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Rev. F. X. O'Reilly Addresses St. Mary's Church Credit Union

The third Annual meeting of St. Mary's (Richmond Hill) Credit Union Limited was held in the Separate School on Monday evening, January 17, 1955. The meeting, under the chairmanship of President John R. Benson, heard the reports of the Board of Directors, the Treasurer and the Credit and Supervisory Committees, all of which reflected the steady, healthy growth the Credit Union has enjoyed since its incorporation. Present assets are slightly in excess of \$3,000.00 most of which is invested in loans to members and the Credit Union ended the year with an operational profit of \$195.00. The members voted in favour of a dividend of 3% payable to shareholders of record at December 31, 1954 and a rebate of 10% of the interest paid by members who used the loan facilities of the Credit Union during the year.

Change Business Hours
 The members of St. Mary's Credit Union voted to change their hours of business and henceforth, the Credit Union will be open for business on Monday evenings, from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. in St. Mary's Parish Hall. Membership in the Credit Union under the terms of the charter granted by the Government of Ontario is open to anyone residing within a radius of five miles of the Richmond Hill Post Office.

Guest Speaker
 Guest speaker of the evening was Rev. F. X. O'Reilly, of St. James Parish, Colgan, Ontario, who, in a friendly, informal talk, told the story of the formation and growth of the Credit Union of Colgan. Father O'Reilly amazed even the most ardent Credit Union enthusiasts as he told the story of the Credit Union, in the short space of seven years, rehabilitated an entire farming community, which had suffered badly in the depression years, established many of its members in thriving businesses and, at the present time has over 400 members and \$350,000 in assets. Refreshments were served by the ladies of the Parish.

Officers for 1955 are: President, John F. Taylor; Vice-president, M. Rawlinson; Secretary, Mrs. P. Fitzpatrick; Treasurer, Mrs. W. Leonard; Assistant Treasurer, Gerrard Kok.

1850-1954

History Of York Twp. Marks End Of Association With County

"York Township, An Historical Summary 1850-1954," published by the Council and Board of Education is an attractive volume of over 130 pages and profusely illustrated. Distributed in the schools and public libraries in the township, it has been published to mark the end of York Township's association with York County in 1953 and its becoming an area municipality in 1954 of Metropolitan Toronto. Copies of the book have been sent also to the leading libraries in York County and the Toronto metropolitan area. How York Township which surrounded Toronto became a string of urban municipalities on the city's border and were straggling the city's growth, due to the latter's "Chinese wall" policy, is traced in this historical summary. The refusal of Toronto to

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Conservation Group Considers Rebuilding Of Former Mill Dams

At a recent meeting of the Rouge, Don, Humber, Peltic Conservation Authority, the members discussed at some length the advisability of building several small dams in addition to repairing and rebuilding a number of former mill dams in

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the watershed as a method of flood control.

Mr. Crown of the Department of Planning and Development pointed out that there used to be numerous mill dams on the streams which aided in holding back flood waters. "Few of these dams now exist, he said, adding, "It would be an advantage to rebuild or replace some of these dams as an aid in maintaining summer stream flow, and assisting in flood control." It was decided to include in the 1955 budget an amount of \$2,500.00 for the Authority's share of engineering costs up to the point of calling for tenders for small dams.

Engage Engineer
 The Authority decided to engage an engineer to advise on the design and layouts of farm ponds. A subsidy towards the cost of farm ponds up to \$75 was also authorized. The subsidy will be paid to the landowner upon successful completion of the pond.

The chairman of the Forestry Advisory Board was authorized to purchase a tree planting machine for the '55 season. The planter will be available for rent for private tree planting in the watershed.

Due to the fact that the 1954 executive had been in office only since the Authority was formed last April, the members authorized the present officers to continue for 1955. They are as follows: Chairman C. R. Purcell; vice-chairman, Edward Logan; secretary Earl Graham; treasurer T. J. Wignall.
Budget \$9,000
 The 1955 budget was set at \$9,000, \$5,750 of which will be the Authority's share, to be raised by the member municipalities.

STOUFFVILLE: After several days' work a bad leak in the village water system has been repaired. It is estimated that the break in the main was losing 2,000 gallons an hour.

WOODBRIDGE: A signal honor has been accorded Clan Gordon here in that Past Chief R. G. Henderson has been appointed Deputy Royal Chief for Toronto and District.

Police Work Rewarding Career Says Rotary Guest Speaker

At its weekly meeting on January 24, the club had as its principal guest Inspector Lawson Mumberson, who has spent 30 years in the Toronto Police, over 20 of them in the Criminal Investigation Department, and the last four in charge of the 11th District, and, who gave a most interesting address on his experience.

Law Abiding Toronto
 Toronto is one of the most law-abiding cities of its size in North America, but it has a share in all the manifold varieties of crime, and as the city increases in size and becomes a larger centre for all the unsettled persons of the province, the work of the police grows in volume and variety. We hear much of the international ramifications of crime, but less publicity has been given to the very close liaison between national police authorities, and even the scientific criminal is finding the going rough, as police technique and police laboratories have developed fast.

Challenging Aspect
 One challenging aspect of police work is the fact that you meet people who are always in trouble, whether they are the criminals, their victims, or just the many ordinary citizens involved in accident or misfortune. Another challenge is the fact that petty crime is made easy by the carelessness of the law-abiding, and it is undetected successful petty thieving which leads to the committing of major offences. Gambling and drug trafficking are the only spheres where there is organization of crime, and these show also the worst record of violence.

Crime does not pay, not only because of the detection and retribution, but also due to the flaw in character which makes most criminals waste the proceeds of their offences, and so drive themselves on to further appear to rely mainly on the police organization, but Inspector crime. Law enforcement may Mumberson stressed the still greater importance of an alert and co-operative citizenry, a factor which has had much to do with Toronto's excellent record.

Rewarding Career
 Police service is a rewarding and interesting career: the R.C. M.P. has lowered its entry age to 18, though most local forces require an age of 21, but Toronto takes a small number of police cadets at 17 years old. Conditions of service are arduous at times in any career where the job must go through, but this is made up for by good wages and excellent by good wages and excellent sickness and retirement pension on a wide basis, involving a thorough knowledge of the locality, the criminal code, the local by-

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