

AURORA: Building Permits for the first three months in 1953 amounted to \$100,729, much above the \$66,000 figure for the same period in 1952.

EAST YORK: The 1953 tax rate will be 12.75 mills a slight decrease of .05 mills from last year.

NEWMARKET: The Public School Board has accepted the offer of the Warrendale School for Girls to pay school taxes.

NORTH GWILLIMBURY: The township has withdrawn its support of a joint police system for North Gwillimbury and Georgina twps. and Gwillimbury Council has decided to equip its police cruisers with two-way radios.

STOUFFVILLE: The Ontario Provincial Police department has opened a new police office here.

SUTTON: A committee is working on a project to obtain artificial ice for 1954.

AURORA: Council decided this week to enforce dog control the year round instead of during the summer months only. Council also voted \$500. to the Parks Commission for park beautification.

Vaughan Twp. Strikes '53 Mill Rate

Vaughan Township council struck the 1953 mill rate at last Monday's meeting held in Maple. The 1953 rate will be 17 mills, 1 mill over last year's rate. The assessment this year has jumped to \$6,673,110 in comparison to last year's figure of \$5,854,200.

York Cty. Jersey Club Holds Barn Meeting

The York County Jersey Cattle Club held a meeting on the farm of Alf Bagg was attended by many interested members and 4-H club youth on Saturday afternoon, March 28.

New Service Station At Brown's Corners

Jack Stephenson, an energetic young resident of Buttonville has completed plans for the grand opening of his new White Rose Service Station located at the corner of No. 7 highway and Don Mills Rd. (Brown's Corners).

Chamber Of Commerce Executive Officers



President Ralph Paris, who with his fellow executive officers will guide the destinies of the Richmond Hill Chamber of Commerce throughout the coming year. Shown in the above photo with Mr. Paris are (left to right) G. Bawden, secretary, Mr. Paris, and Morley Williams, treasurer. Vice-President Alf. McLatchy was absent when the picture was taken due to illness. Official installation ceremonies for the new executive were presided over by Reeve W. J. Taylor, who administered the oath of office.

Cancer Society Rep.

M. J. Grimes Addresses Lions On Establishing A Cancer Unit

In conjunction with the present activity to establish a Cancer Unit in Richmond Hill, Maurice Grimes, Executive Secretary of the Ontario Division of the Cancer Society, addressed the local Lions Club at its regular meeting last Thursday evening.

Patterson Community Club March Meeting

At the March meeting of the Patterson Community Club, a decision was reached regarding prizes to be given to the pupils at the end of the term. Mrs. Lepper and Mrs. Howarth were asked to convene a Bake Sale in May.

Coming Events

- APRIL 9 - 8 p.m. Thursday. Op-edon Amateur Night in Richmond Hill Masonic Hall, sponsored by L.O.L. 2368. Admission 50c. Amateurs all ages welcome. clw38
APRIL 10 - Dance at Edgeley Community Hall sponsored by the Concord Athletic Association. Dancing 9-1. Admission 50c. c2w40
APRIL 10 - Friday, 8 p.m. Annual election of officers, square dancing and box social at Jefferson School. Admission 25c. clw41
APRIL 10 - Friday. Final euchre party of the season St. Mary's Catholic Church Hall. Cards 8.30 p.m. Good prizes. Delightful lunch. A pleasant evening. Admission 50c. Convoys Mrs. Alex Sanko and Mrs. William Henderson. In connection with this final party there will be a draw for a hand embroidered table cloth and pillow slips. Tickets 10c or 3 for 25c. Prizes on display in Paris's Family Store. c3w39
APRIL 11 - Saturday. Bake Sale and Tea sponsored by the Anglican Church Evening Guild in the Parish Hall, Richmond Hill, at 3 p.m. c2w40
APRIL 13 - Monday. Meeting of Thornhill L.O.L. No. 91 in the Masonic Hall, Thornhill. clw41
APRIL 16 - Thursday. Whist party under auspices of 2nd Thornhill (Highland Park) Cub Mothers' Auxiliary at Henderson Ave. School, 8.15 p.m. Prizes and refreshments. Admission 50c. Everyone welcome. clw41

Three Sisters Celebrate 134 Years Of Marriage

Wedding anniversaries totaling 134 years were celebrated at the Palm Room on Good Friday. Celebrants were Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Cook, Hunt Ave., Richmond Hill Mr. and Mrs. Neil Malloy, Church St., Richmond Hill, and Mr. and Mrs. M. Wilson of Maple. Although none of the anniversaries was actually on Good Friday, they all occur within a few days of that date.

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"It's Only A Grass Fire"

Man burns his meadow to kill weeds in the grass, and in so doing kills all the organic life and destroys his good top soil. Science tells us that top soil contains tremendous quantities of animal life much of which we see when we turn over a spadeful of soil, as centipedes, millipedes, ants, mites and worms. In addition it contains amounts of microscopic life. These millions of burrowing creatures literally plough the soil, loosening it, letting in air and water, making it easy for tiny roots to push their way down. Burning destroys this animal life and leaves soil hard and packed.

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To a large extent this resolution was the upshot of recent public criticisms levelled at the Board by one of its former members, Mr. R. Shorten. Mr. Shorten who served on the Board last year while then a resident of Markham township has been critical of the lack of industrial development in the township, and the proper organization of Planning Board work.

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R.H. District High School Board's 1953 Budget Is Increased \$12,636.62

The Richmond Hill District High School Board has presented its completed 1953 Budget to the four Municipalities, namely the villages of Richmond Hill and Woodbridge, and the townships of Markham and Vaughan which comprise the high school district. This year's \$255,287.00 budget which was drawn up by the Board's Finance Committee (Trustees V. McMullen, W. Dean, R. Watson, H. Charles, Mrs. P. C. Hill and Mrs. R. Keith) is an \$12,636.62 increase over last year's budget figure of \$242,650.38.

Table showing budget breakdown: Instruction (Principal's and teachers' salaries) \$72,000.00, Night School 5,500.00, Instructional Supplies 4,750.00, Administration 8,930.00, Plant Operation (caretakers, fuel and hydro) 18,210.00, Auxiliary Agencies (prizes, cafeteria, recreation) 6,125.00, Plant Maintenance (repairs, renewals, insurance) 11,100.00, Fees to other Boards 38,000.00, Transportation 40,000.00, Capital Outlays 18,172.00, Surplus Paid to Municipality to meet High School Debtors' payments 30,500.00, Interest 2,000.00. Total \$255,287.00.

Refuses Subdivision

Vaughan Twp. Hires 2 Special Constables - Brings Force To 7

Vaughan Township Council decided at their regular Monday meeting to hire two part-time special constables to assist the regular township force. With the large amount of special policing required at the Drive-In Theatre and the Pinecrest Speedway, it was the opinion of Council that it was necessary to have some additional help on a part-time basis in order that there would be sufficient police protection for the township in more urgent cases.

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