

# State's Schools Facing Complex Problems

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With school classes just around the corner gain in most of California, a few facts about public education in this state ought to be very timely. Some of them are almost frightening in what they mean to each local school district and to the state government.

For instance: According to a report I read recently, one-quarter of California's 19 million popu-

lation will be in the public schools this fall, including 5,400,000 pupils and 170,000 teachers. Junior college enrollment will be 300,000, up 27,000 or 9 per cent over last year.

Fulltime enrollment in our State College System will rise more than 7 per cent to a total of more than 88,000, up 11.6 per cent.

CALIFORNIA'S school enrollment increase alone this

year will exceed the total number of students in each of the following states: New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, Delaware, North Dakota, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Nevada, Alaska and Hawaii.

Local property taxes still carry most of the load for local school support. The state government contributes 38.5 per cent of the total cost

of operating California's elementary and secondary schools.

School libraries need more than 12 million more books than they have today to meet standards recommended by the American Library Association.

DURING THE next 10 years, California will need at least 215,000 new teachers for its elementary and secondary schools just to con-

tinue current class sizes, which in many districts are too large already for efficient teaching.

Because of enrollment increases, it costs California some \$50 million more each year in state funds just to maintain the same quality public school program as in the previous year. The cost of upgrading the quality of education from our present position of "just standing still" would, of course, soar

far above the \$50 million and how large the problem of educating our young people is in California. It indicates, among other things, that perhaps our whole tax structure will have to be overhauled, that some present state programs may have to be reduced or eliminated to free funds for educational purposes, and that better methods of teaching children en masse may have to be found. Also, more colleges will have to train vastly more

teachers to keep pace with the flood of youngsters entering the public schools each year.

At this point, I don't have any solutions, nor does anyone else to whom I've talked. It's clear, however, that major steps will have to be taken all along the line, without delay, by the Legislature, local government and the whole educational system. It's a case of taking constructive action — or facing chaos.

ALL THESE facts, figures and projections (which in the past have usually turned out to be too low) at least give some idea of how complex

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CLAUDE P. STEPHENS  
New York Life Manager

## Stephens Named to New Post

Claude P. Stephens Jr. has been appointed general manager of New York Life Insurance Co. Torrance general office, according to Charles Edwards, Los Angeles regional vice president.

He succeeds Glenn O Jones, who has been transferred to the company's San Bernardino office.

Stephens recently spent two years as regional superintendent of training in New York life's South Pacific Region. His headquarters were in Los Angeles.

A graduate of Colorado College, he joined the company as an agent in Phoenix in 1956. In 1957 he was appointed an assistant manager in the Phoenix general office, and in 1958 he was made assistant manager of the company's Valley-Los Angeles office. As general manager of the Riverside general office, he was honored as one of the company's outstanding managers in 1963.

## Meltebeke Takes Over New Post

Michael Rene Meltebeke, an 8-year-old business administration major at Fullerton Junior College, was installed as Master Councilor in the Redondo Chapter of the Order of DeMolay last Saturday. Meltebeke, son of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Meltebeke of a Habra, officially assumed the duties of the Master Councilor during ceremonies held at the Redondo Masonic temple.

Assisting in the leadership of the chapter will be John Latt, senior councilor, and Brett Klyver, junior councilor.

OTHER NEW officers of the chapter include: Dean colt, chaplain; Ed Applegate, marshal; Lee Asterino, orator; J Brett, senior Deacon; Walter Lott Jr., junior deacon; Doug Woolley, senior steward; John Smith, junior steward; and Al McCracken, scribe. The preceptors will be Rand tein, Paul Hauck, John Everts, Tom Bova, Dave Gardner, Dave Winters, and Scott Roberts.

THE OFFICE of treasurer will be filed by John Allen. Like Glatt is standard bearer. The installing team included: Casey Coane, installing officer; Rae Mills, senior councilor; Russ Piburn, junior councilor; Barry Yates, chaplain; Charles Johnson, marshal; and Scott Manly as senior teacher.

Miss Randi Freeland was the honored guest as the sweetheart of the DeMolay chapter.

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