

# Vaughan Twp. Police Discovery Phone Call From Mexico Led Police To Dying Man

Mr. D. Williamson, Elgin Mills, Sideroad West in Vaughan Township, is on a holiday trip in Mexico. He had left an elderly couple at his Elgin Mills Sideroad home as caretakers, Mr. and Mrs. Moriartez.

**News Reaches Mexico**  
The news of the weather conditions in Ontario which have created more havoc than any period since 1954 and disrupted normal services in many places throughout Southern Ontario, even penetrated to Mexico.

**Long Distance Call**  
Worried about the Moriartez's, Mr. Williamson telephoned through to family friends, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Neill of Neill and Neill Insurance Services, Hard-

# The Lights Of Richmond Hill

(By Yvonne St. Claire)  
We left the brilliant lights of the Great City behind us; we passed through lesser, but still bright lights of the suburbs. Now we headed North, up a long ribbon of highway that looped up and down in undulating but fairly distinguished track. Soon we reached the top of a rise where the way descended for a distance, then climbed again amid a panorama of countryside. An uneven stretch of little hills and valleys pock-marked by tiny homes or farm buildings. At night, against the dome-like contour of the mist-veiled, faintly starred sky, it appears as a deeper, profounder stretch of velvet dark. Not unbroken, however for as we glided on, first down the gentle slope, then up, and even upward, pin-points of light, some near, some far, some isolated, some in groups began to appear, and they gained in quantity and density as we rolled on and ever upwards, till, as we approached the Town upon the Hill, they seemed to group and build up in one warm, concentrated glow of welcome.

# Dennis Moore Dance School

DENNIS MOORE WHO LAUNCHED his dancing school recently is finding his experiment a great success. Every Saturday he holds classes at Richvale Community Centre and the classes include tap, ballet, ballroom and baton.

At the age of four Dennis was brought by his parents from Northern Ireland (Belfast), to Canada when his family emigrated to the land of opportunity.

Dennis was educated at the Leslie Street Public School in Toronto until he went on to high school and higher education.

**Dancing At Age 4**  
Dennis started his career in dancing at an early age. He was dancing as a small child and appearing in public professionally from the age of seven. His serious study of dancing commenced when he was eleven and he attended dancing schools in Toronto and New York.

**Dancing Partners at 16**  
Dennis continued to dance alone until he was sixteen. At that stage he met and teamed up with his current partner, Maxine, who was also sixteen at that time. They have continued together as dancing partners professionally ever since.

With the outbreak of World War II the two were engaged to entertain the troops and travelled across Canada from one camp to another, and were the only combination dancing team so selected.

**To Japan and Korea**  
From Japan and Korea they returned to appear in Television shows in both Canada and the U.S.A.

Following this wide experience they finally elected to settle in this district and launched the Dennis Moore Dancing School at Richvale last May.

**Full Time School**  
Mr. Moore believes that dancing can do a lot of good for both children and adults. He wishes to develop the school next year into a full-time establishment if sufficient support and enrolments are forthcoming. Currently it is being operated on an experimental basis with classes held only Saturday mornings.

**Recital Next Year**  
He plans next year to organize a recital at Richmond Hill and Thornhill High Schools to demonstrate the advancement his pupils have achieved.

Tuition in dancing is better today than it has ever been says Dennis and it is good for children to learn to dance — not to become champions, unless they have the exceptional talent for it, but just as a part of growing up. It helps a child to become a good mixer, to develop confidence and to defeat any tendency to inferiority complexes. It is an essential part of a child's education, believes Mr. Moore.

**Pupils From Age 3**  
"I take children from age three up and teach them tap or ballet or ballroom dancing or baton twirling," stated Dennis Moore. "And you will be surprised to see the skill young children of this age can display with proper tuition," added Mr. Moore. His nursery pre-school class is proving extremely popular and successful and dancing is often impressed on the children as a part of playing games.

**Lot of Talent Here**  
"There is a lot of talent in Richmond Hill and the surrounding district I have discovered and a lot more of it can be developed if parents will be interested and really try," says Dennis. "It is a fast growing community and its community life can be much improved if the young people right from age three are taught to develop talent and ability at these early ages he suggests."

The school is very efficiently operated with Dennis Moore's mother Elizabeth acting as Secretary-Bookkeeper, his sister-in-law, Elsie as Hostess and Shirley Elchuck and Nita Clark who are both fully experienced, as his assistants teaching the various dancing classes.



**BRANCH LINE NEARS COMPLETION** — One of the most difficult construction problems faced by Canadian National Railways' engineers in the building of a new 294-mile C.N.R. branch line to link mineral-rich Northern Quebec with the industrial areas of the province was the 400-foot bridge spanning the gorge of the Cran River. The bridge, 32 miles northwest of St. Felix, was constructed by the cantilever method. To transfer workers & materials to the opposite side of the deep gorge, a needlemast was erected to support a cableway similar to the breeches-buoy technique employed to transfer men between ships at sea. The first section of the line between Beattyville and Chibougamau was opened in 1957 and it is expected the second section from Chibougamau to St. Felix, of 133 miles will be opened late this year. The new town of Chibougamau is now a thriving municipality of 4,000.

Now the town towers above us, like a castle, raised in air, tricked out in light, and climaxed by the tall pointed steeple of one of its churches, which was floodlit, and seemed to occupy the highest spot of all. "Isn't there a song, that used to be very popular, about the 'Little Stars of Dana?' queried my companion, and I nodded: "Yes: That is its title -- Dana-- And looking out on this, it would require little imagination to change that title and speak about The Little Stars of Richmond Hill."

The highway leading upward was brightly lit now. The lights of homes, business places, or Service Stations shone out, and the tall towers of other churches glimmered, shadowy, in the reflected glow. Behind us, as I glanced through the rear-view mirror the highway stretched, at first well lighted, then faint and ever fainter, until it faded into the moonless dark. To the South, the glow of the Great City reflected against the skyline, and before us, radiating even now its almost fanatical cult of welcome and hospitality was the warmly coloured threshold of Richmond Hill.

The Christmas Season was near, and in addition to the usual well lighted stores and houses, townfolk were busy getting out their Yuletide decorations. Already across the main thoroughfare -- Yonge Street -- to a prosaic world, were strings of light, red, blue, green, or yellow, forming a glowing avenue of colour under which most travellers must pass.

## Happy New Year

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We wish to thank the residents of Richmond Hill for their patience and understanding during the serious power failure which hit our community this week.

The freezing rain storm resulted in serious breakdowns in our local system. Our full staff worked round the clock in an attempt to restore service and repair the breaks as quickly as possible. The heavy sheet of ice and fallen tree branches made the work of our linemen extremely difficult.

Every effort was made to restore the service with a minimum of delay.

### Richmond Hill Hydro-Electric Commission

Vern Snider Superintendent  
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## FLOYD R. PERKINS

Retiring at the close of the year from the operation of the Farm Machinery and Home Equipment business which he has conducted in Richmond Hill for the past 22 years, wishes to say a sincere

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to all the people of the district for generous patronage and good will.

Mr. Perkins took over the International Agency in 1937 from his grandfather, the late Jacob Lunau who commenced business here in 1914.

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## Model Of High School On Display

High School students living in Richmond Hill east of the C.N.R. tracks will be pleased to know that the York Central District High School Board is presently planning a new high school for them. A model of the new Bayview High School is presently on display in the window of the Imperial Bank at the Allencourt Plaza. The school which will be located on the east side of Bayview Avenue will be composed of seven regular classrooms, an Industrial Arts Shop, Home Economics, two science laboratories, a commercial room, library, art room, music room, cafeteria, double gymnasium with stage as well as offices, storerooms and other facilities.

The architects, Page and Steele of Toronto plan on calling for tenders early in January. If necessary approvals are received the construction should start in February. While the school may not be completely finished by September it is hoped that the classroom wing will be completed.

The total cost of the school including the site is estimated at \$786,000 which will be raised by debentures sold by the four municipalities comprising the High School District: Richmond Hill, Woodbridge, Markham and Vaughan.

While the maximum capacity of the school is 430 students it is expected that it will enroll approximately 300 next September. As there will be no Grade 13 for the first year the Grade 12 students who are now in Richmond Hill High School will remain there for their Grade 13. A survey of elementary school students indicates that an addition to Bayview High School will be required in two years time.

The model of the school will remain in the Allencourt Plaza for the rest of 1959 and will then be moved to the Bayview Plaza, Yonge St. and to such other locations as Maple, Thornhill and Woodbridge.

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in side streets, and new subdivisions, as well as their adjacent Shopping Centres decorations began to appear, and many of them proclaimed not only the joy of the Christmas Season but the individual tastes and fancies of individual decorators. Over more than one food-mart, or other large public building, was the conventional Santa Claus with his sled and reindeer tricked out in light, or else in floodlit effigies. Over some others, such as gasoline stations, the same idea prevailed, varied, maybe, by coloured motifs, or choristers singing, or perhaps, roguish-looking, Santa, flood-lit, and in the act of climbing down a very convenient chimney!

In some particularly attractive spots the True Story of Christmas was portrayed, told soundlessly by a group of figures clustered in a rough shelter and all around the model of a Baby lying in a manger. There was one such group, life-sized, and in a rough shelter that could have housed real oxen, far out on the main highway. So arresting was that, there seemed little need for the illumination of our starry earth-lights, though each night the lights surrounding it were of a soft blue glow suggesting moonlight. By day, however it seemed as if the legacy of an early Winter's storm was there to glorify it, for freezing rain had turned the surrounding trees and shrubs into immobile fountains of glitter, and even the grassy fields, and common or-garden fences were gleaming sheets, or bars of fretted silver! Possibly such groups as these, pictured on bill-boards, displayed in store windows on church doorsteps, or--as this was--on the Queen's Highway, compellingly call us back from the mere commercialism that could be our undoing, to the Truth About It All. And that is the only thing that makes Christmas really worthwhile.

**Home Decorations**  
It was fascinating to roam the streets when the householders of Richmond Hill began in earnest to decorate for Christmas. First one or two lights might gleam out--maybe six or seven houses apart. It might be a coloured string, or just a ruddy candle. Then would appear more lighted windows, and within them would be discerned much bustle and activity. The light rat-tat of hammers, for instance, proclaiming that some pretty and delicate decoration was being fixed firmly in its appointed place, and the murmur of voices, as one or another of those busy persons called out instructions or directions. Then one coloured string would soon become several, often hung with artistic carelessness, or so secured as to outline trees, stars, or even a lighted church. On the roof of one home a giant star in rainbow hues floodlit the garden path, and glinted on a merry Santa also on that roof. In another window, cunningly made to gleam