

# Coming Events

EVERY MONDAY NIGHT at 7.45 p.m. Bingo. Community Hall, Spruce Ave., Stop 22A Yonge St. ttc

WEDNESDAY evening bingo held in Canadian Legion Hall, Carrville Road West at 7.45 p.m. prompt.

SEPTEMBER 13 — Saturday 2-5 p.m. Annual bazaar and draw. Masonic Hall, Thornhill. Home baking, aprons, Christmas gifts, fish pond, tea. Auspices Mark-Vaun W.I. Langstaff. c2w10

SEPTEMBER 16 — Tuesday, 7 p.m. The bowling league of the UNITED Church will begin again at the ABC Bowling Alley on Tuesday, September 16, at 7 p.m. All interested members and their friends are welcome. clw11

SEPTEMBER 16 — Tuesday 8 p.m. The Thornhill and District Association for the Retarded Children will hold its regular monthly meeting. Everyone welcome. clw11

SEPTEMBER 20 — 1:30 p.m. Rummage Sale at Richmond Hill Presbyterian Sunday School room. Auspices Evening Auxiliary. c3w10

SEPTEMBER 20 — Saturday at 1:30 p.m. Rummage Sale will be held in North York Community Hall, 5090 Yonge Street, Willowdale. Sponsored by Barrogill Castle Chapter I.O.D.E. clw11

SEPTEMBER 27th — Saturday at 2 p.m. in St. Mary's Anglican Church. Rummage sale by Evening Branch of W.A. held in Wrixon Hall. clw10

OCTOBER 29 — Wednesday. Turkey supper 5-8 p.m. Admission: adult 1.50, under 12 75c. No charge for pre-school children. Sponsored by the Carrville United Church Women's Association; also a bazaar table. clw11

## News From Next Door

**AURORA:** Last weeks storm brought to light a new problem in the town of Aurora. The question was raised as to who was going to clean up the debris on the property which did not belong to the town. After much discussion he council stated that they would remove brush and debris placed at the curb and would remove bigger trees strictly at cost to residents.

**MARKHAM:** Markham village council approved the plans and site for the new Post Office to be built. The site is the property south of the Markham Bakery between Main and Washington Streets.

**UNIONVILLE:** Ken Deacon showed the 3rd prize senior yearling Shorthorn heifer at the C.N.E. This well known breeder also won 2nd and 4th for summer yearling heifers.

**MARKHAM:** The East York Planning Match will be held this year at the farm of Markham township councillor Stanley Watson on concession 7, Wednesday, October 22nd.

**AURORA:** Dave Baker of Harman Road, Aurora was the first dog owner in the area to have his dog insured by Canine Insurance of Canada. Mr. Baker's Doberman Pincer will be covered against death, veterinarian fees, public liability, theft and straying.

**STOUFFVILLE:** Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Burnett, 9th concession of Whitechurch Township celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Sunday, August 31. They were both born in the Stouffville district.

**MARKHAM:** The new separate school opened here last week with an attendance of 97. It is expected to go to 110 shortly.

**AURORA:** A new public school inspectorate, to be known as York 5, has been established. The town of Aurora, and the townships of King and Whitechurch will be included. The new inspector will be Douglas D. Adams, B.A., B.Ed., formerly of Danforth Technical school.

**MARKHAM:** The High School opened here with an attendance of 413. Last year attendance totalled 370. Beginners make up three grade nines.

## LaPelle Pres. Elm Grove Ratepayers

About 25 Oak Ridges residents met at the home of Earl LaPelle, Elm Grove Ave., recently to discuss a plan for a municipal waterworks. King Township Councillor Norman Taylor and Eric Smith, President of Oak Ridges Board of Trade, were present. Mr. Taylor informed those attending the meeting that members of King Township Council have been in contact with the Ontario Water Resources Commission regarding the water shortage in this locality and the township is waiting for a date to be set when a representative of the Ontario Water Resources Commission will speak to council. Mr. E. LaPelle was elected temporary president and Victor Piirto temporary secretary of the group.

# The Liberal

"In Essentials Unity; in Non Essentials Liberty; in all Things Charity."

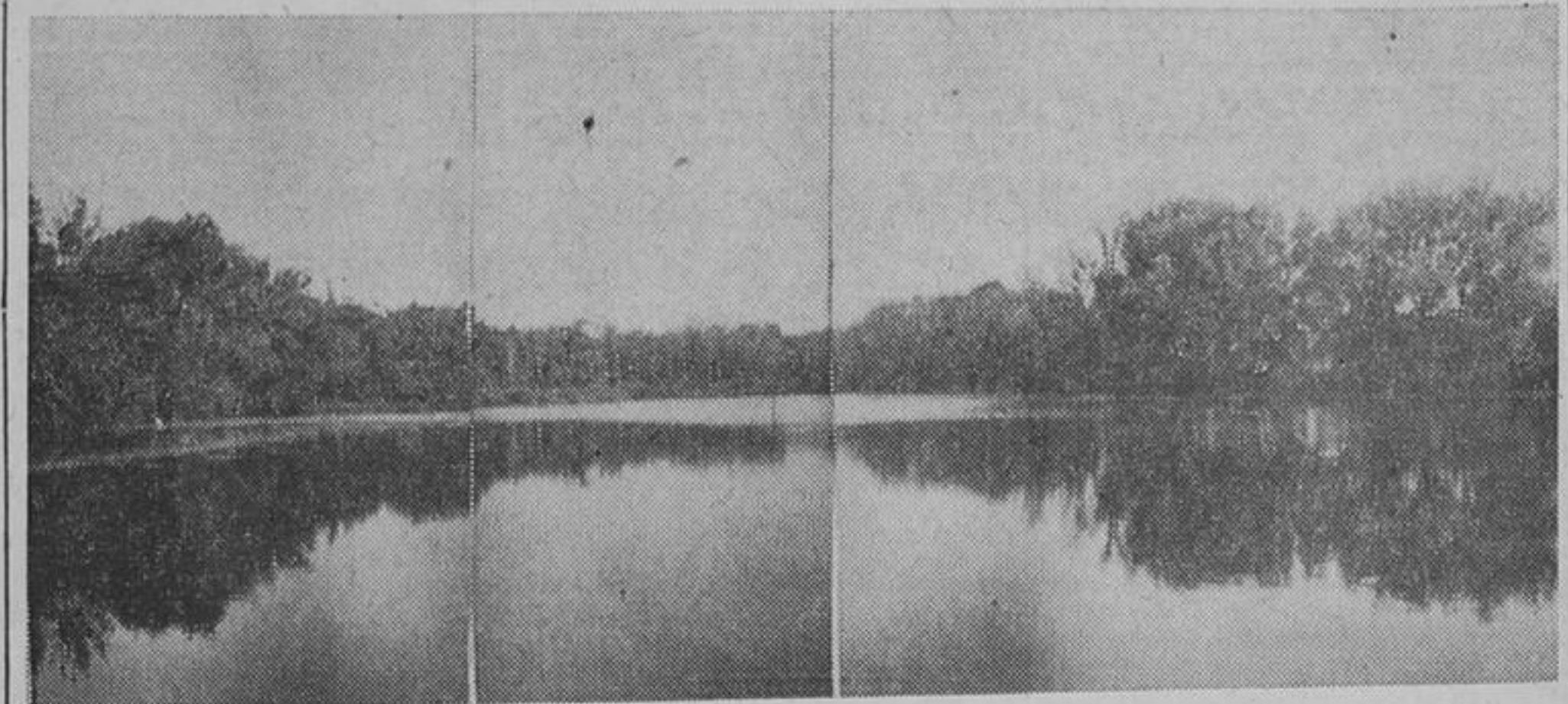
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## 30,000 Estimated Cost

# Propose Park Development Project To Transform Pond To Beauty Spot



Richmond Hill Pond, Site of Proposed Park Development

A detailed plan for the development and beautification of the Richmond Hill waterworks pond on Mill Street, which will make it one of the choice beauty spots of the Metropolitan Area, was presented Monday night to Richmond Hill Town Council by Chairman Charles Sauriol of the Metropolitan Conservation Advisory Committee. Assurance was given that the project would be started early next year and the estimated cost is \$30,000 of which the Province of Ontario will contribute fifty per cent. The remaining \$15,000 will be the responsibility of Richmond Hill as will the expense of maintenance and upkeep.

Although giving no official approval of the project individual members expressed opinions favorable to it. Deputy-reeve D. L. Plaxton, chairman of the local Parks Commission will discuss the proposal with several local groups and report back to council when a formal decision will be given to the Conservation organization. The area to be developed includes 3.2 acres south of Mill Street, which is well wooded with a good variety of trees many of which are part of a planting project, and traversed by the stream is considered very suitable for park development. North of Mill Street and east of the pond is an area of .8 acres considered a good picnic site. Another area to be developed is a strip 75 feet wide to be acquired from six property owners bordering the east side of the pond. North of the pond is another 5.4 acres, heavily wooded, with a large swampy portion which will require considerable cleanup.

## Plan Large Sports Centre For Whitechurch

Robert B. Slaven, 37 Gordon Rd., York Mills, advised Whitechurch Township Council on Thursday that he was about to purchase Lots No. 69 and 70, consisting of 1190 acres, and requested for its use as a sports centre. He proposed to place on the property, parking for 1,000 cars, golf course, a driving range and swimming pool. Some of these would be prepared and ready for the season of 1959, but the entire program would take three years to complete. Council advised that they had no objection to the proposed use of the property. Charles Dennie attended of three sheep killed by dogs, and injury to two others. He did not know the owner of the dogs but had endeavored to trace him. He was allowed the amount of \$65. for his loss. Mr. Dennie stated that a flock of sheep which was being worried by dogs did not do well and the monetary amount would not cover the depreciation in his flock. Council passed a by-law for an additional \$30,000 to be spent on roads and culverts. The by-law was forwarded to the Department of Highways for approval. As some \$24,000 of the amount will be spent in paving the roads running from Yonge Street and around Wilcox Lake, it is likely it will be approved in view of the Department being very favorable to permanent surface on roads. Road Superintendent Davis presented council with a list of 'aunts' totalling \$11,131.51 which included the pay-sheet. The largest item was for F. H. Roberts and Son, for \$6,470.47. General account placed for payment by the Clerk before council totalled \$2,175.31 which included the payment for mileage of different officers for travelling expenses. The amount spent on relief continues to be a large item. The amount for the month of August was \$1,473.94 with the senior governments bearing 80 per cent and the township paying only 20 per cent of this total. Messrs. H. A. Bobcock and

## Praise For Acting Mayor

Mayor Ken W. Tomlin who returned from his holiday in time to preside at Monday night's Richmond Hill Town Council meeting extended his thanks and compliments to Deputy-reve Donald L. Plaxton who was Acting Mayor in his absence from town. "You did a real good job," said the Mayor. "I'm glad you're back," commented the Deputy-reve. Mayor Tomlin especially complimented the Deputy-reve on his reply to Warden Armstrong's references to Richmond Hill's wild statements. "I think you handled the matter exceedingly well," said the Mayor, "if I had been here I might have said more."

## Fox Attacks Car Tires

A boy approaching the home of Mr. Garnet Taylor R.R. 2, Maple, in his car last week end, was suddenly jumped by a rabid fox that tried to chew the tires of the car. After a while it ran off. Vaughan Township Police were informed, and a search made, but no sign of the fox could be seen.

## Salary \$866.00 Per Month

# Council Names Official To Co-Ordinate Municipal Work

## Ron. Forrest To Industrial Meet

Planning director R. Forrest will represent Markham Township Council and Planning Board at the two day convention of the Ontario Industrial Development Corporation to be held at the Royal York Hotel on October 2 and 3. The annual conference is sponsored by the Trade and Industry Branch of the Department of Planning and Development. Its aim is to assist municipalities in planning industrial development.

# Plaxton Opposes Move Says It Is Waste Of Money

The appointment of a full time town engineer, a long time controversial subject at Richmond Hill council meetings came one step nearer solution Monday night with the decision to engage Stanley Caisis, an engineering assistant, of the firm of Proctor and Redfern on a full time basis, until a permanent appointment is made.

The new official will direct and co-ordinate the activities of the Roads Department, the Waterworks, the Sewers, Parks and the Building Department, and will be paid at the rate of \$866.00 per month, plus expenses.

Councillor Joseph Paterson reporting for the personnel committee said at a meeting this week a decision was made that an engineer should be engaged. Three applicants for the position will be interviewed if they are still available and the position will be re-advertised. In the meantime until a selection can be made he said Proctor & Redfern consultants engineers for the town had agreed to loan a member of their staff as a resident engineer. The move was opposed vigorously by Deputy-reve Donald Plaxton who said it is "just a waste of money." All other members of council voted for the appointment.

"I don't see how you can justify an expenditure of that kind of money. I just can't go along with it," said Deputy-reve Plaxton. Councillor Paterson in support of his motion argued that a co-ordinator of town work is needed. "For a growing town such as ours," he said "it is a virtual must." He got strong support from Councillor J. Bradstock who seconded the motion and from Councillor J. Haggart. Councillor Haggart said that Engineer Redfern told the committee that the lack of a town engineer was costing both the town and his firm money. He recommended that a full time engineer is warranted. I think he is in a position to know and his words are well founded. I certainly support the recommendation.

## Public School Standards Not Uniform

# May Revive Entrance Examinations Grade 8 District Board Approves

"Parents of Grade 9 students, and those new in the district are to be invited to Thornhill High School at 8 p.m., next Wednesday, September 17, to acquaint them with the school, the teachers and the course their child is following." Principal A. S. Elson informed the York Central District High School Board at its regular monthly meeting last Monday night. The high school board will be represented by Trustees John Honsberger and Eric Axelsson.

In a session dealing almost strictly with the opening of the three district high schools for the fall term, the board authorized the three principals to "set up a night school starting October 1, at all three schools" and went on record stating it would abide by the Department of Education ruling on transportation and "will not transport children who live within two miles of any high school on easily travelled roads." Referring to so called "loafers" or seven year pupils, it decided such pupils be reviewed and interviewed by their principals and referred to the board for disposal.

## Richmond Hill High School

On request of the board Principal Wright Morrow reported Richmond Hill High School has enrolled 665 students for its 23 classrooms, Grade 9 alone requiring 8 classes, three more than were required in 1957 when the attendance stood at 521. Grade 10 with a total of 161 students has five rooms in use; Grade 11, 104 pupils, 4 rooms; Grade 12, 91 pupils, 3 rooms; Grade 13 with 41 students has two rooms in use this year.

## Woodbridge High School

Principal Lloyd Morrison of the new Woodbridge high school said there are 210 students attending there with eight classrooms in use. Four rooms are required for the 107 Grade 9 students enrolled; two rooms for Grade 10; and one each for Grade 11, 10; and Grade 12 with 23 students. Grade 13 attends Thornhill High School. Mr. Morrison noted that it is expected the school will be finished September 19.

## Thornhill High School

Enrollment at Thornhill High School was down approximately 100 from the 1957 fall enrollment, with the opening of Woodbridge High School this September. Principal A. S. Elson said Thornhill's enrollment stands at 672 as of Monday night. Grade 9 has 246 students; Grade 10, 181; Grade 11, 123; Grade 12, 89 and Grade 13, 33 students.

## Commercial Classes

Thornhill and Richmond Hill High Schools report the commercial course in Grade 10 is so popular extra typewriters and desks are required to meet the demand and the board authorized the necessary expenditure for these articles. Principal Elson recommended the renting of six sewing machines for one year and this also was approved.

## High School Entrance

Trustees Axelsson and Honsberger moved and seconded a petition from the Lindsay Board of Education in which they asked York Central to join them in requesting entrance examinations be revived. The Lindsay board stated, "Secondary schools are overcrowded with Grade 9 pupils, some of whom apparently are not ready for Grade 10 work. It further stated all Grade 8 pupils do not have the same standard on leaving public schools. Trustee Stewart Rumble did not agree with the motion which the rest of the board members approved and Principals Elson and Morrow said there is too much academic work — marking papers was expensive. Chairman Harry Sayers noted that there was a need for the equating of Grade 8 pupils before they enter high school.

## Organize Protest Against Hog Vote

Hog producers representing nine Ontario Counties voted last week to seek an injunction to set aside a July vote favoring the province's compulsory hog-marketing program. About 850 producers attended the meeting at Tavistock, 12 miles north of Woodstock. Speakers said counting of the ballots was mishandled, the total incorrect, many ballots thrown out as improperly marked and no instructions given voters as to the proper methods of marking their choice. Agriculture Minister Goodfellow announced in Toronto the provincial government accepted the validity of the vote. The marketing plan was approved by a two-thirds majority in the plebiscite among 74,000 hog producers.

## R. Hill Pianist Wins Gold Medal



Cecilia "Berry" Anderson, a 16 year old Grade 13 student at Richmond Hill High School, has just been notified she is the winner of the Hazel Ireland Eaton scholarship for \$500, the gift of Mrs. R. Y. Eaton. Earlier this month, Berry won the Canadian National Exhibition Senior Girls' Scholarship of \$250, the only scholarship awarded for a girl. Berry, who is a pupil of Alberto Guerrero, was also the winner of the Royal Conservatory of Music gold medal, following the annual examinations, obtaining the highest marks in Canada (95) for the A.R.C.T. Solo Performers.

Berry, who lives a normal teenager's life, was instructed in piano by her mother, Rosalind Anderson, during her early years, passing her first examination in piano at the age of four years, with First Class Honours.

## Coun. S. Watson's Farm Site Meet

Plans are well under way for this year's East York Plowing Match—one of the oldest matches in the province. It's fine prize list always attracts some top plowmen. The match will be held at the farm of Markham Township Councillor Stanley B. Watson, on the 7th concession. The date will be Wednesday, Oct. 22. This year's president is Mr. Russell Little; past pres., Jas. Stirling; 1st vice pres., Norman Jarvis; 2nd vice pres., Lloyd Grove; secretary, Bruce Davidson; acting treasurer, Trevor Watson.

## Represent County Municipal Meet

York County Warden Fred Armstrong and Commissioners, Reeve W. L. Clark of Markham and Reeve R. Pollock of North Gwillimburgh Township and Clerk Jack Smith represented the county at the recent, three day convention of the Ontario Municipal Association. The convention was held in Ottawa.

## Dinner Gathering Jaycees Sept. 11

On September 4th the Jaycees held a preliminary dinner meeting to acquaint prospective members with the history, structure, aims and objectives of the organization. The first official dinner meeting will be held September 11 at the Richmond Theatre Grill at 7:00 p.m.

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FATALITIES 0	
ACCIDENTS	INJURIES
99	22

## Subdividers Seek Answer South-West Of Markham

Acting on a recommendation of its planning board Markham Township Council agreed Monday to support a request by the subdividers concerned that the Municipal Board make an early decision on the township's proposed amendments to the official plan for the south-west corner of the township. Reeve W. L. Clark reported at Monday's meeting that both Metro and the provincial government have delayed decision on the proposed amendments without giving council any specific reason for the delay. Both the Departments of Planning and Development and Highways have asked Markham to press for a decision until the contemplated major highway and railway construction is the cause of the delay. The proposed amendments include changes in the industrial area and the type of commercial development to be allowed along Yonge Street.

## Swimming Pools

Council has agreed unanimously not to pass its proposed new bylaw requiring the erection of four-foot chain link fences around all private swimming pools in the municipality. The pools in the municipality and bylaw had been prepared at the request of the Thornhill Village Trustees. "It is next to impossible to draw the line between farm pools and swimming pools," remarked Reeve Clark. Council felt the bylaw instead of applying to the whole township, should apply only to a specific urban area, such as Thornhill. Following a letter from a Mr. D. K. Jackson regarding the future availability of water on Bayview Avenue, council stated it is hoped to be able to extend the municipal water system down Bayview Avenue next year. Following a review of the 16 proposed new subdivisions, the parks and property committee. Councillors J. MacNeil and S. Watson has selected park land in each subdivision or cash in lieu of a park site. In 13 they selected a park site, in the remaining three they accepted a cash set-

tlement. Council concurred in their recommendations. Planning Board has given draft approval to two new subdivisions. They are the 20-lot Brown's Acres Subdivision located at Unionville and the 18-lot Glenburn Park Subdivision located on lot 18, Concession 5. Following a report from Councillor MacNeil who with Planning Director R. Forrest represented Markham at a recent meeting with Vaughan regarding the re-numbering of Yonge Street, Thornhill council agreed the Markham should participate in the plan with Vaughan. Village Chairman A. Sumner also attended the joint meeting. Thornhill has opposed the Vaughan plan on the grounds that they have already re-numbered Yonge Street. However both Vaughan and Markham maintain the re-numbering was carried out without their authority. Markham plans to re-number the whole of water area No. 1 in addition to Yonge Street. On recommendation of the Bell Telephone Company council will within the near future again study the proposed installation of a direct telephone line to the Unionville Fire Hall. Councillor L. Mumberson of the fire committee stated the committee had earlier deferred decision on the matter due to the large sum of money involved. As the current fire costs will exceed the 1958 budget, Reeve Clark suggested the change could be incorporated in the 1959 budget. On recommendation of Consulting Engineer H. A. Babcock council has agreed to pay Leo's Excavating and Construction Co. the \$1,000.00 holdback covering the installation of the Doncaster water system. In a report covering the operation of the Unionville Fire Brigade from January to the end of August Chief M. Smith reported the brigade has answered 41 calls during that time at a total cost of \$2,296.50. Of this total number of calls, 34 fires were in the township and seven in the village.