therefore, the teachers of the smaller rural schools show a slight advantage.

Assets and liabilities in relation to number of dependents.—Data have already been presented (table 11) to show that most of the rural teachers; despite their burden of dependents, manage to save a portion of their annual incomes and that the amounts thus saved tend to decline slightly as number of dependents increase. It is important to a study of their economic status to know what are the comparative chances of the teachers with various numbers of dependents to accumulate assets over a period of time, to run into debt, or to come out even. The effects of this factor upon the amounts of the assets or debts these teachers may have acquired were also investigated.

When the data for all of the States were taken together they showed (not presented in tabular form) practically no difference in the proportion of rural teachers who had assets or debts when compared by numbers of dependents. In only one State—Oklahoma—was there a definite tendency for the proportion of those having assets to decrease and the proportion of those in debt to increase as the number of dependents increased. In two others—Maryland and Wisconsin—the tendencies were in the same directions but the differences were small.

As concerns amounts of assets or indebtedness by number of dependents the data for Illinois fairly illustrate the situation in all of the States. Teachers with no dependents had median assets of \$508; those with one, \$544; those with two, \$867; those with three, \$950, and those with four dependents, a median of \$1,000. Teachers of this State who were in debt showed, respectively, for the first four groups the following amounts of indebtedness: \$210, \$138, \$200, \$275.

Assets and liabilities in relation to sex and marital status.—Comparison of the data reported to show differences in assets and liabilities for men and women and for single and married teachers did not show any very definite tendencies. The data produced by the study will, however, be cited (table 13) to illustrate the findings. In most of the States, the single men had net assets slightly in excess of those reported for the single women. For example, the single men of Illinois showed median assets of \$458; the median for the single women was \$398. The medians for Texas were respectively, \$333 and \$320; for Vermont, \$850 and \$541; and for Wisconsin, \$527 and \$257. In Maryland, the single women had slightly more assets than the single men. In the case of the married teachers the men had significantly larger assets in Illinois, Maryland, Texas, Vermont, and Wisconsin. For the States not named the differences between men and women were indecisive. Differences in net assets between the single and married teachers

of both sexes proved to be consistently large and in favor of the latter. In many cases the assets of the married teachers were more than twice as great as those of the single teachers.

It is, of course, possible that the men, as well as the married persons, reporting to this study were teachers who were older, had more training, held the more responsible positions, and, in consequence, received the larger salaries. But whatever additional factors may have been involved the data show the men to have accumulated more unencumbered wealth than the women, the married teachers more than the single teachers.

The data relating to the net debts of the rural teachers arranged by sex and marital status were on the whole too sparse and scattered to indicate anything of significance. It appears from the data, however (table 13) that a somewhat larger proportion of single teachers were in debt than of the married teachers. This was particularly apparent when single and married women were compared. These differences probably reflect the comparatively low salaries (table 7) paid to youngerland unmarried teachers. The differences may also reflect recency of training and the tendency to borrow money to finance college attendance.

Net assets and liabilities in relation to age. - Thus far age was left largely out of consideration in examining the economic status of rural teachers. There are, as pointed out above, some fairly close relationships between the age of the teacher and the number of years he has/been in the profession (table 5). Similar relationships may exist between age and the number of dependents (tables 6 and 11). The reason that the effect of age itself has thus far not been directly considered is that it is not clear how age in and of itself can become a factor in the incomes and expenditures of teachers. Only as increases in age mean added training, added experience, or a greater number of dependents is this factor likely to become definitely related to the teachers' economic status. Age should, however, be of importance in regard to assets or debts. The older the teacher, the greater the need for assets in case of disability or retirement, and the greater the number of years during which he has had a chance to accumulate. Data are here presented, therefore, to show whether rural teachers of various age groups have assets and, if so, in what amounts. If they are in debt these facts are also of interest.

The teachers of the various age groups were distributed on a single scale ranging from debts of \$5,000 and over on the one extreme, to assets of \$10,000 and over at the other (table 14). The teachers under 25 years of age were grouped together; those between 25 and 40 were grouped by 5-year intervals; and those over 40 were again grouped together.

Although many of the teachers answering the questionnaire did not supply information on age, the data indicate that for the most part the

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rural teachers reporting were young. In some States—Wisconsin, Illinois, and Vermont—from one-third to one-half were below 25 years of age. Comparatively few remained in the rural schools past the age of 40. In Wisconsin and Oklahoma only about 5 percent of those reporting had reached the latter age.

In five of the States the median assets of the teachers under 25 years of age was \$100 or less. Only in Maryland, where the beginning salaries of the teachers is fairly high, did the median assets exceed \$300. With few exceptions, however, the amounts accumulated increased with increasing age. Indeed, there is evidence to show that the rate at which assets accumulate is accelerated during successive 5-year periods. In three of the States— Maryland, Vermont, and Wisconsin—the median amounts of the assets of those over 40 years of age were between \$2,500 and \$3,000. The median for such teachers reporting from Illinois was \$1,368, and that for the white. teachers of Tennessee was \$1,297. For Texas it was \$875; for Oklahoma, and the Negro teachers of Tennessee, however, the median amount accuralated did not exceed \$500. If the teachers reporting data relating to age were representative, it must be concluded that of the few teachers who remain in the rural schools past the age of 40, a number acquire assets in such significant amounts as to provide security against the future. In some of the States the amounts saved are very small.

Assets and liabilities in relation to salaries.—A study of the assets and liabilities of these teachers would not be complete without showing the relationship of the teachers' financial standing to the salary received (table 15). For those with salaries below \$500 there was almost no data, except for Illinois and Tennessee. In the higher salary ranges the data were also sparse and were, therefore, not grouped by \$100 intervals for those receiving more than \$1,100. For the Negro teachers of Tennessee all salary levels showed too few data to be included in the table. The statistics presented show, with very few exceptions, that the teachers of each higher salary group have successively greater assets. The factor affecting most rural teachers' ability to accumulate savings seems to be that of salary. As already suggested, variations in many of the other factors are probably closely associated with those in salary.

The table shows that only those rural teachers who receive the better salaries have any great amounts of assets. Those receiving less than \$1,000 per annum rarley show more than \$500. A reasonably high salary and a sufficiently long period of time are necessary for these teachers to accumulate assets. The teachers showing fairly large salaries are probably the same ones shown in table 14 in the higher age groups. That is to say that the larger assets shown, as well as the greater salaries, are at least partly the result of longer years of service.

CAPITAL INVESTED IN THE EDUCATIONAL PREPARATION OF THE RURAL TEACHER

In considering the economic status of the rural teacher, school boards, as well as others, too often compare his income, his standard of living, and his general financial standard to those of farm laborers and others who find employment in rural communities. Fallacies in such comparison are shown by pointing out (1) that the rural teacher is expected to maintain a higher standard of living than most other types of workers, and (2) that teachers make an investment of both time and money in educational preparation upon which they may reasonably expect some financial returns. Some data relating to the various aspects of the cost of living of rural teachers have been reviewed (tables 9-12). Information will be presented (tables 16-17) to show how much money these teachers have spent in fitting themselves for their jobs.

The teachers were provided with formulas for computing, separately, the total cost of attending high school, the cost of attending normal school or college, and the cost of the graduate work pursued. From the data resulting, the total costs of the education of each teacher, were computed. The questionnaire provided for the inclusion of all types of expenditures necessitated by school attendance, such as board, room, tuition, books, clothing, travel to and from the institution attended, etc. Self-help, board and room provided free by parents or others, scholarships and gifts of material or cash, were all to be given current value and included in the total costs. No value was, however, to be placed upon the student's time while preparing to Although this is also a part of the teacher's investment many of the students would not in all probability have been gainfully employed had they not been in school. Moreover, such earning power is always extremely variable. Since it is improbable that many persons attending high school or college have kept systematic records of all of the costs involved in attending high school and college, these data probably entail more estimates than those of the foregoing sections of the study. But they provide an index of this aspect of the economic status and they are comparable among the various classes of teachers as well as among the States.

Investment in education in relationship to the size and location of schools.—With this general information of the nature and organization of the data in mind attention will first be given to the question of the professional investments of the rural teachers in relationship to the size and location of the schools in which they are employed (table 16). It was seen from table 2 that salaries tend to increase with the size of the school. It will be of interest, therefore, to see whether the lower salaries paid in the smaller schools are justified by the education which these teachers have. These teachers have considerable money invested in their education. With the exception of Illinois and

Texas the median amounts ranged from nearly \$1,000 in the 1- and 2-teacher schools to more than \$2,700 in the larger schools. The largest investments were reported from Oklahoma and Maryland. (Reference to table 2 will show that the highest salaries were also reported from these States.) Almost without exception the teachers in the larger schools showed increasingly larger investments as the schools increased in size. Those employed in schools of seven or more teachers, especially those located in the villages, reported the greatest investments in education of any of the groups of rural teachers. There seems to be considerable correlation between these investments by type of school and the salaries paid in them. Relationships to salary levels will, however, be examined somewhat more closely in connection with data directly concerned with the interrelationships of investments in education and salaries (table 17).

The study also sheds some light upon the reasons for the increases in the Educational investments with increases in size of school. Data showing investments by levels of education revealed that practically all of these teachers had completed high school. The median costs for this level of, education averaged about \$600 for the 1- and 2-teacher schools and nearly \$700 for the larger schools. The cost of undergraduate study in normal school or college, however, was much lower among teachers in the smaller schools than in the large, the medians averaging about \$700 and \$1,350, respectively. Fewer than 1Q percent of those employed in the smaller schools reported graduate study; of those employed in the larger schools, however, more than 37 percent showed investments in graduate study. Moreover, the amounts of money invested in this level of education averaged only about \$200 in the small rural schools, while those in the larger schools were approximately \$400. The differences noted in investments for both undergraduate and graduate study were probably chiefly due to the fact that the teachers in the larger rural schools had more college training than those employed in the 1- and 2-teacher schools. It is, of course, also possible that they attended colleges which were more expensive. In any event the differences in the amounts invested in education are found chiefly in the college and graduate levels.

Relationships of amounts invested in education to salaries.—In order to ascertain whether or not those who fix the rural teachers' salaries give financial recognition to the teachers' investment in education, data are presented to provide more definite information (table 17). When the data for the teachers within the various salary ranges were arrayed in order of the amounts they had invested in their education it was found that of the 169 in Illinois receiving \$400 to \$499 the median investment was \$703; that of the 52 receiving salaries of \$900 to \$999 was \$1,650. It appears that both

⁴ The cost of education in these two States does not include high-school attendance.

salaries and investments approximately doubled. A similar situation was found in each of the other States. Generally speaking, therefore, it appears that rural teachers may expect considerable increases in pay as they acquire additional education.

It should, however, be pointed out here that it is questionable whether the salary incomes of any of these teachers are commensurate with the amounts of money they have invested and with the standard of living they must maintain. Many of these teachers, especially in Illinois, receive a salary of less than \$500. Such a salary is below the income of any of the professional groups. Indeed, it hardly more than equals that of the lowest labor groups. But the teachers in these salary ranges have invested from \$500 to \$1,000 in preparation for their work. In addition to this monetary investment they have in most cases spent 5 or more years of time attending high school and college.

Summary and Conclusions

A. Income status of rural teachers.

1. Salaries increased with the size of the school. In most of the States, however, they were low in all types of rural schools, but especially so in the smaller ones. In the smaller schools the salary medians as low as \$600 were common; in the larger schools of three or more teachers they sometimes exceeded \$1,000. Receipts from sources other than salaries also increased with the size of the school and showed larger differentials than the salary incomes.

2. Both salary and nonsalary receipts were larger for teachers teaching in rural secondary than in the elementary schools. Salaries of supervisors were nearly twice as great and nonteaching receipts nearly four times as great as those of the elementary teachers.

3. Little salary recognition was reported for additional education of training until after 2 or more years of college or normal school work. The higher amounts of education appeared to be rewarded.

4. Experience and tenure seemed to be rewarded somewhat by salaries in rural schools.

5. Comparatively few rural teachers reported child dependents, but many had dependents other than children. There were no significant salary differentials as numbers of dependents increased, but the teachers with dependents showed larger receipts from nonteaching sources. These findings suggest that salaries were insufficient and had to be supplemented through other activities, thus reducing teaching to a part-time job.

6. In most of the States studied men teachers received higher salaries than women teachers and married persons than unmarried, the differences for the most part being too small to be significant. Differences in nonteaching receipts, however, were considerably larger for the men than for the women and much larger for married teachers than for single teachers. The findings suggested that the heads of families generally, and married men in particular, supplement their salary incomes.

- 7. The sources by which rural teachers supplement their salary incomes were in order of frequency: Earnings from employment other than teaching, contributions by relatives other than children, and borrowed funds. In order of amount they were: Contributions by relatives, borrowings, and additional earnings. The data seem clearly to show that in many cases these teachers receive such small salaries that their economic needs must in part be supplied by relatives, by work outside of teaching, or they must go into debt.
- B. Expenditure status of rural teachers.
 - 1. From 35 to 40 percent of the total expenditures of rural teachers were spent for food and lodging; 15 to 20 percent for such other daily needs as clothing, health, and transportation to and from school; and from 10 to 15 percent were set aside for savings. Those who did not have to pay-off debts incurred in previous years, therefore, had from 25 to 40 percent of their salaries left for education, recreation, and miscellaneous expenditures.
 - 2. Expenditures per teacher, especially those for the basic essentials, increased definitely with the number of dependents; on the basis of the total number of persons benefited by the various expenditures there were, however, sharp decreases. Savings also decreased greatly when the total number of persons whose security depends upon them was considered.
 - 3. Comparisons of expenditures of men and women showed those of the former to be higher.
 - 4. Married teachers generally reported greater expenditures than the single teachers.
 - 5. There were marked differences in the amounts the rural teachers in the lower and higher salary ranges spent for food, housing, and savings. Those having lower pay apparently found it necessary to reduce chiefly in these aspects of their standard of living. Expenditures for education, recreation, and transportation also had to be curtailed somewhat with lower salaries. Assignments to health, debt liquidation, and other miscellaneous purposes remained nearly constant, suggesting perhaps that these were considered irreducible.
- C. Assets or debt status of rural teachers.
 - 1. About 67 percent of all rural teachers reported some assets; about 20, percent were in debt. Of those employed in the smaller schools slightly more were in debt and fewer had assets. The amount of the assets shown rarely totaled \$1,000, being considerably lower in the smaller schools; debts were found to be small and similar in amounts for the two types of schools.
 - 2. The number of dependents apparently did not greatly affect the

proportion of teachers who had assets or were in debt. The amounts possessed by those having assets, however, showed considerable increase up to three dependents and then declined; amounts of indebtedness of those in debt also increased with dependents.

3. The men showed slightly more assets than the women and married more than unmarried teachers. The data relating to debts revealed nothing of significance.

4. Few teachers reporting had passed the age of 40. In some of the States, however, teachers having reached this age reported median savings of nearly \$3,000.

5. The findings show a close and direct correlation between the salaries of rural teachers and their assets.

D. Investments in professional preparation.

1. The teachers employed in the various types of rural schools had apparently invested about the same amounts in high-school education. Investments in undergraduate and graduate study in college, however, showed differences, those in the larger schools being greater. The better prepared teachers are in the larger schools.

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O Cota	Ortotal cases Martando Median.	\$1,047 \$904 \$567	\$1,271 \$906 \$673	5539 51, 088 5808 5598	\$1, 233 \$972 \$738	\$1.00 \$1.00 \$2.00 \$2.00 \$2.00	\$1, 41 \$1, 344 \$1, 188	\$1, 240 \$1, 133 \$1, 133	\$1,400 \$1,186 \$1,186	253 1253 1253 1253 1253 1253	\$1.605 \$1.225 \$1.725	\$1,223 \$1,223 \$1,067	1, 158 1,
Median	OKLAHOMA Quedian Median	5736 \$756 \$606 \$508	\$915 \$709 \$588	\$879 \$773 \$773	\$1,146 \$880 \$714	25 8896 8792 8792 8685		\$833 \$817 \$723	\$1,000 \$872 \$800	7	7	\$862 \$770 \$770	59 8966 8830 8738
Total ca Median	Tetal cases Negro Qu Median	2461 8392 8306	\$350 \$350	24.63 24.63 3310	25 % S	10		55 13 55 88 54 70 54 70	2005	6474 6474 6431	24.85 14.85 14.65 14.65 16.65		

TABLE 2.—Annual salaries and total current receipts by size and location of schools, 1934-35—Continued

	1-teache	-teacher schools	2-teacher schools	r schools	3 to 6 te open c	3 to 6 teachers in open country schools	7 or more in open	7 or more teachers in open country achools	3 to 6 te	3 to 6 teachers in town schools	7 or more teachers in town schools	e teache
term considered by State	Selary	Total current, receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total
		-	•	•	•		8	•	=	=	=	=
Tennessee Continued White On Median One	149 8537 8637 8397	£22£	25.24 25.22 24.68 24.68		\$504 \$5054 \$537 \$437	117 8787 8629 \$486	28822 2888 2688 2494	61 8750 8561	120 8724 8583 74 62	120 8844 7642 7464	256 8981 8731 8549	\$1,102 \$81,102 \$81,3 6,38
Total cases Arctian	27 8705 8588 858	\$975 \$717 \$717 \$555	\$756 \$756 \$684 \$619	\$935 \$769 \$649	\$828 \$721 \$639	\$1,110 \$907 \$746.	\$892 \$783 \$675	\$1, 175 \$950 \$808	. \$900 \$738 \$655	\$1,000 \$863 \$688	\$904 \$792 \$710	\$1, 242 \$897 \$778
Vermont O Median O O	225 \$645 \$583 \$534	\$575 \$75 \$75 \$75	5681 5681 5611	\$575 \$650 \$570	8946 8779 8621	\$1,063 \$869 \$705	22 \$888 \$767 \$670	\$1,063 \$925 \$738	\$1,075 \$814 \$700	\$1, 225 \$950 \$780	\$1.098 \$945 \$802	65 \$1, 415 \$1, 050 \$902
Total cases. Wiscowsin	\$697 \$697 \$581	\$5797 \$687 \$617	5871 5712 5671	25.040 20.040 20.050 20	\$1,069 \$875 \$675	\$1,345 \$1,110 \$737	9	9	\$1,211 \$976 \$800	\$1, 390 \$1, 105 \$1, 105	\$1, 282 \$1, 047 \$886	51, 392 51, 132 51, 114

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TABLE 3.—Annual salaries and total current receipts of teachers and supervisors by types of service 1

	Items considered by State	Elementary	Elementary grades only	Both elemen	Both elementary and high- school grades	High-school	High-school grades only	Supe	Supervisors
		Salary	Total cur-	Salary	Total cur- rent receigu	Salary	Total cur- rent receipts	Salary	Total cur- rent receipts
	•	-	•	•		•		60	-
Total cases	Ітпион	823	. 823	6	6	188	188	38	\$
Median.	Median. Q	4583 490	\$677 \$558			81.400 11.187	81, 600 81, 320 81, 077	81, 629 81, 330	2,14.12 1,502.14
Fotal cases Median	Maireand Mai	316	316		\$1,800	51, 390 51, 390	51,717	22,52	\$2,656
46.0	OKLABOMA	2670	\$811	i di	\$1,133	\$1, 107	25.75 12.55	\$1,517	\$1,633 \$1,633
Total cases Os Median		247 \$862 \$731	\$1,010	15 \$788 \$725	\$1,063 \$890	\$940 \$827	\$1,080	\$1.483 \$1.075	258 258 258
	Тенивака	9004	**************************************	1	₹	\$760	008	8668	
Total cases	Negro	314	314	•	•	٧	•	12	ш
Median	Median. Gr	\$325 \$322	2510 2510 2510 2510 2510					2543 2543 2363	7227 23827 29827
Total cases	White	770	770	01 5	01	163	163	. 38	19
O. Gedian	3	K K 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8	\$582 \$582			\$1.128 \$934 \$750	\$1, 337 \$1, 011 \$828	\$1,617 \$1,220 \$929	245 364 364 364 364

1,2 types of information are included in all columns: (1) number of cases and (2) salaries or cufrent receipts.

TABLE 3.—Annual salaries and total current receipts of teachers and supervisors by types of service—Continued

Items considered by State	Elementary	Elementary grades only	Both element	Both elementary and high- school grades	High-echoo	High-school grades only	Supe	Supervisors
	Salary	Total cur-	Salary	Total cur-	Salary	Total cur- rent receipts	Salary	Total cur- rent receipts
		-	•	•	-		•	•
Total cases. Odian	141 \$743 \$862 \$602	141 \$958 \$366 \$648	\$792 \$792 \$741 \$675	57 \$1,079 \$873 \$801	5085 \$985 \$865 \$772	62 81, 375 8990 \$841	\$1,910 \$1,633 \$1,633	\$2, 292 \$1, 725 \$1, 263
Total cases Office Median On Total Cases	371 \$683 \$610 \$545	371 \$828 \$677 \$591	31, 100 \$988 \$875	\$1, 233 \$1, 060 \$875	\$1,310 \$1,073 \$868	\$1,463 \$1,150 \$856	\$1, 750 \$1, 113 \$648	51, 921 51, 921 51, 350 5863
Total cases Opedian Accian	874 8657 8596	996 8853 8707 8628	2	1	\$1,365 \$1,130 \$974	\$1,504 \$1,254 \$1,043	\$2,238 \$1,838 \$1,531	\$2,337 \$1,944 \$1,610

					T.	NUMBER OF	TEARS OF A	TEARS OF EDUCATION OR	OR TRAINING	. 9	- 3		-	
leems considered by	High sch	High school or less	l year o	ar of college	2 years	2 years of college	3 years	J years of college	4 .years of	of college	S sparie o	years of college	6 years of ∞	years or more of college
	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Setary	Total current receipts	Salary	Totale current receipta,	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	. Total.
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Total cases Onedian Onedian	655 6693 8591 8511	\$58 \$711 \$596	155 2675 8392 8499	87.85.55 60.000.000	333 8663 8558 5467	333 8788 8634 8634	126 2817 8619 5519	51, 126 57, 036 5750 5.882	\$1,205 \$892 \$594	256 51, 355 51, 039 8732	50 51, 238 54, 038	\$1,620 \$1,140 \$1,140	H. 47 81, 150 8625	FI. 650 FI. 450
MARTAND Total vases Median G	81,081 51,038 86.88	81,325 81,325 81,175	\$1,200 \$1,100 \$1,100 \$667	25.73.73 12.73.73 12.53.73 12.53.73 12.53	Sip 064 \$5008	\$1,250 \$972 \$765	\$1, 14 \$1, 14 \$2083 \$8332	21. 126 3. 364 3. 364 5. 200	25. 12. 26.2 26.2 26.2 26.2 26.2 26.2 26.2 26	140 140 17, 246 81, 038	7. 76. 2. 74. 76.	22.12	21. 236 21. 236 23. 236	27. 27. 27. 22. 22. 22. 22. 22. 22. 22.
OTLABOUA Total cases On Median On	291 8875 8755 8630	\$1,038 \$851 \$712	4	Q	5766 5766 5766 5559	25.55 27.56	\$5.02 \$5.00 \$748 \$628	8971 8828 8693	\$888 \$822 \$739	\$6,195 \$887 \$801	23 2850 8850 8739	23 \$1,075 \$950 \$855	8558 8658 8658	27.23 12.23.1
Total cases Median	\$255.25 \$255.25	24 39 24 39 24 39	2862	25.00 25.00	ZZ.	222	25.28 25.28 25.28 25.28	\$5.26 \$5.90	£2.2	25.50		7	L	

TABLE 4.—Annual salaries and total current receipts of all classes of rural teachers, by years of preparation -Continued

	,	*				Z.	MEER OF 1	TARE OF E	WUMBER OF TEARS OF EDUCATION OR TRAINING	OR TRAINI	9				•
- 7	Items considered by State	High school or less	ool or less	l year o	year of college	2 years	2 years of college	3 years	3 years of college	4 years	4 years of college	5 years	5 years of college	6 years or more of college	or more
		Salary	Total -	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts
	-			•	•	•		•	•	10	n,	8	8	14	=
F 625	Trinkriser—Continued White Total cases On Trinkrise Trinkrise	22.52 22.54 24.59 24.59	25 273 2662 2662 2662	181 85504 7454 7408	* 2522 2522	345 8586 8510 8411	345 8503 8574 887	. 98 85598 85598	98 \$782 \$652 \$525	222 2364 2765 2613	221 \$1,039 \$831 \$690	67 \$1,165 \$938 \$715	51, 450 51, 043 51, 043	9	9
PASS.	Total cases Ob- Median Ob- Veragory		n	2688 2600 2513 2513	\$813 \$650 \$517	5.67 5.67 5.716 5.651	5913 \$758 \$648	5752 5752 5661 5578	\$1,055 \$733 \$613	30,250 \$900 \$617	\$1,250 \$900 \$721	\$988 \$988 \$867 \$750	\$1, 200 \$900 \$583	2	
Media Oredia	0 4	12 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	18 8825 8625 8535	\$674 \$588 \$540	\$878 \$778 \$715 \$577	201 \$682 \$612 \$546	201 8767 8660 8583	\$543 \$652 \$587	\$938 \$763 \$643	51, 047 \$888 \$698	\$1, 106 \$979 \$797	\$1, 375 \$1, 040 \$750	\$1, 650 \$1, 125 \$850	6	
Pozo	Total cases Or Median Or A	\$773 \$650 \$582	\$880 \$769 \$673	555 5693 582 582	\$549 \$680 \$680 \$615	233 \$782 \$668 \$600	\$35 \$744 \$641	\$750 \$750 \$648	\$1,199 \$810 \$668	\$1,217 \$970 \$786	\$1,339 \$1,076 \$871	\$1, 293 \$1, 056 \$794	\$1,425 \$1,146 \$911	\$1, 233 \$1,099 \$933	\$1, 450 \$1, 100 \$1, 100

TABLE 5.—Annual salaries and total current receipts of all classes of rural teachers, by total years of teaching experience and by years in present position.

	V	SALARII	May .	ALARIES AND RECEIPTS BY TEACHING EXPERIENCE	BY TEAC	HING Ex.	PERIENCE		S	ALARY A	ND RECE	-	YEARS II	SALARY AND RECEIPTS BY YEARS IN PRESENT POSITION	T Positi	MOI
¢	First y	t year	Seco	Second and third years	Four	Fourth and fifth years	6 ye	years or more	First	First year	Seco	Second and third years	Four	Fourth and fifth years	6 76	6 years or more
Items considered by State	Salary	Total Cur- rent Gipta	Salary	Total cur- rent re re-	Salary	Total cur- rent ceipts	Salary	Total cur- rent ceipts	Salary	Total cur- rent re- ceipts	Salary	Total cur- rent re- ceipts	Salary	Total cur- rent re- ceipts	Salary	Total cur- rent
1		•		•	•		•	•		=	2	=	=	=	1 37	1
Total cases ILLINOIS	25.75 25.75 25.45	157 \$829 \$606 \$501	201 \$828 \$601 \$487	201 201 201 200 200 200 200 200 200	170 8796 8611 8525	25.8 27.09 25.09 26.09	\$500 \$600 \$600 \$600	\$1,265 \$863 \$663	267 8669 8554 8463	267 8919 \$670 \$670	318 \$798 \$620 \$516	318 \$902 \$779 \$606	126 \$917 \$666 \$550	\$1,219 \$810 \$650	\$1, 219 \$905 \$673	\$1,053 \$7.495
Total cases Martano	54 \$1,113 \$1,000 \$1,8859	51, 245 51, 021 51, 021	51, 183 51, 021 51, 021	\$1,258 \$1,091 \$900	\$1, 102 \$930 \$669	\$1, 258 \$1, 005 \$1,005	364 \$1,253 \$1,115 \$938	364 \$1, 596 \$1, 253 \$1, 253	\$1,033 \$956 \$700	\$1, 273 \$1, 273 \$1, 018 \$850	106 \$1, 204 \$1, 027 \$918	106 \$1, 295 \$1, 092 \$836	125 \$1,218 \$1,018 \$852	22	£ 80	
Total cases. Orly Board Median. On Transcase	2800 28667 2543	36 8867 8743 8633	8820 8640 8573	68 5925 5817 5671	\$888 \$767 \$633	\$1,020 \$850 \$743	899 8818 8815 8699	139 \$1, 225 \$917 \$793	\$802 \$710 \$583	8,87 8,78 8,78 8,68 8,68 8,68 8,68 8,68	84 \$888 \$778 \$668	82	110	2		
Total cases Negro 24 S425 Median 5323 S323	5425 5369 5323	2467 2467 246	53 5305 5305	5529 57428 5349	7455 5392 5296	272 223 239 239	22.2.2. 22.2.3.0 22.2.3.0	25.37 2461 2461	\$356 \$325	\$613 \$390 \$334	5439 \$363 \$288	2421 2421 3336	54.45 54.32 53.25	46 \$575 \$459 \$350	2435 8435 8373	2528 2528 2461 2461

1 Two types of information are included in all columns: (1) Number of cases, and (2) salaries or turrent receipts.

TABLE 5.—Annual salaries and total current receipts of all classes of rural teachers, by total years of teaching experience and by years in present position—Continued

		SALARIE	S AND R	ECEIPTS 1	TEAC	HING EXI	LARIES AND RECEIPTS BY TRACHING EXPERIENCE		S	SALARY AND RECEIPTS BY YEARS IN PRESENT POSITION	TD RECE	TA STY	EARS D	PRESEN	T Position	NC
	Fint ye	t year	Secon	Second and third years	Four	Fourth and fifth years	6 ye	6 years or more	First	First year	Secon	Second and third years	Four	Fourth and fifth years	6 ye	6 years or more
items considered by State	Salary	Total cur- rent ceipts	Salary	Total cur- rent re- ceipts	Salary	cur- rent 77- ceipta	Salary	Total cur- rent re- ceipts	Salary	Total cur- rent re-	Salary	Total cur- rent re- ceipta	Salary	Total cur- rent re- ceipta	Salary	Total cur- rent re- ceipts
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Transsers—Continued White Changes On-Continued Changes On-Continued On	25 23 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	2532 2557 2557 2557	167 8643 8493 8493	167 \$722 \$564 \$458	8584 8584 8542	2000 2000 2000 2000 2000 2000 2000 200	471 \$801 \$602	471 8952 \$686 \$542	298 2671 5489 5427	295 \$576 \$524 \$524	255 8674 8549	255 \$785 \$620 \$501	2832 \$614 \$471	17. 18881 2658 2658	214 \$799 \$607 \$486	214 \$953 \$687 \$544
Total cases. Texas Question Median	50 \$782 \$692 \$563	\$975 \$832 \$675	\$797 \$790 \$618	\$961 \$790 \$650	37 8772 8710 8640	37 8992 8795 8711	121 \$866 \$754 \$656	\$1, 182 \$904 \$768	\$794 \$794 \$708	.92 \$967 \$772 \$680	\$802 \$692 \$614	\$1,050 \$857 \$720	34 8825 8722 8641	34 \$1,030 \$800 \$679	\$911 \$804 \$702	\$1, 154 \$944 \$753
Verkort Obtain Median	5832 \$832 \$612 \$579	67 8871 8662 8369	\$696 \$636 \$570	\$825 \$642 \$614	28855 2682 2609	\$1,019 \$832 \$656	220 \$833 \$652 \$557	\$1,071 \$769 \$518	131 \$748 \$626 \$553	\$877 \$688 \$580	\$725 \$632 \$557	125 \$684 \$684	\$970 \$653 \$558	\$1,080 \$760 \$608	\$963 \$708 \$583	\$1, 167 \$900 \$669
Total cases. Wisconsur Median	333 \$670 \$670	\$833 \$698 \$614	25.23 26.53	393 8911 8728 8634	184 8762 8762 8658	\$1.067 \$843 \$708	123 1343 18958 1777	81, 367 81, 090 8773	236 8691 8621 \$556	252 8793 8676	278 8736 8650 5382	279 \$693 \$693	228 8792 \$689 \$620	228 \$929 \$756 \$653	\$368 \$751 \$751	39 5879 8698

TABLE 6.—Salaries and total current receipts of all classes of rural teachers, according to number of dependents 1

	**			SA	LARY AND F	SALARY AND RECEIPTS BY NUMBER OF DEPENDENTS	NUMBER O	P DEPENDEN	E			
Items considered by State	Ž	None	0	One	F	Two	Ē	Three	Fo	Four	F	Five!
	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipta	Salary	Total current receipta	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts
1	•		•	•	•	1		•	=	H	12	=
ILLINOIS Total cases Godin Martand	584 5785 5599 5499	595 \$ 925 \$ 675 \$ 556	157 8954 8654 8654 8517	157 \$1, 189 \$853 \$652	116 \$927 \$661 \$533	117 \$1, 163 \$856 \$646	73 81, 169 8742 8585	\$1,375 \$994 \$781	32 \$1, 100 \$7.33 \$550	32 \$1,500 \$1,125 \$700	15, 225 85.90 85.38	\$1, 15 \$825 \$675
Total cases. Median On Caranous	206 21. 215 51. 078 5988	206 81, 376 81, 163 8971	\$1, 236 \$1, 040 \$667	\$1,400 \$1,154 \$787	\$1, 208 \$1, 062 \$806	78 51, 583 51, 255 5975	51, 400 51, 120 5833	\$1, 575 \$1, 240 \$975	\$1, 156 \$875 \$658	\$1, 650 \$1, 125 \$788	\$1, 075 \$725 \$588	51, 263 51, 263 51, 025 5758
Total cases. On- Median On- TENNESSER	91 8767 8655 8655	81, 003 8854 8732	\$888 \$746 \$640	\$1, 156 \$746 \$640	49 \$890 \$785 \$646	\$1,058 \$867 \$733	13 \$888 \$750 \$613	13 \$975 \$817 \$675	15 81,025 8817 \$675	15 \$1.683 \$1.450 \$775	ω	
Total cases Negro 64 64 64 64 64 64 64 64 64 64 64 64 64	\$279 \$367	22.5 32.5 32.5 32.5 32.5 32.5 32.5 32.5	62 8385 8275	25 62 27 28 62 37 16 63	25.22 25.22 35.1	2555 2561 395	25.55 25.39 25.39	\$583 \$783 \$783	##71 ##71 ##19	27 27 27 27 27 25 25 25	\$.*

Types of information are included in all columns: (1) number of cases and (2) salaries or current receipts.

3 Data for teachers with 6 or more dependents too few to gublish.

TABLE 6.—Salaries and total current receipts of all classes of rural teachers, according to number of dependents—Continued

				SAI	LARY AND R	ECRIPTS BY	NUMBER OF	SALARY AND RECEIPTS BY NUMBER OF DEPENDENTS	E			•
Items considered by State	ž	None	ō	One	J.	٤	f	Three	Fo	Four		Five
	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts
•	•.	•	•	,	•			•	=	=	11	2
TREFERENCE Continued White Officers, Median Officers	25 <u>25 25</u>	25.57	155 2572 2591 767	2822 2678 2678 246	131 1368 149	200 200 200 200 200 200 200 200 200 200	2882 24823	#850 #671 \$520	31 8942 8583 4552	\$1,062 \$725 \$725	20 8700 8567 8567	20 \$1, 100 \$800 \$557
Texas O. Median O.	137 2686 8686 8686 8686	137	\$838 \$747 \$654	\$1, 075 \$914 \$772	25.25 26.20	36. 81, 150 8967 8763	\$23 \$721 \$629	\$1,213 \$888 \$744	1	1	m	
Verkort Total cases On Median Wisconsin	25.55 25.55	318 2002 2698 8598	2854 2675 2578	\$1, 105 \$796 \$650	28 83 2614 2550	\$1,350 \$900 \$639	2000 2000 2000 2000 2000 2000 2000 200	\$1, 400 \$800 \$700	2758 2663 2663 2575	81, 175 8863 8725	٧	
Total cases On Median	£ 5 3 5 5	253 276 270 205 205 205	170 269 269 269 269 269 269	\$1.046 \$708 \$708 \$777	\$988 \$769 \$637	51, 283 \$914 \$678	\$1,067 \$730 \$635	\$1,400 \$793 \$700	\$894 \$750 \$638	\$1, 200 \$1, 000 \$1, 000	\$1, 438 \$1,000 \$675	\$1, 563 \$1, 125 \$1, 125 \$808

TABLE 7.—Annual salaries and total current receipts of all classes of rural teachers, by sex and marital status 1

			Sra	STWOLE					MAR	MARRIED		
Items considered by State	2	Male	Fee	Female	ă	Both	W	Male	Fen	Female	В.	Both
	Salary	Total Current receipte	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts
#	•	•	•	•	•	1	•	•	=	=		=
Total cases Median Q. Maatlans	145 145 1595 1895 1895 1895	11.01.0 1.01.01.0 1.00.01.01.01.01.01.01.01.01.01.01.01.01	25 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55	25 E	25.53.7 25.93.7 25.93.7 25.93.7	712 \$325 \$678 \$678	\$1,277 \$1,277 \$368 \$596	207 21, 207 21, 146 2793	162 8705 8617 8511	51, 102 51, 125 5838 \$659	309 \$1,117 \$693 \$558	309 31, 436 \$1,017 \$734
Total cases	51, 246 51, 100 5970	M. 336 23, 236 300, 33 300, 336	312 \$1, 191 \$1, 043 \$855	312 51, 208 51, 103 5892	374 51, 203 51, 056 5877	374 \$1, 291 \$1, 149 \$908	\$1,580 \$1,263 \$1,067	\$1.871 \$1.420 \$1.175	\$1,173 \$1,018 \$748	127 81, 580 81, 196 8963	211 21,389 21,099 8979	211 81,677 81,298 81,034
Total cases. On Median. On Tennesses	27783 27783 27783 27783	20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 2	277.25 86.22.26 86.22.26	230 2787 2643 2643	150 8840 8718 8588	28913 8792 8644	8978 8978 8722 8722	81, 304 81, 007 8806	80 878 8765 8647	81, 100 \$900 \$779	\$911 \$791 \$677	51, 193 \$931 \$790
Total cases Q. Median Q.	222	19 8525 7430 7331	. 25 173 23 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	25,25,25,25,25,25,25,25,25,25,25,25,25,2	#### ####	777. 256. 256. 256.	25,500 350 350 350	. 20 8720 8500 8380	24.3 24.3 24.3 24.3	201 2538 2461 2600	122 \$486 \$433 \$348	255 255 37 255 37 37 37 37

12 types of information are included in all columns: (1) number of cases and (2) salaries or current receipts.

TABLE 7.—Annual salaries and total current receipts of all classes of rural teachers, by sex and marital status—Continued

			SIN	SINGLE		•			Ma	Maried		
Items considered by State	M	Male	Fen	Female		Both	M	Male	F	Female	Æ	Both
1	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipts	Salary	Total current receipta	Salary	Total current receipta
1		•	•	-	•	1	60	•		=	13	=
TENNESSEE—Continued		•										
White Octain Cases White Ordian	87.82 85.89 85.59	25 2917 2687 2493	497 8663 8532 845	\$720 \$720 \$574 \$465	\$621 \$532 \$532	621 8756 8593 8471	2538 2538 2777	\$1, 110 \$780 \$604	. 138 8742 8555 8446	8972 8677 8512	322 8834 8580 74 59	322 (\$1, 034 \$735 \$566
Total cases. TEXAS Median On Version	\$800 \$740 \$650	26 \$1,063 \$883 \$750	2730 8730 8678 8606	\$882 \$882 \$752 \$632	\$798 \$692 \$611	138 \$911 \$775 \$639	\$900 \$809 \$710	\$1,258 \$1,011 \$823	\$758 \$758 \$680 \$623	\$1, 150 \$900 \$727	131 \$853 \$747 \$655	51, 188 \$950 \$770
Total case. Onedran Oi. Wasconsus	23 51, 325 51, 125 5888	23 \$1, 625 \$1, 175 \$969	328 8763 8564 5563	3128 \$8779 \$6693 \$602	351 8738 8651 8651	351 8925 8709 \$608	26 81, 767 81, 400 8925	26 27,034 51,050	88 8688 85597 85597	88 \$1.044 \$763 \$615	\$888 \$635 \$635 \$546	\$1, 250 \$880 \$640
Total cases. Or Median	\$923 \$923 \$691	\$1,021 \$793 \$670	726 \$751 \$656 \$590	721 \$821 \$688 \$618	\$5773	938 \$705 \$705	\$1,300 \$954 \$697	\$1,450 \$1,126 \$1,126	\$771 \$663 \$663 \$611	\$1,171 \$825 \$673	231 \$1, 194 \$853 \$659	231 \$1,370 \$1,078 \$813

TABLE 8.—Annual salaries and receipts of all classes of rural teachers, by sources

Items considered by State	Teach- ing salary	Non- teach- ing salary or wages	Con- tribu- tions by rela- tives other than chil- dren	Con- tribu- tions by de- pendent chil- dren	Business or investment incomes	Bor- rowed money	With- draw- als from - sav- ings		Occa- sional re- ceipts	Grand total s income
1	1		•			7	8	•	10	11
ILLINOIS						-			-	-
Total cases	1, 023 \$876 \$616 \$512	349 \$101 \$93 \$36	288 \$175 \$158 \$82	24 \$175 \$75 \$31	149 \$110 \$61 \$15	207 \$203 \$114 \$71	91 \$117 \$98 \$58	1, 032 \$1, 068 \$748 \$596	. 69 \$121 \$60 \$22	1, 032 \$1, 077 \$764 \$594
Total cases Q1 Median Q1	607 \$1, 214 \$1, 057 \$876	\$115 \$119 \$67 \$37	127 \$527 \$224 \$115	8	97 \$186 \$109 \$23	126 \$281 \$158 \$102	84 8274 8115 856	607 \$1,390 \$1,163 \$959	\$156 \$53 \$26	607 \$1,419 \$1,175 \$956
OKLAHOMA .							_			5135
Total cases	310 \$880 \$755 \$629	\$148 \$79 \$39	73 \$622 \$231 \$115	•	27 \$114 \$65 \$19	85 \$170 \$117 \$83	19 \$216 \$104 • \$56	\$1,061 \$853 \$713	24 \$108 \$76 \$56	310 \$1,614 \$858 \$721
Tennessee			+							
Negro '		~								
Total cases	327 \$466 \$410 \$327	\$167 \$63 \$23	29 \$181 .\$81 .\$26	2	5	96 \$122 \$107 \$60	8	327 \$517 \$446 \$366	15 \$56 \$28 \$13	327 \$520 \$447 \$368
White				-			1113000	2	7.0	2300
Total cases	928 \$704 \$537 \$442	212 \$170 \$86 \$38	192 \$244 \$120 \$66	17 \$218 \$88 \$21	103 \$146 \$74 \$23	191 \$207 \$109 \$68	73 \$203 \$99. \$584	936 \$837 \$632 \$491	\$157 \$54 \$27	939 \$850 \$630 \$461
TEXAS									-	
Total cases Oa	265 \$822 \$714 \$626	77 \$167 \$81 \$41	72 \$433 \$217 \$111	6	\$244 \$116 \$73	95 \$201 \$123 \$77	18 \$181 \$100 \$56	265 \$1,051 \$851 \$739	24 \$350 \$125 \$50	265 \$1,063 \$868 \$717
VERMONT					1					
Total cases	\$806 \$630 \$567	\$106 \$59 \$28	97 \$324 \$131 \$60	16 \$75 \$36 \$18	91 891 840 \$20	79 \$155 \$94 \$47	65 \$157 \$89 \$41	\$73 \$989 \$737 \$610	\$75 \$40 \$20	473 8994 8742 \$610
Total cases	1, 175 \$831 \$680 \$609	320 \$120 \$50 \$30	152 3200 3120 \$62	6	205 \$53 \$22 \$12	177 \$212 \$112 \$62	97 \$112 \$73 \$50	1, 175 \$962 \$738 \$649	60 \$113 \$38 \$15	1, 176 \$970 \$742 \$651

¹² types of information are included in all columns: (1) number of cases and (2) salaries or receipts.

TABLE 9.—Types of annual expenditures and current savings of rural teachers 1

			Basic e	mentiale	,	د مـ	Educa-	Oc-		Cur
Items considered by State	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Health	Trans- porta- tion	Total ?	and recrea- tion	al and busi- ness	Debt liqui- dation	rent-
1	2	8	. 4		•	3	8		10	11
ILLINOIS									*	
Total cases	\$301 \$195 \$116	639 \$230 \$124 \$71	1, 008 \$139 \$98 \$72	972 \$60 \$31 \$14	931 \$104 \$63 \$30	1,009 -\$654 \$418 \$291	1, 012 \$151 \$95 \$49	933 \$65 \$35 \$16	367 \$183 \$97 \$53	943 \$169 \$83 \$49
MARYLAND										
Total cases	\$388 \$277 \$192	\$35 \$324 \$181 \$91	585 \$203 \$123 \$81	578 \$71 \$39 \$17	529 \$149 \$81 \$41	571 \$869 \$635 \$467	565 \$226 \$133 \$79	555 898 857 \$28	167 \$242 \$107 \$48	566 \$166 \$130 \$70
OKLAHOMA						21.0				61.6
Total casesQs	299 \$311- \$219 \$161	231 \$149 \$104 \$58	287 \$224 \$119 \$82	280 \$86 \$34 \$15	\$121. \$72 \$33	310 3652 3510 3388	308 \$202 \$119 \$63	204 \$68 \$38 \$18	126 \$178 \$103 \$53	218 \$180 \$72 \$37
TEMMESSEE								•	100	-
Negro			*			7				- 3
Total cases	\$221 \$119 \$81	74 \$168 \$89 \$49	88. \$97 \$65 \$36	\$88 \$41 \$22 \$11	89 \$84 \$49 \$27	83 \$548 \$375 \$241	90 \$90 \$56 \$32	\$6 \$51 \$24 \$12	88 \$36 \$17 \$9	88 \$125 \$46 \$22
White										**
Total cases	884 \$244 \$153 \$87	823 \$120 \$46 \$17	894 \$151 \$9) \$64	894 \$56 \$26 \$12	883 \$85 \$44 \$15	931 \$523 \$369 \$260	920 \$163 \$94 \$49	903 \$59 \$32 \$15	345 \$164 \$95 \$48	676 \$149 \$68 \$37
TEXAS							*		٠.	
Total cases	256 \$246 \$208 \$138	177 \$143 \$94 \$62	225 \$138 \$99 \$69	225 \$121 \$66 \$26	204 \$145 \$84 \$36	108 \$658 \$475 \$325	108 \$255 \$168 \$87	102 \$146 \$73 \$36	67 \$188 \$133 \$67	80 181 • \$105 \$51
VERMONT										
Total cases	470 \$334 \$243 \$183	275 \$216 \$117 \$66	476 \$134 \$96 \$62	466 \$58 \$36 \$18	\$102 \$52 \$26	225 \$560 \$422 \$325	218 \$152 \$88 \$50	221 \$73 \$43 \$21	80 \$145 \$73 \$40	202 \$161 \$75 \$44
Wisconsin					•					
Total cases	215 \$183 \$123 \$72	\$148 \$148 \$98 \$39	213 \$80 \$50 \$32	173 \$44 \$22 \$11	142 \$91 \$30 \$21	911 \$322 \$408 \$306	\$102 \$71 \$38	. 884 \$35 \$30	590 \$68 \$43 \$33	\$166 \$107 \$50

¹⁹² types of information are included in all columns: (1) number of cases and (2) expenditures and savings for basic essentials.

2 Data for columns 2 to 6 were gathered from a different section of the questionnaire than those in columns 7 to 11, thus accounting for the variations in numbers of cases.

TABLE 10.—Basic expenditures and current savings of rural teachers, by size and location of schools.

Terms considered by Sec.	1-teache	I-teacher schools	2-teache	2-teacher schools	3 to 6 teachers in open country schoo	3 to 6 teachers in open country schools	· 7 or more teachers in open country achools	teachers in	3 to 6 teachers town schools	town schools	7 or more town	7 or more teachers in town schools
	Basic essentials	Current	Basic	Current	Basic	Current	Basic	Current	Basic	Current	Basic	Current
		•	•	•		1	•	•	10	.=	8	=
LLINOIS On Cases On Cases On Cases	625 8376 8367 8367	855 857 857	\$725 \$725 \$488 \$350	182 282 283				•	192 8912 \$627 \$419	\$ 183 \$217 \$123 \$63	. 5867 5617 5617	147 \$230 \$119 \$25
Total cases Median Ortagora	5729 5729 5519 5390	\$200 \$200 \$91 \$53	74 \$785 \$600 \$437	26.53 26.53	\$900 \$638 \$638 \$450	5288 5150 571	\$806 \$856 \$556 \$544	\$278 \$158 \$88	147 \$863 \$582 \$505	\$288 \$144 \$82	244 \$927 \$707 \$511	238 5268 5158 5158 585
Total cases On- Oil Trumpages	£597 2469 \$357	\$181 \$24 \$37	\$675 \$520 \$383	\$124 \$71 \$41	\$838 \$656 \$463	\$150 \$150 \$50	\$733 \$488 \$367	\$156 \$63 \$40	2	•	. 59 \$595 \$507 \$399	\$200 \$75 \$75
Total cases Negro Qu Median	\$200 \$200 \$200	2 Z Z2	\$575 \$317 \$256	2 2 282	250 2550 250 250	\$125 \$125 \$50 \$31			90	10		Qu.
Total cases. Fries 141 O. Median 8297 O. 8297	14 24 27 25 29 7 20 27 27 27 27 27 27 27 27 27 27 27 27 27	202 203 203 203 203 203 203 203 203 203	23.5 23.5 23.3 23.3 23.3 23.3 23.3 23.3	2525 2525 2525 2525 2525 2525 2525 252	25.52	25.25 25.25 26.25	5593 5375 5265	\$213 \$73 \$45	120 8590 8392 8269	78 \$156 \$67 \$43	247 8709 8470	25.20 25.20

12 types of information are included in all columns: (1) number of cases; (2) expenditures and savings.

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TABLE 10.—Basic expenditures and current savings of rural teachers, by size and location of schools—Continued

	. I-teacher-school	rechools	2-teache	2-teacher schools	open country schools	achers in	7 or more teachers in open country schools	teachers in	3 to 5 teachers town schools	3 to 5 teachers in town schools	7 or more town	7 or more teachers in town schools
tems considered by State	Basic cesentials	Current	Basic	Current	Basic	Current	Basic essentials	Current.	Basic	Current	Basic	Current
-			•	•	•	1		•	=	1	8	
Texas										17,		
O Median	. \$538 \$426 \$253	. 14 814 8100 875	53 8688 8421 8324	8.3% 5.4% · .	\$813 \$544 \$388	, 46 \$192 \$138 \$129	51, 150 \$692 \$485	\$27 \$513 \$375 \$234	30 \$670 \$400 \$317	\$250 \$130 \$63	8758 8561 8561	\$313 \$125 \$54 \$54
Order Cases	2522 2522 2411 5319	159 \$131 \$71 \$38	53 8398 8327	\$123 \$68 \$32	\$644 \$504 \$383	\$200 \$108 \$108 \$54	2669 8592 8438	13 8831 8831 8411	48 8850 8600 8425	45 \$222 \$128 \$70	70 8915 8643 8492	65 \$284 \$156 \$73
Total cases On-	22.28 22.28 22.28 22.28 22.28	2018 2008 2008 2008	\$583 \$457 \$370	\$103 \$103 \$40	\$684 \$540 \$399	\$13 \$113 \$113		5	\$711 \$505 \$357	\$255 \$161 \$161 \$85	5713 5713 5588 5384	\$287 \$187 \$153 \$79

TABLE 11.—Types of annual expenditures and current savings of rural teachers, by number of dependents *

Basic essentials by number of Education and recreation by Occasional and business by Debt liquidation and recreation by Occasional and business by Debt liquidation ber of dependents 1	by num- Current savings by num-	Three or None One Two Three or prore	12 12 12 12 13 14 15 15 15 15 15 15 15	30 31 574 158 117 70 65 \$119 \$141 \$202 \$156,\$170 \$121 148 \$67 \$60 \$85 \$73 \$50 \$83 \$77 \$38 \$36 \$34 \$36 \$43 \$31 \$33	\$14 18 212 97 72 36 53 \$18 \$212 \$293 \$224 \$263 \$250 \$173 \$70 \$100 \$163 \$106 \$123 \$106 \$102 \$53 \$46 \$74 \$00 \$69 \$60 \$51	\$224 \$213 \$10 \$13 \$10 \$15 \$17 \$17 \$10 \$10 \$13 \$14 \$19 \$10 \$13 \$14 \$19 \$10 \$13 \$14 \$10 \$10 \$10 \$10 \$10 \$10 \$10 \$10 \$10 \$10	13 20 11 21 18 13
1 2 3 4 4 5 7 6 7 7	iquidatio r of depe	ne Two		58 98 89 863 863 863 863	32 50 \$281 75 \$125 30 \$69	25 24 8141 96 8 96 52 863	77
Basic essentials by number of Education and recreation by Occasional and business by number of dependents Basic essentials by number Basic	Debt II	None O	-	210 \$207 \$112 \$66	\$250 \$150 \$50 \$50 \$50	\$200 \$200 \$105 \$50 \$50	950
State None One Two Three Four None One Two Three Or None One Two Three Or None One Two Three Or None Or Or None Or Or None Or Or Or Or Or Or Or O	ess by	Four	=			\$102 \$39 \$19	13
State None One Two Three Four None One Two Three Or None One Two Three Or None One Two Three Or None Or Or None Or Or None Or Or Or Or Or Or Or O	d busine	o Three	1				818
State None One Two Three or None Or None One Two Three Or None Or None Or None Or None Or None Or None Or Non							
State None One Two Three Four None One Two Three Or Two Three Or Two Three Four None One Two Three Or Two Three Four None One Two Three Or Two Three Or Two Three Two Three Or Two Three Two Three Two Three Or Two Three Two Three Two Three Two Three Two Two Three Two Two Three Two	Ocrasio	lone					200
State None One Two Three Four None One Two Three or more form and recreation and		4.	=	75 25 25		22 2284 5188 581	28
State None One Two Three Four Toronaidered by State 1	creatio		=	\$170 \$77 \$46			18
State None One Two Three Four Inore 1	and re	Two T	•	230 230 244			175
State None One Two Three Four Totals 1	ation	One		160 8157 893 845	\$2118 \$116 \$80	5245 8135 884	
State None One Two Three Linois Agendants Agendants	Educa		1	8.65 1.65 1.65 1.65 1.65 1.65 1.65 1.65 1	\$236 \$149 \$149	\$1691 \$931 \$57	77
State State None One Two Thru Linois ACOT 167 1	xer of	Four	•			29 8681 8681 8528	
State 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	y numb	Three	•		\$1,008 \$863 \$663	\$579 \$535 \$525	17
State 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	ntials b		•	2791 8588 8445	\$1,065 \$763 \$529	\$679 \$538 \$443	18
State 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1) c esse		••	167 \$818 \$575	97 8922 8681 1433	55 8771 8569 463	9
State 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Basi	None	*	2555 2355 316	\$212 \$749 \$590	\$3.00 \$3.70 \$3.70	15
	Items considered by	State	-	ILLINOIS Total cases. Onedian Onedian			Total cases

** 2 types of information are included in all columns: (1) number of cases; (2) expenditures and savings.

TABLE 11.-Types of annual expenditures and current savings of rural teachers, by number of dependents-Continued

	Bas	ic ca	entials by n dependents	r E	ber of	Educ	ation	and re	Education and recreation by number of dependents	u by	Occasi	ional	and l	Occasional and business by number of dependents	e by	5	t liqui	t liquidation by r	Debt liquidation by number of dependents	-En	Cur	rent s	depe	Current savings by number of dependents	g .
State	None One	O	Ž.	Three	Four	None	One	Two Three		Four	None		One Two	Three	Four	None	One Two		Three	Four	None		One Two	Three	Four
•	•		•	•	•			•	:	=	=	=	1 3	=	:	=	=	=	2	=	=	=	1 2	=	*
Therresses—Continued Total cases Median On-	512 2469 5604 5328 7423 5221 5304	27.23 27.23 20.23 20.23	72 72 136 72 757	27.32 24.30 24.30 316	65 7697 7179 7379	\$12 \$36 \$50 \$512	152 295 295 243	255.5	\$136 \$36	28.8.7	228822	152 818 818	228 E 2	2222	8238 111	25 25 25 25 25 25	2502	5500	25,28,7	00880	\$134 \$134 \$111	\$105 \$106 \$45 \$16	\$136 \$70 \$28	\$128 \$55 \$23	2522
On Median Or Version	136 52 \$542,5688 \$427,5522 \$328,5396	522 5396 5396	2882 2884 2984 2984 2984 2984 2984 2984	5763 5588 5294	8,906 8,769 8,619	\$230 \$177 \$101	\$167 \$128 \$87	\$232 \$117 \$74	\$233 \$117 \$75	\$255 \$194 \$66	22,24	225 250 250 250 250 250 250 250 250 250	×822	22 2 2 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	28 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	\$207 \$131 \$58	22 18 \$163 \$156 \$75 \$108 \$55 \$79	18 1108 1108	0		25 25 8 25 8 28 8 28 8 28 8	37 283 240	\$227 \$117 \$117	0	252 ×
Ontal cases Median Ontal	324 67 \$534 \$853 \$411 \$638 \$326 \$420	28833		\$888 \$1,000 \$583 \$575 \$430 \$00	26 11, 075 \$700 \$508	321 71 43 8147 8156 8191 892 885 8104 852 839 845	71 \$85 \$39 \$39		\$250 \$175 \$58	8588	2223	2272	200 A	213 213 213 213 213	2222	8858	19 11 \$111 \$106 \$79 \$46 \$40 \$23	= 22E	2	1111	288 54 5172 5188 587 592 547 542	\$188 \$92 \$42	275 275 275 236	\$117 \$83 \$50	\$137 \$30 \$30
Total cases Or Median Or	ε	ε	ε	ε		ε	ε	ε	ε		ε	ε	ε	ε		220 8170 897 855	\$143 \$35 \$35	\$150 \$63 \$34	\$150 \$105 \$105	2503 2163 2103 2103 2103 2103 2103 2103 2103 210	670 157 \$215 \$150 \$122 \$75 \$62 \$40	\$157 \$150 \$75 \$75	\$134 \$134 \$45	\$185 \$185 \$100 \$100	\$206 \$115 \$54

1 Data supplied by teachers, but not tabulated.

TABLE 12.—Medians of expenditures and savings for 2 salary groups of rural teachers

Salary range by State	Food	Hous- ing	Cloth- ing	Health	Transporta-	Educa- tion and recrea- tion	Occupa- tional and business	Debt liquida- tion	Cur- rent savings
1	<u></u> ;		4		6	7	8	•	10
ILLINOIS						٥			
\$400-\$499 \$700-\$799	\$137 224	\$73 150	\$82 113	\$31 33	\$62 83	\$56 90	\$31 38	\$77 79	\$45 77
MARYLAND \$400-\$499 \$700-\$799	173 257	73 150	80 86	29 44	48 85	77 100	38 45	56 121	44 %
· OKLAHOMA									70
\$400-\$499 \$700-\$799	175 250	60 106	69 135	40° 35	81 69	81 136	31 53	46 100	75 109
TENNESSEE									
\$400-\$499 \$700-\$799	124 217	74 147	86 133	29 36	34 6)	81 91	29 45	78 102	78 158
TEXAS					7				
\$400-\$499 \$700-\$799	125 231	75 113	110 132	40 58	40 70	138 145	28 34	128 110	40 71
VERMONT									
\$400-\$499 \$700-\$799	250 279	131 121	70 93	26 33	43 55	50 92	29 46	- 73 94	11 109
Wisconsin									
\$400-\$499 \$700-\$799	150 209	53 80	85 148	33 39	69 97	63 76	31 34	86 90	90 100

TABLE 13.—Assets and debts of rural teachers, by sex and marital status 1

			A	SETS					Da	BTS	13	
Items considered by State		Single			Marrie	d		Single			Married	ı
	Male	Fe- male	Total	Male	male	Total	Male	Fe- male	Total	Male	Fe- male	Tota
1	2	3	4	5	•	7	8	•	10	11	13	13
ILLENOIS												
Total cases Qu. Median Qu.	95 \$1, 096 \$458 \$237	362 \$1,056 \$398 \$180	\$1, 082 \$431 \$197	163 \$1, 883 \$806 \$318	\$1, 737 \$710 \$256	\$1, 827 \$791 \$300	35 \$575 \$211 \$109	106 \$421 \$218 \$78	141 \$420 \$215 \$84	38 \$617 \$300 \$104	8175	\$57 \$250
MARYLAND Total cases O	50 \$1, 611 \$700 \$350	6070	DOI!	65 \$3, 350 \$1, 711 \$763	1 0770	AI. 11PM	5	28 \$522 \$225 \$53	37 \$563 \$275 \$104	7	9	16 \$800 \$350 \$75
OKLAHOMA									3			
Total cases On- Median On-	4	63 \$1, 023 \$454 \$184	81, 105 \$454 \$191	\$1, 361 \$575 \$286	\$1, 875 \$775 \$216	\$1, 632 \$650 \$267	9	27 \$313 \$146 \$84	36 \$300 \$144 \$83	\$475 \$200 \$108	\$238 \$142	
TENNESSEE		+										
Negro Total cases Os. Median Ot.	6	35 \$1,042 \$325 \$44	\$975 \$338 \$31		17 \$1, 688 \$650 \$463	21 \$1, 750 \$650 \$431	1	17 \$119 \$24 \$12	18 \$113 \$25 \$13	3	7	10
White												N 11 8 1 8
Total cases Os Median. On	\$850 \$350 \$138	230 \$1,446 \$480 \$185	292	8967	83 \$2, 583 \$1, 139 \$444	\$1.029	29 \$675 \$325 \$188	127 \$263 \$139 \$56	156 \$323 \$170 \$66	33 \$488 \$175 \$80	21 \$544 \$275 \$107	\$521 \$208 \$86
Texas												
Total Cases On Median On	\$1, 333 \$333 \$150	\$800 \$320 \$164	\$900 \$325 \$160	\$1, 875 \$617 \$286	\$2,000 \$925 \$271	91 \$1, 938 \$683 \$280	7	\$225 \$120 \$46	\$228 \$130 \$49	\$363 \$192 \$113	4	\$342 \$181 \$109
VERMONT				*.								
	16 \$1,667 \$850 \$250	199 \$1, 524 \$541 \$226	215 \$1,537 \$554 \$226	21 \$3, 917 \$1, 688 \$1, 031	66 \$2, 071 \$1, 200 \$363	87 82, 464 81, 339 8438	9	100 \$383 \$159 \$73	109 \$396 \$180 \$83	17 \$688 \$442 \$221	26 \$650 \$475 \$92	\$675 \$458 \$144
Wisconsin		-2										
Total cases Os Median Ot-	\$1, 124 \$527 \$221	\$526 \$257 \$120	672 \$836 \$421 \$166	152 \$2, 437 \$1, 162 \$425	\$2,500 \$649 \$375	189 \$2, 222 \$1, 153 \$407	35 \$565 \$269 \$108	\$129 \$79 \$50	104 \$225 \$99 \$57	\$262 \$219 \$158	10	\$350 \$232 \$125

^{1 2} types of information are included in all columns: (1) number of cases: (2) assets and debts.

TABLE 14.—Assets 1 of rural teachers, by age groups 1

		Assets by a	ges of tura	l teachers	
Items considered by State	Under 25	25-29	30-34	35-39	40 and
1		8	3.		
Total cases	284 \$410 \$149 -\$44	286 \$853 \$326 \$21	\$1,375 \$1,375 \$599 \$125	\$3, 750 e\$1, 188 . \$325	\$3, 379 - \$1, 360 \$379
Total cases Maryland Os. Median Da	108 \$750 \$314 \$22	164 \$1, 413 \$663 \$300	79 \$2,022 \$1,078 \$338	\$2, 807 \$1, 899 \$450	\$4, 781 \$2, 964 \$284
OKLAHOMA Ostal cases Median Di	56 \$400 \$88 \$6	103 \$508 \$161 —\$98	\$1, 125 \$217 \$45	34 \$1, 875 \$440 \$50	\$1, 344 \$275 \$13
TENNESSEE Negro Nedian.	22 \$475 \$88 \$6	18 \$450 \$50 -\$58	14 \$1, 875 \$875 \$450	10	\$1, 500 \$500 \$67
Texas	181 \$270 \$37 -\$126	223 \$811 \$65 -\$61	\$1,518 \$433 \$13	52, 972 \$1, 042 \$271	\$3, 232 \$1, 297 \$547
otal cases	\$339 \$100 -\$17	76 \$739 \$274 -\$10 6	33 8979 8269 8131	\$1, 498 \$745 \$289	\$2, 833 \$875 \$325
otal cases VERMONT	\$360 \$78 -\$7	134 \$792 \$322 -\$79	\$1,667 \$625 \$200	21 \$3, 750 \$1, 750 \$1, 208	\$4, 145 \$2, 500 \$1, 018
otal cases Wisconsin	435 \$589 \$247 \$72	337 \$873 \$392 \$140	143 \$194 \$91 \$50	\$1, 310 \$1, 048 \$200	\$5,000 \$2,833 \$1,500

Figures with minus (-) signs indicate indebtedness.

2 types of information were included in all columns: (1) number of cases; (2) assets and debts.

TABLE 15 .- Assets 1 of rural teachers, according to salary 2

					Sala	ry range				
Items considered by State	\$300 to \$399	\$400 to \$499	\$500 to \$599	\$600 to \$699	\$700 to \$799	\$800 to \$899	\$900 to \$999	\$1,000 \$1,099	\$1,100 \$1,499	\$1,500 or over
1	1	3	4			7	8		10	11
ILLEWOS	•									
Total cases	\$458 \$121 -\$8	152 \$578 \$153 -\$53	194 \$712 \$244 \$23	175 \$1, 178 \$431 \$81	\$1,000 \$480 \$100	\$1, 083 \$400 \$150	\$1, 175 \$383 \$85	\$925 \$500 -\$50	\$1, 833 \$833 \$3329	\$3, 879 \$2, 250 \$958
Total cases Os Median Os		23 \$531 \$292 \$175	30 \$625 \$167 \$88	\$1, 208 \$625 \$138	\$659 \$250 \$138	\$738 \$317 \$63	70 \$1,550 \$781 \$217	85 \$1, 975 \$852 \$363	183 \$2, 018. \$1, 250 \$498	\$4, 375 \$2, 550 \$1, 150
OTLABOMA										
Total cases Qs		\$594 \$94 \$28	\$563 \$117 \$11	\$300 \$57 -\$11	\$625 \$220 -\$38	\$641 \$175 \$19	\$1, 125 \$425 \$94	8	8	
Tennesses 1					200		674		-5	******
White										
Total cases	77 \$1,054 \$144 -\$53	198 \$461 \$165 -\$45	\$1,088 \$438 -\$113	\$1, 167 \$300 -\$8	51, 229 \$518 -\$275	\$1, 250 \$500 \$200	\$2, 114 \$646 \$88	\$1, 833 \$938 \$150	33 \$2, 089 \$1, 625 \$531	\$2, 66 \$2, 23 \$1, 66
TEXAS									1	
Total cases Os	Louisita	2000000	19 \$163 \$75 -\$94	55 \$884 \$292 -\$25	5948 \$294 \$75	\$1, 167 \$350 \$67	\$1,750 \$500 \$100	3	5	
VERMONT									, , , , , , , ,	
Total cases Os- Median Os		\$363 \$17 -\$ 138	\$938 \$250 -\$86	\$1, 150 \$257 -\$62	\$1, 125 \$442 \$25	\$1, 750 \$450 \$38	\$1, 313 \$500 \$150	\$1, 438 \$500 -\$625	28 \$3, 000 \$750 \$200	\$5,000 \$1,875 -\$292
Wisconsur										
Total cases Qu	3	8	204 \$590 \$200 \$52	335 \$735 \$350 \$111	145 \$976 \$475 \$193	\$1,667 \$667 \$199	78 \$1,306 \$521 \$136	\$1, 075 \$475 \$145	\$2, 416 \$1, 032 \$363	\$3, 747 \$2, 750 \$688

1 Minus (—) signs indicate net debt.
2 types of information are included in all columns: (1) number of cases; (2) assets.
3 Teachers receiving less than \$300, as well as all the Negro teachers of Tennessee, were too few to be regarded significant and were, therefore, omitted.

TABLE 16.—Investment in educational preparation, by size and location of schools in which rural teachers are employed?

	Ту	pes of sch	ools classi	fied by siz	e and loca	tion
Items considered by State	1- teacher	2- teacher	3- to 6- teacher, open country	7- or- more teacher, open country	3- to 6- teacher, villages	7- or more teacher, v.llages
1	1	8	4		•	7
Total cases	560 \$1, 229 - \$712 \$435	35 \$1, 462 \$950 \$588			166 \$2,768 \$1,600 \$758	141; \$3, 198 \$2, 337 \$1, 203
MARYLAND Total cases Os	98 \$1,750 \$1,133 \$744	65 \$1, 950 \$1, 300 \$705	38 \$3,050 \$1,800 \$1,033	34 \$4, 063 \$2, 167 \$1, 250	\$2, 982 \$2, 225 \$1, 325	197 \$4, 151 \$2, 762 \$1, 517
OK LABOMA Total cases Ot	65 \$2, 109 \$1, 433 \$1, 008	58 \$2, 114 \$1, 533 \$1, 122	22 \$3, 031 \$2, 188 \$1, 775	39 \$3, 042 \$2, 083 \$1, 275	2	56 \$2,660 \$2,077 \$1,629
Tennesses 3 Total cases	\$1, 150 \$813	240 \$1,497 \$996 \$680	\$1, 790 \$1, 300 \$858	61 \$2, 281 \$1, 700 \$988	120 \$1, 980 \$1, 500 \$975	256 \$2, 937 \$1, 957 \$1, 230
TEXAS Total cases 1 Os	25 \$1, 117 \$825 \$575	\$1, 290 \$775 \$515	70 \$1,833 \$1,250 \$963	17 \$2, 025 \$1, 625 \$625	36 \$1, 933 \$1, 467 \$900	151 \$2, 391 \$1, 856 \$1, 164
VERMONT Total cases: Oh	\$2,059	\$2, 025 \$1, 550 \$1, 225	32 83, 313 \$1, 950 \$1, 075	\$3, 750 \$2, 500 \$1, 500	\$4,500 \$2,833 \$1,440	\$3, 275 \$2, 225 \$1, 475
WISCONSIN Total cases 4. Median Q1.	708 \$1, 310 \$981 \$529	\$1, 717 \$1, 038 \$733	\$1,950 \$1,233 \$925	6	119 \$2, 789 \$1, 871 \$1, 239	127 \$3, 971 \$2, 750 \$1, 564

Data for Illinois and Texas do not include cost of high-school education.

2 types of information are included in all columns: (1) number of cases; (2) investment in educational preparation.

3 Data for Negro teachers of Tennessee, too few to be significant and therefore, omitted.

TABLE 17.—Relationship of investment in educational preparation to salaries of rural teachers*

			Salar	ies paid u	o teachers	of rural so	hools		
Items considered by State	Less than \$400	\$400 to \$499	\$500 to \$599	\$600 to \$699	\$700 to \$799	\$900 to \$899	\$900 to \$999	\$1,000 to \$1,599	\$1,600 and over
i	3	3	-4		4	7	8	•	10
ILLINOIS									
Total cases Os. Median Ot.	\$761 \$550 \$382	\$1, 122 \$703 \$462	\$1, 148 \$731 \$426	\$1, 377 \$741 \$473	\$1, 883 \$942 \$515	\$2, 230 \$1, 175 \$725	\$2, 834 \$1, 650 \$700	135 \$3, 375 \$2, 473 \$1, 612	\$4, 312 \$2, 873 \$2, 150
MARTLAND									
Total cases		\$1, 667 \$800 \$650	\$1, 725 \$958 \$575	\$2, 094 \$1, 450 \$825	20 \$2, 429 \$2, 071 \$1, 350	34 \$2, 464 \$1, 514 \$1, 100	52, 354 \$1, 478 \$1, 113	263 \$1,904 \$2,573 \$1,252	\$4, 537 \$3, 250 \$2, 594
ORLAHOMA	4								
Total cases On	5	20 \$1,600 \$1,240 \$650	27 \$1,950 \$1,500 \$1,075	48 \$2, 955 \$1, 900 \$1, 080	60 \$3,000 \$1,933 \$1,371	\$2, 844 \$1, 930 \$1, 513	33 \$2, 486 \$2, 472 \$1, 763	16 \$3,667 \$2,167 \$1,600	2
TENNESSEE!	- 1					-	00,100	P., 000	
White									
Total cases On Median Q	\$1, 305 \$1, 107 \$836	161 \$1,469 \$1,019 \$745	140 \$1, 850 \$1, 229 \$825	\$2, 073 \$1, 482 \$960	89 \$2, 216 \$1, 691 \$1, 004	\$2, 380 \$1, 825 \$1, 162	\$2, 764 \$2, 014 \$1, 280	71 \$1,094 \$2,139 \$1,317	\$4, 500 \$2, 400 \$1, 600
Texas									
Total cases On Median On	4	\$1, 950 \$1, 500 \$1, 150	\$2, 150 \$1,480 \$1, 133	77 \$2, 277 \$1, 750 \$1, 108	67 \$2, 766 \$1, 980 \$1, 354	\$2,700 \$1,733 \$1,400	20 \$7,000 \$2,633 \$1,600	10	3
VERMORT									
Total cases Os Median Os	2	25 \$2, 219 \$1, 367 \$813	\$1, 768 \$1, 283 \$863	\$2, 146 \$1, 400 \$1, 063	37 \$2, 458 \$1, 814 \$1, 208	\$2, 833 \$2, 000 \$1, 486	20 \$3,667 \$2,500 \$1,100	\$5,000 \$3,350 \$2,521	17 \$4, 406 \$3, 875 \$2, 625
Wisconsin	*				•				
Total cases Os		9	\$1, 228 \$747 \$513	358 \$1, 623 \$890 \$460	\$1, 347 \$958 \$534	\$1, 638 \$1, 098 \$763	\$1,650 \$1,000 \$750	6	

^{* 2} types of information are included in all columns. (1) number of cases, (2) investment in educational preparation.

Data for Negro teachers too few to be significant add, therefore, omitted.

Appendix

The Economic Status of Rural Teachers 1

To the teacher who receives this form:

Only as the public comes fully to understand the economic status of rural and semirural teaching can this important field of social service hope for improvement. Persons
entering this field of service are not likely to remain in it or regard it as a permanent
profession worthy of their best efforts unless they are able to see in it a chance to earn
a living wage, maintain a decent standard of living, and occupy a place of respect in
society. It is believed that a detailed study of the economic status of rural teachers
would be most helpful at this time. Such a study needs to consider more than teachers' salaries. It needs to take into account income from sources other than teaching,
borrowings for current expenses, amount and nature of annual expenditures, "amount
and kinds of savings, the number and nature of dependents, the amount of money invested in education, the debt status of the teacher, etc. Unless the rural teacher's
position in these important economic considerations is known it will be impossible to
see fully just where rural teaching stands both as a means of making a living and as a
profession.

The following form has been devised for the purpose of gathering this type of information from rural teachers. Your cooperation in furnishing exact information will be greatly appreciated. Please read through the entire form first, get the whole situation in mind, and note the various definitions given for the terms used. Then give the data requested as fully, as accurately, and as promptly as you possibly can. The contribution you will make toward the whole vexing problem of getting into our rural and semirural schools a permanent, well-paid, and professionally trained staff of teachers will amply repay you for the time and effort you will spend in filling out this form.

Data should be given for a full year beginning September 1, 1934, and ending August 31, 1935. Include incomes, outlays, and other financial transactions for the summer months as well as those for the school year. Give actual figures wherever possible, and where not possible give your best estimate for a given item. If an item is estimated mark "Est." An effort has been made in sections I to III to obtain a complete account first, of your incomes and financial gains from all sources during the year, and second, of your expenditures, savings, or investments of whatever nature. It is, therefore, clear that the totals for I and II should be approximately equal to the total for all the items included under III. The information requested under V and VI will be of great value in interpreting the data given in sections I to IV. Since the form does not call for your name there should be no hesitancy in giving data of a personal nature.

I Form used in collecting data for the study.

Sta	te County	
	Current incomes and receipts.—Please record below to the best of your knowledge	ne the
	amounts of money you received during the period from September 1, 193	d the
	August 31, 1935, from the various sources indicated. If you received no money	£ to
	a particular source write zero (0) in the appropriate sero 4//	irom .
	a particular source, write zero (0) in the appropriate space. All incomes and	other
	aids to your economic welfare for the year should fall into some one of these gr	
	If such incomes or aids were received with other persons not dependent upon	you,
	compute and give as accurately as possible the share falling to you. Give	best
	estimate, if necessary, and mark item "Est."	
		nount
		nearest
		ollar)
	1. Your own salary for teaching: (Include face value of warrants, retire-	
	ment deductions from base pay, amounts deducted or donated to help	
	balance the school budget, etc.). (See items 25 and 30)\$.	
	2. Your own earnings from work other than teaching	
	3. Income contributed to your living or maintenance of your home, by parents,	
	spouse, or other members of your family except dependent children \$.	
	4. Income contributed to your living or maintenance of your home by depend-	
	ent children	
	5. All other current income or receipts: Interest, dividends, rents, net annual	+
	, business profits, etc. (Exclude borrowings, gifts, and inheritances,	
	withdrawals from savings, receipts from sale of property, and other	
	reductions of holdings)\$.	
	6. Money borrowed during the year but not repaid during same year.	
	(Omit money borrowed to pay debts incurred in other years or for	*
	investment purposes)	
	7. Withdrawals from savings, or money obtained from sale of property for	
	current expenses. (Omit if money which was reinvested, transferred	
	from investments to savings, etc. See item 9)\$.	
	8. Total current receipts for the year. (Sum of items 1 to 7)	
II.	Noncurrent income.—List below all income received during this year (September 1)	
	1934, to August 31, 1935) which is not annual or regular in type.	ci i,
	Amo	
	Sources of noncurrent income (to nearest	
	9. Income from sale of property, matured insurance, and other reduc-	
	tions in savings or holdings. (See item 7)	
•	10. Gifts and inheritances	
	11. Total noncurrent receipts (sum of items 99and 10)	
	12. Grand total of incomes and receipts (sum of items 8 and 11)	
TIT		
.111	Expenditures and outlays.—Record in appropriate spaces all expenditures during	
	year September 1, 1934, to August 31, 1935. If there were no expenditures to	
	a given head, write-zero (0) in the appropriate space. Space is provided separ	
	for expenditures for yourself and for dependents. If exact figures are not available for expenditures for yourself and for dependents.	Hable
	give best estimate for each and mark "Est."	
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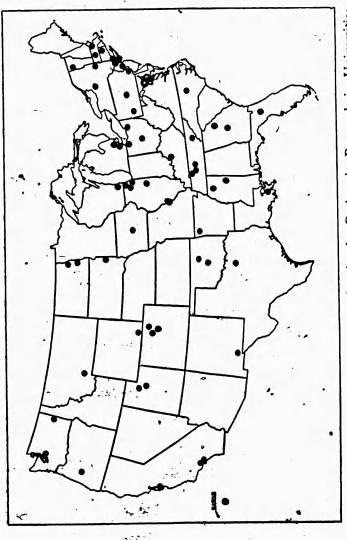
-			pendents (to nearest	
1.0	Distribution of expenditures	For self		Total
13.	Food.—Include board, meals purchased, and all			
14.	food supplies	•	9	*******
	(See item 28)	\$	\$	\$
15.	House operation.—Expenses of running the house: Include light, heat, gas, phone, domestic service, cleaning, house furnishings. (Omit new furniture.			
16	See item 28)	\$	\$	\$
	Clothing.—Purchase, repair, cleaning, etc			Section.
* ***	ances procured from doctors, dentists, opticians, nurses, hospitals, drug stores, health and accident			*
- 40	insurance, etc	\$	\$	\$
18.	Transportation.—Streetcar, railway, or bus fare and operating cost of own automobile. [1] (Include only estimated portion of cost of transportation fairly			
2	chargeable to your work.) (See item 22)	\$	\$	\$
19.	Education.—Include all costs incurred during year for school or college attendance, private lessons,			
	extension courses, and other types of direct edu-			
	cation	\$	\$	\$
20.	Professional expenses.—Expenditures during year for professional books and magazines, professional memberships, costs paid by you for attending meet-	1		,
-	ings and other professional travel, etc	\$	\$	\$
21.	Associations other than professional.—Annual memberships in social, civic, and luncheon clubs, lodges, church, and other organizations. (Omit insurance, mutual benefit associations, etc. See item 29)	•		
22.	Recreation.—Books and magazines not included in item 20, newspapers, theaters, concerts, sports, vacation costs, operation of automobile, etc. (Not included in item 18)			\$
23.	ogs during year to charity and civic improvement,			
	include gifts to relief, charitable institutions, sub- scriptions, etc. (Omit minor gifts to individuals listed as dependents)			
24.	Interest, taxes, upkeep, attorneys' fees and other ex- penses incurred during the year in connection with	•		*******
•	property and investments other than those included in item 14		*	
25.	Losses or deductions from teacher's salary. (Include	******	•	•
	discount of warrants, donations to help balance			
	school budgets, etc. See item 1)	~	\$	\$
operating	ate to "Transportation," item 18, and "Recreation," item 22, such y your car, if you own one, as seems to you a fair division. (Total or depreciation one-fifth of original purchase price.)	portion of annual ope	the total and rating cost of	ual cost of car should

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	26.	Miscellaneous or incidental expenditures.—Barber or			
	1	beauty parlor services, cosmetics, tobacco, moving		1	
				For de-	
		expenses, presents, and other personal and incidental		pendenti	
	i	items. If some items are large, please list separately		(to nearest	
		helow:	For self	dollar)	Tue
		(a)	Por accj	1015716	Total
		, (a)		\$.,	
		(b)	\$	\$ 1	
		(c)	\$	\$ 1	
	07	DebtsPayments on principal of debts incurred			
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	i	in previous years for college attendance, medical			
	,	services, borrowings, etc. (Omit payments on			
		house, furniture, etc., given in item 28)		design of	
	28.	Savings during year.—Include accumulated cash,	- 1		
	b	oank deposits, and money invested during year in:			
		bonds, stocks, building-loan associations, notes or			, (
	1	unsecured loans, annuities, payments on principal			-
	1	to purchase home and furniture or other property			
		(see items 14 and 15) and all other savings except			
		5 LV - 1 16 T 7 March 18	_		
	1	life-insurance and retirement payments or deductions.			
	-	(See items 29 and 30)	\$	\$ 1	
		Life insurance Include annual payments on life and			17.17.14
	a	endowment policies, and other types of insurance			
		or annuities which are impature of an investment.			
		(Under "For self" include premiums for insurance			
		[LENGTON SERVICE] - CONTROL CO			
		covering the life or future of yourself; under "For			
		dependents" record insurance on others)	\$	\$	
		Teacher retirement.—Annual payments or deductions			
		for retirement. (See item 1)			
	31.	Total expenditures and outlays.2—(Sum of all items 13			
	. 1	to 30, inclusive)	9	\$ 1	
***		sent financial standing.—Please give below as accuratel			
14		[20] [20] (10] [20] [20] [20] [20] [20] [20] [20] [2		Die your I	manciai
	stan	ding as of August 31, 1935, as indicated by the item	s listed.		
		Property or indebtedness			nouni
	22				31, 1935
	32.	Total savings or securities.—If securities are not wholly	paid up	give your	
	1	present equity. Include bank deposits, and cash value	ie of bone	ls, stocks,	*
		mortgages, loans, and other obligations due you. (
	*	be given in item 35)			
,	33.	Total market value of real and personal property (Give	full mar	ket value	
		regardless of mortgages on unpaid debts against such			
		Total amount of debts or unpaid obligations on real or			
	i	including mortgages and other debts against su	ch prope	erty	
		Total present cash surrender value-of life insurance, annuit			
		ment, and similar investments			erier.
	36.	All other debts.—Include all unpaid debts and obliga	tions (exc	ept those	
		given in item 34), such as college debts, doctor and			
		loans on Insurance policies, etc			
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	Total e	expenditures and outlays should be approximately equal to total in	come and r	eccipts. (See	item 12.)

v.	Editational data.—In appropriate spaces check (x) or give number which most closely
	fits your case.
	37. Type of school district in which employed.—Open country; if in village or
	town, please give latest population figure
	38. Size of school.—Please give the total number of teachers employed in your school
	39. Field of teaching.—Please state elementary or high school grade or grades taught
	40. Duties.—Teacher; principal; supervisor; superintendent;
	41. Education.—Please give total number of months you have attended high school or equivalent; college or normal school; postgraduate college work
	42. Investment in education. Give closest estimate of cost of school attendance per
	month, such as board, room, tuition, books, clothing, travel, etc. (Include
	amounts paid by parents, value of self-help, etc.): High school or equivalent
	\$; normal school or college, \$; postgraduate college work, \$
	43. Experience in teaching.—Please give total number of months you had taught school
	prior to August 31, 1935
	44. Years in present position.—(Exclude present year.)
VI	. Personal data.—In appropriate spaces check (x) or give number which most closely
	fits your case.
	45. Your sex.—Male; Female
	46. Your age.—Under 25; 25 to 29; 30 to 34; 35 to 39; 40 to 44
	; 45 to 49; 50 to 54; 55 to 59; 60 to 64; 65 or more
	47: Marital status:
•	(a) Single—living with parents or other near relative (b) Single—not living with parents or other near relative
	(c) Married—living with parents or other near relative other than spouse
	(d) Married—living with spouse
	(e) Married—Not living with parents, or other near relative, including spouse
	48. How many children, your own or adopted, if any were chiefly dependent on your
	income for their support during the period September 1, 1934, to August 31, 1935. Please give numbers
	49. How many persons, other than children, were chiefly dependent on your income for support during that year. Give number
	50. Service contributions to living costs, check (x) one or more:
	(a) Kept own room in order
	(b) Helped to keep other parts of house in order
	(c) Helped with preparation of meals
i	(d) Other arrangements, please specify
	51 General living conditions—Check (v) one or many (Only)
	51. General living conditions.—Check (x) one or more. (Only persons boarding and
	rodming will please furnish following information):
	(a) Shared sleeping room with other members of household
	(b) Had use of living room; other special rooms; piano; radio; phonograph; current magazines; current newspapers
	(c) Living quarters equilibred width formand
	(c) Living quarters equipped with furnace; electric lights; running water; indoor toilet; bathroom
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