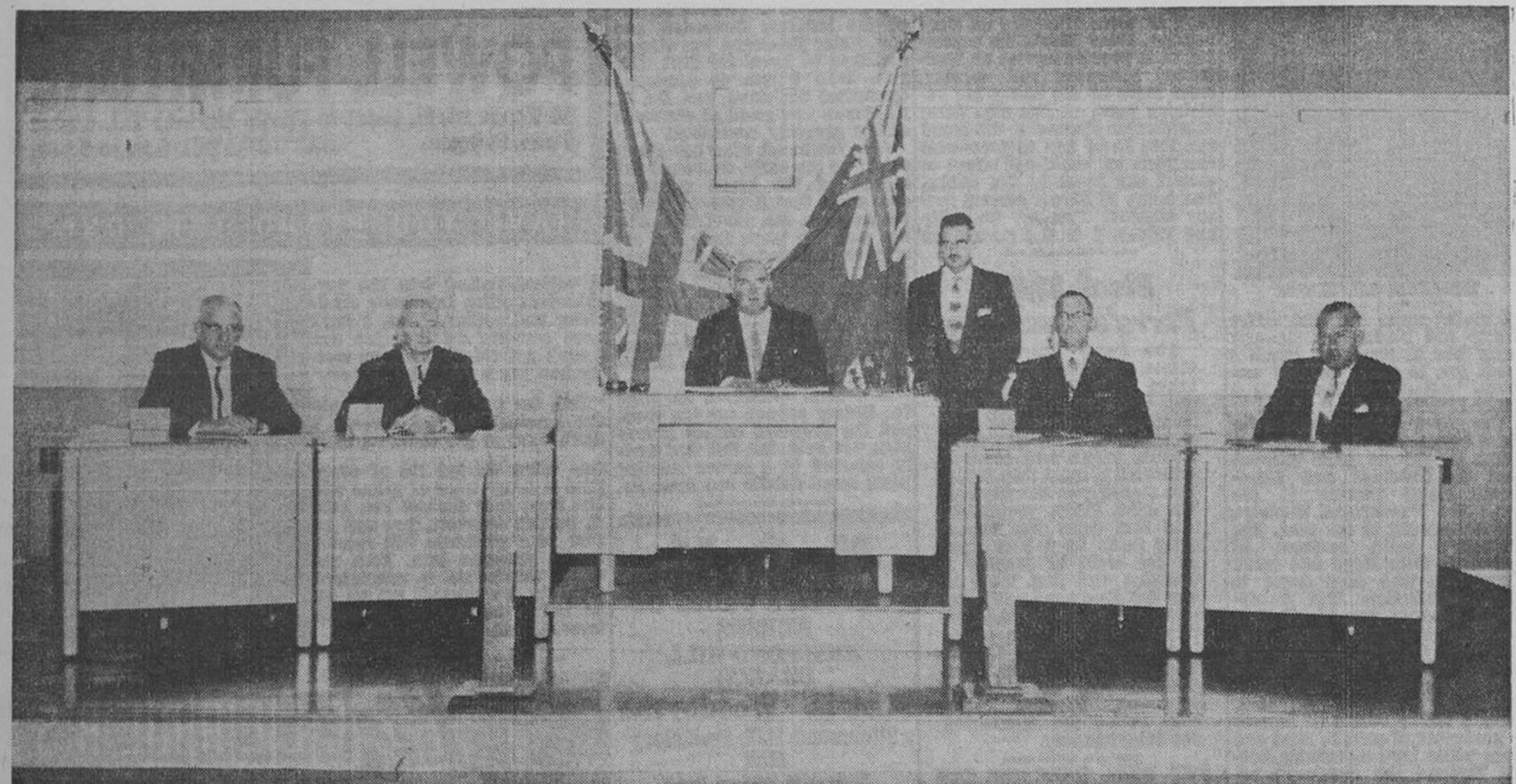
Thornhill and District News

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Markham Township's 1961 Council Members



In a business-like fashion the 1961 Council of Markham Township was sworn into office by Clerk H. C. T. Crisp on January 9th in the municipal chambers at Buttonville. Following the ceremony the group is seen above.

From left to right: Councillor Ward III, Stanley Watson; Councillor Ward II, Charles Hooper; Reeve Wilfred Dean, Clerk H. Crisp,

Deputy-reeve Lawson Mumberson, and Councillor Ward I, Alan Sumner.

Following the oath of office and declaration of allegiance, the Rev. Allan A. Lavis, Unionville, called upon the new council to "Pray for humility, wisdom and integrity", before delivering a prayer of invocation. — Photo by Owen Rose

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(By Margaret I. McLean)

1961 Trustees for the Police Village of Thornhill waded the posting of signs designating decision has been made with resright into the business at hand at their first meeting of the various sections. One small pect to sewers. He reminded the the year, on Wednesday, January 11th. All the trustees child has already been badly hurt trustees that the paving had yet were present, Mr. Patrick McTaggart-Cowan (the senior by a puck. The trustees were to be approved by the Departmember), Mr. James Timmins, and Mr. B. P. Roberts. Mr. lem, the more so as it appeared Municipal Board and unless the Alan Sumner, last year's chairman, and now a member of that the most consistent trouble- townships made their move Markham Township Council, was also present to tie up any loose ends left from last year and help get the trustees off to a good start.

As returning officer, Mrs. J. W. erable bantering and much ex-Lambert was chairman at the change between Mr. Timmins and beginning of the meeting, her Mr. MacTaggart-Cowan of highfirst duty being to attend to the ly flattering, not to say flowery election of a permanent chairman. recommendations of each other, A motion was made by Mr. Timi Mr. MacTaggart-Cowan mins and seconded by Mr. Rob- profound regret and some emerts, nominating Mr. Patrick Mac- barrassment" firmly declined the Taggart-Cowan, as chairman. Mr. chairmanship, and Mr. Timmins MacTaggart-Cowan declined to modestly accepted it.

a good deal during the next they had no official secretary and the village constantly to deal with who had been quietly taking problems as they came up. He notes, just in case, be formally suggested that Mr. Timmins' le- appointed scretary, her honorar- might be well to write letters to the discussion was postponed. gal talents would make him on the area recreation committee paving of the roads in the village, ary 8th. and the secretary was instructed to write to the A.R.C. advising

them of his appointment. Several small bills were initialled for payment, including one from MacFarland's Meat Market for two turkeys which were pressented to the two permanent employees of the village at Christ-

The secretary was instructed to write to the Vaughan and Markham Township Councils, informing them of the members of the village trustees and the new chairman. It was also suggested that a letter be written to the two village employees informing them that Mr. Roberts is now a member of the trustees and that they will receive instructions from him about their daily work. Mr. Sumner advised that he had already introduced Mr. Roberts to both men, as well as to various road superintendents of the townships, etc. He also stated that they had begun a complete inventory of all property belonging to the village, both large and

Mr. Sumner reported that there has been some abuse of the skating facilities at the pond, in that





Wasting no time over formal inaugural services, the hockey on the section reserved done immediately and those or accept the chairmanship with re- After conducting some little the boys continue in this manner, tees agreed with this opinion.

several boys consistently play those on the Vaughan side to be for pleasure skating, in spite of the Markham side whenever the much concerned over the prob- ment of Highways and by the makers were the same boys who promptly, the project might be had caused trouble and damage held up. It was mentioned that at the pool last summer. These there were some residents of the boys had used profane language village who were not particularly to Mr. Sumner, defying him to interested in seeing the paving send them off the rink. He promp- done, but the trustees felt that tly called the police, who an- after the spring break-up and swered just as promptly, and the consequent heaving to the roads, boys were sent off the rink. In these people would be more than order to avoid this type of de- glad to see the roads paved. Mr fiance in the future, the names Sumner insisted that any inof the offenders were given to crease in rates resulting from the the trustees and a letter is to be paving would be only very little sent to the parents of the boys more than the present costs of Guides their Guide history. in question to the effect that if road maintenance, and the trus- Choir gret, on the grounds that his village business, the trustees rec- charges will be laid and they will Some discussion took place 12th, following the regular choir venience of the performers. production at Holy Trinity work would cause him to travel ollected somewhat tardily that be taken to court. The trustees with respect to drawing up the were unanimous in their decision budget for the year but it was

year, and he felt that the chair- hastened to make a motion to the that this type of behaviour would pointed out that the budget could was presented with a new re- male artists, as well as a joint acquainted with their cousins and man of the trustees should be in effect that Mrs. J. W. Lambert, not be tolerated in the village., not be completed until the roads cording of Handel's Messiah, lounge, complete with television it provided a real boost to Eliza-Mr. Sumner suggested that it estimate had been received, so with Sir Robert Beecham con- sets, commodious lockers for beth's morale, but she sure de-

ium of \$200.00 yearly to remain both Markham and Vaughan The meeting adjourned at 10 The annual meeting of Thorn- ments, practise rooms for any that distance. suitable chairman. After consid- the same. Mr. Roberts agreed to Township councils, reminding p.m., after the next meeting had hill Presbyterian Church will be who wish to do any brushing-up, be the trustees' representative them of their approval for the been set for Wednesday, Febru- held on Monday, January 23rd and a large, soundproof rehear-

Kambling Around

by Elizabeth Kelson

Even the mold off a jar of preserves can start one thinking about plant life. Plant life invades the storage room and the pantry. It takes hold on loaves of bread, the tops of preserves, pickles and jellies. "Mold," we call it. Were it not for this invasion of our domestic privacy by plant life, we would have no yeast and no

Plant life extends over the entire surface of the globe except on the crests of the highest mountains, the highest regions of the glaciers and the places of everenduring snows. Even the waters of the Polar seas, under the perpetual icecaps have their algae or seaweed. The seas are full of sea-weed from the most minute to the largest known plants. Under the snow of the Arctic region are beds of lichens and upon the surface are the tiny algae known as "crimson snow".

In the spring and summer one can often see the faces of great rocks filmed with lichens. If observed under the microscope they would look like groves and forests. The long-dead logs and ancient rails in fences are clothed with fairy gardens, knobs of gold, cups of scarlet, frost work of gray, white, black and green.

Parasites and apiphytes (plants growing on plants) hang high on the branches of trees; gray-green mistletoe, flaming orchids; while about grasses and little shrubs twines the dodder also a parasite; and from the spreading roots of white pines are the wax-like beechdrops. Deep down in the wells, climb the lichens and the algae; the marl-pit and the lime kiln are no sooner abandoned by men than nature prepares to send her plant-hosts to take possession. In the summer the waters of the ponds are covered with a floating bed of strange plants and some people call it "green scum stagnation." Water lilies and other aquatic plants spring from the mud-beds of ponds, and along the margins of rivers.

If the greatest cities in the world were abandoned by men; within fifty years the houses would be draped by lichens, vine and fungii; the streets would be a tangle of weeds, creepers and briars; great forests would rise on every side. The battalions of birds and the cohorts of the wind would bring the seeds and superintend the reconverting of the abode of man to a tangled wilderness. Wherever man abides, plants accompany him, even to the mold on a jar of preserves.

Thornhill Notes

plans, however, were thrown awry Ball, Mr. Bob Napier and Mr. really works? by a series of mishaps which Mac Hunter. off the train, and Rev. Evans had ended with the enjoyment of fan- last year. nothing to eat since breakfast cy sandwiches and coffee. on Saturday. The first thing A monthly Communion and Well I finally managed to atdid was to see that he had some past president of the A.Y.P A a victory for Thornhill United, breakfast. Before the morning showed the group slides of his 5-2 against St. Pascals. Terry with the Young Adults. On Sun- 1,800 miles northwest of Tor- eted hat-trick to his credit, the day evening, he and his family onto. on Arnold Avenue as did Mr. two Theological students from witnessed the game) and David MacKay and Mr. Alan McKech- Trinity College, a gir, from the Bagg. It would be entirely un-

however. Over 100 people turned ters of St. John the Divine will done by David Johnson. Mr. Harup at the open house on Sat- be in charge of the service on ris had his pencil and paper out urday evening, at the church and Sunday evening, January 22nd. jotting down names for future all enjoyed themselves in spite All Young people are especially reference. We stayed to watch of the absence of the guest of urged to attend this service, as the next game between Holy

Women's Missionary Society

The Women's Missionary Society of Thornhill Presbyterian January 8th at Thornhill United Holy Trinity also Stuart Fran-W.M.S. Mrs. Cole was presented Me?" with a gaily decorated birthday Odds & Ends

Fortnighters Club

Club meetings.

Guides will hold their enrollment ere- learn that as well as providing ing, this I discovered is where I mony, when new members, who everything for the pleasure of can really catch up on news. I've have up to this time been "on the audience, the Centre also been shopping at the wrong time probation" will be formally en- provides every possible amenity art place it seems. Had a nice rolled in the Guides. The parents for the performers, something chat with Elizabeth Jennings who of the girls to be so enrolled which apparently seldom comes told me about her holiday trip. It will be invited to be present.

practice retiring organist and There are comfortably furnished Church on the 29th. The children choir leader Mr. Walter Stothers lounges, for both male and fe- really had a chance to become ducting the orchestra.

and all officers of the different sal hall, large enough to accomorganizations are asked to sub- modate a symphony orchestra, mit their reports to Mr. Mowat and from which broadcasts can or Mr. Cully. All members and be made. all members of the different Holy Trinity Anglican Church News

ity Church was hostess to the members of the Junior Auxi!their leaders at a delicious buffet supper. The meal was enjoyed by approximately 140 per-

The girls of the G.A. and the J.A. were introduced to the meeting, as were their leaders, and then 15 girls did a tableau representing the work of these groups. They also gave a report as to where their pledge money has been sent. The girls had an opportunity at this meeting to say farewell to Mrs. Askew who has been a leader of

The W. A. held their regular meeting at the Church, on Thursday of last week, it was their first meeting of the year and they began their course of

The Parish Guild held a meeting on Monday evening, January 9th at the home of Mrs. W. G. Chase, 150 Newton Drive, Willowdale, when the formation of a south group was discussed and decided on. There were 13 ladies of that area at the meeting. The new group will work along with the Guild, attending one general Guild meeting each month, but will also work on a separate project of their own, and meet with their own group each month. There are now six groups in the Parish Guild. It is felt that the small groups are more friendly and less unwieldy than the one large group, and the new arrangement has worked out very well at

other places. Close to 100 people attended the farewell reception held at the Church for Rev. and Mrs. Askew on Tuesday evening, January 10th. In order that the Askews would have a permanent remembrance of the words of appreclation, the leaders of the various groups in the Church had had a recording made of their voices, expressing their thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Askew for their wonderful services to the Church.

Rev. Evans and his family spend | The record was played at the you are distressed at the in-Guest preacher at Thornhill the week-end in Thornhill and reception and then presented to digestible amount of fat in the Presbyterian Church on Sunday, he had been invited to the home the Askews. Among the voices gravy, try this; drop about four January 8th was the Rev. D. T. of Mr. Gordon Patterson for heard on the recording were ice cubes into the gravy. As the Evans, B.A. of St. Paul's Pres- lunch to meet the executive of those of Rev. Varey, Pat Trant, fat congeals on top of and abyterian Church in Ingersoll. Rev. the Young Adults and Young Kay Shaw, Betty Priestman, Joan round the cubes, it may be eas-Evans wife and three daughters Life Clubs. For Saturday even- Iddon, Ann Houlden, Keith Lis- ily lifted out with a spoon, and also attended the service. Pre- ing, an open house had been ter, Bob Tyson, Dorothy Sowdon, the gravy takes only a minute parations had been made to have planned at the church. All these James Kiddell, Jo Byford, Mr. to warm up again. Try it - it

then that the welcoming com- breakfast was held for the Young tend a game of the PeeWee boys mittee, composed of Mr. J. B. People at 8 a.m. Sunday morn- on Monday night at Aurora. It Mayer and Mr. Jack MacKay, ing, January 15th. Keith Lister, was a very good game and meant service, Rev. Evans had coffee summer's work at Bearskin Lake. Tamblyn was a star with the cov-

Saturday wasn't a complete loss lege and a Sister from the Sis- remarkable job of goal tending well as the Fireside Hour af- Trinity and St. Lukes, which end-United Church News

Church met at the church on Church was under the direction cies, both have potentials. Tuesday afternoon, January 10th of the Y.P.U. Their special spea- And now comes the sad news mond. Secretary Mrs. R. A. Cam- congregation. Special vocal and both at Aurora. sell. The meeting took the form instrumental numbers were pre- Neighbourhood Notes of a Birthday Tea in honour of sented by the Stouffville Youth On Sunday, January 8th the

taken the opportunity to par- out to Church in the near future.

All these make the facilities at organizations are asked to keep the Royal Alexandra, where Mr. this date open and plan to at- Oades played with the "Braziltend this very important meeting. | ianos" orchestra, appear positively primitive, not to mention the tangle of backstage scenery On Thursday, January 5th, the with which he had to cope while Woman's Auxiliary of Holy Trin- at the Crest recently. Mr. Oades supplied the various "Flourish of Drains Cleaned & Repaired Trumpets" for King Lear there. jary, the Girls Auxiliary and Still, it all sounds rather fun, doesn't it?

> And here's my annual Helpful Hint to Harrassed Housewives -(I only have time to come up Richmond Hill TU. 4-1245 with one once a year): If pot roast is to play a prominent

place in the family menu this month, on account of an overtaxed budget last month, and

Thornhill United Church prevented Rev. Evans from reach- Mr. Napier was the Master of Last Sunday morning we had ing here until Sunday morning. Ceremonies for the occasion, and a near record attendance at chur-Plane reservations had been the various persons represented ch and to Mr. MacDonald who made from Ingersoll, but on Sat- on the recording sat in a semi- puts so much time and effort into urday morning the weather was circle on the platform with the his sermons this is a very gratifyso bad that all planes were Askews in the centre. The As- ing sight. Three babies were grounded, and after waiting for kews received a beautiful silver baptized, all boys. At the evensome time for the weather to tea service as a gift from the ing service, prepared and prelift, the Evans took the train. congregation, while Eira Trant, sided over by the Young People However, an accident had oc- on behalf of the Altar Guild, the guest of the evening was Mr. curred somewhere along the presented Mrs. Askew with a Joe Spadafora, an elder in The line and the trains were held up charming bracelet. Rev. Askews People's Church. Guest, soloist so that they didn't reach Toronto thanked all the congregation for was Miss Jo-Anne McLean, of Union Station until Sunday the kindness and service they the Stouffville Youth for Christ. morning. At some point too, had shown him during his stay A most welcome addition was the the dining car had been taken at Holy Trinity. The evening hymn sing we enjoyed so much

Church Hockey Leagues

other goals scored by Barry had dinner at the Mavers' home A vocation team comprising Hughes (whose proud parents Anglican Women's Training Col- fair if I failed to mention the ed up a 2-1 victory for St. Lukes. We surely had our eye on Brian The Sunday evening service on Phillips who scored the goal for

and held the election of offi- ker was Mr. Joe Spidafora, an namely the Bantam team lost cers for 1961. Those elected elder at the Peoples Church. As- both games this week. It was were: President Mrs. A. McClum- sisting him were Mr. Leonard 5-1 Tuesday night for the Church pha; Vice President, Miss E. Lee, Miss Susan Elliott and Mr. of the Transfiguration, 8-1 for Francis; Treasurer Mrs. L. Dia- David Corkill, of the Thornhill Blythwood Baptists Wednesday

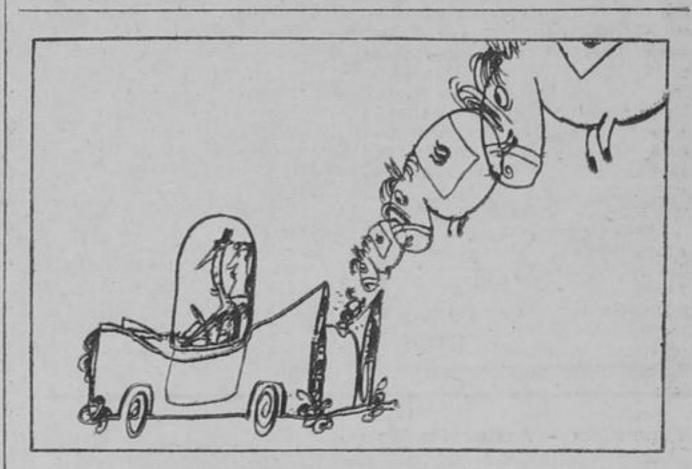
Mrs. W. Cole, who will be 80 for Christ. The Hi-C's met sep- Trudel family was increased by years old on January 18th and arately following the evening the safe arrival of twin boys. who holds one of the longest service and the topic of their Ruth and the babies are fine membership records of the discussion was "Would I Date and I believe Vic will recover. The wee boys weighed in at 6lbs. 4 oz. and 6 lbs. 31/2 oz. One cake which was cut and served Would you dear readers be in- is quite fair and the other dark terested in knowing that Mrs. like the older boys in the family. Elizabeth Kelson of Centre Street They are to be called Joseph On Monday evening, January Thornhill, well-known ',Liberal" and Mark. Too bad one couldn't 9th Dr. Donald V. Wade install- columnist and your renowned (?) have been a girl, but I am sure ed the officers of the Fortnight- correspondent, Mrs. Margaret I. Lucille and Bernie can hold up ers Club. These were, President, McLean cast their housewifely that side of the family quite well. Mrs. C. Atkinson; Vice-President, and newpaperly duties to the Grandmere is here as usual to Mrs. J. Arnott; Treasurer, Miss wind last Thursday, January 12th, help out. I was in to visit Mrs. M. Kitson and Secretary Mrs. A. and took themselves off to revel Mueser this week and found her Mackenzie. Mrs. John Mackay in the colour, music and grace of up and getting around the house will be in charge of organizing the incomparable Royal Ballet, remarkably well, trying hard to the members to supply the week- at the also incomparable O'Keefe catch up on all her corresponly dinner for the Young Life Centre. Any of you who have dence. Looking forward to getting

take of the "Arts" as offered by I met many neighbours at the On January 25th, the Guides the Centre, will be pleased to supermarket last Friday eventheir way. This I learned in sounded like the perfect solution On the week-end of January conversation with Mr. R. W. to a query. Elizabeth rented a 25th the older Guides will at- Oades of Brooke Street, who is car and drove to her home town tend a week-end camp at Camp a trumpet player of note. Mr. of Montreal, stayed with her bro-Samac, Oshawa. Linda Watt of Oades was part of the orchestra ther and family and had at her Concord, is working for her Gold which played at the centre disposal the car to visit around Cord by teaching First Class for "My Fair Lady" and as much as possible. They left on reports that the Centre the Wednesday before Christmas supplies just about every- and returned a week later to be On Thursday evening, January thing for the comfort and con- in time for the "Christmas Carol" storage of clothes and instru- serves some credit driving all

> A thought for this week -Someone said "grumbling is a certain sign of weakness" - don't grumble, change the condition.

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