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Richmond Hill Council Members Declare Intentions

Haggart Reconsiders - Will Stand For Mayor In '62

Cautious Optimism Marks Report Of Hill's Industrial Commission

The reports of Industrial Commissioner Robert G. Langford and the Industrial Commission, presented to Richmond Hill Town Council Monday night, showed considerable industrial growth in the municipality during the past year and while not minimizing the difficulties and obstacles to be overcome, held out hope for even greater development in the year ahead.

Commissioner Langford was commended by Mayor Haggart and members of council for his efforts and the industrial commission members were congratulated on their good work and thanked for their public service.

In his report Mr. Langford stated that in the past twelve-month period, even with local and national adverse conditions existing, Richmond Hill had progressed favourably, if not spectacularly at least solidly. In the year 50,000 square feet of industrial buildings had been constructed at a cost of \$250,000. During this period enquiries from industrial firms had dropped perceptibly, but during the past three months there had been a noticeable increase in the number of enquiries. Many enquiries are now under consideration.

Four New Industries
During the past month four new industries (two of which have been built or are building plants) have located in Richmond Hill through the efforts of the industrial office. Two located plants are contemplating building additions. This completes 36 industries in Richmond Hill, 25 of which have located here in the past two years.

The industrial commissioner recommended the acquisition and servicing of industrial land in an area large enough to meet today's requirements, construction of Newkirk Road from Centre Street to Markham Road, the extension of Enford Road north to Elgin sideroad, and an appropriation of money for advertising and publicity.

Championship Winner For Championship Course

Pro, Super, Getting Ready To Open Hill's First Golf Club In Spring

George Darou, named as superintendent of the course. Before coming to Richmond Hill he was superintendent at the London, Ont., Hunt Club course - one of the country's leaders for twelve years. His golfing career started at Oshawa in 1929. After three years at the club there he was made greenskeeper, staying with that job until moving to the London position.

Keenly interested in horticulture, he has lectured many times in many places on grass and lawns. He is a member of the Ontario Golf Course Superintendents Association and is also a member of the London Horticultural Society. He is past president of the Ontario Gardeners and Florists Association.

Course One Of Finest
A player himself, he won't divulge his score. His main job, he says, is putting the course in such shape that someone else can break the records.

He has seen many courses in Canada and the United States. The superintendents association of which he is a member stages many contests in different places. This year, for instance, he will play three Florida courses while the convention is on. He says that the new Richmond Hill course, for which C. E. Robinson was the architect, has the greatest promise of any that he has ever seen.

Draw For \$6,500. Cash Prizes

There are a few tickets still available for the Richmond Hill Lions Club second annual \$25, dinner which will be held next Wednesday evening, November 29th. They may be procured from any member of the club.

The \$25 ticket is good not only for dinner and an evening's entertainment for two, but also for a chance to win one of the six prizes totalling \$6,500. The holder of the last ticket drawn from the drum will win \$5,000 cash. There also are five other cash prizes ranging from \$500. to \$100.

All proceeds from the draw will be divided equally between Lions welfare work, and the new York Central Hospital. If you want to help along these two very worthy causes contact any member of the Lions Club or phone "The Liberal" Office.

Down-town Store Parking Expands

Improvement in down-town parking in Richmond Hill in recent months was taken a step further last week when four retail businesses made arrangements to expand parking in rear of their stores. The new space is adjacent to the municipal free parking lot in rear of the post office on Arnold Street and also in rear of stores on the west side of down-town Yonge Street.

Firms involved are the Glass Meat Market, Wight's Pharmacy, the Town Inn Restaurant and Richmond Hill Hardware. They have leased from G. B. Elliott the long tongue of land which formerly separated their rear entrances from the new town parking lot. Trees and other impedimenta have been removed and in some cases there is direct access to stores. The ground has been levelled and will be surfaced later.

Trustee James Resigns Markham Refuses Offer

Members of Markham Township Council refused this week to accept the resignation of Mrs. Kathleen James from the York Central District High School Board, voting unanimously to ask her to reconsider it.

Tendering her resignation by letter Mrs. James, whose term would normally run to the end of 1962, said that she could not condone recent actions of the board without betraying the trust placed in her.

Fire Brigade Reports

Markham Calls Greater Than Hill's Own - Chief

In his annual report to Richmond Hill Town Council Monday night Fire Chief Alf. Stong expressed appreciation for the many courtesies extended by members of the brigade and the town council, and thanks to the business people and citizens of Richmond Hill for their co-operation.

Mayor James Haggart commended the chief and members of the brigade for their outstanding service during the year and council, on motion of Councillor Al White, passed a resolution of thanks to the volunteer members.

The chief's report showed a record of 44 calls to Markham Township during the year, and 45 in the town of Richmond Hill. Of the 45 Richmond Hill fires 23 were in dwellings, 4 in stores, 1 service station, 1 barn, 5 cars, 9 grass fires, and 1 fire at a school. The brigade had four calls for the resuscitator, three calls to rescue children in distress, and one to rescue a kitten from a cistern.

Many Inspections Made
The chief inspected 283 stores and dwellings as well as service stations, restaurants, schools, churches, nursing homes, bowling alleys and theatres and as well answered 347 complaints about garbage and 33 about bonfires.

St. Mary's Honours Retiring Sexton



At a recent meeting of the Advisory Council of St. Mary's Anglican Church, Mr. Munro Askhanase, People's Warden, presented a cheque and Prayer Book to Mr. William Scrivener, Centre Street West, on his retirement as Sexton of the Church after many years of valued service.

Shown above are Mr. Askhanase making the presentation to Mr. Scrivener with The Rector, The Rev. J. F. O'Neil and his Warden, Mr. H. Charles Peacock, looking on.

Vote To Be Taken At Election

Fluoridation Referendum Planned

Richmond Hill Town Council Monday night decided to submit a question to the ratepayers at the coming municipal election asking their opinion on fluoridation. It will be in the form of a referendum, and the expressed wish of the ratepayers will be for the guidance of the 1962 council, but in no legal sense a formal decision.

Deputy Reeve Bradstock, who moved that the question be submitted to the people at the coming election, said he felt fluoridation is desirable as all the evidence indicates it will bring about improved dental health.

The cost of fluoridation to Richmond Hill ratepayers would be 34 cents per person for the first year and 25 cents per capita the second year. Equipment costs are estimated at \$5,765 and the annual cost of supplies and treatment \$4,265.

The provincial government legislation gives municipal councils the authority to introduce fluoridation with or without a vote of the people. Although he moved for the vote to be taken Deputy Reeve Bradstock said he had some doubts if it is the

Old Hands May Offer Services

Will Not Be On Ballot In '62 Contest - Tinker

Nominations for municipal office in Richmond Hill in 1962 will be made in the auditorium of the High School, Wright Street, between 7.30 and 8.30 p.m. on Monday, November 27th. Elections, unless acclamations all down the line result, will be held on Saturday, December 9th, from 9 to 6 p.m.

The electoral atmosphere cleared a bit this week with the declaration by Mayor James Haggart that he would seek a second term, following his August decision not to run. Response by former Deputy-Reeve Stanley Tinker, who said in August after the Haggart declaration that he would run for mayor, was immediate.

"I decided to run because Mayor Haggart said he was retiring," he told "The Liberal". "I am all in favour of him coming back to complete the things he has started. There are no contentious matters before the electors which should create an issue to be decided on at the polls. It has happened, too, that I have had to take on additional responsibilities with my work which could call me out at night."

"One of the rewards of defeat," said the former Deputy-Reeve and Public School Board member who has given a long period of service to Richmond Hill, "is the ability to spend time with your family. I have enjoyed this during the past year and I look forward to doing so during the coming year."

Perkins And Broadhurst Run As Reeve, Deputy

Richmond Hill's Mayor W. James Haggart, who earlier in the year announced his retirement from municipal life, at Monday night's town council meeting told his colleagues that he had re-considered his position and, in response to urging of fellow council members and many citizens, had decided to allow his name to stand for re-election. His announcement was greeted with unanimous approval by council members.

Councillor Tom Broadhurst, who completed his 3rd year as councillor, announced that he will be a candidate for Deputy-Reeve and received the good wishes of his fellow members in his decision to seek promotion.

Mayor Haggart's announcement confirmed rumours of recent days that the chief magistrate was likely to yield to pressure from within and outside the council to reconsider his previously announced intention to retire. Deputy-Reeve J. W. Bradstock and Councillor Whillans, members of this year's council, have announced their retirement and there was widespread feeling that the mayor's retirement also would leave too big a gap in council.

"You will recall," said Mayor Haggart, "that last August I announced I would not be a candidate for re-election as mayor. I made the decision honestly, knowing I should devote more time to my family and business. However the people of Richmond Hill have been very kind to me, and so many of them and my council colleagues have urged me to remain that I have re-considered and decided to again be a candidate. I feel to do so is my duty to the community and if re-elected I will do my best to give the town good leadership." The mayor said he was influenced in making the decision by the many important pro-

Sam Cook To Seek Re-election

Sam Cook, chairman of the Richmond Hill Hydro-Electric Commission, announced this week he will seek a further term of office as a member of the local commission. Chairman Cook will stand for re-election in the December town voting.

Meadowview Parking Ok'd By Markham Tp.

Parking on Meadowview Avenue, near the GEM Store in the Highland Park district, will be banned as soon as signs can be erected. Markham Township Council this week passed the necessary by-law, following a request from the area for such action. Only one objection was received.

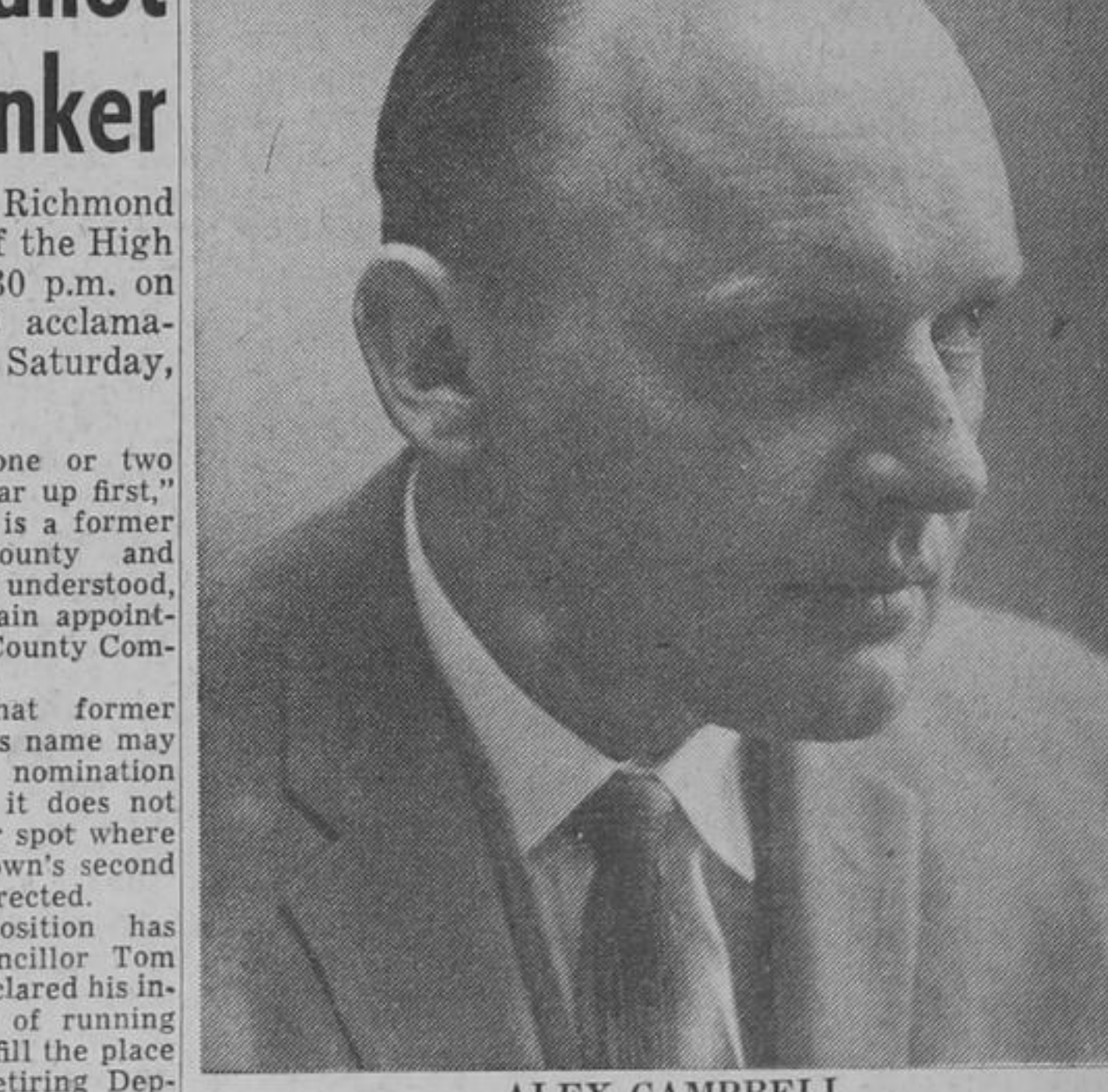
The ban will be effective on both sides of the street from its intersection with Yonge on the west to Dudley on the east.

Alex Campbell

Richmond Hill business man and former high school teacher who has announced he will be a candidate for town council at the coming municipal elections. Age 34 years he is married with three sons, four, five and eight years, has been a resident of town since 1955 and his home is at 64 Cartier Crescent.

Mr. Campbell is an investment salesman with the A. E. Ames & Co. Ltd. and a former high school teacher was at one time head of the geography department of the Earl Haig Collegiate in North York. He was educated at Lawrence Park Collegiate and the University of Toronto where he obtained Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Education Degrees. He is a past executive board member of American Newspaper Personnel Relations Association, a past president of the geography club of Greater Toronto, a member of the Board of Trade and the Toronto Ski Club.

Outlining four points of his platform Mr. Campbell stands for (1) swift completion of hospital in Richmond Hill district, (2) extension of sidewalk development and repairing of present sidewalks in interests of safety, (3) double checking of all expenditures to prevent a tax increase, (4) progressive local government to meet the challenge of Metropolitan Toronto.



ALEX CAMPBELL