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Spotlight on Peel's education leaders

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**EDUCATION DIRECTOR
J. A. TURNER**

MISSISSAUGA — The Director of Education of the Peel County Board of Education, J. A. "Archie" Turner, who took up the position as Academic Administrator of Schools in South Peel in 1955, was born in Fingal, Ontario.

After completing courses at the University of Western Ontario, the Ontario College of Education and Ontario Agricultural College he became a teacher, eventually coming to T. L. Kennedy Secondary School in 1953 to serve as its first principal.

In 1960 he was appointed to his present administrative position with the then South Peel Board and kept it as the board changed, first shrinking to the Toronto Township Board and then growing to the Peel County Board of Education on Jan. 1, 1969.

Turner, a man of simple tastes running to golf and fishing, has been highly involved in the community throughout his career. He has served on the board of directors of the Y.M.C.A. in London, Woodstock and Port Arthur, been chairman of the Woodstock Recreation Commission, secretary to the Association of Directors of Education in Ontario, and a member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Toronto Educational Television Association. In addition, Archie Turner still finds time to be an elder at Clarkson Road Presbyterian Church.