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Veterans' Picnic At Woodland Park On August 17th

A large crowd is expected to attend the annual picnic of the Vaughan and Richmond Hill Veterans which will be held at Woodbridge Park next Wednesday, August 17. This annual event always is an enjoyable affair and some special preparations are under way for this year's picnic which promises to be a delightful outing for veterans, their families and friends. Buses will leave Richmond Hill Municipal Hall at 1:30 p.m. and the tickets are only 50c for adults and 25c for children. Tickets may be obtained at the Liberal Office, Mansbridge's Meat Market, Cooney's Service Station and from James Butler, Sr.

Much Damage Done By Violent Storm In Teston District

Considerable damage was caused by a 'twister' which hit the Teston district at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 3rd. Five trees near the house on the farm of Bill Poulton were uprooted, steel doors were ripped off the barn, a hay rack was tossed three hundred feet into a tree, apple and tomato crops were destroyed, as was grain which remained uncut. Shingles were ripped off the barns of Harold Bone and Bill Marwood. The window of the Teston General Store, operated by Mrs. Hamm, was blown in and half a garage roof was ripped off. Hydro and telephone services were cut off. Evidence of the severity of the storm was given by the fact that although the storm occurred at 6:30 p.m., hail was still lying on the ground at midnight.

Appoint Mrs. Fenner Richvale Postmistress

Announcement was made this week of the appointment of Mrs. Lyla Fenner as Postmistress at Richvale, succeeding Tom Cooney who tendered his resignation some time ago. Mrs. Fenner will take over her new duties immediately and in a short time the Post Office will occupy new modernly equipped quarters in E. Durie's store, just north of the present Post Office location.

Village Councillors Handle Varied Items

While most of the time of the last meeting of the Richmond Hill Village Council was taken up with a discussion of the extension of the present High School a considerable number of routine and semi-routine matters were dealt with. While, at a recent meeting dealing with town planning, it was decided that all new buildings on sub-divisions must be at least four feet from the lot line, council amended this so that properties on Yonge Street would be excepted from this provision. The re-numbering of streets was discussed and it was agreed unanimously that this should be laid over until next year. The report of the Toronto Transportation Commission on the operation of the diesel buses from Richmond Hill to the city was received with approval. The report of P. C. Frank Moore was received and special comment made on his activities in curbing speeding in the Hill. Decision to have all coal supplied to municipal buildings weighed on neutral scales was reached. Ross Casement was appointed assistant village caretaker. Dog Nuisance Complaint An emphatic complaint was registered by George Pollard, Elizabeth Street, about the nuisance caused by a large number of dogs maintained in adjacent kennels. As the matter had already been placed in the hands of the village's solicitor for advice action was deferred. It was reported that part of the new traffic control system had been received and installation was being held up pending the arrival of the remainder. Grants made by the council included \$25. to the tennis club and \$5. to the veterans' picnic.

"A Slow Boat To China" is okay — but for fast action it's a want ad in the Liberal. Telephone Richmond Hill 9.

The Picture Of The Week



Years ago there was an old book entitled "Enquire Within Upon Everything." A "best seller" of its day, it was supposed to answer practically every question which would come up relating to human affairs.

Richmond Hill today has its own version of "Enquire Within." Only instead of being bound in cardboard covers it wears a business suit and walks, talks and bowls. RUSSELL LYNETT, pictured above, Richmond Hill's Village Clerk and Treasurer, is "Mr. Know-it-all" to a lot of citizens for to him come, in the course of his daily work, questions concerning practically every phase of life in the village. Whether it is an enquiring reporter seeking information about local affairs in order to write a story, an irate citizen kicking about the amount of his water bill, or any of a thousand and one other points, each and every one gets dealt with in the cheerful, human way that distinguishes "Curly," as everyone knows him. Perhaps he doesn't know all the answers, but he can usually tell where they can be found.

No doubt familiarity with his district helps a lot — and he should have plenty of that, for he is the fourth generation of Lynetts to be intimately associated with Richmond Hill and its affairs. He was born in the Hill in the old house next to Craigie's store which is presently being torn down. After attending the local Public School — where in his day there were three teachers — and the High School he worked in the shipping room of the Bedford Park Floral Company for sixteen years, in 1942 he became Village Clerk and Treasurer — the third in the Hill's seventy-five of incorporation.

During the time that he has been playing his part in administering local municipal affairs he has seen many changes. Over a third of the property in the village has changed hands in that period, he says. At the end of 1941, just before he took office there were 505 local taxpayers. At the end of 1948 he had 686 tax bills to send out. His first billings for water covered 310 consumers — today there are 531. According to the 1941 assessment roll Richmond Hill's population was 1,345 — last year's roll showed 1,751 inhabitants.

His has been an active part in local affairs. It includes service as secretary of the public school board for five years; twenty years on the board of the United Church, of which he was treasurer for thirteen years; membership in the Lions Club for eight years, with two years as treasurer. It's hardly necessary to label him as a bowling "fan." Everybody knows of his keen interest in that game. In his earlier days he played hockey and baseball at school and afterwards. He was one of those who played a prominent part in getting the present tennis court going.

All in all, he has played a prominent part in the steady and sane development of his home town. Now, as population sweeps northward a question arises. Will he be the first Town Clerk of Richmond Hill? Or looking far, far into the future, will he be its first City Clerk? Could be!

In any event, village clerk, town clerk, city clerk, he can definitely be numbered among those whom the LIBERAL is proud to honour for the part which they have played as good citizens. The picture of Mr. Lynett, like all others in this series, was taken by Edmund Soame of "The Studio," 1720 Avenue Road.

Hilltop Products Are Now Located In New Building

Richmond Hill has lost an industry — but it hasn't gone very far away. The Hilltop Quality Food Products, which formerly operated in the old Fleetline building, is now operating in its new quarters at the end of Roseview Avenue, just across the C. N. R. track and is accordingly in Markham township. The new building provides ample space for the expansion to which Pearson and Son, the owners, are looking forward.

First Polio Victim Lionel Cardwell, In Isolation Hospital

Richmond Hill's first polio victim Lionel Cardwell, 33, of Centre Street, is reported to be progressing as well as can be expected. While Mr. Cardwell is still in a somewhat serious condition with paralysis of the throat, his temperature has declined a little and he is able to take a little liquid food. Mr. Cardwell, who is a supervising inspector with the Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company, Toronto, is in the Isolation Hospital in that city.

Revenue Increase Jumps Municipalities' Cheques

Greater financial benefits have accrued to the municipalities which own the North Yonge transportation system which is operated for them by the Toronto Transportation Commission. The village of Richmond Hill has received a cheque for \$3,237.42, representing profits covering operations for the second quarter of 1949. This compares with \$1,534.09 received for the same quarter last year. Share of the township of North York for the first half of 1949 was \$7,741.65 as compared to \$3,668.47 for the same period in 1948. Vaughan and Markham Townships each received \$1,548.33, their return for the first six months of 1948 being \$733.69.

High School Extension Is Approved By Council

He was definitely against the holding of a referendum in connection with the proposed expenditure of \$360,000 covering the extension of Richmond Hill High School, said Dr. Frank Hogg at the regular meeting of the Richmond Hill village council. Dr. Hogg stressed the fact that he was reporting to the council as its appointed representative on the High School Board, and not as the chairman of the board. Council, after a long debate, passed the application of the board for approval of the expenditure. As the school is located in Richmond Hill the local council's agreement is necessary before the other parts of the High School area involved, Vaughan and Markham townships and the village of Woodbridge, can act. As the matter now rests the other parts of the area are in a position to express approval or otherwise. One reason that he was against the holding of a public vote, said Dr. Hogg, was because of the urgency of the situation. A large number of additional pupils was expected to attend the High School this fall, he said, and a survey of the situation indicated that the number would increase materially within the next two or three years on account of the growth of population in Richmond Hill and the surrounding area. Because of the fact that other parts of the area could not reach a decision until Richmond Hill approval had been given, a taxpayers' vote would delay the final decision for a long while, added Dr. Hogg. Paying \$40,000 annually He reported at the present time the High School Board was paying out \$40,000 annually for education of pupils in other schools. That

Operating expenses for June, 1949, were about \$350.00 less than for June last year. The mileage operated shows an increase of 6,176 miles, or 16.29%. The result for the first six months of this year was a profit of \$17,856.40 as compared with a profit of \$10,356.73 for the first six months of last year. Profits Doubled However, as the diesel bus operation of this year was charged with \$5,833.84 for items belonging to the old rail operation, the actual profit for the bus operation was \$23,690.24, as compared to a profit of \$10,356.73 for the rail operation for the first six months of last year. Especially interesting is the comparison of passengers carried, reflecting as it does the increase in population of the district. In June this year the busses carried just under a quarter million passengers — 249,457 being the exact number. This compares with 212,975 passengers carried by the old trolleys in June of last year. For the year to date the busses have carried 1,519,857 passengers — an increase of over a quarter of a million in the number carried by the radial in the first six months of 1948, when 1,250,877 passengers patronized the radial line.

Heavy Losses Suffered In Barn Fire At Victoria Square - All Crop Lost Machinery, Many Animals, Destroyed

Tragedy struck hard at a Victoria Square family on the afternoon of August 8th when fire destroyed the barn on the farm half a mile north of the village owned by Charles Hart and Son. The blaze, which started in the straw mow, was first noticed by twelve-year old Eddie Donnelly. He gave the alarm immediately and, at the same time, the smoke was noticed by the men who were out working in the fields. By the time they got to he barn it was well aflame. The Richmond Hill and Stouffville fire brigades were called immediately but by the time they arrived there was little that could be done. A team of horses was burned to death, along with 140 pigs. Destroyed also were a manure spreader, a milking machine, a threshing machine and pumps, together with the whole season's crop of hay, grain and straw. Loss is estimated at around the fifteen thousand dollar mark. During the excitement Mr. Charles Hart collapsed and Dr. Wilson of Richmond Hill was summoned to attend to him. It is only a year ago since fire struck at the Harts. At that time their house was damaged by flames.

75 Minute Check-Up Nabs 12 Speeders In Village Limits

The drive against speeding on provincial highways has been extended to Richmond Hill. P. C. Frank Moore, the Provincial Police Officer who acts as guardian of Richmond Hill under the plan for policing of municipalities by members of the Ontario force, recently issued twelve summonses for speeding on Yonge Street in the Hill. All offences were committed within one and a quarter hours. The campaign to eliminate speeding within village limits is continuing.