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News From Next Door

MOUNT ALBERT: Nathan Oldham, 33, was killed last Friday when struck by a falling tree while engaged in wood-cutting operations at the Vivian Forest.

YORK COUNTY: County Council this week approved a \$300 per annum increase for members of the York County Police force. The force at present numbers 14.

RINGWOOD: The Holstein herd of Walter Jacobs sold by auction here averaged \$380, with the top cow bringing \$405. Calves sold for \$60 and \$70.

NEWTONBOOK: Plans are under way for a new post office to serve this district. The office on and after May 1 will be located on the east side of Yonge Street somewhat north of the present location in a building now under construction.

WILLOWDALE: A new fire hall will be erected in North York Twp. in the Lawrence Ave.-Bathurst St. district at a cost of \$95,000.

MARKHAM: The Library here reports an increase in membership for 1951, 148 adults and 86 juveniles, a total of 234. Total circulation of books was 7601.

YORK COUNTY: It will take three years to re-assess York County council was told this week by county assessor S. A. Symonds.

MARKHAM: Lloyd Turner has been elected president of Markham Fair for 1952.

SCARBORO: The council will abolish 12 man planning board and replace it with a 7 man board. The 12 member board was too large and it was difficult to get all members in attendance.

BRADFORD: Sponsored by the Aurora club a Rotary Club has been organized here giving the village its second service club.

AURORA: Clifford Griffiths, local theatre manager surprised a deer on Maple Street here this week. Turning on to Maple Street about midnight the car lights showed the deer standing in the middle of the road.

SUTTON: The annual report of the Sutton Horse Show showed receipts of municipal grants of \$500 from York County, from North Gwillimbury Twp. \$300, from Georgina Twp. \$250, and from Sutton Village \$250.

No Accounts Since June

LeMasurier Protests Markham Farmers Pay Front Water Bill

Councillor Alf LeMasurier and Councillor Art Lennie of Markham Township are pressing the council for action to clear up at once the unsatisfactory arrangements for water service in the Harding Park sub-division south of Richmond Hill. This is one of the areas concerned in pending annexation proceedings.

At council meetings this week Councillor LeMasurier disclosed that some forty householders in the Harding Park sub-division have been receiving water for the township for the past seven months and haven't even received a bill. This he claims is unfair to the people concerned as some day they will be faced with a substantial account, and unfair to all other ratepayers of the township who in the meantime are paying the bill.

Richmond Hill village which supplies the water is paid by Markham Township for all water which passes through a meter at the village limits. Residents in Elmwood and other sections of the area served are billed by Markham Township office, but meters in the Harding sub-division have not been read and no bills sent.

Councillor LeMasurier declared himself as definitely opposed to doing business in this unsatisfactory manner and called for immediate action to put the water service on a business basis.

From the time of the installation of the water service in Harding sub-division until last June accounts from water users were collected direct by Richmond Hill. Since that time Markham Township has paid for the water but there has been no direct charges to the water users. Some forty householders are water-users in Harding sub-division.

The contentious matter was discussed at a meeting of Markham township council Monday evening when a resolution was passed asking the Sanitation and Plumbing Committee to bring in a report.

"In the meantime," says Councillor LeMasurier, "the farmers of the township are paying for the water service to these forty householders in Harding sub-division." Explaining the township's position in regard to the water service in the Harding Park sub-division, is the following letter addressed to the Waterworks Committee of the Township submitted by T. L. Galbraith, Plumbing Inspector:

Annual Meeting

Richmond Hill's 103rd Fair To Be Held Sat. May 24

Dalton Rummy was re-elected president of the Richmond Hill Agricultural Society at the annual meeting held in the municipal hall Saturday afternoon. Stewart Rumble was re-elected as 1st vice-president and Boynton Weldrick second vice-president.

It was decided that the 1952 Fair will be held here May 24 and it will feature the Horse Show which has grown in recent years to one of the most popular in Ontario.

Report of President Dalton Rummy and secretary-treasurer Mrs. Margaret Burton showed a very successful year in 1951. The Fair was well patronized and attracted some of the finest horses in the province. Finances are in excellent shape after paying prize money last year amounting to more than \$2500.

Two minutes silence was observed in honour of the memory of two active members of the Society who passed away during the year, past president Don McAllister and vice-president George Agnar. President Rummy and members of the Board paid sincere tribute to the outstanding service rendered by Mr. McAllister and Mr. Agnar.

President Rummy and vice-presidents Rumble and Weldrick were appointed delegates to attend the annual convention of Ontario Fairs Association.

It was decided to hold the annual Society banquet in the near future when Norman Tyndall, a member of the Board, will be honored to mark his victory at the International Plowing Match. "In winning provincial championship he brought honor to the community and this Society," said Wesley Middleton in proposing that suitable action be taken by the organization.

W. M. Cockburn, County Agricultural Representative attended the meeting and extended congratulations to the members on the

success of the 1951 show. He pointed out that Richmond Hill Fair was one of the oldest in this province, and this year will stage its 103rd annual fair. The first Agricultural Fair in the County he said was held in 1839 according to an old minute book recently discovered in demolishing an old building.

J. E. Smith, M.P., presided for the annual election of officers which resulted in the election of the following:

Honorary President, J. Scott McNair.

Honorary Directors: W. Redelmeier, H. R. Bain, Alex Little, Jack Fraser, Hon. W. P. Mulock, C. L. Burton, J. E. Smith, M.P., Major A. A. Mackenzie M.P.P., George McCullough, Nelson Boylen, William Neal, Gordon Leitch, George B. Elliott, J. H. Crang, C. F. W. Burns, W. R. Ballard, G. B. Heintzman, Marshall McMurchy, Winfred Timbers, J. L. Spillette.

President: Dalton Rummy. Vice-president: Stewart Rumble. 2nd vice-president: Boynton Weldrick.

Secretary-treasurer: Mrs. Margaret Burton.

Directors: P. C. Hill, Alfred Bagg, Gordon Atkinson, Milton Savage, L. H. Clement, Norman Tyndall, Charles Henshaw, Lloyd Beatty, Boynton Weldrick, Morgan Boyle, G. Rummy, E. Redelmeier, F. Perkins.

Associate Directors: H. McCague, W. Cook, A. Stong, Harold Mackie. Past Presidents, members of the Board: J. S. McNair, T. H. Trench, R. W. Scott, Harry P. Charles, F. S. Tyndall, R. L. Stiver, O. D. Robinson, Wesley Middleton.

Markham To Hold Early Meet With R. Hill To Discuss Annex.

At its special meeting held last week Markham Township council considered the important problem of annexation.

Reeve Timbers opened the discussion by saying "with all due respect to the Ontario Municipal Board they certainly acted very quickly and the January 9th hearing was quite a surprise. Markham Township should have been consulted by Richmond Hill relative to making the application to the Municipal Board," he continued. Mr. Timbers said the Council must first agree to give up some of Markham and then decide on the boundaries of annexation. "When the two councils have reached a decision a public meeting should be called," declared Mr. Timbers. If the people of the area wish to be annexed and Richmond Hill can supply services the Township can't, the Reeve felt Markham shouldn't object.

Councillor LeMasurier wanted to know when the boundaries had been set and if Richmond Hill had set them. Reeve Timbers replied he couldn't remember who suggested the boundaries, but that the first reference he saw to them was when they were outlined in the press. Councillor Lennie wanted to know why Richmond Hill needed more land. Mr. J. E. Teetzel of the Harding Park sub-division entered the discussion at this point and claimed that Richmond Hill needed more land in which to expand. Mr. Teetzel went on to say the people in his area were all for annexation. Councillor Hooper interrupted the speaker to ask him how many people had signified their desire to enter Richmond Hill. Mr. Teetzel replied the number was about 30. "In the final analysis the Municipal Board will never refuse Richmond Hill the right to expand in the vacant land to the north, and then the southern subdivisions will have missed the boat," stated Mr. Teetzel. Deputy-Reeve James replied that "Markham Township is not a sitting duck for any deal, we want industry too." He felt Markham would likely go along with annexation rather than see Richmond Hill lose any new industry. In referring to an earlier meeting between the two councils to discuss annexation Mr. Teetzel claimed that former Reeve Neal and Councillor Middleton of Richmond Hill left the meeting with the understanding Markham was agreeable to annexation.

Continuing further he said he had been given to understand that either Mr. James or Mr. Hooper had suggested that any annexation scheme must include the Elmwood-Harding Park subdivisions. In reply to this statement Mr. James said when Markham had moved that Richmond Hill include the subdivisions in their plan, Deputy-Reeve Tomlin threw up his hands and said "No." At their later

Bell Telephone To Show Films

In order to keep residents in this district informed on the dial cut-over and to illustrate proper dial usage, Bell Telephone representatives will be present at the February 8th meeting of the Elmwood-Harding Ratepayers Association to be held in the Richmond Hill Public School auditorium at 8 p.m.

Three films entitled "Party Lines", "Trouble Underground", and "Dial Comes To Town", which give some of the background of the change to dial service, and illustrate the proper dial usage, will be shown.

Everyone in Richmond Hill and district is invited to attend.

Separate School Bd. Study Insur. Policies

The regular monthly meeting of St. Mary's Separate School Board was held Tuesday evening at the school in classroom No. 3. Mr. J. C. Fahey and Mr. Simmons of the Western Assurance Co. at the invitation of the Board attended the meeting and explained the Board's insurance policies. A motion was made that letters of thanks be sent out to the various car owners who graciously gave their services to bring in the teachers and pupils to and from the school during the recent T.T.C. strike. After the meeting a few taxpayers asked the Board what had been done toward collecting school fees outside the three mile limit area. The Board pointed out that 2 years ago the parents of 55% of the children being educated in St. Mary's Separate School were Public School supporters. Since then the Board has reduced this figure to 2%. The next meeting will be held on February 26.

Thornhill Trustees Meet With Vaughan Township Council

A delegation from the Trustees of the village of Thornhill attended last week's meeting of the Vaughan Township Council. Chairman W. Dean and Secretary Mrs. S. Warren waited on the Council regarding street lighting in Thornhill, and the removal of snow from the village's sidewalks that the Department of Highways' ploughs had put on them during snow removal operations on the highway. Mr. Dean also asked the Township's co-operation in introducing a zoning by-law to restrict certain types of building in Thornhill. The Council discussed the matter and agreed to co-operate with Thornhill Trustees.

Messrs. S. McNeil and L. Wayett presented to the council a plan designated by the North American Life Insurance Company for a pension plan for Municipal employees. The council will make a final decision on the matter after they have received similar reports from other insurance companies.

Council was advised that the Maple Women's Institute is to sponsor a Child Health Centre to be established in the nurse's office at Maple on the first Thursday of each month. The members granted the use of their chambers on such occasions.

Mr. James Lepper requested the council to arrange improvements to be made on the road allowance between lots 26 and 25 in the third concession. The members will consider the matter further when

Planning Board Appointed By Markham Twp. Council

United Church Annual Meeting To Be A Seven Man Board Including Two Councillors

A thoroughly stirring and challenging address was heard by members of the congregation of Richmond Hill United Church at the Annual Meeting Tuesday evening when they had as their guest speaker, Rev. E. S. Lautenslager, Minister of Howard Park Church, Toronto. Rev. Lautenslager congratulated the congregation on the healthy state in which the church found itself at the end of 1951, and went on to emphasize that the business of the church today was the most important business in the life of every individual and should be treated as such.

He pointed out that responsibility for the leadership of the Christian World has shifted from Europe to North America, the Jerusalem of today, just as this continent has had to assume responsibility for the leadership of the world politically. Canada, moreover, need not be a Samaria, waiting for its powerful neighbour to the south to take the lead.

The speaker urged that members do everything in their power to encourage social activity in the Church, thus making it the centre of community life. In order to have 1,000 persons in a church on Sunday, 2,000 should pass through its doors between the preceding Monday and Saturday.

Rev. Lautenslager was introduced by Mr. Paul Angle and thanked by Mr. S. J. Brown.

The evening began with a delightful supper served by the Evening Auxiliary of the Woman's Association, after which the choir, under the direction of Mr. Adelmo Melicci, entertained the gathering. Rev. C. G. Higginson acted as chairman for the business portion of the evening. Mr. William Wilson gave a comprehensive review of the Annual Report of the church for 1951, printed copies of which had been distributed to those in attendance.

S. S. Superintendent Retires. It was announced that Mr. P. E. Angle will be retiring shortly after many years faithful service as Superintendent of the Sunday School. He has agreed, however, to continue to serve in this capacity until such time as a replacement can be found.

Rev. Totton led the gathering in prayer in memory of those of the congregation who had passed on during the year 1951. These included Frank S. Hogg, Percy Quantz, Wm. J. Moss, Mrs. A. W. R. Doan, Mrs. Jerry Smith, George Agar, William Mylks, John Dellow, Samuel Johnson, William Hayes, Mrs. Lyla Booth Hill.

Nominating Committee Report. Mr. A. E. Plewman, on behalf of the Nominating Committee, read the names of those nominated to serve on the Session Board of Stewards, and as Trustees for

the coming year. There were no further nominations from the floor. The membership of the session remains unchanged but there will be two new members on the Board of Stewards: Mr. Jake Koning and Mr. D. Miller.

Mr. Pleman expressed to Rev. Higginson the gratitude of the congregation for the great work he had accomplished during the six short months he has been minister of this church. This was met with a hearty round of applause and the enthusiastic approval of all present.

The meeting adjourned with the singing of the Doxology.

King City Trustees Name Village Streets

The following by-law was passed on Monday evening when the trustees of the Police Village of King City held their regular monthly meeting: "That the first connection of water to a consumer will require an inspection, and connection fee of \$2.00, and that no connections are to be installed without a permit, and the permit is to be returned with the connection fee, before the water is turned on."

It was moved and agreed that the trustees consult the local M. P., Mr. J. Smith, to have the mail brought to the village from Toronto and pick-up, two trips a day, by truck. It was resolved that a light bracket be placed near the water tank, and one on the first pole north of the highway on William Street. Also resolved that standard light bulbs for street lighting be 100 watt, and those at main intersections be 200 watt. The trustees also resolved that the plumber who connected to the water main recently on Patton St. be notified to level up the roadway, and not make further connections without a permit.

Further business dealt with the naming of streets, and from now on the road known as the 4th will be called Keele St. Doctors Lane is the first street east of Keele and south of King St., named after the late Dr. Lockhart, whose home is still a landmark there. The next street to the east will be known as Fisher St., and the next again, will be Patton St. These two names will be familiar to many as the names of Fisher and Patton are highly respected in the community. The first street east of Keele and north of King St., will remain Hoop St. The street running west of Keele to the station will be known from now on as Station Road.

Mr. Bryan Upjohn asked the trustees request the Township to restrict trailers.

The township of Markham now has a Planning Board. This was the outcome of a special meeting of the Township Council held last Friday evening which after some lively discussion and frayed tempers saw the establishment of a 7 man Planning Board. This new board will be composed of two members of council yet to be decided on, and 5 private citizens. The private members will be formed by Deputy-Reeve R. Rummy, R. Shorten, president of the Elmwood-Harding Ratepayers, H. Maynard, a resident of Unionville, A. Stagg, president of the Highland Park Ratepayers and Dr. Tanner, president of the Thornlea Ratepayers.

With an attentive crowd of 23 ratepayers present Councillor Lennie opened the debate on the proposed Planning Board by stating it should be removed as far as possible from politics. With the exception of the Reeve Mr. Lennie wanted the members drawn from the Community as a whole. He then moved the names of Mr. Stagg and Dr. Tanner as prospective members.

Deputy-Reeve James interjected that the qualifications of each candidate should be very carefully examined, for example what would Mr. Stagg's qualifications be for serving on such a board. "Great care must be exercised in picking these individuals, or we'll have a real headache," declared Mr. James. Councillor LeMasurier reminded the Council it had already been agreed to give the ratepayers the opportunity of putting forward the names of possible members. "Both Mr. Stagg and Dr. Tanner were picked by the ratepayers as men of ability and having the necessary qualifications," said Mr. LeMasurier.

Reeve Timbers in reviewing the qualifications of membership said those chosen should know the township thoroughly, and that they will be called on to perform such duties as studying building plans.

Mr. Lennie felt the members should display vision, mature judgment and a reasonable knowledge of the area to be planned. Both Councillors Lennie and LeMasurier wanted to see a happy balance between those from rural and urban areas.

Reeve Timbers suggested Council name a list of possible board members and then from this list name the Board. Councillor Hooper interrupted proceedings to point out the proper procedure would be for the Council to first pass a resolution calling for a Planning Board. This immediately set off a heated debate as to the

size of the Board. Reeve Timbers definitely was of the opinion it should be a 5 man Board. "A large committee sometimes doesn't work as efficiently as a small one," declared Mr. Timbers. Deputy-Reeve James felt it was debatable whether the Board should have 5 or 7 members. Councillor Hooper wanted a 7 man Board as he felt the larger number would have more authority and a better knowledge of the township. Mr. Timbers said "there has been a lot of criticism lately of the township's spending too much money, so just remember it will cost more to operate a 7 man Board than a 5 man Board."

Mr. Lennie then moved a resolution calling for a five man Board. "Mr. Hooper with the support of Deputy-Reeve James put forward an amendment to this resolution asking for a seven man Board, two members of which would be councillors. Messrs. Lennie and LeMasurier were willing to compromise on a seven man Board providing it would have just one councillor. Deputy-Reeve James and Councillor Hooper were unwilling to accept this arrangement for they felt two Councillors were needed to supply the Board with guidance and experience. Reeve Timbers too was of the opinion two councillors were required for the first year at least. Mr. Lennie contended the only purpose of a Councillor on the Board is to act as a liaison between the Board and the Council and thought one Councillor could accomplish this.

The members finally found themselves deadlocked on this issue of size. Reeve Timbers broke this impasse by voting in favour of Councillor Hooper's motion.

As to the Board members Councillor Hooper moved the names of D. Rummy, W. Dean and R. Shorten. Councillors Lennie and LeMasurier supported Dr. Tanner and Mr. Stagg. Deputy-Reeve James moved the name of H. Maynard. Finally the five members were decided on as Tanner, Stagg, Maynard, Shorten and Rummy. Mr. Hooper was the only dissenting member as he objected to leaving Mr. Dean's name off the list.

CELEBRATES 84TH BIRTHDAY

On Friday, January 25, Mr. Wm. Ash celebrated his eighty-fourth birthday. His daughter, Mrs. Fred Hare entertained on his behalf when some twenty guests were present to congratulate him. May we add our congratulations and good wishes for many happy returns.

Coming Events

- FEBRUARY 4 — Monday. Meeting of Markham Township Council at the Municipal Offices, Unionville at 1.30 p.m. clw30
- FEBRUARY 4 — Monday. Meeting of Richmond Hill Council at the Municipal Hall at 7 p.m. Deliberations wishing to appear are requested to notify the clerk three days in advance. clw31
- FEBRUARY 4 — Monday. United Church evening W.A.A. guest speaker, Miss A. Ruby Brown, Deaconess and Director of Religious Education Metropolitan United Church. clw31
- FEBRUARY 5 — Tuesday. Thornlea Ratepayers meeting at the school at 8 p.m. Guest speaker Councillor LeMasurier. All welcome. clw31
- FEBRUARY 5 — Tuesday. Armour Heights Public School, Annual Meeting and Election of Officers York North Young Progressive Conservative Association. Guest speaker Mr. A. A. (Lex) Mackenzie, M.P.P., York North 8 p.m. clw31
- FEBRUARY 6 — Wednesday. Bingo will be held by Canadian Legion Branch 375, Memorial Hall, Carville Rd., W. at 8 p.m. Admission 35c. tfe29
- FEBRUARY 6 — Langstaff Junior W.I. will hold a Cribbage and Euchre Party at the White Wheel, Yonge Street. Proceeds for community improvements. Come, bring a friend and enjoy a pleasant evening. *1w31
- FEBRUARY 8 — Wednesday at 6.30 p.m., a supper, sponsored by the Community and School Club, in the Masonic Hall, Maple, J. M. Schneider's Meats served. Admission by ticket only. Adults 75c, children 40c. clw31
- FEBRUARY 6 — Wednesday 8.30 p.m. Monster Bingo in the Lions Hall in aid of Our Lady of Grace Church building fund. 15 games \$200.00 in prizes. Admission 50c. Share the Wealth, Door Prize, a Premier floor polisher, rotary type. clw31
- FEBRUARY 8 — Friday at 8 p.m. Elmwood-Harding Ratepayers Association General Meeting in the Public School auditorium. Two films on dial telephone will be shown. Mr. George Harte, speaker. clw31
- FEBRUARY 9 — Saturday. Valentine Tea and Bake Sale at 3 p.m. in the United Church Hall, Thornhill. clw31
- FEBRUARY 14, 15 — Richmond Hill 50-50 Club is sponsoring a 3-act comedy play "Don't Darken My Door" put on by Aurora 50 Club, in the United Church Sunday School room at 8.30. Tickets 60c. clw31
- FEBRUARY 16 — Saturday. Valentine Tea and Bake Sale under the auspices of Trinity Church W. Yonge Street. Proceeds for community improvements. Come, bring