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## Named Hospital Administrator



GARRY J. CHATFIELD

Little by little, things are shaping up to the point where one day the first sod will be turned for the erection of the new hospital to serve the southern part of York County. A site on Vaughan Road in Richmond Hill is under negotiation; Vaughan Township Council has indicated a willingness to go along with a solution to the sewage disposal problem if Richmond Hill will co-operate with regard to water; sketch plans have been prepared by the architects and other steps have been taken in the long but necessary process of solving the pressing hospital accommodation problem.

Negotiations have progressed so far that an administrator for the hospital has been appointed. Garry J. Chatfield, pictured here, has been named to the position, says Chairman Douglas Storms of the York Central Hospital Board. He was born and educated in Winnipeg, graduating in pharmacy from the University of Manitoba. He worked for some time with a pharmaceutical manufacturing industry in Perth, Ont., later going to the University of Toronto for two years to take a course in hospital administration. An administrative residence in Humber Memorial Hospital at Weston followed. He is currently employed in a

research project for the Ontario Hospital Association, dealing with factors influencing operating costs in hospitals.

Married, with one son, he is active in golf and curling. At present employed on a part time basis as a consultant, Mr. Chatfield will gradually assume full duties as construction progresses.

He is at present living in Willowdale but says that he is looking forward to moving to Richmond Hill when the hospital gets under way. He will probably be one of the first of many new residents whom the hospital will attract to Richmond Hill as a staff is built up.

## She's Not "Casing The Joint"

## Thornhill Girl Giving Assistance With Richmond Hill Redevelopment

If you see a fair-haired, blue-eyed girl snooping around Yonge Street looking at buildings within the next few weeks, don't think that she's "casing the joint" in readiness for a robbery. It's most likely to be MISS LESLEY YULE, pictured below. It's fitting that a girl with a district background should play a part in helping with the study of redevelopment possibilities on downtown Yonge Street in Richmond Hill.



Miss Yule has recently been working in the assessor's office in the municipal building, securing facts and figures which will permit the creation of a basic map. The type of work she is doing is not new to her as she has already been engaged in similar activities for the Toronto Planning Board.

(Photo by Lagerquist.)

## N. Yonge Bus Line Has More Patrons Still Shows Loss

Operations of the North Yonge bus line by the Toronto Transit Commission for the municipalities of Richmond Hill and Vaughan and Markham Townships during the second quarter of the year ran practically parallel to those of the first quarter. A financial loss was again chalked up. While it has been decided by the T.T.C. and the municipalities to do away with the operation of certain unpatronized routes during the night, the change was not made in time to be fully reflected in the April-May-June quarter.

Loss on operations for the first quarter was \$3,564. Loss for the first half-year was \$6,559, meaning that the second quarter's loss amounted to \$2,975. Richmond Hill's share of the quarter's deficit is \$1,487, with Vaughan and Markham having to pay \$743 each. The second quarter loss was cut by an increase in the number of revenue passengers, 320,537 persons making use of the service as compared to 298,343 in the first quarter.

Operating revenue crept up two and a half cents a mile to 55.50 cents, while operating expense, showing the benefit of a greater number of passengers per trip, only climbed 1.70 cents per mile.

## Withdrawal Of Libel Action Is Confirmed

A letter of apology was read to members of Richmond Hill Town Council on Monday evening by Mayor James Haggart. Signed by Mr. A. W. Mead of Superior Sand and Gravel Supplies Ltd., it expressed regret that former employees of that company had instituted a libel action against Mayor Haggart, Works Commissioner Otto Whalen and Fred Boivard of the town staff.

The suit had been completely withdrawn, the letter said.

## Civic Holiday August 7th

Monday, August 7th, will be Civic Holiday in Richmond Hill, the necessary proclamation having been authorized by town council this week.

Banks will be closed all day, giving staffs a holiday from the six o'clock closing on Friday to Tuesday morning.

The general delivery wicket at the post office will be open from 8 a.m. to noon. Money order and other wickets will be closed and there will be no house-to-house deliveries.

## Portable Purchase Saves Money

## Academic Standards Are Discussed At Public School Board's Meeting

With only a limited amount of business to look after, Richmond Hill Public School Board members cut their regular meeting short last week and spent some time in a general discussion of academic progress. Suggested by Trustee Mrs. Ruth Castle, the discussion theme was set by Chairman L. Clement, who said that the point at issue was "How good a job do we do and how do you measure it?" The local system had experienced a tremendous amount of growth in recent years and it was time to formulate ideas for the future, he said. "We can end up with a record that would be the envy of many larger communities," declared the board chairman.

A long and interesting debate took place with trustees stressing their responsibilities, in co-operation with the system's staff, in giving the best education possible. Trustees had two responsibilities, they asserted, that of administering the financial affairs of the school and that of seeing that a high standard of education was maintained.

The testing point trustees agreed, was the progress made by students after they left the public school level. Statistics gathered

with the help of teachers and other educational experts were necessary in order to provide a proper picture, it was agreed.

The debate will be resumed later, when a full board membership is in attendance.

## Save Taxpayers' Money

Trustees completed a deal by which a used portable school was purchased from the Georgetown Separate School Board. Although \$6,000 had been allowed in the budget for a new portable, trustees were able to secure the Georgetown one for \$3,000. Cost of moving to Richmond Hill will be approximately \$1,000, the whole deal representing a nice saving for taxpayers.

Trustees also decided that rentals of school property by churches and similar organizations on a long-term basis will run from September to September.

Following their meeting trustees inspected maintenance work and repairs being carried out at the McConaghy School, special satisfaction being expressed over the new aluminum frame windows with shaded glass in the upper sections, eliminating the need for blinds.

## Dust, Ditches, Discussed

## Vaughan Rds. Committee Is Kept Busy At Meeting

Busiest committee of Vaughan Township Council last week was the roads committee under Councilor Wilfred Keffer which, during Monday's regular council meeting handled five items and two beefs by a Normaple delegation.

The delegation asked council to insist on Developer J. S. Grant doing something about the dust which, said spokesman Mrs. David Sinclair, billows every time a vehicle goes up Goodman Street or Lancer Avenue. "It's truly amazing the amount of grit and dirt that accumulates in the rooms at the end of a day, no matter how tightly closed we keep the doors and windows," she said.

Up from the audience sprang Bruce Kline, representing the developer. The dust would soon be forgotten, he assured the delegation, because his firm was now making plans to asphalt the streets under question. Matter of fact, he said, had it not been for a technicality arising out of a recent inspection, the asphalt would be laid now. But he declined to give the delegation a guarantee that the project would be terminated in the next week. Reeve A. H. Rutherford told Mrs. Sinclair he sympathized, intimating that council would do what it could to hurry the correction of the situation.

Drainage Mr. Keffer reported to his colleagues that his department had received and studied the surveyor's report showing the location of the ditch from Roosevelt Drive to Garden Avenue (Richvale) required to provide an outlet for water in the Pearson Avenue area. Council agreed, without debate, that the township's value be authorized to effect satisfactory settlements with those property owners from whom

land is required for this project, which has been hanging fire for some years.

## Keefe Street Ditch

The reeve said he had received complaints about the drainage ditch running through properties on the west side of Keefe Street, south between Keele Street and the Normaple Subdivision. "In the process of deepening and widening the ditch, the dirt was piled alongside of the ditch and left," he said.

Council accepted a committee recommendation that J. S. Grant of the Normaple Developments be advised and requested to see to it that the dirt is levelled.

## Thornhill Paving

The road committee told council that replies from ratepayers in Thornhill on the matter of paving, show that the majority do not support such a project which would have been on a local improvement basis. Mr. Keffer said that since the Ontario Municipal Board would not approve of a capital program without the support of the majority of the property owners, his committee would recommend that application for approval of the proposed capital undertaking be deferred.

Council deferred action on the matter of constructing a drainage ditch from Crestwood Road to Steeles Avenue to alleviate a drainage problem on lots 57 and 58 on Crestwood Road until the necessary easements are made available to Vaughan. Council instructed the staff to prepare, for the committee's consideration, a program for the collection of culvert accounts entailing the removal of culverts not yet paid for. The committee had reported that about 15 per cent of the culverts installed in past ditching programs had not yet been paid for.

## Province Pays Three-quarters Cost

## Plan Resurfacing Of Yonge Street Before Installation Of New Lights

Possibilities of Yonge Street in Richmond Hill being resurfaced from Markham Road to Leventdale Road are said to be good. Town councillors were told this week that all that was needed was the assent of the Highways Minister, which it was believed would be forthcoming. Under the "connecting link" agreement the town would pay 25 per cent of the approximately \$7,200 cost, making the charge to the municipality about \$1,800.

The entire street would be resurfaced from curb to curb, said Works Commissioner Otto Whalen.

The material used would be "Dix-seal" which can be laid very thin, even as low as a quarter of an inch. The road surface is at present in very poor shape and badly cracked in places, allowing water to seep underneath.

The new surface can be laid very fast. With the strong probability of the new traffic control light system being installed before very many weeks, it was necessary to have a good surface to preserve the road and at the same time permit the marking of zones, said Commissioner Whalen. Traffic will not be delayed much.

## Discussion Reflects Good Will And Agreement

# Councillors Agree To Put Up Money As Start Of Permanent Parking Lot

## Late Mrs. Arthur Wells Active In Community

Following a lengthy illness Mrs. Arthur Wells, the former Miss May Rumble, died in her 68th year at her home, 28 Richmond Street, Maple, Saturday, July 22, 1961.

Mrs. Wells had many diverse interests throughout her life time. She was a Past Worthy Matron of Hillcrest Lodge, No. 100, Order of the Eastern Star; 1st President of Ladies Auxiliary of Robertson Lodge. She was a member of Maple United Church and Maple Women's Institute.

Her natural charm and warm interest in people stood Mrs. Wells in good stead as she took an active part as past executive member of York North Women's Progressive Conservative Association. Local politics became increasingly interesting to Mrs. Wells and she became perhaps the first lady Election Clerk for York North Riding.

The funeral service was held Tuesday, July 25 in Maple United Church and was conducted by the Rev. Harold Davies. To the

many friends gathered to pay tribute, Mr. Davies voiced the feeling of all when he said Mrs. Wells seemed able to meet adversity head on and always come back smiling. She never burdened her family or friends with her troubles but was always on hand to cheer and comfort others.

As a resident of Maple for 30 years the people in all walks of life who called her friend, were a host.

Left to mourn her loss are her husband, Arthur Wells, her son Lorne, daughter-in-law Marjorie and grandchildren, Loren, Grant and George, all of Maple.

Honorary pall bearers were Major Lex Mackenzie, M.L.A., Roy Shier, Norman MacMurphy, Floyd E. Corner, Q. C., Malcolm G. Tawse, Wm. H. C. Bailey, Charles Hooper, Walter Bell, J. J. Callaghan, Wm. Noble, Harper Wells, T. A. McDonald, Earle Thurston and Hilliard Bryon.

Interment was in Maple Cemetery.

The area at the back of the post office building, in the rear of a number of stores on the west side of Yonge Street, would be given a solid base so that it could be used for off-street parking immediately, members of Richmond Hill Town Council decided at their regular meeting this week. The base, it was agreed, could be surfaced later as parking plans were developed. That was as far as it was wise to go at the present time, Chairman Al. Harley of the Town Parking Authority told members of council.

The decision followed a report of the parking authority's activities and a presentation by President Charles Taylor of the Yonge Street Business and Professional Association, and George Hill, member of the association's parking committee.

## Drainage Is Problem

Mr. Harley said that the authority had first rented the area on Yonge Street owned by Principal Investments Ltd. He felt that it had been of real value to the downtown area. Now, he said, it was being given up so that a more permanent arrangement could be developed. Merchants had offered to let the authority have space at the rear of their premises but it was unwise to go further than the post office property at the present time on account of drainage problems. To put down a good base would cost approximately \$3,000. Councillors agreed with the plan, referring the matter to the finance committee for action.

Discussing parking bans and parking lots, President Taylor, speaking for downtown business men and women, said that his committee had been working with the parking authority. Thirty downtown business people had been paying \$4 a month each to take care of the charge on the Principal Investments lot, an amount equivalent to taxes.

Asked by Councillor Tom Broadhurst why the Principal Investment lot was being given up, Mr. Taylor said that it was being done to force a permanent solution of the parking problem. While a number of business men had been paying for the Principal Investments lot, others had been using it for themselves without contributing anything. He agreed with Councillor Broadhurst that the "stop-gap" parking had been expensive to all parties but contended that it had provided the only available solution at the time.

Working in evident harmony on the parking and traffic situations, council members and business men discussed various points in connection with the parking ban proposed for Yonge Street. "We are not here to criticize," Mr. Taylor said. "We're here to do what we can in connection with a bad situation." He could see that there was need of a ban during the evening rush hour but questioned the need of one on the west side of Yonge Street in the early morning. "You don't see traffic jams in the morning," he told councillors.

## Whillans, Broadhurst Agree

His comments drew support from Councillors Whillans and Broadhurst, both of whom felt

that west side parking was unnecessary. "There's no use placing restrictions until they are called for," said Councillor Whillans. He said that he had been travelling southwards every morning for five years and had not yet seen the need for it. Councillor Broadhurst suggested that the police committee be asked to study the situation.

## D.H.O. Calls Tune

It became evident as the discussion proceeded that the Department of Highways was calling the tune on parking bans, due to its part in putting up the bulk of the money for the new system of stop lights which will control Yonge Street traffic. Councillor Al. White contended that the department must have made an expert study of the situation and said that council might be able to bargain with the department. "But," he said, "if the department says that the bans have to be established I'll go along."

Mayor Haggart said that he couldn't see the morning ban and suggested that the Department of Highways should be consulted again. His committee had no desire to make things tough for the merchants on Yonge Street, said Deputy-revee John Bradstock, chairman of the police committee. He felt that the new traffic light system would not be ready for three months and by that time the off-street parking problem might be settled.

## Department Pays Most

Cost of the Yonge Street traffic control lights will be approximately \$30,000, letter from the Department of Highways told council. Approximately \$22,745 will be paid by the provincial government, with \$7,255 to be paid by the town. The department laid down the times at which it was expected parking bans would be in effect.

## Nine Lot Subdivision On Mill St. Is Approved

Members of Richmond Hill Town Council authorized the signing of a subdivision agreement, at their meeting this week, with Hector Grant, covering a small sub-division on Mill Street. There are nine lots in the property. One is to be deeded to the municipality as park land. Another already has a house on it, leaving seven lots on which the sub-divider will pay \$500 per lot for services.

A performance bond covering fifty per cent of the cost of sewers and other services will be obtained.

## "Dry Run" For The Goblins?



As far as the young lady in the centre is concerned, it could have been a preliminary practice for Halloween last week in Richmond Hill town park as a "costume parade" formed part of the day's amusements for youngsters taking advantage of the playground summer program.

rammes designed by the Recreation Committee. The rest, however, seem to have different ideas. The youngsters enjoying summer fun are, from the left: Al Hunter, Beth Flannigan, Anna Carcone, Christine Jackson, Arden Hatch, Brian Wright, Dinah Brook. (Photo by Lagerquist.)