

Chinese brush exhibit grand success at Academy

Saturday's project was a sell-out when over 275 people congregated at the Rockwood Academy to view an exhibit of Chinese brush painting as executed by Dr. Anthony Kingscote, sponsored by the St. John's Church on the occasion of the 100th Anniversary of the Niagara Diocese of the Anglican Church in Canada.

The art exhibit was planned as an excellent way for the local church to get their part of the celebration off the ground and all proceeds are slated for the Canadian North mission fund.

Northern Missions
Although the northern Canada Anglican Church missions are subsidized regularly through gifts and commitments, Bishop John Bothwell made a special appeal for support this year. In a personal message to the diocese, Bishop Bothwell said, "When there is a crisis in a family, prompt action is necessary." He pointed out there is a crisis in funds for Anglican work in the north and overseas and that regular gifts must continue and increase. "In recent years special circumstances have created special human needs which we cannot ignore." The bishop pointed out "It is in-

teresting that this appeal comes to us in the same month as our 100th annual Diocesan Synod. The target date for \$340,000 of the overall appeal, is Nov. 17, for the years 1974 and 1975."

Many of the Canadian missions are located in northern Ontario and Arctic regions, with others in Manitoba, Alberta, Saskatchewan and British Columbia. Parishes are usually scattered over large areas, depending on the diocese. Ministers are often forced to travel considerable distances to serve churches where only a small number of people constitute the congregations composed of Eskimos, Indians and English Canadians. A great many of these parishes are very poor, consequently ministers' salaries are frequently too meagre for them and their families to live on comfortably. Although

usually there are three or four churches under the care of one minister, sometimes there are as many as seven and eight.

Drawing cards
The missions, the academy and the exhibit of paintings were all drawing cards which helped towards the success of Saturday's evening. Even the weather co-operated as guests attended from Hamilton, Guelph, Toronto and local communities.

Josef Drenters, owner of the academy, said later that he was impressed at the general friendliness and goodwill generated at the exhibit. Visitors felt the occasion was more like a large party than a formal affair. Time for visiting had been set between the hours of 8 to 11 p.m., but many guests stayed on through the entire three hours, chatting with friends and new acquaintances.



TWO ARTISTS are seen together at the Rockwood Academy last Saturday evening when Dr. Anthony Kingscote demonstrated Chinese brush-painting techniques at an exhibit of his paintings. Sculptor Josef Drenters stands beside Dr. Kingscote as he chats with some of the many visitors who attended.



LAST WEDNESDAY was investment night when seven scouts were enrolled as members of the First Rockwood Scout Troup. The group meets every Thursday and, from 7 to 8.30 p.m. work through a program of badge work, preparation for winter outings, and games. They will soon be starting a fundamental first-aid course and, for regular good deeds, are making plans to clean sidewalks for senior citizens during winter months. Seen with leader Ed Roadnight are scouts, Ken Death, Chris Hudson, in front; back row, John Waldy, Bret DeVries, Garth McDougall, David DeVries and Kevin March.

Sytske Drijber plans Good News Club in '75

Twenty-seven subjects were packed into a three months learning session for one Rockwood mother who recently graduated as a qualified teacher from the school of Child Evangelism Fellowship near Muskegon, Michigan.

Sytske Drijber returned from her specialized training course two weeks ago. She describes her stay at the school as challenging but fun. "I really can again understand the high-schooler's complaint about being under pressure," she says, and tells how, in spite of the strain of constant learning and exams, the common struggle to complete the course weeded the students into a real fellowship.

Students from all over U.S.A. and Canada attended the course, according to Mrs. Drijber. She says that similar courses are being conducted in Africa, the Middle East, Europe and Australia with missionaries attending from all continents. She describes the assignments as being of a practical nature so that they may be used by the graduates in their work at home.

Home missionaries
"We are considered home-missionaries after graduation," says Mrs. Drijber. She feels there is much scope right in our vicinities for Christian learning. The teacher explains that, according to statistics of the National Sunday School Association, two-thirds of the child population of any given area do not go to church on Sunday. Mrs. Drijber feels on that basis, there are approximately 200 children in the Rockwood area who do not attend church and would be considered "unreached youngsters."

Mrs. Drijber tells how students were a mixed group of all ages and many vocations. "There were ministers who'd given up their pulpits for this type of endeavour, public school teachers who felt there was more to teaching than the three R's, young people who'd just spent the past summer doing C.E.F. summer work and others, people like me, who just wanted to know more about the work being

done," she said. The mother feels the exams were strenuous and kept everyone on their toes but that all who attended benefited from the teaching and in-depth fellowship derived. She recommends the course to anyone genuinely interested in Christian evangelism.

Aims
According to Mrs. Drijber, the C.E.F.'s aim is to reach the unreached children with the gospel, with a goal of making the ministry self-supporting in every area of the world. It operates as a service organization and through its teacher-training program, directors at home and abroad train volunteer teachers of established Sunday Schools if requested by church superintendents.

The teacher hopes to bring a Good News Club into the community in the new year. She says that already many children have asked when she is going to begin.

Co-worker
A few years ago a Rockwood public school teacher's wife, Verna Millson, conducted C.E.F. classes in the village. Mrs. Helen Macdonald of R.R. Rockwood assisted. Mrs. Drijber hopes to have Mrs. Macdonald as her co-

Four injured in accident

On Nov. 28, a two-car accident occurred on Highway 7 at the junction of the Blue Springs Rd. resulting in injury to four persons.

A car driven by Elmer Lucas of Acton, was travelling south when it collided with a car driven by Linda Vanderlaan of Acton. Mrs. Vanderlaan received minor cuts and bruises. Mr. Lucas and his passengers Grace Lucas and Ann Lucas, age 10 months, both of Acton, received minor injuries.

Damage to the Lucas vehicle was \$1,000 and to the Vanderlaan car \$800. The injured were treated and released from the Guelph General Hospital.

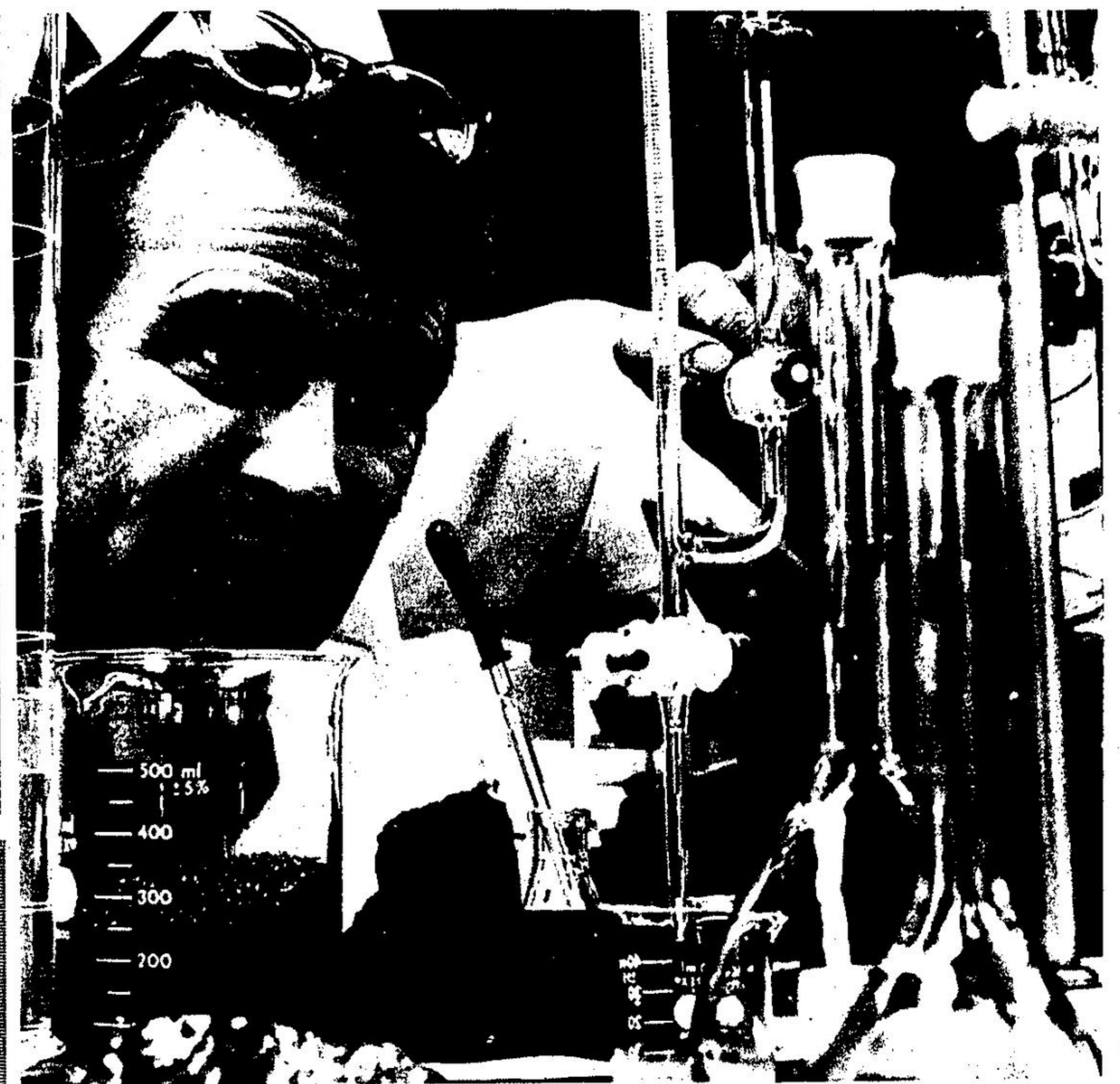
Centennial school briefs

The Christmas variety program for Rockwood Centennial school is coming up on Wednesday, Dec. 18 at 8 p.m. This program will include kindergarten to grade six students.

Parent-teacher conferences are coming up. They will be held December 9, 10 and 11. Everyone is happy the exams are finally over. What a relief. Reports will be handed out December 5, so we are told.

The boys' grades seven and eight volleyball team was in the tournament for Wellington county and came in second at the John E. Ross collegiate last week. They played 13 games altogether and were beaten out by Willow Rd. school. Girls' try-outs for volleyball were held last Tuesday at noon and the inter-class physical education competitions for grades seven and eight will be starting sometime this week.

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Any interested persons are hereby invited to attend this meeting.

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