

News From Next Door

WOODBIDGE — Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wild celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary recently.

MARKHAM : Village Council has hired Verne Snider of Hanover as the new Hydro superintendent.

NORTH YORK : The Optimist Club here has voted \$400 to support a Pee Wee Hockey team.

NEWMARKET : Residents of a new subdivision north of Eagle Street have protested the muddy condition of the roads in the development and are concerned about fire protection and fuel deliveries.

PICKERING : Township council agreed to prepare a by-law to set up a ward system in the municipality. The by-law, when drawn up, will then be left in the hands of the 1956 Council.

CLAREMONT : Last week, thieves ransacked the new Post Office here.

BROOKLIN : When a farmer in this area was confined to bed recently with pneumonia, neighbours formed a work party to care for 20 head of cattle, fill the silo and do the fall ploughing.

SUTTON : Tenders will be called this week for the installation of a water and sewerage system in the village.

SUTTON : The Roman Catholic Community here has expressed intention of seeking a Separate School. It is hoped the school might be opened by September 1956.

BOLTON : The new clerk-treasurer, Paul Delaney of Brampton, has commenced some duties now for the municipality. The retiring clerk, Jack Stewart, will continue for the next few weeks after which Mr. Delaney will assume full responsibility.

SUTTON : Plans are being laid for the building of a Sunday School room at the United Church here.

WESTON : Mr. and Mrs. John Smith are celebrating their Golden Wedding this week. Mrs. Smith is the former Mary Castor of Vaughan Twp., while Mr. Smith was born at Kleinburg.

32-Pound Mangel

On display in The Liberal office this week is a 32-pound mangel which was grown by Don Head Farms, Richmond Hill. Brought into the office by Francis Redelmeier, the mangel is considerably oversized and is one of the largest grown at Don Head Farms this year.

Vandals Ruin School Piano

In an unwarranted act of vandalism Halloween night hoodlums broke into S.S. 4, a one room school on the third concession of Markham township causing damage to the school proper and destroying the school's piano. After forcing entry by a door at the rear of the building they proceeded to overturn the teachers desk and toss books and equipment around. Pushing the piano outside they systematically knocked it to pieces. Total cost of replacing the piano has been estimated at between \$200 and \$300. Judging by the distance the piano was moved authorities feel the damage may have been the work of teenagers or adults. Damage was not discovered until Tues. morning. Miss Eleanor Taylor is teacher at the school.

Markham township police have charged two teen-age youths one a resident of Markham village and the other a resident of Green River with malicious damage after they were apprehended knocking over mail boxes on Highway 48 north of the Markham village. They will appear in Magistrates Court, Newmarket later to face the charge.

Police are investigating the breaking of windows in the Administrative building located at the Yonge Street entrance of Holy Cross Cemetery, Langstaff. Vandals smashed the windows but didn't attempt to enter the building. Markham Police Chief C. Wideman reports that these incidents were the three main outbreaks of rowdiness in his department was called on to handle on Halloween. For the most part the evenings activities were confined to the usual "high jinks" such as soaping windows and shelling out.

Hydro Man Killed In Freak Accident

The funeral service for hydro accident victim, Frank Rogers, 54, of Richmond Hill was held last Saturday from Wright and Taylor Funeral Chapel.

In charge of the service was Rev. J. N. Hepburn of the Presbyterian Church, interment following in Richmond Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were A. Turner, L. Matheson, G. McKay, John Fox, R. Stewart and Roy Taylor.

The baskets of flowers at the altar of the Presbyterian Church last Sunday were placed there by the Rogers family. The deceased, who had come to Canada from Scotland a short while ago, was electrocuted in a freak accident when the boom of a hole digging machine struck the power lines on a sidewalk near the third concession and Altona Road, Rouge Hills. Rogers was standing near the machine. The charge carried down the boom, and leaped across to him.

Mr. Maynard Hallman

Trustees Association Hears Talk On Financial Problems

At the regular monthly meeting of the Public School Trustees Association of Markham Township, held on Monday night in Buttonville public school, Mr. Maynard Hallman, public school inspector, gave a detailed and interesting speech on the financial problems that face a school board.

As his first topic, Mr. Hallman spoke on where the money used by school boards came from, citing various figures to show that four sources of revenue were used. Money came from property owners of the municipality who contributed so much as grants on teachers and principals' salaries. There was also parents fees, trustees levy and provincial grants with the latter making up over half of the total revenue.

Favours School Areas
Mr. Hallman suggested that as a solution to getting more money schools should group into town-ship areas and as such they would get an additional \$6,000 in grants. On the question of the Federal government helping out, he stated it would help such areas as Newfoundland and the hinterland of British Columbia but would not effect Ontario. The idea as a whole would help Canada, but could not be expected to reduce over-all costs in Ontario.

Suggests Saving Money
As a second topic, Mr. Hallman suggested a number of basic, obvious ways that school boards could save money. He stated that most boards would necessarily go through a phase of overbuilding which in many cases couldn't be helped. He did suggest, however, that rather than build an additional classroom for two or three extra students, neighboring areas could co-operate to house extra students. He cited an example and stated that costs could be reduced if all classrooms were run at full capacity.

As another suggestion to reducing costs, Mr. Hallman suggested reducing pupil failures in classrooms. He stated a pupil occupying a classroom for an additional year increases the school costs by \$200. Such costs could be reduced by having well qualified teachers to better educate the pupils.

Spent Money To Save More
As another argument, Mr. Hallman suggested spending more to save more, both in buy-

ing better quality material and in putting up good substantial structures when building. He cited examples of money saved through the installation of special insulated windows and the use of fluorescent lighting. Mr. Hallman also mentioned examples of how quantity buying can save money.

Next, Mr. Hallman gave out copies of the General Regulation for Public and Separate schools and reviewed with those present the requirements that each board must provide for each school and classroom. Mr. Hallman also gave out a list of approved expenditures receiving grants.

The question was raised as to the procedure in accepting a gift that could receive a grant. Mr. Hallman stated that Home and School groups give gifts that were not covered by grants and suggested a duplicator as an example.

Ask Township For Money
On the topic of where a board can get money, Mr. Hallman stated that board can ask the township for money to set down in the public school regulations. Mr. Hallman answered other questions from the floor and clarified numerous points in regard to money problems.

In closing, Mr. Hallman passed out a number of questions and answers that might come up under a trustees jurisdiction and an interesting half hour was spent in going over and discussing them.

Following Mr. Hallman's speech a motion was made by Stan Patterson that a resolution be sent to the Deputy-Minister of Education asking that the ceiling on teacher's salary, per pupil grants, be raised from \$75 to \$100. The motion was passed. An announcement was also made that the next Association meeting would be combined with the York County Trustee conference meeting to be held on November 24th.

High Cost Of Living Hits Veterans Welfare Costs

"Buddy, can you spare a dime for a cup of coffee?" A joke? Maybe it started as one about 15 years ago, but today Canada's welfare agencies see grim truth in this phrase, for they realize that it takes almost two welfare dollars to do what one did before 1939. The Poppy Trust Fund of the local branch of the Canadian Legion is no exception. It, too, has been hit by the high cost of living and the low-buying power of a dollar. Unlike organized welfare groups, the Legion is not faced with production and salary costs, as the Poppy campaign is conducted by each branch on a voluntary basis. Yet the problem of shrinking dollars is very real, because the welfare in the Poppy Trust Fund must provide assistance at current dollar values. But when people donate such dollars, there is a tendency to think in terms of pre-war value. Everybody knows that the household dollar doesn't go very far today," said F. B. Titshall, chairman of the branch Poppy Fund Committee. "The money from our Poppy Fund goes for essentially the same things as are needed for family living." Mr. Titshall said that poppy funds provide food, shelter, medical care and other forms of immediate aid for ex-servicemen, their dependents and those of deceased veterans. These items must be procured at 1955 prices, but it obviously can't be done on a 1939 budget," he stressed. For this reason, the Canadian Legion asks each citizen of Richmond Hill, Vaughan, and Markham to conscientiously balance his means against the need when making a donation to the Poppy Fund.

Tag Day is being held this Saturday, November 5. All Legion members are asked to be out on Sunday, November 6, for Remembrance Day service in Richmond Hill. Anyone with a car who can help with taggers on Saturday is urged to phone TU. 4-2855.

School Area Plebiscite

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Chairman Laddell clarified a point that if the school were in an individual area, the costs of a bus would be borne by the parents concerned. However, he stated, the school was in a large area and the costs of bus would have to be borne by all the ratepayers in the whole district. He added that previously the bus was taken off when ratepayers in other sections of the area had objected to paying for a bus for that one particular school.

After further discussion, the delegation agreed that anything possible was being done to look after the problem to the satisfaction of all concerned. Trustee Calvert moved that the Board make every effort possible to make the path traversable and should winter weather make it intraversable, a bus would be considered for the route.

In closing, Chairman Laddell thanked the delegation for coming and stated they were always glad to hear from parents' groups. He added that the board was always ready to co-operate in any way possible with the ratepayers.

Undue Burden Hearing

J. D. Lucas, solicitor for the County of York announced at the meeting of County Council last Tuesday that the Ontario Municipal Board has reserved Thursday, November 17, for the opening of hearing to consider the Undue Burden created by the splitting up of the County. During the public hearing, evidence will be presented by officials of the County to prove that the continuing County of York has suffered undue damage through the enacting of the controversial Bill 30, which set up Metropolitan Toronto.

HEIRESS AND PEER



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Top Soil By-Law Passed

A Municipal Board hearing was held at Maple last Tuesday, the decision of which will be of interest to neighbouring municipalities. The hearing was to consider a by-law to prevent the sale of top-soil from lands in the Township of Vaughan and the Ontario Municipal Board gave a favourable decision. This is the first by-law of its kind to be passed in this district. Considerable opposition was expected by Twsp. officials, but there was no opposition expressed. In fact there was only a handful of township officials present. Under the provisions of the by-law, there is a maximum fine of \$300 for violation of the by-law.

Well Baby Clinic

The Richmond Hill Well Baby Clinic will be held on Monday, November 7, from 1.30 to 3 p.m. in the Lions Hall, Centre Street East. The Clinic is under the auspices of the Richmond Hill Women's Institute. Immunization will continue.

Seek Election Candidates

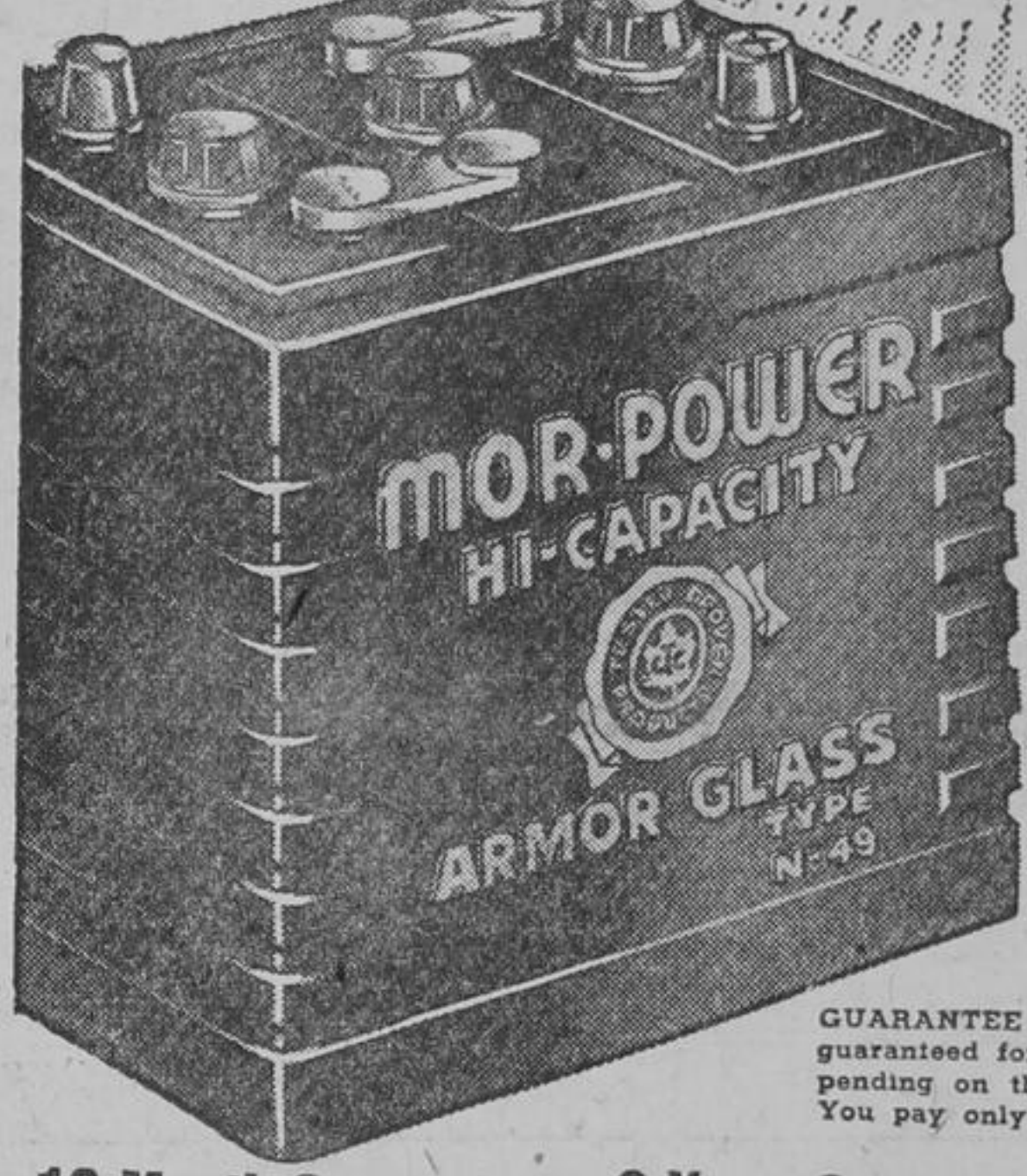
Mr. Brian Bailey, chairman of the recently organized Vaughan Township election Committee reports that a representative meeting of ratepayers from the eastern part of the township will be held next Monday, November 7 at the Legion Hall, on Carrville Road West, at 8 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to lay plans for a general meeting to be held at a later date at which time a prospective Vaughan township Council candidates from the front part of the municipality will be invited to attend and make themselves known.

Realizing the need for greater Council representation from the eastern part of the township the Committee is anxious to contact any candidates who are planning to enter the December election race. Candidates are asked to get in touch with committee secretary George Bowden at Turner 4-3393. As a public service the group are also planning to sponsor election rallies prior to voting day in order to give all candidates an opportunity to meet the electors.

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