



### Allencourt Beauty Contest

(Continued from page 1) the space on which the shopping centre now stands; her son John; Mr. Whittaker and Douglas Miller Jr. Douglas is a contractor and his company have built the shopping centre. Further expansion is planned for the future.

**Very Difficult Choice**  
It had been planned to reduce the number of contestants to 12 originally and this was made public when the contest was announced. The judges found it so difficult to accomplish this with such an array of Richmond Hill beauty before them during the preliminaries that they finally let 20 girls through to the finals in the hope that the applause of the crowds who attended for the finals might assist them to reach a decision. The judges said afterwards that they hated making any selection at all because all the girls were lovely. And it was a very close thing indeed.

**Finalists**  
Other girls who reached the finals were Barbara Wood, Ann Watts, Lynda Manuel, Joan Weeks, Crystal Bowyer, Evelyn Gordon, Geraldine Bush, Ann Hodgson, Judy Richardson, Martha Stretterberg, Penelope Marinus, Mary Anglis, Veronica Watts,

Shirley Fournier, Brenda Reid, Diana McCarthy and Betty Overton, all of whom were presented with consolation prizes, by I.G.A. There is no doubt that the contest created wide interest and considerable excitement during the finals. Crowds gathered to watch and extra police were required to be on duty on the shopping centre to keep crowds back from the judges' table and the stage which the estate erected for the occasion.

Shelton-Mansel Motors have offered to chauffeur and supply a latest model open sports car for a drive round her "kingdom" by the queen and her attendants. Full details and the time and route to be followed appear elsewhere in this issue of "The Liberal". The drive will take place tomorrow, Friday, October 2nd.

**Town "Grows Up"**  
Following the contest, the queen and her attendants were received by the members of the estate and friends in the Allencourt Estate Offices adjoining the Medical Centre. During these meetings Councillor Haggart remarked, "After this beauty contest we can consider that Richmond Hill has grown up." Reeve Perkins agreed and said "Yes, it certainly is something of a milestone in the town's progress." Barrister John Rundle added, "I hope that it is merely the beginning of a great and expanded future for Richmond Hill." Dr. Bernarde who was in attendance throughout the preliminaries and finals of the contest, added that it "had been great fun and hoped the queen would enjoy her year of office." Members of the estate were obviously very happy at the considerable success of the contest. At the finals the master of ceremonies was Jack Buchanan who is installing on the shopping centre the Seeburg background Music System.

**Poise & Deportment**  
Most people were surprised at the efficient manner in which all the girls presented themselves on the stage during the finals. The secret lies in the training they received from Mrs. Bernice Gibson, who lives on Demaine Crescent. Mrs. Gibson moved to Richmond Hill from Vancouver two years ago and is a member of St. Matthews Church. She is moving this week to a new house in Fesserton Road. Said Mrs. Gibson when she was congratulated on her excellent job of training the girls to present themselves with poise and confidence, "I love it."

**Free Square Dance**  
I. G. A. provided an orchestra to the music of which, square dancing, free of charge, followed the beauty contest and continued until midnight.

### Jewish New Year



**Cantor A. J. Jacobs**  
Friday, October 2, at sundown Jews all over the world will usher in Rosh Hashana, the Jewish New Year. Maybe you wonder why the New Year should come in October. This is really not so strange, after all, the schools begin a new term in the fall. Universities commence a new semester at this time of year. Summer is gone, fall has begun, the leaves are turning and dropping off one by one. It is a new season, a new year. And Jews believe it is also a new religious year, a time not only to look backward and reflect on all that has gone before during the year just ended, but a time to look ahead and make resolutions for a better life.

The Jewish New Year is observed solemnly with prayer, worship and sacred assembly, with turning to God and humbly beseeching Divine guidance for the year to come.

You know, on January 1, people say "Happy New Year," but on Rosh Hashana, Jews say, "L'shona tova" — May you be inscribed in the Book of Life for a good year. There is an interesting story behind this traditional greeting. The word 'inscribe' refers to an ancient belief that all our deeds, all our thoughts, all our mistakes, are written down one by one in a great Book of Life; and each year on Rosh Hashana, so the story goes, the Almighty opens this Book of Life and examines the record. He goes over each page, each life, and determines who shall live and who shall die, who shall prosper and who shall suffer.

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## Protest Increase In Doncaster Assesments

Recent increases in Doncaster assessments brought forth a protest at Monday's meeting of Markham Township Council. A two member delegation, composed of Messrs. A. E. Picton and A. Stevens waited on the members to query recent increases. Mr. Picton stated his own assessment after remaining static for four years had jumped 18 per cent. "Is the increase general throughout the township or just in Doncaster?" asked Mr. Picton. In stressing that council has no direct authority over the assessor, Reeve W. L. Clark stated he understood Assessment Commissioner A. Fleming "had raised land values all over the township". "Some lots in Doncaster that were previously assessed at \$400 to \$500 are now selling for \$3,000," stated Reeve Clark.

### Finished Year With Surplus

Deputy-reeve W. Dean reported that the "assessor is concentrating on vacant lots and homes. Few farms have been increased." "We finished last year with a surplus and I can't see any reason for increasing the assessment on home owners," contended Mr. Dean. Citing the case of his own acre property on Yonge Street in Thornhill, Mr. Dean said the assessment has jumped from \$2,000 in 1947 to \$8,000 this year. Councillor J. MacNeil — "With last year's surplus I can't see any reason for increasing assessment at this time." Ward III Councillor S. Watson stated, "the assessment on my farm, house and son's house were all raised. The assessment on my son's brick house has been raised \$350, and yet there have been no improvements."

In reply to further questioning Reeve Clark stressed that the provincial assessment act clearly states that council has no jurisdiction over the assessor. "If any person is not satisfied with their assessment then they have every right to appeal to the court of revision which is a fair independent body. If they are still dissatisfied they can then appeal to a county court judge," remarked Reeve Clark.

"Who employs the assessor?" queried Mr. Picton. "The township does," replied Mr. Clark. In a further explanation Mr. Clark said if it can be proven an assessment is not fair a council can remove the assessor and make a new appointment.

### Re-Assessment Premature

Calling the increased assessment "premature" Mr. Stevens contended if the new C. N. R. line goes through Doncaster all the land in the south-west corner of the township will have to be reassessed. "The assessor can only act on the present, he can't anticipate the future," interjected Reeve Clark. "Somebody must have directed Mr. Fleming to raise assessments as much as 50%," maintained Mr. Stevens. "I have never issued any instructions to the assessor," stated Reeve Clark, "and to my knowledge nor has any other member of council." "You are going to tax the people out of Doncaster," retorted Mr. Stevens. There are approximately 350 homes in Doncaster and Mr. Stevens said some people's taxes have jumped to \$250. on a 50 foot lot plus the cost of water and in some cases

### a new road.

"Taxes are going up because you people in Doncaster got a lot of new improvements," contended Councillor Watson. On suggestion of Councillor MacNeil the assessor will be asked to clarify the matter and let council know on what classes of property assessments have been increased and also the percentage of increase. Mr. Stevens forecast that the Doncaster Ratepayers Association may shortly sponsor a protest meeting against the increased assessments.

### Road Budget Breakdown

Council is awaiting a full breakdown of the current road budget to date. Treasurer Harry Crisp hopes to have a statement ready by next week's meeting. There is some question if either the paving of 8th Avenue and the proposed extension of Henderson Ave. and Elgin St. are included in the by-law from the Department of Highways.

Council has referred a request from the Thornhill Village Trustees that the township charge part of the village improvements to Elgin Street to Water Area No. 1 to the road committee for study. In a letter tabled Monday the trustees referred to the money spent in 1957 in the widening and improving of the road. They also suggested council do any widening of street necessary for the installation of water along the south side.

Solicitor B. Ralph has informed council that the St. George Development Ltd. plan to appeal to the Ontario Court Appeals the recent ruling of the Ontario Municipal Board. The board granted Markham permission to extend its water system up Bayview Avenue to the railway tracks.

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### Prizes Allencourt Bicycle Road-E-O

Richmond Hill's young citizens will be given the opportunity to compete for four new bicycles, which will be offered as prizes in the Allencourt Bicycle Road-E-O, to be held at the Allencourt Plaza on Sunday, October 18th, at 10.00 a.m. Two of the bicycles to be given away have been donated by the Allencourt I. G. A., and two have been presented by local service clubs.

A special meeting has been held under the direction of Constable D. Young, and in attendance were representatives of the Richmond Hill Safety Council recently formed under the sponsorship of the Richmond Hill Jaycees. The Bicycle Road-E-O will be conducted by the Richmond Hill Police Department, with the assistance of several members of local service clubs.

The chief aims of this competition are to teach our youngsters the importance of traffic safety, and to instill in them the important part that correct bicycle driving contributes to this end. Further details regarding entry rules will be published in "The Liberal."

### Don't Want New Phone Line

Mr. J. B. Plunkett of R. R. 2, Woodbridge, appeared before Vaughan Council last Monday evening with a petition signed by ten families in the Woodbridge area, who do not wish to go on the new Maple dial exchange when the changeover comes on November 1 of this year.

Reeve Perry had told Mr. Plunkett two weeks ago that following receipt of a petition to this effect, he would see what action could be taken. On Monday night, as the reeve received the names from Mr. Plunkett, he quipped, "You could have called the drugstore direct", the nearest drug store being in Maple apparently. However, Mr. Plunkett smilingly said, "but we could not have called the lumber company direct."

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