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Knowing that I too am a teacher, the Holms were eager to have me see a recently completed junior high school. While it is not the school in which the Holms teach, it is located within easy walking distance from their home. Mr. Holm graciously telephoned a teacher in the school, Mr. Arne Oscarson, who was to be our guide through the new school.

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