

The Liberal

LXXXI, NUMBER 14 "In Essentials Unity; in Non-Essentials Liberty; in all things Charity." RICHMOND HILL, ONTARIO, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1959 HOME PAPER OF THE DISTRICT SINCE 1878 .. SINGLE COPY 10c

Coming Events

BINGO every Wednesday evening a 7.45 p.m. at the Canadian Legion Branch 375, Carville Rd., West. Rich. ale. t4c48

EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT — 9.00 p.m. — 12.00. Dancing to Max Cameron's Orchestra, at Canadian Legion Hall, Carville Road, Richvale. Sponsored by Richmond Hill Branch 375, Canadian Legion. 75c per person. t4c36

DENNIS MOORE School of Dancing — register now — tap, ballet, ballroom, baton, Richvale Community Centre, Stop 22A Yonge St. Call TU. 4-2875. c6w10

EVERY TUESDAY AFTERNOON — at 2.30 p.m. The Women's League of Health and Beauty will hold classes in Wrixon Hall, St. Mary's Anglican Church. Visitors welcome. Enquiries Mrs. White, TU. 4-3348. c2w13

OCTOBER 3 — Saturday. Rummage sale, St. Paul's United Church, Oak Ridges, 2-4 p.m. Good used fall clothing. c1w13

OCTOBER 3 — Turkey shoot, Keswick Arena, Optimist Club. c1w14

OCTOBER 3 — Saturday 2-6 p.m. and 7-9.30 p.m. The Jaycette sale of Christmas Cards and novelties at 55 Elmwood Ave. Transportation to and from available. Refreshments. For information, TU. 4-4823. c1w14

OCTOBER 5 — Monday 8 p.m. The Women's Association of the Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church will meet at 8 p.m. in the church hall. Everyone welcome. c1w14

OCTOBER 5 — Monday. The Pot Luck Supper is being arranged for the regular meeting of the 3rd Richmond Hill Scouts Ladies Auxiliary. This will be held at St. Gabriel Anglican Church, Crosby & Bayview Aves. The time is 7 p.m. Bring a friend and your favorite recipe. Come on out and enjoy yourselves. c1w14

OCTOBER 6 — Tuesday 8 p.m. Special meeting of St. Gabriel W.A. to be held at the church hall, Crosby Ave. at Bayview. c1w14

OCTOBER 7 — Wednesday. Pot Luck Supper, United Church 7 p.m. Mr. Richard Allen, Mothers' Auxiliary of Cubs. Slides will be shown of summer camp. c1w14

OCTOBER 7 — Wednesday at 8 p.m. the Richmond Hill Curling Club will hold a General Meeting in the Richmond Hill High School. Reports of Committees will be submitted, and instructional films on curling will be shown, also there will be the opportunity to meet the new manager, Mr. Richard Allen. A cordial invitation is extended to all ladies, members and non-members. Make this "a must". c1w14

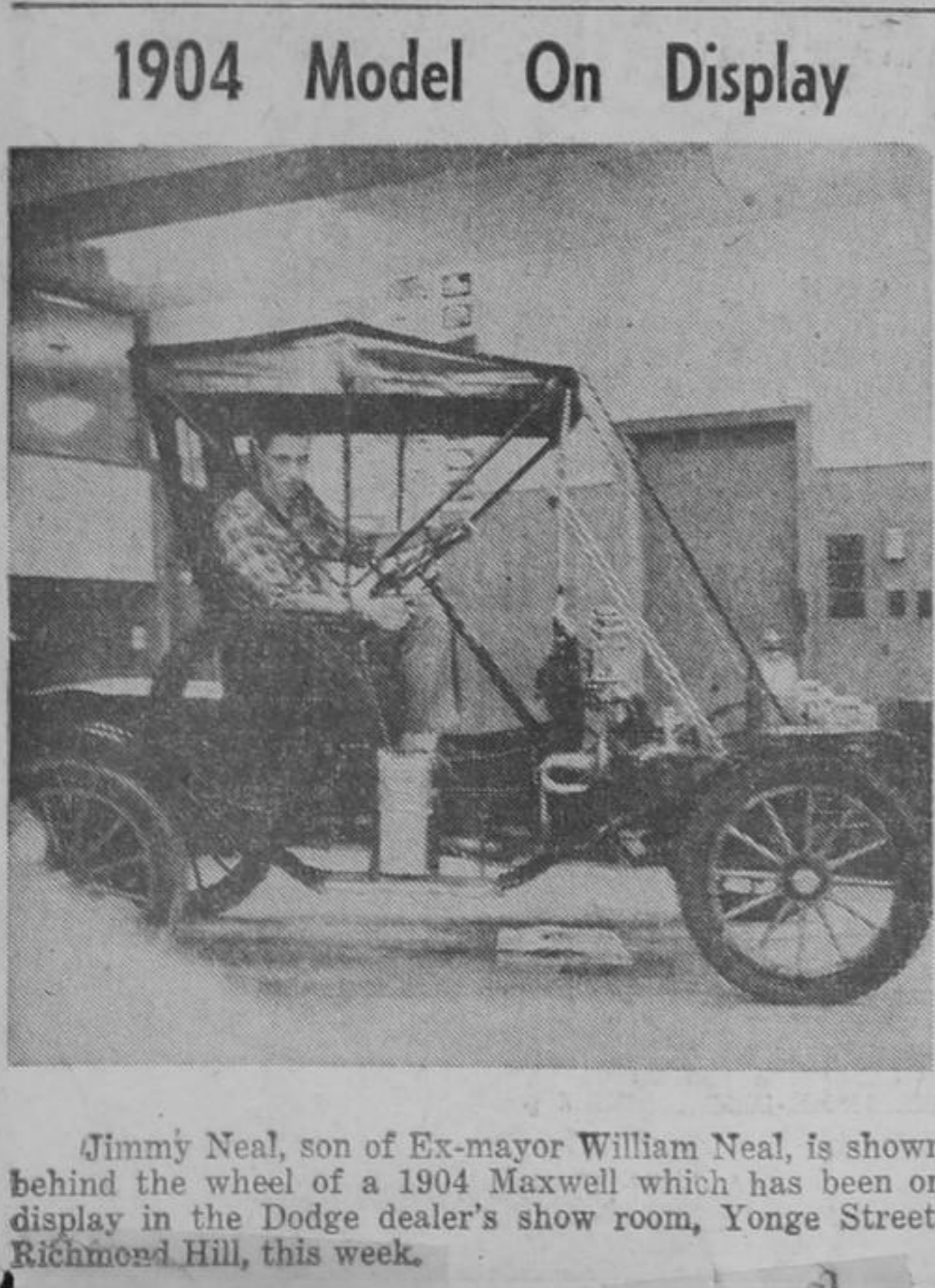
OCTOBER 10 — Saturday, 8.30 p.m. Public Dance, Richmond Hill Lions Hall, Centre St. East. Dancing to the latest records. Admission 75c per person. c3w13

Broken Insulators Cause Of Power Failure

Provincial and local hydro officials report that the water-tight destruction by rifle fire of a number of insulators at the Thornhill Sub-Station was the cause of Monday's power failure. A large area extending from Thornhill to Richmond Hill was plunged into darkness, when the violent rain storm destroyed the already weakened insulators.

Hydro and police are doing everything in their power to halt this type of vandalism. It is unlawful to discharge firearms in built-up areas and any citizen noticing individuals using hydro lines for target practice are asked to contact either the hydro or the police.

WILLOWDALE — When a half-ton of gravel buried William Von Oesen of Willowdale, last week, it saved his life, police said. After his car collided with another car it crashed into a gravel truck — and gravel poured into the car covering him — but keeping him secure so that the final impact did not kill him, OPP Constable K. Suddis said.



Jimmy Neal, son of Ex-mayor William Neal, is shown behind the wheel of a 1904 Maxwell which has been on display in the Dodge dealer's show room, Yonge Street, Richmond Hill, this week.

Allencourt Beauty Contest



Wearing the crown of "Miss Allencourt 1959" Miss Dolores Callin, centre, is shown after winning the first award in Richmond Hill's first beauty contest last Friday evening. With her are her ladies-in-waiting, left Miss Susan Butt, 24 Elizabeth St., second prize winner; and right, "Sandy" MacGillivray of 22 Vista View Blvd., who placed third.

WINNER OF RICHMOND HILL'S FIRST BEAUTY CONTEST was petite Dolores Callin of 345 North Taylor Mills Drive, Beverley Acres, who was the final first choice of the judges from the twenty finalists.

DOLORES IS A PUPIL AT RICHMOND HILL HIGH SCHOOL, aged 15 years. She is 5 ft. 5 1/2 inches tall and weighs 133 lbs. Her vital statistics are, bust 35, waist 26 and hips 36 inches. She lives at home with her parents and has three sisters, all younger than herself. They are Jila May, Vilda and Debra. She told "The Liberal" after her selection and crowning that she was "thrilled" but thought "it seems like a dream".

\$200 CASH, OTHER PRIZES

Dolores received a cash cheque for \$200 plus a free permanent wave donated by the Allencourt Beauty Parlor, free haircuts for a month donated by the Allencourt Barber, a free steak dinner donated by the Allencourt Restaurant, a golden cup and saucer set donated by the Allencourt Hardware store, a free Beauty set donated by the Allencourt Drug Store, two pair of nylon stockings donated by the IGA Supermarket on Allencourt Shopping Centre, and a free cash discount ticket from the Children's wear store on the Shopping Centre.

HUNDREDS CHEERED

Richmond Hill's first beauty queen was crowned before hundreds of cheering residents and visitors by Reeve Perkins who was unavoidably absent on an out of town appointment. The Reeve was deputizing for the Mayor who placed a lovely crown which had been made and donated by Al Rice of Rice's Flowers' Yonge St., Richmond Hill, and followed by kissing the winner on the cheek. Al Rice also donated the ribbon emblazoned with the title "Miss Allencourt, 1959" in golden letters, and the lovely bouquet of roses as well as posies for the two lovely runners up who have been elected the queens ladies-in-waiting or attendants.

Second runner-up was Sandy MacGillivray of 22 Vista View Boulevard aged 15 and whose vital statistics are bust 35 1/2, waist 24 and hips 37 inches. Sandy received similar prizes to those received by Susan Butt. All the cash prizes were donated by the Allencourt Estate who ran the contest and defrayed all expenses in connection with it excepting only the prizes donated by the various stores. The estate comprises Mrs. Cora Allen whose home, the old Allen farmhouse, used to occupy (Continued on page 3)

Inspector McIntyre To Make Study Of Local Public School System

Superintendent and Inspector of the local public schools, Mr. Gordon McIntyre, made his bimonthly report to the Richmond Hill Public School Board on Thursday evening in Crosby Avenue Public School. Mr. McIntyre intimated to the board he is beginning to orientate himself and will soon be ready for a general "State of the Union" report on the present set-up and the outlook for the future for elementary education in Richmond Hill.

Mr. McIntyre will review the subjects offered in the classrooms, including art, physical education, and music. He will report on staff and accommodation. The senior school type of operation will be discussed and how much senior school staff material is now available in the local schools. The tri-level system of classroom organization will also be under scrutiny. In other words, as Mr. McIntyre put it, "Where we want to go and how to get there," will be included in his proposed comprehensive survey.

Supplies

Trustee Sanderson wanted to know if the schools had all the supplies necessary for the pupils. He said it had come to his attention some special art and mathematics sets were being asked for by some teachers to be purchased by the pupils themselves. "Are we buying everything or not," asked Trustee Sanderson. Mr. Sanderson pointed out no general supplies requested by the principals had been turned down by the board. Mr. McIntyre said he would investigate the "outside" articles requested by any teachers. Trustee Mrs. Sully also called Mr. McIntyre's attention to the fact the board desired all pupils to have the necessary text books individually.

Religious Education Proposed

Superintendent McIntyre told the board he had been approached by Rev. S. Irvin, a member of the local ministerial association, who stated the association was desirous of contacting the board to ascertain whether or not religious education classes could be conducted in the public schools. After some discussion board members expressed the opinion if Rev. Irvin desired to have an interview with the board, the next meeting will be a good time for him to attend.

Due to lack of space the board on motion of Trustee Sanderson agreed to confirm the considered opinion of the public school principals that outside organizations not be allowed to store things in the schools.

It was estimated storage space of 12' x 12' added to a school would cost at least \$2,000. Trustee Sully felt the answer to the complete accommodation problem for outside of school organizations ultimately lies in community centres.

Convention Expenses

On motion of Trustee Rabinowitch, seconded by Trustee Sanderson, the four board members attending the Public School Trustees convention in Port Arthur were given \$100.00 in expense money each. Registration fees of \$18.00 and air tickets have already been paid for by the board. Trustees making the trip will be Mrs. M. Southwell, Chairman Clement, Mr. J. Rabinowitch and Mr. C. Williams.

The superintendent was asked to get in touch with the Department of Education to ascertain why only \$75,000.00 of the \$350,000.00 grant due has been paid up to September 24th.

Broken Windows Cost

Window glass, totalling \$435.00 has been replaced in the Crosby Ave. School and the Walter Scott School. The windows were broken before school started.

Payment of \$1,195.98 was approved to architects Noble and (Continued on Page 6)

Plan New Bayview High School To Accomodate 430 Pupils—Sketch Plans

Preliminary drawings of the proposed Bayview High School were on display at the Monday evening meeting of York Central District High School Board in Thornhill High School Library. Page and Steele, the architects, have planned a building similar to Woodbridge High School in facilities.

Four hundred and thirty pupils can be accommodated under the present sketch plans with the building easily expandable when the need arises. Fourteen standard high school classrooms are provided for. In one part of a future double cafeteria is the art room. With the approval of the Department of Education, and therefore eligible for grant, a double gym will be included in the initial construction. The suggestion of putting the cafeteria temporarily in the second gym was turned down by the department.

Due to the "tight money" situation affecting municipal borrowing the board was unable to estimate when tenders for the building would be called. Until the Ontario Municipal Board approves the issuing of debentures to build the school the board can take no future action. At present the O. M. B. is requiring the Town of Richmond Hill to show where it intends to obtain the necessary financing.

However, the Councils of Richmond Hill, Markham and Vaughan have all given their initial approval of the project.

Building Committee Approval

When to choose a building committee and whom to choose to serve on it invoked much discussion. On motion of Trustee Stewart Rumble, seconded by Trustee Robert Endean, it was decided to provide for a building committee for the new Bayview school immediately. On motion of Trustee Lou Wainwright the board agreed the committee would be composed of five members plus a chairman. Trustee Wesley Middleton opposed this motion as he felt five members in all were sufficient.

Trustee Nathan Hick's motion that chairman of the board Harry Sayers appoint the committee carried. Trustee Middleton opposing. Trustee Ralph Wood then moved the Chairman have until the next meeting to name the committee. Trustee Rumble who opposed this, asked that the chairman appoint the committee "now." Chairman Sayers ruled that doing so would "ruin the intent" of the last motion. During the discussion Trustee Middleton expressed the opinion Trustee J. Howes of the property committee should be approached to serve as chairman of the new building committee. Trustee Howes served as chairman of the building committee during the construction of Woodbridge High School. Trustee Howes was not present and it appeared to be unknown whether or not Trustee Howes would be agreeable to accepting such an appointment.

Qualification by October 31st

Trustee Wainwright, chairman of the management committee, asked the board to establish a precedent by requiring all teachers to submit proof of increased qualifications for salary category change to the board by October 31st of each year. The board agreed. Trustee Wainwright said his committee had checked the category of each teacher in the high school system and found them correct.

Wants Boy Sent To Technical School

As the parents of one boy in the district, who did not complete the 9th grade in a district high school, wants the board to pay his fees at a Toronto technical school, the matter was brought to the attention of the whole board. It was pointed out the board's solicitor, Mr. J. D. Lucas stated the board policy, established eight years ago, was that unless a school is declared "open" the board is not forced to send a student there until he first attends grade 9 in one of the district schools. After completion of the 9th grade a principal can recommend the student's fees be

paid elsewhere. The board decided to abide by this precedent through an official of the provincial Department of Education had not entirely agreed with the board's policy.

Several students from the Aurora High School District have been granted permission to attend Woodbridge High School as long as accommodation is available. This move was requested by the Aurora board due to transportation difficulties suffered by the students.

Enrollment at Thornhill and Richmond Hill High Schools is running neck and neck, Monday night one up! Principal E. S. Elson reported 758 students, Principal Morrow, 754 pupils. Principal Morrison of Woodbridge High School was out of town attending a funeral.

Musical Instrument Abused

Trustee Middleton told the board he had noticed several pupils misusing their expensive musical instruments on the way home from school lately. Chairman Sayers asked the principal to speak to the band masters and ask them to insist on the students taking proper care of the instruments. "These instruments are public property and their usage is a privilege not a right," added Chairman Sayers.

It was decided on Trustee Middleton's motion to dispense with the board - staff party this fall.

The next meeting will be October 13th, a Tuesday evening due to Thanksgiving Monday, and will be in Richmond Hill High School Library.

Present Monday evening were: Chairman Sayers, Trustees Middleton, Rumble, Wainwright, Wood, Snider, Kinnee, Hicks, Endean.

4th Safe Driving Clinic, Markham

Teenagers and adults interested in becoming better drivers, may attend a Traffic Court Clinic on Safe Driving in the Markham Township offices, Buttonville, during the next three months.

In January of this year, the first court of this kind was set up at Newmarket; three months later Aurora enjoyed the safe driving series of lectures and films, then the court moved on to Vaughan township where another three month series has just been completed.

Magistrates all over York County have the right to recommend a careless driver attend these courts — instead of paying fines — they feel that if a poor or careless driver attends lectures and writes papers on what he has learned over the three month course, that when he goes back to court for a check-up, his charge may well be suspended.

P.C. Gordon Heppleton of the Markham Township police will be the lecturer at the Markham clinic. An OPP for several years before joining the Markham police force in 1955, Constable Heppleton will be assisted at each clinic by different officers, in the showing of films and pictures regarding safe driving.

Sixteen This Week

BP Canada Takes Over More Service Stations In Area



Discussing the future operations of BP Canada Ltd. in this area with Mr. J. W. Perkin (centre) are Mr. John A. Ganas (right) Ontario Division Sales Manager and (left) Mr. John W. C. Ferguson, Toronto District Manager.

The distinctive yellow and green shield of BP Canada Limited goes up this week over 16 automobile service stations in Richmond Hill, Stouffville and Markham. This latest take-over means that in about two-and-a-half years of operation BP has built or acquired more than 500 service stations in Ontario and Quebec.

The 16 stations have been acquired by BP after negotiations with the J. W. Perkin Company of Unionville, who have been distributors of petroleum products in the area for the past 29 years and who will continue in this capacity with BP.

Having settled in Unionville in 1918, Mr. J. W. Perkin soon realized that Canada was a growing country and that as it progressed, Unionville would grow too. In this belief he bought a hardware store and, being an energetic and enterprising man, he looked around for a sideline. At the time he considered either farm implements and tractors, or fuel as a supplement to his hardware business. He chose fuel, put one pump in front of the store and bought himself a truck to deliver gasoline to farmers in the area.

As Unionville grew, Mr. Perkin began negotiations for a tank car and truck. He purchased the corner of Toronto York Road (now Kennedy Road) and the proposed No. 7 Highway from Dr. A. C. Kennedy and the first service station was built on this site in 1930.

Some residents may find it hard to believe that the Toronto York Road was the only paved road in the district in 1930. However, within two years plans were in operation for the construction of the present No. 7 Highway.

In that first year of operations, Mr. Perkin sold approximately 80,000 gallons of petroleum products. In those days it was something of a pipe-dream to consider a sale of 2,000,000 gallons a year, but that is what Mr. Perkin has achieved after 29 years of operation.

Automobiles were coming into their own in the early 1930's and with the new highway running in front of the first outlet, it was obvious that one storage tank was not enough to meet the demand. So the storage capacity was increased.

From then on Mr. Perkin took steps to keep pace with the rapidly growing popularity of the auto. He built a second service station at Clarendon, and over the years, at Stouffville, Goodwood, Gormley, and on Highway 48. Three more were built on Sheppard Avenue and others were rented elsewhere. During this time Mr. Perkin's accounts included two farms on Eglinton Avenue, where the Golden Mile now stands.

He added fuel oil to his list of petroleum products just before the start of the Second World War.

The year 1954 was a milestone for J. W. Perkin. His "sideline" had grown and was still expanding at such a rate that he decided to form a limited company with himself, his son, R. W. Perkin, and his bookkeeper, Miss Marion Warne, as directors.

Asked why he became associated with BP Canada Ltd., Mr. Perkin summed up his reason this way: "I was anxious to associate myself with the Canadian member of the British Petroleum Group — the largest organization within the British Common-

October Fourth to Tenth

THE CANADA JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Richmond Hill's Teen Town Start New Season

Richmond Hill Teen Town has a unique and enviable reputation in the province. It is the only group of its kind to operate successfully, under its own administration for any length of time. The members have chosen wisely and well in electing their officers, and under their direction the club has enjoyed over four years of fun and fellowship.

Membership is open to any teen-ager residing in the Richmond Hill area and particularly those who have left school and would enjoy an evening's fun with a group of their own age.

The membership rules are few but are rigidly enforced by the members themselves. No rough stuff, sloppy dress or rowdy behavior is tolerated. They have a good club and intend to keep it that way. The committee tries to keep a varied program so that it doesn't become "just another dance." Anyone who wishes to share musical talent or dramatic ability is always received with enthusiasm.

Regular nights at the club, indicate wearing casual clothes and are usually "stag" — everyone comes to make friends, meet new people and dance with as many as possible. Special dances such as the New Year's Eve Frolic and the Spring Prom are attended by couples only and are usually

Bob Ross Still In Critical Condition

We are pleased to report that Robert Ross Jr., son of Councillor Robert P. and Mrs. Ross, Centre Street West, who was seriously injured in an accident at Bracebridge, on Wednesday, September 23rd, is progressing favorably at Toronto Western Hospital.

Latest reports from the hospital at press time are that he is out of immediate grave danger, but still in critical condition.

Robert Ross, age 17, suffered serious injuries when he fell twenty-two feet to a basement floor in the building where he was engaged in construction work. He has remained in a coma ever since.