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### Coming Events

EVERY SUNDAY & WEDNESDAY NIGHT until further notice at the Lions Hall, Centre St. E., Richmond Hill. Evangelist meetings. Admission free. Films, music, illustrated lectures. 7:30 p.m. Everybody welcome. tcl16

EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT — 9:00 p.m. - 12:00. Dancing to Max Cameron's Orchestra, at Canadian Legion Hall, Carrville Road, Richvale. Sponsored by Richmond Hill Branch 375, Canadian Legion. 75c per person. tcl36

EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT — Dancing, Modern and Olde Tyme, at Maple Community Hall. Music by Art Celsie and his Singing Plainmen — stars of TV and Radio. Admission \$1.00. Free parking. tcl18

EVERY TUESDAY — Bingo, 8 p.m. at the new Legion Hall, Oak Ridges Shopping Plaza. Cash prizes and jackpot. tcl19

DECEMBER 3, 8 p.m. — York Simcoe Home & School Council, Prince Charles School, Newmarket. Distinguished education panelists. c2w22

DECEMBER 5th, 2:30 p.m. — The annual bazaar of St. Mary's Anglican Church will be held in Wexicon Hall, Saturday, December 5th, at 2:30 p.m. Attractions for children. c2w22

DECEMBER 5 — Saturday 2-5 p.m. Come one, come all. Tea, bake sale, bazaar, lucky dip, children's corner, door prize. Sponsored by the East District Association of the Guides and Brownies. To be held at St. Gabriel's Church Hall. All welcome. clw23

DECEMBER 8 — Wednesday, 8 p.m. at Ballantrae Public School (3 miles east of Aurora just past Hwy. No. 48). Mr. Marshall Bartman of the Federation of Naturalists will give an illustrated address on "Woods, Wild Flowers, and Still Waters." The public is cordially invited to attend. No admission charge. clw23

DECEMBER 9 — Wednesday at 8 o'clock. Crosby Heights Home & School Association invites one and all to a Christmas dance and box social. Master of Ceremonies, Bill Eddie of CJRH. clw23

DECEMBER 9 AND 10 — 7 p.m. High School Library Club film programme "The Cranes Are Flying", Russian Drama, and "Private's Progress", English Comedy. Richmond Theatre. Tickets 65 cents from Library Club members or at door. \*1w23

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DECEMBER 11 — Friday 8:30 p.m. Jefferson School Community Club Christmas Party. Euchre and square dancing. Attractive prizes, refreshments. Carol singing. Everyone welcome. c2w23

DECEMBER 16 — Wednesday. Carols and Part I and part of Part 2 Handel's Messiah. York Chorales. clw23

DECEMBER 12th, SATURDAY — Turkey Shoot under auspices Lions Club, at Shur-Gain Farms, Maple, at 1 o'clock. Shotguns only, \$1.00 per round. c3w22

DECEMBER 12 — Paper, basket and bottle drive, May Avenue to Edgar, Hillside Drive to Duncan Road. 1st Richvale Scouts and Cubs. clw23

FEBRUARY 1-27 — Anyone wishing advance booking for the National Ballet, contact Mrs. David Carruthers, AV. 5-1269. clw23

### Markham Twp. Nominations

## Acclaim Reeve, Deputy-Reeve, Two Councillors — J. MacNeil To Run

### Reeve To Be '60 Warden? 30 Years On Twp. Council

The nomination meeting at the Buttonville W. I. Hall last Friday night was one of the biggest nights of its kind for some years in Markham Twp., with 10 candidates for council nominated; eight candidates for No. 1 Markham Public School Area, five to be elected; and six nominees for trusteeships in School Area No. 2, three to be elected.

Reeve William L. Clark, who will begin his 30th year on council in 1960, was once again acclaimed to office, as was Deputy-reeve Wilfred R. Dean and Councillors Lawson Mumberson, Ward 2 and Stanley B. Watson, Ward 3.

Present councillor of Ward 1, John MacNeil, will seek re-election, December 7th.

Nominations listed from 7 to 8 o'clock were as follows: Reeve, Wm. L. Clark, Wilfred R. Dean and Chas H. Hooper — Mr. Hooper withdrew from the race following the nomination meeting and Mr. Dean said he would not oppose the present reeve, Mr. Clark.

Deputy-reeve: Wilfred R. Dean, acclaimed.

Council Ward 1: Frank W. Plaxton, 276 John Street, Thornhill, pension consultant; John E. MacNeil, present councillor of Ward 1, also a resident of Thornhill, an executive.

Ward 2: Stanley R. Patterson, Concession 3, Markham, public accountant; Lawson Mumberson, present councillor of Ward 2, residing in Victoria Square, a retired police officer; Dalton Rumney, concession 3, farmer.

Ward 3: Stanley B. Watson, present Ward 3 councillor, concession 7, farmer; Archie Campbell, 14th Avenue, foreman.

Both Mr. Campbell and Mr. Patterson had not resigned from the School Board prior to the nomination meeting so failed to qualify. S. Patterson and D. Rumney withdrew.

Mr. Hugh McDonald acted as chairman for the nomination meeting and on a motion from the floor by one of the ratepayers it was decided that candidates should each have a five-minute period for speeches.

MR. CLARK said, "It is indeed a pleasure to see such a number out this evening — it speaks well for the electorate of the township." Mr. Clark spoke specifically regarding the large slate of candidates for the two school boards and said that he was glad there was so much interest for, "that is where most of the money goes, for school taxes."

Reporting on the past year, which had been a good one for the township Mr. Clark commented that the council had finally received approval for five subdivisions "which have been hanging fire for five years. Secondly, we established our own water supply in the south-west corner of the township — and another

## Acclaim Thornhill Trustees

by M. I. McLean

At the nomination meeting held Wednesday, November 25th in the Masonic Hall, Thornhill, the three standing trustees were the only ones nominated and were therefore elected by acclamation. Mr. James H. Timmins, barrister, of Yonge Street, who has served for the past two years, was nominated by Mr. David McLean, seconded by Mr. A. B. Clapham. Mr. A. R. Sumner, salesman, of John Street, the chairman of the board of trustees for the past three years was also nominated by David McLean and seconded by Mr. A. B. Clapham. Mr. Patrick McTaggart-Cowan, of Colborne St., a meteorologist, was nominated by Mr. G. Zinkan and seconded by Mr. David McLean.

The repetition of names mentioned as nominators and seconders of the candidates was due to the fact that Mr. David McLean and Mr. Gailther Zinkan were the only two citizens of Thornhill Village who saw fit to attend the nominations. This represents not only a deplorable lack of interest in democratic procedures and the welfare of the village generally but was also, in the opinion of this reporter, a grave discourtesy to the fine men who have been spending so much of their time and earnest effort in the running of the Village affairs. It raises the question: Do the people of Thornhill deserve to live in a democracy?

system south of Richmond Hill is in progress at the present time. We have a \$1 million investment so far."



Lawson Mumberson  
Markham Township Councillor representing Ward II, re-elected by acclamation.

As Chairman of the Finance Committee for York County Council during 1959, Mr. Clark reported that the settlement of assets and liabilities caused by Bill 80 were now in process of being wound up. Referring to The Home for the Aged at Newmarket (Mr. Clark is a member of the Home Board), he said that it is expected the new home will be opened next year.

Appealing to the ratepayers present, Mr. Clark stated he would like to have the opportunity of serving the electors of Markham Township in 1960 — and concluded his speech by thanking his nominators and stating "I think I can bring the Wardenship back to the Township of Markham." The 100th warden of the county is to be elected at the January session of County Council.

WILFRED DEAN began his speech by declaring emphatically, "I go on record that I will not be a candidate for the reeveship. This reeve (Mr. Clark) who has served the Township of Markham for so many years should have the honour of bringing the wardenship of the county back to this township in 1960."

As there were no other nominations for deputy-reeve, Mr. Dean was automatically returned to that office by acclamation.

Mr. Dean stated that he had had a great deal more experience this year than last year — this being his second term of office as deputy-reeve — and he reported that the township mill rate had been lowered by 3½ mills, while the road mill rate was raised only approximately 1 mill. "I feel we are in very good financial health,"

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### Santa Coming

## Plan Decorations Christmas Season

A finger of light will point to the skies as Richmond Hill marks the Christmas season. Chosen because it is the highest feature in the town and can be seen for many miles from all directions, the tall spire of the United Church on Yonge Street will be flood-lit, the committee in charge, of Christmas decorations for the Yonge Street Business and Professional Association announced this week. Expressing the wish for a similar treatment could have been accorded to other buildings, committee members, pointed out that the funds at their disposal would not permit this. They said, however, that it was hoped that this would be a start towards illuminating other high buildings, with additions being made from year to year.

Christmas trees will form another of the Yonge Street decorative features. Early of them, tinted in various colours, will be affixed to Hydro poles this week.

Biggest thrill for the youngsters, of course, will be the visits of Santa Claus to the downtown shopping area. Complete with bag-pipes, Santa will pay not one visit, but several, commencing on Friday, December 11th, when he will parade up and down Yonge Street playing his pipes and, with the help of his attendants, distributing candies to the youngsters. He will return the next day in the afternoon, and on Friday afternoon and

evening and Saturday afternoon of the next week. His final visit will be made on Monday December 21st.

During his travels Santa will pay a visit to every store in the main shopping area of the town, it is expected.

Christmas music will mark the big week itself. The choir of St. Matthew's Church will sing at different points on Yonge Street on at least one night during the Christmas week. Likely spots are the Municipal Building, the Post Office steps and the corner of Yonge and Lorne, so that all down-town sections will be covered as far as possible. There is a possibility that other choral groups may be heard also.

Stores will compete for special prizes being offered by the committee for the most effective Christmas windows. First prize is \$25, second is \$15, and third is \$10. The windows will be judged by a special committee from outside the town so that there will be no favouritism or bias. Not even members of the committee will know when judging is taking place as the judges are being asked to make their rounds at any time selected by them between December 11th and 20th.

Stores and offices which, for one reason or another, are not in a position to decorate their windows, are being asked to leave lights on during the Christmas season.

## Markham Rescinds 2 Year Term Vote

In a surprise move, Markham Township Council repealed the vote on the Two-Year Term at its meeting on Monday night.

Councillor Lawson Mumberson asked that the bylaw be repealed before the electors go to the polls in Ward 1 on Monday, December 7 because, "I feel that the vote should be left until it involves the whole township."

All members but Councillor John MacNeil, Ward 1, were returned to office for 1960 by acclamation; therefore the only area in which votes will be cast are Ward 1 and School Areas 1 and 2.

Councillor MacNeil said, "I think the people are going to ask why we are scuttling it now."

Councillor Mumberson, who

had moved the passing of the by-law for a vote on the question of a two-year term several weeks ago at a council meeting said, "I moved it in the first place because I thought it would be voted on all over the township."

After Councillor Mumberson moved the bylaw be repealed for this year Councillor Watson seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously. Councillor Watson remarked, "That's pretty well carrying out the Reeves wish, he did not wish a vote unless it came from the whole township."

Councillor Mumberson said, "A small part of the township voting on that question would be minus," thus closing the issue for this year.

## Pretty As A Rose News Reel Feature Richmond Theatre

Richmond Hill and its beautiful little girls are in the news across Canada — the newsreels to be exact.

The finals of the Rose of Richmond Hill contest, sponsored by Allencourt I.G.A. in conjunction with the opening of the Foodliner, was "covered" by a newsreel cameraman, and is now being shown from coast to coast.

The News Of The Day which features the contest, entitled "Pretty As A Rose," is being shown this week in the Richmond Theatre, Thursday, Friday and Saturday night and Saturday afternoon matinee. It should prove to be an even greater drawing card for Richmond Hill than any feature film, for who could be greater stars in the hearts of Richmond Hill parents than their own children.

The advance publicity release from the newsreel company states: "Richmond Hill, Ontario picks a little girl as lovely as the flower which made the village famous. Barbara Peirce, 5, is declared the sweetest of a veritable bouquet of tiny cuties." Two hundred little girls entered in the I. G. A. contest last September. Twenty finalists were chosen and introduced to a group of judges headed by Mayor Ken Tomlin outside the Allencourt I. G. A. store. Barbara won their hearts, and the hearts of the huge crowd which gathered to witness the finals.

The newsreel cameraman and battery of photographers who covered the finals couldn't get over the way this five-year-old girl stood up to the half-hour barrage of flash bulbs and flood lights without flinching or losing her captivating little smile.

Said Allencourt I. G. A. manager Gordon Foster: "It was a wonderful contest and we are delighted with the national attention it brought to Richmond Hill."