

Principal At Graydon To End 32 - Year Stay

Mr. W. J. Wood, principal of Gordon Graydon Secondary school, who has been teaching in this area for 32 years, will take up the position of Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Schools for the Township of Scarborough as of September 1 of this year.

Mr. Wood came to the Port Credit High School after graduating from the University of Toronto in 1933. He was the eleventh high school teacher in the township, instructing science, mathematics and athletics.

He was married in 1935, and at that time lived on Cumberland Drive. In early 1941, he joined the Air Force where, as a Flight Lieutenant, he was a navigator and navigating instructor. He returned to the area in 1945 and was appointed vice-principal the following year.

Mr. Wood was appointed principal of Port Credit High School in 1950, remaining in that position until 1956 when Gordon Graydon opened with him as principal. When he became principal at Port Credit High, there were 22 teachers under him and when he left, the number had increased to 48.

Mr. Wood commented that, "One aspect of my work here that I am most satisfied with is the great number of young men who



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have gone on to become vice-principals and principals themselves." He also added that, "Many of the students in my school now are the children of students I used to teach when I was at Port Credit." In concluding, Mr. Wood added, "Gordon Graydon is one of the outstanding schools in the province in every phase."