

Calg. School

New City School Named After Premier Manning

JUN 27 1962

Calgary's two academic-vocational high schools will be named after Premier E. C. Manning and a former principal of the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology.

The school at 16th Ave. and

35 St. S.W. will be called Ernest Manning High School. It will open in September, 1963 and will accommodate 1,200 students.

Its counterpart, at 4th St. and 40th Ave. N.W., will be called James Fowler High School, after Dr. Fowler who was keenly interested in vocational education in the province. He preceded E. W. Wood as principal of Tech.

The Calgary School Board has also given names to five other new schools, all opening in the fall.

The elementary school in Lakeview will be called Jennie Elliott Elementary School. Miss Elliott was a pioneer teacher in Calgary.

In Forest Lawn, the new junior high school will be called Keeler Junior High, and the junior high in Acadia will be named after Canadian explorer David Thompson.

Elementary schools opening in Brentwood will bear those names.

Ernest
Manning



Academic
Vocational
High School

OFFICIAL OPENING

ERNEST MANNING HIGH SCHOOL

CALGARY

May 28, 1963

2:30 p.m.

Chairman - Ross Alger

1. O Canada! - Viscount Bennett High School Band,
Under the direction of Roy Dow.
2. Invocation - Rev. Norman Hunter, Hon. C.F.,
Minister, Woodcliff United Church.

(Platform Party and Audience be seated)

3. Choral Selection - "The Lord is my Shepherd" - Crimond,
(Soloist - Donna Faye Carr),
Crescent Heights High School Mixed Chorus,
Under the direction of Lloyd Erickson,
Pianist - Mary McClelland.
4. Chairman's Remarks - Ross Alger, Chairman, Calgary School Board.
5. Mayor's Remarks - P.N.R. Morrison
6. Dr. G.F. McNally - Chairman, National Technical and Vocational
Training Advisory Council.
7. Mr. R.C. Ford - Director, Technical and Vocational Training Branch,
Federal Department of Labour.
8. Crescent Heights High School Mixed Chorus - Psalm 150 - Lewandowski,
"God's Gonna Buil' Up Zion's Wall" - Spiritual
To Music - Schubert.
9. Address - Honorable Ernest C. Manning,
Premier of Alberta.
10. Official Opening - Ross Alger, Chairman,
Robert Warren, Superintendent,
Leslie W. Roberts, Principal.
11. Unveiling of Commemorative Plaque - Honorable Ernest C. Manning
12. God Save the Queen!

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CALGARY SCHOOL BOARD

Record of Meeting, May 1, 1963, re Opening of the Ernest Manning High School.

Present: Mrs. D.A. Hansen, R. Warren, L.W. Bessell, and L.W. Roberts.

The following decisions were reached:

1. Mr. Bessell and Mr. Warren will prepare invitations.
 - a. Letters to Platform Party.
 - b. Invitation cards to guests.
2. Mrs. Hansen will check the lists before letters are sent out.
3. No R.S.V.P. necessary.
4. Mr. Roberts will be co-ordinator of the program which will involve:
 - a. Arrangements for Viscount Bennett Band.
 - b. Arrangements for Crescent Heights Chorus.
 - c. Inspection of the school.
 - d. Security of equipment during opening.
 - e. Platform decorations.

Mrs. Hansen will arrange for a corsage for Mrs. Manning, and for the dinner at the Palliser Hotel. Board members but not wives or husbands are to be present at the dinner.



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May 10, 1963.

Mr. L.W. Roberts, Principal-Designate,
Ernest Manning High School,
Calgary, Alberta.

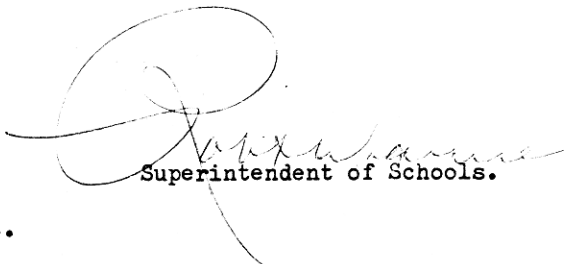
Dear Mr. Roberts:

The Calgary Public School Board No. 19 is proud to announce the opening on May 28, 1963, at 2:30 p.m., of the new Ernest Manning High School, which was built under the provisions of the Technical and Vocational Training Assistance Act. Coincident with this opening, the National and Technical Vocational Training Advisory Council is holding its annual meeting for the first time in the west. Members of the Advisory Council will participate in the opening of the school.

The members of the Calgary Public School Board No. 19 would be honored to have you as a member of the platform party at the opening.

After the opening ceremonies, the official party, that is those who will be travelling as a group from Edmonton to Calgary by plane, together with members of the platform party, will be the guests of the Calgary Public School Board for dinner at the Palliser Hotel at 6:00 p.m.

Yours very truly,



Superintendent of Schools.

RW/jmd

R.S.V.P. by May 21st.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR OPENING ERNEST MANNING HIGH SCHOOL

1. Arrangements at school:

Platform decorations *Harry Bales* -- Mr. Bessell
 Seating arrangements - guides - security -- Mr. Roberts.
 P. A. system for auditorium and halls -- Mr. Roberts.
 Room for platform party to congregate -- Mr. Roberts.
 Guide at door to conduct platform party to room -- Mr. Roberts.
 Plan of school posted through building, direction signs -- Mr. Roberts.
 Seating location for band and chorus -- Mr. Roberts.
 Reserved section for special guests -- Mr. Roberts.

2. Entertainment:

Viscount Bennett Band 2-2:30 -- Mrs. Hansen
 Special selection at 2:25
 O Canada
 God Save the Queen
 Crescent Heights Chorus - 80 -- Mrs. Hansen
 Immediately precede platform party and stand in singing position
 After invocation sing Psalm 23
 go to seats

Risers for chorus -- *band* *Robert*
 Grand piano moved in and tuned day of opening -- Mr. Erickson

3. Bus arrangements:

Crescent Heights Chorus - advise Mr. Botger -- Mr. Kalbfleisch
 Viscount Bennett Band - will arrange own -- Mr. Bryan
 Platform Party --

4. Plaques:

Ordering, delivery to school, unveiling arrangements -- Mr. Warren

5. Publicity:

Public invitation in papers -- Mr. Bessell
 Pictures of school in papers --
 Pictures at actual opening ceremony --
 Official picture of opening ?? --
 On Television news reports --
 On radio news reports --

6. Invitations:

Special letters to Platform party -- Mr. Warren
 Invitation to dinner to all those attending meeting of Advisory Committee -- Mr. Warren or Mr. Kalbfleisch
 Printed invitations to representatives of organizations, etc. in Calgary -- Mr. Bessell
 List to be checked by Mrs. Hansen -- Mrs. Hansen

7. Printed invitations to:

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 Council of Community Services, Manufacturer's
 Assoc. Apprenticeship Board, Institute of Tech.,

Organizations:

ERNEST MANNING ACADEMIC VOCATIONAL

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ERNEST MANNING HIGH SCHOOL

Thursday, August 29, 1963



New Departure In Education At Ernest Manning

Supplies Courses In Three Fields

One and a half years building at an estimated cost of three and a half million dollars, the Ernest Manning High School will open next week along with Calgary's other high schools, junior high schools and elementary schools.

Some five hundred students will comprise the first student body of the new school, which at present actually has a capacity of almost 1400 pupils. L. W. Roberts, principal and assistant principal T. T. Humphrey head a staff of twenty four.

The Ernest Manning High School has much more to offer than the matriculation course supplied by high schools across the country. Here a student who by nature is not adapted to the matriculation course may direct his talents into one or more channels for which he has special aptitude.

This school offers the student a wider field of choice. About 25 per cent of those entering grade 10 will graduate prepared for university. Others will be ready for advanced study in trade courses or business.

"We are deliberately trying to hold students longer," Principal L. W. Roberts told The Mirror. "These students will be given English and other conventional high school subjects for three years at a level adjusted to their abilities."

"The course is geared to the student's ability," Mr. Roberts continued. "Everyone gets an equal opportunity for education but the courses vary with the individual's ability."

Although sixteen schools similar to Ernest Manning are opening in Alberta this fall, Calgary is unique in having the three-year pre-trade or pre-employment route for students wishing to enter directly into a trade or into business.

"Average age for trade apprenticeship is now the mid-twenties," Mr. Roberts said. It is expected that the school will attract a percentage of its enrolment from those who have dropped out of high school for a year or more and

now wish to improve their position in the employment market by increasing their knowledge in some specific field.

The school is fully equipped in the usual sense, having three gymnasias, a large auditorium with a mezzanine floor that may be closed off for use as an instruction room, a cafeteria and a large, well-appointed library said to be one of the most complete in any high school in the country.

Technical courses include electronics, motor mechanics, welding, tin-smithing, commercial art and drafting.

Walter Caskey, electronics instructor said "This school was designed for the future, not for 1963." Equipped to handle 2,000 students with the addition of an extra floor on one wing the importance and potential of this new addition to the Calgary school system will be a very real factor in the years ahead.

The function of the new high school is to provide training in the field of matriculation, pre-technical school and students ready to enter the trades. There are three actual sections, academic, technical and business education.

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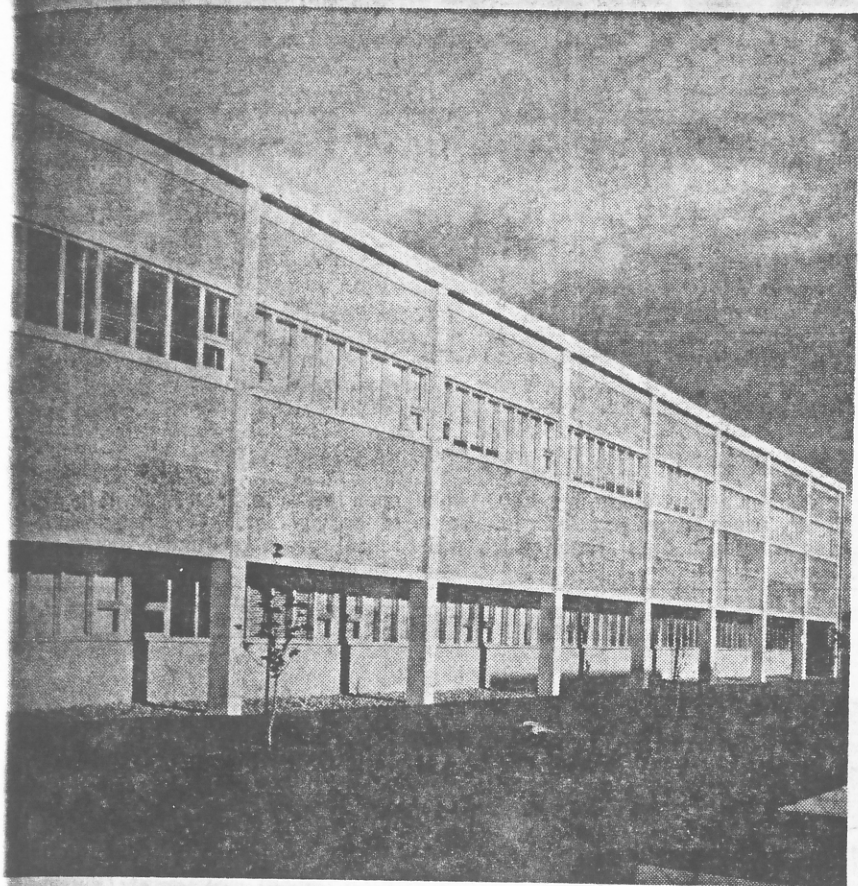
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Ernest Manning Composite High



This beautiful new Ernest Manning Composite High School, scheduled to open this term, is located just off 17th Ave. S.W. at 37th St. Set well back from

the busy thoroughfare, it is attractively landscaped and even boasts an inner court yard with trees and flowerbeds.

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Newest in Technical Facilities at Manning

Facilities at the new Ernest Manning composite school are the finest that can be provided.

The atmosphere is bright, cheerful and business-like which should be very conducive to studying. Speaking of studying, there's a large study hall provided for students who have spare periods or study periods during the day. This is adjacent to the cafeteria and can handle about 200 students.

The library contains more than 1,000 volumes, including the latest reference books on every subject imaginable from sports to outer space. There is a workroom for the librarian and two work or study rooms have been provided for students using the library. There is also a separate area where students will be shown how to use the library effectively.

The cafeteria, in blue and coral tones, seats 360 and has windows on both the north and south. A staff lunch room and lounge is nearby.

The three typing rooms in the business education section are arranged in an open plan to simulate a large downtown office set up. The shorthand lab, like the one at James Fowler school, is equipped with intercom between student and teacher so dictation can be given, via tape, at several speeds simultaneously. Students tune in to the speed specified.

A merchandising room includes display windows on which students will practise

window dressing, complete with mannequins.

Merchandising is a new course this year in Calgary and is part of the clerical-business course. It is hoped eventually to implement a co-operative work program with local stores. Students will learn sales work, how to deal with the public, clerical duties and model dressing and window display.

The tiered music room has acoustic panels and six sound-proof practice rooms on the bal-

cony. Like all the classrooms at Manning, it has lighting over the blackboard so no student should have difficulty seeing. Again, like all the rooms, it is air conditioned and is equipped with a television outlet for receiving and originating. The school also has its own camera, which is part of the equipment in the electronics department.

The drama room is equipped with a portable stage and lighting equipment.

In the shop area the welding room is equipped with electric welding booths and the generators are located outside the building to cut down on the noise. There is a wash and steam area and a theory classroom included in the automotive section.

The electronics department is a maze of equipment, including a copper partitioned space for testing television reception without interference from other electrical appliances in the room.

The drafting room is large and boasts a skylight.

Students at Ernest Manning take commercial art instead of food preparation that is taught at James Fowler. Both Schools are similar to Western Canada and Crescent Heights high schools as far as curriculum is concerned, except the new schools are equipped for more vocational subjects.

Leather Uppers Best

When buying shoes for school students should remember to buy no shoe unless it fits perfectly. The tip of the shoe should extend three-quarters of an inch beyond the end of his longest toe. Have the child walk about the shoe store for several minutes while you look to see that there is no gapping at back or sides and he makes sure it's comfortable.

Choose sturdy all-leather shoes. Foot specialists and pediatricians recommend supple leather uppers that bend and stretch with active, growing feet. A tough leather sole gives protection to tender feet while it provides controlled elasticity that helps the shoe hold its shape. A smooth leather lining covers rough seams and prevents red and irritated feet.

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Junior Academic Courses Varied

The junior academic-vocational program being provided at both Ernest Manning and James Fowler composite high schools are designed for those students who show an aptitude and interest in a practical program.

They will take half academic subjects and half shop or vocational. The students are of the general age category of junior high school students and will be divided into three levels.

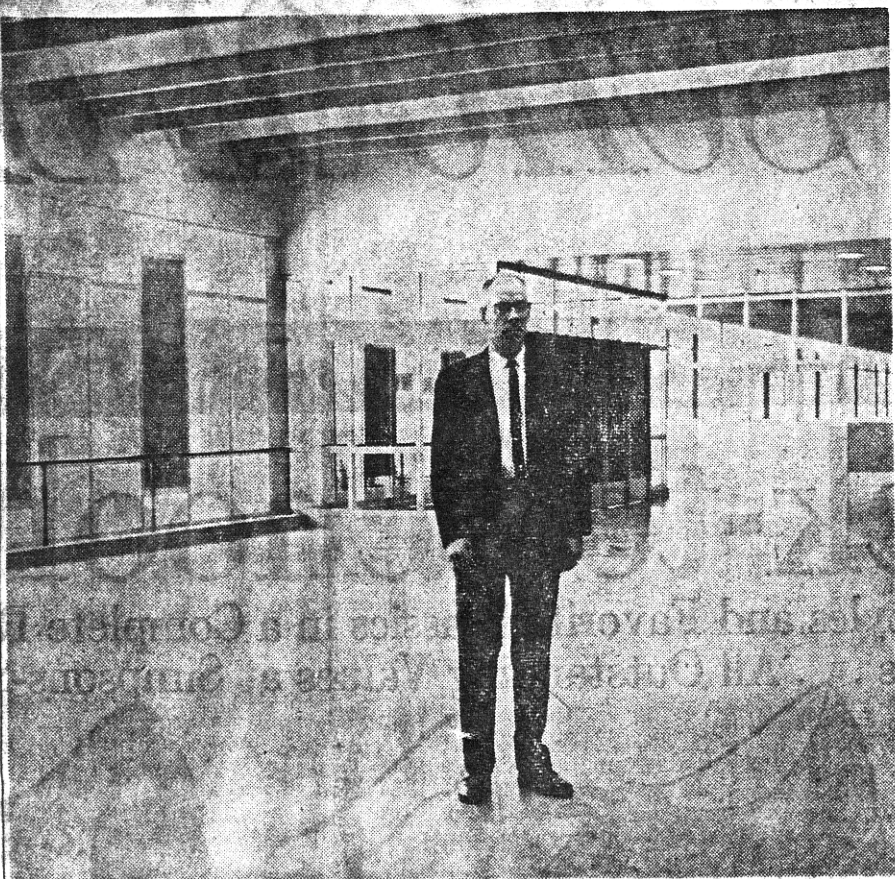
It is expected there will be 90 such students in both Manning and Fowler schools and 30 each in Elboya, Fairview and David Oughton. The school board plans to continue the junior academic-vocation pro-

gram in these schools for two years at which time separate facilities will probably be available.

The course of studies for these students includes English, social studies, mathematics and science on the academic side. For vocational they take a construction, service station operation, building maintenance, landscaping, short-order cookery and crafts. The girls take family life training.

Heading the staff of the junior academic-vocational program at Ernest Manning school is principal Don Marson. At James Fowler Dave Murray is principal.

Impressive Entrance



L. W. Roberts, proud principal of the new million-dollar Ernest Manning composite high school, is shown in the spacious lobby at the school. The prin-

icipal's office and the administrative offices are directly opposite the entrance and halls on either side lead to the gymnasium and cafeteria.

— Photo by Petrigo

Ernest Manning School

It would be difficult to find a more attractive, more modern or more efficiently equipped school than the new Ernest

Manning High School at 17th Ave. and 35th St. S.W.

Students who don't enjoy school there won't enjoy it anywhere.

Located on the north side of 17th Ave., Ernest Manning is set well back from the busy thoroughfare and shares playing fields with its neighbor, Melville Scott School to the east. Unfortunately, the boundary lines west and south are a scant 50 feet from the new building itself so there is no room for expansion of building or playing fields.

The entrance faces south and is an impressive expanse. Opening off it, directly opposite the doors, are the main administrative offices and the principal's office. To the left a corridor leads to the wing of the building housing the library, study hall and cafeteria and business education section. To the right are academic class rooms and the gymnasium.

This makes it possible to hold public gatherings in the gym in the evenings without patrons having to walk through the rest of the building.

The school boasts 28 classrooms, and seven science labs in the academic area; three

typing rooms, one bookkeeping room, a distributive education room, a business machine room, office practice room and multilith and blueprint machine room in the business education area.

The shop includes two professional drafting rooms, large electronics shop, large electricity shop, one sheet metal room, a welding room, two automotive rooms a building construction shop, and a cabinet shop.

Students Need Shoes That Fit

A first grader needs a first class shoe to get his school career off on the right foot. A youngster with uncomfortable feet encased in ill-fitting or poorly constructed shoes fidgets, loses contact with school work and soon becomes a disciplinary problem.

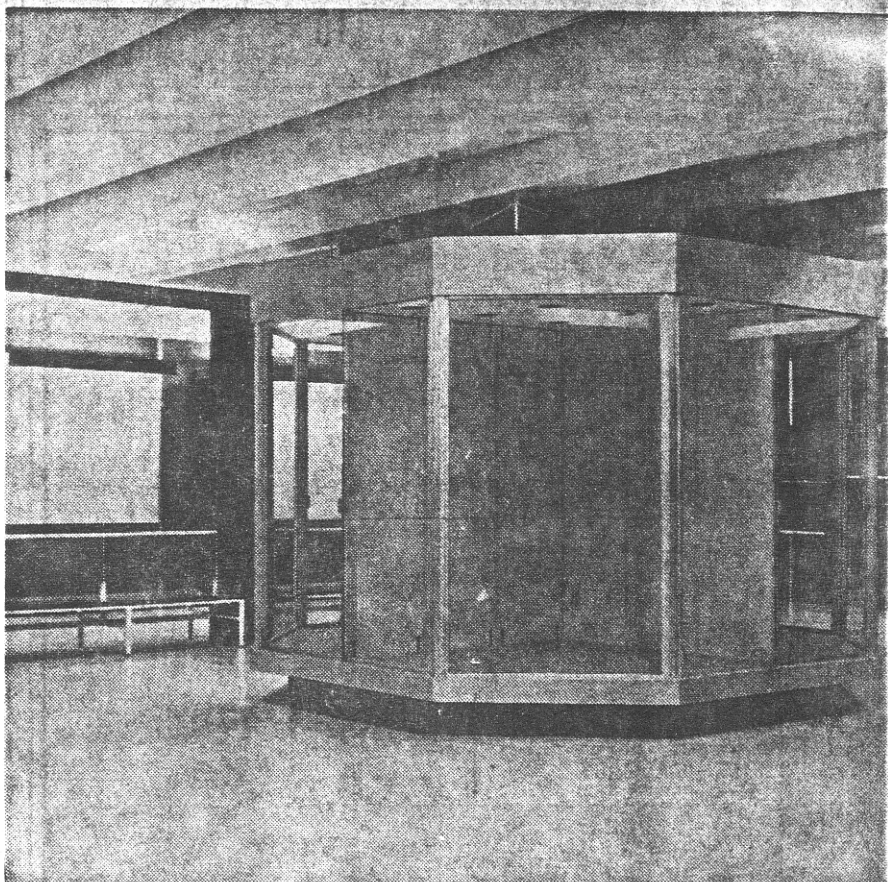
A mother taking her child for his first pair of "school shoes" will protect his foot health — and contribute to better classroom performance — by following four basic rules.

Offer 5 Basic Programs

There are five basic programs to be offered in Calgary high schools.

1. An advanced six-year honors course, Grade VII through Grade XII.
2. A three-year matriculation course much the same as the present matriculation course.
3. A four-year matriculation course which may lead to matriculation, or to higher education in the technical or business field.
4. A three-year vocational course.
5. Terminal courses for youngsters who will leave school early, after two or three years of secondary school.

Unusual Display Centre



This circular display case is located in a large central hallway at James Fowler school. It will soon be filled with the work of students . . . art, woodwork, maybe a luscious looking chocolate cake.

It, along with display windows along the adjacent walls, will give merchandising students a chance to practise the art of window dressing.

— Photo by Petrigio

Bright, Efficient

Other vocational sections at Manning are a large commercial art room, an arts and crafts room, a music room, drama room and visual aids room which is used for slides and movies used in conjunction with studies.

Ernest Manning students will also have the benefit of a large gymnasium, complete with stage curtains and professional lighting equipment, two auxiliary gyms and large tiled locker and shower rooms.

Color has been employed to great advantage in this new school. Bright turquoise, orange, chartreuse and yellow tones add to the brightness already provided by the large windows. Desks and seats are compact units with small baskets attached beneath the desk for belongings. These are felt to be more efficient than the lift-up desks where books can be stored and lost.

An outstanding feature of the Ernest Manning school is a spacious inner courtyard. Paved with large concrete panels in a diagonal pattern, it also has trees and garden plots which will be cared for by students taking training in landscaping.

This is a refreshing adjunct to an institution of learning in Calgary, proving that utilitarian things can also be beautiful.

The grounds at the entrance of the school are also attractively landscaped.

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New Principal



LES ROBERTS

By DUNC SCOTT

(Herald Staff Writer)

The first week of the 1963-64 school term has passed and the pupils at the new Ernest Manning High School know just how fortunate they are in having the most modern high school in Calgary.

Principal of the school is Les Roberts, a native Calgarian who taught at Western Canada High School and last year was vice-principal at Henry Wise Wood.

While Roberts didn't play too much sport he follows every sport that is

Calgarian

He was born at 1023 7th Ave. S.W. near Mount Royal College and attended McDougall and Connaught elementary schools. He went to Central High School and after graduation enrolled at Brandon College.

While at Central he was president of the student's council and was in charge of putting out the year book. At Brandon he worked part time as a waiter to pay for his education and after three years moved to Ponoka in charge of the hospital laboratory. The following year he went to the University of Alberta, Edmonton, to study education, then spent the next year and a half at the Okotoks High School as assistant principal.

In the summer of 1941 he joined the Canadian Army, serving two and a half years at Red Deer and one year in England in the Army Service Corps. He then switched to the infantry and ended his army career in the legal branch. He was discharged in Vancouver with the rank of captain.

UBC Graduate

Roberts enrolled at UBC and obtained his B. Ed. in 1947 and an MA in 1948. He then moved to Barons where he was the assistant principal for five years before returning to Calgary and Balmoral school where he taught mathematics and science.

In 1953 he went to Western Canada and was there until 1962 as head of the guidance program.

Last year he was assistant principal at Wise Wood and during the school year was appointed principal of Ernest Manning High School with his duties to begin this fall.

Since he became a teacher Les Roberts has spent a lot of time with

youngsters. He understands their problems and is willing to help them in any way. Nothing is too big or too small when children are involved.

While other youngsters played sport, Les Roberts worked at Piggy Wiggly and Jenkins stores and had a paper route to occupy his spare time. What little sport he did play was in elementary school.

He was outside left on a soccer team, catcher in softball, goalkeeper in hockey, played basketball at church and was a two-mile runner at Connaught and Central.

From 1954 to 1961 he was the football chairman for the high schools in Calgary, a position held today by Stan Pogue. He was instrumental in having a doctor at high school football games and it was no secret that if a player from any school was ejected during a high school game that the player would try to see Mr. Roberts before he came before the board. Les could understand the youngster's position and nearly always spoke for the boy.

Today, instead of four teams the football league has grown to 10 teams in the senior league and 12 in the junior league.

Three Brothers

His three brothers are just as successful as Les. They are Carman, a jeweller; Gordon, a credit manager and Lorne, a chartered accountant.

In 1943 Les married a Victoria girl, Ena Lovick, and the Roberts have five children, Candace (15), Donald (12), Kathryn (10), Brian (7) and Michael (5).

When Les Roberts went to Ernest Manning some excellent teachers went with him. Some are Doug Jones, a guidance teacher from Western; Tom Humphrey, vice principal, from Viscount Bennett; and physical education teacher Ken McKenna from Central.

Les was instrumental in starting a summer school in 1960 for students who didn't do too well during the regular season. It grew very large and is now held at Western every year.

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New School's Opening Set For May 28

The Ernest Manning High School, one of two academic-vocational high schools being built in Calgary, will be officially opened May 28, public school trustees have decided.

The southwest school opening will coincide with a visit to Calgary of the Dominion Advisory Council on Vocational Education. It is the council's first visit to Alberta and before coming to Calgary members will be present for the opening of the Northern Institute of Technology, Edmonton.

The school board will extend an invitation to Premier Manning to open the school which bears his name. Ceremonies will be held in the afternoon and trustees Mrs. Wilma Hansen, Mrs. Ethel Johnson and Howard Cook will meet as a committee to make arrangements.

Trustees also approved May 30 as the date for the official opening of the new Brentwood Elementary School.

The Calgary Public School Board

extends an invitation to

All Interested Persons

to attend the opening of

The Ernest Manning High School

Thirty-fifth Street and Sixteenth Avenue S.W.

Calgary, Alberta.

Tuesday, May 28th, 1963

at 2:30 p.m.

Ernest Manning High School Opens Tuesday

Official opening ceremonies of the \$3.5 million Ernest Manning High School in south-west Calgary will be held Tuesday in conjunction with a conference of the National technical and vocational training advisory council.

The school, one of the largest in Calgary and named in honor of Premier E. C. Manning who will speak at the ceremonies, was built through funds of the provincial and federal governments and the public school board.

The advisory council, which

is largely responsible for federal grants being made available towards construction of technical and vocational schools, meets for the first time out of Ottawa in Edmonton, Monday.

Federal and provincial grants towards the Ernest Manning school amounted to \$2 million. The school board has to pay the remaining \$1.5 million.

More than 1,200 city high school students are expected to attend the school in September, ranging in academic as well as technical courses in automotives, carpentry, electricity, drafting, commercial art and business education.

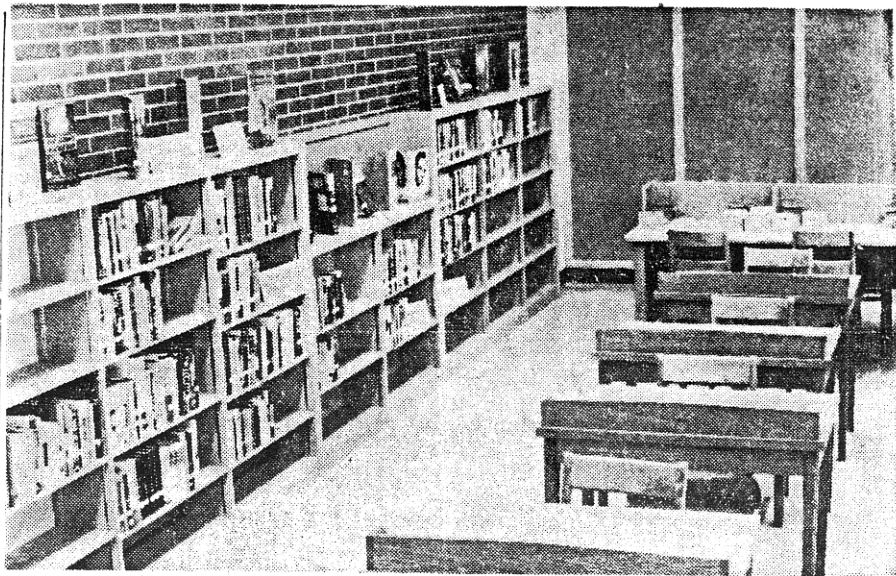
The school is one of 11 expected to be in operation in Alberta by the fall. A second such school is expected to be opened later this year in the north-west of the city.

Staff Is Now Complete

The staff at Ernest Manning highschool is headed by principal, L. W. Roberts, M. A., formerly assistant principal at Henry Wise Wood. His assistant principal will be T. T. Humphrey, M.A.

Other staff members will be: R. A. Barnett, head of the business education department; Mrs. J. L. Carrick, French and English; W. E. Caskey, electronics and auto; J. B. Clarke, automotive; K. E. McKenna and Mrs. E. M. Georgousis, physical education; W. C. Hirling, wood; D. F. Jones, guidance and science; L. L. Leavitt, math and guidance; L. B. F. Milgate, electricity; Mrs. M. I. Miller, business education.

A. R. Murray, English and physical education; Mrs. R. A. Platt, math and science; Miss W. Playfair, librarian and guidance; G. G. Pruden, math and science; Drake Shelton, English and business education; R. R. Staley, commercial art; W. R. Swaffield, music and English; E. D. Washington, social studies; D. G. Wickson, science; E. T. Wiggins, head of social studies and English.



This is a view of the big 1,000 book library at the attractive new Ernest Manning composite high school which will

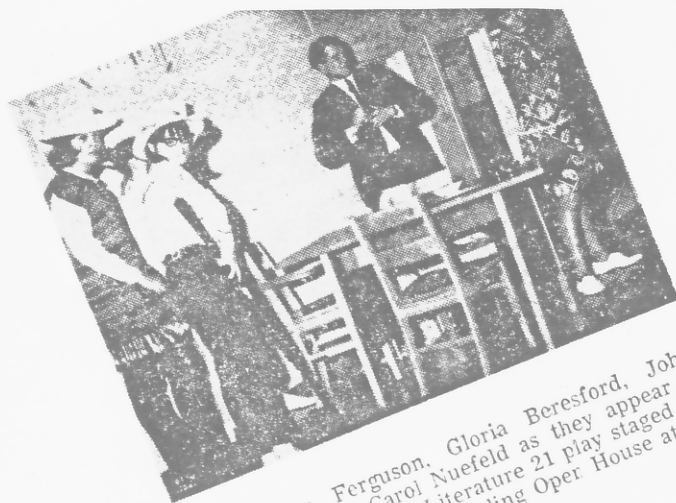
open this term. Soon this will be a centre of activity for the students as a new school season gets under way.

— Photo by Petrigo

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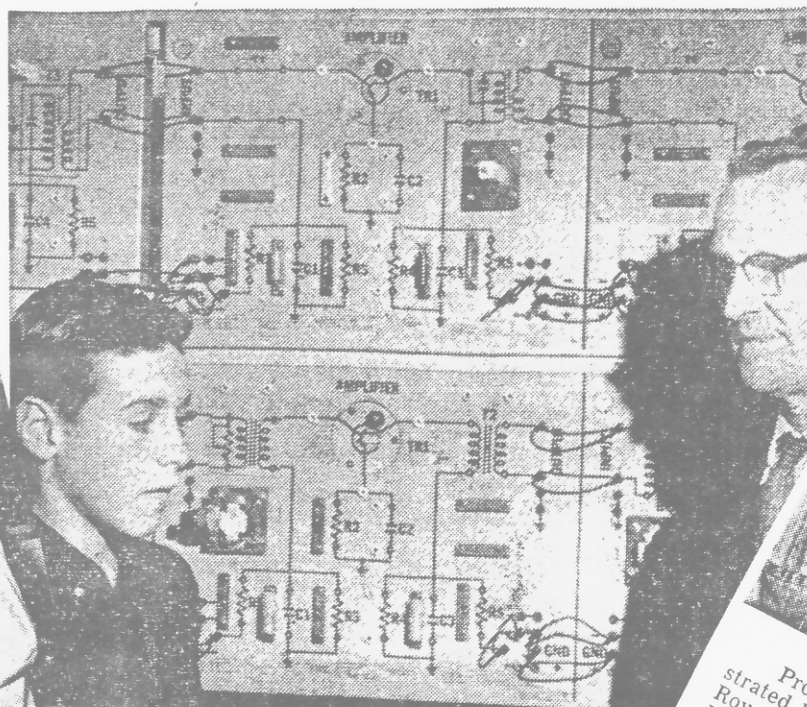
Vocational Program Off To 'Strong Start'



Donna Ferguson, Gloria Beresford, John McCallum and Carol Nuefeld as they appear in the Ernest Manning Literature 21 play staged for parents and friends attending Oper House at the school.



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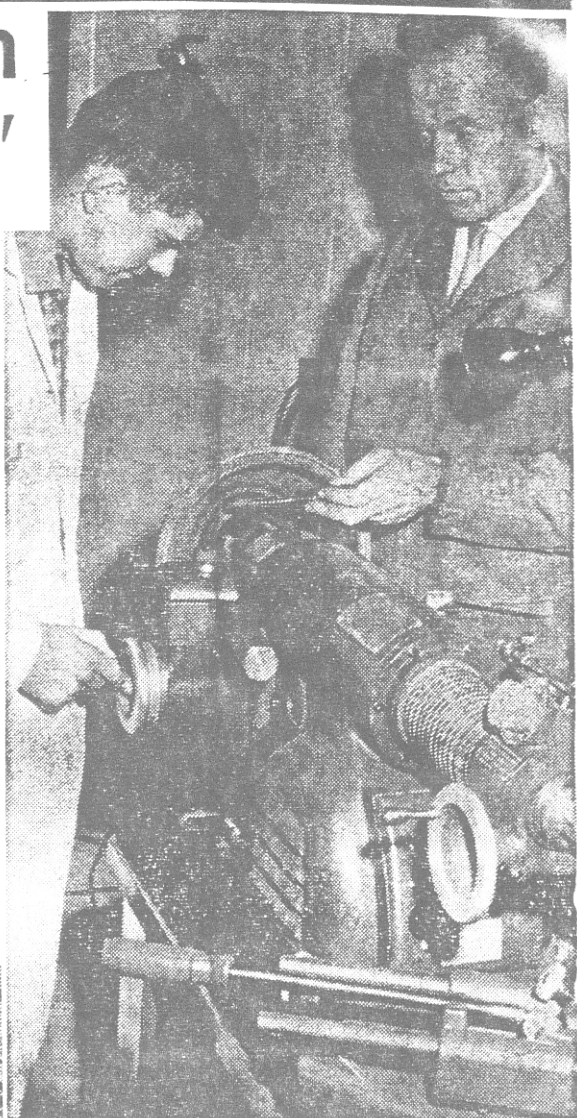


Paul Bell and Chris Moppet model clay in
the arts and crafts display at Ernest Manning
High School.

STUDENT EARL SAUTER IN ERNEST MANNING HIGH SCHOOL CLASS
... the complex world of electricity is introduced by teacher Walter Caskey

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BOB MCCAULEY TAKES A TURN AT THE LATHE
... J. Clarke gives tips in automotives



Process of grinding a brake drum is demonstrated by Ernest Manning High School students Roy Jensen and Ron Sieg during the annual Open House.

SCHOOL CLASS
Walter Caskey