

## Acclamation For Reeve Wm. Neal Six Will Seek 4 Council Seats

Richmond Hill nominations were held last Friday evening in the municipal hall in the presence of 35 rate-payers. Reeve William Neal was re-elected by acclamation, and seven nominations were entered for council. W. J. Taylor withdrew, leaving six candidates to contest the four places in council. The candidates include the present members, P. C. Hill, Allan Bales, Wes. Middleton, Ralph Paris and two others, Captain James McLean and C. C. Mabley. School trustees D. M. Chamney, D. Kerr and L. H. Clement.



REEVE WILLIAM NEAL

Russell Lynett, clerk and treasurer, presided, and presented the financial report featuring the reduction in tax arrears to the neighborhood of \$1,200 and the fact that the radials have paid for themselves and show a profit to the village of nearly \$10,000. He said the village is in good financial condition with the assessment up to \$1,000,000 for the first time in history. The village, he said, has now only one lot taken at a tax sale.

The reeve pointed to the accumulation of a municipal surplus, needed for sewers and to the showing made by the radials. He said Yonge St. should be widened whether or not another north and south highway is constructed, because of the danger to traffic that would continue to exist if it is left at its present width. There is no reason why it cannot be widened as it was widened in (Continued on Page 9)

## Richmond Hill Forms Post And Enters Canadian Legion

Richmond Hill has now a fully formed post of the Canadian Legion, some 36 of 40 veterans who attended a meeting in the Masonic Hall a few nights ago signing application forms and showing their discharge from active service papers.

The new post was organized by Bert Phelps of May Ave., Richvale, president of Friendship Branch in Toronto and zone commander of the Legion. "The Legion is the one all important organization not only for the veterans of the first war but of the recent conflict," said Mr. Phelps. "That comradeship of war days is something that should not be allowed to die, and we of the Legion do not intend to let it die, but to live on as long as there are veterans to perpetuate it."

Mr. Phelps explained that there was something even more than such a spiritual consideration involved in membership in the Legion. Legion post quarters were places for friendly meetings, euchre and bridge parties, dances and other entertainment for the veterans, he said, stating that one of the plans to be made at once has to do with obtaining temporary quarters for the new post pending the erection of a suitable hall.

William Beach, district commander and Conrad Nelson, secretary of the provincial branch also addressed the gathering. Provisional officers elected were J. Sanders, president, C. Abram, G. Hollowell and R. B. Ross.

## Harold Wilson Sees Hill Logical Place For Hospital

The Liberal has received the following letter:  
37 Richmond Street,  
Richmond Hill, Ont.,  
November 22, 1945.

Dear Sir:—  
Re Suggested Memorial Hospitals for Townships of Vaughan & Markham  
As a suitable memorial to those who sacrificed their lives in World Wars 1 and 2, I agree most heartily with the suggestion also that Richmond Hill is the logical site. Whatever may be the final decision regarding any memorial, the warning given by our esteemed fellow citizen, Mr. J. A. Greene, was very timely and serious attention should be paid to his advice to keep future taxation within reasonable limits and as near stable as possible.

There are few, if any, who do not have unbounded faith and confidence in the future of Canada provided we can be assured of a lasting peace and that our civilization can and will be preserved. With such assurance there need be no hesitancy

about planning for the present or the future.

In reference only to the suggested hospital may I be permitted to submit a few thoughts which I trust will be useful to any committee appointed to study a report on any various proposals which have been or may be made regarding memorials?

1. Sewage and disposal thereof is (Continued on Page 10)

## New Teacher For Public School Here

Richmond Hill Public School Board this week hired Mrs. R. B. Stewart of Seaforth to fill the vacancy in the school staff. Mrs. Stewart is the daughter of the United Church minister at Seaforth. Her husband is attending University. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart plan on taking up residence in the village if possible to secure accommodation.

## Voters' Open Forum Liberal Gives Candidates Chance To Present Views

The Liberal believes that all six candidates for the village council of 1946 are well deserving of public support, and for that reason no selection of 'slate' could help citizens in making their four choices. So that each of the candidates, however, may have the opportunity of addressing the voters to the fullest extent, The Liberal has placed at their disposal all the space they may wish to use in this issue for the purpose of making statements setting forth their views and policies. The statements made, the candidates' names being in alphabetical order, are as follows:—

**Allan Bales**  
Richmond Hill residents, one and all, will regret to hear that owing to illness, Councillor Allan Bales will not this year be able to address himself personally to his supporters through the Voters' Open Forum of The Liberal. However, probably no man in council requires such an opportunity less than Mr. Bales. His views are well known to everyone, and his report on the waterworks is to be found elsewhere in this issue.

**P. C. Hill**  
It has been my pleasure and privilege to serve you as a member of the Municipal Council in 1945, and if the service I have been able to render has earned your approval, I will be glad of your support for reelection.

Your council has been giving serious consideration to a number of necessary civic improvements such as street lighting and sewage, to both of which I have given consistent support. With these projects underway, we are naturally anxious to be permitted time to carry them through to a successful conclusion. Our aim is to bring Richmond Hill to the forefront as an attractive village of happy homes.

I extend to you, my neighbours in Richmond Hill, sincere wishes for a happy and prosperous 1946. Your vote is a privilege of Democracy—Use it!

**Cec. C. Mabley**  
All signs point to a rapid growth for Richmond Hill within the next few years. That growth is perfectly normal in as much as this village offers a natural outlet for some of the dense population to the south of us, and it is a growth that should not be stopped. But it will entail new problems about which we are hearing constantly.

We hear of a war memorial to take either the form of a hospital or community hall. For my part, I think the hospital is much the pre-

ferable. We have been told, too, that we must have a sewage system, and there can be no doubt about this if we are to have new industries locate here.

One other thing: we must encourage sport for our youths if we are to make our town attractive to youth. But it would be an absolute "must" with me that in everything we do, we must not be extravagant. The tax rate must not be allowed to rise. I stand for efficient and progressive municipal administration."

**Capt. James McLean**  
Captain "Jim" McLean limited himself to the pledge that if elected he would support practical, business like policies. "My desire is to serve the village," he said, "particularly by following a policy of keeping taxes down to the irreducible minimum while at the same time providing our community, as a whole, and our citizens, each and everyone of them individually, with all the opportunities life in this new Canada should make possible."

"For example, we can and should attract some new industries to the village through two highly important reasons. New industries mean a sharing of our taxes by others. With respect to an expenditure on a project such as sewers, if there are new industries here the burden of paying for the sewers will not have to be borne by our people alone. A share of the cost will be assumed by the new businesses. The second reason for seeking greater industrial development is because many of our people require and will continue to require employment. These new industries will provide employment."

A noted educationist who, because of professional traditions, must remain anonymous, has asked the privilege of making a statement on (Continued on Page 4)

## Young People Rally Here Last Night

On Wednesday evening the Young People's Societies of this area of Toronto Centre Presbytery met at Richmond Hill United Church for their Fall Rally. Mack Clement, president of Richmond Hill Union, welcomed the guests and called on Miss Lola Jones to lead in a sing song.

The Rev. Mr. Jones of Willowdale conducted the devotional service after which Rev. Brethen introduced the guest speaker, Rev. Alvin Cooper, director of Young People's Work for the United Church of Canada. Mr. Cooper gave a challenging address on the part of Young People in The Crusade for Christ and His Kingdom.

The election of officers for the area was the business of the evening with the following executive appointed: Chairman, Robert Hood, Buttonville; Corresponding Secretary, Norman Tyndall, Richmond Hill; Recording Secretary, Elizabeth Eaton, Thornhill; Treasurer, Mack Clement, Richmond Hill.

Following a period of games the Richmond Hill Union served refreshments to the visiting Unions and all look forward to the next Rally.

## Jury Recommends Yonge St. Sidewalk

A coroner's jury, investigating the death of Patsy Rochester, returned a verdict of accidental death with no blame attached to the driver of the truck, J. S. Sampson of Toronto. Patsy was fatally injured when in collision with the truck on October 17th. However, the jury did recommend that a sidewalk should be constructed on the west side of Yonge St. so that children would not have to cross the highway.

Some time ago a petition was signed by the ratepayers of the community asking that this sidewalk be constructed, and also that traffic lights be installed, and a committee was appointed to bring the petition before Mr. Blackwell. However, due to the strike at Windsor, it has been impossible to get an appointment with Mr. Blackwell to date.

## Skating At The Arena Three Nights A Week

Councillor Ralph Paris announces that the sporting program at the Arena this winter will include skating Monday, Wednesday and Saturday.

## Deputy-Reeve And Council Contest On At Markham

Nominations for Markham Council were held in the township hall at Unionville with a number of enthusiastic electors in attendance.

Charles Hooper, reeve for three years was given an acclamation. He thanked the voters for their cooperation and support and hoped the new term would be as prosperous as that of 1945.

"Many items," said Mr. Hooper, "such as hospitalization and children's aid demand immediate attention."

Dalton Rumney and Albert Reesor are contesting the office of deputy-reeve. Mr. Rumney, a councillor for three years has contributed much to Markham council. Mr. Reesor, in municipal affairs for 11 years, assured the listeners that Markham council is on as high a level as any other council.

Candidates for council are Winfred Timbers of Stouffville, Reuben Stiver, Unionville, T. M. Stewart McQuay, Brown's Corners and Leslie Couperthwaite of Unionville. All four contestants congratulated council on its year's work and stated that they would do their best to make



REEVE CHARLES HOOPER

Markham a better place in which to live.

## We Can't Leave It To GEORGE We Have To Do It All Ourselves

For six years we fought mighty hard to escape what we called dictatorship. We insisted on the right to govern ourselves, and we won the war.

But how about it now? St. George killed a dragon, but we didn't kill dictatorship ideology. It's still alive and rampant everywhere, and it still threatens us, our national, provincial and municipal governments. We have only one tried and true weapon to defend ourselves against it and against the rise of dictatorial power, namely, the ballot.

We can do more towards safeguarding our liberties by exercising our right to vote regularly and at every election than we could with an atomic bomb after trouble starts. But the ballot is preventive, not remedial. We have to use it before trouble comes, a reflection Richmond Hill, Markham and Vaughan voters are asked to consider in connection with the municipal election.

Are we fair to ourselves and to the boys who fought for us if we "leave it to George" to elect the 1946 council?

Polls are open in Richmond Hill next Monday from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. and in Vaughan and Markham from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

## St. Mary's Anglican Church Marks 73 Years Of Service

The history of St. Mary's Congregation is filled with loyalty and determination, the spirit which dominated all the Christian pioneers who settled here and elsewhere. A few members of the Church of England resident in the village of Richmond Hill some 80 or more years ago, had the desire to organize themselves into a congregation in order that they might continue to worship God according to the convictions of their hearts. A kindly medical man, Dr. Duncomb, who was of the same faith, and who lived on the corner of Yonge and Markham Streets, came to the help of the little group of Anglicans and very materially assisted in erecting a small brick church on the east side of Yonge Street about midway between the

Dr. Duncomb's home and the home now occupied by Mrs. H. A. Nicholl. The church became known as Dr. Duncomb's church. It is said that he got the collections for keeping on the fires. But nothing is said of how the Parson got his stipend. It is presumed that the Clergy Reserves Fund paid him about \$400 a year and he would have to drive or walk from Thornhill, which was the mission centre of Church of England activity at that time.

Dr. Duncomb's church was destroyed by fire, the only relic remaining to this day being the original Prayer Book used by the first clergyman in the first services of this church, which is inscribed as follows: "Presented by The Church (Continued on Page 6)

## Reeve And Deputy-Reeve Facing Contest In Vaughan

Vaughan township voters will be asked to elect a reeve and deputy-reeve for 1946, an acclamation having been given three new members of council.

Jas. Robson and Boynton Weldrick qualified at Friday's nomination meeting to run for the office of reeve and J. Albert Dick and John Hostrawser for the deputy-reeveship. Six were nominated for council but only three qualified. The new 1946 council will consist of Herbert A. Phelps, Richvale; Marshall McMurchy, Woodbridge R.R. 2, and Carl Shaw, Kleinburg.

The meeting following the nominations was presided over by Robert Dooks, a former councillor.

Jas. McDonald, clerk and treasurer, gave his estimated financial report for the year. He foresaw a deficit.

Mr. McDonald stated that the 1946 council must be prepared to increase the tax rate as the balance on hand has been gradually decreasing. Tax arrears, he said, are low and only one property is in arrears for three years.

**Road Work Curb**  
Boynton Weldrick who is seeking his second term as reeve pointed out that the Provincial Government asked the municipalities to cut out unnecessary road work. The Children's Aid Society is now costing the County Council some \$108,000 and this amount may have to be increased. Snow removal was a big item in road expenditure last year, but this couldn't be helped as the farmers had to get out. "If our roads are going to be maintained and kept in condition money must be spent," he declared. Mr. Weldrick in asking (Continued on Page 6)

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