

Woodland Public School Officially Declared Open

"School trustees are the last group of people who work for nothing and board themselves", the Warden of York County and Reeve of Markham Township, Mr. W. L. Clark, said as he brought greetings to Mr. A. G. Parker, Chairman of Markham Township School Area No. 1, and fellow members of the school board; the many distinguished guests and the parents and children who filled the auditorium for the official opening of Woodland Public School last Thursday evening.

Mr. Clark said that it was indeed a pleasure to be present at the opening and that he felt all present would agree that the newly elected school board was doing a fine job. He predicted an increased demand for more schools with the development of more subdivisions in the township, and added, "We don't want cheap schools, we want economical and useful buildings".

"Woodland Public School", has been truly named, situated as it is on 11 acres of wooded land, where already nature lovers have caught glimpses of birds (who apparently plan to make the area their home). The approach to the school winds through the woodland from Henderson Avenue; later it will have an access from Clarke Avenue. There are seven classrooms, a kindergarten, principal's office and teachers' room, all remarkably well-lit both by wide expanses of aluminum-framed windows and modern fluorescent fixtures.

Ceilings of all the rooms are composed of long slabs of pre-cast concrete, supported by beau-

tiful wide beams of laminated wood and the classroom cloak-rooms repeat the same colour and type of wood in their graceful folding doors. Throughout the school vinyl tile flooring gleamed in grey-flecked marble design, each room having a different colour scheme in scattered blocks of solid colour tile. The desks and chairs are one-piece units, of blond wood and chrome.

Site of the school cost \$54,000, plus the actual cost of construction, architects' fees, and all furnishings estimated at approximately \$175,000, bringing the total cost to around \$229,000.

Evening's Programme
After welcoming the many

guests who attended the opening, Mr. Parker commenced the evening's programme by stating, "This is a new school in a new school area, with a new school board. But let us remember that this school was planned by a former board (the former T.S.A. No. 1 Markham-Vaughan). The aim of that board were to provide a school which combines four things, functionalism, humanism, flexibility and economy - and economy without cheapness, but economical of design and in maintenance".

Chairman Parker then introduced the combined kindergarten-auditorium: School Inspector Maynard Hallman and Mr. G. L. Duffin; Reeve Clark, Mr. W. J. Lee, contractor; Messrs. Dunlop, Wardell, Matsui & Aitken, Architects; Mr. J. J. MacKay, Vice-Chairman of the school board; Mr. G. Learn, Principal of the school; Miss Margaret Perney, Q.C., Chairman of the Metropolitan School Board, who later presented a Bible for use in the new school, stating, "Thy Word is a light unto my path"; Trustee Mr. J. D. Honsberger, Rev. W. E. Askew, L. th, B.A., B.D., Rector of Holy Trinity Church, Thornhill and Chairman of the Thornhill Ministerial Association, who gave the prayer of dedication; Trustees Mr. L. S. Frost and Mr. L. E. Clark and Mr. Alex Brown, president of the Woodland Home and School Association.

Hugh A. Martin, supervisor of music in the school area delighted the audience with two solos, "Preach Not Me Your Sturdy Rules" and "I Heard a Forest Pray", then joined Trustee Clark in a duet, "Watchman, What of the Night"; followed by the presentation of the key to the school by Mr. Lee. The key presentation followed quite a pattern as it was passed from contractor to architect, and Mr. Matsui said, "with such a backdrop of tall trees we feel there will be an additional conducive atmosphere to learning in this school." On receiving the key from Mr. Matsui, Vice-Chairman MacKay then passed it on to Principal Mr. Learn stating, "He is a man well-qualified to be principal of our children", he then introduced the staff to the audience: Mr. E. J. Sand, Supervising Principal and Business Administrator; Mr. A. S. Hare, Mrs. Helen Clare, Miss Heather Craigie, Miss Joy Gales, Mrs. Helen Harvey, Miss Judith Kirjavainen, Mrs. Barbara McDowell, Mrs. Madolia Windrim and Mr. Ralph Curtis, custodian.

Introducing the speaker of the evening, Mr. Gordon Duffin, Mr. Hallman said, "He is a man who knows children, knows schools, is easy to work for - my boss", and Mr. Duffin turned the compliment nicely by informing those present, "I don't think anyone produces as many helps and guides for his teachers, as does Mr. Hallman."

Mr. Duffin congratulated the ratepayers on their school board, school staff and fine new school and before officially declaring the building open delivered a most interesting and sometimes humorous address on education. He said there are three fields of thought regarding teaching: (1) The realistic approach where the child is seen as a machine into which you pour so much material and expect certain results; (2) The idealist, who sees the personality in the child and teaches him to think for himself. And (3) the pragmatist who follows the Dewey or biological approach to teaching, which works on the premise that the child is a creature who grows like a plant and who is capable of different levels of training or learning at different ages, without written tests and examinations. Mr. Duffin said that each field of thought had its advantages, and that some teachers possess all three attributes.

Trustee Frost thanked the speaker, after which the singing trustee, Mr. Clark, sang "Trees" and "Here I Am at Home" and Mr. Brown brought greetings from the Woodland Home and School Association.

A reception, during which students from Grade 8, served refreshments, was followed by a tour of the lovely school.

Among those attending were: Inspector W. J. McLeod and his wife; Mrs. Maynard Hallman, Deputy-reeve Wilfred Dean; Vaughn Township School Area Board members, Chairman Herb Constable, Vice-Chairman Mrs. Mona Robertson, and trustees Mrs. Ruth Hogg and Mr. Sam Kaiser.

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Captains for Cancer Drive

The captains for the Cancer Drive have been chosen they are Mrs. W. J. Adams, Sr. Yongehurst, Mrs. George Bowden, Birch Ave., Mrs. R. G. Goadsby, Roosevelt Dr., Mrs. W. Barker, Maryvale Crescent and Mrs. Donald Stewart, Langstaff Rd. W.

They and their canvassers will be calling on you to give generously to the Cancer Fund, be prepared.

Executive Meeting for 1st Langstaff Scout Mothers

On Friday, April 1st, the executive for 1st Langstaff Cub and Scout Mothers Auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. R. Clark, Denham Dr. to discuss the April meeting which will be an Easter Basket Contest.

1st Richvale Cub and Scout News

The film show which was scheduled for March 22nd was postponed due to an unfortunate road accident to Mr. Simons of the Department of Lands and Forests, who was to have presented the films. At the time of writing, we understand that Mr. Simons escaped with cuts and bruises, but his car and film equipment were extensively damaged.

Area Executive Meet

The Scout and Cub Mothers Area Executive met at the home of Mrs. Mavor, Arnold Ave., Thornhill.

Home and School Dance

A successful dance was held at the Maple Community Hall by the Charles Howitt H. & S. on Friday, April 1st. Being April Fool's Day, gave the theme of the decorations, there were many holidays represented, Christmas, Halloween, Easter, Valentines and St. Patrick's Days.

Investiture of Cubs

On Thursday, March 31st the new leaders of 1st Langstaff Cubs Mr. Les Walters and Mr. Bill Draper invested Jimmy Miller and Tommy Wilkinson as Cubs.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lewis, Roosevelt Dr. became grandparents on Saturday, April 2, a 9 lb. 5 oz. boy. Their son Don and his wife live in Ann Arbor, Mich., so there were excited phone calls made in that direction over the week-end.

Glen Goadsby, Roosevelt Dr., had a close call when his stomach ache developed into appendicitis. He was rushed to the hospital on Monday, March 28 and operated on immediately. He is home and recovering nicely now.

Mrs. Orie Gilmore, Burlington, formerly of Westwood Lane attended a luncheon at the home of Mrs. E. E. Spears, Roosevelt Dr. on Thursday, March 31.

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