

JOINT SCHOOL AT OKEMOS ASSURED

Three Districts Have Approved of Plan, One Tied, One Opposed.

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OKEMOS, March 4.—The construction of a consolidated school here in the near future is practically assured, as three districts have already voted favorably on the proposition, which is a sufficient number under the law to warrant proceeding with the plans, according to Dennis Benjamin, a leading promoter of the project.

The votes on the plan are as follows: District No. 1, 95 to 4; District No. 2, 65 to 7, and District No. 5, 12 to 4 for the consolidation. District No. 3 had a tie vote, 13 to 13, and another election will be held March 20. District No. 6 voted 16 to 7 against the proposition, but it is said that personal matters played a part in the vote. Districts Nos. 7 and 8 have not yet acted on the matter.

E. E. Gallup, East Lansing, of the department of public instruction, will speak at the Bennett school March 13 at 8 p. m. in behalf of the consolidated school.

It is estimated that the cost will be approximately \$30,000, and will include an auditorium and gymnasium, which may be used for a community center. Both grade and high school studies will be included, as well as home economics, manual training and agriculture.

After the school this year the districts will be reorganized and plans will be started for the construction of the school next summer.