

To Visit United Kingdom Farmlands



Among 900 passengers sailing from Montreal recently aboard the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of England were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hadwen, left, of King City, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Keffer, of Thornhill. They were among 36 Canadian farmers and their wives

making a three-week tour of the highlands and lowlands in Scotland and England. The 1,200-mile tour, organized by Canadian Pacific's Department of Immigration and Agricultural Development, will also include stopovers at outstanding farm institutes and historic places of interest.

Richmond Bringing In Special Film

Sunday Movies Will Begin This Week

Richmond Hill's first movie show as a result of the municipal vote on Sunday shows last year will be screened this coming Sunday, April 30, Richmond Theatre Manager Ned Hill announced this week. Town Council passed the enabling by-law a week ago. Theatre doors will open at 1.30

p.m., said Mr. Hill, with the first show starting at 2 p.m. Performances will be continuous for the rest of the day. A special film will be brought in for the initiation of Sunday movies. "Who Was That Lady?" starring Tony Curtis, Dean Martin and Janet Leigh, will be the

feature. A light comedy, it is based on the successful play "Who Was That Lady I saw You With?" produced for the New York stage. Professor David Wilson tries to get off the hook when caught off base in a harmless romance. His fantastic fable leads to amusing situations before the "lived happily ever after" finale.

Roses To Bloom On Yonge Street

Position Of Town In Rose World Will Be Emphasized By New Beds

Richmond Hill will soon demonstrate to the thousands who pass through it on No. 11 Highway that it is indeed the "Town of Roses". Members of the Yonge Street Business and Professional Association and the Horticultural Society, conscious of the fact that nowhere along the Hill's main street is there anything to show the municipality's association with rose production, have taken steps to rectify the omission.

Number one step will be the installation of three beds of roses in front of the Municipal Building. The roses themselves will be of the Polyanthus and Floribunda varieties, which will provide summer-long bloom. The preparation of the beds and the rosebushes themselves will be paid for by the Horticultural Society and the Yonge Street Business and Professional Association. The town will maintain the beds after they have been planted. The two organizations have co-operated with the property committee of town council, under Councillor Howard Whillans, in making arrangements for the beds.

A wide assortment of colour is being used in this attempt to add beauty and distinctiveness to Richmond Hill's "main stem."

Want Three-way Co-operation

Dog Control Problem In Markham Again Discussed By Councillors

Possibilities of the saving of a considerable amount were described to members of Markham township council this week, when the appointment of a new canine control operator was discussed. Quotations received from one applicant, it was said, were considerably lower than the township had been paying.

ability of making the by-law controlling dogs effective in the same manner in all parts of the municipality. At present it was said, the time for holding impounded dogs varied in different sections. The quality of the tags supplied to dog owners came in for criticism from Councillor Alan Sumner. Because of poor quality metal, it was asserted, the tags dropped off in a very short time. New tags will be handed out by the township in such cases, it was agreed.

Taxi By-law Discussed
The police committee is also to report on the taxi by-law. Members of council have said in the past — and emphasized again this week — that they believe that the taxi by-laws in Richmond Hill, Vaughan, and Markham should follow the same pattern.

The Bot Company was one of those tendering for storm sewer work on the Markham Road last year. Its tender was the lowest and it was awarded the contract. Later, the company discovered that it had made an error and asked the town of Richmond Hill to permit it to put in a revised tender. The town refused and

Turn Those Hands Forward Saturday

Daylight saving starts this week-end. And, as usual, there will be a considerable amount of confusion and argument as to which way the hands of the clock should be turned. Just remember the admonition "FORWARD into daylight saving" and turn the clock forward one hour.

Best thing to do is to turn the clock on an hour before going to bed on Saturday night. Make sure, however, that only one member of the family does it. There's a story — probably apocryphal — which describes how each member of a Richmond Hill family of four — father, mother, son and daughter, all of whom had been out for the evening, proceeded to turn the clock on an hour on arriving home and before going upstairs, last year.

Twelve-year-old Liked Food

"If you get that arc of roses built and there is a picture of it in the paper (with you) I would certainly like a copy of it," said letter to Mayor James Haggart this week. Writer was twelve-year-old Rodney McLean, whose father is a lawyer in Lloydminster, Sask. Rodney was a member of the ban-bowling team which took part in a bowling tournament in Richmond Hill recently, winning second place. He, with other members of his team, was entertained by Mayor James Haggart, who told them about Richmond Hill and its position as a rose-growing centre, together with plans for beautifying Yonge Street some day.

Wrong Tender Aftermath

Construction Firm Withdraws Suit Richmond Hill Keeps \$7500 Cheque

A suit against the Town of Richmond Hill entered by the Bot Construction Company Ltd. of Oakville for \$7,500 has been withdrawn. The municipality will be permitted to keep that amount and, in addition, the company will reimburse \$500 spent by the town in legal charges.

Leaves N.Y. At Noon Takes Council Seat In Markham At 3

At 11:45 a.m. last Monday Reeve Wilfred Dean of Markham Township was in New York City. Three hours later, at 2:45 p.m., he walked into the municipal council chamber at Buttonville. Monday's meeting started off with Deputy Reeve Lawson Mumberson in the chair. The Reeve, together with Mrs. Dean, was gallivanting in New York City, taking full advantage of a free holiday which he had won. Thanks to speedy air transportation, the Reeve arrived while the meeting was in full swing. Convinced that his Deputy, backed by years of experience as a police inspector in handling the less desirable types of humanity, was doing a top-hole job in directing councillors, Reeve Dean refused to take over the chair and sat under his junior for the rest of the session.

Markham Council Proposes Sewers In Highland Park

Out of 390 property owners in the Highland Park sub-division 227 want sanitary sewers. Markham township council learned this week 107 of that number want sanitary sewers only while 120 want both sanitary and storm sewers and catch basins. Councillors, on a recorded vote, decided to make application to the Ontario Municipal Board for authority to install the complete system — both water and sanitary sewers. All members of council were in favour. The Ontario Water Resources Commission will also enter into the picture.

The township will now apply to that Commission which, because both types of sewers are involved, will prepare the necessary documents and consult with the Ontario Municipal Board. When that is done the O.M.B. will discuss financing and related problems with Markham township council. It is impossible to say at this time what the next step will be, says Township Clerk Harry Crisp, but residents of the area affected will undoubtedly be supplied with full information as negotiations proceed.

Vaughan Township Insurance Setup May Be Surveyed

Vaughan Township Council on Monday agreed to a request by Mr. Kirby Brock, Maple insurance agent, to conduct a survey of the township's insurance requirements should the township decide to call tenders therefor. This may mean a change in Vaughan's present policy of placing all its insurance with one brokerage firm and simply renewing each year.

Council instructed the Finance and General Purpose Committee to prepare a statement showing the township's present insurance coverage and the applicable premiums. Upon the completion and study of this statement, the committee will make a recommendation to council in the matter. At the same meeting, council granted a licence to Mr. James Parker permitting him to board and breed dogs on Part of Lot 21, Concession 6, and directed the Building Department to prepare a report relative to a complaint from a Pine Grove couple to a trucking business next door to them. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hedges maintain that their home, property and health suffers because of the commercial operation.

Here's A New Library Service

Starting with this issue, "The Liberal," with the co-operation of Mr. Fred Israel of the Richmond Hill Public Library and members of his staff, will publish "thumbnail" reviews of three of the books which are in the greatest demand at the Library. Also listed will be other books which are enjoying a leading demand. The feature, which will usually be found on the Editorial Page, will appear once every two weeks.

NO "PAPER CURTAIN" FOR RICHMOND HILL
A "paper curtain" must not be erected around Richmond Hill during its drive to reduce taxation by acquiring sound industrial assessment, Mayor Haggart told members of the Yonge Street Business and Professional Association and their guests at a dinner held Tuesday night. A full report of the event appears on page 3.

Would Boost Employment

Council Undertakes To Provide Road If Industry Agrees To Erect Plant

Possibility of still another industry — one which would employ twenty men — locating in Richmond Hill brightened last week when town council at a hurry-up special meeting decided to provide certain facilities if and when assured that construction of a factory was actually being undertaken. Included in a resolution which was adopted on a recorded vote of five to two was an undertaking by council to put in a service road in the present industrial area, to permit the placing of storage tanks above ground and to ensure that there would not be a change in zoning of the area, which is zoned as industrial at the present time. On its part the company which is considering the site agreed to the deeding of land for the roadway, insofar as its own property was concerned, and intimated that construction would start in 1961.

Landlocked Area

Provision of the road was declared necessary because the area needed by the potential industry, which is said to be part of a large international concern, would be landlocked if it acquired the site and acreage which it actually needed, which is adjoining the railway. The road would cost approximately \$8,000, it was reported, and could later be extended to other industrial land. Provision of the road would also make possible the use of other land immediately adjacent to the property under consideration.

Taxes on the area in question are approximately \$120 per year. Council was told. With the erection of a factory of the type which was discussed they would increase to approximately \$4,500 a year. Councillors felt that it was a good bet to spend about \$8,000 on a site which would return that amount in annual taxation. It was emphasized that no expenditure would actually be made unless and until definite action to erect the factory was undertaken. Councillors felt, therefore, that little risk was involved.

Recorded Vote

A recorded vote showed Mayor James Haggart, Reeve Floyd Perkins, Deputy Reeve John Bradstock, Councillor Mrs. M. Southwell, Councillor Al White, to be in favour of laying the road if the factory proposition reached a positive stage. Opposed were Councillors Tom Broadhurst and Howard Whillans.

Following the meeting, each member of Town Council was

asked by "The Liberal" for a position statement. Mayor Haggart was the first. "I feel," he said, "that the motion passed at the council meeting is a matter of public record and the fact that I voted in favour of it is recorded in the minutes. It was, in fact, presented in council by myself. I do not think it is in the public interest for me to elaborate on the resolution at the present time but I will make a full statement as soon as details are cleaned up. Negotiations are proceeding. This does indicate, though, that council is willing to enter into negotiations with those seeking to place industries in the Hill and with this spirit present there is no doubt that we can look for a substantial increase in assessment and employment."

Deputy Reeve, Favour
Reeve Floyd Perkins said: "We need industry and in order to get such a good type I am willing to go along with the deal. Also, two year's taxes will repay our expenditure, if we make it. This land could sit idle for several more years and we would get nothing except the present taxes out of it. The employment which might be provided is important. This deal, if we get it, is high grade and should help us to attract others."

Deputy Reeve John Bradstock had this to say: "We open up the possibility of putting in four more small industrial lots—and there is a demand for small lots. If this was a question of a private driveway I'd have to look at it long and hard but as it opens up the industrial area for others I'm in favour. This thing proves that the town can act quickly and is ready to help industry locate. Talk about that sort of thing gets around and has an influence on others. If industries have reasonable requests that we can fill reasonably we should help."

Southwell, White, Approve
"This is not a concession—it's opening up industrial land," said Richmond Hill's lady councillor, Mrs. M. Southwell. "The district can and should be opened up when we need industry so badly." Councillor Al White was equally in favour. "It's about time we got progressive. This is a fine opportunity to secure work for our own people. If we can get this factory here it will provide work for twenty men at least. That means twenty families." Whillans, Broadhurst, Against
"I feel that this company is asking for tax concessions," said Councillor Howard Whillans, who

voted against providing the road, "no matter how you dress it up. We might have gotten this industry regardless. If they have made up their mind they will locate here anyway. This way will just benefit the land developer. If we use good horse sense we'll get industry anyway. It's bound to come here."

Plan Detour On Yonge St. Over Bypass

Signs of activity on the big bypass project which will bring Canadian National Railways freight traffic north of Toronto to the marshalling yards in Vaughan Township will become abundantly evident to travellers on Yonge Street at the beginning of May. From then until November 15th they can look forward to a six-and-a-half month major detour.

Markham Township Council has been advised by the C.N.R. that construction of the bridge which will carry Yonge Street traffic over the bypass will start May 1st, the contract covering it having been let. While the bridge is under construction a detour will be in effect.

The bridge will be located approximately half a mile north of Steele's Avenue. Straighten Don Channel
At the same time, Markham councillors learned, the railway will straighten out a considerable elbow in the channel of the East Don River in the Doncaster area. The C.N.R. will pay all costs and will carry out all negotiations with property owners. Giving their approval to the work, councillors insisted that property owners in the area must make their own deals with the railway but must be satisfied. The channel in question is not far from the bypass.

Bill Ferguson Portrays Chief Justice On TV



The Richmond Hill Curtain Club takes pride in the number of its members who are chosen from time to time to perform on TV, radio, and National Film Board productions, and also in live stage performances in the city. Wednesday evening, on "Explorations" at 10.30 p.m. we saw Bill Ferguson in a National Film Board production for C.B.C. - TV. He appeared as Lord Halliburton, the Chief Justice, in a thrilling episode in Canadian history namely the famous trial scene of Joseph Howe in the year 1834. Joseph Howe

is charged with libel for having dared to expose in his publication, the Nova Scotia Tribune, the corrupt practices of the magistrates from overseas of that day. Those were the days when freedom of the press was stifled, and our young people should be reminded that the freedoms which we enjoy today, of which freedom of the press is one, should be cherished and held fast because the struggles to obtain them were often bitter and dearly won. — National Film Board

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