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Curtail Building

York County Council in session last week made a wise decision in postponing for the time being at least the erection of a 50-bed addition to the York Manor Home For The Aged at Newmarket. In his report Reeve Albert Rutherford of Vaughan Township, chairman of the building needs committee, questioned the need for an addition to this relatively new building. The present 170 bed structure was built in 1961 at a total cost of \$1,250,000.

The most telling part of Mr. Rutherford's report was the necessity to restrict any government action which would result in any appreciable increase in the county tax rate at this time. It would seem that two factors make any building program extremely costly now. The first is the heavy work load the construction industry is already carrying which makes building costs high. It is the wrong time for competitive bids. During the debate this point was stressed by both Mr. Rutherford and Reeve Donald Plaxton of Richmond

Hill. The second is the crushing burden of taxation today's property owner is already being forced to bear. It is a most inappropriate time to ask the taxpayer to pay more and more.

We support the stand of Reeve Rutherford, Deputy-reeve Garnet Williams of Vaughan and Reeve Donald Plaxton of Richmond Hill all of whom favored curtailing the county building program at this time in an effort to gain the taxpayer some measure of relief. Unfortunately Deputy-reeve Floyd Perkins of Richmond Hill, Deputy-reeve Cleary Palmer of Markham Township and Deputy-reeve Gordon Longhouse of Woodbridge did not see fit to support the majority decision.

During the present inflationary period every effort should be made by every level of government to restrict their building programs to the bare essentials. Some school boards which continue to build schools and additions, with complete disregard for the taxpayer, might do well to follow the example set by the county.

Kind Word For An Old Tyrant

Staff Writer Del Bell's report on the efficacy and satisfied response in this year's grade 13 exam operation is revealing and thought-provoking. It gives rise to the question once again, when this old yardstick goes, as it is destined to go in 1968, what better instrument to unlock the door of higher education will take its place?

The grade 13 "departmentals" established and decided on a provincial scale have on occasion been tyrannical and inefficient. There is no need to go into that in detail. The potential injustices of this "one shot" trial are well known to parents and students who have experienced it.

Yet some yardstick is still required to determine the capacity and advisability of higher education for those

leaving the secondary schools system. There is proposed a system under which grade 13 exams are set and marked locally, and these will be combined with the student's scholastic record and a university aptitude test in making the necessary determinations.

Many, as Mr. Bell reports, see "painful problems when the traditional yardstick, uniform and constant" is gone. Yes, indeed. Greater flexibility there will be. But how efficient a flexibility and how accurate? And may there not be new injustices between one school and another, one student and another? One wonders if it was the old grade 13 exam that was so bad or the way it was administered.

—London Free Press

Flashback

In Years Gone By

Patrons of Richmond Hill's fine new library may not realize that its roots go back more than a century to 1852. In that year a meeting was held of those interested in becoming shareholders in a Richmond Hill Library. Rev. J. Dick was chosen to preside and R. McClelland acted as secretary.

It was decided that each shareholder would pay one pound in currency. Subscribers, recommended by a shareholder, could draw books on payment of seven and a half pence per month. On drawing the first book each shareholder was to pay one shilling and three pence to defray incidental expenses. Mr. McClelland was named librarian at an annual salary of three pounds and the evenings were to be open Tuesday evenings from 6.30 to 9 pm.

By the next year 54 shareholders had paid full and one half-share was listed. 367 books had been purchased.

In 1854 S. Stark served as librarian, but when the library was placed in the grammar school, Principal Boyd took over these duties. The hours were changed to from four to five Tuesday afternoons. These arrangements continued for five years.

In 1862 Alex Scott, editor of "The York Herald" became the librarian and the books were moved to the office of that newspaper. The fee for readers who were not members was set at 25c per quarter year.

William Harrison, who later recorded the early history of the Richmond Hill for "The Liberal", organized a mechanics' institute in 1865-6. This was a cultural organization which had an initial membership of 40 who paid 50c annual dues. Members of the mechanics' institute were

granted the privilege of using the library on payment of 25c per year.

In 1870 the mechanics' institute library became the Richmond Hill District Library with Robert Law, druggist, as librarian.

The library, which by now had 5,000 volumes on its shelves was housed in the rear of the Masonic Hall on Yonge Street on the site of the present Royal Bank Building. Coal oil lamps were used for illumination until 1913 when electricity was installed. Other librarians who served in these quarters were A. J. Hume, G. Cowie, A. L. Phipps and R. Phipps. Records of books loaned and returned were kept in a large ledger.

Lucy Yerex became chief librarian when the library was moved to the top floor of the municipal building in 1936. She catalogued all the books, probably the first time such a record was prepared and kept in the library's long history.

In 1948 the library was moved to more commodious quarters on the main floor of the municipal building and the Richmond Hill Women's Institute contributed \$1,752.24 towards the expense of setting up in the new room. This money was the accumulation of 22 years of effort by the institute to raise money for a new library. The fund was started in 1926.

Mrs. W. R. Berry and two assistants supervised the lib-



Portrait Of An Epidemic

This weekend will see hundreds of thousands of Canadian families take to the road for their last holiday fling of the summer, and the chances that many of them won't return is graphically illustrated in this picture by Jan Joosten, Ottawa, who by placing these victims in one spot, shows that accidents can reach all the proportions of an epidemic. But unlike most epidemics, this one is preventable.

It's no way to spend a holiday, as anyone will agree, but just the same it's a fate that unfortunately lies in store for many motorists every holiday weekend.

Make sure on the Labor Day Weekend you don't do anything to contribute to this epidemic.



Rambling Around

by Elizabeth Keison

"Money Spent On Travel Is a Good Investment" . . . Arthur Creighton.

"Travel is the product we sell", said Arthur Creighton of the Creighton Travel Agency in Thornhill.

Mr. Creighton readily admits that the increasing urge to travel is largely created by the good sales promotion agencies of the great travel systems of the world by land, sea or air.

Arthur Creighton is a pleasant and very personable man, a veteran when it comes to serving and understanding the travelling public. He is a former CPR immigration officer. As a suggestion for his retirement, the CPR proposed he operate a travel agency as a way to continue his great interest in helping people learn more about farming in other countries.

"The CPR", said he, "was one of the great agencies in this country that led to the settlement of the west. It was my job to help people buy suitable farms and get them started. There were a great many people with substantial capital coming into Canada, among them the Grand Duchess Olga of Russia". It was very difficult in those days to find the right farm with the added problem of financing and equipping them.

Besides being a busy travel agent, Mr. Creighton is chairman of Overseas Relief for the United Church of Canada. He is also the past-chairman of the Toronto Board of Trade, a post which he held for one year. He was three years a member of the Board of Trade Council. Mrs. Creighton is employed by that organization. They have four children.

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George Mayes On —

The Flip Side

Let's have one BIG strike — Everybody strike! — and get them over with.

Parliament went into emergency session Monday with, as the headlines said, the settlement of the rail strike in five days as its target . . . but rail workers say the chances of a bull's eye are in a pig's ear.

However, it is promised that definite action on inflation will be taken by Parliament during this session. . . . Like giving themselves another raise?

And now the postal workers are talking about going on strike again during the Christmas season. Well, as they say, mail early for Christmas delivery — like now.

The postmen claim they should be on the same pay scale as policemen and firemen although their jobs are far from as hazardous — except possibly in Quebec with those FLQ "packages".

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Letters to the Editors

CMHA CAMPAIGN REALIZED \$2468

Dear Mr. Editor:

Once again, through "The Liberal", I should like to thank a great many people who have helped to further the work of the Canadian Mental Health Association by contributing, in various ways, to this summer's fund raising campaign of the York County Branch. From Richmond Hill and its immediate surrounding, we have collected about \$2,468.

We thank the people who responded to yet another appeal for funds with generosity and understanding. We do not forget that a few cents from some may be as generous an act as dollars from others.

There are the local captains, twenty-some of them, who had the heroic task of recruiting enough canvassers to do the job. This can be difficult.

Then there are the canvassers themselves, housewives nearly all, many of them the mothers of small children. Most people, I am sure, do not like asking others for money, and the fact that it is for a worthy cause make it only slightly more acceptable. Our greatest gratitude goes to these canvassers, especially those who hated doing it.

The York County Branch is also indebted to the business people who contributed and who gave the use of their store windows for advertising posters.

Without the support of "The Liberal" we could have done very little. As in the past, you contributed to local awareness by reporting on events and news pertaining to the Canadian Mental Health Association, and by your editorials. Thank you.

Sincerely,
 MRS. H. G. LUMSDEN,
 Chairman, Richmond Hill
 1966 Fund Raising Campaign,
 York County CMHA

Letters To The Editors

Letters should not exceed 300 words, must bear the writer's signature and complete address although a pseudonym may be used for a stated reason. All are subject to editing. We cannot return letters.

Formula For Newlyweds

The best to you both on this your "big day"! May God bless and guide you as you start on your way— Feed your marriage with knowledge, quench its thirst with a faith—

Make changes with progress, exercise it with care! Nourish and guide it with truth and respect. Grace it with dignity and an approach that's direct— Accept every challenge — watch it grow till it's strong — Discipline it with patience, faith will help you along. There will be times of the "best", there will be times of the "test", so begin with this thought on this day — For now as you start with love in your heart — God will always show you the way!!

MARY WAY,
 15 Grandview Avenue,
 Highland Park.

RCMP Tells Citizens How They Can Spot Those Bogus \$20 Bills

Could you spot a counterfeit bill from the genuine article if one of each was handed to you?

Chances are, if you're among the average, you could only hazard a guess . . . a pretty expensive lesson if you happened to be wrong.

Bank tellers, supermarket cashiers — persons dealing daily with large amounts of money changing from hand to hand — are a jump ahead of the rest of us, and with good reason.

Most are trained to look for certain characteristics which separate the good from the bad.

The RCMP have volumes upon volumes of information dealing with counterfeit money. Their references show point by point the weaknesses of an individual bill or a whole series.

But for the public, there are a few general rules which can be used as a thumb guide for suspected fakes RCMP say.

● Watch the quality of the paper. Bank tellers and other cashiers usually first spot a bogus bill as it passes through their hands because it "feels" different.

Genuine bills are printed on special paper which cannot be duplicated. Inserted in it,

Phony \$20 bills continue to plague merchants in Richmond Hill and Newmarket. A few weeks ago three such bills turned up at stores in the Allencourt Plaza in Richmond Hill East. Similar reports are heard from time to time.

Last week Newmarket police reported the bogus twenties had made an appearance at stores on Main Street and the shopping centre.

much in the same way a housewife mixes a raisin

bread batter, are "planchettes" which appear to be green dots.

A planchette near the surface of a bill may be plucked free by a pin but those deeper may never be removed, an RCMP spokesman pointed out.

● Pay particular attention to the color — phony bills most often are faded.

Fading also occurs in older genuine bills and counterfeiters take advantage of this by attempting artificially to age their imitation.

● Take a close look at the printing, the Queen's portrait, and border lines on the

rarity in Canada.

The same points apply to the U.S. bills, however, except for the planchettes, the RCMP officer said. American money has red and blue fibres woven into the paper instead of the green dots.

"Funny money, queer money, or bad paper", terms used to describe counterfeit money by those in the trade, is being rapidly turned out by modern day photo offset system.

The most common bogus bill to turn up is the \$20, because of its general use in today's society and the profit

it produces for the manufacturers, the officer said.

"If a counterfeiter made a \$1 bill, he would lose money; at \$5 he would about break even; at \$10 he's making money and at \$20 the profit makes it worthwhile."

While the counterfeiter profits, the last person stuck with the fake usually takes the loss — reason enough for taking extra care when handling a suspected bill.

"Anyone finding such a bill, however, could be prosecuted if he did not turn it over to the police," the RCMP officer advised.

Centenarian Is Survivor Great Chicago Fire

A former missionary and a survivor of the Great Chicago Fire in 1871, Mrs. Cecelia Cale, celebrated her 100th birthday at York Manor August 19 with members of her family. Congratulations poured in from many parts of Canada and the United States.

Mrs. Cale was only five-years when Mrs. O'Leary's cow kicked over the lantern, but still remembers the great conflagration vividly. She and her five brothers and sisters, with their parents, escaped the burning city carrying only the musical instruments their father, a musician, had ordered them to save.

The family lost all other belongings in the destructive fire which continued for two days before being brought under control and left 90,000 homeless.

She attended the Chicago Avenue Church founded by D. L. Moody the famous American evangelist and was converted by him when he was 18-years-old. At his invitation she attended a girl's school he had started in Northfield, Massachusetts. She became a missionary and married an usher at the Moody church in 1888. Her husband was a Canadian and Mrs. Cale came to Toronto with him soon after the marriage.

A resident of York Manor, Home for the Aged, Mrs. Cale is still very alert, although her hearing is fading. She has four daughters living, 10 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren. Her daughters are Mrs. George Anglin, Mrs. A. H. Van Nostrand, Miss Pearl Cale, all of Vandon; and Mrs. Caben McQuarrie of Easton, Pennsylvania.

Dr. Douglas Anglin, her grandson, was a Rhodes Scholar and is at present vice chancellor of the University of Zambia, Africa.

Mrs. Cale attends every church service at York Manor and reads a Bible with enlarged print in her spare time. "I never tire of it," she said. "It gives me strength, health and happiness."

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Harry Sadler

Realtor Says Consumers Should Stage A Strike

With everybody else on strike, there's no reason why the Canadian consumer shouldn't get into the act too, in the opinion of Harry Sadler, Richmond Hill real estate man and president of the Toronto Metropolitan Home Builders' Association.

And the area in which he feels they should strike is that of house buying, something in which the average person is not too successful.

In fact, Mr. Sadler says the latter is taking a beating, buying no matter what the price is, and forcing the price up in the process. In Metro, where the current housing program is 1,400 units short of the need, prices have consequently soared.

This and the high price of real estate have made costs prohibitive, so that people seeking a house in Richmond Hill, for example, have wound up buying "shelter and not homes". In the past four years, a semi-detached home in the town had risen from \$10,500 to \$14,500, Mr. Sadler said.

The Irish-born realtor thinks Canadians should just quit buying for awhile until prices come down.

"If you left your car at home and walked to work, you would not need a car," he said.

Mr. Sadler said his association had made suggestions to the government two years ago that municipal taxes be taken off income tax, and that mortgage interest also be free.

"That's one way of encouraging people to own their own homes," he said.

"Nobody can tell me the Canadian people want to live 40 storeys above the ground with a balcony and a couple of kids".

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