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VOTE ON BUS SERVICE TO BE HELD SEPT. 26TH

The Richmond Theatre

Richmond Hill, Ontario
Telephone Richmond Hill 500
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Doors open at 6:30 p.m.
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With TED DONALDSON, SHARON MOFFETT and
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ALWAYS NEWS AND A CARTOON

The Window Display

The current display in the Liberal office window is that of tropical fish owned by Mr. Joseph Boyer of 45 Church Street, Richmond Hill.

Designed to give an actual portrayal of the products, arts and hobbies of Richmond Hill and district businesses and residents, the displays to date have created a considerable amount of interest. The colourful fish which are occupying the space at the present time have proved to be one of the big "drawing cards" of the series.

Mr. Boyer, owner of the fish, is one of Richmond Hill's newer citizens. He is an employee of T. Eaton Co., Ltd., Toronto, and a war veteran. Serving with the 4th Field Ambulance, he saw action in Italy. Tropical fish breeding, import and sale will be developed further by him, he states.

Formidable indeed are the scientific names of the species which are being exhibited at the present time. In every-day English they are: Spotted Wagtails; Red Wagtails; Gold Crescent Moons; Red Moons; Head and Tail Lights; Rasboras; Zebras; White Cloud Mountain; Gold Wagtails; Guppies; Beta.

Township Hall Deal Not Yet Completed, Says Reeve Griffin

Despite reports to the contrary, says Reeve Vern Griffin of Markham township, the old township hall at Unionville has not been sold. While negotiations for its purchase by war veterans of the locality have been under way for some time, no formal offer has been submitted and until that has been done it cannot be considered that a deal has been made.

There is little doubt that the veterans are distinctly interested in acquiring the property and will seek support of local citizens in consummating the deal. Undoubtedly they will receive co-operation from the council but, in the meantime, the hall remains as township property.

Most Valuable Player Hockey Trophy Given To Liberal Staff Man

Last winter's activities were recalled when, at a softball game between Unionville and Buttonville, Norm. Stunden, of the Richmond Hill Liberal's composing room staff, was presented with a hockey award.

Stunden, who pitches for Buttonville, played with Unionville Juniors hockey team last year, and during the course of the game was presented with the Ontario Hockey Association trophy for 'Most Valuable Player' of last hockey season. The presentation was made by Councillor Bob Rae.

Liberal advertisements get results.

The Picture Of The Week



Just twenty years ago RALPH PARIS, pictured above, came to Richmond Hill and entered the employ of the F. Y. W. Brathwaite hardware store. Three years later he became its manager.

At that time, he says, Mr. Brathwaite said to him: "Ralph, I'm not sure if you can do it but we'll give it a year's trial." Proof of the pudding is in the eating, 'tis said, and proof of Mr. Paris' ability to measure up is evidenced in the fact that, seventeen years later, he is still manager of the store. The twelve-month trial has stretched a long way.

During that time he has done a lot more than build the store up to four times the business there was when he took over. He's played an important part, also, in building up the community in which he has made his home. Many and varied are the local activities in which he has participated. The years haven't all been devoted to "getting." There has been a lot of "giving" also — giving of time, of interest and enthusiasm, of service to his fellow citizens.

That service includes several years on the Public School Board. Added is a four year term as a village councillor. It's interesting to note that in his first election he came second and that for his remaining three terms he topped the polls. He is a member of the Town Planning Board, a member of St. Mary's Anglican Church, and also a member of the board which is dealing with the proposed Yorkminster civic hospital for North York. As a member of the Lions Club he has played a prominent part. A charter member of that organization, he became its president in 1947. During that year his club topped Canada for attendance and won the efficiency award for the zone. Serving on many committees during the years he is presently a member of the Crippled Children's Committee.

Born near London, England, Ralph came to Canada as a child. Attending High School at Sutton, he worked on a farm for a short time, afterwards coming to his present location at the Hill.

His hobbies are skiing, gardening, tennis and furthering the interests of his town. On the latter subject he becomes almost lyric. "There's not a better town anywhere," he says, "and few with the opportunities that Richmond Hill has."

"Thinking away ahead," he says, is this district's greatest need today, as he emphasizes his belief in the future of the district.

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Full Statement Covering Factors Will Be Issued By Municipalities At Early Date To Voters Affected

Property owners in Richmond Hill, North York, Vaughan and Markham are to have the opportunity of expressing their opinion on the retention of the North Yonge bus service or a return to the old radial system.

Following a meeting of elected representatives of interested municipalities last Thursday, a decision to hold a vote on September 26 was reached.

Action is in keeping with promises frequently made to the effect that before any permanent change was made the ratepayers would be given an opportunity to express their wishes.

Not all ratepayers, however, will vote. When the old radial line was purchased by the municipalities interest therein was confined to those served directly by the line. This takes in the area, in-so-far as Vaughan and Markham Townships are concerned, one and a quarter miles east and west of Yonge Street. In the case of Richmond Hill village the entire municipality is affected. In North York the situation is substantially the same as in Vaughan and Markham.

The taking of the vote will require the setting up of election machinery similar to that in a municipal election for the village of Richmond Hill. In the townships the procedure will be the same, except for the fact that the areas affected will be restricted to those previously mentioned. Votes in the various municipalities will all be held on the same date — September 26.

To Advise Voters

All interested municipalities will, it is understood, take steps to advise voters of what their vote actually means. Prior to the election they will be advised through the newspapers and, in some cases, by individual letters, exactly what they are voting for.

A survey by The Liberal indicates all municipal leaders to be strongly in favour of the retention of busses. Reeve George Mitchell of North York is authority for a statement that, at the recent meeting when the voting date was decided on, all municipal-

"Yes or No" Vote

While it is a little early to predict the final wording of the question which will be submitted to ratepayers in connection with the forthcoming September 26 vote in Markham, North York and Vaughan Townships and Richmond Hill village on the radial vs. busses questions indications are the vote will take a straight "yes or no" form.

The general feeling among municipal officers interviewed by The Liberal indicates that most of them are in favour of putting the question to the ratepayers interested in such a way that there will be no excuse for misunderstanding. The majority of them indicate, too the belief that preliminary information should be given to voters in such a form that an intelligent vote, backed by the fullest possible information as to what is projected, will be possible.

ities decided that they would recommend continuation of the bus service to their voters.

A full statement covering the situation is being prepared at the present time and, it is understood, will be available in the coming week.

Control of the operations of the line will not be lost by a vote favourable to the busses, asserts Reeve Mitchell. The franchise will still remain the property of the municipalities which own the transportation system, and it is likely that operation of the line on their behalf by the Toronto Transportation Commission would be continued, he says.

The formal statement to be issued next week is expected to clarify this and other points which have been the subject of misunderstanding and discussion.

Markham Township Planning Board Wholesale Resignation May Spark Entire Question Of Remuneration

Markham township is still without a planning board, following the recent unanimous resignation of all members of that body following refusal of the Minister of Municipal Affairs, Hon. George Dunbar, to approve a township by-law awarding members \$200 per year in recognition of time expended and expenses incurred — the accent being on the latter — while carrying out their duties.

A letter received by the township's Reeve Vern Griffin from Hon. W. A. Griesinger, Minister of Planning and Development, indicates that the subject has reached governmental inter-department levels.

Mr. Dunbar will not change his

mind with regard to the remuneration of planning board officials, Col Griesinger's letter indicates, but, it is suggested, he might do so if township taxpayers indicate their wishes by means of a referendum.

While the dispute is localized at the present moment it is regarded as one which might have a wide effect on planning board activities as a whole throughout the province.

In the meantime fast-growing Markham township is without a planning board and, except for a stiff building regulation code, the situation is uncontrolled.

It is understood that the matter may be dealt with by an early special meeting of the township council.

Maple Lions Club Carnival Attracts Nearly 1,000 People-Many Good Prizes

Maple Leaf Lions Club scored another win with their street dance on August 17, when, despite cloudy skies and a threat of rain, between nine hundred and a thousand people were in attendance.

With Ernie Evans doing the "calling off" Russ Creighton's orchestra was enjoyed by old and young alike.

One attraction which provided a lot of entertainment was the "Old Timers" soccer match. The football might not have been of championship character, but the amusement was. A game between Emery and Vellore was played to a two all tie.

The big prize of the evening, a radio phonograph, was won by Bill Orr. Other prize-winners were Donald Reid, Richmond Hill, electric toaster; Gordon Weldrick, Maple lawn mower; H. Gates, Brampton ham donated by D. Allen; Arthur Simmonds, Toronto, electric tea kettle; L. Simpson, Toronto, 4 gallon motor oil donated by Alf. McKinnon; Helen Sherman, 2 gallons motor oil donated by Alf. McKinnon; R. Barrow, Midway, set of bath towels donated by Dr. C. R. Reeds; Richard Hughes, Concord, two bottles of ha tonic donated by Mel. White; Fran-

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NEW DEADLINES

Coincident with the change in format of the Richmond Hill Liberal — which is announced in an editorial on page 2 of this issue — comes a slight revision of dead lines.

Most of our readers, we are sure, are conversant with that term "dead line" when used by printers. For the benefit of the uninitiated it means the latest time at which advertising and other copy can be accepted in order that the paper can, to use another printer's term, be "put to bed."

New printing arrangements which have been made by the Liberal will cut down very materially the time which must necessarily elapse between the receipt of the last line of copy and the production of the finished job. Those same arrangements will make possible speedier and earlier delivery of the paper which — barring accidents — should be available at the Liberal office shortly after noon each Thursday, and which will go into the mails on Thursday afternoon.

But in order to maintain the accelerated schedule it is necessary to ask for the co-operation of our advertisers. Starting with next week's issue our deadline for display advertising will be 5 p.m. each Tuesday. For classified advertising the deadline will be noon on Wednesday. Naturally it will help in the production of the paper if copy is submitted ahead of those times. The team-play of our advertisers and correspondents will help us to give them the best service — and to give this district a paper produced in keeping with the best publishing traditions.

Reaman Store Robbed By Grab & Run Thief Takes Fifty Dollars

Waiting until the Reaman Stationery Store, Yonge Street, Richmond Hill was empty except for Mrs. Reaman a young thief grabbed \$50. which was lying at the back of the counter and dashed out.

The robbery took place at 6 p.m. on Monday, August 22, and the robber apparently chose his time carefully hanging around until an opportunity offered. The thief is described as being a young man of about twenty of slim build, dark hair and eyes. He was wearing a sleeveless yellow sweater and dark trousers.

Although immediate search of the village was made by P. C. Frank Moore no trace of the culprit could be found.

Another Grass Fire

Richmond Hill fire brigade was on duty again on Tuesday, August 23, when it dealt with a grass fire on the Thompson property at Stop 14, Thornhill.