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I entered the University when it opened in the arts program and in the first two semesters had a B average. My aim was education and in July I was accepted to P.D.P. On September 12th I went to an elementary school with three other teachers to the grade three and four room. I read the bible at a few lessons. Mr. Birch was watching and after that lesson I was brought to the University and cross examined by five people in the University. Dr. Harper apparently approved and after one hour I was told to go back. I had a few more lessons which Mrs. Kruger (?) watched and she left and after Mr. X watched he took me away from the school. The time from the first day I was brought up here was seven days. I asked Mr. X what was wrong with the lessons and was told ix I was recalled on the instructions of Dr. Harper. I was told Dr. Ellis said I could never be a teacher. I have been trying to get him to give reasons. They wanted her to sign a withdrawal but xhx I did not do so. I have been trying to get Dr. Ellis to give reasons. He would not give reasons of just said I was unsuited for teaching. I continued to try to get reasons - they were verbal and was told they could not be put into writing/ Then I applied for a hearing. I got B and B+ im in my ucourses. Dr. Harper did not apparently find me unsuitable, but I was in the school only thirteen days, with four others, and only gave a few lessons and don't feel I was given a fair trial. The teacher and the Principal said they had nothing to do with the withdrawal. Of the nine people said to find me unsuitable 3 had never seen me teach, two had only met me once and the other six only one day. Those who were in a position to judge - the teacher and the Principal - said they had nothing to do with the withdrawal. Mr. Johns did not have much criticism - he said I didn't smile when giving lessons.

In answer to the question if she had had an opportunity to judge herself:

"I gave less than five hours of lessons. None of the other students were judged in such a short time. I felt I did just as wake well as the others. The Principal watched two of my lessons. Criticism was made -



but I was supposed to be there to be trained."

In answer to a question as to whether Dr. Ellis had given reasons for withdrawal:

"I wont repeat them. It seems to me that they can be put in writing and had nothing to do with teaching ability at all. I heard different things each time I was interview and none of then had to do with teachine. Why was I not criticised and given an opportunity to improve? This was to be the first seven weeks of practice teachine and we were told that within the first seven weeks we would not be judged. Dr. MacKinnon said I might go to teaching at UBC or teaching at higher levels. He said that if he had handled the matter himself he would have gone out korx to the school and investigated himself."

Asked if she was of the opinion that she was a good teacher:

"I think I XX was teaching better than average"



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