

ORILLIA: A committee has been set up to investigate the town hall question to decide whether the hall should be renovated or rebuilt.

UXBRIDGE: Township Council is investigating the possibility of making the township into a game preserve.

SUTTON: Joint Councils of Sutton, Georgina and N. Gwillimbury are considering radio-car police for the Upper York area.

NEWMARKET: The official opening of the York County Magistrate's Court was held last Tuesday.

ORILLIA: Requests to Council by the Police Force for a 40 hour week instead of the present 48 hour week has been turned down.

LITTLE BRITAIN: A 94 year old woman lost her life in a \$40,000 fire which destroyed a local nursing home. The other 18 patients escaped uninjured.

LANSDALE: A largely attended meeting was held in a move to unionize local industries.

AURORA: The town will hold its first "Broiler Festival" this summer. In honor of the local chicken-raising industry, this is the first of its kind in Ontario.

WILLOWDALE: Effective March 22, Willowdale telephone area will be expanded to include Scarborough and New Toronto.

VICTORIA COUNTY: Impressed by the huge sums spent on Secondary School education and decisions re large capital commitments by High School Trustees who are not accountable to the people, Victoria County Council recently passed a motion for change in the High School set-up which would name representatives to an Area High School Board by election at the regular municipal elections instead of all members being appointed by either municipal councils or county councils.

The Victoria County resolution is ordered sent to the Ontario Department of Education.

\$2,002. Raised For Flood Relief

Final figures were released this week showing the part played by this community in the recent appeal for funds to assist in the rehabilitation of European Flood victims. The citizens of Richmond Hill have contributed a total of \$2,002.00 to this worthy cause. This final tabulation is the sum total of the efforts of the two service clubs the Lions and the Rotary, welfare and fraternal organizations, the four churches, the United, the Presbyterian, the Anglican and the Roman Catholic, and the Tag Day which was a joint effort held on Saturday, February 21, and over the counter donations at the two local banks.

The Tag Day which saw most of the village organizations and numerous individuals participate collected donations amounting to \$313.00. The actual raising of funds took several forms and varied from the raffling of a \$100.00 bond by the Lions to the holding of silver collections.

The relief of suffering is a constant need in the world, and our people are to be congratulated on their fine response to this pressing cause.

Hay Burned

Fire broke out last Saturday night in the barn of Steve Iahaz, 4th concession of King Township, when five loads of hay were burned as well as part of the barn.

The fire, which started in the hay stack, was noticed about 11 p.m. by John Bawn, a neighbour, who sent in the alarm to Aurora Fire Brigade.

Undecided As To Type Of Construction

6 Acre Site Purchased For New R. Hill Public School

The construction of the new Richmond Hill Public School has taken a step closer to becoming a reality with the announcement by Chairman J. Pollard that an offer to purchase has been signed, and \$1,000 down payment made on the 6-acre piece of land on which the new school will be built. Total cost of the school site which is located at the northern limits of the village and in Vaughan township will amount to \$12,000. The Vaughan township Planning Board has already placed its stamp of approval on the site. These announcements were made at the March meeting of the Board held last Thursday.

The Municipal Board and the Department of Education are in disagreement as to the procedure that should be followed in issuing the necessary debentures to cover the cost of the school site. The Municipal Board insists that the Board call a public meeting and possibly a vote of the ratepayers concerned, before they will sanction the issuing of debentures. The Department of Education contends there is no provision in the School Act for the holding of such a hearing. The Board's Solicitor J. D. Lucas is attempting to have the matter clarified. Trustee B. Barber was delegated to confer with Mr. Lucas regarding the proper procedure for the holding of a public hearing and a vote of the ratepayers.

Indications are that Vaughan township will be requested to handle the \$12,000 debenture issue covering the cost of the land. The 6-acre school site is located in Vaughan township. The question then arises as to what municipality, either Vaughan or Richmond Hill village will handle the debenture issue covering the actual construction of the school.

The meeting saw another rather exhausting discussion on the important question of what type of school should be built. Trustee S. Tinker displayed a great interest

in school costs and construction, tabled complete plans from W. Heaton, Agincourt builder, on the construction of a 10-room pre-fabricated school at a total cost of \$98,000 complete with heating. Mr. Heaton has built a large number of these schools throughout the province.

The plans presented by Mr. Tinker were of a school being erected in Sudbury. Mr. Tinker's proposal for the construction of a cheaper pre-fabricated type of building received little support from his fellow trustees. The general consensus of opinion was that this type of building would involve high maintenance costs, and have a short life span.

Trustee Wilson — "With that type of frame building you'd have to paint it every two years. In 10 years you'd spend the difference in paint." In reply Mr. Tinker maintained the building would only require paint every five years.

Mr. Wilson — "Let us spend an extra \$50,000 and eliminate what I contend would be a high rate of maintenance."

Mr. Tinker — "You spend \$15,000 a room plus architects' fees and other incidentals and you are going to have a school costing around \$200,000."

The trustees are not in complete agreement with Architect Parkins latest plans for constructing a new type but cheaper building. Trustee Wilson registered disapproval with Mr. Parkins idea of only making limited use of daylight in the classrooms. He favoured a building of a conventional type of construction.

As no decision was reached Chairman Pollard announced that a special meeting will be held this week at which the whole problem of school construction will be discussed.

Transportation The Board has decided to resume transportation facilities in the areas of Elgin Mills and the Markham sidetracks. The Board in an economy move several months ago

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Chamber of Com. Installation

The Richmond Hill Chamber of Commerce will meet on Tuesday, March 24, at 8 p.m. in the principal's room in the Public School when Reeve W. J. Taylor will administer the oath of office to the new executive. The new officers are Ralph Paris, president; A. McLatchy, vice-pres.; G. Bawden, secretary and Morley Williams, treasurer.

At this meeting the various committees will be formed and some plans for the year mapped out. Village council has been invited to be present for the inauguration.

Impressive Ceremony Marks Opening York Magistrates Court

In a solemn ceremony emphasizing the important part played by the Magistrate's Court in the administration of justice in this country, Magistrate O. S. Hollinrake last Tuesday officially opened the newly renovated York County Magistrate's Court in Newmarket.

This fine courthouse has been completely renovated and presents an appearance second to none throughout this province. Modern woodwork and lovely interior decorating gives the court an atmosphere of decorum and propriety.

Proceedings were followed by a large audience of individuals prominent in the sphere of Municipal politics throughout the northern part of the county. York County Warden A. Cook and Rev. F. Breckon assisted Mr. Hollinrake in the impressive ceremonies.

In his opening address Magistrate Hollinrake reviewed the work of such a court and the various offences under the Criminal Code, Highway Traffic Act, and Liquor Act which come before it.

Due to the large number of traffic cases now being heard on separate days, Magistrate Hollinrake hopes to be able to assist drivers to better understand the traffic laws and thus become better drivers. He also explained the financial set-up of the court and the division of revenue and operating costs between the County and the Province. The Press, and County and Provincial police forces were all congratulated for their splendid co-operation.

In closing, Magistrate Hollinrake stressed the great need to temper justice with mercy and to aid the rehabilitation of wrong doers.

Warden Cook in referring to the beautiful surroundings congratulated Newmarket on providing such modern facilities.

Other speakers included Mayor J. Vale of Newmarket, Mr. H. McDonald Provincial Inspector of Legal Offices, O. M. Galbraith Assistant Crown Attorney, and Mr. A. Hulst.

At the close of the opening ceremonies the guests adjourned to the Veterans Dug-Out where they enjoyed a buffet luncheon.

Among those attending from this immediate district were Councillor F. Perkins and Clerk R. Lynett of Richmond Hill, Markham township was represented by Councillor W. Clark and Clerk C. Hoover. Vaughan township was represented by Deputy-Reeve A. Rutherford, Councillor W. Agar, Clerk J. McDonald and Police Chief E. Bone.

Past Masters' Night At Richmond Lodge

Richmond Lodge A.F. & A.M. observed its annual Past Masters' Night on Wednesday evening when Past Masters of the Lodge occupied the chairs and expounded the degree work. There was a large attendance of local members and many visitors from district lodges.

W. Bro. A. E. Eden, who occupied the master's chair in 1926 was in the chair of Worshipful Master and other Past Masters occupying chairs were: immediate past master J. A. Monkman, senior warden F. D. Webster, junior warden D. M. Channay, chaplain J. E. Smith, treasurer Harold Reid, secretary J. C. Murphy, Director of Ceremonies H. Lauder Glass, senior deacon H. F. Austin, junior deacon Peter G. Chatterley, senior Norman C. Chatterley, junior steward Cecil Mabley, junior steward R. J. Craigie.

Following the work in the Lodge room a social time was enjoyed and the customary toasts honored.

Fire Brigade Answers 3-In-1 Fire Call

The Richmond Hill fire brigade answered a most unusual call last Tuesday afternoon. About 4:30 p.m. a call was received to extinguish a fire which started underneath the platform of the old T.T.C. Radial Station. While the brigade was attending this call a small waste box fire was reported at Maltby's Garage and within minutes, the firemen attended to an overheated car in front of Harry Stanford's home.

In half an hour everything had been cleared up and no serious damage resulted from any of the fires.

Powell Road Graduates Honored



Principal G. Learn of Powell Road Public School is pictured with eight of the ten members of the 1952 graduating class who were honored at the school's first Graduation Banquet held last Thursday night at the school.

Front Row — Miss Georgina Gibson, Miss Carol Smith, Miss Joan Whipp, Miss Joyce Keats. Back Row — Gordon Egerton, Kenneth Knowles, Principal Learn, James Murray, Russell Petrie. (Absent Donald Barrow and David Bragan).

A momentous occasion was observed on March 12 at Powell Rd. school, when the first grade 8 graduates, the 1951-52 class, were the honoured guests at a banquet given them by the Powell Road Home and School Association.

The graduates, accompanied by their parents, the teaching staff, representatives of the school board and Home and School Council and Mayor Hallman, School Area Inspector, Rev. E. W. Kent and Rev. S. A. R. Wood enjoyed a dinner provided by the members, friends and executive of the association.

Robert Fisher acted as chairman and Mrs. W. L. Sanders gave the welcoming address, which was followed by Grace by Rev. E. E. Kent. Following the dinner, G. Learn, principal, gave a toast to the graduates with response by Miss Carol Smith, one of the graduates.

Guest speaker was Rev. S. A. R. Wood of the Thornhill Anglican Church. Rev. Wood's address was very appropriate for the occasion and is worthy of being printed in full, for it not only gave a message to the graduates but food for thought to all attending. His message was — "Graduating from public school is the first in a series of steps, in which a child learns to

stop acting, without question, on orders of parents and teachers, and to learn more and more to bring a maturing judgment to bear on all topics.

It is in fact a very important time in the business of asking questions, for the graduate from public school cannot begin too early to ask, "What am I going to do with my life?" and "What do I expect to get out of life?"

On our ability to answer these questions clearly and wisely all our real happiness depends, and though we may change answers many times, if there is to be any point to life, the question must be asked and answered.

These two questions have close bearing on each other, for they are like people standing in a valley between high hills, shouting, and listening for the echo. What we do with our life is the shout, and what we get out of life is the echo. If our shout is selfish, unkind, mean or little, the echo must be unkindness, dislike, dissatisfaction and unhappiness. If our shout is happy and friendly, useful and kind and helpful, then the echo will be all those things which happiness, friendliness and unselfishness bring in return. It is merely a matter of sowing and reaping, if

we sow wheat, we shall not gather thistles, but if we sow burdock, we cannot expect to reap grain. Begin now to ask yourself these questions — "What shall I do with my life?" — "What do I expect to get from life?"

R. Colvin expressed to Rev. Wood the sincere thanks of all who heard this inspiring message. S. Griffith, School Area trustee, expressed the board's appreciation to Powell Road Home and School and the staff for all they had done for the school in the past, and wished them, the best for the future.

Mrs. E. Baxter called forth the graduating class, in turn, and presented each one with a booklet, in the shape of the school crest and school colors, and which contained many interesting points for their benefit, as well as graduation pins given them by Powell Road Home and School. A photograph of the entire group, and the staff for all they had done for the school in the past, and wished them, the best for the future.

Mrs. E. Gledhill accepted graciously for all those who had made the evening possible.

Richmond Hill Lions Club Celebrates 15 Anniversary

This Thursday evening the Richmond Hill Lions Club is celebrating its 15th anniversary, 15 years of uninterrupted service to our community. It was early in 1938 that the Richmond Hill Lions under the sponsorship of the Newmarket Club began their community work, work that is beyond the value of dollars and cents.

Richmond Hill Lions have, in keeping with the tradition of Lions Clubs the world over, kept up a continual programme of welfare, relief and social work right from the time of their inception and theirs is the thanks of those adults and children who have received glasses, medical attention and drugs.

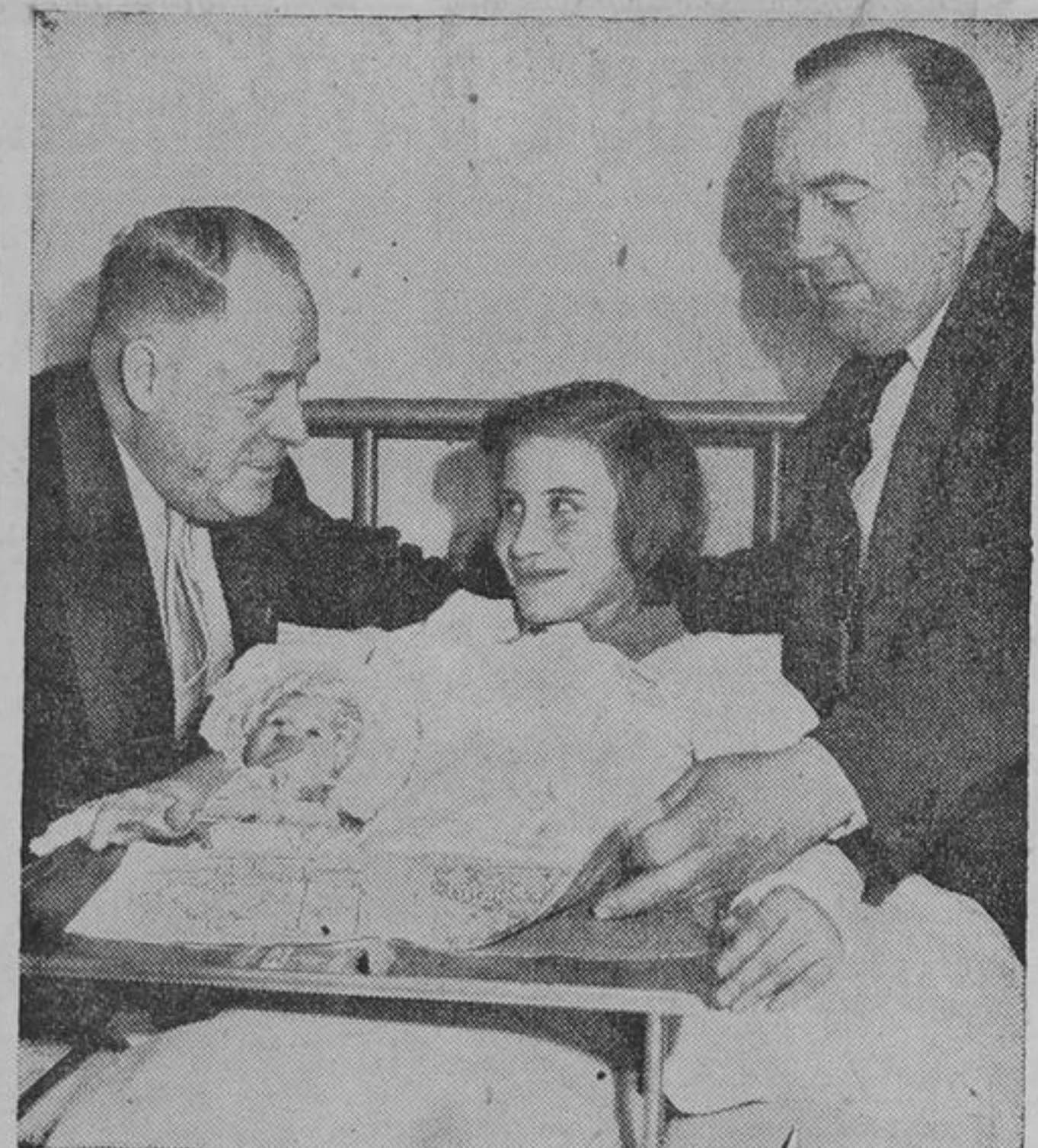
In addition to this work which goes on from day to day, the Lions have undertaken many big projects — their carnivals, bingo and entertainments, in addition to the important things such as a Community Hall which stands as a tribute to the club, Red Cross work, Flood Relief and their many contributions during the war years.

At the big birthday celebrations representations from the daughter-clubs will be present to pay tribute — Thornhill, Aurora, Maple and recently formed Oak Ridges clubs. The charter members will stage a special party and there will be a full dress programme in honour of the event. Past International President, Walter Fisher of Queenston, second Canadian to be president of Lions International will be the guest speaker.

The club has grown from 23 to 76 members and Richmond Hill Lions have provided two District Governors, R. D. Little and R. Edmonds. In this 15-year period the Lions have spent something like \$100,000 and have donated thousands of man-hours.

There was once a movement to ban service in some Canadian centres but surely no community with a club like the Richmond Hill Club could truthfully say that they would be the better by not having Lions Clubs.

Lions Sponsor Treatment



Tjamke Van Huis is pictured above with Reg. Rouse, a director of Maple Lions Club, and John Neufeld, president of the Club, which is sponsoring treatment for the 10 year old Dutch girl who suffered severe burns while in her native land.

The March 12 meeting of Maple Lions Club was held at the Masonic Hall with the club's current project of providing treatment for 10 year old Tjamke van Huis, one of the main topics of discussion. Tjamke suffered severe burns while in her native Holland, where she spent nine months in the hospital recovering from her injuries. Her left arm and side are badly scarred, the object of the treatment, financed by the Lions, to graft skin to the afflicted parts.

Tjamke was hospitalized in Toronto on March 11 and already has had one operation from which she is recovering very satisfactorily. In order to raise money for this treatment and for similar cases the Lions Club is joining the Ontario Society for Crippled Children in sending out Easter Seals. It is hoped the public will respond to this worthy appeal.

Lion Reg. Rouse who has devoted much time to this project donated and auctioned a bottle of cider vinegar for which the sum of \$23.50 was realized. This money will be used to buy toys and books for Tjamke.

Ladies' Night April 9 Lion President John Neufeld announced that the next meeting of the club would be in the form of a Lion and Cub night. April 9 has been set as Ladies Night, the turkey dinner to be held at Summit view Restaurant.

Guest Speaker The club was fortunate in having as its guest speaker for the evening, Miss Chalk, District

Vaughan Council Interviews Applicants

Vaughan Township Council met last Tuesday evening to consider applications for the position of building inspector. Twelve applications were received and applicants were interviewed at the meeting.

No decision was reached at the time and council will consider the matter before making the appointment.

APRIL 9 — 8 p.m. Thursday. Open Amateur Night in Richmond Hill Masonic Hall, sponsored by L.O.L.2368. Admission 50c. Amateurs all ages welcome. Competitors contact Fred Bovard, TU. 4-1367. clw38

Crippled Children Easter Seal Campaign

Treasurer Len Clement reports a tremendous response to the local Easter Seal campaign for Crippled Children. This campaign is under the joint sponsorship of the Richmond Hill Lions Club and the Ontario Society for Crippled Children. Receipts for those who have donated are completed and will be mailed out just as soon as the special envelopes are received from Toronto.

Coming Events

EVERY THURSDAY — Bingo sponsored by L.O.L. 2368 in the Orange Hall, Richmond Hill at 8 p.m. sharp. Lucky draw night. tfc 38

MARCH 20 — Friday, 8 p.m. The regular meeting of the Jefferson School Community Club. Square dancing. Admission 25c. clw38

MARCH 20 — Friday, L.O.B.A. and L.O.L. Orange Lodges will visit the L.T.B. & O. Home. Cars leaving Masonic Hall at 7.30 p.m. clw38

MARCH 20 — Friday, Annual St. Patrick's Euchre and Draw in aid of St. Mary's Catholic Church, will be held in the Masonic Hall, Richmond Hill. Cards 8.30 p.m. Good prizes. Delightful lunch. A pleasant evening. Admission 50c. Draw for 3 valuable electric prizes: 1st prize, a G.E. automatic toaster; 2nd prize, a G.E. Kettle K-42; 3rd prize Yachtsman's G. S. Clock. Draw tickets 10c each or 3 for 25c. Convenors are Mrs. Charles Burnett, Mrs. Alfred Mills, Mrs. Henry Natale and Mrs. C. J. Ducharme. clw38

MARCH 21 — Tea and Baking Sale, auspices of Women's Missionary Society, 3 p.m. Presbyterian Church Sunday School Room. clw38

MARCH 23 — Monday, 8 p.m. Bingo in Lions Community Hall. \$25 special Jack Pot prize. Admission 35c includes 15 games and door prizes. c2w37

MARCH 23 — Monday, Regular meeting of Richmond Hill Council at the Municipal Hall, at 7 p.m. Delegations wishing to appear are requested to notify clerk three days in advance. clw38

MARCH 25 — Wednesday, Lions Teen-age Square dancing group, 8:30 - 10:30 will be cancelled due to examinations. c2w38

MARCH 25 — Wednesday 8 p.m. Rev. George Dicks, chairman of the Parole Board of Ontario, will speak on his work, under auspices of the Presbyterian Evening Auxiliary, in Presbyterian Sunday School. Refreshments. Everyone invited. clw38

MARCH 26 — Members and Associate Members of Kingcrafts are invited to bring guests to an Open Meeting, Thursday, March 26, at 7.45 p.m. in King City United Church rooms. Horticultural talk and film on Dutch gardens, by C. A. Cruickshank, Garden Guild of Ontario. Admission 25 cents. clw38

MARCH 26 — Thursday, 8 p.m. in Richmond Hill United Church, a Star Free Concert, featuring "The Four Gentlemen" and "The Enchanted Strings." clw38

MARCH 27 — Friday, Dance at Yellore Hall, San Antonio's orchestra. Dancing 9-1. Admission 75c per person. c2w38

MARCH 27 — Friday, Come "Around the World" with Gordon and Jeanne Precious, King City United Church, with Superb Colour Pictures. In Victoria Square United Church at 8.15 p.m. Sponsored by the Married Couples Group. Tickets: Adults 75c, children 12 years and under 35c. clw38

MARCH 30 — Monday, Richvale Home and School will hold a eucharist in Richvale School at 8 p.m. Proceeds towards scholarship for grade eight pupil. c2w38

MARCH 30 — Monday, Regular meeting of Charles Howitt Home and School Assoc. F. H. Shaw, probation officer of York County Juvenile Court will speak on Juvenile Delinquency. Everyone welcome. c2w38