

Goal of B'field Hills— Give Sound Education

The goal of Bloomfield Hills Schools is to provide a sound educational program geared to meet the needs of the individual so he may develop to his full potential, according to Kathleen Flint, assistant superintendent of Bloomfield Hills schools.

This is achieved through a well-planned curriculum, qualified teachers, favorable pupil-teacher ratios and good instructional materials, she said.

"WE ARE constantly studying, evaluating and revising our curriculum," she said. "This year we will be conducting studies in the elementary schools in mathematics, spelling, science and in grouping."

Vaughan School will continue the ungraded primary plan, started last year. The other schools will be working toward this by using various types of groupings.

Mrs. Flint said a new social studies program will go into effect in September. This is one of a

basic geography and many supplemental history books.

FRENCH WILL again be taught to children in grades one through six in all elementary schools by trained French teachers, she said.

In-service education in Bloomfield Hills Schools, Mrs. Flint said, has as its aim the improving of the instructional program through providing faculty members with opportunities for continuous growth.

There will be workshops in subject area fields including: art, mathematics, science, reading, physical education, music and foreign language.

CO-ORDINATION of audiovisual materials with the entire curriculum has also been scheduled.

There will also be development and implementation of science program, arithmetic program, English program, and reporting progress to parents.

New Buildings Lend Evidence To Southfield's School Growth

The rapid expansion of the Southfield Public School system is graphically characterized by its new building construction, Dr. John W. English, Southfield's Superintendent of Schools, said.

Four additions to elementary schools will be completed early this fall, English said.

He also said the new Glenn Levey Junior High School and the first addition to the Southfield High School, which will follow the campus type of development, will be constructed during the current school year.

ALONG WITH the changes in physical plants, the emphasis placed upon the changes in the instructional program are even more significant, he said.

According to English, issues facing public education which must be dealt with effectively are:

1. The content of the curriculum

during this era of rapid change must be determined wisely.

2. Schools must contribute to assisting children, youth and adults to meet the challenges of the space age.

3. Schools must be effective in strengthening constitutional government, private enterprise, freedom of worship and the dignity of each individual.

4. The educational program must be in full-keeping and complete harmony with the principle that the greatness of the nation is dependent upon the degree to which the full potential of each child and youth is developed.

TO MEET these issues, English said certain goals had been set.

"In the curriculum area, definite attention will be given to instruction in the fields of mathematics, science, social and foreign language," he said.

"Experimental programs will be encouraged in order that new techniques may be tested and new materials developed. Plans have been made for experimentation with team teaching and individualized learning devices.

"NEW MATERIALS will be used at the primary level in the teaching of social studies and reading."

English also said that attention will be given to developing a well balanced educational plan in which provision for physical fitness is appropriately related to the total educational program.

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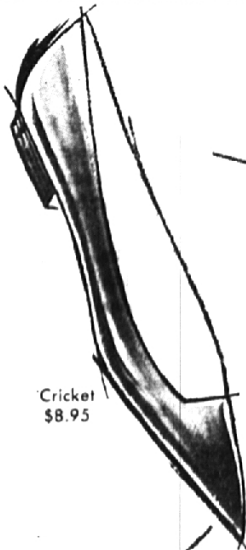
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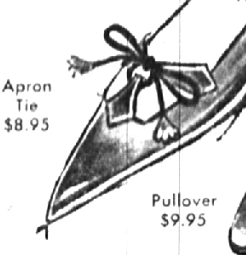
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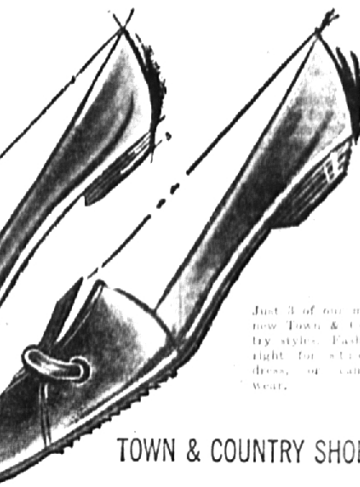
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