Kastamonu Teacher’s Training School for Girls in Teacher Training (1956-1975)

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Summary

Kastamonu is an important city that has been the place of many important events in Turkish history and culture. It has been one of the most important cities for educational history especially in teacher education. In this scope, Darulmuallim was opened in 1884 and Darulmuallimat in 1915. It was also one of the cities which has been many schools for three centuries. In addition to important political figures, Kastamonu was the city of intellectuals of education history such as Sadrazam Baltacı Mehmet Pasha, İsmail Mahir Effendi who claimed “educating teacher according to village” and Orhan Şaik Gökyay.

This school was founded in 1956 according to the law numbered 6234 and dated 27. 01. 1954 and turned into institute in 1975. It was in the building of Kastamonu Idadi between 1956-1970 and moved into its new building in 1970. It was understood that old building was relatively smaller for the need and new building was better.

8 headmasters and 76 teachers worked in the school. In addition to them, deputy headmaster, education chef, gallery chef, agriculture chef and deputy headmaster were some positions in the schools. There wasn’t medicine teaching chef. Four of the headmasters were vocational teacher, two were science group teachers, one was painting and one was math teacher. There were headmasters who were educated abroad and completed PhD.

Total graduate number is 2284; 1955 girls and 329 boys. 116 girls and 240 boys (356 in total) completed their education by distant learning. Although most of the students of formal education are girls, most of the distant learning students are boys. Although it was a female school, first male student started his education there in 1970 and first male graduates were in 1974-75 educational year. Some of the graduates worked there as teachers. Education period were 3 years between 1956-1970 and 4 years between 1971-1975.

All students joined the same curriculum when school was three years. When school was 4 years different departments such as science and literature were founded and students joined different lessons according to their departments.

School included a student union consisting of 8 students and 15 social unions. These unions were chosen according to the necessities of schools and decision of the board of teachers. It was understood from the files of teachers that school joined extramural contests and won some prizes.

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