



JON CHISHOLM, his wife Maureen and son Ian, 3½, visited with his parents on Mason Blvd. for three weeks. John is an avid fisherman and painter. He is also interested in photography and taxidermy.

John Chisholm, family visit friends, relatives

Like salmon returning to familiar territory, the young eventually are drawn back to home ground, even if only for a visit.

Such was the case with Jon Chisholm Jr. He left Acton three years ago with his Georgetown wife Maureen and infant son, to pursue life in the northern British Columbia town of Kitimat. More than three weeks ago they returned to town to visit with family and friends.

Interest in painting, Jon has done many paintings, some of which are hanging in his parents' home. Oils and watercolors are of particular interest to the young artist.

His paintings vary from portraits, to scenery to collage. He also makes lamp bases out of driftwood and carvings. Jon says he did a lot of drawing in high school, but at that time there was no art course to take to concentrate on that one subject. His painting hobby has begun since his high school days.

His friends in Acton remember him most for his love of fishing. Being on the Pacific coast helps him thrive in this manner.

Photography and taxidermy are also hobbies for the young man. Between his job at the pulp and paper mill, and his hobbies and his family, Jon is a very busy man.

The staff of Bowen and Zuccala Real Estate has been expanded this week, with the arrival of Mark Bowen, son of Stan.

Mark has just returned from Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, where he was in the real estate business for one and a half years. In that province, instead of taking a course you work for a three month probationary period. If you pass a set of exams at the end of the specified time, you acquire your licence.

When Mark returned to Ontario, his Maritime licence was not valid and he found himself taking a three week

Mark Bowen is back

Centennial high school in Guelph and worked at the Department of Municipal Affairs in Brampton as a tracer draftsman. Following this he lived and worked in Scotland and England for eight months. Moving back to Acton he worked at a local industry for six months before leaving for Nova Scotia.

Back again. While in Dartmouth, Mark spoke to his father in Acton several times via telephone and noted that the real estate business was no different in the two places. Last February, he fulfilled a long-time desire and came to work with his father.

Mark graduated from

Tulips

The tulips at the arena are at the peak of their beauty this week.

Oram family

Trying to adopt Viet Nam orphans

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Oram of the Sixth Line, Halton Hills, have five children of their own but have room in their hearts for two Vietnamese orphans. They are frantically trying every channel to adopt Bong and Nga, two foster children in the Govap Orphanage, near Saigon.

Shortly before Saigon fell to the North Vietnamese all word from Sister Doan Thi-Khen supervisor of the orphanage ceased. The last letter from the Sister said the orphanage was evacuated before the oncoming army and 30 babies were sent to Australia, Norway and United States for adoption.

The two little girls, Bong and Nga, approximately 10 and 12, their exact ages are unknown, were sent to Saigon, but no one knows exactly where in that war-torn capital. Nothing else is known about the children's whereabouts.

Mrs. Oram tried to phone the orphanage, then wrote the Minister of Immigration in Ottawa. He said the adoption would be approved by the Canadian government, if the girls were allowed to leave Viet Nam.

"We still have hope," said Mrs. Oram whose children are eager to have two sisters. Two years ago a similar try by the Orams to adopt the girls was refused by the South Vietnamese government.

Mrs. Oram and her mother Mrs. Tony Amodeo began sending money, clothing and food to the orphanage in November, 1972, all at their own expense, and paid shipping costs for anything contributed by their friends.

Through their efforts, the Georgetown Catholic Women's League also pitched in and helped keep the orphanage going.

Last April, Mr. and Mrs. Amodeo flew to Viet Nam to visit the orphanage and visited the girls for the first time.

Mrs. Oram said she will continue to send food clothing and medication in the hope



Visiting Viet Nam

TONY AMODEO, father of Mrs. Howard Oram, meets Vietnamese orphans Bong and Nga, as he visited the orphanage in April.

the orphanage will get it, but she will no longer send money. "I don't know if Sister Doan Thi-Khen would be allowed to keep it." She said she's afraid the girls will now be considered old enough to work.

The five Oram children Anthony, Howie, Maria, Derek and Darby, are still hoping they will have two sisters, particularly the lone girl in the family.

Since 1972 the two oldest

boys have contributed part of their allowance and the egg money to the orphanage, and have kept up a lively correspondence with Bong and Nga. They, in turn, have been writing back in English, helped by the nuns. Throughout every letter is the plaintive cry, "I wish I had a mother and father and brothers and sisters."

If the efforts of the Orams bear fruit, the two girls will have just that.

also predeceased him.

Mayor Tom Hill, who followed George Currie as reeve of Esquesing, said, "I think he served the township well in every capacity. I'm glad I got to know him, he taught me a lot and was a good friend. When I became mayor he kept in touch with me to see how things were going."

George Currie is survived by his son Douglas of Milton, daughters, Marion, (Mrs. John Brownridge) of Brampton, Isobel, (Mrs. Clayton Dick), and grandchildren Marie, Ross, Grant and Lynne Brownridge, and Paul Dick.

Following services at McClure-Jones Funeral Home, interment was at Hillcrest Cemetery, Norval, Friday afternoon.

Pallbearers were Mayor Tom Hill, Ward Brownridge, Bill Hunter, Spencer Wilson, Roy Currie, and Roland McPherson.

Honorary pallbearers were K. C. Lindsay, Jack Elliott, George Leslie, H. E. Ostrander and Wilfrid Leslie.

Flower bearers were Bob Lawson, Delmar French, Bud Snow, Ross and Grant Brownridge, and Paul Dick.

His first wife Bertha McAlpine predeceased him in 1965, and he married Doris Hulls in 1969, while he was warden of Halton county. She

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The Halton Board of Education 1974 Financial Statements and Auditors' Report Balance Sheet as at December 31, 1974

ASSETS	REVENUE FUND	CAPITAL FUND
Current Assets		
Cash	\$ 13,385	\$ 17,548
Investments at Cost	3,000,000	
Accounts Receivable		
Municipalities		
Supplementary Taxes, etc.	175,001	
Other School Boards	158,317	
Government of Ontario	1,440,721	
Government of Canada	11,992	8,066
Other	27,159	
Prepaid Expenses	1,986	
Other Current Assets	12,654	
Total Current Assets	\$4,841,215	\$ 25,614
Fixed Assets		
Land		4,878,693
Buildings		76,645,377
Furniture and Equipment		13,202,765
Other - Including Buses		735,250
Other Assets	10,208	
Total	\$4,851,423	\$95,487,699
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Bank Indebtedness	\$ 383,902	
Accounts Payable		
Municipalities		
Over-Requisition	532,004	
Other School Boards	82,329	
Trades Payable and Accrued Liabilities	1,821,412	203,007
Other Current Liabilities	21,568	
Total Current Liabilities	\$2,841,215	\$ 203,007
Long-Term Liabilities		
Unmatured Debenture Debt		40,187,911
Reserve for Working Funds	2,000,000	
Other Liabilities	10,208	
Investments in Fixed Assets		55,096,781
Total	\$4,851,423	\$95,487,699

NOTE TO 1974 BALANCE SHEET

SICK LEAVE CREDIT GRATUITY PLAN

Under our Sick Leave Credit Gratuity Plan, unused sick leave can accumulate and employees may become entitled to a cash payment of a retirement gratuity when they retire from the Board.

These accumulated days, to the extent that they have been used to determine the cash payment to an employee who has retired, amount to \$53,982. at the end of the year. An amount of \$53,982. is provided by way of an accrued liability.

No provision has been made in the accounts regarding the Sick Leave Credit Gratuity Plan.

Approved:
J. Alexander,
Chairman of the Board

J. W. Singleton,
Director of Education and
Secretary of the Board

AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Supporters of the Halton Board of Education

We have examined the Balance Sheet of the Halton Board of Education as at December 31, 1974 and the Revenue Fund Statement of Operations and the Statement of Source and Application of Capital Funds for the year then ended. Our examination included a general review of the accounting procedures and such tests of accounting records and other supporting evidence as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion these Financial Statements present fairly the financial position of the Board as at December 31, 1974 and the results of its operations and the source and application of its capital funds for the year then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted for Ontario school boards applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Hamilton, Ontario
April 4, 1975

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MacGillivray & Co.
Chartered Accountants
(Municipal licence number 180)

Revenue Fund Statement of Operations For the Year Ended December 31, 1974

EXPENDITURE	ELEMENTARY	SECONDARY (Including Trainable Retarded Children)
Business administration	\$ 365,471	\$ 371,310
Computer Services		2,138,875
Instruction	18,511,517	19,072,281
Educational services	494,147	514,349
Attendance, health and food services	18,439	165,221
Plant operation	2,461,962	2,138,875
Plant maintenance	648,569	551,354
Transportation	743,945	524,329
Tuition fees	15,181	70,099
Capital expenditure (non-allocable)	37,010	46,569
Other operating expenditure	5,428	25,382
Debt charges on capital borrowing	3,012,363	2,317,425
Non-operating expenditure excluding transfers to reserves	164,239	174,925
Total Expenditure	\$26,478,271	\$25,973,039
RECOVERY OF EXPENDITURE		
Other school boards	\$ 79,753	\$ 146,327
Government of Ontario, tuition fees and miscellaneous	48,139	29,402
Government of Canada	10,593	47,215
Individuals	1,298	180,911
(1) Other Revenue, excluding transfers from reserves	204,727	308,785
Total Recovery of Expenditure	\$ 344,510	\$ 712,640
NET EXPENDITURE	\$26,133,761	\$25,260,399
FINANCING OF NET EXPENDITURE		
Government of Ontario		
General Legislative Grants	\$15,328,533	\$15,753,212
Local Taxation		
1973 Over requisition	\$ 324,950	\$ 396,769
(2) Local taxation raised in 1974	10,781,563	9,341,137
	11,106,513	9,737,906
Net Over Requisition Required to be applied to 1975 Taxation	(301,285)	(230,719)
TOTAL	\$26,133,761	\$25,260,399

(1) Other Revenue includes transfers from the capital fund, proceeds from the sale of assets, insurance claims, earnings on temporary investment, reimbursement for services and other miscellaneous items that are in the nature of recovery of expenditure.

(2) Local Taxation includes the total of the 1974 requisitions on municipalities, supplementary taxes, license fees for trailers, taxes levied directly by school boards, and any other amount provided by municipalities over and above the requisition, other than amounts in respect of sale of assets to a Municipality or revenues from cost shared programs.

Statement of Source and Application of Capital Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 1974

SOURCE	ELEMENTARY	SECONDARY (Including Trainable Retarded Children)
Unexpended funds at beginning of year	\$ (20,448)	\$ (1,749,911)
Long-term liabilities		
Sold to Education Capital Aid Corporation (par value)	1,946,000	2,660,000
Reimbursements from Governments		
Ontario	311	52
Capital Expenditure from the revenue fund	171,095	175,505
Federal sales tax refund	42,868	20,278
Total	\$2,139,826	\$1,105,924
APPLICATION		
Fixed assets and work in progress		
Buildings	\$1,731,346	\$ 721,689
Furniture and equipment	325,960	394,150
School sites	132,579	
Improvement of school sites	25,844	41,565
Other	2,234	30,774
Other Applications		
Cost of issuing debentures	2,492	1,575
Transferred to revenue fund	12,936	
Unexpended funds at end of year	(93,565)	(83,829)
Total	\$2,139,826	\$1,105,924

Esquesing's grand old man

The grand old man of Esquesing politics, George Currie, died Tuesday evening, May 13, in the farmhouse he had lived in for most of his 84 years.

A veteran of 44 years in municipal politics, George Currie first entered Esquesing council in 1926, when he was 35 years old, and was rarely out of office until his retirement in 1970.

Only the three years from 1937 until 1940, and one year from 1960 until 1961, he sat on the sidelines and did not occupy some chair at Esquesing council table, as councillor, deputy-reeve or reeve. He was reeve of Esquesing from 1932 to 1937, 1949 to 1951, 1957 to 1959 and from 1968 to 1970.

He was chosen warden of Halton by his fellow councillors twice in his lifetime, in 1936 and in 1969, when he was 78 years old.

He was only one of two wardens to hold the post

twice, since the turn of the century. Prior to that, between 1853, when Halton county was formed, and 1909, it was not such a rare occurrence for a warden to serve more than once.

In 1935, Mr. Currie ran as a Conservative candidate for this area in a federal election, against Hughes Cleaver, but was defeated, one of his few election losses.

During his many years as reeve of Esquesing, it was seldom he had to ask the name of any visitor to the council chamber. He knew not only their first name, but every pothole near their home.

Mr. Currie farmed all his life on the Seventh Line on 75 acres on one side of the road and 100 acres on the other.

His first wife Bertha McAlpine predeceased him in 1965, and he married Doris Hulls in 1969, while he was warden of Halton county. She