

Rash Of Minor Accidents Plague Vaughan Police

Vaughan Township Police report last week was a busy one with eight accidents, three of them between 4.55 and 5.20 on Maple Sideroad Halloween afternoon.

At 4.55 Hallowe'en, Jessie Caroline Hill of 139 Pemberton Rd., Richvale, lost control of the car she was driving on the wet pavement of Maple Sideroad as she was passing parked cars near the building site of the York Central Hospital and knocked down several guardrails, according to police.

Police estimate damage at \$150.

Ten minutes later another car driven by Antonio Marson, 19 Earnscliffe Rd., Toronto, went out of control on the same stretch of road, went through a guardrail and down an embankment at the side of the road. Damage was \$125 according to police estimates.

A two-car collision at 5.20 the same afternoon on Maple Sideroad east of Dufferin Street resulted in about \$250 damage. Police claim mud splashing on the windshield of a car driven by J. P. McCurry, 233 Blue Grass Blvd., caused it to collide with the rear of a car driven by Donald Williams, 259 Demain Cr., Richmond Hill.

On Friday afternoon, a three car collision on Steeles Ave. at Bathurst St. resulted in injuries to two people. Cars involved were driven by H. W. Kalina, 23 Queensbury Ave., Scarborough, Jeff Dehaas, 14 Alvington Ave., Downsview, and Othmar Stieber, 13 Jones Ct., Aurora.

Klaus Tonn, 34, of 2880 Keele Street, Toronto, passenger in the Kalina car is suffering from cuts to his forehead and shock, while Stieber received a broken left shoulder and shock.

Kalina has been charged with falling to stop, police state.

Ray Robson of the House of Concord, Concord, has been charged with dangerous driving and failure to stop as a result of an accident late Sunday.

Police estimate a car driven by Robson received \$500 damage when it left Weldrick Road, Yongehurst, and struck a tree. Sunday afternoon, Peter Shore,

EMO Chief Lashes Out At Critics Of "No Plan"

Major W. F. A. Preston, coordinator of York County Emergency Measures Organization, has criticized reports in county weeklies and Toronto dailies that the county has no emergency plan ready to put into operation.

"Such reports are somewhat misleading to the public," he charged. "They are not strictly true."

Major Preston explained that, although "a comprehensive survival plan is still in draft", an "interim operational plan" was approved and issued in June 1961.

He emphasized the plan has been in operation since then, including the time of the Berlin Crisis.

"Arrangements are being made to have this plan issued within the next few days," he claimed.

"It is quite wrong, therefore, to state that no plan is in existence."

A report in the November edition of "The Liberal" outlined the present EMO setup in the county.

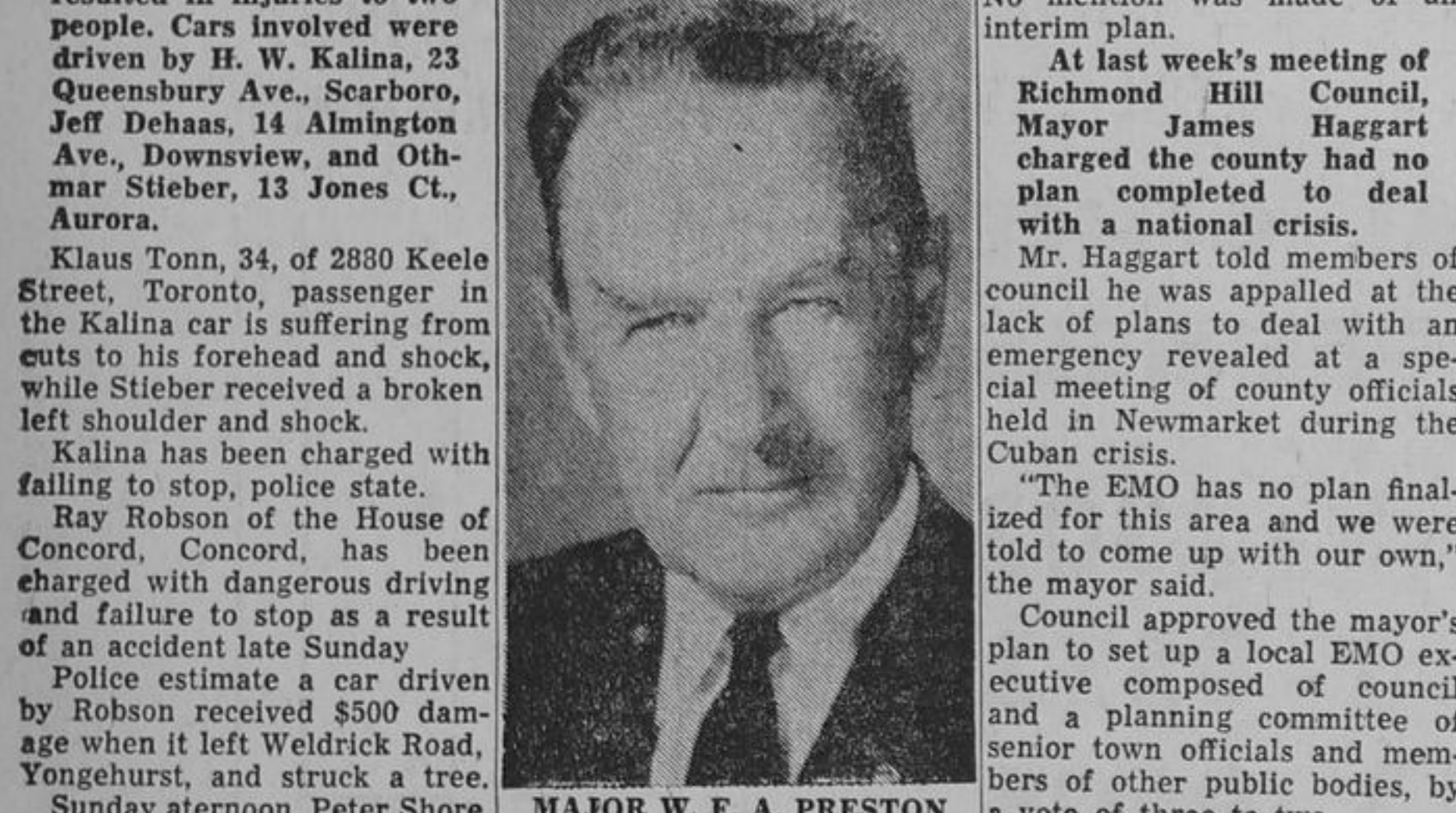
The report stated "the EMO plan was still in draft form. No mention was made of an interim plan."

At last week's meeting of Richmond Hill Council, Mayor James Haggart charged the county had no plan completed to deal with a national crisis.

Mr. Haggart told members of council he was appalled at the lack of plans to deal with an emergency revealed at a special meeting of county officials held in Newmarket during the Cuban crisis.

"The EMO has no plan finalized for this area and we were told to come up with our own," the mayor said.

Council approved the mayor's plan to set up a local EMO executive composed of council and a planning committee of senior town officials and members of other public bodies, by a vote of three to two.



MAJOR W. F. A. PRESTON

Missionary Returns Home

Miss Madeleine George, missionary of the Africa Inland Mission (an Interdenominational Faith Mission) and daughter of Mrs. Mabel Laughlin of Richmond Hill, has recently returned to her home at 49 Highland Lane following an extended trip overseas.

The tour, made for the purpose of extending the interest of the Africa Inland Mission and also the Mission to Lepers, included North and South Islands of New Zealand, and Australia and Tasmania. Miss George fulfilled some 200 speaking engagements in many of the denominational churches of these countries, discussing the work of the "Mission to Lepers" and the work that she herself has been engaged in at Kola Ndoto Leprosarium in Tanganyika, East Africa. Miss George reports that in all the churches, regardless of denomination, the interest was very good and the people themselves are very warm-hearted and friendly.

"The country (New Zealand) is the most beautiful I have ever seen, and I do look forward to a return visit, perhaps at next furlough time," added Miss George.

Gifts were given in New Zealand which enabled Miss George to visit "Hay Ling Chau" (Island of Happy Healing) Leprosarium at Hong Kong. She gives the following account of her sojourn there: "I had almost a week there and was able to observe all that is being done both medically and surgically, and also to see in operation their physio and occupational therapy departments. It was my privilege to watch the young woman surgeon doctor do a reconstruction operation on a hand and foot during one very humid afternoon. The shining faced Chinese Pastor of the Leprosarium is a Lutheran minister and it was a great thrill to sit in the church service and also to bring greetings to the patients from my leprosiarium patients at Kola Ndoto in Tanganyika."

Gifts from interested friends made it possible to spend a week in Israel and another in London after leaving Hong Kong. "The greatest experience of all was that of walking where Jesus walked in Israel," recalls Miss George. "Mount Carmel, Nazareth and Gallilee, Jerusalem and Mount Zion spoke deeply to my heart. This was an experi-

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Ballot Battle Shaping Up In Hill

(Continued From Page 1) 1945 and is a skiing enthusiast. Married with three boys, he has resided at 64 Cartier Cres since moving to Richmond Hill eight years ago.

The most important thing facing council at present according to Mr. Campbell is efficient industrial development of the areas adjacent to the town as well as completing what is underway in the town proper.

Terming it an "urgent need" the Ward 2 member said Richmond Hill must bring into balance the industrial-residential assessment in order to relieve some of the burden now being carried by taxpayers.

Adequate provision of essential services for the York Central Hospital now under construction on the Maple Sideroad is also advocated by Mr. Campbell.

Contesting the Ward 1 seat is Walter Scudds, 34, of 295 Blue Grass Blvd., who is fighting to unseat incumbent member John MacDiarmid.

A resident of Richmond Hill for five years, Mr. Scudds is married with four children. Born and educated in Toronto he is associated with General Foods Ltd., as a salesman.

Interested in local government and the future of Richmond Hill Mr. Scudds has been active in church and community affairs since moving here.

Mr. MacDiarmid, who also got in by acclamation last year and is completing his first year on council, has been chairman of the transportation and parking committee as well as serving on the police, industrial and recreation committees.

Married with one boy, 8, the 39-year-old sitting member lives at 350 South Taylor Mills Drive. He is employed in the electronic sales field.

He is a former president of the Beverley Acres Ratepayers Association and has served on the Richmond Hill Planning Board.

Redevelopment of the downtown area is one of the big jobs still facing council, Mr. MacDiarmid said this week when asked to comment on his future plans.

Claiming the present situation is detrimental to the town he said some solution must be found to solve the dilemma for the Yonge Street businessman.

"As yet we have not got off the ground in an attempt to tackle this problem and it is imperative a start be made without delay," the Ward 1 nominee stated.

Mr. MacDiarmid has devoted considerable time during his term in getting an efficient local bus service operating through the residential areas.

Anticipating extensive future development in Richmond Hill the candidate said council must plan ahead to cope with it.

A spirited battle is shaping up in Ward 4 with sitting member Al White being opposed by Robert Saunders of 22 Benson Ave.

Mr. Saunders, the first candidate to announce his intention of seeking a seat on the 1963 council throwing his hat in the ring early last summer, will have a real fight on his hands to unseat the well-known businessman and sports promoter according to some political observers.

A resident here for 49 years, Mr. White operates Al's Cycle Shop on Yonge Street. Prior to entering the sporting goods business in 1957 he was in the grocery and automotive trade.

This year he served as chairman of the police and fire committee and was also a member of the public works, transportation and parking committees as well as the VON board.

Mr. White, who celebrates his 54th birthday last week, is married and has two daughters. He lives at 171 Mill Street.

He has taken an active part in the community life of the area and in his younger days excelled at lacrosse, hockey and baseball.

The Ward 4 councillor said there are many projects just getting started that must be finalized during 1963. He named industrial development, downtown redevelopment, a comprehensive planning study and an effort to increase industrial assessment as important projects to be dealt with by next year's council.

"We must progress sanely, not in a hodge-podge manner," Mr. White stated.

Councillor Margaret Southwell has the field all to herself in Ward 3, the smallest of the four wards.

No candidate has come forward to contest the seat that extends south of Markham Road between Yonge Street and Bayview Avenue.

Mrs. Southwell is seeking her fourth term on council having previously served for six years on the Richmond Hill Public School Board.

She feels the coming year could be an important one in the development of Richmond Hill and is asking a further mandate from the electors to help complete the many projects started during 1962.

The posts of reeve and deputy-reeve have been ignored by office seekers up to now and present incumbents Reeve F. R. Perkins and Deputy-reeve Thomas Broadhurst have as yet made no announcement whether they will seek re-election.

This is the first year the ward system has been in force. One member will be elected from each of the four established.

Candidates vying for the post of mayor, reeve and deputy-reeve will be elected by a majority vote of all electors.

Ward 1 takes in residents living north of Crosby Avenue east of Yonge Street; Ward 2 comprises the area between Markham Road and Crosby Avenue, east of Yonge Street; residents residing south of Markham Road and east of Yonge Street are in Ward 3, while all residents living west of Yonge Street are in Ward 4.

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