

STOUFFVILLE: Village Clerk, Garfield Brown, has resigned his post to take a position with the Civil Service.

GEORGINA: Council plans to institute an Anti-Noise By-law to curb late-night car riders.

SUTTON: William J. Kay, leading showman and village official passed away recently after a heart attack.

LAKE SIMCOE: Practically all the fishing holes have disappeared from the lake now. Only a few remain near the shore.

MARKHAM: The contract for the Markham District High School has been awarded to the firm of Wm. A. Rich Construction Co. of Islington. The building price was for \$394,704, and additional expenses will bring the total up to \$488,000. Construction is to start sometime in April and they expect to be finished by Fall.

NEWMARKET: Citizens gathered last Tuesday night at an organization meeting. A series of objectives for the Ratepayers Association was also set down.

AURORA: On May 16, the town will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the running of Ontario's first steam train, from Toronto to Aurora, then Macmillan's Corners.

NORTH YORK: Reeve Fred J. McMahon of North York has issued a warrant for holding a new election to fill the vacancy on the council caused by the recent death of Norman G. S. Ingram, former Deputy Reeve of Ward 1. Nominations will be received on April 7 at 7 p.m. in the Community Hall, and if necessary a pole will be held a week later, on April 14.

Restores A Watch Over 200 yrs. Old

Last Monday, the Liberal had the privilege of examining an early 18th century watch brought for repairs to Bob Mansbridge, local jeweller and watchmaker, by a Toronto firm.

This watch was made by Thomas Cartwright, who lived behind the London Exchange, early in the 18th century (c. 1715). He began his apprenticeship in 1693 and later received the appointment as watchmaker to the Prince of Wales.

The watch, which is about 2" in diameter and with a convex crystal, is enclosed within an inner and outer silver case, both of which are finely engraved. The dial is of engraved silver and the centre part bears the traditional Lion, Unicorn and Crown. Because of Cartwright's appointment, the dial also bears the Prince of Wales' Feathers.

A unique feature is that when the stem is depressed, the hour is struck followed by a series of double strikes indicating the quarter hour.

This time piece has been restored to perfect running order by Mr. Mansbridge, who has only recently repaired a grandfather clock (c. 1713) made by William Cartwright of Loughbrough, England.

Wins Diamond Ring

Shirley Knappett, Gamble Sideroad, is receiving congratulations from her friends on winning a Bluebird diamond ring from Roy Ward Dixon's radio show, "The Fun Parade."

Shirley, who attends Richmond Hill District High School, had to write a love letter to an unknown young man (name and address supplied by the program).

Last Friday she was advised her "composition" had won this lovely prize.

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.

APRIL 2 — Thursday Bingo, Aurora Legion Hall at 8 o'clock. Admission 35 cents. Good prizes.

APRIL 4 — Teston W.A. home made baking sale at the farm sale of Mr. F. Oliver. Lunch will also be served.

APRIL 5 at 7:30; APRIL 8 at 8:15. Dramatic religious play "For He Hath Great Possessions", presented by Thornhill Y.P.U. in the United Church Hall, Thornhill. Silver offering.

APRIL 6 — Monday at 8 p.m. Wallpaper demonstration. Richmond Hill United Church Evening W. A. Prizes. Refreshments. Admission 35c.

APRIL 8 — Wednesday 8 p.m. Regular monthly meeting Langstaff Ratepayers' Association, Langstaff School. Films. All members urged to attend.

APRIL 8 — Wednesday 8:15 p.m. "The Wishing Well Overture" in Maple Concert Hall, by the combined choirs of Woodbridge Anglican and United Churches, under the auspices of Maple Presbyterian Choir. A complete sell out at former performances. Adults 75c, children 40c.

APRIL 9 — L.O.L. 2368 will not hold its weekly Bingo due to the Amateur Night.

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, T.U. 4-1367.

APRIL 10 — Dance at Edgeley Community Hall sponsored by the Concord Athletic Association. Dancing 9-1. Admission 50c.

APRIL 10 — Friday 8 p.m. Box social, election of officers and square dancing with the Jefferson School Community Club. Admission 25c.

Richmond Hill Mill Rate 71

At a special meeting Tuesday afternoon Richmond Hill council set the '53 tax rate at 71 mills, on a motion, moved by councillor Perkins and seconded by councillor Middleton and unanimously endorsed by council. The 1953 rate is four below last year's rate of 75.

The drop is attributed to the increased assessment brought about by the recent annexation of approximately 1000 acres and 800 residents.

There was no increase in the High School's budget this year and very little in the Public School's; these reports along with council's will be given in full in next week's edition.

M. J. Grimes To Speak To W.I.

A subject of vital interest to everyone will be discussed at the April meeting of Richmond Hill Women's Institute. Maurice Grimes, Executive Secretary of the Ontario Division of the Canadian Cancer Society will show two short films and speak of the work everyone may share in assisting the vast army of volunteers who are determined to help the fight against Cancer.

The Women's Institute has made it possible for Mr. Grimes to approach the ladies on this subject preparatory to the organization of a Cancer Unit in Richmond Hill and district. A unit will be a desirable addition to the community and it is hoped that there will be a large crowd to hear Mr. Grimes. The meeting is on Thursday, April 9, in the Sunday School room of the Presbyterian Church, and commences at 2:30 p.m.

Doncaster Merchant To Build New Store

Mr. Bert Richardson, popular Doncaster merchant announces plans to construct a new and greater store beside his present thriving business which is located on Morgan Ave. This new building construction of which is due to commence immediately will be erected on a lot on the west side of his present store.

Mr. Harold Stephenson, Doncaster resident, and successful North York Contractor, will handle the actual building of the new store which will measure 45 by 31 feet and will have approximately 1,400 feet of floor space.

Provision will be made for the future addition of apartments above the store when such time as sewers and water become available. Mr. Richardson plans to use his old store as living quarters and for storage facilities.

Mr. Richardson who is classed among the "old timers" in length of residence in Doncaster first moved to the district in 1937. The new store will operate under the trade name of Richardson's General Store, and will feature groceries, meats and numerous other household necessities.

Easter In The Churches

Once again, the Easter season has come and the people of the Christian world are preparing to celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. On Good Friday, services commemorating the Lord's Crucifixion will be held and on Sunday, millions of Christians will celebrate the Resurrection of the Risen Lord.

The ministers of the local churches have arranged special Easter services in their parishes in honour of this great religious festival, a time of great and holy celebrations in all Christian churches.

At the United Church will conduct the Easter services and in the morning will speak on the subject, "Now is Christ Risen". In the evening, a special choral service of Easter music will be given by the 75 voices of the regular choir and the new junior choir under the direction of Mr. Fowler. The service on Good Friday will be conducted by the Reverend E. E. Kent of Thornhill.

Solemn High Mass will be sung at St. Mary's Roman Catholic church at 11 a.m. Easter Sunday in addition to two early masses. The Reverend F. McGinn will be assisted by Father McKenna of the Redemptionist Community.

J. R. Clarke Appointed Warble Fly Inspector In Whitchurch Twp.

Discussing the tentative approval requested by Oak Ridges Public School Board of a \$101,000 addition to the school, Whitchurch Township council decided to ask its solicitor for a ruling on "tentative approval," which according to the opinion of council is contrary to the School Act.

Township solicitor Lucas was also instructed to prepare a by-law covering the working hours of township employees pertaining to the following facts. Office hours will be 9 to 5, six days a week. Office employees will work five days a week, a day off to be arranged to suit the convenience of the clerk and his staff. All permanent employees will have a week's vacation with pay after consecutive months employment. Sick leave will be deducted from the vacation period.

J. R. Clarke has been appointed Warble Fly Inspector for the township at a salary of \$1.00 per hour plus 8 cents a mile travel expenses. The tender of Stuart Starr, Newmarket, to supply tractor for moving spray equipment, as well as a helper to assist with Warble Fly spray treatment at the rate of \$1.75 per hour, was accepted by council. Warble Fly Inspectors will carry a certificate signed by the clerk of the township for identification purposes.

Mr. & Mrs. C. Peelar Celebrate Golden Wedding At Edgeley

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Peelar celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at an afternoon and evening reception in their home at Edgeley on Wednesday, March 25. Assisting the host and hostess were their two sons and their wives, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Peelar and Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Peelar. Scores of residents from the district came to offer congratulations personally to the happy couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Peelar were also the recipients of many congratulatory cards and gifts from their well-wishing friends and relatives. The bride of fifty years ago, smartly attired in a blue silk crepe frock and corsage of yellow roses, received over 100 guests during the afternoon and evening. The dining room table, covered with a lovely Madeira cloth, was centered with a tiered anniversary cake flanked on each side by tall gold-tapers in crystal containers. A delightful program of soft organ music was presented throughout the afternoon by Miss Gould of Woodbridge and by Mrs. Albert Peelar in the evening.

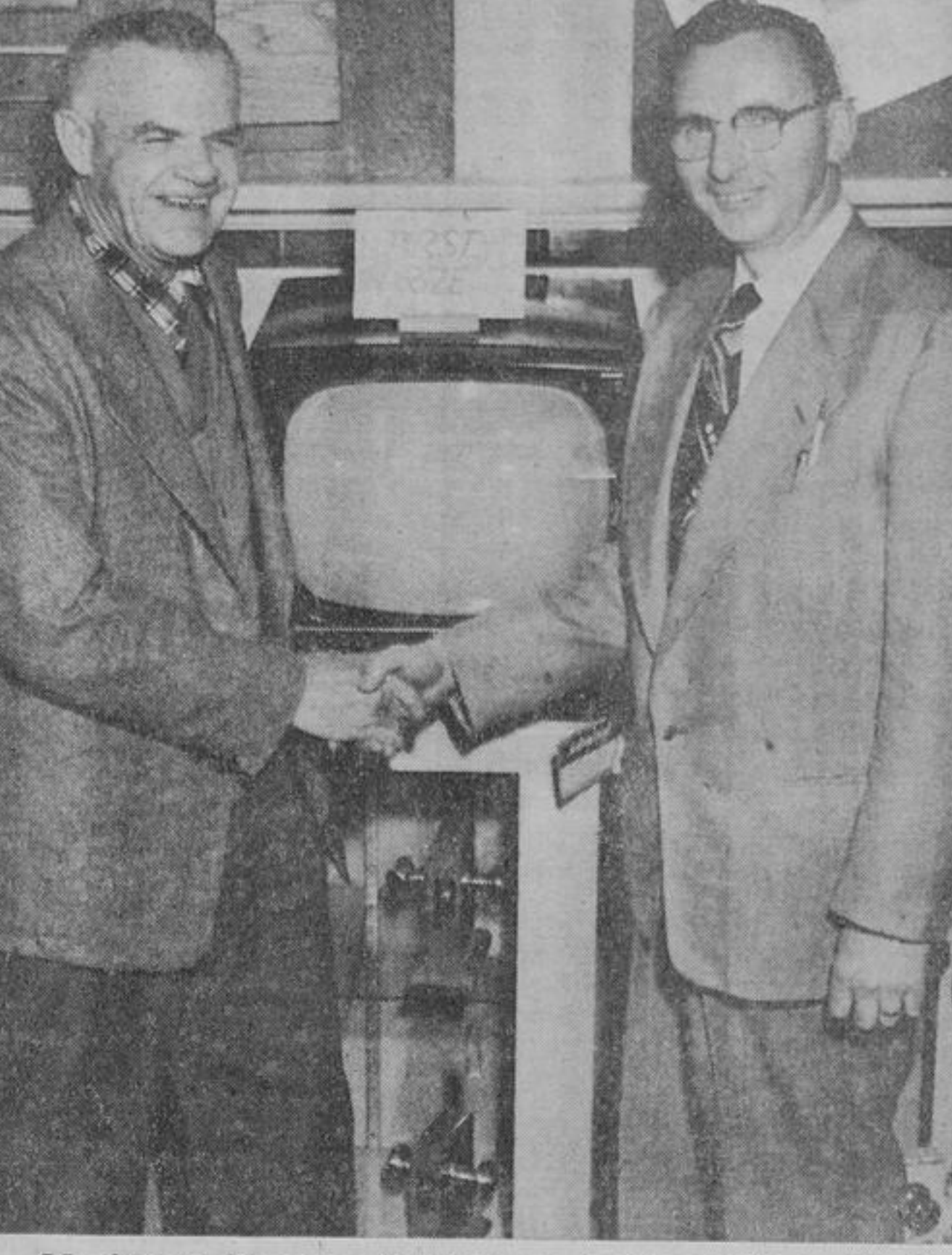
Markham Twp. Gravel Contracts

At a short weekly meeting of Markham township council the members last Monday awarded their gravel contracts for 1953. Four different companies entered tenders.

Mr. Frank Roberts was awarded contracts covering Areas 1, 3 and 4. Mr. Roberts will handle Area No. 1, which covers the northwest corner of the township at 95 cents a ton delivered. Gravel for Area No. 3 which includes the northeast portion will cost 75 cents a ton delivered. Area No. 4 covering the southeast section of the township will also be handled by Mr. Roberts at a cost of 95 cents a ton delivered.

Stouffville Sand and Gravel was awarded the contract for Area No. 2 which includes the southwest part of the township at a figure of \$1.40 a ton delivered. Any additional gravel required for township roads will be secured from Frank Roberts pit at 50 cents a ton and hauled by township trucks. The Department of Highways will now be asked to pass approval on these contracts.

Wins TV Set At Answells



Mr. Frank Zavoroka (left) has a happy smile on his face and well he might, for he has just won first prize of a spanking new 17" Admiral TV set in Answells Ltd. Lucky Draw. Mr. Zavoroka who resides at 91 Abitibi Ave., Newtonbrook, is seen receiving the congratulations of Mr. Wilson Anstey, Manager of Answells' on his good fortune.

This draw which was held last Friday evening at Answells' Thornhill store also saw two other prize winners. 2nd prize of a lovely mantle radio was won by Mr. L. Jolivet, No. 7 Highway at Concord. 3rd prize of a Toaster went to Mr. Olley, No. 7 Highway at Concord.

The lucky tickets were drawn by the three Trustees of Thornhill village, Messrs. W. Dean, J. McNeil, and F. Harris, with Mr. Dean making the first draw for the television.

To enter these monthly draws customers who purchase \$1.00 or more in merchandise are eligible to win one of these grand prizes. Prizes for the April draw will include a 9.5 cu. ft. General Electric Refrigerator, a G.E. Kettle, and a Toaster.

3 Trustees Appointed To Planning Board This Year

Trustees W. R. Dean, J. MacNeil and F. Harris were appointed for another year to Thornhill Planning Board by the Thornhill trustees at their meeting on March 25. These appointments were made in order that trustees may work along with Vaughan Township Planning Board in preparing a zoning by-law for Vaughan Township.

A letter was received from A. Ecclestone, village legal adviser, stating that after trustees request him to investigate the Municipal Board's decision on the \$8,500 sidewalk debentures for the village, he had found that the debentures were approved by the Board on October 26, 1951, authorizing Vaughan Township to issue \$3,910 and Markham Township \$4,590, for this purpose. Trustees had not received an official word of this decision, and for this reason had asked Mr. Ecclestone to look into the matter for them.

Trustees decided that they would take no action in this matter until audited statements for 1952 from both Markham and Vaughan Townships were received. Request Street Lights. A petition from residents of Thornbank Road, asking that the installation of street lights on Thornbank be proceeded with, was read. The petition will be dealt with at a later date when sufficient lights are available.

Trustees also passed a resolution to request the townships to place the cost of the street lighting as a separate item on the tax bills. This method was used when streetlights were first installed in Thornhill and enables the taxpayer to determine the exact cost of street lighting.

Several complaints were received from property owners on Old Yonge Street, who complained about the papers from the Scout Hut blowing about the streets, and the boys destroying shrubs and trees. These complaints will be forwarded to the Thornhill Recreation Centre Committee with the stipulation that decisive action be taken as there is a by-law covering this misdemeanor.

Trustees stated that they are ready to proceed with the proposed Insurance Package proposition. This covers a blanket policy for the Parks Commission, the Recreation Committee and the trustees.

Trustees also agreed to ask Vaughan and Markham Townships for detailed statements to be submitted once a month, the statements to show road costs and general expenditures.

The secretary was instructed to contact Mr. Reid regarding the semi-annual garbage collection, the collection to take place around the beginning of May.

Headford Boy To Compete In Ont. Provincial Oratorical Finals

Murray Coulter, 14-year old son of Colonel and Mrs. James Coulter, Headford, will compete in the finals of the province-wide public speaking centres which will be held during the 93rd convention of the Ontario Educational Association in Toronto on April 6-9.

Murray is an eighth grade pupil at the Headford Public School where he has received much encouragement and guidance in public speaking from his teacher, Miss Pat Hardy. His first award for public speaking was won while he attended Scarborough School. This was followed by three other awards since coming to Headford. Last October, Murray won first prize in the York Public Speaking contest for elementary schools and recently became the proud winner of the Headford Home and School cup. For the final contest, Murray has chosen the subject "From East to West", in addition to his impromptu speech.

Col. Coulter, a former Glasgow Highlander, who served until recently with the British forces in India, lives with his wife, his son and four daughters on the farm of the late D. McAllister near Headford.

Want Zoning By-law & Planning Bd.

59 King City Residents Oppose The Location Of \$100,000 Chip Factory

A petition, signed by 59 residents of the police village of King City, was brought before the trustees at their regular business meeting on Monday night. The Masonic Hall, where the meeting was held was almost filled, and this is the first time that anyone has felt an interest in village affairs for a long time.

Present Petition. The petition which was presented by Col. B. A. Upjohn, read as follows: "I am in favour of zoning laws and a town planning committee in King to insure that residents are protected against industrial plants being erected and operated in residential areas. I am further in favour of refusing permission for any industry to move into the village of King, as of this date, until such committee has been formed and is in operation."

To Erect Factory. Col. Upjohn said that the petition had been hurriedly got together when it was discovered on Friday of last week, that Stanley Watson had acquired property on which he will erect a factory. "We feel it would not be a good thing because it would lower property values. There is nothing personal in regard to Mr. Watson, rather we wish to compliment him upon his initiative to have a factory here. However, the proposal is most upsetting, and this petition was gathered to be presented, with the request that a zoning by-law be taken to council next Monday," concluded Col. Upjohn.

Trustees Reply. Trustee Donald Findlay congratulated the ratepayers on their interest in the land use question, especially as the trustees have been working on this question for over a year, and it was his address for nomination to the Township Council, at the annual meeting in Kettleby last November. "I don't suppose that three people from King City were at that meeting," he said. He also told that King Township council had been asked by King City trustees to approve a land use law to cover this part of the township, within 1 1/2 miles of the village cross roads. Douglas Wellesley, Township councillor who was present, said that the land use by-law had been passed by the Township and is now awaiting approval of the Ontario Dept. of Planning. Views against the building of this factory were heard from Mr. and Mrs. Keith Camden and Mr. and Mrs. John Belknap. Applause followed each statement.

Present Plans. Mr. Watson around whom this controversy centred, had brought an architect's plan of his proposed Potato Chip factory, where the manufacture of Potato Chips will be the only product made in King. There will be no pickle factory, as was rumored. Popcorn, peanuts and other allied food products will still be roasted at the Toronto plant, as at present. The proposed branch for King City would involve a cost of \$100,000. "I think it will be an asset to the village rather than a disgrace," said Mr. Watson. "I don't have to come to this village. There are other places, not far away, inviting me. I will leave it with the trustees," he said.

McLeod Opposes Motion. Mr. Findlay reminded the audience of over 70 persons, that this was a regular business meeting of the trustees, and must be regarded as such. Mr. Carson moved that the petition be adopted for recommendation to the Township Council. "It is only fair that the other party have a counter petition," said Mr. B. McLeod, who did not support Mr. Carson's motion.

Mr. Findlay had previously stated that because he had assisted Mr. Watson in legal matters dealing with the real estate transaction, in the recent purchase of the lots at the south west part of Keele Street, before it became a municipal matter, he would be forced to resign, upon any matters dealing with this petition. "If there had been no petition there would have been no municipal action, therefore I would not have disqualified myself from voting," he said. The next meeting of the Village commissioners is on the last Monday in May.

S. Rumble Among Winners Record Number Entries Seed Fair & Bacon Show

Another most successful Seed and Bacon Show has just recently been staged by the farmers of York County under the sponsorship of the Soil and Crop Improvement Association with the co-operation of the Hog Producers' Association.

A record number of entries and the usual full house of visitors together with a well balanced program and variety of classes, made this year's Fair most outstanding. Keen bidding for the 10-bushel lots of Registered oats and barley brought the top price of \$3.00 per bush, in barley and \$2.50 for oats.

Including the 24 farmers showing in the Bacon Show, there was a total of 72 exhibitors. The 48 competing in the crop section included 13 new exhibitors and in all, had 127 exhibits. Keenest competition was in spring grain with 11 showing early oats and sixteen in the class for a bale of first-cut hay. There was a total of 40 lots of excellent quality hay in the show. The red clover class was the largest in many years.

Prize Winners. The A. E. McKenzie special prizes for first year exhibitors were won by Murray Faris of Bradford and Stewart Rumble of Richmond Hill. Included in the highest prize winners in the larger classes were Frank and Ted Marritt of Keswick; M-H Farms, Milliken; J. M. Thirkle, Weston; Eugene Lemon, Stouffville; Earl Edwards, Schomberg. The judges were T. W. Brennan, Toronto; G. M. Gray, Barrie; and G. E. Jones, O.A.C., Guelph.

There was a full complement of eight township exhibits of groups of three carcasses in the Bacon Show and for a second time, East Gwillimbury won the premium honours. This was perhaps the first time that all special prizes went to one township with the Championship for individual carcasses going to Jas. Morris of Ravenshoe and the Reserve Championship to Willard Cryderman, of Queensville. The quality of the carcasses unfortunately was not up to last year's standard. The special prizes by the York County Hog Producers' Association for the two best township exhibits went to East Gwillimbury and King, followed by Gwillimbury and North Gwillimbury.

Reeve's Parasol Down Too Early. The gloom in Mudville when the mighty Casey struck out, had nothing on the gloom in Richmond Hill when Parasol, Reeve Tom Taylor's horse in the Grand National failed to finish. He went down about midway on the hard course.

The Reeve was the lucky holder of a sweepstake ticket on Parasol and his many friends here and throughout the district, were pulling hard for him to win the grand prize of \$140,000. Parasol ran second for a few minutes in the early stages of the race so at least gave his backers a thrill. For having a starter the Reeve will collect a prize of 428 pounds.

Reeve Taylor was a breakfast guest Saturday morning at the Royal York along with other ticket holders from this part of Ontario and listened to the race by short wave radio. "It was quite an experience and quite a thrill," said the Reeve who extended congratulations and best wishes to the fortunate winners of the big prizes.