

Coming Events

EVERY TUESDAY, Bingo 8 p.m. at the Legion Hall, King Side Road, Oak Ridges. Cash prizes and jackpot. t/c31

BINGO every Wednesday evening a 7:45 p.m. at the Canadian Legion Branch 375, Carrville Rd., West. Rich. ale. t/c48

BINGO every Thursday, 8 p.m. in Orange Hall 1st house north of Loblaw. t/c27

EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT 9:00 p.m. - 12:00 Dancing at Cameron's Orchestra, at Canadian Legion Branch 375, Carrville Rd., Richvale. Sponsored by Richmond Hill Branch 375, Carrville Rd., East. 75c per person. t/c36

DAILY - Dufferin Fairways Golf Range and 18 hole Reg. Miniature Golf Course open 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. 4th Annual Toronto & District Miniature Golf Championship Tournament, September 8, 1959. Open to all men and women over 16 years. Fun for all. Enter qualifying play now. For your added enjoyment after golfing a new swimming pool is available. Registration and information at Dufferin St. at No. 7 Highway, Phone AV. 5-0332. clw8

AUGUST 21 - Friday, Corn roast at Stan Wood's flats, under auspices Canadian Legion Branch No. 375. Starts 9 p.m. Tickets 75c per person. clw8

AUGUST 22nd, SATURDAY, Gala Bingo, euchre and cribbage. \$100 Jackpot to go-8 p.m. sharp. 75 cents per person. Cash prizes Legion Hall, King Side Road, Oak Ridge. c2w7

AUGUST 26 - 8 p.m. Annual meeting of the Richmond Hill Arena Association to be held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Hall, on Wednesday, August 26, at 8 p.m. clw8

Sudden Passing A. Rand Phipps



The community was shocked by the sudden passing of A. Rand Phipps, highly esteemed citizen of Richmond Hill, while driving his car in Toronto Tuesday evening. Death came with startling suddenness and without warning as he was driving some staff members home after work. A passenger was able to take control of the car and a serious crash was avoided. The late Mr. Phipps who was 65 last May had suffered a heart condition for some time but had been at work as usual Tuesday and was in his usual good health. He resumed work Monday after a pleasant two week vacation at his summer cottage in Muskoka. Born in New Jersey, the late Rand Phipps was the only son of Mrs. Phipps and the late A. L. Phipps. He came to Richmond Hill with his parents at the age of eight and had lived here ever since. He attended Richmond Hill Schools and graduated from the University of Toronto in engineering in 1926. Since 1929 he has been on the staff of the Bell Telephone Company and was a highly respected and valued employee. Rand Phipps took an active part in community and church life. A member of Richmond Hill United Church he was a member of the session, secretary of the trustee board, and for many years a member of the choir and active in Sunday School and boys' work. An enthusiastic Mason, he was a member and a Trustee of Richmond Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of which he was a Past Master. He served many years as Secretary of the Lodge. He was an active member of the Richmond Hill Lions Club and always gave freely of his time and ability in support of every good cause and community undertaking. He is survived by his widow, the former Margaret Emmett (they were married in 1936), two sons John and Gerry, his mother Mrs. A. L. Phipps, and one sister Anna, Mrs. Roy Smithurst of Vancouver, B.C. The funeral will be held from Richmond Hill United Church on Friday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. and interment will follow in the Richmond Hill Cemetery. "The Liberal" joins with the people of the community in extending sincere sympathy to the family in their sudden bereavement. NEWMARKET - If the department of planning and development approves the project, which is now only in its initial stages, the Upper Holland-River Conservation Authority will clean up Fairy Lake. A \$100,000 project, Newmarket will be asked to pay half the cost.

Sentence Appealed

Persistent Effort By Local Police Uncovers Fraud And Phony Robbery In The Town Store Break In Owner Involved

WITHIN HOURS of the conviction on Monday of Bernard Scheiber, 28, of Cavotti Crescent, North York, senior partner of Jan's Men's Wear, Levedale Road, Richmond Heights Plaza, from which \$2,500 of goods was taken last May, on a charge of false pretences in connection with a \$989.00 insurance claim, the attorney-general announced his department would appeal Scheiber's \$500.00 fine.



R. P. ROBBINS, Richmond Hill Police Chief, who directed the investigation which led to the uncovering of the fraud and phony robbery.

Three months earlier, three youths, Reginald Hicks aged 17, Ronald Stark aged 16 and William Gary Gibson aged 19, all of Toronto were imprisoned after pleading guilty on charges of breaking, entering and theft from the Richmond Hill store. The climax of the case came Monday, when the Attorney General Kelso Roberts announced Tuesday that he would seek the release of the three youths, followed three months of patient investigation by police officers and detectives of the Richmond Hill Force under the direction of Chief Constable Robert P. Robbins. The case commenced on Friday, May 8, at 1:30 a.m. when Police Constable Young and Wilson while patrolling the Richmond Heights Plaza discovered four youths about to leave the store with the stolen goods. The youths attempted to escape. The constables gave chase and one youth was captured. Later the same day two more youths were arrested. The fourth escaped for the time being and eluded arrest until June 27. Guilty Pleas The three arrested youths later pleaded guilty and were sentenced in May by Newmarket Magistrate O. S. Hollinrake; Stark being sent to Guelph Reformatory on indefinite sentence, the other two youths on six months sentences. A warrant was issued for the arrest of the fourth youth in Volved. Magistrate Hollinrake sentenced the youths on charges of breaking and entering and theft, on their own pleas of guilty before learning the store owner knew of the intended break-in and then put in an insurance claim for damages. Last week, Bernie Scheiber pleaded guilty in Newmarket Court on a charge of false pretences. He was remanded to Au- for sentence and released on \$2,000 bail. Magistrate Requests Enquiry Following this hearing the Magistrate expressed a wish for a further enquiry into the whole case, not knowing that Richmond Hill Police had in fact completed a thorough investigation. After the May convictions of the three youths, Chief Constable Robbins had not been at all satisfied. "The case was too easy for the police," he told "The Liberal." "Here were three youths held on a most serious charge, making no attempt to defend themselves - it just didn't look right", the Chief Constable continued. Fourth Man Arrested Chief Robbins therefore instructed Police Constable Young to continue his investigation. Subsequently Richmond Hill Police arrested the fourth youth, Sam Feraol of Toronto in Toronto on a charge of the theft of a car from Richmond Hill and also on a charge of breaking and entering. The charge in connection with the theft from Jan's Men's Wear, Richmond Hill, was taken into account and Feraol on sentence was released on a year's probation. With the information then in their possession Richmond Hill detectives interviewed separately the four youths who all told consistent stories of the conspiracy to fake a robbery of the Richmond Hill Store. They gave no explanation as to why they had pleaded guilty to charges and had not implicated the store's senior partner during their own hearings in court. Store Owner Charged Richmond Hill police then arrested Scheiber and charged him in Toronto and gave the facts to the insurance company which had been claimed for damages with which the claim in consequence settlement on the claim was withheld pending the result of the case. Chief Constable Robbins told "The Liberal" that reports that the theft from the store of money and goods was not accurate. No money was involved. Following Scheiber's guilty plea, Magistrate O. S. Hollinrake said in his summing up that: "You don't break and enter a place when you have authority to enter." Guilty of "Something" On the other hand, the magistrate pointed out that even so "they were guilty of something". If released the youths would probably face new charges. H. S. 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Continuing, he said that his partner, "was educated and clever but lacked courage. I find it difficult to believe him guilty of such a conspiracy - for one thing he would not appear to have the nerve for such a thing, he just isn't the type." Asked if there was any reason why such a plan should have been hatched, Mr. Weisdorf said, "Not to my knowledge. The company is financially stable. I believe he was blackmailed, gave in to fear and acted out of sheer stupidity." At this stage Mr. Weisdorf had not received the report of the latest hearing and Mr. Robbins' remarks concerning the evidence indicating his partner's guilt. When advised of this he said, "Well, I have not been involved, and do not know all the facts." Likes Richmond Hill Concerning the future of the business he told "The Liberal" that he did not know "whether the business could survive this setback, whatever it means some dirt will stick". He added that he personally liked Richmond Hill very much and wishes to carry on. "Whether I can do so really depends on the Richmond Hill public, he concluded. Case "Out of Our Hands" Chief Constable Robbins summed up on the whole case in an interview with "The Liberal" by explaining that when the three youths were convicted on their own guilty pleas. Everybody was satisfied except the local Police. It was mainly due to the subsequent patient investigation by P. C. Young and other members of the local force that the true story was slowly pieced together and after the new evidence had been collected the police had placed the facts before the higher authorities who had then taken appropriate action. "The case is now out of our hands," concluded Chief Robbins. "We shall follow the Attorney General's instructions in the matter."

Alice May Boyle Passes On In Her 71st Year

Many residents of Thornhill and neighbouring areas were saddened to learn of the sudden passing of Mrs. Alice May Boyle, which was due to a heart attack at her home on 155 Centre St., Thornhill, August 12. Mrs. Boyle was extremely active right up to the day of her death, and until recently was a member of the choir at Thornhill Holy Trinity Church, of which she was a former organist; Mrs. Boyle was also a member for many years of the St. John's W. A. at Jefferson. Born in Thornhill in 1889, on the property that is now the Uplands Golf Course, Mrs. Boyle was the youngest and only surviving daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Lelliott, and was married to the late Mr. Oliver A. Boyle in the original Holy Trinity Church, Thornhill, in which church their 11 children were christened. Surviving Mrs. Boyle are four sons, Gordon, St. Catherine's, Lloyd, King City; Albert, Toronto; Lyle, Elgin Mills and daughters, Marjorie Dolan, Willowdale; Jean Fairley, Bowmanville; Olive Heimkay, St. Catharines; Marion Niveln St. David's; Phyllis Jones, Unionville; Isobel, Thornhill; also by 17 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Services were held at the Wright & Taylor Funeral Home, Richmond Hill, the Rev. Edward Morley being the officiating minister. The late Mrs. Boyle was interred in Holy Trinity Cemetery, August 15, the pallbearers were her grandsons, Messrs. Dale Boyle, Terry Jones, Glen Boyle, Gordon Heimkay, Robert Fairley, and Ted Fairley. MARKHAM - A giant embroidered quilt began in 1915 by Mrs. Louella Des Rosiers of Ringwood finally has been completed. It bears the names of all 1,500 men in the battalion with which her first husband, Quartermaster Sgt. F. M. Carlton served. Following her first husband's demise, the quilt was "put away". Mrs. Des Rosiers brought it out again last year and completed it. She is 73.

Reeve Perkins Supports Langstaff University Site

At the inter-municipal meeting held last week, when representatives from Richmond Hill, Markham and Vaughan were discussing possible high school needs for the future, Reeve Floyd Perkins of Richmond Hill suggested that a profitable subject for future discussion might well be "a York University site at Langstaff on what is known as the former jail farm." Councillor L. Mumberson of Markham Township said, "That is something I had not thought of, but I have often pictured the Connaught Laboratory being on that site - and since the two would be affiliated, think it would be a good thing to have them both there some day." No resolution for action was taken at last week's meeting, but the subject will probably be aired at greater length in a future session of the committee. Since the publishing of an editorial in "The Liberal" entitled, "Why Not a University at Langstaff", the editorial department has been informed by several residents they heartily concur with the suggestion. And a Yonge Street businessman with a "future university student" in his family said that he is writing to his local member of parliament asking for an investigation of the Langstaff property as a site for a university, and he further remarked "I would advise all others, who are interested in seeing such a development, to do the same."

Where Is Mo?

Mr. Warwick Butt, proprietor of Warwick House, Richmond Heights Plaza, Levedale Road, Richmond Hill, reports the loss of a popular Budgie. Warwick House is famous locally for the splendid three-tier cage which is kept in the store and in which normally live four attractive Budgies, known as Enne, Mene, Mine, Mo. The budgies in the cage are a great attraction and popular with the children of customers at Warwick House. The children of regular customers soon get to know the budgies individually. Now the cry goes up, "But where is Mo?" And that is exactly what Mr. Warwick Butt wants to know, "Where is Mo?" "Mo" is a lovely budgie, light green in colour with a dark blue tail. "Mo" decided to make a bid for freedom last Saturday and following a flight around the store, took off through the door. "Mo" has not been seen or heard of since. Mr. Warwick Butt and the many children who are Mo's fans and friends just long to see him back home.

Many Sign Petition

York North M.P. States Age Factor Changes At Yonkehurst Post Office. Located on Yonge Street since first opened in 1949 Yonkehurst Post Office will move to its new location a half mile from the Highway on Welldrick Road. More than a hundred signatures are on a petition which has been sent to the District Postal Director, Mr. C. A. Cathers the federal member for the riding and to Hon. William Hamilton, Postmaster-General at Ottawa, protesting the moving of the Post Office from its present location at Yonge St. and Yonkehurst Road, just a short distance south of Richmond Hill. Yonkehurst Post Office has been in the Costoff store since 1949. Mr. William G. Costoff who was Postmaster recently resigned and his mother was appointed as acting Postmistress. On August 6th a postal inspector advised Mrs. Costoff that the office would be moved within ten days. Pressed for a reason for the sudden action the inspector said it was "procedure". While the appointment of Postmistress in larger offices is the responsibility of the Civil Service, in smaller classifications the appointment rests with the Postmaster-General who usually acts on the advice of the local member of Parliament. C. A. Cathers M. P. for York North in a statement to "The Liberal" concerning the changing of the Yonkehurst office said that "after William Costoff resigned as postmaster his mother applied for the position but her application was turned down because of her age." Mr. Cathers said "after careful consideration the post-office authorities accepted the application of James Craigie who has a long record of war services and is operating a store on Welldrick Rd. There was no other suitable location on Yonge St. which was available. These are the facts given to me by the Post Office Dept." said Mr. Cathers. Mrs. Ethel Costoff the present Postmistress is a widow and feels keenly the loss of the Post Office. Sixty-three years of age she is surprised if age had anything to do with the decision. Her appointment as acting postmistress was authorized by the postal inspector or when it was suggested the appointment might go to her daughter. Protesting citizens point out that throughout Canada there are many postmasters carrying on in much larger and busier Post Offices than Yonkehurst, long after they reach the age of 63. Petitioners are hopeful their plea to keep the Post Office on Yonge Street will be heeded by the authorities. During the ten year history of the Post Office they know of no complaints to the Post Office Dept. regarding the location of the office nor concerning the service rendered by the Costoff family.

Present Arguments For Alternative Rail Route Through Local Townships

Representatives from Markham-Vaughan United Ratepayers, Lang-Rich Ratepayers, Vaughan Council and the township engineers were present at the Metro Planning Board meeting yesterday afternoon. The meeting was held in the Metro Council chambers on Adelaide St. E., to discuss the northern and southern routes already proposed. The Markham-Vaughan United Ratepayers group is opposed to the proposed C.N.R. route; the Lang-Rich Ratepayers support the southern route and are opposed to the northern route which the Markham-Vaughan ratepayers put forward. Mr. W. R. Binch, Q.C. made the presentation for the southern ratepayers group stating that the M-V United Ratepayers believe there are possible alternatives to the C.N.R. southern route, some of which are significantly cheaper than the C.N.R.'s proposal. The northern route as proposed by this group of ratepayers is, he said, only one possible alternative, there could be others. The Markham-Vaughan Ratepayers based their findings on a study of the assessment for the

Committee Is Provincial First Inter-Municipal Committee O.K.'s Bayview High S. Site

D. McCowan, Chairman J. M. Brown, Secretary

Dugald McCowan, Chairman of the Vaughan Township Planning Board was appointed Chairman of the municipal joint committee for Richmond Hill-Markham-Vaughan at the organizational meeting held in the town hall on Wednesday evening of last week. Mr. J. M. Brown, who is secretary of the Richmond Hill Planning Board and who attended the meeting as representative for Ross Scrimger, chairman of the town planning board who was unable to be present, was made secretary by the unanimous approval of the eight committee members present. Others present were Mayor Ken Tomlin, Reeve Floyd Perkins and Councillor James Haggart, all of Richmond Hill; Councillor W. Anstey of Vaughan Township; Reeve W. Clark, Councillors Mumberson and John MacNeil of Markham Township. In opening the meeting, and before calling for nominations for a permanent chairman and secretary, Mayor Tomlin said, "I think this is the first time that anything like this has taken place in the Province of Ontario - where three growing municipalities have got together to discuss their immediate problems, to avoid the pitfalls our compatriots fell into in earlier years on the Mason-Dixon line". The mayor outlined the purpose of the forming of the inter-municipal group, stating such factors as water supplies, sanitary sewers, the establishing of a hospital and educational problems were among the subjects they will discuss from time to time. "I would like to say, on behalf of the Town of Richmond Hill," His Worship continued, "we are happy to have you all here - we are happy that you have all gone along with the idea - and I would suggest that the meetings be held alternately in the three municipalities." The mayor then called for nominations for a permanent chairman and Reeve Clark of Markham Township asked if Mayor Tomlin would accept the office, to which the mayor replied, "I am not a permanent committee member, just ex-officio. I think it would be better both for the spirit of the committee and for the scheme as a whole if the chairman came from the permanent committee. I am not suggesting", he hastened to add, "that I am not going to support the committee, I will support it in any way. We are very desirous of seeing this a success." Councillor MacNeil then nominated Reeve Perkins and Reeve Clark said, "This committee was started by Richmond Hill and I would suggest that Reeve Perkins be the permanent chairman." Councillor James Haggart said he was in favour of a planning representative being chosen, "since it might be a little more permanent . . . and such a chairman would be a non-political member of the committee." Councillor Anstey said, "Mr. McCowan makes an excellent chairman on Vaughan's Planning Board." After Reeve Perkins agreed that any member of council was in office "at the whims of our electorates," it was unanimously decided that Mr. McCowan be

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A New Agreement Higher Fares On North Yonge Bus

The T.T.C. is willing to negotiate a new agreement for the operation of the North Yonge Bus Line serving Markham and Vaughan Townships and the Town of Richmond Hill. The existing agreement expires December 31st. Mayor Ken Tomlin of Richmond Hill, Reeve John Perry of Vaughan and Reeve W. L. Clark of Markham attended a conference with the T.T.C. Commissioners, along with Solicitor J. D. Lucas, Tuesday afternoon. It was made clear by the T.T.C. that the new agreement would cover operation of the line from Steele's Avenue north. The original agreement included North York Township which now is part of Metropolitan Toronto. It was intimated the agreement will be on the same basis as the former one with the T.T.C. providing service to the municipalities at cost. A notable difference however will be that local municipalities will not share in profits from fares south of Steele's Avenue. Last year Richmond Hill, Markham and Vaughan Townships shared about \$50,000 in operating profits. The TTC claims all or most of this was earned by traffic south of Steele's. A new fares structure to make the line a profitable operation north of Steele's will be submitted by the TTC, and it would appear likely that local residents will be paying increased fares. Detailed reports by the TTC indicated that passenger traffic in the North Yonge district has not been nearly as large as might have been expected from the extent of the population increase. The TTC agreement will be submitted to local councils at an early meeting for approval. The only alternative to the TTC proposal is for the municipalities to enter an agreement with a private operator to provide a bus service. RICHMOND HILL ACCIDENT RECORD 1959 FATALITIES 1 ACCIDENTS INJURIES 11

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