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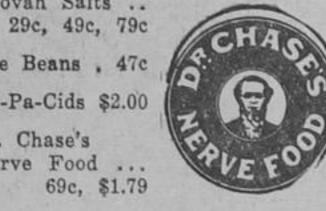
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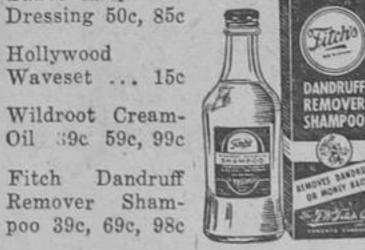


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Secondary School Teachers ROOFING Prepare For Coming Change In Functioning Of Schools

(Because of the proposed chang- | the teaching of English. es in Ontario's educational sys- Richmond Hill is in District following article, written by Miss Snell; Mr. Tough and Miss Lessere eral. EDITOR.)

Last Friday and Saturday, the Permanent Committee on Educational Research held a two-day conference in Victoria College, Toronto. Twenty-five secondary school teachers representing every district in Ontario and almost every phase of high school education studied reports brought in by several of their number on the system-wide curriculum research and the wide-sweeping changes in Secondary Education undertaken in Great Britain and in various states of America, Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Florida and California.

Though the conference was called before the Porter pronouncement, the Minister's statement gave some direction and added some urgency to the discussions. Miss McGonigle, president of the Ontario Teachers' Federation, laid before the convention the Minister's plans as far as he had formulated them. Miss Izzard of Rich mond Hill presented the first of tice of this later. the reports to be discussed: The British Education Act of 1944 and St. Andrew's W.M.S. its implementation. After the re-Dr. Phillips, professor of Education at O.C.E., addressed the teaculture which will influence our educational systems; he also pre-Ontario secondary schools. (Dr. W.M.S. work. Phillips' address was reported in the Toronto papers, November 12.)

The curriculum studies and the resulting changes have been made over the last ten years. The reasons for the changes are common to all and obtain here in Ontario. They are (a) the great increase in secondary school enrolment and (b) the withdrawal of such large numbers before completing Grade X. Since 1900, the increase in

Ontario amounts to 400%. 1948 17,000 pupils in Grades IX | ***************** and X left school; economic pressure was not the chief cause. The schools simply had nothing to offer these boys and girls to hold their interest. The High School, as we know it was not designed for such boys and girls. It was orig- WIRING inally established to prepare students for the professions. Its Phone Richmond Hill 359r11 course of studies leads to University entrance. Its grade system is a system of screening; the prospective employer is not so much interested in the education the student has acquired as in the fact that he is one who has come through the screening.

Such a High School obviously does not fulfil the ideal of equal opportunity for all our boys and up three types of high schools in the County of York, namely, the attempt to meet the needs of "Are you in favor of the all) there is this statement. "To installation of a sewerage neglect the needs of any child by system in the Village of Richfavouring a type of education suited to particular abilities, is a sacrifice that this country cannot cost of \$275,000.00?" afford to make."

their professional assistance implementing the changes in Ondistrict in Ontario. These councils Richmond Hill as aforesaid." are to consist of teachers, board members and citizens. Their task junior and senior high schools

five- year experiment. The chairman of the Educational Policies Committee is Miss Blanche Snell of York Memorial Collegiate. During the last two years her sub-committees submitted reports to the Minister on every subject taught from Grade I on the new curricula: It is ex- the votes by the Clerk. pected that the reports from her Educational Research Committee will be likewise welcomed. It may be of interest to note that Miss Izzard served on the committee which reviewed the whole field of

tem recently announced by Hon. Our district has consistently pro-Dana Porter, Minister of Educa- vided the Federation with able tion, we feel that many of our leaders and is well represented on readers will be interested in the this Research Committee by Miss Edna Izzard, which describes steps of Forest Hill Village; Miss Paul being taken by secondary school of Etobicoke; Mr. Rutherford and teachers in connection with the Miss Elder of York Memorial; and the near future an article along vincial committee on the Teaching somewhat similar lines, detailing of Citizenship. The representa-

cils in all parts of our area. be interested citizens in Richmond many others. work of such a research council.

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mond Hill at an estimated

"I, Russell Lynett, Clerk of In order to be prepared to give the Village of Richmond Hill, do hereby certify that the tario, this committee of teachers foregoing is a correct stateis initiating an immediate piece of ment of the question submitresearch. Research councils are ted to the vote of the electors to be set up immediately in every (owners) of the Village of

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is to determine (a) at what levels that the vote on the said should emerge, (b) their purpose question will be taken at the and programme and (c) the certification of teachers in the junior Monday, December 5, 1949, high school. In respect to (a) it between the hours of 9 o'is to be noted that experience has clock in the morning and 7 proved already that the junior o'clock in the afternoon at high school should not include the following place appoint- of the Village ed for the taking of the votes reached that conclusion after a MASONIC HALL, Yonge Street, RICHMOND HILL,

and that November 28, 1949, at the Municipal Hall in Richmond Hill at 9 pm. is the time and place for the apto Grade XIII. These reports were pointment of persons to atwelcomed by the Department and tend at the polling places and will have a determining effect up- at the final summing up of

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Hill who will be ready to serve the In 1934 a Board of Directors, the problems of every municipal cause of our youth by sharing the under Mrs. Harold F. Ritchie, ap- tax payer, it has contributed pointed to the post of Executive markedly through the leadership Director an able and experienced and interpretation of its Childsocial worker in the person of Mrs. ren's Aid Society President to the Jule S. Driscoll and arranged for assumption by the Province of Correspondent: Mrs. D. Allen I the transfer of the Society head- twenty-five percent of the cost to quarters from 9 Toronto Street to municipalities of maintaining Maple Community and School Club | 73 St. Clair Avenue East, Toronto, | children in the care of children's The Maple Community & School where the increasing responsibil- aid societies. Club will hold a euchre in the Ma- ities of the Agency could be more sonic Hall, Maple, on Wednesday adequately administered during evening. November 30, at 8 p.m. what proved to be the most stren-An invitation has been extended to uous years in the history of Cana-

During the period of Mrs. Ritchie's leadership the increasing demands on the services of the Agency, occasioned through depression and war, developed in the minds of both board and staff recognition of needed changes in service methods. Upon the retirement of Mrs. Ritchie from the Presidency in 1945 and the election of Mr. F. G. Gardiner, K.C. to the post, negotiations for the more adequate quarters now occupied were Gay World," a continuance of Mrs. A. S. Curr was guest spea- initiated. In 1947 a plan involv- Barkes other novels, "The Wind ports were received and discussed, ker at a missionary service held on ing a staff training by the Agency | that Shakes the Barley," and "The Sunday evening, November 20, in through the co-operation of the Song in the Green Thorn Tree". St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. University of Toronto, the appoint- You must read these to enjoy and chers on trends in our Canadian She stressed the great need for ment of an Assistant Executive understand his latest. In this missionary work both at home and Director and the departmentaliza- book Rob reaches his peak of fame, overseas. A generous offering tion of all social and administra- but in spite of all the pomp and sented the latest statistics of our was received, and will be used for tive services was implemented and glory bestowed on him in Edinis still developing.

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has been interested as a welfare whom he later marries and for agency not only in the many thou- whom he frames the words for his sands of children and families honeymoon song, loved by every which have received care and assistance, but in its County and cit- "Of a' the airts the wind can blaw, izens generally. It has in conse- I dearly lo'e the West, quence tried to serve in accordance For there the bonnie lassie lives, with such standards of the day as | The lass I lo'e the best." were consistent with rising costs and the wishes of a progressive and exacting population. Today as one of the largest organizations of its kind in Canada, it stands second to none in point of accomplishment and determination to maintain the highest possible stan dards of service.

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