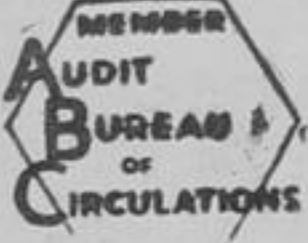




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## Arena Opening

Next Saturday, March 19th, the date of the official opening of the Richmond Hill Arena, now equipped with artificial ice, will be a red-letter day in the history of the community. It will mark an important forward step in the progress of this growing community.

Some thirty years ago the present arena was built by the Municipality of Richmond Hill because the people of the then small village, believed that good healthful recreation was an important factor in community life. The arena built in 1922 at a cost of \$12,000 symbolized the determination of the people of the village to provide the best in opportunities for its young people. Now thirty years later the public spirit and generosity of people of the district has equipped the arena with artificial ice, symbolizing the same determination to provide young people of the area

with the best in recreational opportunity. Artificial ice has long been a community dream. That it is now realized is due to the hard work and unflinching enthusiasm of a small group of public spirited citizens who over a year ago formed the Richmond Hill Arena Association. To them the community owes a debt of gratitude.

Sincere congratulations to Richmond Hill Arena Association and all the public spirited citizens whose generosity made possible the installation of artificial ice. We are sure the expenditure will prove a profitable and worthwhile investment in good citizenship and we trust that through the coming years the arena by providing facilities for healthful recreation, will contribute to the building of a better community.

## Red Cross Campaign

These days the average person is a little more careful about handing out money. He wants to know what he's getting in return. He wants to know how the money is being used. There's only one way of doing it — taking a look at the Red Cross Financial Campaign. You've been told that giving to Red Cross is like taking out life insurance. When there's trouble you're covered. And this is true . . . whatever the trouble . . . illness, disaster, personal tragedy . . . your Red Cross is there to give hope and help and healing. What does the Red Cross do? Lots of things . . . vital things — building a National Free Blood Transfusion Service for the benefit of all Canadians for example. Then too, the Red Cross works for the improvement of community health — teaches Home

Nursing, makes life more pleasant for hospitalized veterans and their dependents. Through continuous training in First Aid, accident prevention, and swimming — it encourages the best in our future citizens, through the Junior Red Cross and builds a network of goodwill from Canada to other countries through relief work. The Red Cross is a vital, active, alert part of all our lives — its services are there whenever needed, so it is just like taking out insurance. You give through your Red Cross for your own health and safety — and for that of your family.

The 1955 Campaign for funds opens March 1 — National objective, \$5,494,100; Ontario \$2,173,000. When the volunteer canvasser calls — Give Generously.

## Educational Panel

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arises and an allowance of 35 cents per pupil in each school budget is allocated. At present, a committee of Area Teachers is formulating a Physical Education Syllabus for 1955-56 and has been working on this since October of last year.

In regards to Art supervision, the Area Board employed the services of an Art Supervisor two years and when the supervisor retired, the Board attempted to find another Board which would share in the service and cost on the same basis as the Music Supervisor. Since the Board has been unable to do this, an Art Supervisor is not at present employed. The Board supplies paper, crayons, paint etc., in fact all materials for art and crafts instruction in the schools.

Richmond Hill Board employs a music teacher three and one-half days per week for 20 minutes periods which are followed by instruction by the teacher. Pertaining to physical training, it is restricted at present due to limited playground area, but instruction is given in the village park in baseball, and with the opening of the arena next week, hockey instruction and skating will be allowed six hours weekly. Approximately \$250 per year is spent on sports equipment.

Individual instruction by the teacher is given in art and all supplies requested are provided.

2 (a) What percentage of the total budget was spent on teachers' salaries in 1953 and 1954 (gross)?  
School Area — in 1953 40.4 per cent; 1954 45.0 per cent.

Richmond Hill — for the two years (combined figure) 67.05 per cent.

(b) What percentage of the total budget was spent on transportation in 1953 and 1954? What portion of this expenditure did each Board recover through the Department of Education grant (gross cost).

In 1953 the School Area Board spent 1.5 per cent on transportation, in 1954 3.2 per cent. Cost was raised in 1954 because up until that time the Board had used the High School buses. When the High School was put on the shift system these buses were no longer available.

In 1953 the Area Board recovered on salaries 49 per cent and on transportation 64 per cent; in 1954 45.7 and 59 per cent respectively.

Richmond Hill Board spent 7.8 per cent of total budget on transportation and recovered \$544.40 in grants.

7. There are only a limited number of good teachers, (grade B or better) graduated each year from Normal School. How do salary schedules in the areas represented compare with other school areas seeking good teachers?

This schedule was revised last month to be effective next September.

The Area Board advertised recently for teachers and to date have received 18 applications. The applicants are being interviewed by the Principal's Committee and so far two Grade A teachers from Teachers' College have been engaged.

Richmond Hill Board pointed out that its salary schedule is lower than the immediate areas and therefore is in competition with Boards in the district. The only way they could attract teachers, they said, was to effect a compromise. The Board has tried to limit normal school graduates and Grade A and B teachers are lost to them because of their lower salary schedule. The per cent of Grade A and B Normal School graduates numbers 5 per cent.

Kindergartens are not a compulsory part of the school system. How do the respective boards decide to include or not include kindergartens in schools?

The Area Board pointed out that due to the fact kindergartens are not a compulsory part of the school system, and the Area Board has only been able to provide accommodation for pupils who are compelled to attend the Area has no kindergartens in operation. At a future date, conditions, the Board said may enable the Board to include a kindergarten program in the schools.

A kindergarten is now operated at Richmond Hill School on the shift system, and will be continued in each of the schools when the two new ones are completed (Allencourt and Lucas).

How is recess supervision and noon-hour supervision handled in the schools?

All school supervision at the Area Schools is carried out in a co-operative way by members of the staff. To divide these responsibilities fairly, a duty roster of supervision is organized. The teachers are therefore on duty both at recess and before the morning and afternoon sessions as required by the School Act.

At one time the Area had some 600 pupils (about 50% remaining at school for lunch. Last school year ('53-'54) the Board requested parents to volunteer limit the number of pupils remaining for lunch. This request had little effect.

In September '54 the Board decided that except in special circumstances all pupils should have their lunch hour at home or at some other place arranged by their parents. During February of some 65 pupils were accommodated in all the seven Area Schools — and February is one of the worst weather months.

At Richmond Hill, the teachers assisted by the senior pupils supervise lunch hour periods. The Board pointed out, it was not a satisfactory arrangement for teachers and the Board favoured a free noon hour for the staff. Under existing conditions nothing could be done at the present.

## "Dear Mr. Editor"

Re: Shooting Trespassing Dogs  
Dear Mr. Editor: —

There seems to be a fairly general misapprehension, in this vicinity, regarding the circumstances under which it is permissible to shoot a trespassing dog.

I have recently had occasion to look up the laws regarding this situation, and since they are not at all as commonly believed, I feel that clarifying the law, right here, might save some of those people who are so anxious to solve their minor problems with a shotgun, much future legal difficulty.

There is a provincial law permitting the shooting of a dog — but only if all the following circumstances are true:

1. It must occur on land on which farm stock are commonly kept.
2. It must occur at night — "between sunset and sunrise".
3. The dog must be an habitual stray — not one that has escaped for a few minutes.
4. He must have done damage to the stock to an extent of \$50.00.

These circumstances are necessary even in the country or any area where shooting of any kind is permitted. If the circumstances are not true, the violator is leaving himself open to prosecution and suit for damages.

However, there is also a by-law in Markham Township, No. 1369, passed April 28, 1952, which prohibits the use of firearms for any purpose in specified areas of the township. One of these areas is the territory between Yonge Street and Bayview Avenue from lot No. 26 to No. 60 inclusive in concession 1.

A penalty, of course, is provided for breaking this law and the offender can also be sued for damages which may result from his breaking it. These damages, especially in the case of a pure-bred dog could amount to a great deal of money. Therefore, to save himself from much time in court, legal fees and damage costs, as well as saving the owner of the dog the heartbreak of losing a beloved pet, it would be wise for those who are "trigger-happy" to make themselves quite familiar with the law.

In spite of the best fences in the world and the utmost care, some careless employee or casual stranger may leave a gate open and a dog get out for a few minutes. But owners of pure-bred dogs — and most certainly breeders — are responsible people, prepared to pay for any damage which might result. Certainly, the courteous thing would be to give them an opportunity rather than run for a shotgun at the first sight of a dog enjoying a frolic in an open field.

Very sincerely yours,  
Alma Hoopringarner,  
18A Yonge St.,  
Thornhill

## "Let's Make Tea Biscuits"



Shown above are two leaders of the Buttonville 4-H Homemaking Club at the York County Achievement Day held last Saturday in Newmarket.

(Left to right) Misses Cora Brodie and Jean Brumwell demonstrate the art of making different kinds of tea biscuits. The girls were allowed ten minutes to complete their demonstration.

Representatives from 4-H Homemaking Clubs throughout the county attended this district rally.

## Want Gradual Development

## Agrees In Principle To Satellite Village

Although agreeing in principle with the plan of a new satellite village to be erected adjacent to the present village of Unionville, Markham township Council and Planning Board have refused to allow the whole development to begin at once.

At a joint meeting of municipal officials and representatives of the development company held last week the municipality did offer to incorporate the plan of the satellite village into the official plan of the township, and also permit present development on a limited basis. Mr. Sam Seibewas, the developer, and Dr. Alfred Bernhart, consulting engineer, who both attended the meeting are to let the Planning Board know if such a plan of stage development is acceptable to them.

The plan has already received favourable comment from the Metropolitan Planning Board. Start in South-West Corner

In rendering their decision Council and Planning Board both agreed that any major development in the municipality should start in the south-west corner of the township. It was felt that it would not be feasible to develop both the south-west corner and the Unionville area simultaneously.

The Unionville village Trustees, after studying the proposal have signified they don't want any urban development at this time. General opinion was that the majority of the Unionville residents don't favour the implementation of the plan at present. Reeve Alfred LeMasurier stated it is an excellent plan. However he felt that it is too ambitious an undertaking at this time. Self-contained Village

This Unionville scheme has been under deliberation for some time now. The development which will be a completely self-contained village, featuring its own schools, churches, stores, and recreation facilities, will ultimately contain over 1,000 homes. The subdivider will supply water, sewers, and all the roads. If desired he will also supply the present village of Unionville with sewers and water.

The initial development will begin with the 120 acre former Sellers farm, located just west of Unionville. This first farm will contain 270 modern homes all architecturally designed.

Planning Board chairman, C. J. Laurin, chaired the meeting.

## May Have Health Nurse 2 Half Days

It is expected that for the beginning of next year the York County Health Unit will be providing a health inspection service at the Richmond Hill District High School. In a letter read to the High School Board last Monday evening, Dr. Robert M. King recommended that two half days be given to the school each week. Principal A. S. Elson told the Board that the Health Unit planned to submit a proposal for details of a health service to the School Board within the next month.

The inspector's report on the school, presented to the Board was quite favourable and recommended where possible the reduction of very small classes. Mr. Elson advised the Board that he was receiving replies to the advertisement placed for six new teachers. Four of these teachers will be additions to the staff while two will be replacements.

The Board accepted the resignation of Miss Mary Millard from the teaching staff.

SCARBORO: The Scarborough Schol Board feels there is a chance for reduced school tax rates this year.

AGINCOURT: The newly organized Kiwanis Club here has received its charter.

## Car Sideswiped

Jack Caldwell, manager of the Richmond Bowl, Cec. Tuck and Paul Baker, were involved in a car accident last Saturday afternoon at Green River while returning from a day's skiing at Cobourg. All three received minor injuries.

Caldwell's car was sideswiped by another vehicle attempting to pull out of a line of traffic. Damage to Caldwell's car amounted to approximately \$300.

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