



Fred Wicks Jr. (left) of Stouffville is seen receiving congratulations from Austin McQuarrie (centre) and William McCarthy (right) both of Shelburne, on his recent appointment as secretary of the York County Federation of Agriculture.

He succeeds W. J. Buchanan, formerly of Downsview, who has now sold his farm and moved to Aurora. Mr. McQuarrie is a director of Dufferin County Federation of Agriculture, while Mr. McCarthy is secretary of the same organization.

### Wants City Firm Business License

Mr. Jones, operator of Jones Groceries at Buttonville, waited on Markham township Council Monday to request that a Toronto freezer firm secure a peddler's license in order to operate in the township. Mr. Jones stated that the firm in question sells freezers and then contracts with the purchaser to sell them food for it. Mr. Jones contended that local merchants who pay both taxes and business licenses should receive some protection from this type of operation.

Council questioned whether they have any authority to license this type of business but agreed to refer the matter to their solicitor for a ruling.

### Advices Against Public Discussion

Township Solicitor J. D. Lucas has advised Council against any public discussion of the status of the Arnold and Selkirk subdivisions at this time. The Markham Township Property Owners Association had invited Council to discuss these two dormant subdivisions at the Association's November meeting.

In listing the reasons for his advice Mr. Lucas remarked, "any public discussion at this time might very well prove injurious to the best interests of the municipality."

### Police Chief Addresses Ratepayers

Chief Constable R. P. Robbins of the Richmond Hill Police Force, was the guest speaker at a meeting of the East Elmwood Ratepayers' Association held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Rollinson on October 4. Chief Robbins outlined the general work of the police force in the village and spoke particularly on the growing parking problem in Richmond Hill. Ratepayers present had the opportunity of asking questions regarding the policing of the village.

The next meeting of the association will be held on November 1 at the home of S. Symington, 436 Elmwood Ave.

### Comedy Comes To Local Stage

Until last year Richmond Hill had no local theatre group. Then John P. Grosvenor, making use of local talent and calling upon his vast experience gained in Dublin's Abbey Experimental Theatre and London's West End, produced and directed "Rebecca and Gaslight". Local theatregoers who were fortunate enough to see these two plays will long remember them for distinguished performances, magnificent sets and polished production. This year on November 25 and 26 at the Lions Hall, Mr. Grosvenor's group, the Richmond Hill Little Theatre, will be presenting a rollicking comedy, entitled "The Chiltern Hundreds". The cast is as follows: The Earl of Lister (rabbit-fox-hunter supreme) is played by Bill Ferguson, who last year was outstanding as Colonel Jherin in "Rebecca"; the Countess of Lister (who spends most of her time watching her husband's tobacco and her son's language) is being played by Emma Masters; the role of June Farrell (only Yankee at Lord Lister's court) is in the hands of Isabelle Fleischer; Bessie (maid-turned-guest) is being played by a newcomer to Richmond Hill, Thelma MacInnes; the role of Beecham (a butler who pretends waiting on table to waiting for votes) is in the hands of Frank Gardner; playing the part of Lord Pym (who changes fiancées as often as other men change shirts) is Harold Gribble, formerly with North York's Little Theatre; Lady Caroline Smith (whose life ambition is to lose her pride and be like Lord Lister who has none at all) is being played by Hilda Skippon; John Grosvenor plays Mr. (later Lord) Cleghorn, a snob who has no objection to marrying a titled woman with "a face like the back of a bulldozer."

For an evening of fun watch for "The Chiltern Hundreds."

### LEATHERCRAFT

To continue the Leatherwork classes at Richmond Hill District High School, at least four to six more registrations are necessary. Any person interested please come to the High School Monday, October 24, at 7:30 p.m. to room 201. Mrs. Huyek is a gifted teacher in leathercraft and announces that in addition to the usual leather tooling and carving some time will be given to the making of gloves.

### Increase In Building Permits

The Vaughan Township Building department reports a total of 52 building permits issued during the month of August with a total value of \$328,680. These permits include 22 for homes, three for industries and 16 for additions and alterations. For the month of September, 57 building permits have been issued.

The department reports an approximate 20 per cent increase in building permits this year over the previous year with the number of permits increasing every year. A large percentage of the increase is due to the construction of Uplands Gardens on Yonge street built there, half of them this year.

BRAMPTON: The Peel Memorial Hospital Board has hired the firm of J. B. Parkin of Toronto as architects for the proposed expansion of the hospital.

### Richmond Acres Ratepayers Organize Second New Aspirant For Richmond Hill Council

A second new aspirant to Richmond Hill council, this week announced his intentions to stand for public office, when Ken Williams, Rockport Crescent, stated at the initial meeting of Richmond Acres Ratepayers' Association that he would contest a seat in council at the elections in December.

The organizational meeting of the Richmond Acres Ratepayers, which was held at the Yonge St. Public School, saw an excellent representation of ratepayers from that district present to review the draft constitution which had been drawn up by the Organizational Committee and to elect an executive.

Heading this year's executive is James Haggart who will be the ratepayers' first president, and who acted as chairman of Tuesday night's meeting. Elected vice-president was Robert Bell, secretary Mrs. Ray Davies, treasurer Mrs. H. Burger, registrar Morris Tearne. The three directors elected were Mr. Webb, Pat Smith, and Ray Davies, who acted as secretary of the meeting until the new executive was elected.

Mr. Haggart as chairman of the Organizing Committee, welcomed the ratepayers present and with Mr. Davies introduced the draft constitution which was later passed with minor amendments by the meeting.

Members of the Organization Committee included Robert Bell, Mrs. H. Burger, Harry Lumsden, Jack Newbold, Ken Rose, Pat Smith and Ray Davies and an expression of appreciation was given this committee for its work on behalf of the organization. Special appreciation was also extended to Fred Darlington for his work in preparing the literature for the meeting.

### Council Represented

Deputy-Reeve Ken Tomlin and Councillor Floyd Perkins were present and answered questions put forth by the ratepayers. Both extended greetings to the ratepayers, Deputy-Reeve Tomlin extending an official welcome on behalf of council, for the people of Richmond Hill to participate in community affairs and to partake of the community's fine churches, service clubs, etc. "It is our genuine wish," he said, "for you to become members of our community."

Topics of discussion included door-to-door postal delivery service, bus transportation, low hydro voltage, stoplights at Yonge and Markham Roads, condition of roads in the subdivision, snow removal, drainage, the enforcement of the 30-mile speed limit within town limits, and the telephone situation. The ratepayers decided to contact the local Member of Par-

### Unfair Necessity Costs

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GOODWOOD: Uxbridge council is making application for a blinker light at the dangerous intersection here.

SHELburne: Rev. Levi E. Atkinson, 65, of Brampton, collapsed and died in the pulpit while conducting the afternoon service at Terra Nova United Church last Sunday.

He was assistant minister at Grace United church, Brampton, and relieved ministers in several rural Ontario churches since his retirement last June. Born at Bethesda, near Stouffville, he was graduated from Victoria college of the University of Toronto in 1916.

NASHVILLE: The new Twin Elms Public School was opened recently here.

### R. Hill Public School Bd.

## May Transport Children Bathurst - Oxford Area

With the advent of colder weather, the Richmond Hill Public School Board may supply bus transportation for those children residing in the north-west corner of the school district. Trustee Mrs. M. Southwell has been instructed to confer with the Board of Trustees of the local separate school regarding the possibility of the two boards using one bus to serve the children attending both school systems.

Mr. G. M. Kaye, who has three children attending the MacKillop School, informed the Board at last Thursday's regular meeting that there are approximately 10 children attending that school from the area of Bathurst and Oxford Streets. Messrs. Wilson and Elliott recently granted the children permission to cross their property on their way to and from school, thus affording them a direct route. However, the inclement weather and the traffic hazard created by Yonge Street have tended to make some alternative means of transportation a necessity.

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bers will be able to alter what they consider to be an unfair division of transportation costs between the various parts which constitute the Richmond Hill School section. The Board contends that Richmond Hill residents are forced to pay more than their just share towards the cost of transporting children residing outside the village limits.

Last year the Board received \$12,500 in taxes from the township of Vaughan and Markham, while total transportation costs for the year amounted to \$9,100. However, a portion of these transportation costs were incurred in transporting village children.

Turn Down Baptists The Board has turned down a request from the Richmond Hill Baptist Church for permission to use the Yonge Street School auditorium for Sunday church services. The group who are reported to have purchased land on Wright Street for a new church, had hoped to secure permission to use the school auditorium as a temporary meeting place. The Board was unanimous in its refusal as it was felt it wasn't in a position to subsidize any group.

As a means of saving on fuel costs, heat is usually kept to a minimum in the buildings over the weekend when school is not in session. Additional caretaker service would also have been required.

In a progressive step designed to aid slow-learning pupils, the Board will consider the introduction of a system of auxiliary classes within the near future.

The Board has signified that it will not require any school site in a small 25-100 sub-division planned for the Bedford Park Area.

In order to cope with the rapid growth, the Board is expected to consider shortly the setting up of a full-time secretarial office to serve the three schools.

## Over 80 Langstaff Ratepayers Attend Meeting Re: Water

The second of a series of meetings arranged by the Water Committee of Vaughan Township for residents of Vaughan Township Water Area No. 1 was held at Langstaff School Thursday, October 13, for the ratepayers of Langstaff West. The school room was well filled with about 80 people in attendance.

Chairman of the evening was Mrs. D. C. Stewart. The Vaughan Township water by-law was read by Mr. Brian Bailey, and the guest speaker was Mr. Wm. Norris, Water Superintendent.

The meeting was similar to that held at Richvale the previous week, and the main purpose was to answer questions and clarify the exact costs of the system to the taxpayer, so that as many people as possible would sign up for the service before the deadline date of October 15.

Main Grievance The main grievance presented at the meeting seemed to be the \$3.00 monthly rate, which is extremely high as compared with rates in other water areas. Mr. Norris endeavoured to explain why this was so. In order to make the service available on an economical basis to all income groups, only a small percentage of the actual cost of installation

of the system is to be charged as Local Improvement tax, he said. The balance is to be raised by debentures and must be paid for from the monthly collections from consumers. Therefore, if the system is to operate without a deficit, it will be necessary to obtain as many subscribers as possible at the beginning of the service. After five years the \$3.00 monthly rate will be subject to revision, he concluded.

Questions Some of the other questions raised were as follows: Q. What about water for new subdivisions, etc? A. All present taxpayers will be serviced before any new subdivisions. Q. What will be the charge to future users? A. Any consumers signing up after October 15 must pay \$200. for installation, and any new subdividers has to provide a suitable amount per lot to cover the same capital cost as present ratepayers.

Q. If application is made now, must consumer pay \$3.00 charge if he does not use the water? A. Yes. \$3.00 per month is payable whether or not consumer uses township water. Q. What about installation of water meters? A. For those signing now, the flat rate will prevail for 5 years and no meters will be installed before that time. There is an unlimited supply of water and the only reason for using meters is to cut down the consumption of water per household.

Q. When will bills be received? A. Bills will be sent out every three months. At the close of the meeting, the majority of the property owners present signed the applications.

Water Area No. 1 extends from Richmond Hill on the north to Steeles Avenue on the south, and from the West side of Yonge Street to the east side of Bathurst Street. The next meeting of ratepayers is to be held in the Crestwood Road area.

The boys are looking forward to the advantages such as new equipment and camping trips which the money raised will provide.

Apple Day Big Success The Richmond Hill Boy Scouts and Cubs had one of the most successful Apple Days on record for the area. The gross receipts were \$319.30 and due to the fact that local grocer Morley Hall supplied apples at cost, it is expected the net profit for the boys will be about \$283. Apple sales were greatly increased over last year.

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