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SPEEDING UP SECONDARY EDUCATION EXPANSION PLANS

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THE BUILDING OF NEW SECONDARY SCHOOLS, THE INTRODUCTION OF FLOTATION AND EXTENDED DAY IN GOVERNMENT AND AIDED SCHOOLS, THE CONVERSION OF UNDER-UTILISED GOVERNMENT PRIMARY INTO SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND THE BUYING OF ADDITIONAL PLACES IN PRIVATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS ARE MEASURES WHICH THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT IS TO TAKE TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT JUNIOR SECONDARY PLACES FOR ALL PRIMARY SCHOOL LEAVERS, THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR. KENNETH TOPLEY, SAID THIS MORNING.

IN WELCOMING THE PROVISION OF FUNDS IN THE BUDGET FOR WHITE PAPER POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS ON SECONDARY EXPANSION TO PROCEED, MR. TOPLEY STRESSED THE BOLD NATURE OF THE INITIATIVE BY WHICH THE GOVERNMENT WOULD BE BRINGING THE TARGET DATES FORWARD.

THE SECONDARY SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAMINATION IS TO BE HELD FOR THE LAST TIME IN 1977 NOT 1978 AS PREVIOUSLY ENVISAGED AND EVERY PRIMARY 6 LEAVER IS TO BE PROVIDED WITH AN AIDED FORM 1 PLACE IN 1978 NOT 1979 AS PROPOSED IN THE WHITE PAPER.

THIS ANNOUNCEMENT HAS TO BE SEEN AGAINST THE NEWS LAST YEAR THAT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WHITE PAPER WAS TO BE DELAYED AT LEAST ONE YEAR.

+IN TERMS OF REAL PROGRESS, THIS MEANS THAT EXPANSION OF SECONDARY EDUCATION IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR HAS BEEN ACCELERATED NOT ONE BUT TWO YEARS,+ THE DIRECTOR SAID.

WHILE THE QUICKEST METHOD OF ENSURING THAT EVERY PRIMARY 6 LEAVER GETS AN AIDED FORM 1 PLACE WOULD BE BY BUYING ADDITIONAL PLACES IN PRIVATE SCHOOLS AS AN INTERIM MEASURE, MR. TOPLEY SAID THE ULTIMATE AIM MUST BE TO PROVIDE AS MANY PLACES AS POSSIBLE IN GOVERNMENT AND AIDED SCHOOLS.

THIS WOULD BE ACHIEVED BY THE SCHOOL BUILDING PROGRAMME WHICH WOULD ALSO PERMIT THE PROGRESSIVE REDUCTION OF THE OTHER TEMPORARY EXPEDIENTS OF FLOATING CLASSES AND EXTENDING THE SCHOOL DAY.

+I AM CONVINCED THAT WE ARE DOING THE RIGHT THING.

+WE WILL BE PUTTING CHILDREN OF THE APPROPRIATE AGE GROUP WHERE THEY BELONG - IN SCHOOLS.+ MR. TOPLEY SAID.

THUS THE GOVERNMENT'S MAIN OBJECTIVE TO PROVIDE SUBSIDISED EDUCATION FOR EVERY CHILD FOR NINE YEARS - SIX YEARS OF FREE PRIMARY AND THREE YEARS OF AIDED SECONDARY - WILL BE ACHIEVED BY 1978.

THIS DOES NOT MEAN THAT NOTHING WILL BE DONE UNTIL THEN, THE DIRECTOR ADDED.

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SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS WILL BE MADE BY SEPTEMBER 1976 TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PLACES IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS. INCREASES IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR ARE ESTIMATED AT 16,829 FOR FORMS 1 TO 3, 1,547 FOR FORMS 4 AND 5 AND 1,080 FOR FORM 6.

THE GOVERNMENT'S SUBVENTIONS ON EDUCATION IN THE COMING FINANCIAL YEAR INCLUDES ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO 36 ASSISTED PRIVATE NON-PROFIT-MAKING SECONDARY SCHOOLS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SECOND STAGE TO FULLY SUBSIDISED STATUS UNDER THE CODE OF AID FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

IT SHOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR THE SECOND STAGE TO BEGIN ON SEPTEMBER 1, 1976, MR. TOPLEY SAID.

FROM THAT DATE, THE GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE TO TEACHERS IN THESE ASSISTED PRIVATE SCHOOLS WILL BE INCREASED FROM THE PRESENT RATE OF 50 PER CENT TO 75 PER CENT OF EACH TEACHER'S ACTUAL SALARY ENTITLEMENT. THE SCHOOLS WILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY THE REMAINING 25 PER CENT.

IN TERMS OF ENHANCED OPPORTUNITIES FOR SSEE CANDIDATES THIS YEAR TO QUALIFY FOR AIDED PLACES IN FORM 1, THE DIRECTOR ESTIMATED THAT THE NUMBER TO BE ALLOCATED WILL RISE FROM 48,500 IN 1975 TO SOME 67,300 PLACES THIS YEAR. IN 1978 THERE WILL BE PLACES FOR EVERYONE COMPLETING PRIMARY 6.

MR. TOPLEY SAID THAT THE CONVERSION OF UNDER-UTILISED GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOLS SHOULD BE COMPLETED IN TIME FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1978.

ALTOGETHER 18 PRIMARY SCHOOL BUILDINGS WILL BE CONVERTED TO PROVIDE AIDED PLACES IN FORMS 1 TO 6 EQUIVALENT TO 12 STANDARD 24-CLASSROOM SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

MR. TOPLEY SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT'S BOLD INITIATIVE TO IMPLEMENT ITS SECONDARY EXPANSION PLANS QUICKLY, RAISES A NUMBER OF ISSUES. THE REPLACEMENT OF THE SSEE WITH A VIABLE ALTERNATIVE IS A NOTABLE EXAMPLE. SELECTION THEREAFTER FOR AIDED PLACES FOR FORMS 4 AND 5 IS ANOTHER.

THE FALLING ENROLMENT IN PRIMARY CLASSES AND THE MOVEMENT OF POPULATION INTO NEW TOWNS, RESULTING IN THE CLOSURE OF CLASSES IN SOME GOVERNMENT AND AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOLS ALSO HAVE THEIR OWN EFFECTS.

+BUT WE ARE HARD AT WORK ON ALL THESE MATTERS,+ THE DIRECTOR SAID. +I AM SOUNDING RESPONSIBLE PROFESSIONAL OPINION ON THE REPLACEMENT OF THE SSEE. I HAVE APPOINTED A WORKING PARTY TO LOOK INTO POST-FORM 3 SELECTION IN 1981 AND THEREAFTER.

ON THE QUESTION OF THE REDUCTION OF 100 AIDED PRIMARY CLASSES IN SEPTEMBER 1976, MR. TOPLEY SAID : +I AM CONFIDENT THAT WITH THE CO-OPERATION OF SPONSORS I SHALL BE ABLE TO PLACE THE SERVING TEACHERS AFFECTED IN OTHER AIDED SCHOOLS.+

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MORE PEOPLE TO TAKE PART IN EXPANDED RECREATIONAL PROGRAMMES  
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THE SECRETARY FOR HOME AFFAIRS AND INFORMATION, MR. DENIS BRAY, SAID TODAY THAT SERVICES PROVIDED BY RECREATION AND SPORTS OFFICERS IN SIX DISTRICTS WOULD BE EXTENDED TO ALL 17 DISTRICTS OF HONG KONG IN THE NEXT FINANCIAL YEAR.

+THIS,+ HE SAID, +WILL CREATE AN ENORMOUS INCREASE IN THE PARTICIPATION OF PEOPLE IN RECREATION AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES.+

MR. BRAY WAS SPEAKING AT A LUNCHEON MEETING OF THE LIONS CLUB OF TAI PING SHAN ON THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE RECREATION AND SPORT SERVICE IN THE FIRST YEAR AND A HALF OF ITS OPERATION.

HE SAID THAT SINCE THE R.S.S. CAME INTO OPERATION, EVERY POSSIBLE ATTEMPT HAD BEEN MADE TO PROVIDE AS WIDE A VARIETY OF RECREATIONAL PROGRAMME AS POSSIBLE.

COMPETITIONS AND COACHING CLINICS IN THE POPULAR GAMES, HE SAID, HAD BEEN ORGANISED IN ALL DISTRICTS.

THE LESS POPULAR SPORTS SUCH AS DIVING, WATER POLO AND ROLLER SKATING, HAD ATTRACTED PARTICIPANTS EAGER TO LEARN A NEW SKILL. MANY THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE HAD ENJOYED OUTINGS IN THE COUNTRYSIDE AND ANOTHER POPULAR AND SUCCESSFUL ACTIVITY HAD BEEN THE FAMILY CAMP.

AT THE SAME TIME, MR. BRAY SAID, TO ENSURE A SOURCE OF TRAINED MANPOWER SUCH AS COACHES, REFEREES AND LEADERS TO ASSIST IN RUNNING PROGRAMMES, THE R.S.S. HAD CONDUCTED TRAINING COURSES FOR NEARLY 3,000 VOLUNTEERS WHO WERE NOW ASSISTING THE SERVICE TO CONDUCT ITS RECREATIONAL PROGRAMME.

+THE EXTRA-MURAL DEPARTMENT OF UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG AND THE RECREATION AND SPORT SERVICE ARE JOINTLY RUNNING A CERTIFICATE COURSE IN RECREATION MANAGEMENT. THE FIRST COURSE STARTED IN FEBRUARY THIS YEAR, AND THE SECOND COURSE IS DUE TO COMMENCE THIS OCTOBER,+ HE SAID.

MR. BRAY, WHO IS CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL FOR RECREATION AND SPORT, SAID THERE WAS A GREAT DEMAND FOR ORGANISED RECREATIONAL PROGRAMMES IN THE COMMUNITY.

HE POINTED OUT THAT MORE THAN 100,000 PEOPLE HAD BEEN ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN R.S.S. PROGRAMMES IN THE FIRST YEAR OF OPERATION. THEIR AGE RANGED FROM TEN TO 66, ALTHOUGH THE VAST MAJORITY FELL IN THE 16-24 AGE GROUP.

MR. BRAY SAID THAT GREATER DEVELOPMENT IN RECREATION DEFINITELY HAD A FAR-REACHING EFFECT ON THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN HONG KONG.

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HE APPEALED TO THE PUBLIC TO ASSIST :-

- \* BY SPONSORING THE RECREATION AND SPORT PROJECTS PROMOTED BY THE GOVERNMENT RECREATION AND SPORT SERVICE-
- \* BY MAKING AVAILABLE TO THE RECREATION AND SPORT SERVICE THEIR SPORTS FACILITIES FOR ORGANISED COMMUNITY RECREATION IF THEY HAVE SUCH ASSETS-
- \* BY BEING PERSONALLY INVOLVED IN THE PROMOTION OF THE RECREATION AND SPORT SERVICE'S CAMPAIGNS, AND BY ENCOURAGING OTHERS, WHETHER THEY ARE INDIVIDUALS, OR MEMBERS OF VARIOUS COMMITTEES OR ORGANISATIONS CONCERNED WITH RECREATION, TO ASSIST IN ACTIVE PROMOTION OF RECREATION IN THE DISTRICTS.

MR. BRAY SAID THAT THE SERVICE MADE THE MAXIMUM USE OF COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AND HE HOPED THE PUBLIC WOULD FIND A CHANCE TO JOIN IN IT.

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POWER-OPERATED BARRIERS AT RAILWAY CROSSINGS  
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ALL BARRIERS AT THE RAIL/ROAD LEVEL CROSSINGS IN THE NEW TERRITORIES WILL BE POWER-OPERATED FROM MARCH 1.

THE FOUR BARRIERS WILL BE LOWERED FASTER AND SIMULTANEOUSLY.

DRIVERS ARE ADVISED THAT THEY SHOULD, UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES, PASS THE RED +WIG-WAG+ TRAFFIC LIGHTS, OTHERWISE THEIR VEHICLE COULD BE DAMAGED BY THE BARRIERS OR TRAPPED BETWEEN THEM, POSSIBLY INVOLVING A TRAIN COLLISION.

ON THE ROAD LEADING TO A LEVEL CROSSING, APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC SIGNS HAVE BEEN ERECTED. ALL DRIVERS MUST OBSERVE STRICTLY THE TRAFFIC LIGHTS AND SIGNS AND STOP THEIR VEHICLES BEFORE THE WHITE STOP LINE AT THE APPROACH TO A RAIL/ROAD LEVEL CROSSING WHEN THE RED +WIG-WAG+ TRAFFIC LIGHTS ARE ON.

PEDESTRIANS ARE ALSO ADVISED NOT TO PASS THE +WIG-WAG+ SIGNALS WHEN SHOWING RED AND OBEY AT ALL TIMES THE INSTRUCTIONS OF THE K.C.R. LEVEL CROSSING KEEPER.

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LABOUR FORCE SURVEY NEXT MONTH

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A NEW LABOUR FORCE SURVEY WILL BE CONDUCTED IN THE FIRST TWO WEEKS OF MARCH FOR THE PLANNING OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SERVICES FOR THE COMMUNITY.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY THE LAST SUCH SURVEY WAS CARRIED OUT IN SEPTEMBER LAST YEAR WHEN INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED ON THE ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS OF THE POPULATION.

+IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT THIS SORT OF INFORMATION IS KEPT AS UP-TO-DATE AS POSSIBLE,+ HE SAID.

THE SURVEY NEXT MONTH WILL ENABLE THE DEPARTMENT TO ASSESS CHANGES IN THE LABOUR FORCE AND ITS CHARACTERISTICS SINCE LAST SEPTEMBER.

IT WILL BE TAKEN ON A SAMPLE BASIS COVERING ABOUT 13,000 HOUSEHOLDS THROUGHOUT ALL DISTRICTS. BEFORE THEY ARE TO BE VISITED, AN OFFICIAL LETTER, IN BOTH CHINESE AND ENGLISH, WILL BE SENT TO THEM EXPLAINING THE PURPOSE OF THE SURVEY.

+FOR THE VISITS THE DEPARTMENT WILL BE SENDING OUT A NUMBER OF ENUMERATORS BETWEEN MARCH 1 AND 14,+ THE SPOKESMAN SAID. +EACH ENUMERATOR WILL BEAR AN OFFICIAL IDENTITY CARD WITH HIS PHOTOGRAPH ON IT FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSE.+

QUESTIONS TO BE ASKED WILL INCLUDE AGE AND SEX, EMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS, OCCUPATION AND EARNINGS, HOURS OF WORK AND EDUCATION ATTAINMENT.

THE SPOKESMAN GAVE AN ASSURANCE THAT ALL INFORMATION COLLECTED WOULD BE KEPT IN THE STRICTEST CONFIDENCE.

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REDUCTION OF 100 AIDED PRIMARY CLASSES  
TEACHERS ASSURED OF ALTERNATIVE TEACHING JOBS  
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THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT NEARLY 320 NEW CLASSES WOULD BE OPENED IN NEW AND DEVELOPING AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOLS THROUGHOUT HONG KONG IN THE ACADEMIC YEAR STARTING SEPTEMBER 1976.

+THESE CLASSES WILL BE IN SCHOOLS IN THE NEW TOWNS, IN THE NEW ESTATES IN OTHER DEVELOPING AREAS AND IN AREAS WITH SHORTAGES OF AIDED PLACES,+ SAID MR. LAM TAT-LAU, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (PRIMARY).

HE ADDED: +AS A RESULT OF A GRADUAL MOVEMENT OF POPULATION TO THE NEW AREAS COUPLED WITH A DECLINE IN THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN THE APPROPRIATE PRIMARY AGE GROUP, IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO PHASE OUT 420 SERIOUSLY UNDER-UTILISED CLASSES IN SEPTEMBER.+

A PLACEMENT SERVICE WILL BE REACTIVATED IN MID-MAY TO HELP TEACHERS WHO ARE AFFECTED BY THE REDISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION.

+JUDGING FROM LAST YEAR'S SUCCESS OF THE PLACEMENT SERVICE, IT IS ENVISAGED THAT THE REDUNDANT TEACHERS WILL BE ABSORBED BY SCHOOLS WITH VACANCIES ARISING FROM THE OPENING OF NEW CLASSES, RETIREMENT AND OTHER NORMAL WASTAGE, WITH THE CLOSE CO-OPERATION OF THE SCHOOL SPONSORS WHO MADE A GREAT CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS THE SUCCESS OF LAST YEAR'S EXERCISE,+ MR. LAM SAID.

FOR STUDENTS GRADUATING FROM THE COLLEGES OF EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES WILL BE PROVIDED MAINLY FROM WASTAGE, RETIREMENT AND FROM THE OPENING OF CLASSES MAINLY IN NEW AIDED SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND IN SCHOOLS IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

IN THE CASE OF THE GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SECTOR, TEACHERS IN UNDER-ENROLLED SCHOOLS WILL BE RE-DEPLOYED TO OTHER DIVISIONS OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT AND POSSIBLY TO OTHER GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS IN SEPTEMBER 1976.

THE STATEMENT BY MR. LAM REFLECTS THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT'S CONCERN FOR SERVING TEACHERS. IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY MISUNDERSTANDING, THE DEPARTMENT FOLLOWED THE SAME PROCEDURE INTRODUCED LAST YEAR BY INVITING REPRESENTATIVES OF INTERESTED PARTIES FOR A DISCUSSION THIS AFTERNOON TO IMPRESS UPON THEM THE MEASURES TO BE TAKEN TO HELP REDUNDANT TEACHERS.

THE INTERESTED PARTIES INCLUDED THE HONG KONG PROFESSIONAL TEACHERS' UNION, THE GOVERNMENT SCHOOL NON-GRADUATE TEACHERS' UNION, THE SUBSIDISED PRIMARY SCHOOL HEADS ASSOCIATION AND THE HONG KONG TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

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CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE'S FIRST CERTIFICATE IN ENGLISH AND CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY IN ENGLISH EXAMINATIONS WILL BE HELD IN HONG KONG IN JUNE.

APPLICATIONS TO TAKE THE EXAMINATIONS ARE NOW OPEN TO CANDIDATES WHOSE MOTHER-TONGUE IS NOT ENGLISH AND WHO ARE NOT BELOW THE AGE OF 16.

THEY MUST ALSO BE AVAILABLE FOR ORAL OR AURAL TESTS AT A TIME TO BE SPECIFIED ON ANY DAY BETWEEN MAY 24 AND JUNE 19.

SCHOOL CANDIDATES SHOULD REGISTER THROUGH THEIR SCHOOLS.

PRIVATE CANDIDATES ARE ALSO ACCEPTED. ENTRY FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM MARCH 1 AT THE EXAMINATIONS DIVISION, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, CANTON ROAD GOVERNMENT OFFICES, 393 CANTON ROAD, 11TH FLOOR, KOWLOON.

FOR PRIVATE CANDIDATES COMPLETED ENTRY FORMS, TOGETHER WITH IDENTITY DOCUMENTS AND TWO RECENT PHOTOGRAPHS, MUST BE PRESENTED IN PERSON AT THE SAME OFFICE, BETWEEN 9 A.M. AND 4 P.M. FROM MARCH 1 TO 5.

NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

EXAMINATION FEES, AT \$115 FOR THE FIRST CERTIFICATE IN ENGLISH EXAMINATION, \$145 FOR THE CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY IN ENGLISH EXAMINATION AND \$60 FOR AN OPTIONAL PAPER, MUST BE PAID NOT LATER THAN MARCH 9.

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PROBATIONERS TO ENTERTAIN ELDERLY

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ABOUT 50 RESIDENTS OF THE YAU TONG HOSTEL FOR THE AGED WILL BE TREATED TO A VARIETY SHOW ORGANISED FOR THEM BY THE PROBATIONERS OF THE KWUN TONG HOSTEL TOMORROW (FRIDAY) EVENING.

THE SHOW HAS BEEN FINANCED AND ARRANGED ENTIRELY BY THE PROBATIONERS THEMSELVES WITH GUIDANCE FROM THE HOSTEL STAFF.

OFFICIATING AT THE CEREMONY WILL BE MR. A.D. OCKENDEN, COMMISSIONER OF BANKING, MR. J.G. WILSON AND MR. N.G. SCRIVEN, MAGISTRATES OF KWUN TONG COURT.

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NEW APPROACH TO LEARNING IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS NEEDED

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THE NEED FOR A NEW APPROACH TO LEARNING IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN HONG KONG WAS STRESSED THIS AFTERNOON BY THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR. KENNETH TOPLEY.

THE VARIOUS SUBJECT EXPERTS SHOULD TALK MORE TO ONE ANOTHER TO SEE THE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THEIR SUBJECTS AND WHAT THEY HAVE IN COMMON.

ADDRESSING THE GATHERING AT THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY SPEECH DAY OF KING'S COLLEGE, MR. TOPLEY SAID THAT PRIMARY SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES HAD HAD THEIR +REVOLUTIONS+ BUT THE SECONDARY SCHOOLS HAD STAYED MUCH THE SAME THIS CENTURY.

MORE AND MORE PRIMARY SCHOOLS ARE ADOPTING THE ACTIVITY APPROACH, WHICH IS A BIG CHANGE.

+EVERYONE HAS COMPLAINED THAT THE UNIVERSITIES ARE INWARD LOOKING AND THAT THEY SHOULD HAVE MORE RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE OUTSIDE WORLD,+ MR. TOPLEY SAID. +WELL SOMETHING HAS BEEN DONE ABOUT THAT.+

FOR INSTANCE, HE SAID, AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG ACADEMICS FROM MANY DEPARTMENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY CO-OPERATE AND SOLVE PROBLEMS WHICH THEY HAVE IN COMMON AT THE CENTRE OF ASIAN STUDIES AND IN THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY THERE WAS A SOCIAL RESEARCH CENTRE.

BUT NOT MUCH HAS HAPPENED IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

MR. TOPLEY ADDED: +HOWEVER IN THE FIRST THREE FORMS OF SECONDARY WE HAVE GOT A NEW SYLLABUS, A NEW APPROACH TO LEARNING. AND A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF INTEGRATION OF SUBJECTS HAS TAKEN PLACE.

+I DON'T WANT TO LEAVE YOU WITH THE IMPRESSION THAT I HAVE A MANIA FOR THE INTEGRATION OF SUBJECTS- THERE ARE OTHER THINGS IN LIFE THAN THIS AND THE SPECIAL SUBJECTS DO HAVE THEIR PLACE.

+BUT IT IS A PLACE IN RELATION TO THE REST OF THE WORLD AND I DO HOPE THAT WE ARE GOING TO DEVELOP IN FORMS 4, 5 AND 6 A NEWER APPROACH TO LEARNING AND TO SUBJECT MATTER WHICH WILL BE MORE FRUITFUL AND WHICH, AMONG OTHER THINGS, WILL PREPARE THE STUDENTS FOR THE SORT OF LIFE THEY ARE GOING TO MEET IN THE WORLD AND IN UNIVERSITIES WHERE THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO STUDY ON THEIR OWN AND TO DEAL WITH PROBLEMS THAT MOVE QUITE EASILY ACROSS SUBJECT BOUNDARIES.+

EXTENDING HIS CONGRATULATIONS TO KING'S COLLEGE ON ITS GOLDEN JUBILEE, MR. TOPLEY SAID NOT ONLY HAD THE SCHOOL BUILT UP A GOOD ACADEMIC RECORD BUT IT HAD ALSO ENCOURAGED A WIDE VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES.

HE PRAISED THE KING'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS ASSOCIATION FOR HELPING THE GOVERNMENT TO PROMOTE EDUCATION BY OPERATING TWO SUBSIDISED PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

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OFFICE BEARERS OF YOUTH COUNCIL TO BE SWORN IN  
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OFFICE BEARERS OF THE YOUTH MEMBERS' COUNCIL OF THE PRINCESS ALEXANDRA COMMUNITY CENTRE IN TSUEN WAN WILL BE INAUGURATED AT A CEREMONY TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AT 7.45 P.M.

THE COUNCIL WAS FORMED LAST YEAR BY YOUTH GROUPS OF THE CENTRE TO HELP BRING ABOUT BETTER COMMUNICATIONS AMONG THEMSELVES TO ENSURE MORE EFFECTIVE SERVICES TO THEIR COMMUNITY.

OFFICIATING AT TOMORROW'S CEREMONY WILL BE MR. LAM KWOK-WAN, PRINCIPAL SOCIAL WELFARE OFFICER OF THE GROUP AND COMMUNITY WORK DIVISION AND MR. WONG KING-TONG, COMMUNITY AND YOUTH OFFICER FOR TSUEN WAN.

ABOUT 500 GROUP MEMBERS, THEIR PARENTS AND OTHER GUESTS HAVE BEEN INVITED TO THE CEREMONY, WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE HALL OF THE COMMUNITY CENTRE.

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SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S CREDIT UNION MEET  
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THE 4TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT'S CREDIT UNION WILL BE HELD TOMORROW (FRIDAY) AT 4.30 P.M. AT THE LADY TRENCH TRAINING CENTRE, 44 OI KWAN ROAD, WAN CHAI.

THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MR. THOMAS LEE, WILL ADDRESS THE GATHERING AND PRESENT SOUVENIRS TO COLLECTORS OF THE CREDIT UNION.

THE PROGRAMME WILL INCLUDE THE ADOPTION OF REPORTS FROM THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES AND THE ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS FOR THE YEAR 1976.

FOLLOWING THIS, THERE WILL BE A LUCKY DRAW.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE WELCOME TO COVER THE EVENT. A COPY OF MR. LEE'S SPEECH WILL BE PUT IN YOUR PRESS BOXES FOR COLLECTION TOMORROW.

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