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CLAIRTONE MARATHON

Stereo Has Run Continuously For
336 Hours As Of Wed., Sept. 12 Noon

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Places Second In Baby Show

Capturing second place in the 9 to 12 months age group at the CNE Baby Show this year garnered \$25 in cash and a gold medallion for Paul Gordon Paton, 10-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Paton, 287 McConvey Drive, Richmond Hill. Paul won out over nearly 100 entrants who competed in the annual event. The proud parents have two other children, Kelly, 3, and Marguerite, 2. (Staff Photo)

Could Happen Here

"Isolate Propane Plants" States Town Fire Chief

Richmond Hill Fire Chief Alfred Stong has recommended to town council that no further permits be issued for flammable liquids or explosive gas bulk storage plants within the town limits. His recommendation was contained in a report tabled before council Monday night by Police and Fire Committee Chairman Al White. The chief also suggested that gas storage depots be located in isolated fields with planned separation restrictions. A ban on fires of any description except heating units, should be imposed on the area surrounding the Altane Propane Ltd., plant on Markham Road and strictly enforced, he warned. Mr. Stong said he inspected the Altane plant following the

Maple explosion at the Superior Propane August 4 which claimed one life. "Every precaution for safety is performed at this plant, but a leak and a spark could cause as much destruction as Maple incurred," the report stated. The Altane firm has six storage tanks with an aggregate capacity of 14,000 gallons. Two tank trucks with a total capacity of 3,500 gallons are also located at the plant site. Only one truck is operating at any one time, the chief said. All tanks have safety release valves, are grounded for lightning and each truck is grounded for static electricity while being loaded. Fire extinguishers are provided in the scale house, office and each truck, the report said. As well, all tanks and trucks are provided with automatic and manually operated valves. The chief said he observed "No Smoking" signs in the yard and a boundary limit sign for the public. "I do not say an explosion could not happen here, but as much, or greater danger travels our streets and highways every day with gasoline, oxygen, acetone and other flammable liquids. Legislation is also on the statute books for municipalities to control the problem themselves. Councillor Al White asked if open cesspools on the north side of the plant were causing the odor. The official said he would investigate this further, but was of the opinion that it was not the cause. Mayor James Haggart asked if the OWRC was making an investigation of the problem. He was assured by Mr. Palmer they were and that their findings would be made available to the municipality shortly. Part of the decrease is a result of the purchase of \$1,125 worth of tickets by the separate school board. Deficit before this figure was deducted was \$3,773.41. Including the sale of the bus tickets, the projected deficits for 1962 would be about \$4,560, compared with \$6,803.56 for 1961. According to the agreement between Trailways and Richmond Hill, the town pays up to \$6,000 of the deficit incurred by the company.

Ottawa Reverses Decision On Mail Delivery

Mr. J. G. Fultz, district director of postal services for Toronto area announced this week that the Federal Government has reversed its earlier decision and decided to proceed with the planned introduction of house to house mail delivery in the Richvale-Yongehurst area. In the face of the Diefenbaker Government's austerity program Ottawa had ordered cancellation of the extended service which originally had been scheduled to come into effect September 1st. Cancellation of the service just on the eve of its introduction brought strong protests from area residents. Extension of the service was first announced last June. In his statement this week Mr. Fultz said house to house delivery will start once a sufficient number of householders have installed satisfactory mail boxes. He said a check of the area had shown that only 46% of the houses had letter slots or receptacles. Mr. Fultz urged residents to speed up installation of the new facilities. Postal inspectors will shortly make another survey of the area.

At Pincrest Speedway

May Charge Operators For Not Having License

Vaughan Township Police are considering laying a charge against Bisson Enterprises, operators of Pincrest Speedway for operating the track without a license. Stock-car races were resumed there September 1, although a temporary license had been revoked earlier by the township. Issuance of the temporary li-

Wants Probe Of Expenses

A review of expenditures by officials attending conventions and a complete study of the town's convention policy was called for Monday night by Councillor John MacDiarmid. He sponsored a motion requesting the finance committee table a report on convention expenditures this year as compared to 1961. Also asked was a re-examination of a motion passed in January regarding convention attendance. Mr. MacDiarmid's action followed severe criticism of money spent sending employees to conventions held outside of the province for which he claimed little value was received by the town.

Earlier this year Deputy-revee Thomas Broadhurst backed a resolution prohibiting town officials from attending gatherings outside of Ontario without a special motion being passed by council. The resolution specified that employees wishing to attend out of the province meetings, must first appear before council with an explanation of their request. Since then three employees have sought permission and received council's sanction. They were Industrial Commissioner R. G. Langford who attended a convention in Cleveland, Ohio; Building Inspector J. Hollowell who

went to Winnipeg, and Police Chief R. P. Robbins, granted permission to attend a police chiefs' convention in Vancouver. Both Mr. MacDiarmid and Mr. Broadhurst were not in favor of the trips made by the industrial commissioner and building inspector, but agreed the police chief's trip was beneficial to the town. "Since the motion was passed in January three people have gone to outside conventions. It points out clearly this resolution is not worked strongly enough. It's time we did something about it," Mr. MacDiarmid told council. He suggested employees

be allowed to attend only Ontario conventions. Little or no value was received for the money spent by these three, he claimed. This opinion differed with that of Mayor James Haggart who stated "great value was received". Each request is reviewed on its merit, he said, and added that distance is a factor that must be taken into consideration when granting authorization. Mr. Broadhurst was of the opinion that some benefits are derived from provincial conventions. He said that anyone requesting permission must put forth good reasons for attending. Demanding a check be made of all budgets, Mr.

MacDiarmid stated it was better to know now rather than at the end of the year if they were overspent. He was informed by Mr. Broadhurst, who is also chairman of the finance committee, that the deputy-clerk sends notices to each department when limit of budget has been reached. Councillor Al White agreed with Mr. MacDiarmid some conventions were as he termed them, "useless". Figures released in accounts paid for August showed Chief Robbins was advanced \$300 for his trip to the west coast and Mr. Broadhurst was given \$120 for convention expenses.



JOHN MACDIARMID
Against Conventions

BLAME 'ODOR' ON FIRM

Complaints of unpleasant odors from the sewage disposal plant at Markham Road and Pingsley Avenue in Richmond Hill have been blamed on a local food processing plant by the Ontario Water Resources Commission.

B. C. Palmer, chief project engineer for the commission, told town council Monday night they have traced the odor to a plant on Centre Street. He said that "squash" being canned by the company was the cause.

The engineer stated that weather conditions also helped to make the odor spread in the area. High temperatures and humidity during the summer months contributed to the trouble, Mr. Palmer said. "It happens each year and there is not much we can do about it," the OWRC official told council. He said the commission was using a masking agent to try and cut down the smell from the plant.

Now Making Report Asked by Deputy-revee Thomas Broadhurst if treatment could be made at the source, Mr. Palmer said a report is now being made and it will be the basis for future action taken by the commission. No complaints have been received by the operator at the sewage plant since May but several phone calls from area residents to the OWRC were received during July and August, Mr. Palmer stated.

Part of the odor is caused by air being blown through the sewage at the treatment plant, Mr. Palmer said. This air is then engulfed in the atmosphere and if high temperatures and humidity prevail at the time an odor will be given off. An OWRC engineer is expected to make further tests this week at the plant site.

Start 3 Month Trial Period For Second Hill Bus

Council has agreed to add a second bus to its local service for a trial period this fall. Purpose of the extra bus would be to allow an increase in the length of the present bus routes. Trial period for the second bus will be Oct. 1 to Dec. 31. Larry Needler, representing Trailways of Canada, said his firm would provide the additional service for the trial period at 39 cents a mile rather than the 42 cent rate for its present service. According to a report from the transportation committee to council, the trial period can be paid for within the committee's present budget. A financial report submitted by the committee showed that the deficit for the first seven months of 1962 (ending July 31) is only \$2,648.41 as compared to \$4,434.35 for a similar period in 1961.

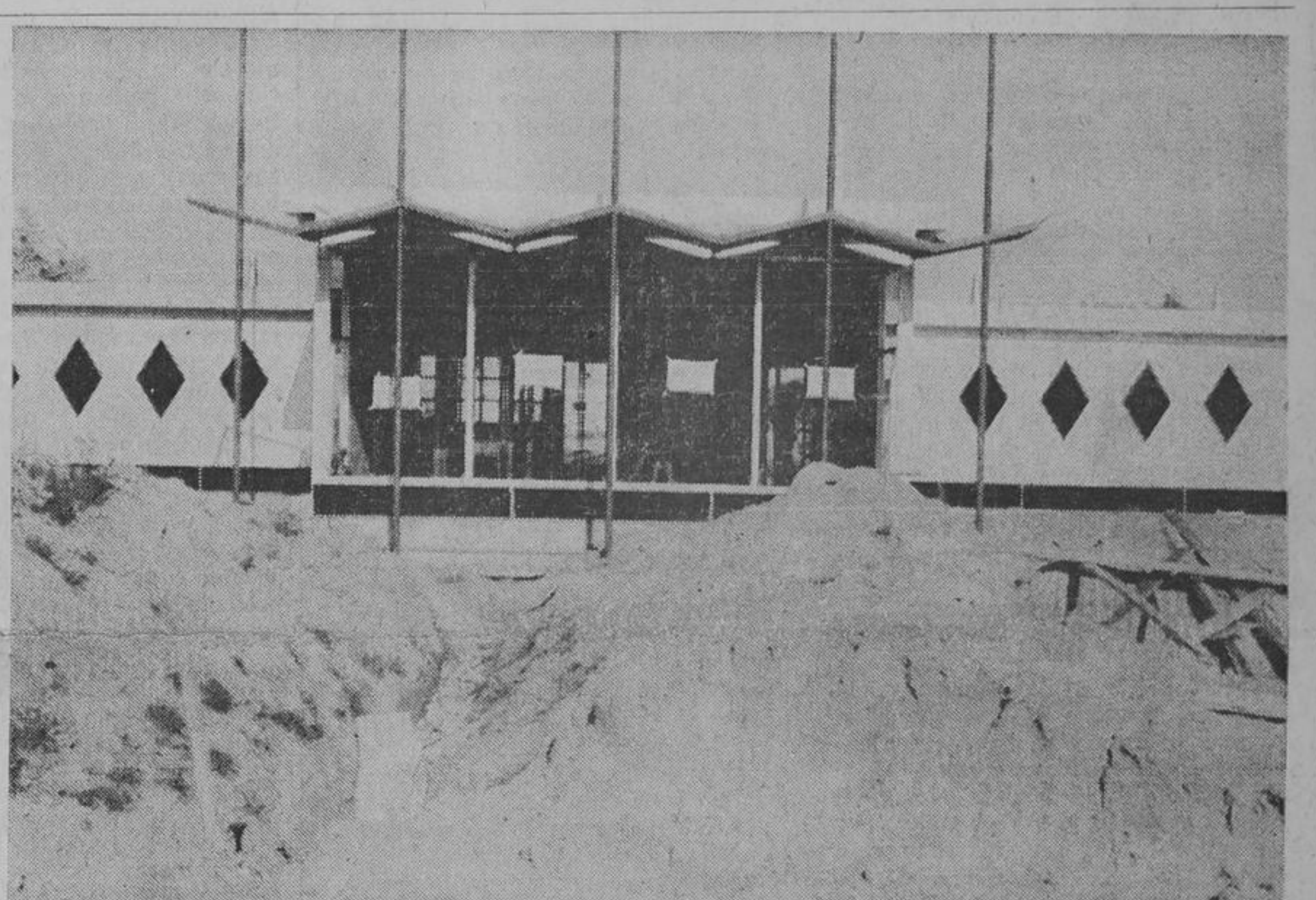
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Will Know Name Of Lucky Couple Today

Some lucky couple will soon be speeding on their way to a carefree vacation in sunny Nassau. The big lucky Nassau draw for two takes place today (Thursday) at 3 p.m. at "The Liberal" office, John Addison M.P., York North, will draw the winning entry. All entries must be in "The Liberal" office no later than noon today. The contest merchant whose customer wins the trip will receive a free quarter page advertisement in "The Liberal".

Sergeant Resigns From Town Police Force

Richmond Hill Town Council has accepted the resignation of Sgt. D. K. Deyman from the town's police force as requested by Chief R. P. Robbins. Sgt. Deyman's resignation was requested and submitted following the findings of Chief Robbins under a hearing instituted before him under the Police Act.



New Seven Crown Motel Nearing Completion

The ultra modern Seven Crown Motel located on Yonge Street North in Richmond Hill is nearing completion. It marks a new departure in motel construction in Canada. It was prefabricated in a Toronto factory and then erected on the site here in town. Featuring the latest in luxurious furnishings and comfortable surroundings for the travelling public the new motel is expected to officially open for business at the end of October. The motel will have 12 rooms and a drive-in restaurant. Built by Toronto interests it will be managed by Mr. Bernard Gershaman, also of Toronto. (Staff Photo)

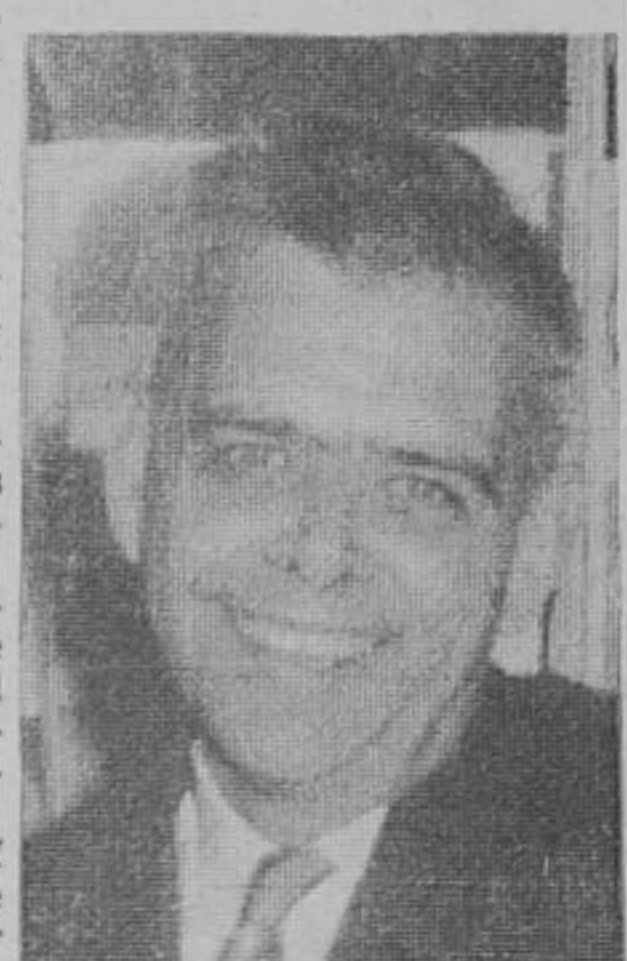
Over 400 Jump In Enrollment At Four Schools

Enrollment at the four schools belonging to the York Central District High School system is up over 400 this year over 1961. According to figures released at Monday night's board meeting, this September's registration is 2,909. Figures for September 1961 were 2,505. Enrollment at Richmond Hill's two high schools totals 1,384. Some 799 students have registered in Richmond Hill High School and 685 at Bayview Secondary School. Thornhill Secondary School has the largest student population — 1,078. Enrollment at Woodbridge is 347.

Appointed Superintendent

'Develop Natural Talent' Says York Central Head

"Our high schools must be run on the basis of service," is Haig Collegiate in 1938 as a mathematics instructor. In 1939, his teaching career was interrupted by World War II. He served in the Canadian army for six years. "We must do everything we can in our schools to develop each individual's natural talents," he maintains. Mr. Chapman criticized the old high school program which in his opinion is slanted towards the student hoping to go to university. "That system frustrated at least 70 per cent of our students."



SAM CHAPMAN

The new three stream Roberts plan should eliminate this feeling of frustration, Mr. Chapman feels. Under the Roberts plan a student may specialize in any one of three courses — arts and sciences, business and commerce, and science and technology. "The most important goal of the Roberts plan is to convince the public that a blue collar or skilled career is just as important and desirable as a white collar, university career," he states. Coming to York Central from Richview Collegiate in Etobicoke, Mr. Chapman has a long background in education, especially in Metropolitan Toronto. After graduating from the University of Toronto in maths

city in Great Britain, just outside London. Courses were offered to Canadian troops in Grade 13 and first year university subjects. On returning to Canada he went back to Earl Haig, where he was appointed head of the mathematics department and (Continued on page 16)

Rev. D. C. H. Michell Going To England End Of Month

The Rev. D. C. H. Michell, Rector of St. John's and St. Mark's Anglican Churches, Oak Ridges, has resigned, and will be leaving the parish. He will preach his last sermon on September 23rd. A reception to say goodbye to Mr. Michell will be held at St. John's Parish Hall on September 21st, at 8 p.m., to which the wardens cordially invite all friends. Mr. Michell is going to the United Kingdom where he will be working in an English parish. He plans to return to this country in about 18 months time. A new rector will be appointed to the parish of Oak Ridges very shortly.

Hill Youth Takes Post In Kenya For One Year

A native of Richmond Hill has been chosen to spend a year working with the YWCA in Kenya. Roger Wilson, 23, of 59 Roseview Ave., will leave for Kenya near the end of this month. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wilson. Before arriving in Kenya, Roger will stop at the YMCA World headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland, for a four day briefing. He will also make two-day stops in Rome and Cairo. In Kenya, he will work from YMCA headquarters in Nairobi, the capital city. He won't be as-



ROGER WILSON

signed to a specific job until he gets there, but says his work will likely be in counselling, education, youth work and camps. Roger has an extensive background in YMCA work. He received his BA from Sir George Williams University in Montreal this year, a YMCA-sponsored school. He worked with YMCA organizations in Montreal at the university and during the summer at various Montreal branches. Mr. Wilson stressed courses in applied sociology during his university stay. He has a special interest in guidance, social welfare, group work and YMCA administration. "I look on the first part of my visit to Kenya mainly as a learning experience," Roger told "The Liberal". "I'll have to learn how other people live." Although the YMCA has two residences and a camp in Nairobi itself, Roger hopes to become involved in work in the rural area with the natives. He feels this will give him the best opportunity to better understand the African people. He has been doing a lot of reading on Kenya in order to equip himself better for the stay there. If his stay proves to be an interesting one, he will reapply for an overseas posting after this term is up. He is a graduate of both Richmond Hill Public and High School.