Board To Investigate Oral French

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made of it," Mr. Gibson was asked. He replied that the additional per pupil grant in Vaughan Township would amount to a total of \$15,000 per year, no particular allocation has been made of the funds Mr. Gibson stated but he was not sure when the increase would start.

Didn't Suffer Unduly Mr. Gibson then quoted at length from a report on the teaching of Oral French in Toronto schools in the Ontario Educational Research Journal. The article stated that three groups of children had been set up, one group taught French by means of films, one by the oral method; and a third group who had no French. It was found that the two groups who had spent part of their classroom time on French had apparently not suffered unduly as far as their other subjects went, in comparison with the control group who had had no French.

It was also found that the classes taught by the oral method did better than those using films.

The article stressed that there must be some continuity in the teaching of French between grades 8 and 9 if the benefit of the training was not to be lost. The report indicated that while the survey was by no means conclusive, results were such that they recommended a continua-

tion of the experiment. A poll of the various members of the school board four out of five members professing themselves as in favour of having the French taught in the schools, although they all foresaw some difficulties. Mrs. Dorothy Robinson wondered if the township was "ready for it at this time". She felt French instruction should start by Grade 4 but that there hadn't been enough research into the matter and that up to the present there had not been enough co-operation between public and high school boards.

Trustee Mrs. Mona Robertson, while expressing herself in favour of

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such a program, felt that the budget could not stand the additional expense this year and that the question should be looked into more thoroughly. "I can't see it going in yet," she said.

It was pointed out however, that while there would be very little dislocation in the high school French classes this year because the Grade 9 students from T.S.A. No. 1 Markham had had French instruction only since Easter, by next year there would be a group entering high school who had had Oral French for more than a year, which would put these students far ahead of the rest of the students who had not had this. It was suggested that rather than delaying, the Vaughan Board should move as quickly as practicable. If the Oral French could begin in the Vaughan schools by January, next year's French students could start off on almost an equal footing.

The point was also raised, that many of the difficulties between nations in the world today were often the result of lack of communication and that if by helping to give the children of Vaughan Township even a slight proficiency and confidence in a second language this lack of communication between peoples could be overcome in any small degree, this would be highly beneficial.

The board was strongly urged to get in contact with other boards who have instituted Oral French programs, especially the Oakville Board of Education who have had such a program for several years and would be more fully informed, especially with the effect on the students' progress in high school French after one or more years' Oral French teaching in public school.

Chairman Kaiser assured those present that the board had every intention of doing this and set a date of October 4th when the board would meet again with the Oral French committee to advise them of their findings and their decision.

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Approximately 600 delegates son Hospital

an Township councillor, was there. quoted in a Toronto paper as According to Dr. Warren, the Legion Branch 375, Carrville The convention closed Wednes- that "This looks like propane Myers, Hugh McConkey, whose

SEPTEMBER 4 - Richmond tending were Reeve Albert Ru- "There's nothing wrong with Nursery School, 34 Elizabeth St. therford and Deputy Clerk Ken propane, if it's used right," he

of cars this week. We must make room phone Mrs. Stone at TU. 4-1247. representative.

SEPTEMBER 9 - Sunday. St. High School is to operate on a

61 Yonge St. S. Paul's Presbyterian Church Anniversary Sunday. At 11 o'clock service the choir will be assisted school, Huron Heights, is completed.

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Councillor Raps Coroner

timated that 90 per cent of his Willowdale presided at the in-Affairs body had been burnt. Only an quest, which saw almost 50 witarea around his thighs and the soles of his feet were left un- nesses called to the stand. He

> Mr. Joslin died at 8.45 p.m. Sunday at North York's Bran- es during Wednesday, Thursday

of Mart Kenney's Ranch near attended the three-day meeting Dr. R. F. Warren was the surgeon on call at Branson on the Mrs. Ruth McConkey, Vaugh- evening Mr. Joslin was brought to Vaughan Township Council

coroner's jury heard Dr. Cotnam EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT — criticizing the press for only patient was still conscious when the criticizing the press for only patient was still conscious when the publishing the bad things rather than praising the good he must have been in great pain. ther than praising the good he must have been in great pain. BINGO every Wednesday even- during the opening meeting of Thinking Joslin was uncons- jury was George Sara. Other ing at 7.45 p.m. at the Canadian the convention Sunday night. cious, he remarked to a nurse members were John Nimmo, Bill

Arnold P. Yoneyama, a civil PR. 3-5895 or TU. 4-3115. c2w7 Richmond Hill also attended. engineer from the Department * * * *

SEPTEMBER 4 — Tuesday. The Army, Navy and Airforce bowling season will begin at 9 p.m.

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developed in a tank car parked in the northeast corner of the Superior Propane property. Es-Reeve Wilfred Dean and caping gas had found a source

Pieces of metal from the tank car probably struck other tanks, causing further explosions, he

Other Vaughan officials at- Mr. Joslin defended propane, council and John Perry, former

was assisted by Dr. H. B. Cot-

After hearing all the witness-

and Friday in the rustic setting

Chambers in Maple where the

Pupils Win Awards

Three Richmond Hill High School students have been awarded an Ontario Scholarship of \$400 for having obtained an average of at least 80 per cent

on eight Grade 13 papers. Larry Folliott, Robert Manning and David Sale wrote the examinations in June. All three plan to attend the University of Toronto next year.

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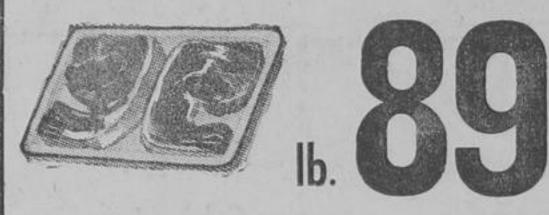
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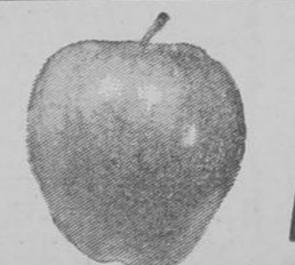
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