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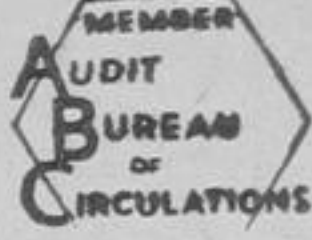
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Plan Ahead

An increasing need to look ahead was emphasized by Trustee Robert Tamblin of the Richmond Hill District High School Board recently when he recommended that a committee investigate the purchase of a site for a future school in the Woodbridge district.

The lengthy negotiations, still not completed, for securing a school site at Thornhill have made apparent the need for foresight in planning future schools. A school in the western side of the school district might not be re-

quired for another five years or so, but having a centrally located site when the time comes would relieve the Board of considerable worry. Such a move would also enable the trustees to purchase land at a more reasonable price and would eliminate such problems as the present land-locked site has presented. It would also probably enable the Board to secure a site without registering expropriation proceedings against an owner.

School Ahead Go Slow

Have you ever slowed down your car automatically when a road sign warns that there is a school just ahead — only to realize that the children are on vacation, or it's Saturday, and school is out?

Most motorists have had such an experience. It is an excellent habit to slow down any time you approach a school zone, or any other area where children are likely to be playing. It might save a child's life.

Many children have good safety habits concerning traffic instilled into them practically from the time they begin to walk. Being children, however, they are likely to forget at times, or become so interested in their games they fail to observe an approaching automobile.

Then it's up to the adult to think for the child and himself as well — to go out of his way, if need be, to ensure the safety of small children.

A total of 184 children under 15 years old were killed in traffic accidents in the Province of Ontario last year, according to figures of the Ontario Safety League. In addition, 4,487 Ontario children were injured in accidents on the streets and highways.

Our schools, for the most part, are doing an excellent job of training school children to observe proper precautions in traffic. Many cities in Ontario have school children organized in safety patrols, which operate under police supervision, and give the youngsters a certain amount of supervised responsibility for their own safety in traffic.

However, in the last analysis, it is always up to the motorist to exercise the utmost precaution when travelling through an area where there are children playing.

The Suburbanites

Every year, an increasing number of city dwellers are moving to the country to join the fast swelling ranks of suburbanites, those individuals who prefer the less inhibitive and less formal living in Canada's suburbs.

Since the war there has been a great rush on suburban properties and now every city has a huge ring of developments on its outskirts, many overshadowing the older suburban areas.

The reason why so many people are presently leaving cities which for so many generations have attracted the population to them makes an interesting study.

In sharp contrast to the city, the suburban air is fresh and the grass is green and above all there seems to be an element of peace and quiet, an inducement for leisurely home activities. For the children, the suburbanite will

tell you there's no comparison. And for many city dwellers the move to the outskirts often means buying one's own home.

There is a certain aspect of suburban community living which has an appeal to many people. Suburban life is informal in manners and clothes. It's friendly and highly neighborly, often in contrast to the city.

Those who shun the suburbs have numerous reasons too — too much social uniformity, too much money, time and energy expended in commuting to city jobs and the do-it-yourself tasks, so much a part of suburban life. Yet each year, more Canadians are choosing the new suburbs, where building is going on a-mile-a-minute, to establish their permanent homes, to raise their families and to enjoy their leisure years.

Editorial Comment

public, who is losing out when public business retreats behind closed doors.

During a recent panel discussion on CBLT, a prominent United States newspaperman referred to the democratic press as a bridge between the electors and the elected representatives. The speaker went on to say that closed meetings held by municipal bodies quickly cause this bridge to collapse.

Good objective type of reporting can only be gained through the presence of reporters at meetings. If the press is excluded, then the news will be obtained via the "grapevine." It is an acknowledged fact that news, and especially municipal news gathered in this second-hand manner tends to lose its vitality, its vigour. The speaker concluded that in most cases, alleged inadequacies in reporting can be traced to the officials who, unintentionally or otherwise, have failed to give the press the opportunity to assess the facts through closed meetings.

As the press continues to serve in a liaison capacity, particularly in this field, it is the ultimate consumer, the reading

With the advent of fall, the coloured leaves and evenings around an open fire, conversation naturally gets around to winter and already, the weather prophets are beginning to give forth with their annual winter forecast. Some foretell a long cold siege with lots of snow while others, after consulting the cloud formation and the type of crops come up with the assurance of an open winter bound to be easy on the fuel bill. As a matter of fact the number of forecasts this year seems to be greater than ever before. Of course talk of the effect of the atom bomb on weather formations has opened a whole new vista to the weather people, both amateur and professional.

However, weather forecasting, whether it's done by the weather bureau or by one of the local seers is still pretty unpredictable stuff. Most people are still rather reluctant to put too much stock in such things as extra furry coats on chipmunks and the like.

"Dear Mr. Editor"

Re: Joint Ratepayers

Dear Mr. Editor:

I have just read a circular issued by the Joint Executive of the Highland Park, Doncaster, Thornlea, Elgin St. and Langstaff Ratepayers Associations, to the effect that a Public Meeting will be held in Henderson Ave. School on Tuesday, Nov. 16, at 8 p.m. at which the ratepayers will be able to see and hear the candidates for the coming election.

I am in favour of the purpose of this meeting but in reading the circular, I was surprised to see that reference had been made, and distinctly three times to men and men only, as candidates. I don't think this is in very good taste, as the one woman in our Council, Mrs. James, is likely to run for office again.

From everything I have heard Mrs. James has done a very good job in Council and does not deserve a slight such as this, be it deliberate or otherwise.

Yours truly,
J. F. Martin, Langstaff

Nominating Committee Appointed Cancer Executive Discusses Prospects Permanent Office

Emphasizing the gradual growth of the organization was the decision of the executive of Richmond Hill and District Unit of the Canadian Cancer Society who, Tuesday night, authorized a committee of three to look into the matter of finding a permanent head office from where the general business of the society could be administered. With the approval of Maurice Grimes executive secretary of the Ontario Division, who told the meeting that the organizations which have such a focal point progress much faster, the executive authorized a committee to look for a heated office to cost approximately \$30, monthly. In regards to the amount of rental, Mr. Grimes stated that headquarters liked to see the organizations spend eight per cent of their local budgets on this outlay. He pointed out that such a step might seem a costly investment at the present, but that it would probably justify itself in the future. Acting on the committee are H. C. Powell, Mrs. W. C. Cowan and Miss Alverna Smith who will report their findings to the next executive meeting which is next Tuesday night. Chairman of the meeting was the president, Stuart Parker.

Committee Reports

Mrs. L. W. Zuefelt and Mrs. Malcolm Thomson gave reports on the activities, since the last meeting on July 12, of the Welfare and Education committees, the reports revealing active groups. Speakers Mrs. H. H. MacKay, Dr. Lillian Langstaff, Mrs. W. C. Cowan, Mrs. Gordon Purves and Mrs. L. W. Zuefelt spoke at a total of 11 meetings in the district when they demonstrated and explained the ma-

king of cancer dressings. Twenty-three gifts were sent, in all, which include such items as flowers, etc., five patients supplied with dressings, transportation and sitters supplied for patients, as well as many miscellaneous calls made by members in carrying out their duties on the committees.

Mr. Grimes, in speaking of the reports, commented that these committees showed much activity and that the reports were excellent for such a new unit.

Appoint Nominating Committee

The executive appointed a five man Nominating Committee who will be responsible for setting up a slate of officers for the coming year, the slate to be presented to a general meeting. On this committee are Dr. J. P. Wilson, chairman, Mrs. H. H. MacKay, Mrs. J. E. Smith, Mrs. Malcolm Thomson and Mrs. Gordon Purves. This committee will meet at 7.15 p.m. next Tuesday, November 23, at the home of Mrs. W. C. Cowan, prior to the executive meeting.

Executive To Meet Monthly

The executive decided to meet once a month and set the fourth Tuesday of each month as its meeting date. The next meeting was set for November 23, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. W. C. Cowan, 47 Church Street N. At this meeting it is hoped to have the budget for the coming year discussed since it must be submitted soon to head office for approval.

Among the miscellaneous items discussed it was agreed that individual expenditures, exceeding \$10., for petty cash funds must be approved by the executive, and that two gift cupboards be purchased.

Councillor Suffers Accident

Discussion On Lake Wilcox Road Encroachments In Abeyance

Councillor Sid Legge was absent from Whitchurch Council on Saturday last because of an accident suffered at his home. While operating a small power saw, he severed the third finger on his left hand. Three other fingers were also damaged. Fellow councillors sent their condolences to Mr. Legge.

Road Encroachment

A letter from Lorne C. Lee concerning the encroachment on the road allowance of several properties owned by Fred McIvor, lots 60-63 plan 240 at Wilcox, was given consideration. The encroachment is small, something less than one foot on the 66 foot road allowance. Mr. Lee proposed that council sign an agreement he had prepared allowing the encroachment to continue. Council felt this might be setting a precedent and will seek the advice of their solicitor. The buildings have been up for some years and it was when the property was recently sold by Mr. McIvor that it was discovered they did not meet with the township by-law which states all buildings must be some feet back from the road allowance.

Tentative Approval On School

Tentative approval from the Municipal Board has been received for the proposed \$110,000 addition to the Lake Wilcox School. Yves and Jackson are the architects. Tenders have been called for but no decision announced as yet.

The Board of S.S. No. 5 requested an advance of \$2,000 to proceed with its addition. This request was granted.

Cash Relief From October

amounted to \$717.77.

Ask For 30 Mile Limit

A delegation made up of the School Board and teacher of the Bloomington school waited on council to ask if a 30 mile speed limit could be established in that area. "The road undulates in front of the school and a child in the junior grades cannot see traffic approaching from either direction. Gravel trucks are constantly travelling this road at 50-60 miles an hour," said the school master. Road Supt. Davis who was present told council that a great many of the gravel trucks were in poor condition and that there were many bad accidents on this road. Councillor Graham remarked "This is a dangerous place and it is worth a try to get a 30 mile limit." "Stop signs are knocked down regularly," was another remark made by Mr. Davis. Mr. Crawford explained that the Highway Traffic Act states that for a 30 mile zone there must be one house on every 600 feet on both sides of the road. Thirty mile signs on the 9th concession will be requested, it was decided by council. Magistrate Hollinrake in the past has expressed concern at the number of accidents which entail court appearances from this Bloomington sideroad.

Appoint High School Trustees

Whitchurch Council recommended that the following gentlemen be appointed to the District High School Boards: Newmarket, Sutton, J. B. Burrows; Aurora, Dr. G. W. Williams; Stouffville, A. H. Williams. Appointments are for one year only. The tender of Delbert Baker for supplying treated sand for township roads was accepted. Price is \$2.10 per cubic yard, to contain 75 lbs. of salt per cubic yard.

The tender of K. J. Beamish for surfacing Musselman's Lake Road was accepted. Price is as follows for supplying and applying asphalt emulsion at \$26.7 per gal. \$1,736.84. To supply, haul and apply pea gravel at \$46.5 per ton, \$1,911. Eighty-one tons would cost a price of \$3,648.71.

Hall Not Self-supporting

Clifford Wallman and the Community Board waited on Council to discuss the cost of operating the Community Hall at Vandorf. "It is not self-supporting," they stated. "We raised the rental to \$7.00 instead of \$5.00 and we are sorry we did so, may we rescind this motion? There is no money for repairs, the roof leaks and insulation is necessary. It is too bad to see the building deteriorate! Would council consider paying the hydro, license and insurance? These amount to less than \$100 per year," they stated. Councillors said they would give thought to the problems of the Community Centre Board. "Perhaps we could charge rental for the nomination meeting?" was one remark jokingly made by councillors.

No Complaints From Planned Areas

The court of revision reported to council that their work had been completed. They commended the assessor for a difficult job well done. Most appeals, they reported, were in school sections where school costs were high, this resulting in high taxes.

The Court of Revision recommended that council approach King Township council about annexing four houses on the east side of Yonge Street at Bond Lake, which due to the curve in the road are now in King township. All other property in the area is in Whitchurch and these four houses should also be included in the township for assessment purposes is about \$4,500. "Some form of measured assessment is necessary," stated Clifford Wallworth. Earle Toole stated that Whitchurch Council was wise in approaching the question of measured assessment with caution. "A lot of study is necessary," he said, as well as publicity. People should be informed as to the meaning of the term."

It was noted that no complaints were received from planned subdivisions. The complaints were received from older homes built before the days of planning boards," said Mr. Toole.

UXBRIDGE: The township Council of Revision heard only four appeals of assessment.

Sunday Afternoon

By Dr. Archer Wallace

WATER UNDER THE BRIDGE

Charles Dickens was once introduced to a man who said he could teach the novelist how to remember everything. Dickens replied, "That is grand advice; a system which would enable him to forget. Sometimes our greatest need is 'A good forgettery.'"

There is a sentence in the Book of Job (11:16) which is often quoted until it has become a proverb: "Thou shalt forget thy misery, and remember it as waters that pass away." That is grand advice; they could take it.

The folly and uselessness of worry is obvious, yet in this age of higher education and, in the main, good living standards, it seems more prevalent than ever. Henry Ward Beecher compared worry to rust on machinery, and rust is not a harmless thing; it can cause friction and inefficiency. Worry is a dangerous mood, and the chief cause of nervous disorders.

Several years ago a man lost his wife to whom he had been deeply attached. He brooded over it until his depression became a fixed habit. One day he told a friend that he often spent several hours a day reading and re-reading old letters he and his wife had written each other. Then the friend gave him some advice which greatly shocked him. He said: "I think you should take all those letters and destroy them!" For a while the bereaved man was hurt. He felt it would be almost sacrilegious to do such a thing. But the more he thought the matter over, the more he saw the wisdom of the advice, and he did as his friend suggested. It was the beginning of better days; the clouds lifted and he regained peace of mind.

Not long ago a dear old lady asked me to visit her on her 90th birthday. I was glad to do so and was delighted with her wholesome attitude. She was not living in the past, but in the present, and with a thoroughly optimistic view of the future. Then I told her of a book by an English author which contains this illustration. He said there are two twilights in every day. We talk mostly of the twilight of the evening, when darkness comes slowly and deepens into night. But there is the twilight of morning when every wave of light is just a little lighter than its predecessor until the full day comes. We are living, he said, in the twilight of the dawn, and as Browning wrote:

The best is yet to be.
My old friend was pleased with this idea; it expressed her own attitude, which is so thoroughly Christian. The Apostle Paul was near the end of life when he wrote to the Philippians and said: "This one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind . . . I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Paul knew that there were ugly things in his past, unfortunate and regrettable things, but for him they were as water that had gone under the bridge — gone and irrevocable. We are drawing towards the close of another year. A good car driver does not look back over his shoulder at the road behind; he looks ahead, and that is a wholesome lesson for all of us.

Our quotation today is by Dr. Sherwood Eddy: "As I survey my life and that of others, I know that most suffering is man-made."

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