

COMING EVENTS

EVERY MONDAY, — 8.15 p.m. York Chorals practice in basement St. Mary's Anglican Church. Vacancies in all sections, particularly men. Come and join us. c4w30

JANUARY 26 — Friday, 8.30 p.m. In the Victoria Square Community Hall at 8.15 p.m. Everyone welcome. c1w30

JANUARY 29 — Monday, 8.30 p.m. Kinghorn Parents' Association euchre at Kinghorn School. Prizes, door prize and refreshments. Proceeds for playground and sports equipment. c1w30

JANUARY 31 & FEBRUARY 1 — Wednesday and Thursday, Home Decorating Demonstration — Curtain Club Theatre, 8.30 conducted by Mrs. Lilla Tillson, Interior Decorating Consultant for Cdn. Wallpaper Mfrs., sponsored by 1st Richmond Hill Scout Auxiliary, Admission 75c. Door prize, question period, refreshments. For tickets call TU, 4-1280 or 4-2690. c2w29

FEBRUARY 1 — Thursday 8 p.m. Lecture by Robert R. Gross, D.C., Ph. D., on "Eating For Health and Strength", in the Floral Room of the Prince George Hotel, King and York Sts. Sponsored by the Toronto Vegetarian Association. Everyone welcome. c2w30

FEBRUARY 3 — Saturday 2-4 p.m. Thornhill Holy Trinity Parish Guild Rummage Sale. c3w29

Flowing Four Years

Gasoline In Ground Bad Problem At No. 11 Highway Intersection

In gold-mining's early and less inhibited days there used to be a practice known as "salting". Individuals with a claim which hadn't paid off as far as they were personally concerned used to obtain a quantity of high-grade ore, "salting" it in the ground and leading unsuspecting tenderfeet to believe that they had stumbled on a paying mine which, of course could be had for a price from the title-holders.

The "well" was first discovered in 1958. At that time gasoline was found in a well on the property of Lloyd McIntee, lot 6 on 16th Avenue. It floated on top of the water, with the intake pipe drawing "reasonably pure water from lower in the well. Tests were taken then but the source of supply could not be traced.

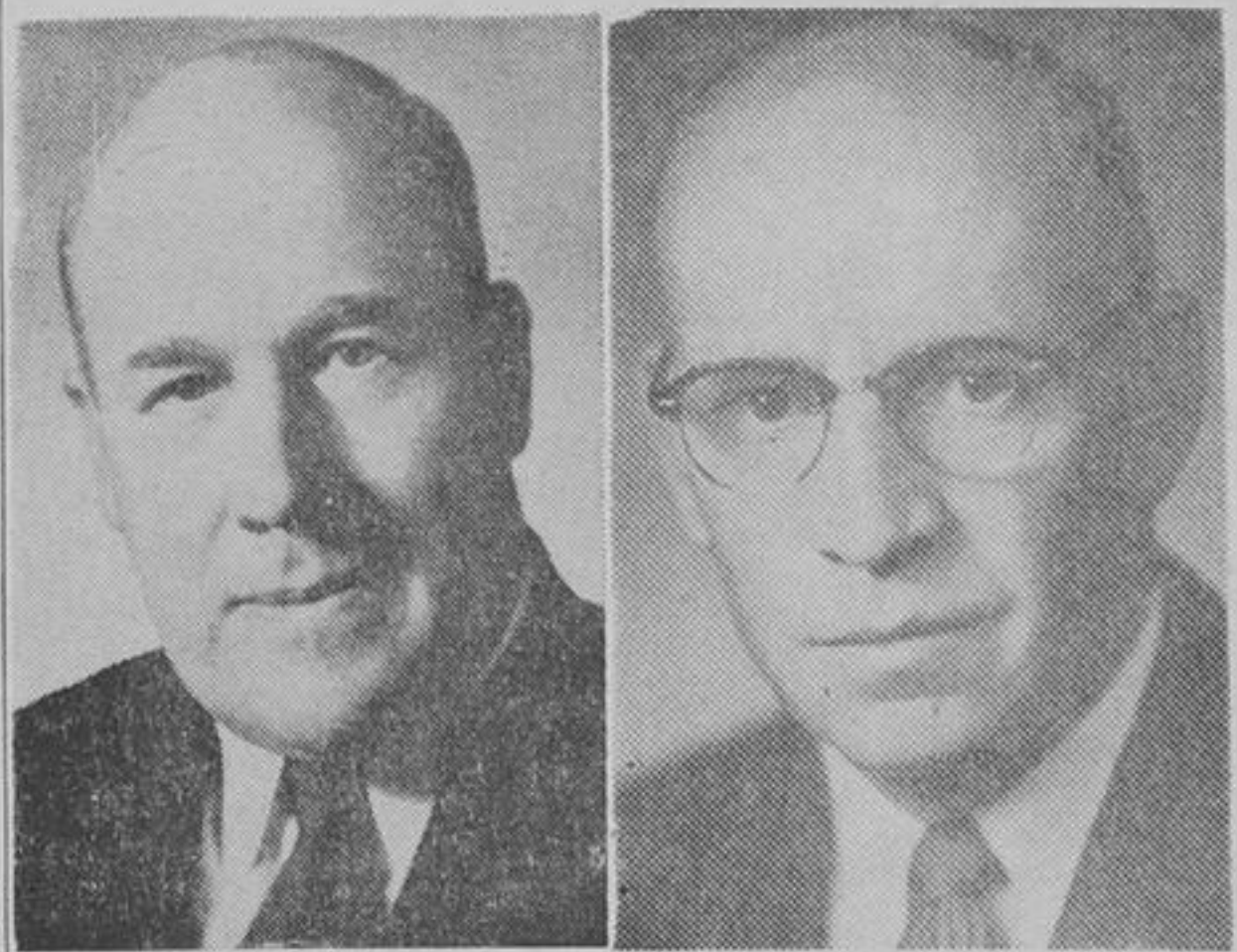
Lately construction workers have been driving a water main under Yonge Street at the Yonge-16th Avenue intersection, connecting Vaughan and Markham Townships. This time, gasoline has been evident in much greater quantities. At some

spots the ground is saturated, said Mr. Mikelas. Recently, it was reported, one man had to go through the pipes which are being forced under the highway and was overcome by gasoline fumes. Fortunately he was equipped with a safety rope and was pulled out. The gasoline is in the ground in such quantities, said Markham's engineer, that actually field pipe is saturated.

Worst part of the situation is that the source of the gasoline cannot be traced, any more than it could in 1958. Local gasoline outlets have been checked but report everything in order, with no loss of gallonage.

Mr. Mikelas has again asked the Ontario Fire Marshal's office for assistance and has also warned the Ontario Department of Highways and the Consumers Gas Company, whose line runs nearby. Accidental igniting of the gasoline-soaked land could provide a dangerous situation, it is reported.

County Commissioners For 1962



FLOYD PERKINS ALBERT RUTHERFORD

The southern part of York County will play a major part in county government this year, with the reeves of two neighbouring municipalities serving as county commissioners for 1962. Reeve Albert Rutherford of Vaughan Township was elected on the first ballot while Reeve Floyd Perkins of Richmond Hill was named commissioner on the second ballot by acclamation. The two commissioners serve with the warden of the county as the executive committee, conducting business regularly. Commissioner Rutherford was first elected to Vaughan Township Council in 1949 and served as councillor in that year and in 1950 and 1951. In 1952 he was elected deputy-reeve, serving in that office for five years. Out of office for four years, he captured the reeve's seat in the turbulent election for a two-year term for 1961 and 1962, capturing 2340 votes to 1320 and 412 scored respectively by his two opponents in a contest which was based on accusations of conflict of interest on the part of certain members of the preceding Vaughan Council. Commissioner Perkins was first elected to Richmond Hill Council in 1950, serving until 1957 when he became deputy-reeve. He was reeve in 1959, was out for a year and was then re-elected for 1961 and 1962.

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Red is the most popular color for fire engines, of course, but a lot of other shades are used, too, for cities that want something different. White is the second most popular color, then green. M. R. Bear LaFrance has also made fire trucks in black, blue, chocolate and elegant gold. And there was one famous truck that was ordered in a shade of lilac — that had been a female majority on THAT town council.

How fast can a fire engine go? Well, the big 275 horsepower, 12 cylinder LaFrance aerial truck, ladder will pull its tremendous load at 92 miles per hour. Most newer models, however, have a governor on them limiting speed to 65.

Fire engines are durable pieces of machinery that are maintained in top condition. LaFrance estimates that at least 15,000 of its 20,000 motor-driven fire trucks are still in use. It made its first gasoline fire truck in 1910 and it's still in service. Used car buyers are always prepared to pay premium prices for cars in "fire engine" shape. That's why care and conscientious servicing of your car will pay you back in superior re-sale value as well as "fire engine" performance.

Don't forget the Holy Trinity Thornhill Parish Guild Rummage Sale to be held Saturday, February 3, from 2 to 4 p.m.

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Council Annoyed At School Board Letter On Police

Educational matters were discussed twice by Richmond Hill town councillors at their regular meeting this week.

A letter from the Richmond Hill Public School Board asking that the mayor, the police committee and the chief of police attend a meeting of the public school board to explain the handling of a case of alleged juvenile delinquency drew fire. Said Deputy Reeve Tom Broadhurst — "In sending such a letter to council the school board has set relations back two years. This is a command thirly disguised as a request."

Councillor Mrs. Margaret Southwell, former member of the public school board, said that she felt badly that a letter of such a character had come from the board. Councillor A. White, chairman of the police committee, of council, said that his group had not met yet to discuss the letter. He would certainly not attend a school board meeting until the police committee had met and considered the complaint.

The other education matter was sparked by a letter from the County and Municipal Councils' Section of the Ontario School Trustees and Ratepayers' Association. It pointed out that, because of the large proportion of the taxpayer dollar spent on education, much more attention should be given by municipal councils to the complex problem. Theme for the annual Eastern convention in Toronto, it was said, would be "The place of municipal administration in education."

"Education takes sixty per cent of our tax dollar," said Mayor James Haggart. He felt that council should send a delegate to the convention. Council agreed, naming Reeve Floyd Perkins.

Vote On Licences For Hotel 6 To 1

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Regan said that the Royal York with an ability to accommodate up to nearly ten thousand people at conventions, only had 1,200 rooms. He thought the same comparable situation would apply in Richmond Hill, where people would come from a considerable area, including Toronto.

Mrs. Southwell was also critical of the licence proposal. "We were told years ago we would not be asked for anything else," she said, referring to a previous vote which saw a brewers retail store and liquor store established. "They got the wedge in. It's too bad we have to depend on assessment," she declared.

Support March Of Dimes Drive Planned For Next Monday Night

"Because so many women have volunteered their services for the one-hour Mothers' March on Monday night, I am certain that this drive will be a tremendous success," said Mrs. Norman Todd, general chairman for Richmond Hill in a statement issued this week.

"The response of the women of Richmond Hill and surrounding districts has been truly gratifying," Mrs. Todd continued. "If the rest of the community shows a similar generous response when the mothers call at their doors, the 1962 campaign of the March of Dimes will surely achieve its objective. I wish to offer my personal thanks to all who have agreed to help in this most worthy cause."

She added that the target sum for the March of Dimes campaign in Ontario is \$850,000. Explaining the importance of this annual campaign of the March of Dimes, Mrs. Todd commented that helping the disabled to a new life of usefulness and achievement is not "a one shot affair."

"Rather," she said, "it is a continuing process which vitally needs continuing public support. This year we are one of nearly 300 Ontario communities taking part in March of Dimes Month. That is why I am asking the full co-operation of everyone in our community."

Money collected through the Mothers' March of the March of Dimes is used to provide rehabilitation services for handicapped children throughout Ontario. It is administered by the Rehabilitation Foundation for

the Disabled — one of Canada's outstanding voluntary organizations in the health field.

Accident, disease and illness know no favourites, and thousands of young adults in Ontario are gravely handicapped. Their numbers are increasing daily despite the wonderful advances of medicine and surgery.

Yet the problem of disability concerns not only our doctors and nurses. It is a matter of deep concern to all of us, for it involves the whole community. Furthermore many can be helped to regain independence, and, in fact, many are being helped by the rehabilitation foundation for the disabled.

Broadly speaking, the foundation's work may be divided into four areas: prevention, treatment, training and placement. Through the foundation, disabled persons are provided with prosthetic devices ranging from orthopedic shoes to artificial arms and legs, respirators, wheelchairs and other appliances. The foundation provides highly specialized training in the use of the appliances with which patients have been fitted. Patients also are trained in acquir-

International Y Guest To Visit Richmond Hill

In the scenic setting of Mrs. F. C. Jackson's Hillview Drive home, a group of Richmond Hill's Y.W.C.A. founders and chairmen of local "Y Neighbour" groups entertained and held discussions with some very interesting international Y.W.C.A. guests.

They were Miss Myra Holder, program secretary for Y.W.C.A. San Fernando, Trinidad. She arrived in Canada in July and since that time has worked with Kitchener day and residential camps and with leaders' camp at Owaissa.

Miss Henrietta Vanderpuye is a 27-year-old teacher in Ghana, actively engaged as a Y.W.C.A. volunteer, giving leadership to Y-Teen clubs and sewing as a member of national executive. Henrietta is about to become national program secretary for the Y.W.C.A. of Ghana, and before leaving Canada hopes to visit a number of Y.W.C.A.'s.

Mrs. Fraser-Leigh is the incoming general secretary for the Y.W.C.A. of Sierra Leone. A Swedish scholarship which enabled Edith Fraser-Leigh to go to Jamaica, for a three-month training period before coming to Canada, allows her to remain here for six weeks then to join other overseas staff in Switzerland in leadership work. These visitors for the remainder of January will be working with Richmond Hill groups studying the exciting development of small groups of interested women to a full-fledged extension program.

A wealth of information relating to the individual's entry into Y.W.C.A. as well as the history of the inception of local groups in Richmond Hill area was exchanged. It was noted that

old new skills or redeveloping old ones appropriate to their new potentials and limitations.

After treatment, the rehabilitation foundation for the disabled endeavours to help handicapped individuals to take what is often the final step of rehabilitation — that of finding wage-paying positions in the right kind of jobs.

Some of them will be able to find jobs for themselves, still others will gain economic independence through the expert assistance of the National Employment Service.

"I want to emphasize that the help given our handicapped is not a privilege accorded to them," said Mrs. Todd, "but a great need which must be met. But the demand for this kind of help still exceeds the funds available. It is for this reason that I again urge all residents of our community to give generously when they are approached on Monday night."

"Our marching mothers are ready to get in behalf of the handicapped. I know the residents of our community will not fail them."

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