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Curlers Parade Before Opening Game



Enthusiastic members of Richmond Hill Curling Club and their guests are shown in parade around the rink which preceded games at the official opening Monday night. Headed by Piper Dave Todd, and vice-presidents Scott McCann and James Symington, the curlers

carried out the ceremonial parade and then joined in the roaring game on six excellent sheets of ice. The proceedings started with President Al Harley throwing a perfect rock. — photo by Lagerquist

Coming Events

EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT — 8.00 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. tcf36

EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT — Dancing, Modern and Old Time Music at Maple Community Hall. Music by Art Celsie and his Singing Plainmen — stars of TV and Radio. Admission \$1.00. Free parking. tcf18

EVERY TUESDAY — Bingo, 8 p.m. at the new Legion Hall, Oak Ridges Shopping Plaza. Cash prizes and Jackpot. tcf19

JANUARY — Exhibition of Canadian paintings at the Richmond Hill Public Library during Library hours for the month of January. c4w28

FEBRUARY 1 — Train your dog to be obedient, nine week course held Monday evenings. York Farmers Market, Thornhill. For information contact: Poodle Studio, 2109 1/2 Yonge St., Toronto, Hudson 3-5194. *2w31

FEBRUARY 3 — Wednesday at 8.30 p.m. — The Allencourt Ratepayers Association will hold their next meeting at the Walter Scott School.

Plan For Hospital

Initial steps were taken this week for the founding of a new hospital to serve Richmond Hill and surrounding district. For some time there has been a growing appreciation of the need for such an institution and preliminary study by municipal leaders and members of the Medical Association has resulted in the calling of a public meeting for early in February.

His worship Mayor Tomlin will preside at the meeting which will be held in the McConaghy School auditorium, Yonge Street, Thursday evening, February 11th at 8 p.m. to which the public is invited. A provisional board of directors will be appointed and plans discussed for the early establishment of the hospital.

New Superintendent



MR. J. A. GIBSON

The Public School Board of the Township School Area of Vaughan announces the appointment of Mr. J. A. Gibson, B.A., B.Ed., as Superintendent of Public Schools in the Inspectorate of York 5 (Vaughan Township).

Mr. Gibson is a veteran of World War I having served in France and Belgium with the Argyle & Sutherland Highlanders (Imperial). He received his High School education in Dunbarton, Scotland, coming to Canada early in 1919 he completed his training as a teacher in 1920. After teaching in Earl Gray Public School and Central High School of Commerce in Toronto, he was appointed in 1929 by the Wellington County Council as Inspector of Public Schools with residence in Harrison.

In 1931 he transferred to the Inspectorate of East Simcoe with residence in Orillia where he served for a period of 24 years, until his appointment to Metropolitan Toronto (Swansea & Weston) and York 5 in September 1955.

Married, he has two children, a son with National Research Council at Ottawa and a daughter who is an occupational therapist. A member of the Masonic Order, Mr. Gibson is a Past Principal of the Royal Arch, and he and his wife attend the Presbyterian Church in Weston where they have made their home.

Mr. Gibson brings a wide experience in rural and urban schools to his new position as Superintendent.

PICKERING — 12 students from Pickering District High School represented Bulgaria at the recent 6th annual model assembly of the United Nations, held at the Parliament Buildings in Toronto.

NEWMARKET — Straight time work will be paid police who worked on the nine statutory holidays in 1959 and at the same time a half as was previously the practice of past Newmarket councils.

Sec. Treas. Vaughan



NORMAN JACKMAN

Mr. Jackman is the secretary-treasurer of the new Township School Area of Vaughan, chosen by the board from twenty applicants. A resident of Woodbridge, where he served as secretary-treasurer of the Woodbridge School Board for 17 years, Mr. Jackman was formerly employed, for the past 21 years, as an accountant with Woodbridge Farmers Co. Ltd., which company his father served for 16 years before him.

Mr. Jackman was born in Parry Sound and moved to Woodbridge with his parents in 1926.

Married to the former Bess Nattess of Woodbridge, Mr. Jackman is a Past Master of the Masonic Order; director of the Woodbridge Rotary Club and was chairman of the Board of Stewards of the Woodbridge United Church in 1959.

Regular Council Session

Reeve John Perry Urges Vaughan Twp. Council Smarten Up Operation

Letter From An Editor

Dear Friends and Readers:

"Mailman: Please do not take, as the man from 'The Liberal' office will pick it up. Thank you."

This cryptic little note was folded around an envelope marked "Copy for the editor" when it arrived in our office Monday morning. . . . And because of this we began thinking, "Maybe some of our readers would like to know just how we do gather the news from our many correspondents."

Every Monday envelopes filled with copy like the one in the mailbox, are picked up by a courier from this office, while others come to us through the post; others come by guess and by gosh with correspondents (a) latching on to hubby's car for Monday morning, or (b) by having a good neighbour who is "driving this way". The earlier the copy comes in the happier we all are, because then the lines may set out their galleys and galleys and the presses can roll.

Some news comes in via the telephone — and what news doesn't come to us is tracked down by the editorial and reporting staff personally all through each week. Hope this proves of some interest to you.

And talking of interest . . . we are sorry the process was reversed in Thornlea. Our reporter there, Mrs. Lepkey, reports, "The St. John's course has been cancelled — reason: 'insufficient interest'."

Helen Houston of King reports a pleasant item of interest — the Charles Clubines of Tannery Hill Farm have been married 45 years . . . and in Victoria Square, Mr. and Mrs. John Empringham celebrated their 45th too, Mrs. Sandle says. Congratulations.

In Maple Notes, Toby Shore tells about differences in flying times — it's called Electric!

Going from there to "electric" which the dictionary defines as spirited, magnetic, thrilling — one could apply all these adjectives to the work of the White Cross Volunteers which you may read of in "The Liberal" this week under County Council news.

And before we say goodbye for another week; tonight, Friday and Saturday give you your last chance to share in Hockey Week and do as Ron Craine advises in his Sport Spots column, "Don't send — take your boy to the arena". How about that Dad? Cordially yours,

Mona Robertson

Votes Down Gentleman's Agreement

Richmond Hill Refuses To Extend Services Shopping Plaza Outside Town Limit

Three new members of Richmond Hill's 1960 council voted together Monday night to disregard a "gentleman's agreement" made with Markham Township council by the 1959 Council. The motion by Councillor Tom Broadhurst, seconded by Councillor Howard Whillans and supported by Councillor Mrs. Margaret Southwell refused the request of John MacKay for town services for the new store he is erecting on his property in Markham Township, on Yonge Street, just south of the town boundaries.

He has obtained a building permit from Markham Township and their assurance of a water supply.

Questioned by Councillor Bradstock Mr. MacKay said he had no objection to the area being annexed to Richmond Hill, asked by Mrs. Southwell about plans for the development of the rest of his property he said there would be residential sub-division.

Mayor Tomlin said if annexed by Richmond Hill immediate water and sewer service would be provided for the commercial area. There would be no such immediate sewer service for the residential development, as additional disposal facilities would have to be found.

Richmond Hill's newest source of water supply, a still undeveloped well, was located on the MacKay farm, but has since been deeded to Markham Township.

Mayor Tomlin and Reeve Haggart made it clear they did not appreciate Mr. MacKay's action in deeding the property to Markham Township after discovery of water by Richmond Hill.

Name Committee

Council named a new five man board to act as a Committee of Adjustment for local land use by law. The members will be Harry (Continued on Page 17)

Plan Report To The Ratepayers Early February

By Paul Delmer

Reeve John Perry called on council to smarten up its operation and procedure in a surprise announcement at Monday's meeting of Council in Vaughan Township Council Chambers.

"We spend far too much time with morning and afternoon and other daytime receptions of a variety of delegations and individuals," he told Council. "At many of these meetings we have to call on professional people to be present to advise on the technical side, etc.," the Reeve explained, "and all of this costs the township money."

have thought the same thing for some time,"

Earlier Council Meetings?

Councillor Ralph suggested that as the Reeve's proposal would mean longer sessions, perhaps Council should meet at 7 p.m. instead of 8 p.m. as at present. The Reeve indicated this was a matter to be included for discussion next week, but he thought meetings could be continued on a Thursday evening to clear unfinished business left over from Monday night meetings.

Report Year's Blunders!

Winding up this discussion for the evening, the Reeve said he thought Council should, in view of the fact it was elected on a two year term, issue "a report of the year's blunders" — telling the people what good fellows we were, during the second year. This was the only moment during the evening when the Reeve's well-known humor displayed itself for a moment. He was unusually serious throughout the evening and the sparkle of his normal humor was missing.

Report In February

"I think the report should be ready for issue about mid-February," he added, "and that it should provide good reading for the public with all relevant information but not so packed with statistics as to make it a bore to read," he suggested. "When we are ready with our re-organization, etc." we shall inform the public through the press," he finally concluded.

North Yonge Bus

On the subject of the North Yonge Bus Service, the Reeve advised Council that he would be meeting with Mayor Ken Tomlin of Richmond Hill and Reeve W. L. Clark of Markham later in the week and would report back to Council next week. There would be discussion on fare structures, etc.

Extra Million Dollar Assessment

An offer from the Brockwell Construction Company to install the watermain extension for the new Shopping Centre at the Lobb's site on Yonge Street north of Steeles Avenue for \$5,040 was accepted. Councillor Bill Anstey said "we are getting substantial commercial assessment as a result possibly a million dollars." The Construction Company's offer was made subject to pro-

Cigar Manufacturing Is Town's Newest Industry

Cigar manufacturing is Richmond Hill's newest industry — with the factory, located at 50 Industrial Road — owned and operated by a "Father & Son" team with an Irish name, Frank Garfield Loughrey and Garfield Frank Loughrey. From London, Ontario to his home town, Mr. Frank Loughrey started in the cigar business in 1915 — hand rolling cigars for Brenner Bros. — worked later for McNeese, Tuckets and La Tava, and at one time operated his own hand rolled cigar factory, employing over one hundred experts of a trade that is fast dying out. Apart from business, in the sporting field the son is best known as "Gar," owner and driver of stock car No. 71 at Pincrest Speedway. Gar has been driving stocks longer than anyone in Canada, starting in 1946, still going strong, and held the Canadian Championship for the years of 1947-1948.

In the factory of the Supreme Cigar Company is installed modern machinery capable of manufacturing up to 60,000 cigars per week, the tobacco used being 100% high quality imported leaf, and the factory is already producing one line of popular priced cigars — the "William Allen" — a very mild cigar, now available at local outlets, as advertised in "The Liberal."

A second brand is to be announced shortly — with a more distinct Havana flavor. Positive-ly no artificial flavouring will be used in any "Supreme Quality Cigars" — which is the slogan of the company. Hand made cigars will be made to suit individual customers, and will be packed in the old-fashioned cedar wood boxes.

Area Short Changed Broadhurst Asks A New Deal For Beverley Acres

Richmond Hill Town Council Tuesday night gave two readings to three by-laws providing for the construction of storm sewers in the long-contentious Beverley Acres drainage project. Third reading and final passing will await approval by the Ontario Municipal Board.

The by-laws were approved by the majority of council but were opposed by Councillor Tom Broadhurst who objected to the provision that approximately half of the cost will be assessed as a direct levy over a twenty year period on the area. Mr. Broadhurst contended the people of Beverley Acres are being short-changed in the deal and suggested a larger share of the total cost should be borne by the town as a whole.

Mr. Broadhurst said the project estimated to cost \$248,000, is planned to correct an error which was no fault of the people of Beverley Acres. He said in addition to paying half the cost as a direct levy the people in the area, representing more than half the town must pay their share of the general levy. He claimed the area was short-changed too in the park deal when land given by subdividers for park purposes was sold or given to schools.

Mr. Broadhurst argued the town as a whole should pay a larger percentage of the cost. People in Beverley Acres he pointed out had already paid \$500, per lot through the subdivision agreement.

Mayor Tomlin said the fifty-fifty pattern for payment for storm sewers had been established last year and he thought it was fair. It would apply in all parts of town wherever and whenever storm sewers are constructed.

The Mayor said he was hopeful this drainage project which has for so long been a contentious issue, can be cleared up this year. He said he was hopeful all red tape would be cleared so work could commence in the early spring. Actual construction he estimated could be accomplished in eight weeks.

Reeve Haggart expressed some doubt that the project can be carried through at the original estimate of \$248,000. "That estimate," he said, "is two years old." It was intimated that any additional costs over the original estimate might be borne by the town as a whole. There is also the question of damages to property in Markham Township which has not yet been determined. The amount of such damage if any will be fixed by the Ontario Municipal Board.

Thornhill Baptists Call Dr. Johnston As Minister

A distinguished minister in the Baptist denomination has accepted a unanimous call to become the pastor of the Thornhill Baptist Church on Yonge Street, Thornhill.

For the past 12 years, Dr. Johnston has been the honored minister of Danforth Baptist Church in Toronto.

Dr. Johnston received his B. A. degree at the University of Toronto, and the degrees of B. Th., D.D. and D. D. from McMaster University. Previous pastorates included First Baptist Church, Kingston, and Calvary Baptist Church, Brantford, Ontario. He served as secretary of the Quebec Religious Education Council, and was a Chaplain in the RCAF, serving with distinction from 1940-1946, and attaining the rank of Wing Commander.

Dr. Johnston is well known for his ability as a play writer and for his contribution to the advancement of religion through the mediums of radio and television.

He is at present Vice-President of the National Religious Advisory Council on radio and television.

Mrs. Johnston, who was the former Ruth Eleanor Star, is a capable musician and energetically assists her husband in all of his various projects as well as in the several activities of the local church.

The Johnstons have four children; a daughter, Mrs. R. F. Jenkins, lives in the Maritimes; a married son, Howard, resides in Toronto; and two other sons, Alar and Leslie, live at home.

The former Ball Residence at 8000 Yonge Street, Thornhill, has been purchased by the Johnstons and they will move there shortly after Dr. Johnston commences his new work. He will assume the Thornhill pastorate and preach there on the first Sunday in February.

A service of induction for Dr. Johnston will be held in the Thornhill Baptist Church on Thursday, February 4, at 8 p.m. The public is invited to attend this service, at which time members of the Thornhill Church will welcome their new minister and be happy to introduce him to the people of the community.

Proctor's Jewellers Store Here

Proctor's, a name widely known and with a high reputation in the Jewellery field comes to Richmond Hill this week. This old established firm which has been doing business at 262 Yonge St. Toronto for more than sixty years, today opens its first branch store.

It is located in the Allencourt Shopping Plaza, Richmond Hill, and the fine modern store offers to people of this district a complete line of Jewellery and Gift Shop items.

Founded more than 60 years ago by Frank T. Proctor, the son of the founder Frank N. Proctor and the grandson Hugh Proctor are now active in the business. In conversation with "The Liberal" this week Mr. Hugh Proctor said the decision to open the branch store was the result of a desire to render service to their many customers in Richmond Hill and throughout the whole North Yonge district. "For many years," said Mr. Proctor, "we have had many valued customers in all parts of York County."

The Richmond Hill store will be under management of Mr. Norman Howe. Credit dealing which has been an important factor in the store business will continue as the policy of the new store.