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RICHMOND HILL MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

Monday, January 3rd, 1927

Your Vote and Influence Respectfully Solicited

To Re-Elect
J. LUNAU
REEVE
for 1927



LET HICKS CARRY ON

FINANCIAL SITUATION

The subject of finance is usually considered of first importance in discussing municipal affairs, and a survey of reports of the various departments will show that North York occupies an enviable position at the present time. On December 15, 1925 our surplus amounted to \$69,171.58 and on same date 1926 it is found to be \$72,690.76 showing a gain of \$3519.18 for the current year.

This is the direct result of economy in expenditures for while the county levy was materially increased, the rate levied on tax-payers in North York remained unchanged and our surplus was increased as well.

DEBENTURE DEBT

Our records show the net debenture debt for which North York is directly responsible to be \$908,661.02 to which amount will be added the sum of \$240,383.10. Local improvements \$116,383.10, Hydro Area No. 1, \$76,000.00; S. S. No. 3, \$30,000.00; S. S. No. 14, \$18,000.00 for debentures to be issued early in the New Year covering expenditures for schools, local improvements and hydro extensions. By way of comparison with townships similarly situated it may be stated that the debt of Etobicoke, Scarborough and East York per \$1000 assessment is about three times as great as in North York.

We are, therefore, justified in concluding that, from a financial standpoint, North York is pretty much in a class by itself when compared with neighboring urban municipalities.

ROADS

Despite the very unfavorable weather of the past few months creating road conditions which were decidedly difficult to handle, the Provincial Government Road Inspector for a group of counties, of which York is one, recently stated that the roads of North York were entirely satisfactory.

Much of the gravel needed for road construction and maintenance was taken from the Township Park in fact a total of 1826 loads of 1 1/2 yards each was used from this source.

At 75 cents per load the value of same would be \$1369.50 proving that our park is an asset to the Township in other ways than purely for recreation purposes.

THE TOWNSHIP PARK

Some two years ago Reeve Hicks succeeded in securing for North York an option on what is now known as the Bathurst Street park at a very low figure of \$400 per acre. This property was needed by the Township not only for park purposes but also for the large quantity of gravel there available for road maintenance. As

estimated above, gravel to the value of \$1369.50 was used from this source during the present year. After the completion of purchase, which must be effected before the expiration of the option during January 1927 sand may also be removed and sold for building purposes which will mean an additional source of revenue for the township.

The property has easily doubled in value since the option was secured and Reeve Hicks hopes to complete the transaction and secure for the township this very desirable property.

BUILDING DEVELOPEMENT

The number of building permits issued during the year indicates steady and satisfactory development of our township. In all 207 permits were issued for buildings showing a total value of \$647,805.00 an average of over \$3,000 per building. The development is decidedly substantial in character.

PROPOSED INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPEMENT

It would seem desirable that some definite consideration be given to the question of securing for North York some industrial development that would provide for our people employment in our own township. It is the hope of Reeve Hicks that something may be accomplished in this direction.

HIGH SCHOOL FOR NORTH YORK

The time has arrived when the people of North York should be considering the establishment of a high school for the greater convenience of our own pupils. This is of vital importance when we remember that during the present year no less than 144 pupils have been attending high schools outside our own township and Reeve Hicks is hopeful that this question will receive serious consideration by the people.

RELIEF WORK

The digging of water mains provided relief work for a considerable number of men who would otherwise have been unemployed and in need of assistance from the township—work was provided for 52 men during January, 56 in February, 34 in March and 21 in December.

Also in the paving of Burnett street the contractor supplied work to all applicants from North York.

Our roads construction and maintenance is done entirely by township labor which provided employment for laborers and teamsters to the extent of fifty or sixty thousand dollars per year.

THE RADIAL PROBLEM

Reeve Hicks has taken an active

Thornhill

Santa Visits United S. S.

The annual Sunday School Christmas tree and entertainment of the United Church was held in the Church last Wednesday evening. Rev. B. R. Strangways in the absence of the superintendent, Mr. A. W. Galbraith, occupied the chair, while the following program was put on:—Pantomime, "I think when I read that sweet story of old, by Gertrude, Eveline and Madeline Allcott. Tableau by Mrs. A. W. Galbraith and four junior members of the Sunday School. Dialogue "Christmas visitors from other lands" by Mrs. J. L. McDonald's class of girls. Recitation, "Reverence" by Francis Teare. Dialogue, Christmas Influence by Miss Lillian Francis' class. Doll drill by Mrs. A. W. Galbraith's class of seven primary chil-

dren. Grandmothers song, "Getting ready for Santa Claus," by Miss Madeline Davis' class of girls. Dialogue, "Christmas greetings" by Mrs. J. W. Wesley's class of boys. A play "Come Anytime" by Miss Ruth Strangways' class of C. G. I. T. girls and many other recitations and songs. The presents were then distributed to all the children.

Misses Florence and Hilda Farr have returned home to spend Christmas with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Fred Farr.

Santa Claus Arrived

The annual Sunday School entertainment and Christmas tree of the Thornhill Anglican Church was held in Findley's hall last Thursday evening. Rev. N. H. Noble acted as chairman while the following program was put on:—Pianoforte solo by Mr. Marks of Toronto. Recitation by Charles Noble. Solo by Nora Tew. Mr. Thomas (comedian). Instrumental music by Misses Simpson and Wiltshire. Recitation, Isabel Fee. Solo by Mr. James. Recitation by Ed Fee; Violin solo by Mr. Rowland Smith of Toronto. Solo by Margaret Watson. Everybody joined heartily in community singing and Santa Claus paid his joyous visit and distributed presents to the children. Supper was served before the concert for members of the Sunday School, but the concert was open to the public.

Mr. Bill Breakey of Winnipeg, Manitoba has returned home to spend a few weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Breakey, Thornhill.

Y. P. S. Meeting

The regular weekly meeting of the Y. P. S. of the United Church will be held next Monday evening January 3rd. Under the leadership of the Christian Endeavor vice-president, Miss E. Bird. A good program is being prepared. All young people of the district are invited to be present.

New Years Entertainment. Don't forget the New Years Entertainment under the auspices of the Young men's class of the United Church. A play is being put on entitled "The Model Wife" under the leadership of Miss Marguerite Boyle. They will also be assisted by Mr. McFay, tenor soloist, Toronto. Miss Marguerite Boyle and the Thornhill Orchestra under the direction of Miss Aileen Atkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Brillinger and family and Mr. and Mrs. J. Wells, with Misses Florence and Almeda Clubine motored to Bradford on Saturday to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. William Clubine.

The Thornhill rink will be available for the children and any others wishing to skate every Monday afternoon from 2.30 till 5 o'clock.

The annual meeting of the Thornhill Ladies Soft Ball Club was held in Findley's Hall last Tuesday evening, December 28th. The following officers being elected for the ensuing year:—

Honorary president, Miss Nora Watson; President, Jean McDonald; Treasurer, Mrs. S. S. Findlay; Captain Gladys Hooper, Manager, Mr. B. H. Eaton; Coach Mr. Bryan Sharpless, Managing committee—Marion Smellie, Convenor, Edith Luesby, Lillian Francis, Rheo Hooper, Ila Brillinger, and Nora Johns. The girls are asked to pay their fee of twenty-five cents to the treasurer as soon as possible.

Sunday School Concert

Thornhill Presbyterian Church S. S. Annual Social gathering was a decided success. The Church was well filled with a happy throng of old and young and all of them in the best mood and expectant. Rev. M. C. Campbell, minister presided. There was a splendid program, Thornhill has a reputation of putting on the best entertainment in all the district around, and certainly they lived up to it on this occasion. There were three principle dialogues, and really the manner in which the several characters, without exception, carried out their parts, was extremely creditable and highly enjoyable. The time and care and skill displayed was truly a revelation, and the audience left nothing undone in showing their keen appreciation. That entertainment should certainly be repeated. No particular mention can be made for the whole program was carried through without a single hitch or flaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Chapman delighted all as usual, and the audience clamored for more from these favorites. The appearance of Santa was the signal of the great event of the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Chapman received gifts of Turkeys, Thornhill is noted for generosity, Miss Chapman was not forgotten. Heaps upon heaps of all sorts conceivable and inconceivable were handed out by dear old Santa, the idol of old and young, and not a few were somewhat staggered at being remembered so liberally. No one went away disappointed. There may be things about these events, as they are usually celebrated, which older advanced people look upon as silly, but when all is said, most sensible people will agree that these occasions bring together old friends renewing recollections, making them young again, and spreading joy and cheer, and this itself is good in life; and many do not fail to seek a deepening of reverential and triumphant feeling flowing from the celebration of the greatest most momentous event in human history—the Birth of the Savior of the world.

Mr. Campbell at the close voiced the sentiments of all in conveying most cordial appreciation to all who contributed in various parts of the splendid entertainment.

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In Vaughan Township



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Albert Chapman
As Councillor 1927

PROGRESSIVE AND ECONOMIC ADMINISTRATION

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YOUR VOTE AND INFLUENCE RESPECTFULLY SOLICITED TO ELECT

James McLean
COUNCILLOR FOR 1927

PROGRESS—EFFICIENCY—ECONOMY

Electors of Richmond Hill

YOUR VOTE AND INFLUENCE RESPECTFULLY SOLICITED TO RE-ELECT

J. Roy Herrington
Councillor for 1927

SAFE AND SANE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Electors of Richmond Hill

Re-Elect

W. G.

Baldock

As Councillor for 1927

For Aggressive, Economic Government.



HEADFORD

On Wednesday afternoon, December 22 a most interesting entertainment was given by the pupils of school section No. 3. Many amusing numbers were presented and given in good style. Mr. Herb Smith acted as chairman. After the program Santa Claus distributed presents to all the children and their friends from a well laden tree. Miss Montgomery, the teacher is to be congratulated on the splendid training of the children. There was a good attendance. Later all went to the church where a supper was served in the school room and a social hour was spent. This was followed by a short program, the Rev. J. W. Fox acted as chairman.

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