

Open House At St. Mary's Sch.

The open house held in St. Mary's Separate School Monday evening was very well attended despite the inclement weather. Mother Camilla, Mother Simeon and Mrs. R. Harcourt received the parents and friends.

The display of art and sewing was very impressive, as well as those in spelling, arithmetic and other academic subjects.

The children had also written little poems and made clever floral favors and painted plaster figures which the parents were allowed to take home. The three bright and modern classrooms were a cheerful setting for the reception.

Richvale Couple Have Golden Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. J. Tinkler Sr. of 4 Yonge Street, Richmond Hill, held open house on the occasion of their golden wedding anniversary, Saturday, May 10, from 2-4 p.m.

Born in Yorkshire, England both Mr. and Mrs. Tinkler are 70 and 72 years of age came to Canada and settled in Toronto 1913. In 1916 they moved to a farm on the 6th. concession of Vaughan living there till 1936, thence to Richmond Hill, then to May Ave. and finally Yonge Street Road.

They have three sons, Jos. at home, Fred at Oak Ridges, and Jim at 6 Yonge Street, and one daughter, Mrs. Ted Allen, of Yonge St. and 11 grandchildren.

Percy E. Gillings Injured In Accident

Percy E. Gillings, age 38, a resident of Lake Wilcox is in Toronto General Hospital with a broken back. Parked on the east side of Yonge Street just south of Bond Lake after visiting friends, a car driven by Hughie Lane of R. R. 1, Newmarket age 35, crashed into him with such force that both cars were wrecked. Mr. Lane was treated by Dr. Cowan of Richmond Hill for cuts and abrasions on his face and arms.

Police Constable Smallbone of Thornhill investigated. Mr. Lane is charged with impaired and dangerous driving.

Markham Twp. Interviews Auditor

Markham Township Council held its "closed" meeting as scheduled last Monday to investigate and interview the auditor and his recent report. Mr. N. Morton appeared before the council on behalf of the firm of auditors Wilton C. Eddis & Sons.

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Legal Difficulties Delay Sewer Construction Work

Richmond Hill's sewer construction program was delayed this week due to difficulties concerning the easement for work across the property of H. J. Mills Ltd., Centre Street East.

Special meetings of council Thursday and Saturday and conferences with village solicitor J. D. Lucas resulted in the passing of another by-law requesting easement for the use of additional land to enable the contractor to proceed with the work.

A court hearing is expected at once and village authorities are hopeful the construction work may proceed within a week.

Lack of any village streets east of Church and North of Centre St. made it necessary for the sewers to be constructed across the property of H. J. Mills Ltd. Surveys for any alternative route revealed that costs would be excessive.

Council plans the construction of some 1224 feet of sewer on the Mills property commencing at Centre Street and extending the northerly limits of the property. The sewer will be installed at a depth of 15 feet and there will be three manholes on the property.

The original application asked for an easement on a fifteen foot width of property for the installation of the sewer. It provided that such installation would not interfere with any existing buildings, and that H. J. Mills Ltd. would be free to erect buildings over the sewer, or subject it to normal use, with provision for three manholes.

Council started negotiations for such easement last fall but failed to reach an agreement. Various offers were made but the price asked was much more than the council felt the village should be asked to pay. In its legal application the Village Council offered \$1,000. for the easement rights.

The easement was granted by Judge Forsyth and the amount to be paid by the village was to be determined later by either the Ontario Municipal Board or the courts, and each party was to name a valuator.

Last week the village notified H. J. Mills Ltd., that the contractor was ready to commence work on the property, but the work did not start as planned because of a warning from H. J. Mills Ltd. that should the contractor trespass beyond the 15 foot line a suit would be brought against the municipality.

Village authorities were very surprised by the ultimatum and engineer W. B. Redfern in charge of the construction work said such a situation never before had occurred in his long engineering experience.

Consultation with the engineer and solicitor by the council resulted in the passing Saturday of the new by-law asking an easement on an additional width of fifty feet which will provide sufficient space for the construction machinery to operate.

A court hearing is expected immediately when it is hoped the additional easement will be granted. However seven days notice is required even after the granting of such easement which means that construction will be delayed for at least another week.

When confronted with the situation council decided there were two courses open, one to proceed with the work and face possible law suit, or take time to apply for court order for easement on additional land. Although the sewer construction project might be delayed at least two weeks the latter course was the one adopted by council after consultation with the solicitor and engineer.

Lassoos Raccoon

Last week Constable Robbins of Richmond Hill received a call from Robt. Sanders of Richmond Street to remove a raccoon from the garage at the back of their house.

It was a full grown 'coon and was perched on one of the shelves in the building. Constable Robbins lassoed the animal and put it in a bushel basket, later letting it out on one of the back concessions.

Firemen Hold Ladies Night

Richmond Hill Fire Brigade held its annual ladies' night on May 7, with forty-nine firemen, their wives and guests, sitting down to dinner at Summit View Lanch which was later followed by a eucure party at the firemen's recreation room.

Guests included Reeve W. J. Taylor and Mrs. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Neal, Constable Robt. Robbins and Mrs. Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Roy, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Murphy and honorary members Wm. Tyndall and Bert. Cook and their wives.

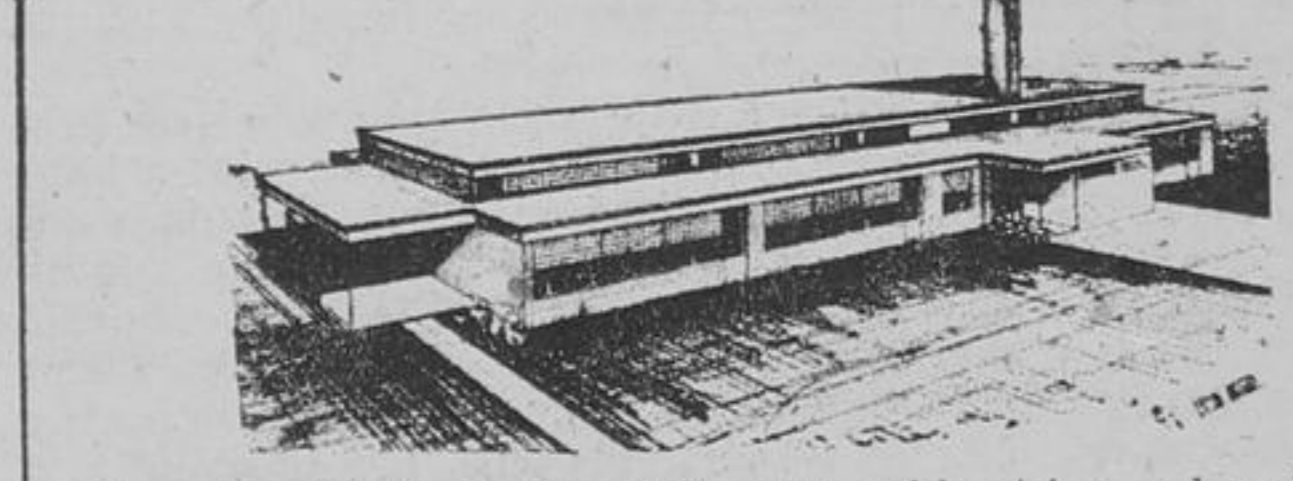
Mr. Jas. Pollard acted as Master of ceremonies for the evening with Fire Chief Alf. Stong expressing the thanks of the firemen to all those who have in any way assisted the brigade. Reeve Taylor on behalf of the village thanked the firemen for their untiring services and assured them of the continued support of the village. A toast to the ladies was proposed by Tim Saul and was responded to by Mrs. Russell Lynett.

Eucure winners were ladies first Mrs. Tim Saul, second Mrs. J. Dewsbury and Mrs. E. Chapman, tied with Mrs. Dewsbury winning the draw, consolation Mrs. Alf. Stong. In the men's eucure Cec. Tuck won first prize, Fred Bovard second, Tim Saul third and L. Roy consolation.

New Charles Howitt School Officially Opened May 9



Charles Howitt



On behalf of the Minister of Education for Ontario he formally declared the school open. Rev. E. E. Kent of Thornhill United Church offered the prayers of dedication after which Mrs. Burke a member of the district teaching staff rendered in impressive manner "Bless this House".

On behalf of the Home and School Clubs of Ontario Rev. S. A. R. Wood, Rector of Trinity Anglican Church presented a Bible which was accepted by Principal Ernest Dunning.

On behalf of the Board Trustee Albert Wilkins thanked Mr. Routley for his address.

Vice-Chairman Trustee Jackson Taylor introduced Charles Howitt former inspector for the area for whom the school is named. Trustee Taylor paid tribute to Mr. Howitt for his splendid work in the school area. He told of the great amount of time so freely given in extending assistance and advice to the trustees and teachers. The naming of this school for Charles Howitt is a small token of our appreciation of his great work in this school area, said Mr. Taylor.

Mr. Howitt was warmly received by the audience when he rose to reply and his opening remarks were words of thanks for the honor conferred upon him and for the introduction by Jackson Taylor.

Reviewing the steps leading up to the building of the school Mr. Howitt said that seven years ago it was apparent the district was faced with rapid expansion and for this reason he recommended the establishing of the school area. "Fortunately you had trustee with vision and understanding" he said and "fortunately you had a township council who appreciated the educational problems facing the district. You people were wise enough to elect experienced, keenly interested and competent trustees and I never can pay enough public tribute to the hours of self sacrifice and hard work spent by your trustees on your school business. This school might well have been named after any one of your board."

I am satisfied said Mr. Howitt that this school will exemplify certain ideals and ideas in education which are dear to me. I hope he said that from this school will go forth boys and girls able and willing to take their places as true citizens in a democracy, and actively interested in community affairs.

In assuring the community that the school would always have his continuing interest Mr. Howitt expressed the hope that, as generation succeeds generation there may come from this school a multitude of happy boys and girls capable of facing life and working hard, with an appreciation of what is truly excellent, a generation of clear thinkers educated in the true principles of democracy, the pride of fathers and mother and an ever deepening awareness of the great cloud of witnesses that will surround them.

H. B. Galpin, the present School Inspector introduced Principal Ernest Dunning who in turn introduced members of the staff and paid tribute to their fine work and the co-operation extended to him by staff members, trustees and ratepayers.

Occupying seats on the platform and introduced by Chairman Keith Richan were Mrs. LeMasurier, Home and School Association district president, Mrs. McClelland, District Home and School president, Major A. A. MacKenzie M.P.P., J. E. Smith M.P., Architect P. Alan Deacon, Reeve Murchey of Vaughan Twp., and members of the Board.

Board of Trustees for School Area No. 1 Markham and Vaughan are: Keith Richan, chairman; Jackson Taylor vice-chairman; Sidney Griffiths, Nathan Hicks, Albert Wilkins, Mrs. Muriel McDermott is secretary and Dr. A. W. R. Doan treasurer.

The teaching staff in addition to Principal Dunning includes Robert Everist, Mrs. Joan Scott and Mrs. Hazel Hill.

During the evening several numbers by the school choir under Supervisor of Music Hugh Martin were much enjoyed and appreciated.

At the conclusion of the program refreshments were served and a pleasant social time enjoyed.

Tulip Show

One of the most colourful flower shows of the season will be held Wednesday next, May 21 at the Lions Community Hall, Richmond Hill, at 8 p.m., in the form of a tulip show. Entries must be in between the hours of 5.30 and 7.30 p.m. Entries are welcomed from new members and special prizes are given for these.

An added feature will be the colored film "Spring Charm", featuring the tulip festival in Holland by C. A. Cruickshank noted authority on tulips. Mr. A. J. McLatchy is in charge of this show.

67 Register For Kindergarten

It was announced this week that at the registration held May 6 for the 1952-53 session of Richmond Hill Public School Kindergarten 67 children were registered. This year's registration is slightly lower than last year's figure of 72. However on the opening day of school last September the original registration figure of 72 was somewhat increased when 88 children showed up for the kindergarten.

Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Sayers Arrive In England

Word was received last week that Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sayers, of Centre St. W. had arrived in England for their vacation. Mr. and Mrs. Sayers are visiting relatives in the London area and hope to visit other places as well.

It was in 1924 that the Sayers family came to Richmond Hill, a few months after arriving from England. Many residents will recall that Mrs. Sayers was returning from a visit in 1939 on the S. S. Athenia, when it was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine. It was three days before word reached Richmond Hill that Mrs. Sayers was safe in Ireland. She returned to Canada on another ship a couple of weeks later. This is Mr. Sayer's first trip back in 28 years.

Speed Trap Pays Off

Constable R. Robbins of Richmond Hill, through the use of a Speed trap has apprehended 79 drivers who were exceeding the speed limit while passing through the village. Constable Robbins reports he had the trap in operation during last Saturday, Sunday and Monday. These offenders will now be summoned to appear in Magistrate's Court in Willowdale.

Richvale Firm Sold

A new group of businessmen have moved to Richvale. The former firm of Richmond Building Supplies at Stop 24 (Hunt Lane) has been sold out to Messrs. Ken Topp and Bob McCausland of Toronto. The new organization will go under the trade name of Topp Block Co., and will specialize in cement blocks. They expect to add a further line of building materials at a later date.

O. Ridges & L. Wilcox Ratepayers To Get Free Swimming This Year

At the regular meeting of the Oak Ridges and Lake Wilcox Ratepayers held in the school last Tuesday night the members were asked to approve the following projects. Mrs. W. Ashby was authorized to solicit donations from the merchants and friends in the district towards a rummage sale.

The association will order badges to be worn by Whitchurch residents swimming at Ash's Beach. Mrs. Percy Ash has offered the use of her beach free from Monday to Saturday noon to all wearers of this badge which may be obtained for a small sum from the Ratepayers Association. The lettering on the badge will be the initials of the association O.R.L.W. Ash's Beach.

Chairman C. L. Stephenson gave notice of a motion to come before the next meeting for its approval asking Whitchurch Council to change the voting day for council members to a Saturday and keep the polls open until 8 p.m. to allow commuters time to get to the polls.

Nominating committee appointed as follows: Chairman, Mr. R. Sharp, Mrs. K. Weston, Mrs. Clark and Mr. S. Cole. Their slate of officers will be presented to the executive meeting on Tuesday, May 20. Nominations will also be received from the floor the night the elections are held.

School Bd. Chairman Under Fire

The chairman of the school board was criticized for asking another board member over the telephone to approve the expenditure of over \$500, to hire a teacher and equip another room, outside this school section, to relieve the crowded conditions existing in the school for the balance of this term. These crowded conditions have existed all year and ratepayers felt that this expenditure was not justified for the few weeks remaining. The question of what is to happen next September remains unanswered. The room available now can not be used next term, being already leased to another school board. Councillor McCarron suggested that these were subjects for discussion at a school board meeting. Board member

George Gourlay said the chairman attempted to have him give his decision over the telephone. This he refused to do feeling that the parents concerned would not be happy about having the children of grade four as suggested taken away from their district for the whole day. Mr. Gourlay told the people "you elected me to serve you. I do not approve the chairman's idea and will so vote." Mr. R. Sharp reminded the people that the board was told at the time the school was planned that four rooms would not be enough. The school opened in November last year, had to have a wall moved at Christmas to make a small classroom out of the teachers office. The enrollment is now around 205. Grades 3 and 4 are the largest with 51 children. The principal according to Mr. Gourlay has suggested that she take grade 3 with some 25 and grade 7 and 8 with 25 and leave the teacher with less experience with grade 4. This solution will not necessitate another teacher. Mr. Gourlay will endeavor to have a special meeting of the school board to settle these problems.

Elgin Mills Break-In

Page's Auto Service was broken into last Friday night, the garage being ransacked and the thieves taking a case of oil, \$30.00 worth of tools and \$5.00 in cash.

Markham Township police were called to investigate but no arrests have been made as yet.

WRESTLING MATCH

In the main wrestling bout at Richmond Hill Arena on Tuesday night, Jack Diamond won, with two out of three falls, from Paul Penchoff.

In the semi-finals Mario Pasha won over Gori Mangotich, and in the preliminaries Harry Szalay won from Joe Greenfield in fifteen minutes, with Antonio Rocci winning from Tom Sullivan. Board member

All Tax Arrears In Vaughan Twp. Must Be Paid By September 15

At their meeting last week Vaughan Township Council instructed Treasurer J. McDonald to notify all delinquent taxpayers that arrears of taxes must be paid in full on or before September 15. All unpaid tax arrears after that date are to be referred to the Bailiff for collection.

Of the \$11,162. worth of debentures covering the Carrville School and the Pine Grove Local Improvement recently offered for sale by the Township, Clerk McDonald reports that \$3,826 are still unsold. The members decided to transfer an amount equal to the unsold portion from the Municipalities fund as an investment in the debentures. In view of the fact that during the first quarter of 1952 the operation of the North Yonge Bus Line showed a deficit of \$6,385., of which Vaughan's share is \$702, the Reeve has requested a meeting of the four municipalities concerned in order to discuss the operation of the bus line.

Vaughan Township has asked the Department of Lands and Forests to exempt their township from the open season for deer.

Now that a letter has been received from the Department of Highways regarding the construction of the Yonge street sidewalk from the Carrville Road to Garden Ave. the clerk has been instructed to obtain estimates on the cost of such a sidewalk. As Mr. Ball has agreed to assume the liability for the drainage in the Ball Subdivision, the members have directed the Road Superintendent to do the necessary grading of the roads in that area.

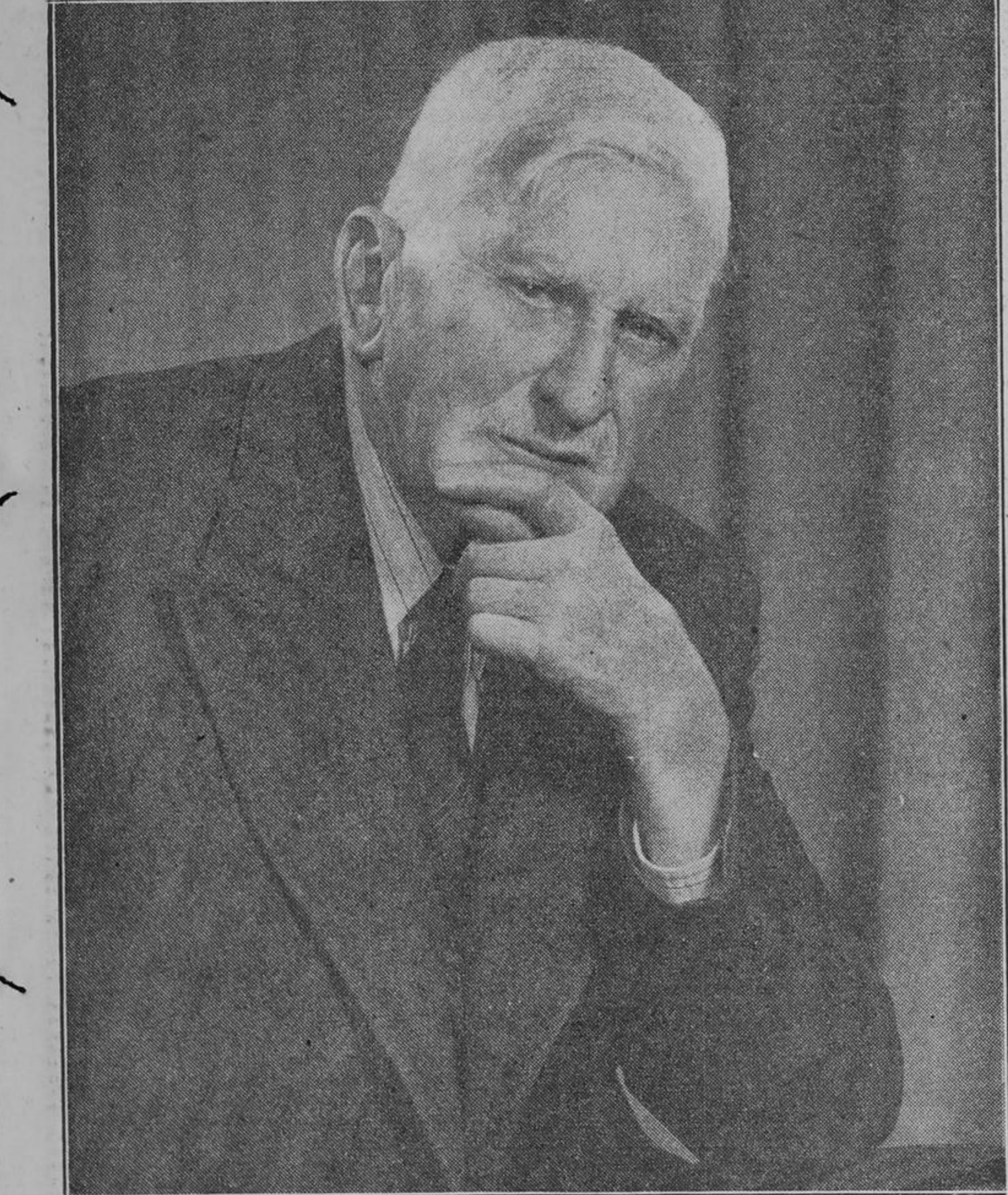
The council has received tenders from four companies on their gravel for this year. No decision has been reached on these contracts.

Whitchurch Sets Local Mill Rate

At last Saturday's meeting the Whitchurch Township Council struck the local Township Mill Rate for 1952 at 23 mills. This is a slight increase over last year's figure of 20.5 mills. This year's increase is due to greater expenditures on road work and welfare.

Coming Events

- MAY 16 — Minstrel Show sponsored by Group Committee of 1st Richvale Scouts to be held in the Charles Howitt School Friday evening at 8.30 p.m. Admission 50c. clw46
- MAY 17 — Saturday Rummage sale and bake sale at Richvale School under auspices of 1st Richvale Scouts. Sale starts at 2 p.m. clw46
- MAY 17 — Saturday 2-6 p.m. Oak Ridges and Lake Wilcox Ratepayers rummage and home made cooking sale at McIvor's Corner on the North Road. clw46
- MAY 20 — Tuesday, Regular meeting of the Thornhill Horticultural Society, in the United Church Hall at 8. R. D. Little guest speaker. clw46
- MAY 21 — Exhibition of art and handicraft by pupils of School Area No. 1 of Markham and Vaughan will be held in the Charles Howitt school. On view to the public afternoon and evening. clw46
- MAY 21 — Wed. The Brown's Corner Young Peoples Union is presenting two one-act plays, "Rumors Wanted," and "A Ghostly Evening" in Buttonville Hall. Admission, Adults 50c, children 25c. Tickets may be obtained from any YPU member. clw46
- MAY 21 — Horticultural Society Tulip Show in the Lions Community Hall at 8 p.m. sharp. Entries for show must be placed between 5.30 and 7 p.m. Coloured movie featuring Tulip Festival in Holland and will be shown by C. A. Cruickshank, noted authority on bulbs. Door prize. Come and bring your friends. clw46
- MAY 30 & 31 — Friday, Saturday Richmond Hill Lions Club Mammooth Auction Sale at the Lions Community Hall, Centre St. E. Get rid of used articles now by calling any Lion. clw45
- JUNE 4 — Wed. Dance recital by the pupils of Doris Pollock in Trinity Anglican Parish Hall, Brooke St., Thornhill. Admission 50c. clw46
- JUNE 25 — Wednesday, Teston Strawberry Festival. Further notice later. clw46



The Liberal joins with his many friends in extending congratulations and best wishes to Mr. George Ball of Richmond Hill who will celebrate his 90th birthday Sunday, May 18.

Mr. Ball who still enjoys remarkably good health will be the Guest of Honour on Saturday at a birthday party in Toronto organized by his old Battery mates and their wives. On Sunday a family get together will be held at his residence on Arnold street with 25 relatives in attendance.

Mr. Ball was born on May 18, 1862 at Guelph, Ontario. During World War I he served overseas with the famous 43rd Battery from his home town. He retired in 1938 after serving for 34 years as Manager with the A. C. Leslie Co.

RICHMOND HILL LIONS AUCTION SALE MAY 30 & 31 GET RID OF USED ARTICLES-PHONE

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