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NORMAN BURNETT, Secretary.

TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL

PROGRESS REPORT

Sanitary Sewers and House Connections to be installed as of May 4th, 1959, Harding Park Area.

SANITARY SEWER TO BE COMPLETED

Ruggles: Elmwood to Markham	550 ft.
Ruggles: Harding to south limits	300 ft.
Lennox: Harding to south limits	300 ft.
Tunnel through tracks	520 ft.
Palmer: Tunnel through tracks	440 ft.
Cedar Ave.: To Markham	250 ft.
Markham Rd.: East of Cedar	180 ft.
Elmwood: 220' east of Ruggles	220 ft.
Total	2760 ft.

Progress: Figure 125' per day — 2760 — 22 days

125

Figure trunk sewers to be complete June 6th, 1959.

LATERAL CONNECTIONS

Church St.	4 ea.	south end
Lennox	7 ea.	south end
Baker	19 ea.	
Ruggles	30 ea.	
Lawrence	10 ea.	

East of tracks	70
	80
Allow 7 per day	80 — 12 days
	7

Should be completed by June 6th, 1959

Watermain	Cedar Ave.	1300 ft.
Palmer Ave. (Baker to Lennox)		1140 ft.

Report being prepared on these items should be installed by June 6th, 1959.

O. S. WHALEN, Commissioner of Works,

PROPOSED ROAD GRADING SCHEDULE — HARDING PARK AND EAST ELMWOOD AREAS

Road ditching could possibly start on Lennox and Harding Park by June 30th. Also all other streets in the Elmwood area could be started around same time subject to a plan of having all vacant lots serviced prior to paving in both areas.

In general, all sewers and contract laterals should be completed by June 6th, 1959, and road operations could be commenced by June 30th and carried on subject to street priorities as to consolidation so that all streets would be surfaced treated by October 31st. This would require all streets to be ditched, gravelled, and possibly two applications of dust layer by September 15th to allow a suitable period of consolidation and time for reshaping any bad conditions prior to surface treatment.

No surface treatment should be considered after October 31st, 1959, as ground surface is generally too cold to ensure a proper bond.

O. S. WHALEN, Commissioner of Works

Set Local 1959 Hydro-Electric Budget \$154,200.

The Richmond Hill Hydro-Electric Commission in session Thursday of last week set their 1959 budget at \$154,200. This is a \$9,650.00 increase over the 1958 figure of \$144,550.00. The budget will now be submitted to the town council for ratification. The sum of \$120,000. will be debentured. Last year the town issued \$65,000.00 in hydro debentures. The largest project in dollars and cents last year was the construction of the Beverley Acres Substation at a cost of \$43,895.00. The commission budgeted for an estimated 350 new customers in 1959 while the actual number turned out to be 700 or double the estimate. They will budget for 600 customers in 1959.

As a means of saving on provincial power costs the commission authorized the calling of tenders for the start of a flat water heater control system. It is hoped to complete the first of three annual stages this year. The total cost of the project has been set at \$58,000.00, with this year's outlay amounting to \$20,000.00. The introduction of such a control system will help save on the power charges by cutting down on the daily peak load.

Girl Guides' Half-Day Hike Helps In Test For "First Class"

By Janet Thomson
On Saturday, April 25th, a group of Girl Guides ventured on a hike beginning here in Richmond Hill and ending in Crampton's woods.

At 9:30 a.m. six Guides from the 2nd Richmond Hill Company, Charleen Smith, Francine Watkins, Louis Schell, Lyn Metcalfe, Rosemary Mowat and I were ready to go, each laden with knapsacks and bags, whatever was available.

After calling for the two young Guides I was taking, we met Charleen with her two young guides. Charleen and I were hoping to get our hiker's badge and also pass the "half-day hike" for our First Class.

Although it was raining lightly before we met it soon stopped. The humidity and the walking soon made us hot and off came our jackets which we then put around our waists. As soon as we had gone far enough from town Charleen let her dog (who was an unofficial member of the hike) loose, and we also let loose with guide songs of all types. As the "polka-dot" house appeared at the top of the hill it began to sprinkle again, and as we walked on it came down harder and we had to take to our raincoats. We crossed a farmer's field and were approaching some trees when the rain came down in buckets, and despite the raincoats we all got wet. However, a breeze soon came up and by the time we reached Dufferin Street everyone was dry.

By one side of the road was a pond, where to our delight were two white ducks. Of course the dog started in after them and Charleen only managed to retrieve him covered with mud, after wading through soft sand. As soon as we had reached our campsite everyone started collect-

There are 1,500 flat water heaters in Richmond Hill.

As a means of strengthening its competitive position the commission on recommendation of the province will begin a water heater rental system this year at an estimated cost of \$37,500.00. The local utility will now in addition to maintaining flat water heaters free of charge, also have them available on a rental basis.

The commission is also considering the purchase of land in Richmond Hill for the future erection of a service building and a garage. They expect to shortly make an inspection of service buildings in surrounding centres. The commission will continue its rebuilding program started in 1958 on several streets in the central part of town.

The total value of the plant as of December 31st was set at \$787,252.44, while the debenture debt stood at \$455,443.80. Messrs. Don Ireland and Jack Shand of Ontario Hydro attended the budget session.

The 1959 members of the commission are Chairman Sam Cook, Commissioner William Wagner and Mayor Ken Tomlin.

Elect Executive For Children's Aid

The executive committee of the York County Children's Aid Society was elected at the regular board meeting at Newmarket. Marshall McMurchy, Aurora, is president for a third term.

Five-presidents are Joseph Fry, Markham; Alfred LeMasurier, Langstaff; and Mrs. Elton Armstrong, Armitage. The secretary is Mrs. Neil C. Smith and treasurer is Ralph Corner, both of Stouffville.

Other members of the executive committee are: Mrs. Nelson Ion, Hugh Grant, both of Newmarket; Mrs. William Hodgson, Kettleby and Mrs. Donald Ratcliff, Stouffville.

Nature Notes

By Richmond Hill Naturalists
Naturalists are always observant but, during the spring migration, every moment which can be spared is used. On Saturday, May 2, it was hard to remember that such an ordinary thing as work needed to be done. A "wave" of warblers had arrived the previous night. Fifty-one species, under the capable leadership of Mr. Lyn Jackman, were identified.

Birds were flitting everywhere of which there seemed to be dozens of Nashville, black and white and myrtle warblers and ruby-crowned kinglets. Other first arrivals were: northern water thrush, Maryland yellow-throat palm, yellow and black-throated green warblers, blue-headed vireo, olive-backed thrush, chimney swift, rough winged, tree and bank swallows, spotted sandpiper. Also, numerous ones that have been with us for some time.

Other observers, within our prescribed 15 mile radius, reported: bittern, loons, blue-winged teal, field sparrow, brown thrasher, boblink, jenny wren, red-headed woodpecker, rusty blackbirds and more than one report of flocks of Canada geese flying north. On the 5th, the crested flycatcher and the black-burnian warbler arrived.

The recent rains have made such a difference to the growth of the wild flowers. The hepatica

Markham Meets Metro Planner Next Monday

Reeve W. L. Clark of Markham Township announced Monday that Metro Planning Director Murray Jones will meet with council next Monday afternoon regarding the drainage and planning for the south-west corner of the township.

The important south-west corner has lain dormant for the past five years. Recent efforts by Reeve Clark to secure Metro Planning Board permission to allow development of four residential subdivisions in the area was turned down by a narrow vote. The whole area will be subject to review by the Municipal Board this summer. Reeve Clark suggested the survey in Markham, Vaughan and the northern part of Metro be done by the same engineering firm rather than by three different firms.

Dumping
Council expressed concern with the usual rash of spring dumping on township road allowances. Unscrupulous individuals who use the roads for dumping garbage and old household items came in for strong criticism from council.

"We've been so lenient in the past," stated Reeve Clark. "We just made them clean up the mess, but from now on I suggest we take legal action against those responsible," remarked Reeve Clark. Roads Committee Chairman reported that two truckloads of rubbish has been removed from the mile and a quarter between the fourth and fifth concessions. Council instructed Councillor Mumberson to have the road department put on an immediate drive to clean up the road allowances before the grass gets too high. If necessary, Mr. Mumberson was granted permission to hire extra road staff. Deputy-reeve W. Dean suggested the police be warned to catch out for dumping in an effort to apprehend those responsible. Once the roads are cleaned up the road department will erect "No Dumping" signs in various locations.

Reeve Clark expressed disappointment at the reported decision of the Metro Works Department to sell their two wells located at German Mills by public tender. Council felt as the wells

are in Markham the township should receive some consideration in their sale. For sometime the wells were used in the supplying of water to the Highland Park area.

The advance of the Metro trunk lines through North York put an end to their use. The Highland Park area is now served by the township's own water system. The wells haven't been in use since last summer.

On recommendation of the planning board, council has approved the extension of Henderson Ave. from its northern limits to John Street and the extension of Elgin Street from its eastern limits to Johnson Ave. The planning board stated the area lacked

through streets. The extension of these roads will also give access to the new public school site in the Elgin Street - Clarke Ave. area.

The township engineers, H. Babcock and Company have instructed the James McKay Construction Co. to clean up the roadways in Doncaster following their construction work. Council has referred three tenders for two new police cruisers to the police committee for a recommendation.

The lowest tender for two cruisers with the 1958's taken in for trade was \$2,312.00, with \$350.00 extra if automatic transmission was required. The highest tender was for \$2,360.00 with an extra \$350.00 for automatic transmission.

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Smile In Voice Can Travel Far Bell Speaker Tells Civitan Club

The world of sound was explored by members of the Civitan Club of Richmond Hill, at a dinner meeting Tuesday evening, when J. E. Millyard, of the Bell Telephone Company, spoke on "Sounds of Our Times." Mr. Millyard illustrated his address from a gallery of unusual recordings. The meeting was held at the Yangtze Pagoda Restaurant, on Yonge Street.

The underwater "conversations" of a school of porpoises, the beat of a human heart (male), as a pretty girl walks by, the scrape of a safety razor over a man's face, the roar of a jet taking off — were all reproduced stereophonically on special tape recordings. Mr. Millyard pointed out that a continuous program of sound research at Bell Telephone laboratories results in continuous improvements in the telephone service. Bell scientists were among the pioneers of stereophonic sound reproduction, he said.

Contrasting with these modern recordings were re-enactments of early telephone conversations, including the first long distance call from Brantford to Paris, Ontario, in 1876. The inventor himself — Alexander Graham Bell —

was represented in another recording, a re-enactment of the first trans-continental call, from New York to San Francisco.

"A great deal of credit for today's good telephone transmission is due to improvements in the set itself," said the speaker, explaining the component parts of a telephone set by means of a transparent model. "Your voice doesn't travel far on its own power — only about half an inch from your mouth to the microphone. The rest of the time it's travelling as electrical energy which goes at the speed of light — 186,000 miles per second."

Demonstrating various sounds robbed of their overtones, Mr. Millyard commented, "Reproducing these overtones accurately is an important part of the telephone business today. Everyone's voice is different, and it's the overtones that make it so. They're what give your voice personality. So if you put a smile in your voice, we'll guarantee the smile will still be there when we deliver it at the other end."