

News From Next Door

WHITCHURCH: A recent fire on the farm of Arthur Paisley, believed caused by lightning, destroyed two cars, two tractors and a quantity of seed grain.

STOUFFVILLE: A 53-lot subdivision is being planned for the east end of the town on the property of Cedric Watson.

SCARBORO: A new \$50,000,000 community covering 500 acres, surrounding the famous Guild of All Arts is planned for development this summer. The development will be called Guildwood Village will eventually house 6000 to 7000 people.

SUTTON: The Curling Club is going ahead with plans to install artificial ice in the Curling Arena.

AURORA: Council has approved a \$30,000 remodelling plan for the town offices.

AURORA: The 1955 tax rate will be 42 mills. As a result of last year's re-assessment, some tax bills will be lower this year.

AURORA: Council recently voted 3-5 to support York County in pressing for relief under the "undue burden" clause of Bill 80. Reeve D. J. Murray, Deputy Vice Mayor and Councillor Wm. Davidson voted against the motion claiming that the County tax jump from \$11,000 to nearly \$33,000 was not an undue burden.

2nd Polio Shots Start May 10

Following Dr. Salk's TV presentation April 12, new instructions have been issued by the government which postponed the second treatment of polio vaccination from the period April 18-21 to May 10-13. Second treatments will be given during May 10-13 to those Grade 1 and II pupils who received the first treatment at school April 4-7, and also first treatments will be given to all Grade III pupils who have signed request forms. The second treatment for Grade III pupils will be given June 7-10.

Third doses will not be given until about seven months have elapsed as it was demonstrated by Dr. Salk that the best immunity is achieved by spacing the initial doses four or five weeks, then seven months. It is quite in order to have children receive their treatments or their booster doses for Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus while receiving the polio vaccination.

It is not known at present when the polio vaccine will be available for children in other age groups.

Coming Events

EVERY MONDAY - Bingo held at Community Hall, Spruce Ave. Stop 22A Yonge St., Richvale, at 8.15 p.m.

EVERY TUESDAY - Euchre in the Legion Hall, Carville Road West, Richvale, at 8 p.m. Admission 35c.

EVERY THURSDAY - Bingo, sponsored by L.O.L. 2368 in the Orange Hall, Richmond Hill at 8 p.m. sharp. Lucky draw night.

APRIL 29 - Friday, 8.30 p.m. Richmond Hill District High School Music Festival, featuring the choir and orchestra. Admission 75c. General 50c.

APRIL 29 - Friday, Unionville Junior Farmers' Spring Dance, in Buttonville Hall. Admission 75c. Dancing 9-1. Everyone welcome.

APRIL 29 - Friday, Dance Recital by the pupils of the Thornhill School of Dancing at Maple Community Hall, Maple, at 8.15 p.m. Adults 50c, children 35c. Tickets may be obtained at the door.

APRIL 29 - Friday, 8.30 p.m. You are welcome to dance to the Manhattans at Buttonville Hall under sponsorship of Junior Farmers.

APRIL 29 - 8.30 p.m. Benefit Euchre and Bridge at the Lions Community Hall. Music by East Elmwood Ratepayers Assoc. Admission 50c. Prizes and refreshments.

APRIL 29 - Friday, Final euchre and dance at Bryson's School, S. S. No. 10, euchre at 8.30 sharp. Added attraction, two singers from Thornhill Jamboree. 35 cents each, ladies please bring lunch. Silver collection for dance and program.

APRIL 29 - Friday, Richmond Hill Tennis Club Reorganization Meeting at St. Mary's Anglican Church (in the basement) at 7.30 p.m. All interested in playing tennis are welcome.

APRIL 30 - Saturday 8.15 p.m. The Catholic Women's League Spring Bridge and Euchre, St. Luke's Parish Hall, Thornhill. Bring cards. Tickets 50c. Refreshments and prizes.

APRIL 30 - Saturday, 2.30 p.m. Spring Bazaar, Trinity Church, Thornhill, under auspices of Thornhill and District Association for Retarded Child-

To Serve Wide Area

New 150 Bed Hospital To Locate In Thornhill

A new two-million dollar 150-bed community hospital to be known as Yorkminster Hospital is planned for a 14-acre site at the corner of John Street and Bayview Avenue in Thornhill. Dr. K. Shoultice of Shoultice Surgery has donated the land for use by the hospital.

The hospital will serve a wide area extending from North Toronto through the townships of North York, Markham and Vaughan and including the village of Richmond Hill. The proposed hospital is under the sponsorship of a group of doctors residing in the area and several district service clubs. The whole project has been under discussion for a number of years.

A temporary 12-member Board of Directors has already been established composed of doctors and laymen. Dr. H. Gibson Hall, a resident of Bayview Ave., is Chairman of the Board, and Dr. D. M. Karr, a North Toronto physician is Secretary.

The Board has secured a Provincial charter and will now proceed along definite lines. As to finances the Board is eligible for both Federal and Provincial government grants. The difference necessary to erect the hospital will be raised by public subscription. Indications are a financial campaign will be under way by this fall, which will give everyone an opportunity to participate in this worthwhile project.

The hospital will fill a very definite need for all those people residing in the overall area.

Let Bridge Tender

Vaughan Reeve Clears Air Regarding Police Charges

In a statement to "The Liberal," at the meeting of Vaughan Township Council last Monday, Reeve Marshall McMurphy cleared-up a number of rumours regarding changes in the Township Police Department. Referring to newscasts and reports in Toronto dailies over the weekend, Mr. McMurphy said that residents of Vaughan Township had been given an incorrect perspective on the whole matter.

"In this rapidly expanding municipality, it is necessary that our Police force should expand correspondingly," said Mr. McMurphy, continuing. "Earlier,

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ren. Home Baking, special Mother's Day items, fish pond and various attractions. Afternoon tea. Everyone welcome.

APRIL 30 - Saturday, St. John's Bingo Newmarket Town Hall, 8 p.m. Jackpot \$125.00.

MAY 2 - Monday, Meeting of Markham Township Council at the Municipal Offices, Buttonville, at 1.30 p.m.

MAY 2 - Monday, Meeting of Richmond Hill Council at 7 p.m. at the municipal offices. Delegations wishing to appear are requested to do so at the second meeting of the month and to notify the clerk three days in advance.

MAY 2 - The regular monthly meeting of the Evening W.A. of Richmond Hill United Church will be held May 2 at 8 p.m. in the Sunday School room. Miss Jane Little of Canadian Homes & Gardens will be the guest speaker.

MAY 3 - Oak Ridges Community Bingo, 8.30 p.m. Oak Ridges Public School. Jackpot \$85. Share the Wealth. 15 games for 35c.

MAY 6 - Friday, The Fellowship Group of Carville United Church Amateur Show at 8 p.m. Entries will be welcomed. Silver collection. Group L-Z provide lunch.

MAY 7 - Anyone wishing to make donations for the Ladies' Auxiliary Legion Branch 375 Rummage sale, please call TU. 4-2547 or TU. 4-1968. Parcels will be picked up.

MAY 7 - Saturday, Rummage sale at Legion Hall, Carville Road West, also home-made articles, sponsored by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Canadian Legion No. 375, at 2 p.m.

MAY 13 - Friday, Richvale Home and School Association Euchre and Draw at Richvale School at 8 p.m. Good prizes. Admission 50c.

MAY 15 - Sunday, Richmond Hill United Church Anniversary Services at 11 a.m., Dr. Harold Young, 7 p.m. Rev. C. G. Higginson.

MAY 23 - Monday, Victoria Day, Richmond Hill Annual Spring Fair. Horse Show and many featured attractions. Dance in Arena at night.

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Award \$113,462 Contract Public School

The Richmond Hill Public School Board at a special meeting held Monday evening awarded the contract for the erection of their new 10-room school to be located in the Allencourt Subdivision to the Town & Country Construction Company, Brampton, at a price of \$113,462.00. Town & Country's price was the lowest of 10 bids received. Prices ranged from a low of \$113,462. to a high of \$156,134.00.

The successful bidder has signified that he will have the school completed and ready for occupancy by this September.

The Trustees have confirmed the appointment of Assistant Principals for their three schools. Mr. James Orser will serve as Assistant under Principal Grant Nighwander at the Yonge Street School. Mr. Earl Orser will assist Principal Walter Scott at the MacKillop School, while Mrs. Jean McWhirter will be assistant principal under Principal N. Davidson at the new school to be erected in the Allencourt subdivision.

Pipe Line Topic Property Owners

An important meeting of Markham Township Property Owners Association will be held on May 3rd, 8 p.m. at Cherry Hill Farm on No. 7 Highway. This is the annual meeting of the association and calls for the election of officers for 1955-6.

The special speakers will be members of the engineering firm constructing the Trans-Canada Pipe Line for the conveyance of natural gas from Alberta to Eastern points. It is understood that the pipe line will enter Markham Township at Yonge Street just below the observatory. It will traverse the Township of Markham and of course Pickering and other townships as well. Many farmers and landowners in this area will be affected.

Speakers will explain with the aid of moving pictures how the line is constructed. They will also outline the terms of the charter under which they operate, how the value of land near the right-of-way is determined. There is much speculation and uncertainty about this feature of the undertaking and it is expected that speakers will be asked many pertinent questions on this point.

This pipe line is another phase of the development and growth of the Township. These changes are going to affect both the way of life and the pocket books of Citizens generally. So they should be discussed and understood. This meeting should be well attended by members and friends.

Vaughan Police Salary Schedule

Vaughan Township Council has adopted a new wage schedule for the township police force to become effective on June 1. Under the new schedule which extended a \$500 across-the-board increase, a deputy chief will receive \$3700, first class constables \$3600, second class constables \$3500, and third class constables \$3400.

Duty-Reeve Albert Rutherford is chairman of the Police Committee.

Development Policy Pays Off

Richmond Hill Taxpayers May Get Tax Reduction

Peel Festival Winners

Bob and Gary Skippon, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Skippon, Yongehurst Rd., were winners last Saturday at the Peel Festival.

Bob won a first in Creative Dramatics, under nine years, and Gary tied for first in Recitation, under 13 years. In Creative Dramatics, under 13 years, Gary placed second.

New Help For Waterworks Dept.

On the recommendation of Councillor Floyd Perkins, chairman of the Waterworks Committee, Richmond Hill council Monday night engaged Chester Wilson, age 28, of Kettleby, as assistant maintenance man. Mr. Wilson has had some experience in waterworks installations and was highly recommended. His salary was fixed at \$48. weekly.

Debtenture For Roads - Bridges

Vaughan Holds Mill Rate Down To 18 Despite Much Heavy Hurricane Damage

With several hundred thousands of dollars damage to township roads and bridges caused by last fall's hurricane, Vaughan Township Council was this year faced with a difficult problem of maintaining a steady mill rate. This year, ratepayers will be called upon to pay a township tax rate of 18 mills to raise \$132,500, compared with last year's rate of 17 mills to raise \$106,772. By stepping up the rate by one mill on the new assessment, an additional \$26,000 will be realized.

In addition to the gigantic problem of restoring township roads and bridges, Council had to pick up the bulk of a \$22,117.60 deficit from last year. An increased expenditure for roads accounted for approximately \$11,000 of this figure plus \$3,000 for the river diversion at Pine Grove and another \$3,000 for police services and equipment used during the hurricane. The hurricane accounted for over \$17,000 of the deficit. The balance was contained in unbudgeted expenditures totalling \$5,000.

A breakdown of the various departments with comparative actual figures for 1954 are as follows: Income, Licenses and Permits (\$5) 20,230 (54) 490.45, Grants and Subsidies (\$5) 37,930 (54) 31,133.04, Refund on School audit (\$5) 500 (54) 500; Sundry Income (\$5) 4,040 (54) 7,456; Fines (\$5) 6,000 (54) 3,099; Penalties and Interest (\$5) 3,000 (54) 2,596; Expenditures, Salaries Admins. (\$5) 38,115 (54) 32,746. An across the board increase for office staff: Council (\$5) 4,182 (54) 6,000; Administration (\$5) 25,400 (54) 22,754; Fire protection, (\$5) 11,180 (54) 9,322. (It is interesting to note that during Easter weekend, Richmond Hill brigade attended 9 grass fires in Vaughan Township at a cost of \$450); Hospitalization and Welfare (\$5) 2,800 (54) 2,771; Police protection (\$5) 35,522 (54) 23,562 (increase in police salaries plus allowance for anticipated hiring of three additional policemen); Welfare (\$5) 18,700 (54) 17,523.

Two police cruisers being tendered for will be paid for from the capital fund, which fund is raised from the \$300 per lot subdivision fee.

CNIB To Canvass Village Next Monday & Tuesday

Over the past 35 years, The Canadian National Institute for the Blind, which will hold its annual drive for funds in Richmond Hill next Monday and Tuesday, has developed a far-reaching service program for blind people that was, until recent years, unique.

Today it no longer is unique, for many other countries have begun to develop their work for blind people on the pattern established by The Canadian National Institute for the Blind. It began shortly after the 2nd World War, when officials from Trinidad approached the Institute for help. Colonel E. A. Baker, Managing Director of The Canadian National Institute for the Blind, first went to Trinidad to make a preliminary survey. Later, D. B. Lawley, now Acting Superintendent of the Ontario Division, spent two years in Trinidad, establishing and implementing a program there. At present, A. N. McGill, Superintendent of the Ontario Division of the C.N.I.B. is in Egypt for a

School Area Board Custodians Given Increase In Salaries

The Board of T.S.A. No. 1 Markham and Vaughan recommended Tuesday night that the custodian staff be given an across-the-board increase which amounts to a \$100 jump in both the minimum and maximum salaries.

The minimum starting salary was increased from \$2500 to \$2600, and the maximum from \$3200 to \$3300. Inspector Maynard Hallman reported at the meeting he had received official word from the Department of Education to the effect that a Separate School was being planned for Thornhill area. Inspector Hallman estimated the new school would reduce the present school population by 60.

Richmond Hill Public School Board met with the Area Board Tuesday night and discussed general administration of their schools. Music, Art, and Maintenance Supervisors were discussed as well as P.T., Home Economics and Manual Training instructors.

Jackpot Winner

Richmond Hill Lions reported that \$1600, has been given away in prize money to date at their weekly bingo held every Monday at the Lions Hall.

Monday night's winner of the \$375 jackpot was Mrs. Roy Lund, R. R. 1 Richmond Hill, who won the Jackpot after 56 numbers were called.

Winner of the preliminary draw on the ear held the same night was Mrs. Geo. Brown, King, who won the \$100. prize.

Municipal Affairs Clean-Up Needed: Dep-Reeve -County System Obsolete

Richmond Hill Village, one of Canada's fastest growing municipalities, is likely to have a tax reduction in 1955. A special meeting of the Municipal Council this week with the village auditor gave several hours consideration to the yearly estimates, and while the 1955 rate was not definitely fixed, tentative estimates of receipts and expenditures indicated the possibility of at least a small reduction from last year. Last year the tax rate was 79 mills.

Estimated expenditure this year will hit a record all time high with increased demands for both Public and Secondary education and large appropriations for extensions of services. The rapid growth of the village has meant increased administration costs in all departments and large outlays will be made for extension to the sewage disposal plant and water and sewer installations.

At the beginning of the year council members felt if they could hold the tax rate line they would be doing well. Now that it seems possible to accomplish a tax reduction in the face of such a large expansion program council members Monday night expressed considerable satisfaction.

"A tax cut this year will certainly justify council policy on new development," said Deputy-Reeve Ken W. Tomlin, who presided at Monday night's meeting. He pointed out that while a large expansion program council members Monday night expressed considerable satisfaction.

Council has budgeted \$120,000 for roads in 1955 the same as was budgeted for in 1954. This figure is for actual maintenance, however in 1954, the actual spend to the hurricane was \$157,943.

Under capital expenditures, Council is planning two large projects which will likely be debtentured for. It will cost an estimated \$200,000 for construction of seven large bridges. Department subsidies of 80% on bridges and 50% on approaches will mean \$150,000 subsidy leaving the township a balance of \$50,000. It is anticipated that the Department of Highways and the Ontario Municipal Board will sanction this expenditure by payment of the balance of debtenture for the township's share. A plan to repair heavily travelled portions of road between No. 7 Highway and Steeles Avenue and several other portions of township roads will cost an estimated \$220,000. With Provincial approval, the township's share of \$104,000 of this figure would be deferred over 10 years. At an average 4% rate of interest, the township would pay \$18,986 annually.

This plan, if accepted by the Department of Highways and the Ontario Municipal Board will enable the municipality to retain a comparatively steady mill rate and at the same time cope with the heavy burden of road construction.

Sign O.P.P. Contract

Whitchurch Twp. Hires An Assistant Assessor

Following the receipt several weeks ago of applications for the position of assistant assessor in Whitchurch Township, council at a special meeting, engaged Eric Allen for the position at a salary of \$2,300. Mr. Allen is a resident of the 8th concession, and former Ringwood storekeeper.

The special meeting also dealt with a new salary schedule for office employees for 1955 and approved the following annual rates of pay. Clerk Jack Crawford will receive \$3,600; accountant Thos. Kerr \$2,750; L. J. Harper \$2,600; road supt. Davis \$3,100; assessor Fred Cummings \$3,100; constable Mulholland \$2,700 and auditor E. A. Smith, \$1,200.

Aurora Resolution

A resolution was received from the Aurora council requesting sanction by Whitchurch and on the matter was placed before council Thursday night in which the County Clerk stated that definite figures on the numbers of such children would have to be compiled before such a petition could be made to the Department of Education.

Confirmation was also received from the county office that hereafter the county will not subsidize the burial of indigent persons as had been done in the past to the amount of 50%.

What do we get for our County taxes? asked councillor Jones. "We actually as a municipality receive very little," said the Deputy-Reeve who went on to explain that following the passage of Bill 80 creating Metropolitan Toronto the County had applied for some consideration as a result of the resulting burden. The matter he said had been referred to the Ontario Municipal Board but long months have passed and still no action has been taken. The failure to give York County some consideration was sharply criticized by Deputy-Reeve Tomlin. "Everything has been done," he said to the detriment of the municipalities bordering on the Metropolitan area.

In calling for some action on (Continued on page 3)

BINGO - R. H. Lions Hall - Monday - MAY 2 - JACKPOT \$350 STARTING TIME - 8 P.M.