

## Review Progress Vaughan Schools, Plans

A comprehensive report on the progress in education made in Vaughan Township Schools during the last year was read by Chairman Ross Jolliffe at the June meeting of the board. The report also included the trustee's commitments and plans for the future.

Rapid strides have been made in the direction of increased services, it was reported. C. A. Grant, BA, MEd, was appointed inspector of schools and supervisors of audio-visual and physical education programs have been employed. A central film library was established and a large amount of equipment purchased.

Teaching of Oral French as introduced at the grade and 8 levels.

The board participated in guidance services, attendance counselling and in-service training of teachers offered by the York South Regional Education Committee.

A more extensive testing program was carried out and a register of exceptional children was developed. New mathematics has been extended into the primary and junior divisions.

In addition, a number of experimental programs and studies have been carried out under the direction of Inspector Grant and by the principals' association.

The nuclei of three senior units were established at Roselawn, Maple and Kleinburg Schools.

During the past year a number of building projects have been completed, including a new senior school at Kleinburg. Classroom additions were made at Joseph A. Gibson and Roselawn Schools and general purpose rooms added at Charles Howitt and Thornhill as well as a library-resources room at Charles Howitt.

**13 GRADED SCHOOLS**  
The last of the township's

one and two-room schools will be closed at the end of this school year. In September the board will be operating 13 graded schools on a junior-senior system — there will be three senior public schools and 10 junior schools. The board has been steadily working towards this objective since its inception seven years ago.

**PLANS FOR FUTURE**  
Plans for the future include provision of transportation for kindergarten children where it is normally provided for children in other grades. This will ensure that all children will have the opportunity to attend kindergarten.

Remedial services will be extended to all schools in the township and an additional special education class will be established at Pine Grove School.

Psychological services will be added to those already in effect through the York

South Regional Education Committee. Audio-visual and physical education programs will be extended and Mrs. Signe Snary, BA, BLS, has returned after a year of post graduate training to assume duties as supervisor of libraries.

**BUILDING PROGRAM**  
The board is committed to construction of general purpose rooms at George Bailey, Ross Doan, Langstaff and Concord Schools. A kindergarten will be added to Ross Doan School and a library-resources room, science room and one classroom to Roselawn School. Additional accommodation is also contemplated at the George Bailey School in Maple.

It is planned to continue experiments in streaming in the senior schools, the non-graded organization of junior schools, team teaching and broader courses in science, stressing the experimental approach.

## Your Legion Reports

Branch 375, Royal Canadian Legion  
By Eric Chapman - 884-0056

Legion President Frank Barrott, who will be parade marshal at Saturday's Centennial Dominion Day Parade, requests the pleasure of all veterans, Legion or not, to join him in a formal march through the streets of Richmond Hill. Medals and uniforms are the order of the day if you have them, but if you haven't you are still invited to participate.

The parade, expected to be one of the largest in the town's history, will be led by the Legion Color Guard and will form up at 2 pm Saturday afternoon on Industrial Road. Thirty units of Shriners will be on parade, so if you're a veteran and not yet a Shriner, come march with the Legion for it may well be 100 years before you're invited again.

A little glamor was added at our last executive meeting. The gathering was graced with the presence of what some might call (and usually do) the hardest-working half of the branch. Nine officers of the ladies' auxiliary attended in order to hear first hand reports of the provincial convention and to discuss future branch business.

Joseph Dwyer of the town's Centennial Committee was also present and plans were discussed for the Dominion Day Parade. As a result of some of the plans the ladies were delegated to provide a light luncheon at the Legion for 325 weary marchers. Asked if they had any beefs, Comrade Gloria Sanford said "no, but we'll probably think of a thousand tomorrow."

Auxiliary President Lucy Rickard promised the branch all the support her hard-working girls could give, and as this has always been proven true in the past, there is perhaps good reason why the ladies should attend the executive meetings more often.

Missing from last week's convention reports was the following information. Our new provincial president is Comrade Bob McChesney, and third vice-president elect is Comrade Bob Jeffries our local district "E" commander.

Other promotions which were thought worthy of note are those of Comrade George Wood to district membership chairman and Comrade Gord Mills to zone sports officer. Our district chairman informs us that the Ontario membership target of 100,000 in our Centennial Year, a figure set by dominion command.

The target set by the province is 105,000 and District Chairman George is going all out to achieve this number. One good point in his favor is the fact that Branch 375 has reduced the initiation fee in 1967 by 50%. New members installed this year will pay \$5 instead of

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**Church News**  
Rev. Donald Peel of the Diocese of Amritsar, India, gave a most interesting sermon Sunday morning on life of the church and ministry in that country. He returns to India within a month to continue his work there. Support of this work is one of the missionary outreach projects of this parish.

Some members of the congregation were present at the Centennial service at Thornhill Park in the afternoon. Vaughan Festival Choir and the Band of HMCS York took part with the clergy of all the churches.

The service this Sunday will be at 10 am, and will be a special Centennial service of praise and thanksgiving for Confederation. In the afternoon there will be a united Centennial service at Stouffville at 2.30, in the community park there.

The young people will meet next Saturday evening. After baseball at St. Mark's, the senior members will go on a hayride.

**Neighborhood Notes**  
Pupils of Mrs. Joy Harnden gave a violin and piano recital June 20 in the lower hall at St. John's. Piano pupils participating were Joan Scott, Patsi Knowles, Mrs. N. R. Patrick, Billie Locke, Ross Smith, Sandra Kirby, Marlene Mitchell, Hugh Mitchell, Karen Mitchell, Harry Kattenberg, Gabriella Kuechler, Julie Farquharson, Frances Smith, David Sim. Kathy Macklin, who should also have taken part, was taken ill that morning. Violin pupils were: Michael Charbonneau, Kim Pigden, Cedric Robertson, Beth Scott, Jane Knowles, Laurel Norton.

Also taking part were the grades 5 and 6 and the grades 7 and 8 choirs of Lemonville Public School, with their teacher, Mrs. Betty Sanderson, who conducted the choirs.

The pupils presented Mrs. Harnden with a music case.

Jefferson School annual graduation banquet was held June 27 at St. John's.

Birthday greetings to Deborah Davies June 30, to Ronald Bell July 2 and to Kathy Gamble July 5.

North York Barbershoppers held their last meeting for the summer Monday evening. Meetings will resume in September.

Wednesday a physical education sports day was held at Roselawn School. Students of grade 4 and up of Jefferson participated, except for John Keerney's pupils, who spent the day at Niagara Falls.

On the way they saw the observation deck on the Welland Canal and visited at St. Catharines, where two ships were going through the lock and swing bridges. St. Mark's and St. Andrew's Churches were visited before lunch at Queenston Heights. They then visited the Sir Adam Beck Generating Station where a film was seen, then the whirlpool, rapids and falls. A visit to Tussaud's Wax Museum was enjoyed.

Thursday Principal Roy Robson's pupils also went to Niagara. They were allowed to view the falls in groups at their own pleasure.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Boyle of Yonge Street and their four children attended a family picnic Sunday at the home of Mrs. Boyle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Meyers of Edgeley. About 75 members of the family were present. Mr. and Mrs. Meyers were married 49 years ago, June 27.

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