

School Area Inaugural



Meeting in the Board room at the Thornhill Public School are the trustees and administrative staff of T.S.A. No. 1 Markham and Vaughan who are shown at the inaugural meeting of the Board held last week.

Coach Driver, 60 Saves 33 In Icy 600 Ft. Hill Skid

John Cooper, 60-year-old Gray Coach driver, fought his loaded bus 600 feet down an icy hill north of Richmond Hill Sunday night, and is credited by police with saving the lives of his 33 passengers.

Jan. Meeting Markham Prop. Owners

At Cherry Hill Farm, on the evening of January 18, the Markham Township Property Owners Assn. is holding the first meeting of the year.

V. McMullen Chairman '55 High School Board

At the 1955 inaugural meeting of the Richmond Hill District High School Board last Monday evening, Victor P. McMullen was chosen as chairman for the year.

Two new members of the Board are Robert Edean, second representative from Richmond Hill, and Dr. Philip Macfarlane of Maple, who was appointed by Vaughan Township to replace retiring trustee Roy Blake.

The following committees were formed at this meeting: Personnel: V. McMullen, chairman, H. Sayers, M. Kinnee, R. Tamblin, H. Charles, W. Dean, P. Macfarlane; Property: H. Charles (ch.), M. Kinnee, H. Sayers, R. Edean; Transportation: H. Collard (ch.), J. Maw, P. Macfarlane, Budget: M. Kinnee (ch.), H. Charles, R. Watson, W. Dean, H. Sayers, R. Tamblin, R. Edean; Building: W. Dean (ch.), M. Kinnee, R. Tamblin, P. Macfarlane, H. Sayers.

The Board unanimously supported the formation of an Area Planning Committee to consider grouping of population, etc., with regards to the locations of new schools. The committee will meet with Planning Boards, School Inspectors and municipal councils to acquire an accurate picture of population growth and will be a subsidiary of the Building Committee.

Reporting for the Building Committee, Trustee Dean said that he was confident that the deeds for the school site and road allowance for the Thornhill School will be forthcoming within the next ten days.

Trustee Robert Tamblin told the Board that he had received inquiries regarding the possible changing of shifts for next year. Trustee Tamblin said that many parents felt that there was a decided advantage to the group who attended morning classes and he added that several residents in Thornhill in addition to members of the School Area No. 1 Board had expressed the feeling that it would only be fair to change about next year.

New 30 Home Subdivision Planned For Bogartown

Representative of a city real estate firm appeared before the Whitchurch Township Council at its inaugural meeting on Saturday and outlined plans for a new 30-home subdivision for the former Beckett farm near the Bogartown corner on the 4th con. north. Last year the Russian Orthodox Church made application to establish a cemetery in the same area but council turned down the proposal as it was feared the cemetery might become a charge on the municipality in later years.



STEWART RUMBLE Mr. Stewart Rumble, prominent Headford farmer, has been appointed to the Richmond Hill District High School Board by Markham township council.

Lois Perkins To Compete At County Oratorical Miss Lois Perkins, grade 7 student at Richmond Hill Public School topped other contestants last Monday for the privilege of competing in the York County Public Speaking Contest on January 18. Students from all over the county will be present at the county offices for the final competition.

Markham Twp. Complete Planning Board Appointments

Dr. D. Tanner, chairman of the Markham township Planning Board has been re-appointed to another one-year term as a member of the municipality's Planning Board. At Monday's meeting of the council the members completed their appointments to the 1955 Planning Board. Immediate action was required as the village of Markham is anxious to enter into further discussions with the township regarding the village's proposed plan to annex 2500 acres of land.

Jersey Club Meets Jan. 18

The York County Jersey Club will hold its annual meeting on Tuesday, January 18, at the Department of Agriculture, Newmarket, commencing at 10.30 a.m. with the business meeting. Special speaker for the day will be Mr. Carl Boynton, Woodbridge, President of the Ontario Junior Farmers' Association and Canadian representative to the United Nations World Youth Conference at Singapore last year.

Markham Wants Meeting With High School Board To Discuss Entrance Into Site

Expressing concern with the Richmond Hill District High School Board's difficulty in securing an entrance into the site for the new Thornhill High School Markham township Council has requested a meeting with the Board. The members hope to meet the Trustees Friday at which time they will discuss the whole problem of a site and an entrance to the Board.

Absence Of Crime Noted In 1877 Cobourg Sentinel

Renovation work on the former residence of the late Jerry Smith on Yonge Street, Richmond Hill, has brought to light a copy of the Cobourg Sentinel, dated May 26, 1877. The paper was found by local heating contractor Richard C. Bostock, who was working in the basement of the building at the time.

The paper carries a survey of the week's affairs, both local and world and while a number of items, particularly those dealing with prices and customs of the day seem out of line with today's affairs, it is interesting to note a similarity between general events then and now. A quick glance at the mode of transportation shows that several ferry boat lines were running at the time such as the following item:

Crop-Soil Improvement Meeting Corn Crop Too Valuable To Put In Silo Says Prof. Steckley

Speaking to almost 400 farmers at the annual meeting of the York County Soil & Crop Improvement Association in the Newmarket Town Hall last week, Prof. J. C. Steckley, director of the Ridgeway Experimental Farm and Agricultural School stated that corn is too valuable a crop to put into the silo. Pointing out its potential as a grain crop, he gave many interesting suggestions based on his observations in Western Ontario where corn is an important crop. "We have not yet found a strain or variety of corn that is suitable for both grain and corn," he stated. Prof. Steckley, a native of Whitchurch, served as York County's first Agricultural Representative from 1911 to 1922 when he joined the staff of the O.A.C.

Set Euchre Date

Richmond Hill Volunteer Firemen held their monthly meeting Tuesday night at the Fire Hall and set the date for their annual bridge and euchre.

High School Break-In

Richmond Hill District High School was broken into over the week-end when approximately \$70. was stolen from the office. The theft was reported to Richmond Hill police Sunday morning by George Taylor, a caretaker at the school.

Whitchurch Tp. Issues \$35,000 Debentures For New School

Whitchurch Township Council meeting in its inaugural session on Saturday afternoon instructed Clerk Jack Crawford to prepare a by-law for the issuing of \$35,000 debentures for Whitchurch-East Gwillimbury Union School where a new building is required. The new structure would contain two classrooms.

Coming Events

- EVERY MONDAY - Bingo \$200 packpot, at Community Hall, Spruce Ave., 22A Yonge St., Richvale, 8.15 p.m. c1w29
EVERY THURSDAY - Bingo, sponsored by L.O.L. 2368 in the Orange Hall, Richmond Hill at 8 p.m. sharp. Lucky draw night. tfc 2
JANUARY 15 - Saturday, Skate exchange, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Scout Hall, next to the arena, in the park, sponsored by the Mothers' Auxiliary to Scouts and Cubs, Richmond Hill. c1w29
JANUARY 15 - Saturday, St. John's Bingo, Newmarket Town Hall. Jackpot \$225.00 8 p.m. Admission 25c. c1w29
JANUARY 18 - Tuesday, 8 p.m., Mrs. Velma B. Boucher of Kingston, Garden Consultant to Canadian Homes and Gardens, will address the Thornhill and District Horticultural Society in the Thornhill United Church Hall, subject, 'All Around My Garden.' Everyone welcome. c1w29
JANUARY 20 - Thursday, 8 p.m. at Charles Howitt School, Thornhill District Association for Retarded Children invites anyone interested to attend this meeting. Guest speaker Dr. H. E. Amos, D. Paed., Advisor to Dept. of Education on Retarded Children. c1w29
JANUARY 21 - Friday, At Vellore Memorial Hall, 73rd Annual Euchre and Dance sponsored by Vellore Old Boys. Music provided by Sally Lloyd and her Orchestra. 8.30 p.m. Admission \$1. Lunch provided. *1w29
JANUARY 25 - Tuesday, A Burns Concert will be held at Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church. c2w28
FEBRUARY 4 & 5 - The Curbitan Club's opening play "Rebecca". Don't miss this, anyone. At the Lions' Hall, Richmond Hill. Tickets \$1.00. Phone TU. 4-1889 or contact any member. *1w29