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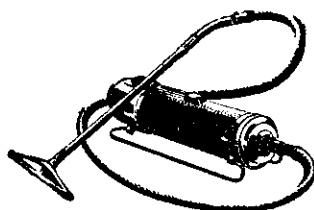
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Are YOU on the School Committee?

(Written for "The Listener" by ELIZABETH ANN MILES)

THIS article is addressed primarily to people in the back-blocks. All people, of course, cannot be on a school committee, but there ought to be, in any progressive community, enough people willing to give up one night a month, the occasional Saturday afternoon, and the odd five minutes or so between

the school committee for your pains, because the electors have a way of nominating and voting for a person with gumption enough to get up and say something, but that is all to the good. A two-year term on the school committee will give you an insight into a great many things. You will probably learn, if you don't already know it, how many fence posts are required to go round



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times to the job of seeing that the school is kept in repair, that any amenity offered by the government is taken advantage of, and that the relationship between pupils, teachers and parents is a good one. There aren't always enough of such people.

The above, of course, is only the barest outline of the duties of a school committee. A member may find himself confronted with any of a multiplicity of duties ranging from the putting in of missing panes of glass to dressing up in red flannel and cotton-wool and playing Santa Claus to a hundred eager five-to-ten-year-olds.

But it's a lot of fun. And there's a feeling of satisfaction in being able to point to a new milk-room or a dental clinic or a swimming-pool, and say, "Yes, we had that installed the year I was on the Committee."

Your term of office is actually two years. Round about the end of April, if you notice these things, you will see pasted up in the vicinity of the local school, a printed announcement to the effect that on a certain date a meeting will be held to nominate and elect members of the local school committee. At that meeting the chairman of the retiring committee will give a report of his stewardship over the previous two year period, a financial report will be presented and matters of general interest concerning the school will be discussed.

A Time to Speak

If you have been nursing a grievance about the administration of the school, or if something concerning the manner of your child's education has been puzzling you, now is the time to bring your complaint or inquiry forward. Of course, you may find yourself elected to

your school property, how many battens between each two posts, the price of fencing wire, and how difficult it is to get both materials and labour in these post-war days.

You will also learn just what the school committee is expected to do with the rather meagre grant allowed for general upkeep, how much money it is necessary to raise locally if you want a film projector, a swimming pool, a school library, sports equipment, and a hundred and one other things that make up the difference between just a school and a good school.

How to Run a Picnic

You will learn how to run a school picnic. If you are a woman you will make gallons of fruit drink on that occasion, together with sandwiches and buns. If the picnic is held just before the Christmas holidays, as it often is, you will want to have a Christmas-tree for the tiny tots and the youngsters up to Standard Two. Then for a month or so before-hand you will be writing to town for toys and decorations for the tree. You will petition the local store for donations of sweets and prizes for the races, and on the fateful day you will stand for hours ladling out cool drinks and ice-cream until your arm aches and you are sticky from head to foot.

If you are a man you will organise a gang of helpers and go out to the picnic ground with spades and scythes levelling and cutting the grass so that barefooted youngsters can run races and scramble for sweets without untoward casualties. You will measure and mark off distances for running and jumping. You will cart water and milk to the

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