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Town Works Committee Studying Hospital Service & Disposal Plans

The Works Committee of Richmond Hill Town Council will continue its study of the service needs of the proposed new hospital and, in conjunction with Vaughan Township, explore the possible size and location of the necessary disposal plant.

In presenting a report to council Monday night Reeve F. R. Perkins, Works Committee Chairman, said his committee had given instructions for the surveying of the proposed extension of Trench Street to Vaughan Road. This extension at Vaughan Road will be the east boundary of the hospital property and will provide an access road.

Concerning the required disposal plant, Reeve Perkins said while a report had been received from the Ontario Water Resources Commission and it will take some time, Mr. Perkins said, to get estimates of various proposals.

There have been suggestions that Richmond Hill should annex the area where the hospital will be built, other suggestions that the annexation should include a larger area and that resulting development would help pay costs of necessary plant construction.

Councillor Broadhurst said that while a hospital is desirable in many ways there are disadvantages too. The hospital is exempt from taxes, and the large number of families moving here to staff the institution would mean more children for our schools. He thought the hospital should pay for services as Richmond Hill taxpayers pay their share into county levy for hospital grants.

Councillor members agreed with Councillor Al. White that the works committee must come up with a more detailed report on the needs of the hospital and the proposed construction and estimated cost before the matter could be discussed intelligently.

In the meantime the works committee will go ahead with the survey of the Trench Street extension and the investigation and study of hospital requirements for services.

Have You Read These?

BOOK REVIEWS FROM THE RICHMOND HILL PUBLIC LIBRARY

New Books for Boys and Girls

There is a Dragon in My Bed, and other useful phrases in French and English, by Sessie Joslin and Irene Haas (Longmans \$2.50). Off we go in this useful — and hilarious — phrase book. With two intrepid young travellers, the reader journeys by sea to France, by boat train to Paris and then through days of sight-seeing adventures. The phrases, for which a pronunciation guide is given, deal with a great variety of matter-of-fact situations, such as taking a bath, addressing a policeman, asking directions, introducing a friend, ordering cake, buying a hat. For the many children who are now studying French and for people of any age who love to laugh, this book, which evokes the spirit of France with wit and rare artistic beauty, will provide an unforgettable experience.

The Snow Queen, and other tales, by Andre Bay, New York (Mussion \$4.25). This is a selection of traditional Russian fairy tales from Grimm brothers, Hans Christian Anderson and other well-known writers of stories and legends. This particular selection is greatly enhanced by the beautiful paintings and drawings by Adrienne Segur. The art work is strongly reminiscent of Russian peasant art and therefore is particularly suited to the Russian folk tales. A beautiful gift book for the child from 6 to 10.

The Majesty of Grace by Jane Langton, New York (Mussion \$3.50). The story of "plain old Grace Jones" who really believed that she was the rightful heir to the British throne. The Depression was at its height, and Pop had lost his job, and although everyone knew that "prosperity was just around the corner", it was often difficult to be sure just where the corner was. Life for the future Queen of England and her family was filled with the unexpected. A delightful, warm family story, set in a period many of today's parents will remember, this is a story to be enjoyed by the whole family.

The Rib of the Green Umbrella by Naomi Mitchison, London (Collins, \$2.50). The green umbrella is a machine-gun, the rib a vital spare part. This is Italy, 1944. In the little town of San Benedetto, occupied by German troops, the Italian partisans wage their own war against the enemy. Even the children become involved, and there is plenty of danger and excitement for all. Even through the grim reality that was occupied Italy, the warmth and loyalty of the Italian people shine through and we are given an understanding picture of a corner of recent history. For boys and girls from 11 to 14.

Wait For Me, Michael by Mary Stolz, New York (Mussion, \$3.98). The latest of this author's wonderfully perceptive novels for older girls. This story concerns fifteen-year-old Anny Miles and her struggles to understand herself and her problems. For girls 12 up.

Commuters Stage Travel Test

Reeve Wilfred Dean of Markham Township made a "guinea-pig" last week. He, with Reeve A. M. Campbell and Councillor Ernest Gerow of Scarborough, boarded a one-car diesel "dayliner" at Agincourt to ride to Toronto Union Station — a trip which was accomplished in 18 minutes. At the time they left Agincourt a car driven by C. A. McKay of the Scarborough Township office also started on a trip to the Union Station, taking 45 minutes.

The journey which made use of the regular morning train leaving Havelock at 5:25 and which picks up commuters from Markham, Stouffville and Unionville, was sponsored by the Agincourt Ratepayers Association. Its purpose was to prove the speed and efficiency of a railway commuter service. The association is pressing the Canadian National Railways to run

Markham's Reeve Is Guinea-pig As Car, Train, Race To Toronto

for a sufficient distance to have a chance of making a profit.

The railway, on the other hand, is planning to drop its present evening train, replacing it with a special commuter train which will take care of Markham, Stouffville and Unionville passengers. It says it will not operate the train unless it can be run at a profit. Ratepayers contend that with the limited run this is impossible.

A Board of Transport Commissioners hearing will be held at Lindsay on September 21st and 22nd to decide on the fate of the trains.

Ratepayers will claim that an adequate commuter service, as demonstrated by the trip made by Reeve Wilfred Dean and others, would lead many persons to make use of it instead of driving their cars.

Concord Citizen Opens Hardware, Rental Store

Mr. Carl Herman of Concord has announced that he will shortly open a combined hardware store and rental business at 6026 Yonge Street, at Connaught St. The new firm, its building now being completely renovated, will represent the only such rental business in Metropolitan Toronto's north end. This aspect of the company will handle everything required by the do-it-yourselfer on a rental basis including power mowers, drills, electric saws, cement mixers, and ladders as well as all varieties of other tools needed for construction. The motto will be: "You name the tool needed and we have it."

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Vaughan Checks Out Winter Works Incentive Program Recommendation

A winters work program, mailboxes, and a community centre for Normale were the chief items of business presented to Vaughan Township Council on Monday by the finance and general purpose committee, and all items were formally approved as proposed.

In the next several weeks, individual council members and township department heads will submit recommendations lending themselves to winter works incentive program. Vaughan will receive a reimbursement on direct payroll costs incurred on acceptable projects of 50% from the federal government and 25% from the provincial government. Major types of eligible projects are the construction and major improvement of municipal roads, streets, sidewalks water sewage and drainage facilities, construction and development of municipal parks and playgrounds and the construction and reconstruction of municipal buildings.

Suggestions Aired

Councillor Ruth McConkey wondered whether work on five or six abandoned township cemeteries might not be included in the overall works program. Work would include underbrushing, cleaning up, fencing and straightening and preserv-

Cancer Members Assist At Art Show



Three of the many members of the district branches of the Canadian Cancer Society who assisted at the C.N.E. Art Gallery are shown above. Left to right are Convenor Mrs. S. Ingimundson, Mrs. J. McArthur and Mrs. W. Lennox, all members of the Richmond Hill Unit.

"Are We Getting Top-Heavy?" Mrs. Langstaff Asks

Rapidly increasing need for secondary school accommodation and, at the same time a warning that the situation might become "top heavy," featured the last meeting of York Central District High School Board.

The need for added accommodation was emphasized by reports of greatly increased attendance at the four schools under the board's jurisdiction — Richmond Hill, Bayview, Thornhill and Woodbridge. It sparked a warning from Trustee Robert Ross, who thought that the planned extension to the Bayview School should be speeded up.

A motion by Trustee Morley Kinnee climaxed a long discussion on the type of accommodation needed. Mr. Kinnee's motion asked the planning committee to study the subject of future school needs, particularly as to the character of accommodation. This might affect the new school planned for Rivale, it was said.

Trustee Mrs. Barbara Langstaff fired the first shot, questioning whether a balance was being maintained between academic and technical accommodation. She pointed out that the new emphasis on technical education might have thrown the balance off. "Are we perhaps being a little too precipitate in putting up technical rooms in place of academic?" she asked. Chairman Axelsson said that the board had already decided on a composite school policy and insisted that authorization by motion would be needed before the subject could be reopened. This, on Trustee Kinnee's motion, the board finally gave.

During the discussion it was pointed out that only seven per cent of students entering grade nine go on to university. The other 93 per cent must be considered, some trustees said.

Local Library Adult Discussion Group To Study Ways Of Mankind

The Ways of Mankind, a study of the family of man, has been chosen as the topic for a discussion group being formed at the Richmond Hill Public Library.

This study is an examination of the greatest wonder of the world, man himself, and the drama of the many cultures he has created. Your life, your feelings, your ideas will be placed into the framework of the world's culture; your attention will be drawn to situations ranging from the ethics of an African tribe to the problem of a corporation executive's wife; you will get a new look at our values and social mores. The "Ways of Mankind" is a discussion program to be held at the Public Library each Monday evening from 8 to 10 p.m. This program will begin on September 18 and will end on December 11. A fee of \$5 will be levied which includes the participant's own copy of the book "The Ways of Mankind" by Dr. Walter Goldschmidt.

All those interested in this course are asked to register at the Library on September 18 or before.

The program requires each participant to read the portion of the book of readings by Dr. Goldschmidt before each weekly meeting. At the meeting a dramatic recording will be played, followed by a discussion on the readings and recordings that have been presented.

All adults are welcome to join this group which is forming at the Library. This is the first discussion program being sponsored by the Library, and is the first course in adult discussion methods. This course does not feature guest speakers, but rather the participants are featured in their discussion sessions each week. Dr. Goldschmidt's book, and the specially prepared recordings will present each member of the group with many new ideas, and challenge many of their old concepts.

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Approval Is Given To Extension Of Newkirk Road To Markham Rd.

Asked by "The Liberal" what extension, including the purchase of property, would be approved for Newkirk Road, the proposed extension to Newkirk Road from Centre Street to Markham Road, Mayor James Haggart said that he had hopes that the project would commence this year and be completed in the spring of 1962. An application before the Department of Highways had been approved, said Mayor Haggart. The road will be constructed to industrial standards, allowing for year-round, full-load use, he said. It might serve to relieve Yonge Street congestion to some extent, he declared, and certainly would permit the keeping of heavy trucks off residential streets in the east end.

Goes To Municipal Board

Approval of the Ontario Municipal Board would now be required, said Reeve Floyd Perkins, chairman of the council's works committee. This would permit financing of the project through debentures. Cost of the extension, including the purchase of property, would be approximately \$47,250. Half of this amount would be subsidized by the province. The road would be 36 feet wide, he said.

Other Paving OK'd

The Newkirk Road extension would run from Centre Street to the Markham Road, effect being on the linking up with the present Newkirk Road, to give another through road from the Markham Road to the Elgin Mills Road.

Also approved are two other projects which will improve the town's traffic links. Crosby Avenue will be paved east from Newkirk Road to Osiris Drive, Centre Street East will be paved to Sussex Avenue.

Town officials said that it might not be possible to complete the Newkirk Road extension this year but efforts would be made to go up to the point where paving alone would be required in the spring of 1962.

J. P. Levies Fine Asserts Markham Over Kennelled

Markham Township in the past had been too free with kennel permits, said Archie Fleming, J.P., in Buttonville Police Court last week, fining Mrs. Rose Libertus, former resident of Sussex Avenue, \$5 plus \$12.50 costs, on a charge of permitting animals to make unnecessary noise.

Mr. Fleming pointed out that a total of nine kennels had been permitted in one built-up area. Courts, he said, had to rule on the definition of unnecessary noise. Markham Township's present by-law was drawn up eighteen years ago.

Second Yk. Sector Training Dinner

The second training dinner meeting of the York Sector project was held at Country Acres on Monday evening with representatives from several local churches present. The sector program is designed to provide expert training for the leaders in local churches who are planning for the visitation of their members and supporters to enlist a fuller participation in the life and work of the church. It is sponsored nationally and locally on an interdenominational basis. This year a new degree of emphasis is being placed upon commitment of life, together with commitment of time and financial resources.

Present on Monday evening were delegations from Emmanuel Church, Richvale, St. Mary's Anglican Church, Richmond Hill United Church, St. Matthew's United Church, King City United Church, Victoria Square United Church, Markham United Church, and others in the northern part of the county. The director for the York project this year is the Rev. John Speers of the Anglican church in Aurora.

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Property Prices Declared Steady By Area Realtor

One local realtor said this week that the price of homes seem to be holding steady now, reversing a modest falling trend in sales value the last six months. Realtors also suggest that now would be an opportune time to buy for those who have been contemplating purchasing. It is felt that present favourable conditions will not last indefinitely.

A second realtor said there is a tendency for some persons to look far afield for a new home and hence miss out on excellent local buys.

A third realtor said it was his view that the whole problem of sales lack in the better type residence could be resolved if the federal government would re-finance existing homes four or five years old. This, he said, would enable the owners to resell them with a reasonably low down payment on a mortgage. He said at present the lower income bracket purchaser finds that he has to carry two mortgages with the low down payment which renders the monthly carrying charges beyond his ability to pay.

Government re-financing would make the carrying charge to one mortgage a reasonable payment thereby releasing the new owner from the additional worry of having to carry an extra mortgage, he concluded.

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