

Coming Events

EVERY MONDAY NIGHT at 7:45 p.m. Bingo. Community Hall, Spruce Ave., Stop 22A Yonge St. tc

WEDNESDAY evening bingo held in Canadian Legion Hall, Carrville Road West at 7:45 p.m. prompt. tc44

OCTOBER 15 — Wednesday, 8:15 p.m. at the Walter Scott School, the Allencourt Ratepayers Association will hold a general meeting. All residents of this area, east of the railway tracks and bounded by Bayview-Markham Road, and Centre Street, are invited to attend. clw15

OCTOBER 15 — Wednesday. At the Lions Hall at 2 p.m. Regular meeting of the Senior Citizens Association. All members requested to be there as it is the first meeting of the newly elected executive committee. clw15

LADIES interested in playing in a Marathon Auxiliary, proceeds for the Mother's Building, 4th Richmond Hill and Scout Division. Contact Mrs. Thelma Long, TU, 4-5225 before October 25th for details. clw15

OCTOBER 17 — Wednesday. Rummage sale and home baking sale at 10 a.m. at Willowdale Presbyterian Church, Ellerslie Ave., Willowdale. clw15

OCTOBER 17 — Friday 3 to 5 p.m. Autumn tea at the manse, under the auspices of the Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church Women's Auxiliary. Everyone welcome. clw15

OCTOBER 17 — Friday 8 p.m. Wrixon Hall. St. Mary's Anglican Church, regular meeting of the Richmond Hill Naturalists, "Members' Night" programme. Anyone interested in natural history is cordially invited. clw15

OCTOBER 18 — Saturday. The McCaughey and Walter Scott Home and School Associations are holding a Skate exchange in their schools between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. clw15

OCTOBER 27 — Monday 8:30 p.m. Come and enjoy square dancing with Richmond Hill Swing in M. L. McCaughey School, on Yonge Street. Registration fee \$1.00. New members and beginners most welcome. clw15

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. clw14

EVERY TUESDAY AFTERNOON 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. The Women's League of Health and Beauty holds classes in Wrixon Hall, St. Mary's Anglican Church, Richmond Hill. Exercises to music. Information may be secured by telephoning Mrs. White, TU, 4-3348. tc15

IF YOU LIKE to laugh you'll love Tovarich! Watch for posters. clw15

NOVEMBER 29 — Saturday. Advance notice of Christmas Bazaar and Christmas Tea. Under the auspices of the Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church Women's Auxiliary and Evening Auxiliary.

14 New Schoolrooms

Council's Tentative Approval For New Additions Of \$320,000

Richmond Hill Council gave tentative approval for debentures in the amount of \$320,000 for a five classroom and one multi-purpose room addition to the Beverley Acres School — and a seven-room addition and a multi-purpose room for the Walter Scott School in the amount of \$190,000, at its meeting last Monday night.

Chairman R. Ross and all members of the Public School Board, including the board secretary, Mrs. Dorothy Street, were present at the invitation of council to clarify the total costs, which Councillor J. Bradstock queried as too high.

Deputy-reeve Donald Plaxton moved the tentative approval of the Beverley Acres addition and Councillor Bradstock sponsored the tentative approval of the Walter Scott motion, after Chairman Ross stated "these are only estimated costs, we do not want to estimate too low."

Stating that he felt the cost was out of line on the \$130,000 addition, Councillor Bradstock said of the \$190,000 addition, "Of this I quite approve", but did not clarify just why he felt the cost of \$24,000 per room was all right, while questioning the \$21,000 average per room for the Beverley Acres School.

A period of discussion regarding the value of erecting portables and their life expectancy (10 years) as against a 20 year tax burden for the ratepayers followed, with Councillor Paterson stating that multi-dwelling had a great deal to do with our schools being overcrowded right now. "After these children leave the school," he said, "the taxpayer has to continue paying for the school."

The question of sub-letting and the additional strain on school facilities was discussed at greater length during the latter part of the evening.

Trustee L. Clement said Crosby Avenue School is "the last hope" for additional rooms now, as all the schools but the unfinished Crosby Avenue School have gone about as far as they can go in the way of additions.

May Prosecute Sub-letters

Disturbed by the numerous cases of "sub-letting" in the newer subdivisions in town, Richmond Hill Council decided at its meeting last Monday night to police the bylaw covering multi-dwelling and to take whatever action Solicitor J. D. Lucas, Building Inspector J. Hollowell and Chief R. P. Lucas deem necessary to press for court convictions.

Multi-dwellings, one ratepayer pointed out in a letter to The Liberal last week, generally speaking lead to slums and degeneration of property.

Mayor Urges '59 Parks Program

"Parks and playgrounds for 1959." Mayor Ken Tomlin told council last Monday night that he would like to see council's project for next year be, "planned parks and playgrounds". With a twinkle in his eye, his worship speculated as to whether or not "any" or "many" of the present council members would grace next year's council, but said that he hoped the 1959 council would give this plan whole-hearted support.

"1959 should be a year of consolidation," the Mayor said, "there should be an over-all program drawn up for all areas of the town, along this line," he concluded.

The Mayor's comments followed an appeal from Deputy-reeve Donald Plaxton in which the deputy-reeve stated, "I want a park acquired for children."

Earlier the deputy-reeve had opened up discussion regarding nursery schools when he moved that the town solicitor prepare a by-law for the "regulating and registering of nurseries". He asked that the term "regulating" cover inspection, to ensure there were at least two exits (a door directly to the outside of the building from where the children attend nursery school and a window with safety steps leading to it) from the basement room. Deputy-reeve Plaxton also suggested the by-law include an annual business fee or license of \$15.00.

Councillor Joseph Paterson

seconded the motion which was approved by all members with the exclusion of Councillor S. Tinker who said, "I don't agree with the price of the fee — and I don't approve of nurseries schools." Councillor Tinker said he thought the children should be home with their own mothers.

Following various comments,

including that fact that too many young children play on the roads when they remain "around home" and that nurseries schools keep the children away from traffic hazards, the Mayor coined the slogan "Parks and Playground for 1959."

Rev. C. G. Higginson

New Head Thornhill - Richmond Hill Ministerial Association

The first meeting this fall of the Thornhill - Richmond Hill Ministerial Association was held on Wednesday morning, October 1, 1958, in St. Mary's Anglican Church Hall, Richmond Hill. The President, Rev. Percy G. Buck, of Thornhill Baptist Church, chaired the meeting and the minutes were recorded by the Secretary-Treasurer, Rev. Wm. Askew, of Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Thornhill.

Refreshments were served at the beginning of the meeting by the ladies of St. Mary's, and were appreciated and enjoyed by all. The members of the association welcomed two new ministers to their meetings in the person of Rev. Edward Morley, Honourary Assistant at St. Mary's Anglican Church, Richmond Hill, and Rev.

Logan Varey, the new Curate at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Thornhill.

During the business period which followed, Mr. Askew reported on the assignment of schools for the teaching of religious education; the good enrollment and definite success of the Hills and Dales School of Christian Education currently being conducted on Wednesday nights at Thornhill United Church.

After the conclusion of business, the election of officers for the 1958-59 year was held. Rev. Charles G. Higginson, of Richmond Hill United Church, was elected as President, and Rev. Robert W. Irvin, of Richmond Hill Baptist Church, was elected as Secretary-Treasurer. The meeting adjourned following prayer by Mr. Irvin.

Assessment Comm'r. Presents Report Population 13,436

The total assessment figure for the town of Richmond Hill now stands at \$23,348,505, an increase of \$2,458,498, since December 31st, 1957, when the assessment figure was \$20,890,007. Assessment Commissioner R. W. Johnston said when he appeared before council Monday night with his report on the assessment department for the period January 1st, to September 30th, 1958. The assessment made in 1958 for 1959 taxation has been completed and the roll returned to the clerk.

Mr. Johnston drew gasps of astonishment from most of those present when he told council that the population count now stands at 13,436, as compared to 10,832 as of December 31st, 1957. This is an increase of 2,604 residents in nine months, and it is anticipated that the population figures will rise to 15,000 by next spring, with an expected assessment of about \$24,000,000 by the end of 1958.

Following Mr. Johnston's report,

Mayor Ken Tomlin said, "May I commend the assessment commissioner — for the first time in a good many years this report has been returned on the statutory date."

Catholics Attend Holy Hour And Pray For Pope

Last Sunday saw the fifteenth annual Holy Hour and Living Rosary at the grandstand of the Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto. Several hundred individual families from the parish of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Richmond Hill attended as well as the executive officers of the Holy Name Society.

From Thornhill, members of the Holy Name Society from St. Luke's Parish under the leadership of Mr. V. DeMarco and Mr. J. Loughran were in attendance. Accurate estimates of attendance from this area are impossible since the purpose of the annual event is to bring the family together in prayer as a unit.

Under the direction of Father F. McGinn of St. Mary's and Father E. F. Crossland of St. Luke's, public prayers have been offered up every morning since last Monday for His Holiness Pope Pius XII in his time of need. Although the latest reports state that the time of crisis is past, the prayers will continue until he is able to resume his duties.

There Is No Polio Epidemic

Advise Everyone From 20 To 50 To Get Salk Vaccine After Two Local Deaths By Paralytic Polio

The Richmond Hill United W. M. S. Hold 1st Meeting In New Quarters

The chapel of the new Christian Education Centre of the Richmond Hill United Church was filled to capacity for the first Women's Missionary Meeting held in the new building, on Thursday afternoon last week. It was the occasion of the annual Thankoffering meeting of the Harriet Taylor Auxiliary W.M.S.

In addressing the members following the reading of the lesson, Mrs. C. G. Higginson said, "We can do absolutely nothing, of ourselves, like the publican of old we must cry, 'Lord be merciful to me a sinner!' We look to Jesus for forgiveness because he first loved us." Mrs. Higginson was referring to Jesus as the propitiation for all sins.

In introducing the guest speaker Miss Harriet Christie, Principal of the United Church Training School, President Mrs. A. S. Elson told the audience Miss Christie, a graduate of Cambridge had been a Y.W.C.A. worker before becoming principal of the United Church Training School four years ago.

Representing the W.M.S. of Canada at the World Conference held at Tokyo, Miss Christie told her listeners she was going to speak directly about the people of China, Korea and Japan (whom she saw in her extensive trip).

This was Miss Christie's first trip to the orient and she indicated that she was almost overwhelmed by the veritable masses of people, particularly in Hong Kong. She inferred that the great number of children, of every physical and material state; the hordes of white-shirted office, store and factory employees (male) who teemed out of the many, many buildings at the close of the working day, were like a tidal wave engulfing the city flowing over the roads and sidewalks, crowding, pressing like a great tide onward to their homes!

Their "homes", generally speaking, were single apartment rooms measuring about 8 by 12, in which five "adults" or six children and two adults must live together. The apartment houses themselves containing 2,000 people in seven to eight storey buildings, built in the form of a letter H, with bathroom, kitchen and laundry facilities (communal) spread out at the far points of the compass.

Miss Christie explained that this is Hong Kong's answer to the thousands of refugees who come across the border from China at the rate of 9,000 a day. No other refuge in the world will be responsible for these teeming

Polio Outbreak Just Coincidence Says M.O.H.

There is no Polio epidemic in Richmond Hill. Reports of the last few days about two deaths and two more cases of illness resulting from the dread disease have led some to believe that the source has been the much discussed water supply. Again this is not true.

York M.O.H. Dr. R. M. King says it "is nothing more than a coincidence" that two men living on the same street in Richmond Hill died last Monday from Polio. Duncan Schwartz, 34, and Robert Allen, 25, both of Rockport Crescent, were stricken Saturday and removed to hospital. They died within minutes of each other on Monday. On Tuesday, it was found that little Christine Morkin, 6, of Tormore Drive, a few blocks away, had also contracted the disease. By Wednesday morning, an unidentified woman in her early twenties from Bradford had also been incapacitated by the paralytic germ.

Individual doctors in the area have been swamped by calls for the Salk vaccine which is a preventative for Polio. Neither Schwartz nor Allen had received this treatment, but the Morkin child had. The vaccine is not held to be 100% effective, however it is helpful, and Christine is now on the way to recovery because her affliction was of a lesser degree than that of the two men.

According to Ontario Health Minister MacKinnon Phillips, out of the 2,000,000 persons receiving the Polio anti-toxin, only three contracted the disease and because of this he urged everyone under the age of 50 to be vaccinated immediately.

The complete inoculation involves three shots. The second shot is given from 6 to 8 weeks after the first, and the third is given 7 to 8 months after the second, with booster shots periodically after that. From a private doctor, there is a standard charge of \$2.00 per shot; not for the vaccine but for the inoculation. When received from a public health clinic, the shots are free. In Richmond Hill, the Child Health Centre is now giving Salk shots every Monday afternoon from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. They will be closed Thanksgiving Monday, but will be open again the following week on October 20.

Medical science does not know how the disease is contracted even though it does know how to prevent it, according to Dr. King. An investigation is being made into the matter, but he and his associates are at a disadvantage, not knowing how Polio is contracted.

Late Wednesday morning, Dr. King said, "As far as we are concerned, the three cases of Polio reported in this area are strictly coincidence. We can find nothing to connect them. It is true that private physicians in the Richmond Hill area are having a run on the Salk vaccine,

but this should not be interpreted as an epidemic scare". There is no epidemic nor major outbreak of Polio in the Richmond Hill area, but it could happen. If you have not had your Salk shots yet, get them — now.

V. O. N. Board Finalizes Plans Cam. Oct. 15-31

The Board of the Richmond Hill Victorian Order of Nurses met on October 1st to finalize plans for the annual campaign for funds to run from October 15th to 31st. The support of the citizens of Richmond Hill is requested. The canvas will be conducted by the Lions, Rotary, Jaycees, Kinsmen, Kinettes, Rotary Inner Wheel and the Catholic Women's League under the direction of Mrs. Malcolm Thomson. The Board emphasizes donations made to the Metropolitan Toronto United Appeal do not apply to the Richmond Hill V.O.N.

Miss Woodbyrne, Nurse-in-charge, reported 11 admissions during September and 116 visits of which 62 were without charge.

The board learned with regret of the illness of a valued member, Jack E. Smith, and expressed best wishes for a speedy and complete recovery.

ACCIDENT RECORD RICHMOND HILL 1958

FATALITIES 0	
ACCIDENTS	INJURIES
121	27

It Shouldn't Happen To A Dog!



"Toots", somebody's pet black and tan, looks curiously and apprehensively at the syringe in the hand of Dr. Alan Ripley at the recent inoculation clinic held in the Richmond Hill Fire Hall. Toots is not

her dog) is Elizabeth Langstaff. Onlookers at the free anti-rabies clinic said they thought the adult owners suffered more from the ordeal than the pets! — Photo by Lagerquist