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Planning Boards Rendering Fine Service

The beginning of a New Year is an opportune time to pay tribute to the fine work being done by the Planning Boards situated throughout this district. In several cases these Planning Boards are fairly recent creations of the Municipalities which they serve. However their relatively short term of office is no indication of the usefulness and far sighted planning legislation they have introduced.

These Boards, the members of which are appointed by the Councils concerned, hold regular meetings at which adequate planning and development legislation is studied and subsequent action recommended to the Councils. At least one representative of Council usually sits on the Board as a liaison between the members and the people's elected representatives. The recommendations of the Planning Boards accepted by Council are enacted into the by-laws of the Municipality. One of the most important pieces of legislation formulated by such a body is an all inclusive land use by-law.

The sane and orderly development of any community is to a large extent dependent on the progressive policies drawn up by its Planning Board. This is especially true in the rapidly growing areas bordering the city of Toronto. Carefully thought out legislation is a necessity if we are to have a proper balance between our industrial and residential development. The future economic stability of our communities will hinge on a realistic approach to this pressing problem of industrial and residential growth.

Planning members should be congratulated on their public spirited service in serving on these Boards. In Richmond Hill and Vaughan township the members serve without remuneration, while those in Markham and Whitchurch townships receive a small stipend. There is not an easy task for decisions rendered by them are bound to be unpopular with certain individuals. Anyone holding a public office is subject to a certain amount of criticism. However we must all agree that our Planning Boards are rendering an invaluable service to our villages and townships by being the architects of properly planned districts.

Optimistic Outlook

Greater productivity may well be the key to ensuring Canada's economic advance in 1953, President Lewis W. Simms of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce said last week in a new year message.

There was every reason to believe that despite some regional difficulties the year ahead would see a continuation of a reasonably high level of activity. "Barring unforeseen circumstances there doesn't seem to be anything on the horizon to mar Canada's record as being the greatest economic news story of the last decade," he said. "Canadians can rely on competition and the flexibility of free enterprise to carry the economy through the stresses of 1953."

While business headaches were bound to occur, with continuance of cooperation between government and business, and the exercise of utmost efficiency, the productive system should be able to take care of defence requirements as well as civilian production.

Throughout the year ahead it was important to bear in mind that peace and prosperity do not come by chance. "Indifference and apathy are the greatest enemies to be fought," warned Mr. Simms. "Canada's high standards of productivity had been achieved in an atmosphere of freedom and democratic competitive system was the motivating force."

"It is important to realize that while almost one half of our current tax burden is for defence — needed as insurance for our freedom — welfare schemes were absorbing 29% of our revenue. The time has come when we should consider whether

Canada As It Is To-day

In the past twenty years great things have been happening in Canada, of which the world is increasingly aware, says the year end letter of the Royal Bank of Canada. Within the past eight or ten years the development of Canada has been particularly significant.

This country has prospered mightily. The second world war gave us a push along the road to industrialization, and post-war demands for the things we supply have kept our economy at a high level. We discovered resources of oil and iron ore, of uranium and nickel and other minerals.

But, what is this Canada of ours? Is it merely the biggest country in the Americas, the third largest in the world, with an area of 3,700,000 square miles stretching from the United States to the North Pole, and extending over 48 degrees of latitude and 84 degrees of longitude? Is it merely a land of rocks which form the lid on a treasure house of nickel, uranium, gold, silver, asbestos, radium, iron, and scores of other minerals; of wide prairies that produce the world's fourth greatest crop of wheat; of inexhaustible forests, and of the earth's largest area of fresh water lakes?

Canada is all these, and more. Nature bestowed gifts upon her with a lavish hand, but the treasures lay unused throughout millenniums until only yesterday. Canada's pride today is that so great development has been accomplished by a mere 1/169th of the world's population in so short a time.

So industriously have Canada's people explored the wilderness, probed the rocks, tilled the plains, and built dams to operate their factory wheels, that their country is among the world's leaders in supplying the world's needs.

Canada is first in production of nickel, newsprint, asbestos and platinum. She is the world's second largest producer of gold, aluminum, wood pulp, and hydro-electric power. She is third in zinc, silver and uranium; fourth in producing copper and lead, and she is the third trading nation in the world.

Canada's scanty population has been achieving mightily through inventive genius and enterprise. These have developed the benefits that are ours because of our strategic geographical position, our abundant and varied natural resources, our wealth of cheap water power, our thousands of miles of transportation facilities by rail, highway, waterway, and air.

Our people have kept our credit and exchange sound in the markets of the world. Today, Canada is on the threshold of further advancement. It isn't what we did yesterday, but what we are ready to do tomorrow, that makes for greatness. This country occupies a central position between four of the world's great powers, and her territories actually adjoin two of them: the United States of America and the Soviet Union. With the other two Great Britain and France, she has strong bonds of tradition and affection.

Canada is no land of the midnight sun, half British and half American, populated chiefly by Indians, Eskimos, the Mounted Police, and trappers on snowshoes. It is a land of opportunity for individuals and organizations who have a forward look and are not afraid to work. Canada has reached its present eminence under the stimulus of the northern climate, the initiative fostered by life in a new, vast and rugged country, and the courage and self-reliance bred of great open spaces and freedom of enterprise, movement, speech, religion and politics.

Canadians do not form a compact group like the English or the French, but are a collection of diverse races molding themselves into a nation that takes its pattern from the land of their adoption. They are held together by love of country, common interests, and loyalty to the Crown.

At the time of Confederation the largest individual British racial group was Irish, and the Irish and Scottish together outnumbered the English by almost two to one. After 1881 the English predominated, and the Scottish moved into second place after 1911. By the time of the 1941 census the numerical strength of the principal racial stocks was in the following order: French, English, Scottish, Irish, German, Ukrainian, Scandinavian, Dutch, Jewish, and Polish.

When Canada's first census was taken in 1866 to measure the advancement made by this French colony since the founding of Quebec by Champlain 58 years earlier, it was found that there were 3,215 inhabitants. The growth from this figure to 14,009,000 at the time of the census in 1951 places Canada among the leading countries of the Commonwealth in rate of population growth. Our population was estimated to be 14,675,000 at the end of 1952.

Let there be no mistake about it: Canada is an attractive country.

"Way Back When"

Excerpts from the files of The Liberal
 Hon. e paper of the Richmond Hill district since 1878

50 YEARS AGO
 1892
 Toronto Junction is evidently tired of its name and town Council is moving to have it changed to West Toronto.

Cushions have been placed on the seats and matting on the floors of a number of the Metropolitan cars.

Fred Meyer, horseshoer and blacksmith has opened a new shop in Cooper's old stand in Richmond Hill.

40 YEARS AGO
 1912

"Richmond Villa", home of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Wright was the scene of a lovely wedding when Miss Myrtle Wright of this village was wed to Mr. W. Orville Godwin of Washington, D.C.

Markham voters will cast ballots for or against a local option by-law on January 6.

25 YEARS AGO
 1927

J. T. Saigeon, G. Lawrie and T. Cousins have been elected Commissioners for the newly incorporated police-village of Maple.

A large number of teachers from former Inspectorate 3, York County, gathered to present their former Inspector, W. A. Trench, with an engraved gold watch.

This issue recalls that in this week (Dec. 22) of 1896, the original High School burned down. A valiant effort failed to save the building, however, the Public School, which stood at the rear, was saved.

KING CITY NEWS

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Aid To Motorists

Motorists would be advised to carry a shovel in their cars, so that they may be able to dig out of a snow bank. A meeting of the board of King Township, held at 25 of the most dangerous spots on the roads of King Township, motorists will be able to sprinkle the roads from these convenient piles if they are in trouble before the township road men can get out to do the job. During the past week Chum Black, road superintendent, has supervised the placing of these sand piles, some of which are in the Glenville hills, Laskay, Schomberg corner, 4th con. north of King City School, and other hills and curves where the danger of accident in icy weather is a worry of winter driving.

Death Mrs. Albert Jones

The death of Mrs. Albert Jones took place at her home, 3rd concession of King, on Monday, December 29, following an illness of several months. The funeral was held on Wednesday, to Maple Cemetery for burial. Rev. David W. Matherly for in charge of the funeral service and the six pallbearers were the brothers in law of the deceased and her husband. They were Sydney Jones, Newmarket, Bert Caldwell, Barrie, and Earl Jones, William Jones, Harry Richards and Dan McMillan, all of Toronto.

Born in England 57 years ago, Lillian Shuttleworth married Albert Jones in Barrie, six years ago. She had lived on the Jones' farm, 3rd con. King, all her married life and was an active member of Eversley Presbyterian church. She is survived by her husband, two sisters, Mrs. W. J. C. Reid, Aurora, and William McKinney, Stouffville, and two brothers, Harry Shuttleworth also of Stouffville and David Shuttleworth, Ottawa.

Persons

Mr. and Mrs. H. Whitney and daughter, Frances, of Atherley, and Mr. and Mrs. T. Proctor, of Schomberg had a family Christmas with Mr. George Stone. On Christmas night six relatives from Aurora spent the evening with Mrs. Stone and her family.

Mrs. H. Whitney and daughter, Frances, have returned to Atherley after visiting Mrs. Whitney's mother, Mrs. George Stone, for the holiday week.

New Year's Day

New Year's Day visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kerr included Mr. and Mrs. Stokes Chamberlain and son Roger, Nobleton; Miss Mary Lou Schaeffer, Bolton; Mrs. Myrtle Chamberlain, Gail and Bert, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Chamberlain, Butch and Buck, Rockwood; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Shaw, Weston, and Ted Kerr, Montreal.

New Year's guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Ross were their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Morley Van Sickle and their sons, Jim and Brian, Brantford.

Mr. A. A. Emmett left on Monday for Florida. He was accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. W. D. Burns, Oshawa.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Gordon and son Donald left during the holiday week for Arizona, where they will spend the winter.

New Year's In The District

A happy New Year for 1953, was the wish on New Year's Eve at the many parties that were given in the district. At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry McBride over 50 guests had a jolly time to end the old year, and begin the new untried one. There were 32 guests who friends from Toronto came to see the New Year in with Mr. and Mrs. George Scott.

At Tannery Hill Farm, the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Borden congratulated Miss Ann Borden whose 16th birthday came in with January 1. Mr. and Mrs. David Glass entertained a group of their friends and their neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. R. Hood entertained informally when friends came in on their way home from other parties. Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Phair, who always hold open house on New Year's Eve for the younger members of their family, continued this happy custom. They were assisted by their daughters, Mrs. "Bill" Drinkwater and Mrs. E. B. Phair. The High School crowd tried something different. Twenty-eight young people began the evening at the home of Miss Mary Stocks, Aurora. They came to King City, where Miss Norma Wells was hostess, and they enjoyed dancing and refreshments at her home. Later they returned to Aurora to Miss Beverley Smith's party and they ended their party in the wee hours at Vandorf where Peter Van Ostrand was host. The local girls in the progressive party were Janet Langdon, Noel Coe, Nora and June Scott and Freida Dent.

Anglican W.A. Mrs. Alfred Gillham was appointed president of the W. of All Saints Anglican Church at the election of officers, held at the home of Mrs. Gordon Wells. Other of-

ficers are: Mrs. F. Monson, vice-president; Mrs. D. Rawlings, secretary; Mrs. H. Cunningham, treasurer; Mrs. L. Robb, records secretary; Mrs. H. H. Alexander, educational secretary; Mrs. F. Gammbrill, Living Message secretary. Mrs. F. Monson, to convene the supper for the Lions Club when they are held at All Saints. Mrs. R. Burt, who retires as president, will continue as representative to the Diocesan Board. Mrs. G. D. Lockhart is the Honorary President. The installation of officers will be held on January 15.

S. S. 2 King City. Jack Whalley was appointed trustee, for a 3 year term, when the School Board of S. S. 2 King City, held its annual meeting. Dr. J. H. Barrie, who was chairman last year, retired, and J. G. Keens will be chairman for 1953. Mr. Keens begins his 6th year on the School Board. Laurence Scott, who was appointed last year, is the third trustee on the Board. The financial report as submitted by Raymond Burt, secretary, is as follows:

Receipts: Balance on hand, January 1, 1952, \$5,489.24; Legislative grants, \$4,774.31; township tax levy and grants \$6,023.59; Gov't grant for books purchased in 1951, \$246.23; dental grant from Women's Institute, \$33.60; dental grant from Township, \$16.80; school fees, \$45.03 Total receipts \$16,629.80.

Expenditures, Cost of Instruction (teachers' salaries) \$6,722.60; instructional supplies, \$426.46; administration \$279.57; plant operation \$1,644.48; plant maintenance, \$154.72; dentist \$186.00; school bus \$66.00; window drapes and shades, \$154.53; projector, \$100.00; fencing, \$33.85; miscellaneous, \$88.72. Balance on hand, December 31, 1952, \$6,771.87. The balance on hand is increased by \$1,200, due to the government grant towards the new building. A similar grant may be expected annually, and so will reduce the trustee's levy on the ratepayers. Arthur Peck, ex-trustee, was chairman at the meeting which was attended by ten persons.

Waste Paper Collection

There will be a waste paper collection on Saturday, January 17, when the Scouts and Cubs will be out to pick up the papers and magazines that are left over from the Christmas season.

At a recent meeting of the Group Committee, it was decided that a letter will be sent to the parents of the boys, to invite them to attend a meeting that will be held on Wednesday evening, January 17. The place will be All Saints Church rooms, and the meeting is being planned to be of special interest to the parents.

Mrs. Gordon Sinclair, Soudan Avenue, Toronto, held open house at her home during the afternoon and evening of Sunday, December 21, upon the occasion of the 80th birthday of her mother, Mrs. Richard Badger. The guest of honour welcomed over 80 guests during the afternoon and evening, wearing a violet gown with neck-lace and carring of brilliants, and a corsage of American Beauty Roses. Guests from King included Mrs. James Patton, her sister-in-law Miss Audrey Patton and Mrs. T. L. Williams, both nieces. The tea table was covered with a pretty lace cloth, with a gift bouquet of red roses, sent by another niece, Mrs. James Nield, as the centerpiece.

Mrs. T. L. Williams and Mrs. Edgar Badger presided at the tea table. Large birthday cake, the gift of her son, Mr. Edgar Badger and Mrs. Badger, was beautifully decorated with roses, and the inscription "Happy Birthday, Mother". When the birthday cake was cut, the guest of honour invited her twin brother, to share the honour with her. Brother and sister looked very well and happy, and recalled old times when they were children in King. They were born in the house that is now the home of Mrs. Walter Gellately. Mr. James Patton is an older brother.

To add to the excitement of the day, the family was rejoicing that a baby son was born on the morning of December 21, in Wellesley Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gaston, Dunfield Avenue, Toronto. Mrs. Gaston is the eldest daughter of the hostess, Mrs. Gordon Sinclair, and is the granddaughter of Mrs. Richard Badger. Mrs. Badger's first great-grandson will be named Robert Gordon Badger.

"There's A Song In The Air"

A special treat is in store for the parents of Richvale when Hugh Martin, Music Supervisor of School Area No. 1 of Markham and Vaughan will present an interesting programme at the Home and School meeting in Richvale School on Monday evening, January 19, at 8.30 sharp. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

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Friday & Saturday — January 9 & 10

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 STARRING
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 STANLEY KRAMER PRODUCTIONS
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Monday & Tuesday — January 12 & 13

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 DORIS DAY is in Starlift
 GENE NELSON is in Starlift
 JAMES CAGNEY is in Starlift
 VIRGINIA GIBSON is in Starlift
 GORDON M'RAE is in Starlift
 VIRGINIA MAYO is in Starlift
 RUTH ROMAN is in Starlift
 GARY COOPER is in Starlift
 PHIL HARRIS is in Starlift
 The Stars sing!
 The Stars dance!
 -and the Boys cheer!

Wednesday & Thursday — January 14 & 15

DISTANT DRUMS
 THE RESCUE...THE JUNGLE...
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 WHO TURNED THE TIDE OF THE SAVAGE SEMINOLE WAR!
 from Warner Bros. comes
GARY COOPER
 MARI ALDON as the captive beauty