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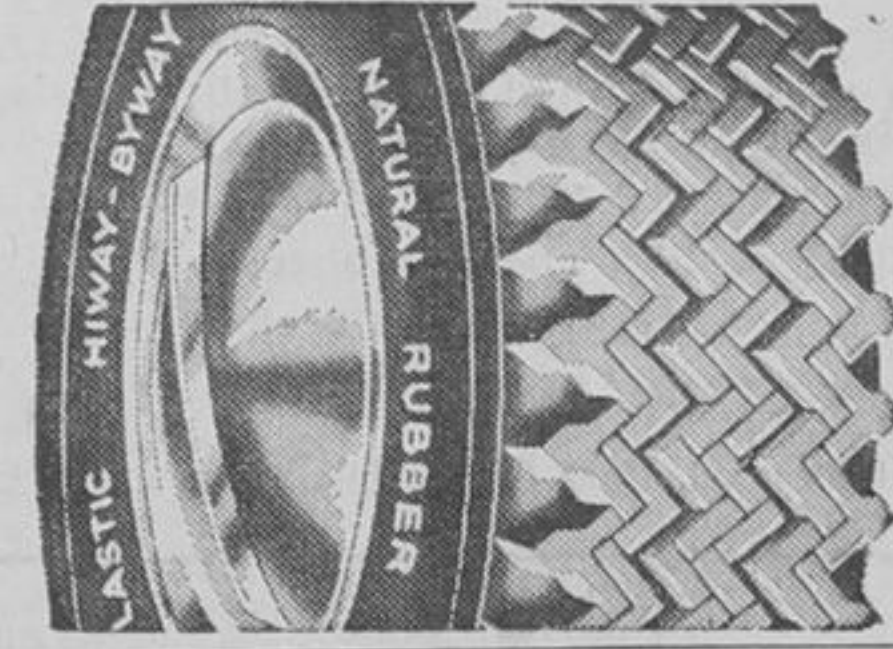
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Annual Service Of Remembrance Pays Tribute To Glorious Dead



Mrs. W. J. Adams, Yongehurst Road, a Silver Cross Mother, lays a wreath on the Cenotaph on behalf of the Province of Ontario. She recently paid a visit to her son's grave in France.



Brigadier D. H. Storms, M.C., C.B.E., guest speaker at the memorial service takes the salute as the parade swings south on Yonge Street led by the pipers of the York Clans. — Photo by Lagerquist



Mrs. C. H. Sanderson, Richmond Hill, lays a wreath on behalf of the Women's Institute.

"We are here today, in reverence, to pay tribute to those men and women who died. To honour them for the 'all' they gave in leaving us. They did not die in vain. We are here to strengthen our resolve, made when we laid these men to rest, the promise to fight in war, and peace, to keep safe our Queen, our Canada, our world, our loved ones," said Brigadier General D. H. Storms, M.C., C.B.E., distinguished citizen and soldier in speak-

ing at Richmond Hill's annual service of Remembrance Sunday afternoon. Magistrate James Butler who has taken a leading part in similar services over a long period of years presided at the Sunday afternoon ceremony. Tribute of the Town of Richmond Hill was expressed by His Worship Mayor K. W. Tomlin who extended official thanks to veterans and all who took in the parade and service.

Representing Richmond Hill clergy, Rev. W. W. Patterson of St. Matthew's United Church read the scripture and Rev. James O'Neil, Rector of St. Mary's Anglican Church led in prayers. In addressing the Remembrance Day gathering Brigadier Storms recalled that in 1914 and again in 1939, and later in Korea, the world was threatened by madmen, drunk with power. The Kaiser, Hitler, Mussolini and Tojo as directors, to be absolute

had to repudiate God, and so deny God to their people and those whom they would subject to their might. "Our world, our Empire, our Country," he said were threatened with sudden, widespread and signal disaster, loss of freedom, and the horrors of submission to ruthless Godless conquerors. We were unprepared, but offered to our King and Country everything we had to defend the Right. Our men and women rushed to serve

as sailors, soldiers, airmen and in the merchant marine. Parents and wives willingly encouraged their loved ones. "Victory was finally achieved," said Brigadier Storms, "but at what a price." He said it was at the price of great sacrifice and suffering, the many wounded, crippled, blind, and the heart-aches of so many in the nation who suffered loss. "It was," he said, "at the price of the murder of the innocent on sea and land,

much torture and horror in the internment camps, the gas chamber and the firing squad. It was at the price of our comrades in the services who died at sea, on land and in the air, or came home to die, the result of wounds." In closing the speaker said "With the help of God and in memory of our glorious dead may we defend the right with all our strength, our hearts and our minds."

Deputy-reeve S. F. Tinker, chairman of the Armistice Service Committee presided for the ceremony of laying of wreaths. Wreaths laid included the Silver Cross Mother on behalf of the Province; Reeve James Haggart for the Town of Richmond Hill; George Wood for the Canadian Legion; Mrs. C. H. Sanderson for the Women's Institute; President William Gilmour for the Sappers' Club; Mr. S. Case-

ment for St. Matthew's United Church; Dr. J. P. Wilson in memory of Fl. Sgt. Eric Wilson; Mrs. Charles Graham in memory of Fl. Sgt. Don. Graham; Mr. Sid Sparks in memory of Raymond Sparks; Darlene Whitney for the L.T.B. & O. Home, and Bing Lew. The parade was led by the pipers of the York Clans Pipe Band and included local and visiting veteran organizations. Music at the Cenotaph was by the Richmond Hill High School Band.

30 Gifts In Nine Days Down-Town Merchants "Christmas In November" With Prizes For Shoppers

Enthusiastic over the success of their two Dollar Days projects staged in recent weeks, members of the Yonge Street Business and Professional Association, Richmond Hill, are planning another "shopper spree". Rushing the season a bit, they will entitle it "Christmas in November". Reasoning behind the name is that, for a considerable number of down-town shoppers, Christmas gifts will come early. The "Christmas in November" event will start on Thursday,

November 24, will continue for the Friday and Saturday of that week and then run clear through the following week to Saturday, December 3rd. During that period the downtown retailers who are members of the Business and Professional Association will give every purchaser in their store, no matter what the size of his or her purchase is, a coupon. The coupons will be deposited in boxes in the stores taking part and, at the expiration of the event, drawings

will be made. The name drawn in each store will, naturally, receive that store's prize. A grand prize will be given in addition. Many Prizes Promised There will be no charge for the coupons or for the prizes themselves. It is likely that some 30 prizes will be given by downtown merchants and, as a minimum value on each prize has been set by the committee in charge of the project, shopping downtown during the November (Continued on Page 17)

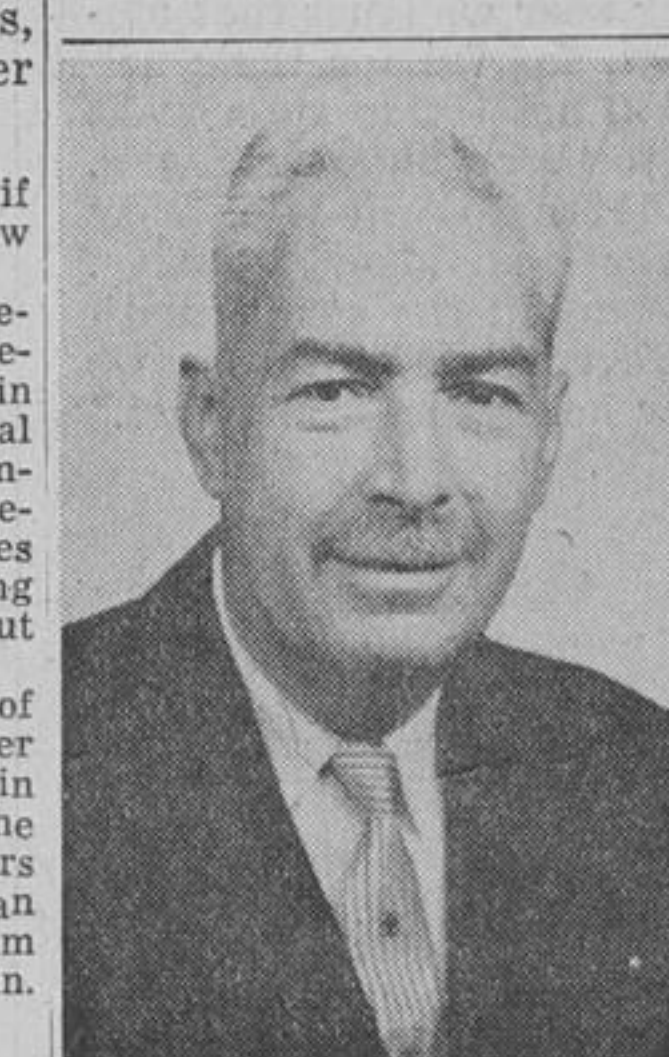
Announce Reduction In Town Hydro Rates

Richmond Hill Hydro-Electric Commission this week announced a further reduction in hydro rates for town residents. The new rates will be effective Jan. 1, 1961. As part of an intensive program to bring cheap public power combined with efficient service to local consumers, the commission following a careful study of water heater costs approved the new reduced rates.

Substantial reductions have been made in flat rate water heater charges. The 600 watt size has been reduced from \$2.47 a month to \$2.31, the 800 watt size from \$3.02 a month to \$2.82 and 1000 watt size from \$3.59 a month to \$3.35 a month. There are some 1,500 flat rate water heater maintenance service to all Hill. In addition the commission will continue to offer its free flat rate heater maintenance service to all owners and rental customers. There is no charge for parts and labour. Consumers can either

purchase a water heater or if they wish rent one for the low price of \$1.75 a month. This marks the second rate reduction the commission has declared since its inception in 1957, in spite of heavy capital costs. During that time the commission has built a new warehouse and the Beverley Acres Substation. Annual rebuilding programs have been carried out in the central part of town. The local utility has a staff of 13 and an annual budget of over \$140,000.00. The utilities' main business offices are located in the municipal building. The members of the commission are Chairman Sam Cook, Commissioner William Wagner and Mayor Ken Tomlin.

Town Council Session Special Committee Reports On Beverley Acres Drainage



DEPUTY-REEVE S. F. TINKER Who has announced that he will be a candidate for Richmond Hill's reeveship for 1961.

In making the announcement Deputy-reeve Tinker stated "with the Reeveship of the town being vacated, I feel it is incumbent upon myself to announce my candidacy for that office. My reasons are twofold. First I think it very important that continuity of representation on County Council be maintained. The obvious benefits of a close association with the county body can readily be seen in, for example, the Markham Road project. Secondly, the outdated custom of waiting for, or dropping out of contention for a higher office as an arrangement of convenience is not in the best interests of the electorate. I am strongly of the opinion that the taxpayers should be the sole judge of whom they desire as their representatives and will be content as always with their verdict." Mr. Tinker, a former School Board Chairman, is completing his second term as deputy-reeve, and previously was a councillor for three years. In private life he is supervisor of lighting for Toronto Hydro.

Appointed Last Year To Investigate All Phases Of East Side Problems

The special committee appointed last year to investigate circumstances in agreements in regard to Beverley Acres drainage problems presented its final report at Town Council Monday night.

The committee first named last year was appointed by council following a letter from Tom Broadhurst, then a private citizen, asking many questions pertaining to the then contemplated expenditure of a quarter million dollars to correct drainage problems in the area. Ex-reeve Floyd Perkins was the first chairman of the committee and submitted a partial report last year dealing with the extra expenditure of thousands of dollars on the "disappearing sewer" on Crosby Avenue.

The report Monday night was presented to council by Councillor Howard Whillans, who replaced ex-reeve Perkins as chairman early this year. Other committee members were Reeve Haggart and Councillor Bradstock.

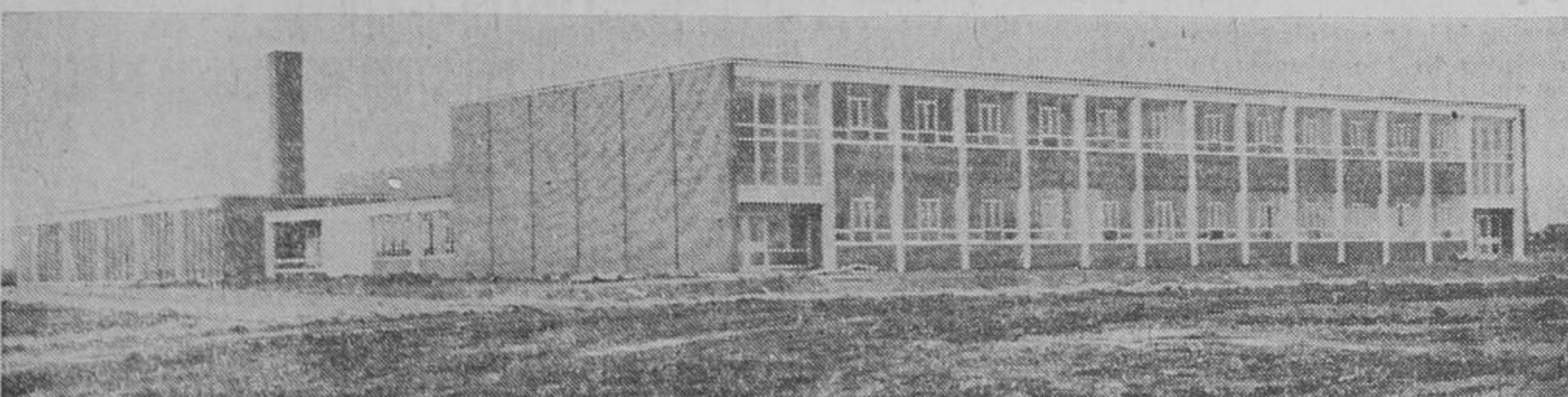
The findings of the committee after long months of study and consideration include four conclusions and ten recommendations, many of them dealing with future policy regarding subdivisions. Several of the recommendations already have been adopted. One recommendation is that council not engage the engineering firm of Proctor & Redfern for any future work in Richmond Hill.

The report was presented by Councillor Howard Whillans, the chairman since January of this year. Other members of the committee were Reeve W. J. Haggart and Councillor J. W. Bradstock.

During the course of the investigation information was sought from ratepayers at a public meeting, from municipal files, from newspaper files, from members of past councils, from Proctor & Redfern and members of the town staff. The report states that the committee gleaned very little information from its search of town file, and that interviews with the public and with past members of council brought nothing new to light.

Paragraph 21 of the agreement with Bailey was quoted, which states "In the event that in the opinion of village engineers drainage works are required outside the limits of the plan of sub-division, the owner agrees to sign a petition for the construction of such work as a local improvement." The Beverley Acres Drain- (Continued on Page 11)

Occupy New School Monday — Already Plan Addition



From its exterior of light brown brick, complemented by contrasting white brick trim around the front door, its metal windows and frames, equipped with 'positive' catches to prevent heat leakage, and its well-equipped academic rooms, Bayview High School, at Markham Road and Bayview Avenue, which will be open for "school business" at 9 a.m. next Monday morning, November 14, is considered to be one of the finest pieces of architecture yet approved by the York Central District High School Board.

Composed of 17 units, it contains six regular classrooms, a special geography classroom, two science labs, Home Ec. and Industrial Arts room, a commercial room, music and health room, general offices, a divided audi-

torium, cafeteria and combination staff room, as well as several store rooms.

On Monday the whole of the academic wing and part of the cafeteria will be open, the auditorium and shops are not yet completed. Milk will be available in the cafeteria at regular prices and students will carry their own lunches to school until such time as the cafeteria kitchen is completed.

The opening of the new Bayview High School which cost \$786,000.00 will end the shift system at Richmond Hill High School which began in September of this year.

It was announced this week that the School Board already is planning an addition to the school.

— Photo by Lagerquist

Polanski Family To Arrive December 23

Mr. R. D. Little, Chairman of the Richmond Hill Refugee Committee announced this week that the Polanski Family will arrive in Richmond Hill in time for Christmas.

The four member Polanski Family is scheduled to leave Paris by air on December 22 and will arrive at Malton the next day. They will be met at the airport by officials of the local sponsoring committee.

The Accommodation Committee under the chairmanship of Mr. Norman Brown have already rented satisfactory quarters for the family, and the ladies under the guidance of Mrs. L. Clement and Mrs. G. Sweeney are getting everything in readiness.

COMING EVENTS "Coming Events" the community directory of interesting dates to remember in coming weeks, appears on page three of this issue.

THORNHAVEN SCHOOL FUND DRIVE

For \$30,000 Starts Sunday, November 13th