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Dear Teacher:

1. Read carefully every word on both sides of this Prior Service Certificate.
2. File this certificate for safe and convenient reference.
3. It contains your pension system number. Always refer to this number when writing to the Retirement office.
4. This Certificate shows the number of years' teaching credit you have prior to 1939, and also any contingent or out of state teaching. Current teaching, or teaching since July 1, 1939, for which you have paid is automatically credited to your account.
5. You owe the amount shown just above the dark black line and arrow.

There will be no interest charge on this amount if paid on or before July 1, 1946. If not paid on or by July 1, 1946 you are then required by law to pay interest on the amount indicated, at 4% compound interest from April 1, 1946 until paid, provided you wish credit for this teaching to count toward a pension. Be sure to make check or bank draft payable to Conrad F. Becker, State Treasurer, but mail this amount to the Retirement office.

6. The law passed in 1915 required contributions of \$5.00 per year for the first ten years, \$10.00 per year for the next five years, and \$30.00 per year for the last ten years of 25 years, producing \$400.00 for that time. In 1933 that law was amended requiring \$10.00 per year for the first ten years; \$20.00 per year for the next five years, and \$30.00 per year for the last ten years of 25 years, producing \$500.00 for that time. The law provided that if amounts so due were not paid then, interest would be charged until the amounts were paid. In other words, contributions were doubled by law in 1933 for the first fifteen years, together with interest thereon.

7. This Certificate is a report based on the sworn statements of service, submitted in your claim for teaching credit, as supported by affidavits from employing districts, and as approved by the Board in accordance with the provisions of the law.

8. These certificates are going out to thousands of teachers and in order that unnecessary correspondence may be avoided, this office will deeply appreciate each teacher reading every word of the Certificate and examining every explanation as to the items shown.

405 Centennial Building.

Sincerely yours, *A. Holmes*  
Teachers' Retirement System of Illinois,  
Springfield, Ill.