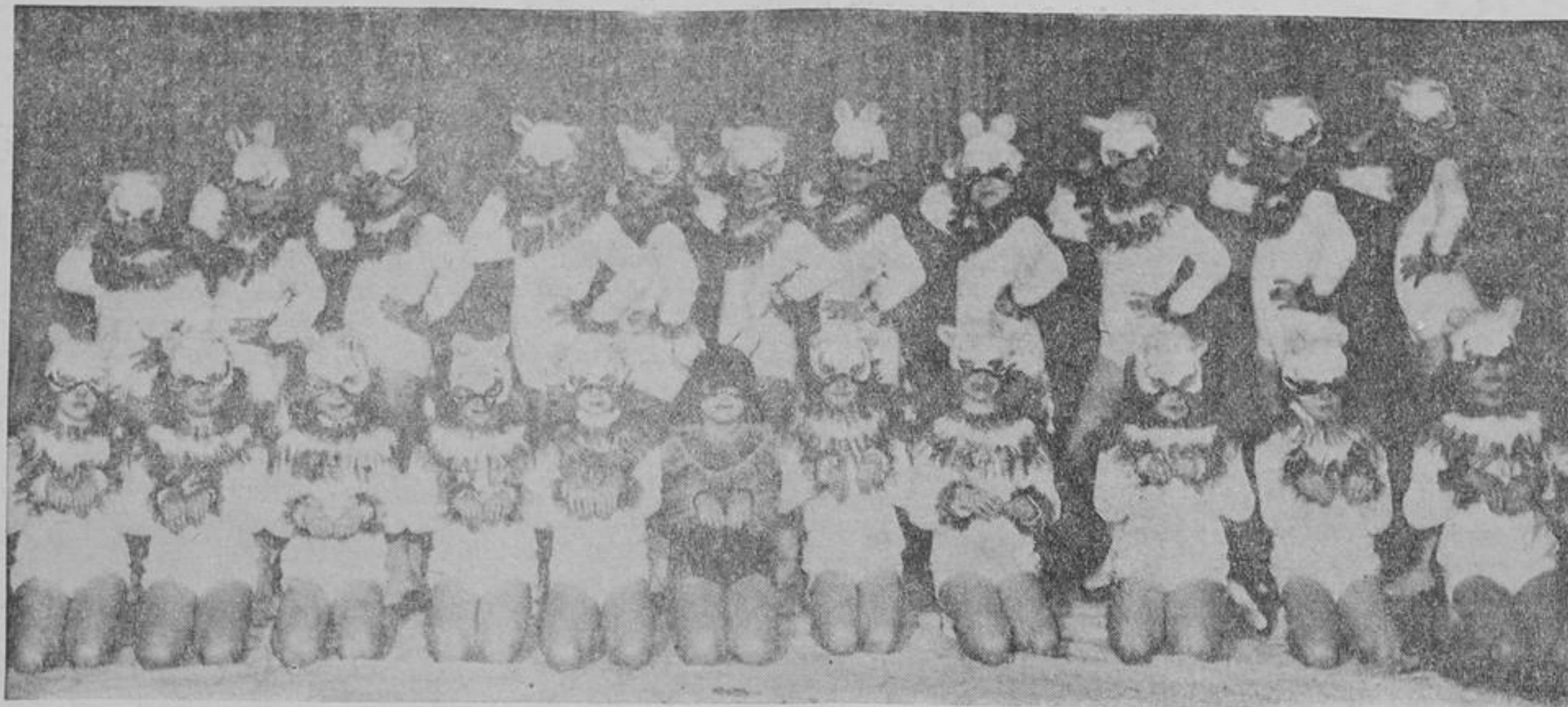


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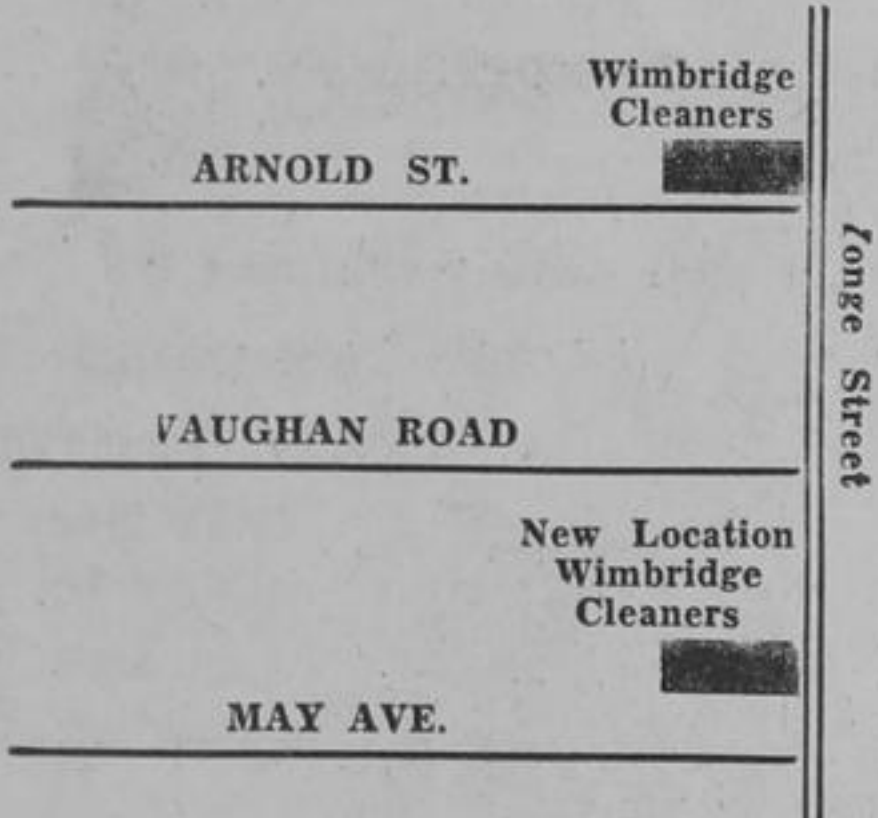


An attractive group of young skaters taking part in the Richmond Hill Skating Carnival at the arena on March 7 and 8. — Photo by Lagerquist

Solo — Marilyn Deighton  
 Back Row: (L-R) Carol Waters, Nancy Tobey, Brenda Willis, Cheryl Andrews, Margot Sweeny, Susan Kerslake, Leslie Bury, Janet MacLennan, Judy Todd, Jane Hillaby, Gail Tanner.  
 Front Row: (L-R) Eve Harwood, Rosemary Stewart, Beverley Jackson, Susan Burton, Margaret Rice, Linda Beacock, Susan Angus, Vickie Taylor, Sharon Everatt, Sally Kaye.

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### R. Hill Public School Board To Increase Teacher's Min. Salaries

Richmond Hill Public School Board announced last Thursday night that minimum salaries for teachers in the town public schools have now been set at \$3,000, an increase of \$200 over the former figure of \$2,800.

Ten "Board watchers" were present at the regular board meeting, when Inspector W. J. McLeod briefly outlined to the school trustees an estimated idea of what the changes in school grants for Richmond Hill will be for 1958.

#### Main Features

There is now a provincial equalized assessment (formerly it was a county equalized assessment) developed with the Department of Municipal Affairs scale.

Growth need factor — recognized cost grant which takes the place of what was formerly called the approved grant.

The attendance grant, and text book and library grant remains the same.

The township area grant has been increased from \$300 to \$500 per former school section — where a whole township or at least ten former school sections combine for an area.

#### R. Hill Grant Receipts Affected

In an area such as Richmond Hill, Inspector McLeod told "The Liberal", which is growing rapidly and where there is a comparatively high debenture cost due to the building of a great number of classrooms (in the past three and a half years 49 classrooms have been completed in Richmond Hill) the grant will be increased and this will very materially affect the overall grant receipts.

Trustee Margaret Southwell: "It does mean our building program will benefit."

#### Space Needed

Anticipating the need for more classroom space immediately following the Easter holidays, the Board will ask for tenders for four rooms of furniture. Tentative plans are: (1) To transform the teachers' room and foyer at Beverley Acres School into temporary schoolrooms, (2) Fix up two basement rooms at the Lillian McConachy School as temporary classrooms.

#### Approve Gymnasium

Board members heard letters read from Walter Scott, O. M.

MacKillop, and Beverley Acres ratepayers who voiced approval of the board's decision to include a gymnasium in the plans for Crosby Heights School. Lillian McConachy ratepayers had signified their approval in writing earlier.

Decision Deferred  
 Mr. Turner of the Boys' Club asked the board for extra space two nights weekly, stating the club needed a room in which to meet and store their handicrafts, etc. Owing to the classroom shortage anticipated shortly, the board had to defer a decision at the present time.

Flooded Roads  
 Bus service to South Taylor Mills area from Beverley Acres School was initiated hurriedly last week, due to excessive flooding surrounding the school grounds and streets beyond.

On Wednesday afternoon of last week, Principal Grant Nighswander marched 150 children from the school over to Bayview, skirting the flooded streets, and Trustee Mrs. Virginia Sully drove home the kindergarten children in her own car, when a state of emergency arose. The following day, bus service commenced from South Taylor Mills up Bayview. At least one family in the area of Neil Drive is isolated by three feet of water surrounding their home and arrangements have been made to get school lessons to the children who are unable to attend classes.

AURORA: Judge McRae of Toronto upheld all the assessments appealed by local citizens recently. Dismissed appeals included a proposed subdivision, five lots in another subdivision and an appeal regarding the assessment of an apartment house.

AURORA: Herb Beach of Aurora made history in his hometown alleys last week when he fired a 441 flat single game to come within nine points of a perfect score. Although he was just bowling play, Herb will receive a league pin, a 400-club trophy, a special prize from the bowling alley and a silver platter from a brewing company.

### Agreement Expires In 1960

## Markham Twp. Council Will Study The Future Of Yonge St. Bus Line

Markham Township Council decided Monday afternoon to start examining the possibility of having T.T.C. arrangements on Yonge St., with the termination in 1960 of the present agreement with the T.T.C. Reeve W. L. Clark was instructed to approach the Richmond Hill Town Council and the Vaughan Township Council in regard to establishing a joint committee to study the problem which will affect all the municipalities.

The present modified agreement came into force last year following litigation in which the T.T.C. claimed it was losing money on the line north of Steeles Ave. and wanted the previous agreement (due to run to 1960) declared invalid with the passing of Bill 80 which set up Metropolitan Toronto. Bill 80 states the T.T.C. could no longer enter into agreements of the type entered into with the local municipalities which are outside Metro Toronto.

However, when the local councils agreed to the establishment of feeder lines in North York by the T.T.C., the Ontario Municipal Board declared the agreement was to continue in force until its termination in 1960.

For many years, especially during the depression, the bus line lost money and this deficit was made up by the three municipalities. In the past two years a profit of \$52,482.52 has been realized in Markham Township alone.

It was the final payment for 1957 barring adjustments of \$4,559.66 from the T.T.C. which sparked the discussion Monday afternoon. Commenting that this meant a credit of seven mills for the township, Reeve Clarke said, "It was a good deal we made." And he believed the money should be used to relieve taxation. "It also shows the value to the taxpayers of participating in the fight. And now that the

feeders in North Toronto are beginning to reap benefits, we shouldn't let it go lightly," he ended.

Township solicitor J. D. Lucas recalled the T.T.C. claimed it lost on the operation north of Steeles Ave. "As far as I can recollect the figure was \$30,000," said Mr. Lucas.

In discussing another type of bus line, it was pointed out the owner could operate a line to Steeles Ave. and discharge passengers, or an agreement could be made to operate with "closed doors" to a terminal point in Metro Toronto.

Mr. Lucas recalled the T.T.C. had opposed the establishment of a bus line on Bayview Ave., operating from Newmarket to a point in Metro Toronto. Also the local municipalities had opposed its establishment as it would be a competing line. However, the owner did secure a franchise and Mr. Lucas felt the possibility of someone obtaining a franchise to operate on Yonge St. should be explored before 1960.

Deputy-reeve W. Dean offered the resolution instructing Reeve Clark to contact Richmond Hill and Vaughan Council in regard to the bus line.

Gravel Tenders  
 Much of the business of the afternoon centered around opening and reading the tenders for crushed gravel, earth fill, and pit run for the township roads. However the matter was finally left with the road committee, the road superintendent, and the engineer from the Department of Highways for further study.

Tenders were received from Gornley Sand and Gravel, Lee Sand and Gravel, F. H. Roberts and Sons, Markham Sand and Gravel, and Stouffville Sand and Gravel.

In two assessment appeals which were turned down by the county judge and further appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board, the council learned the appeal by the Leslie Estates of too high assessment had been dismissed and the appeal of Mr. Fred Vacher has been set for April 3 by the O.M.B.

No action was taken by Council on the Department of Municipal Affairs offer of a 70% provincial paid works program for the unemployed.

Deputy-reeve Dean brought to the attention of council the fact the county mill rate had been lowered to 8.74 mills from 10. mills.

Vinyl asbestos tile is being installed on the concrete floor of the basement in the township offices at a cost of \$775.00, by the Simpson Co. in a brown and beige shade.

The walls in the basement are also in the process of being painted. The contract was awarded last Saturday to Mr. H. H. Phinnemore and Sons at a tender price of \$1,782.50 and will include both inside and outside walls. Mr. John W. W. Babbington objected to the tender award, stating his was \$33.00 less. Councillor J. McNeil stated Mr. Phinnemore's tender was chosen as he was a resident of Markham Township and the committee was not aware Mr. Babbington was also a resident as it had not been so indicated in his tender.

AGINCOURT - Rev. G. A. Beatty who has served 10 years at Knox United Church announced his retirement at the 109th annual meeting of church members. "This is a growing community," Rev. Beatty told the congregation, "it is a community of young homemakers. Our Christian Building will be flowing over with children as soon as it is opened this summer." 71 children were baptised into the church in 1957.

MARKHAM: At a recent meeting of Markham and East York "Cultural Society," President Nick Shouten stated the society was giving out too many passes each year. In 1957 some 1,200 were given out he said, and "that's far too many." Other societies throughout the district give out from 150 to 200 passes, the president said.

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