Accountant Peter Smith was the bearer of good news to the York County Roman Catholic School Board April 16 when he reported that the Ministry of Education had increased the basic ceiling on expenditure per pupil for 1974. Mr. Smith told the trustees that the ceiling announced last August of \$691.20 has been increased to \$719.29 for grant purposes.

Besides this a revision has been made to the French language assistance program, which last year brought the board \$31 for each pupil taking French for a minimum of 20 minutes a day. This year that amount has been increased to \$44. This is in addition to the increased ceiling, he assured trustees in response to a question.

Mr. Smith also pointed out that government grant rates vary from year to year and that the board's assessment is up 18% from last year. This assessment index (amount of assessment per pupil) increase will reduce the grant fractionally, he said. He also noted that average government grant for the board of average wealth is down 1.5% this year to 62%. He said that the board gained somewhat by having more assessment per pupil and estimated that the government grant would bring the board \$964,000 more this year than last year.

In addition the board will qualify for special assistance on unapproved portions of debentures issued prior to 1970, estimated to bring another \$47,000 into the coffers. "This appears to be another attempt by the ministry to assist boards by recognizing the fact that the former grant approvals did not always come as close as desirable to actual costs," said Mr. Smith.

Another small item on the credit side of the ledger is a new ruling which will enable the board to charge capital expenditures and furnishings to extra-ordinary expenses whether for new or replacements. Up to now replacements have come under the ceiling.

Another credit is that all Children's Aid Society wards will be considered non-residents and will be charged fees to be paid by the Ministry. "There were 110 of these last year and we may have a few more this year since some were treated as residents."

Mr. Smith told the board, "It is too early to talk about the direct effect of this on the mill rate, but we are in a much more comfortable position than we were a short time ago. I feel very happy about it."

"We have been knocking the Ministry for the lack of money for education," stated Superintendent John Zupancic. "This indicates that the Ministry has recognized the need for more money and I hope they continue to do

Trustee Eugene Jacobs called a budget meeting for April 23 when it is hoped to be able to come close to establishing the final figures for 1974.



DON ANDERSON

Don Anderson Goes To Elliott Lake

Donald Anderson, who served as area office supervisor in the Ontario Hydro Woodbridge Area Office for three years, then in the same position in Richmond Hill for two years and in the same position in the Newmarket Area Office for five years, has been promoted to the position of supervisor in the Elliott Lake Sub-office in the Algoma Area of Northeastern Region. Mr. Anderson began his new duties April 8 and will be joined by his wife and two daughters, now living in Etobicoke, as soon às possible.

A native of Leroy, Saskatchewan, Don Anderson joined Ontario Hydro in 1947 at the Aguasabon generating station project near Schrieber. This was vollowed by stints at Mattawa, at the Sir Adam Beck No. 2 Generating Station project at Niagara Falls, and at Warren

although one did wish for Road intersection here sevethe whole cast (and crew) of and lengthy exposure to a Heather Mann (Mrs. Hard- something just a slight more ral years ago, a storm sewer the Oliver Goldsmith classic, shrewish wife, and were castle) was completely shre- aesthetic looking at eye level was installed in an open which was presented at Rich- pleasures to behold; and wish throughout and wonder- than the paint-by-numbers ditch to the west, to handle surface water to prevent flooding. However the manin his all-encompassing role of through an ordeal that was tor Roy Clifton, who manag- hole, fitted with a steel grating, is too small, residents claim, and during the spring runoff or a heavy rain, water backs up and is eroding properties. So far the residents Others in the cast, all who next time he cuts even just have been unable to correct

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Stoops To Conquer - And

mond Hill High School last David Phillips, (Young Mar- fully hilarious in the hedge dog picture at centre stage. week, its 17th annual dra- low) singularly outstanding scene when Tony put her Three stars, also, for direc-

is a tale that might just as pentant lover. easily have been called "All's His was a bravura perfor- she reacted in just as frantic find the shape of it all. Well That Ends Well," or mance in an evening of first- a manner, "Comedy of Errors" or rate performances, as profes-"Eros", if it had been writ- sional as one would hope to ten by another gentleman, see anywhere. because it contained much As the object of his affeccoming out of the right doors | role. at the right time into the But the role called for wrong situations and then little more than a straight reextricating themselves by the cital of facts - with an ocnearest devious means.

especially in a play of this the lovely young lady was length because it requires more than adequate. the rivetted attention of those Something of a show down in front, and while sit- stealer in her own right was ting on the uncompromising Martha Buell, (Miss Neville) chairs of the high school au- who seemed to step right ditorium, one realizes soon out of the pages of one of

be commended for sustaining conveyed her every mood the interest of their audience and whim. lapse - from the 8:30 prologue | made, too, to Domenic Caruby Miss Hardcastle, (Maxine so, (Hastings) a grade eight

(Richard Baker). anyone would have objected utmost aplomb. to a little judicious pruning; either that ,or some cushions

on the chairs. But it is always easier to find fault than to praise, and that fault now behind — so Will Open May 6 to speak - the review could be said to become that much more difficult.

The players are given a plot in which confusion dominates, and they have a whale of a time seeing that things stay on a nice hysterical pitch until the lovers can sart themselves out, and those not aware of all the various subterfuges from the outset, can finally deal themselves in.

The play requires enormous energy, dialectical skill and the ability to let go without flying apart at the seams.

Maybe the recent teachers' strike gave the players extra time to prepare, because they hit the mark on all three, bringing again a mature skill to their work that is all the more surprising because of the youthfulness of the

Everyone did well, but several individuals predominated.

Chief among these were Richard Baker, (Lumpkin) physically tremendous with face and figure out of an old Hogarth print; Scott Veitch, (Squire Hardcastle), whose makeup, stiff-legged gait - he walked as if he had a hockey stick up his

In fact, not only she, but man of his years, position cature and camp.

the same sort of bits of mis- tions, Maxine Watters, (Miss taken indentity and farcical Hardcastle) brought an even, byplay that depend on people if unexciting approach to her

casional wide-eyed aside to It's not that easy to do, the audience - and in this at the outset, and so they

enough just where one's seat the Bronte Sisters' classics, of appreciation really is. and whose enchanting face So the RHHS players can and waspish figure readily

- with only the occasional Special mention should be Watters) to the 11:40 epi- student who was recruited logue by Tony Lumpkin especially for the play, and who handled his role of side-However, it's doubtful if kick to Marlow with the

And a huzzah for Peter

Student Manpower

A Canada Manpower Centre for students in Richmond Hill will be opening May 6 at 10,148 Yonge Street (formerly 32 Yonge Street South). Employers interested in hiring students for the summer may telephone Betty Bierma at 221-9343 before May 6 and 884-9230 after May 6. The number for students to use is 884-9239.

This summer office will be staffed by students and coordinated by the North York Canada Manpower Centre, 5799 Yonge Street, Willowdale. A wide variety of job listings is anticipated and a large number of secondary and post secondary students seeking work are already registered.

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pant leg - raspy tones and Kite, (Diggory) who, as the Score one, too, for Vir- RINGWOOD: When improve-"She Stoops To Conquer" bemused air, were just what old servant, obviously knows ginia Harris, whose fine set ments were completed at - and conquer she does. one would expect from a the difference between cari- quite captured the period; the Hwy. 48 - Regional

"She Stoops To Conquer" fop, libertine, snob and re- something akin to Tam ed to sift through this huge O'Shanter's famous ride, and undertaking and somehow

> acquitted themselves well, a bit more. Sabatini, Edward Marchione, of the Richmond Hill High Brian Queen, Bradley Shan- School, brevity indeed is the Laurie Hutchinson, soul of sit. Scott MacDonald, Jeffrey Queen, Brian Alexson, Ina Schneider, Steven Wilson and Bryan Brooker.

The crew were mentioned did a deft and expert job of putting things in order between scenes, both behind the curtains and in front.

It was good to see the drama club make use of the thrust stage — even if just in part - and its crew attend to it with such profesional vigor.

were, Philip Tarrant, Enrico | On the uncharitable chairs

Although one hopes that

the situation.

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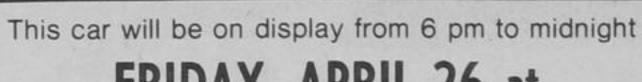
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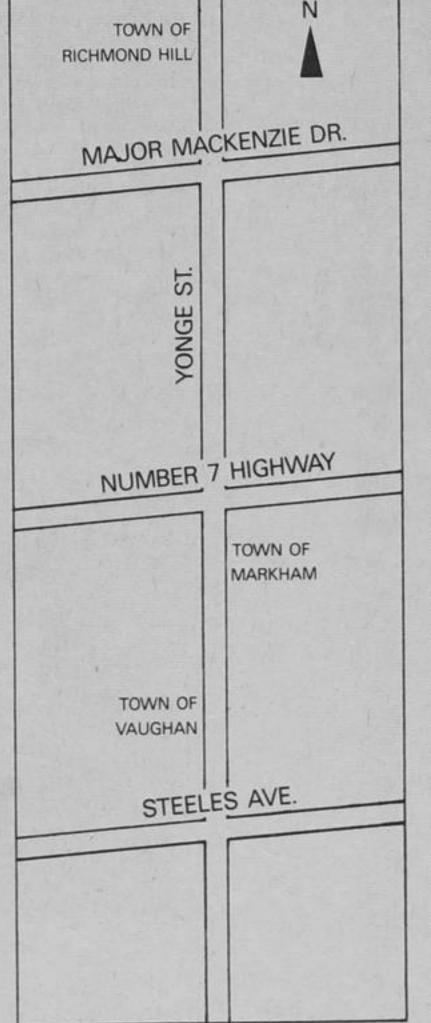
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The Ministry of Transportation and Communications is developing plans for the proposed improvement of Highway 11 (Yonge Street) in the Towns of Markham, Vaughan and Richmond Hill. The project extends 5.2 miles north from Steeles Avenue to Major Mackenzie Drive in Richmond Hill.



Existing Conditions

Highway 11 through this area is presently a 4 lane undivided road with a total pavement width of approximately 40 feet. Sidewalks exist at some locations. Within the project limits there are no separate turning lanes or parking lanes; and illumination exists mainly at intersections.

General Information

Present traffic volumes on Yonge Street have now reached the capacity of the existing roadway. The record of accidents here is considerably higher than the Provincial average. The road condition has deteriorated to the point where reconstruction is necessary.

Proposals

The Ministry proposes to reconstruct this section of Highway 11 to meet current design standards which will provide:

1. Right and left turns;

Parking lanes on both sides;

3. An improved hwy. drainage system:

4. Illumination throughout the project.

Also, in conjunction with the local Municipalities, sidewalk construction is proposed throughout the length of the project.

The Ministry has arranged for information centres at convenient locations within the area where interested residents are invited to view and discuss the proposed highway improvement details on display. Ministry representatives will be available to answer questions at the centres according to the following schedule:

Thursday, April 25, 1974

Monday, April 29, 1974

Council Chambers Holy Trinity Church Auditorium

Town of Richmond Hill

Brooke Street, Thornhill

3:00 pm to 9:00 pm

9:00 pm

TIME

3:00 pm to

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