

NEW CITY HALL

"That's an odd-looking building," commented Paul. "There aren't any windows on the outside wall."

"That was done on purpose," his cousin explained. "The Finnish architect who designed it, Viljo Revell, wanted the offices to be shielded from city noise."

Paul also learned from his guides that Toronto is a great industrial centre with nearly two million inhabitants, and "the fastest growing city in North America."

Douglas and Betty took Paul for a look around two of Toronto's big downtown stores, Eaton's and Simpson's, and they had lunch cafeteria-style. Then in the afternoon, accompanied by Mrs. Simpson, they toured some of the places famous in the history and cultural life of the city.

Paul specially enjoyed old Fort York, which once guarded the harbour and approaches to Toronto from across the lake. As they walked round the walls of the Fort, past the old cannon and the garrison buildings, Paul asked: "Was there ever any fighting here?"

"Of course there was," said Douglas. "In the War of 1812, York, as Toronto was then called, was raided by American troops who took the Fort and burned down most of the city." "But," he added, "later the British troops raided Washington and burned the capital in return."

"Well, those days are over," remarked Mrs. Simpson. "Canada and the United States have since been good neighbours for more than 150 years."

Later that afternoon, they went to the Art Gallery of Toronto, and at the Royal Ontario Museum they examined Indian exhibits and the world-famous Chinese art collection. They looked into a tiny house that had once

