

# Purchase of Truck Voted Down By Majority of the Council

## Better Lighting of the Town Proposed By Chairman of Electric Light Commission.

The regular meeting of the Richmond Hill Council was held in the clerk's office on Monday evening with Reeve Lunau in the chair and all the members present. The minutes of the last regular meeting and of special meeting on May 15th were read and confirmed.

Councillor Mansbridge asked if the ditch on Church Street had been attended to. Reeve Lunau reported that it had not been done as they had been too busy.

The matter of painting Safety Zones on Yonge Street was discussed and it was decided to have the work done at once.

The indifference of some property owners to the warning regarding destruction of black-knot was discussed at some length and it was decided to have the offenders checked up and made to conform to the law. The owners will be given seven days to have the nuisance removed and if they do not comply with the order the work will be done and charged up.

Mr. H. B. Stirling reported that the residents of Benson Avenue were desirous of using electricity for more than lighting and as the present equipment did not provide for this service, recommended the purchase of a new transformer and other improvements to make provisions for same. The cost of the work will be \$150. Councillor Sims moved that the work be done.

Councillor Middleton reported that Hunt Avenue was very poorly lighted. Councillor Sims, chairman of Electric Light Commission reported that they planned a survey of the streets with the view of improving all the lighting and that this street would be considered at that time.

Reeve Lunau introduced the question of the purchase of a truck. He felt that a truck could be purchased by the electric light department and used if

needed by other departments and in this way prove a useful asset to the town. Councillor Mansbridge was very much in favor of buying a truck. He said he considered it a necessity and a good investment and business proposition for the municipality.

Councillor Middleton thought that a truck was not a necessity and could see no need for buying one. "If we have a surplus in electric light account let's light up the town" he said. Councillor Davis was opposed to buying a truck and sponsored a motion that the matter be laid over until the next meeting. The motion was seconded by councillor Middleton and carried. Councillor Sims said that if the council were looking at the surplus in the electric light account when considering a truck it would be well not to figure on that at all as he explained that it was only the matter of time until expensive alterations to the present system would be needed.

Reeve Lunau reported that the dead ends of the water system would be flushed out systematically according to an adopted schedule in future.

It was decided to have the streets oiled sometime during the early part of June.

As soon as cinders are available the sidewalk on Mill street will be repaired. It has not been definitely decided whether or not any other sidewalks will be built this year. Councillor Middleton asked for some more cinders on the sidewalk on the east side of North Yonge Street.

Councillor Davis spoke in favor of tree planting in the village and kindly offered to supply trees to anyone desiring to plant them on the streets or in the park. The kind offer was fittingly recognized by Reeve Lunau, who expressed the hope that citizens would avail themselves of the opportunity of beautifying the town.

### THORNHILL DISTRICT NEWS

#### UNITED CHURCH W. M. S. MEETING

At the monthly meeting of the Women's Missionary Society held in the Sunday school room last Tuesday afternoon, the topic being temperance, papers were taken by Mrs. S. B. Elson, Mrs. W. E. Baker, Mrs. N. J. Smellie, Mrs. R. A. Nesbit, Miss Agnes Boyle and Mrs. Johns. The president, Mrs. J. L. McDonald was in the chair, and took up the devotional leaflet.

**PRESBYTERIAN W. A. MEETING**  
The regular June meeting of the Women's Association of the Thornhill Presbyterian Church will be held at the home of Mrs. Wm. James, Newtonbrook on Thursday afternoon, June 13th at 3 o'clock.

#### PREACHED ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Rev. P. Currie, of Toronto, preached in the Presbyterian church on Sunday afternoon, June 2nd. Mr. Currie is a brother of Rev. E. C. Currie, a former minister of this congregation.

#### ATHLETICS

The Y.P.S. of the United church held their first baseball game last Monday evening, June 3rd when Harold Echlin "coal heavers" defeated Floyd Davie's "Epsworths." These games promise to be very interesting and everyone is advised to be on deck when their team plays, if they want to be guests instead of hosts and hostesses at the banquet, when the Society opens next fall. The losing team provides the eats so be out and root even if you don't play.

#### WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Association of the United Church will be held at the home of Mrs. O. C. James, next Wednesday afternoon, June 12th at 3.30 p. m. The assisting hostesses on this occasion will be Misses Agnes Boyle and Annie Cooper.

#### PRESBYTERIAN Y. P. S.

The closing program of the season of the Presbyterian Y.P.S. was held on Friday evening in the Sunday school room, and was exceptionally good, being under the convener'ship of Mervic Findlay, the Social Vice-President. President, Mrs. S.S. Findlay led in devotional exercises and a short business session, during which it was decided to have a picnic in August, and to re-open the meetings the second Friday in September. This was followed by two very enjoyable contests, and a Gypsy tea, which included the telling of fortunes.

#### HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The Thornhill Horticultural Society here held their meeting in the Public School last Wednesday evening. Mr. Grainger gave a very interesting and instructive illustrated lecture on "Bees and Flowers." At the close prizes were awarded for the best living-room bouquet which was keenly contested. Mr. Grainger, the judge awarded the prizes, Mrs. Joe Teeson winning the first and Mrs. Jas. Pearson second, of a flower basket and vase respectively.

#### PRESBYTERIAN W. M. S.

The W. M. S. of the Thornhill Presbyterian Church met at the home of Mrs. Jas. Gibson, sr., on Tuesday afternoon, June 4th, with an attendance of 31. The devotional exercises were led by Mrs. Jno. Cooper. During the afternoon Mrs. Geo. Cooper gave an informal talk on "The work of our Society" and Mrs. Jenkins, of Willowdale on "Our Influence." Miss Elizabeth Francis was appointed delegate to Knox College in July. Arrangements were made for the Presbyterian meeting to be held in Willowdale Church on June 22nd, when Dr. Margaret O'Hara will address the gathering.

#### NEW WALKS AND RAILINGS

The new concrete walks around the Presbyterian Church, and the replacement of the railings in front, make quite a decided improvement.

#### SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Lillian Francis accompanied by Miss Greta Strangways, of Toronto, spent the week-end at Beeton, Ont. Congratulations are extended to Ross Wesley in being successful in passing his second year at Queens University, Kingston, also to Ralph Johns in passing his second year in Medicine at Toronto University.

The sale of home made baking held on Mr. J. Fisher's lawn last Saturday afternoon under the auspices of the W. A. of the United Church was very successful.

Mr. Fletcher Piper, of Toronto, visited this week with his aunt Mrs. D. Boyle.

Rev. W.A. McTaggart of St. Colombo United Church, Toronto, and Mr. Pearson, of Weston, preached at the morning and evening services respectively in the United Church here last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hooper, of Detroit and Mrs. Fred Trent were guests on Monday of the Hooper family.

Mr. S. Davies, Mr. Wm. Dean and Mr. J. Chas. Smith were delegates to a meeting of the Highway Association held in the Masonic Hall, Richmond Hill last Thursday, May 30th.

The Thornhill Ratepayers Association is steadily increasing in number. There were eighteen present at the last meeting and a keen interest is taken in the welfare of our village.

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#### LADIES SOFTBALL LEAGUE

The officers of the suburban Yonge Ladies Softball League met at the home of Rhea Hooper last Monday evening, June 3rd to form a schedule with Stouffville, Aurora, Lansing and Thornhill teams. Representatives from Stouffville were, Blanche Slack, Vice-President; Miss Bobby Hare and Bruce Lehman their manager. Lansing, Jessie Glover, President; O. Nelson and Mr. E. Glover. Thornhill, Rhea Hooper, Sec-Treasurer and Norma Ground. The first game will be played between Stouffville and Lansing on Lansing's diamond, Wednesday June 12th.

The Thornhill Ladies Softball team motored to Unionville, Wednesday evening, June 5th and played the home team, defeating them by a close margin.

The weekly meeting of the girl guides was held in the school room Wednesday, June 5th. They studied whistle signals, horseshoe formation and explanations of rules. These meetings are very interesting and every one is urgently requested to be present next Wednesday evening at 7.30 in the school room.

#### CORNER STONE TO BE LAID

The corner stone of the Lawrence Memorial Parish Hall, Thornhill, will be laid by Mrs. F.A. Lawrence on Wednesday, June 12th at 7 p. m. (daylight saving time). The Rev. N. H. Noble, rector of Trinity Church, Thornhill, extends a cordial invitation to everybody including the many friends of the late F.A. Lawrence to be present. The Bishop of Toronto has been invited to give the address.

#### OBITUARY

##### THE LATE JOHN BOYLE

The death occurred at the late residence, Langstaff, Ont., last Wednesday evening, May 29th, of Mr. John Boyle in his 48th year. The late Mr. Boyle was born in East York and has been a resident of Langstaff for the past twenty-five years. Mr. Boyle was the husband of Emma Johnston, formerly of Richmond Hill, who along with Mr. David Boyle, father of the deceased, and two sons Herbert and Oliver, of Oak Ridges, survive. The funeral service was held from the late residence on Friday afternoon, and was conducted by Rev. Alex. Boyle, pastor of Rose Ave. Presbyterian church, and uncle of the deceased. The pall-bearers were six nephews of Mrs. J. Boyle and the late John Boyle. Interment took place in Thornhill cemetery.

##### MRS. JOHN WICE PASSES

Mrs. John Wice of this village, although in very poor health for some time passed away suddenly at her late residence last Wednesday afternoon, June 5th. The funeral will be held on Saturday afternoon.

#### MAPLE

##### At a meeting in the Community Hall

last Saturday evening, the ratepayers elected Mr. Leslie Laver as chief of the Fire Brigade, and Mr. A. Lawrie was appointed Captain with Mr. Chas. Ball as first-lieutenant. Matters relating to the park were also settled, and next Friday evening another meeting will be held to appoint other officers and committees for the Brigade and for park improvements.

On Monday the pupils of the Public schools of Maple and Hope had their annual sports at the latter place. A game of girls' softball was won by Hope by a score of 27-22, and Maple boys defeated the Hope team by 2-0. A large number of races were run off and a very enjoyable afternoon was spent. Supper was served to the children and to a large number of visitors. Although the day was cool the ice-cream booth was well patronized and over twenty dollars was taken. The sports were directed by Mr. J. Carl Saigeon.

A load of newspapers and magazines was disposed of last week by the W. A. of St. Stephen's Church, and taken to the City to be made into pulp.

Communion was held in the United Church last Sunday evening when a large number were present for the service.

Miss Ada Thomson, of Toronto, spent the holiday and visited over Sunday with Mrs. J. McMurchy.

There was a large crowd at the dance in the Community Hall on Monday evening.

Mr. J. T. Saigeon and Mr. J. Carl Saigeon attended a luncheon of the Dominion Life Ins. Co., at the King Edward Hotel last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. DeWolfe, of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. J. Robeson and Miss Vera Robeson, of Strabane, and Mrs. C. Dundas and Misses Genevieve and Evelyn Dundas, of Toronto, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. Robeson on Sunday.

The annual meeting of the Women's Institute will be held in the school room of the United Church on Friday, June 14th, when an address will be given by Mrs. Bertram, of Stoney Creek. The ladies are requested to provide refreshments.

A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend a piano recital by the Toronto and Maple pupils of Mrs. Forde, to be given in the Masonic Hall on Saturday at 8 p. m. A collection will be taken to defray expenses.

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