

Teachers Take 5-Week In-Service Training Course York Education Changes Has Residents In Dark

See \$12 Student-Produced 8mm Film Demonstrated

Approximately 100 local elementary and secondary school teachers are taking a five-week course on the use of audio-visual teaching aids.

The course is held Tuesday evenings at Bayview Secondary School and is sponsored by the York South Regional Education Committee, as a teachers' in-service training aid.

The course features lecture labs, where the speaker demonstrates the use of audio-visual equipment in teaching a specific lesson and a series of guest speakers.

Dean Cullford of the Department of Education's educational television division was the guest speaker October 1.

Other speaker-demonstrators have come from North York, Scarborough and as far afield as Peterborough and Belleville.

Albert McDonald, principal of George R. Gauld Public School in North York lectured and demonstrated the use of film strips. Stanley Campbell, the consultant in audio-visual education for King Township Schools discussed audio equipment such as record players, tape recorders and others.

A lecture on the use of 16 mm films was given by Gordon Jarrell, Scarborough Board of Education's consultant in audio-visual education and East York's co-ordinator of audio-visual education explained the preparation and use of transparencies for overhead projectors.

How a student production of an 8 mm film can be made for \$12 was the intriguing topic of Cecil Wilkinson, co-ordinator of AV education for Scarborough.

Other guests included John Cochrane, principal of Thomas B. Costain School in Brantford, who gave a demonstration lesson on the production of maple syrup using AV equipment; Kenneth Everest of the North York Board of Education on the use of overhead transparencies in the teaching of science;

The revolutionary educational shake-up set to hit York County in January of 1969 is still a matter of ignorance to a large number of county residents.

This was the feeling of alarm expressed last week in Aurora by John MacKay of Thornhill who is chairman of the York County Interim School Organization Committee (ISOC).

"I've had the opportunity to speak at home and school meetings," he said "and I've been amazed at how little people know about the new York County Board of Education and what is going to happen."

The county's 21 present school boards will be dissolved this January 1 when the new York County Board of Education comes into existence.

ISOC committees were set up by the provincial government throughout Ontario to smooth out the transition and compile information for the new board. The committees are composed of representatives of each of the existing school boards in the area.

Nomination day for the new board will be November 18 with election of board members December 2.

Mr. MacKay, a member of Markham TSA No. 1 was directing his comments at the regular meeting of ISOC representatives Thursday night of last week in the Dr. G. W. Williams Secondary School in Aurora.

He said that "at one home and school gathering I spoke to there was a great ignorance of where they go for nominations, who would be standing for office, who would be eligible for election."

He added that a number of people at the meeting had only lived in the area since the last year "and this might have had something to do with their lack of knowledge."

Mr. MacKay also pointed out that the ISOC representatives had been speaking to numerous gatherings on the proposed new educational setup and were planning to talk to numerous other groups.

"We've also had excellent publicity from the county press," he said. "But there are still a lot of persons who seem to be unaware of what is going on, what is happening."

Executive Secretary William Stapleton noted there "has been a constant increasing emphasis upon the need for wider communication about ISOC and the coming of the new county board during the past month."

He emphasized that the December election of trustees will be of vital importance in determining the future of education in York County.

"And if the best possible men and women are to be elected at that time it is essential that the people of the county be aware of the magnitude of the task that will face the new board."

He outlined the number of home and school association and other bodies that had already been visited by the committee and urged other groups to hold similar meetings.

Mr. Stapleton also reported on the progress of the interim reports now being prepared by

The ad hoc committee — administration, curriculum, finance, property, personnel.

"All the committees," he said, "now appear to be working toward a final windup of their reports and the prospects of bringing everything neatly together in time for the first meeting of the county board seem good."

The one report that was submitted was that of the weighty Ontario Teachers' Federation Advisory Committee for York County.

It was compiled by teachers, supervisors, principals and ancillary services people throughout the county and recommends possible educational structure changes to be introduced in 1969.

The report suggests the new York County Board be a policy making group and "that it organize itself to this end in the early days" and leave the operation of the schools in the hands of their administrative staff.

It recommends that the new board establish a list of priority items to be considered in the first 30, 60, or 90 days after its election.

"We also suggest that the board seriously consider in the early stages ways and means of involving teachers, students and members of the community in their discussions in an advisory capacity."

The ISOC representatives and again on November 21 for will meet November 7 to receive the completed reports, contests and recommendations.

R. Hill Rotarians Host 6 Guests From Germany

Richmond Hill Rotary Club recently participated in a group study exchange program. This is an educational activity sponsored by Rotary Foundation which provides awards for an exchange of groups of young business and professional men between paired districts in different countries for a two month study period.

Canada's District 707, comprising some 52 Rotary Clubs, is paired with District 152 of Germany. In alternate years a district sends a group of six men to its paired district and receives a similar group from that district. This is one of the projects of Rotary Foundation and is another step towards "Better world understanding through Rotary."

The visiting German team arrived at the Toronto International Airport August 31 and will be guests of the Rotary Club District 707 until October 31.

September 26 Richmond Hill Rotarians entertained the German team with a visit, in the morning, to the provincial research station of the Department of Lands and Forests where they were taken on a tour and given an insight into the study of wild life, tree growing and breeding of fish.

After luncheon at the Richmond Inn the group visited the University of Toronto Aerophysics Laboratory where they were shown instruments invented and built on the premises for the study of high temperatures, fatigue and stress, simulating conditions that might be expected on a trip into space. The German team was accompanied by Rotarian President Arnie Arai, Arnold Harworth, John Hissink, Stan Pipher and Joseph Rabino-witch.

After the visit to the Aerophysics Laboratory the German group were driven to Bradford where they were taken over by the Bradford Rotarians who were to act as hosts for the following week.

Canine Control Officer Explains Rescue Attempt For Treed Cat

"Canine Control has never in its history refused to help an injured animal or one in distress at any hour of the day or night, seven days a week — and never will," stated Canine Control Officer James Ryan after reading a Letter To The Editor, written by Merlin Andrew of Thornhill and published in this paper last week. The letter dealt with the plight of a kitten stranded high in a dead elm in Vaughan Township for 3 1/2 days.

Mr. Ryan reports that he received a call from the letter writer at approximately 3:30 pm, September 24, reporting that a kitten had been stranded in the top of a nearby tree since Saturday.

It was then Tuesday. The canine control officer was out in his truck on patrol, received the call over his radio and responded immediately, arriving on the scene about 4 pm. He returned to his kennels to pick up the special small animal rescue apparatus, the most modern available, which is designed for reaching animals on high perches.

"On my return about 5 pm, I met the cat's owner, Frank Hrachovsky, who was accompanied by two other men. By this time the cat was perched

about 60 feet from the ground and every time the rescuer approached, the animal climbed higher. It became a question of following it in the dead elm from limb to limb.

All four of us worked from 5 pm to dark, when the owner suggested to me I leave the rescue equipment with him and he would try again in the morning. I willingly loaned him the equipment and I understand that he and his friends worked for several hours the next day in an attempt to save the cat," Mr. Ryan recalls.

"Mr. Hrachovsky told me I was the only one who responded immediately when called," Mr. Ryan reports.

He went on to say that this call was only one of many similar ones annually, most of which result in successful rescue attempts. The rescue equipment is capable of handling a small dog or large cat up to a height of 65 feet. At that height it takes two men to manipulate it.

The canine control officer is not permitted to attempt a rescue when a cat gets on top of a high voltage hydro pole, for obvious reasons. Since the pole of the rescue equipment is of metal the high voltage can jump a sizeable gap, even if direct contact is not made with the wires. This could result in death by electrocution for the would-be rescuer and the animal. However, Mr. Ryan states that hydro officials in his area (Richmond Hill, Vaughan and Markham Townships) will usually help by removing the animal using the hydraulic bucket attached to their trucks.

This practice prevents similar incidents to the recent one in which an Ontario Humane Society inspector was electrocuted while attempting to remove a cat from a hydro pole.

Mr. Ryan also supported Vaughan's fire chief, James Davidson, who declined to take out fire-fighting equipment to rescue the highly-perched cat.

"Rescuing animals is not his business, and he would have to refuse such a call since his equipment may be urgently needed to save human lives at any moment."

"Rescuing these animals is our business and we have the proper equipment, which is available for use at all times," Mr. Ryan declared.

Mr. Ryan has since collected his equipment and used it to rescue a pure white, young male cat, from a tall telephone pole on Bathurst Street, a mile north of Elgin Mills Road West. If anyone in that area is missing such an animal he will find it being well cared for at the canine control kennels on the Markham-Whitchurch Townline.

Police Accident Report

Stouffville Man Dies In Crash In Victoria Square Saturday

A young Stouffville man was killed in an accident in Victoria Square at 3:15 am Saturday morning when a car went out of control on a slippery road surface and smashed into the car in which he was travelling.

Lloyd David Irwin, 24, of 344 Rupert Avenue, was fatally injured. His wife, Mia, 22, was taken to York Central Hospital with a broken pelvis, broken upper and lower jaw, internal injuries and lacerations to her head, legs and side.

Mrs. Irwin was driving north on Don Mills Road in a 1967 Renault when a car driven by Ross Anthony McGill, 33, of King Street East Cooksville, went out of control just north of 18th Avenue and skidded sideways into the front of the Irwin vehicle.

McGill was slightly injured. His car, a 1968 Chevrolet, suffered \$1,500 damages, and the Renault was a write-off.

The road surface was wet at the time of the accident. The speed limit through Victoria Square is 35 mph.

The accident is under investigation by Sergeant John McCague of Markham Township Police.

BRUSH WITH DEATH

Alan Murray Smith of RR 1, Locust Hill is a very lucky man. He had a close brush with death early Saturday morning when driving over a rail crossing on Concession 5, north of the Aurora Sideroad, Whitchurch Township.

The car he was driving — a 1968 Pontiac — was struck in the rear by a southbound train and wrecked. Smith, 47, was injured.

He had been driving north on Concession 5 at the time of the accident. There are no signals at the rail crossing, and

he apparently did not see the train approaching, Whitchurch Police said.

LOSE CONTROL

Two accidents on October 5 in which cars went out of control resulted in extensive damage and in injuries to car occupants, according to a report from Vaughan Township Police.

Stafford Short, 21, lost control of his car while driving along Islington Avenue, and in the ensuing accident two passengers were injured and the car incurred \$1,800 damages.

Another 21-year-old, Richard Harrison, lost control of his car at the intersection of Vaughan Road and Islington Avenue. A passenger, Russell Burbridge, was injured. Damage to the car was \$1,400.

WOMEN DRIVERS COLLIDE

Two middle-aged Richmond Hill women were involved in an accident Friday morning, October 4, opposite 12 Centre Street East.

Following the accident, Katherine Van Wieringen, 60, of 285 Richmond Street, was charged with crossing the centre line. She had been driving west along Centre Street East when she saw a friend and waved. In doing so she crossed the centre line and collided with a car driven by Constance Larkin, 46, of 48 Laverock Avenue, police report.

Damage was estimated at \$200 to each car. Neither driver was injured.

A car parked on the lot of the Richmond Inn, Yonge Street South, was damaged to the extent of \$105 by an unknown driver on Saturday evening October 5.

Charles Mohos of 6 Nanvenby Crescent, Weston, emerged from a visit to the Inn to find the front door and fender of his car smashed in.

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