

Explains Robarts Plan University Women's Club

W. R. Stewart, a former Milton resident, spoke at the November meeting of the University Women's Club of Milton. Mr. Stewart, now Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education for the provincial Department of Education, gave a detailed description of the variety of courses soon to be offered in the province's high schools under the "Robarts Plan".

He said the new program will cause a shift in emphasis toward more business and technical education. Canada needs more skilled tradesmen. He saw no corresponding decrease of interest in academic education. The aim of the program is also to equalize advantages across the province and will provide a good general education determined by individual capacities.

Three Branches

The courses offered in the province's high schools will come under three branches, Arts and Science, Business and Commerce, and the Science, Technology and Trades branch.

Each of these branches will offer a five, four and two year program. All five year programs will lead to grade 13 as the fifth and final year. There will also be a diversified occupational program planned for students who did not pass grade 8, in which 50 per cent of the time will be spent in shop work in service trades. Some schools will also offer a one year commercial course for those who have finished grade 11, 12 or 13. In this course 100 per cent of the time will be spent on skills.

Grant Diplomas

All courses will grant diplomas or certificates. Except for the four year Arts and Science, all courses will lead directly to employment or university, nursing, teaching, etc.

Grade nine will be a common year for all courses, with 20 per cent of the time spent on elected subjects in the student's field of interest. Mr. Stewart said "the real choice will be at the end of grade nine."

He explained the plan will be in operation across Ontario in the fall of 1963. Local school boards will adopt the plan in part or in full. Size of the school will be an important factor in determining which courses will be offered.

A high school of less than 200 pupils could only hope to offer the five year Arts and Sciences course.

Offer Three Programs

A high school with 400 to 600 pupils, the present size of Milton District High School can have three programs. These are the five and four year Arts and Sciences, Business and Commerce, and the one year Commercial.

In the school of 600 to 800 pupils, the limited technical course could be added. This would mean at least two shops for grades nine and 10 and an agreement with a neighboring larger school system to supply technical training for grade 11 and 12. The province pays an extra grant per pupil under this arrangement. Milton will soon be in this category.

Later this year the Department of Education will be "briefing" teachers from each school staff so they will be able to fully explain the new courses to the parents and give guidance to students. This guidance would include the grade 8 pupils entering high school and the grade 9 student making his important choice before going into grade 10.

Teachers Attend

A lively question period followed his speech. Mrs. F. D. Thompson thanked the speaker. Several guests were present from the Milton High School Staff.

At a business meeting Mrs. R. B. Frame reported on a meeting of the Burlington University Women's Club which she and Mrs. Thompson had attended. Reports were heard from the conference of the International Federation of University Women held in Mexico City last July. There were 108 voting delegates from Canada. The proceedings were accompanied by simultaneous translations so that each delegate could follow the speeches in either English, French or Spanish.

Delegates were entertained at the University of Mexico, the first in America to open its doors, in 1553. As a further stimulus to international understanding and friendship, the I.F.U.W. is studying the possibility of holding a seminar in Africa to enable the Women of Africa to discuss common problems relating to their advancement. Invitations for this

Library Notes

The immediate war scare is over, yet the threat of war looms on the horizon like an ominous

were received from Uganda and Northern Rhodesia.

To Hear Choir

Mrs. F. S. McQuat, program chairman, announced the December program would include music by a group from the Oakville Choir. There will also be a talk by Dr. Richard Jones of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews. Mrs. P. B. Allmen, Study Group Convener, reported on the progress of the four study groups. These are Great Books, Modern Art, Education and Current Events.

Coffee was served at the close of the meeting.

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Whether you are 18 or 80, you will want to read some of these worthwhile books.

Ella Braun, Librarian.



MARY ANNE FORD, a former student now engaged as teachers' helper, tries out the hair dryer in the "grooming room" where the children learn personal grooming and health care. Teacher Mrs. R. P. Jeffares is shown with her.

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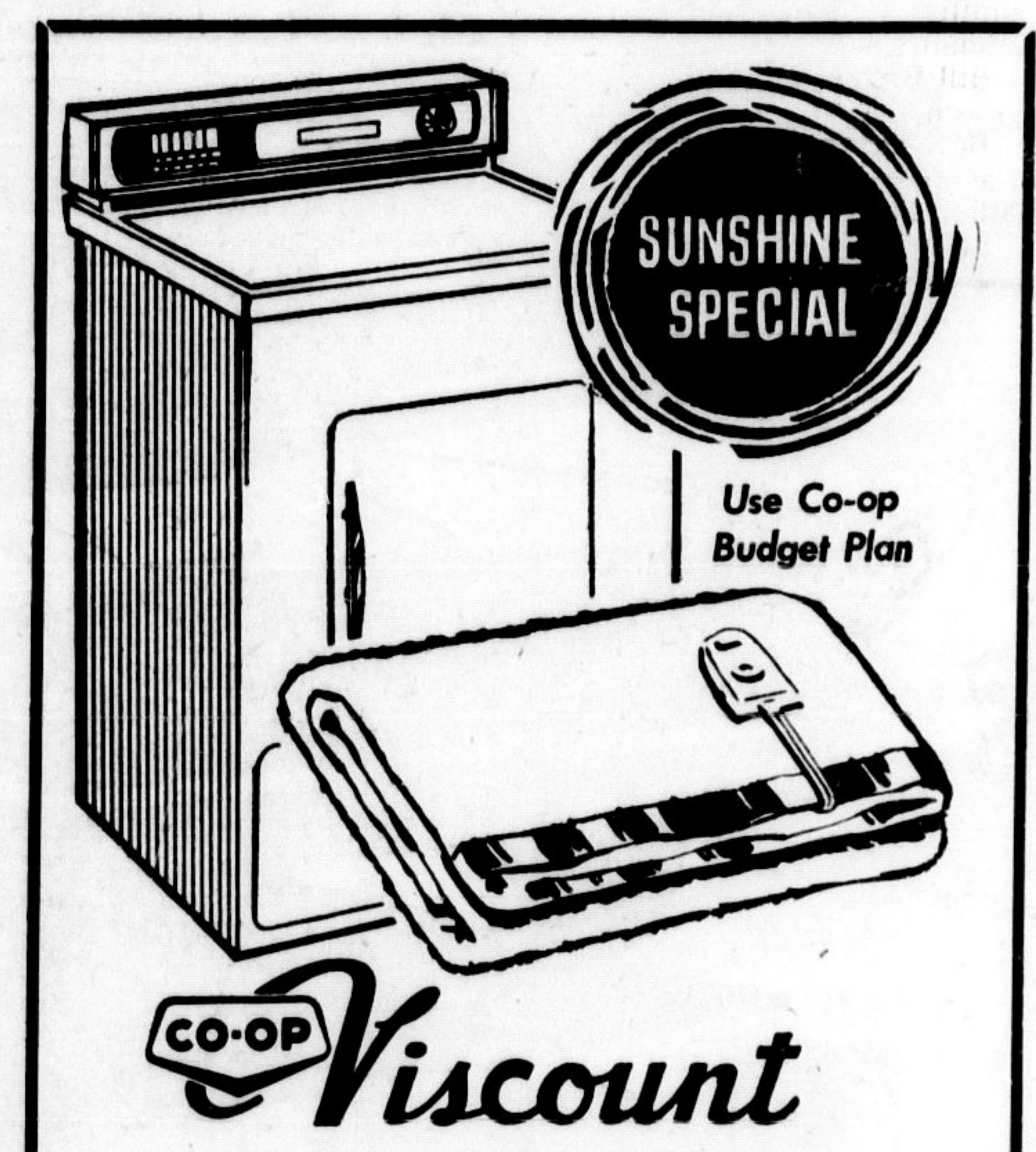
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