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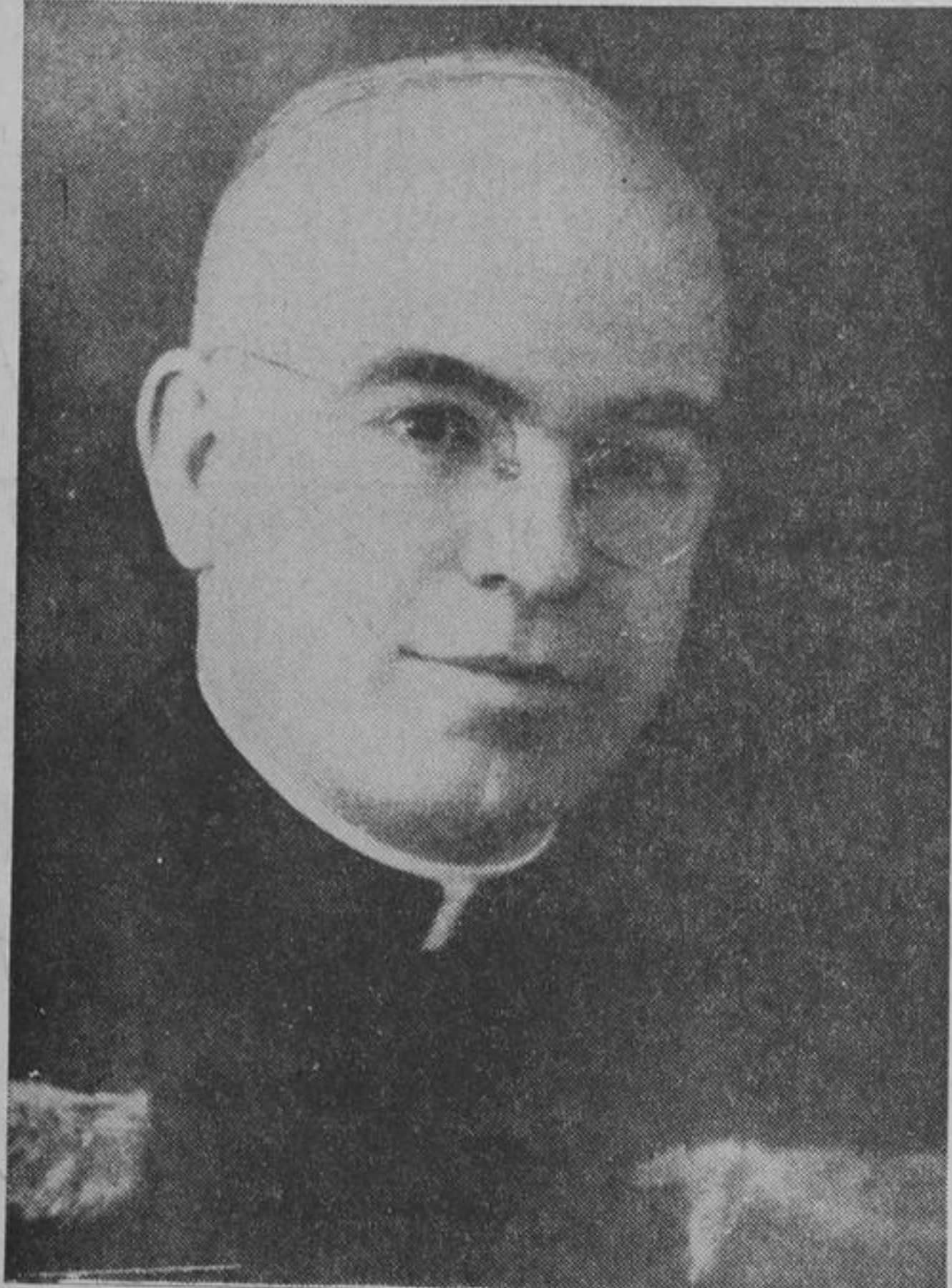
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To Serve New Parish



Rev. Father F. C. Robinson, recently appointed Parish Priest of the newly created Our Lady of the Queen Roman Catholic Parish, Richmond Hill East.

The appointment of Father Francis C. Robinson as Founding Pastor of Our Lady, Queen of the World Roman Catholic Church, is welcomed by many residents of Richmond Hill's eastern subdivisions. In this newly formed Parish — extending east from the C.N.R. tracks — Mass is being said in Our Lady Help of Christians Separate School, Bayview Avenue North. Four Masses are being celebrated at 8.00, 9.00, 10.15, and 11.30.

Born in Toronto, Father Robinson was educated in St. John's Parish School, Kingston Road, followed by studies in philosophy and theology at St. Augustine's Seminary, Toronto, and, after periods of active ministry, graduated in Arts in 1953 from Extension Department, University of Toronto.

Ordained to the Priesthood, May 23, 1943 in St. Michael's Cathedral by Cardinal James McGuigan, Father Robinson was stationed as assistant at St. Anthony's Parish, Toronto, 1943-49, St. Clare's Parish 1949-51, Corpus Christi 1951-53, and St. Ter-

Plan Repeat

Dollar Days Draw Many Downtown

A dollar-conscious buying public got its money's worth last Thursday, Friday and Saturday as members of the Yonge Street Business and Professional Association staged their latest project — Dollar Days.

Response was excellent, said Col. F. J. Picking, the Association's president. There had, he said, been a feeling that Dollar Days were a bit "corny" and old-fashioned, but that fear was dissipated on the first day of the three-day event. Down-town retailers reported a first-class response, some even selling out of their dollar special long before the second day ended, although extra stocks had been laid in for the anticipated buying rush.

Practically every retailer whose wares were of such a character and price that he or she could list an item available in exchange for a dollar joined in the event, designed to sell the buying public on the idea that down-town Yonge Street formed a "one stop shopping centre" with all kinds of goods and services available. Also, said the business men's president, definite progress was made in driving home the fact that, on the whole, downtown prices were as good or better than those elsewhere.

Wide Variety Offered

A wide variety of goods for a dollar was advertised by down-town retailers. Offerings ranged from nylon stockings to electric bulbs, from Kleenex to car oil. Specials were presented to the public, with additional dollar specials being available in many stores.

"The co-operation of the merchants and the buying public was wonderful," said Don Thurston, of Thurston's Men's Wear, chairman of the special committee named to deal with the event. He, with other merchants, said that the number of shoppers down-town on the Thursday was far in excess of the usual. "It was well worth the effort," said Harold Collins, manager of F. W. Woolworth store, another committee member. The response to his "dollar special" proved positively, he declared, that the shopping public could definitely be attracted by timely advertising and good values. Other committee members expressed satisfaction. They included Al Hill of Richmond Hill Hardware, Doug Bennett of Paris Electric, Hugh Wight of Wight's Pharmacy, Mrs. Ruth Bank of the Village Gift Shop.

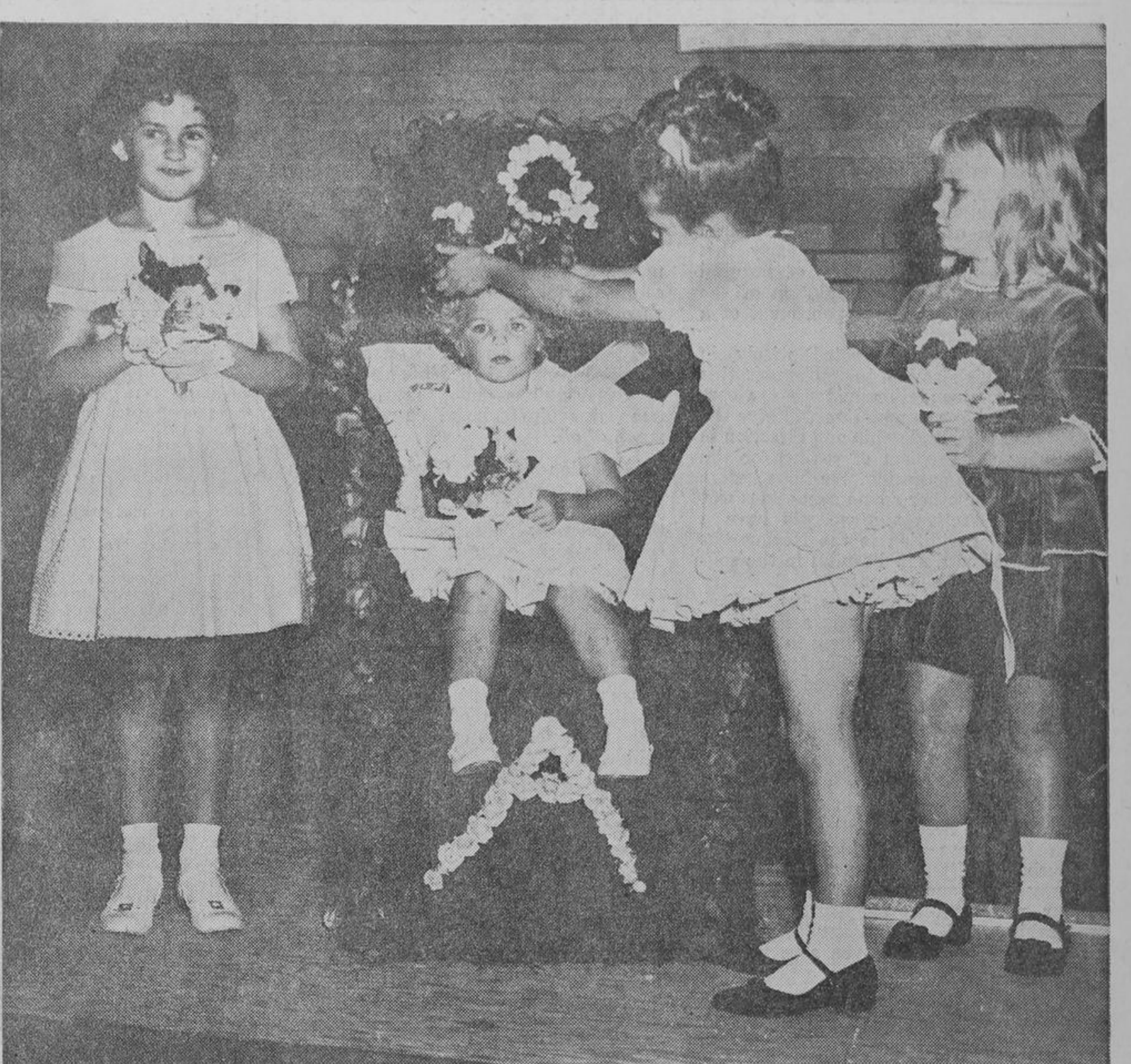
Shows Parking Needed

The event showed beyond any question that parking was necessary for the survival of downtown business, with its extra heavy load of taxation, said the association's president. During the three-day event all parking in the down-town area was free, with meter heads covered by bags indicating that free street parking was made available by down-town merchants. A payment was made to the town for the free parking privilege by the Yonge Street Business Association. The free parking was widely used during the Dollar Days, with many shoppers expressing appreciation.

Will Run Repeat

A "repeat performance" would undoubtedly be staged, said Col. Picking. Details would be announced shortly, following an association meeting on Tuesday, October 18th. A number of ideas had already been submitted by enthusiastic members, he said, and these would be thrashed out at this meeting.

Winner Rose of Richmond Hill Contest



A thrilling moment for a new rose queen comes as Darlene Harcourt, 4, is crowned as the new Rose of Richmond Hill by Barbara Peirce, 6, last year's winner, at Allencourt Centre Friday night. Darlene is flanked by Pamela Brown, 5, (right) who placed second, and Betty Anne Gray, 7, who came third.

A new Rose of Richmond Hill was crowned at Allencourt Centre Friday night and she left no doubt that she was indeed a worthy successor to the rose crown.

Darlene Harcourt, age 4, of 378 Osiris Drive, Richmond Hill, was the unanimous choice of the judges at the Rose of Richmond Hill finals, and judging from the applause, she was the near-unanimous choice of a crowd estimated between 400 and 500 who turned out to view the finals.

One of the youngest of the 20 finalists — and certainly the tiniest — Darlene took all the excitement of winning in stride. She happily posed for pictures and the newsreel cameraman, waved, smiled and deftly balanced her rose crown on her head (it was a size too small and slid off once or twice).

She was crowned by Barbara Peirce, 6, last year's Rose of Richmond Hill, and Barby was almost as big a hit as an official of the contest as she was as a participant last year. Very ceremoniously, Barbara walked up to the rose throne on which Darlene was seated, placed the crown on her head, and then as cute as you'd like, spontaneously planted a little kiss on her successor's cheek. The crowd roared its approval.

In Markham Township—

New Five Room School 16th Ave. And Bayview

Markham Township School Area Board of Trustees has decided to construct a five-room public school on a site near the Dunlop Observatory at 16th Ave. and Bayview Ave. The site was purchased over a year ago by the then joint board of Markham and Vaughan townships, T.S.A. No. 1.

Following the dissolution this past January the new Markham township board has spent considerable time in studying whether or not the site was in the most desirable location from the standpoint of the newly constituted area. At a special committee meeting it was decided that it was a desirable location and on Tuesday night at October's regular monthly public meeting the board voted to proceed with obtaining the necessary approvals from the Department of Education, Markham Township Council, and the Ontario Municipal Board.

Jackson and Ypes architects will draw up the plans and specifications, and tentative cost of the five-room school.

Part of the money received in the dividing of assets in the dissolution will be used to construct the building. This amounts to \$87,000. In order to receive a grant on this money this year the board is hoping to get approvals and plans well on their way this month, so that some of the necessary expenditures on the school will be paid for this calendar year and will be thus eligible for grant next year.

Public Meeting Decision Postponed

Pending study of the new amendment to the school act regarding private and public meetings of a school board, Trustee John Honsberger postponed his motion calling a bylaw setting forth which board meetings were to be private and which were to be public. Trustee Honsberger expects to bring the matter up again at next month's public meeting.

Prior to the setting aside of the voting Chairman Alan Parker pointed out that so far the new board has followed the procedure set up by the former T.S.A. No. 1 in regard to public meetings. Chairman Parker said, "At no time was the policy of the previous board a matter of secrecy. This board had felt unresolved items of business could be discussed and handled at private sessions in a manner more conducive to discussion, pro and con."

Chairman Parker said he did not think it was fair to the public to expect them to be interjected into the board is hoping to get ap-

Mrs. Robert Mackie Laid To Rest Richmond Hill Resident 58 Years

In the fullness of years and after a lengthy illness, Sophronia Mackie, widow of the late Robert Mackie of Richmond Hill, passed away at the Toronto home of her daughter Mildred on Thursday, October 6, 1960 in her 92nd year.

Born in East Gwillimbury, Ontario, in 1868, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Hurn Smith, Mrs. Mackie was the last surviving member of the Hurn Smith family. She attended school near Queensville and lived all her life in York County. In 1888 she married Robert Mackie who had come to Canada from Aberdeen, Scotland as a boy, and they farmed in East Gwillimbury until 1902, when they moved to Richmond Hill just east of the tracks near Centre Street, where they had a hundred-acre farm.

The late Mrs. Mackie was a member of Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church, a former member of the Women's Association and a Life Member of the W.M.S. Surviving are ten of her twelve children, Ross, Mrs. W. Rose (Edith), Mrs. J. C. Ripp (Clara), Stella, Mabel, Norman, Harold, William, Mrs. H. G. Bartley (Mildred), and Ralph, two sons, Marshall and Arthur, predeceased her. Also surviving are two granddaughters, Allison Mackie of Toronto and Margaret Mackie of Hamilton.

The Rev. J. N. Hepburn conducted the private funeral service at the Wright and Taylor funeral home and interment followed in Richmond Hill Cemetery. The pall bearers were: Wesley Middleton, Russell Monkman, Kenneth Blanchard, Ross and Harold Mackie and Mr. C. J. Ripp.

The Liberal joins the community in tendering sincere sympathy to the family in their loss.

Flanking Darlene on her throne were Pamela Carolyn Brown, 5, second in the finals, and Betty Anne Gray, 7, of 73 Benson Ave., who won third prize.

All 20 finalists received dolls, second and third prizes were more elaborate, and Darlene won a bicycle, 24 free dance lessons at Midmer Dance Studio, and her mother won a number of free shopping certificates, redeemable at Allencourt stores.

Probably the most elated person in Richmond Hill (or anywhere else for that matter) was Darlene's mothers, Mrs. D. R. Harcourt.

"I couldn't believe it — it was just wonderful," said Mrs. Harcourt, a vivacious lady with lovely red hair. Later when the excitement had subsided, and in the quiet of her own home, Mrs. Harcourt talked about her lovely little girl.

Darlene is a bundle of enthusiasm with bright blonde hair and Irish blue eyes. She attends ballet school and even had a little recital a few months after she started taking lessons.

"She loves to dance and seems happiest when she is performing," her mother said. Her only sister, Denise, 9, is also quite talented, her specialty being the piano. The Harcourt children come by their talent honestly. Daddy plays the piano too and Mom although she is reluctant to admit it, won gold and silver medals for ballroom dancing back in Ireland, whence the Harcourts came eight years ago.

What's ahead for Darlene? Her mother hopes she will have a career in modelling or acting. She has already done some modelling, has her own agent and takes direction well. Next year she'll have drama lessons.

"She doesn't enjoy wearing jeans, loves to be prettied up," Mrs. Harcourt said.

And what did Darlene think of her decisive win?

"I was the luckiest little girl, wasn't I?" she asked. To which one could only reply: Not lucky, the judges couldn't help but choose her.

COMING EVENTS

- 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. tcf36
- BINGO every Wednesday evening at 7.45 p.m. at the Canadian Legion Branch 375, Carville Rd. West, Richvale. tcf49
- EVERY MONDAY — Listen to "Parading With Pick" on CJRH - 1310 on your dial - at 6.30 p.m. Next week's topic - "Should town councilors and town officials accept gifts?" clw15
- DANCING, modern and old Time, every Saturday night at Maple Community Hall, Music by Art Celsie and his Singing Plainmen, stars of TV and radio. tcf12
- DANCE EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT, 8.45 to 12 — to the Melodaires at the Masonic Hall, 112 Crosby Avenue, commencing October 15th. Sponsored by R. H. Social Club, Square and round dances, refreshments. \$2.00 per couple at the door. Couples only. clw15
- OCTOBER 14th — Friday 7 p.m. Rummage sale at St. George's Anglican Church, Willowdale under the auspices of St. Mary's Group. c2w14
- OCTOBER 14 — Friday, Another "Toll" travelogue, Colour Motion Pictures, Thornhill United Church, 8.06 p.m. Presented by LeRoy and Hilda Toll on the "Holy Land." Adults \$1.00. Students 35c. No tickets sold at the door. Please contact Mrs. Headrick. AV. 5-4158. clw15
- OCTOBER 15 — Saturday 2 p.m. Bake sale and tea in new hall, Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church. Sponsored by Young People's Society. clw15
- OCTOBER 15 — Saturday, Annual Skate Exchange, Scout Hall (next to Arena), 9.30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Auspices of McConaghy Home and School. clw15
- OCTOBER 19 — Wednesday, Annual meeting Richmond Hill Women's Progressive Conservative Association, at the home of Mrs. J. Arnold Price, 447 Fernleigh Circle N., at 8.00 p.m. clw14
- OCTOBER 20 — Thursday 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. 1.30 to 4 p.m., Library Auditorium. Special short course on Effective Speaking by Mrs. A. Hamilton. clw15
- OCTOBER 19 — Wednesday, 9.30 a.m. to 4 p.m. District Council No. 12 (Canadian Cancer Society) Workshop Conference, Christ Church (Anglican), Woodbridge. All interested in cancer work invited to attend. Luncheon \$1.00. c2w14
- OCTOBER 19-20 — Wednesday and Thursday, Richmond Hill High School Library Club presents "Films of Note" featuring Le Salaine De La Peur (The Wages of Fear) at the Richmond Theatre. clw15
- OCTOBER 20 and 21 — Thursday and Friday, Richmond Hill Figure Skating Club is holding a sale of costumes at the Arena, 2-5 p.m. Call Mrs. Pillar. TU. 4-1633. clw15
- OCTOBER 24 — Monday 8.15 p.m. Pleasantville Home & School Association Guest speaker, Dr. Blatz, Professor of Child Psychology, University of Toronto. All welcome. clw15
- OCTOBER 26 — Wednesday, Turkey Supper Carville United Church hall, supper 5-8 p.m. Adults \$1.50 and children under 12, 75c. c2w15
- NOVEMBER 2 — Wednesday 5.30 - 7.30 p.m. Hot Turkey Dinner, St. John's Anglican Church, parish hall. Admission by ticket only, available from W. A. members. Adults \$1.50. Children under 12, 75c. c4w14
- NOVEMBER 2 — Wednesday, Fall Tea and Sale 3 to 5 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Don Beaumont, 332 Richmond St. Richmond Hill. Admission 50c, under the auspices of The Inner Wheel of the Rotary Club of Richmond Hill. clw15

Official Opening Markham Road

The date for the official opening of Markham Road has been set for Friday, October 28th. Guests of the Town of Richmond Hill will include the Warden and members of County Council, members and officials of the Toronto & York Roads Commission, Ontario Highway Department officials, present and former members of Richmond Hill municipal council.

The official opening ceremonies will be at 2.30 p.m. and there will be a reception afterwards.

First Pleasantville Public School Graduates



Thirty-nine graduates of the 1960 class were on hand last Thursday night to receive their diplomas from Pleasantville Public School, in the lovely auditorium of the just completed school. Graduates seen above are:

Front row: Left to right: Marion Knott, Patsy McPadden, Gail Osland, Barbara Schell, Mary Sward, Diane Rumble, Kay Osland, Sandra Edgumbe, Lynda Sparks, Margaret Pimm, Judy Andrews, Judith Patton.

Second row: Left to right: Bruce Ironside, Gary Everett, Peggy Savage, Yvonne Link, Nancy Stoddart, Wendy Ashkanase.

Carolyn Savers, Candice Wall, Susan Boone, Pat Lane, Susan Dewsbury, Colin Deschamps, Bob Sward.

Back row: Left to right: David Roberts, David Webb, Gary Lander, Blair Robson, Jack Madden, Brian Parr, John Grieve, Craig Peterkin, Bob Leishman, John Knox, Robbie Townsend, Derry Kerslake, Michael Wilson, Jim Austin.

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Reeve Jas. Haggart Wants Increase In Hospital Grants

At a special session held last week, York County Council members unanimously supported Reeve James Haggart's motion "that the Ontario Government be asked to increase hospital grants". Deputy-reeve Stanley Tinker seconded the motion, which Reeve William Sellers of Sutton said, "might do a lot of good".

The reeve of Richmond Hill presented his motion immediately after County Council had voted to appoint a Hospital Commission for the County of York.

Reeve Haggart stated that since the Ontario Hospital Association was accepting fees for beds — which they could not provide — the government should be asked to increase hospital grants, in order that hospital needs could be increased, without too much added burden on the already "taxed" taxpayer.