

Parade, Open House For Belfast Pipe Band

The soft lilt of 23 Irish voices was heard at the Loyal True Blue and Orange Home, North Yonge Street, Friday, at noon when the Girls' Pipe Band from Belfast, Ulster, arrived to spend three weeks in this vicinity.

They received a warm welcome from the children and staff of the home, as well as representatives of the Loyal Orange Lodges.

Sponsored by Birchcliff L.O.L. 2856 of Scarborough, the band has a busy schedule outlined which will take them from Niagara Falls, N.Y. airport to the Golden Mile in Scarborough and to the Parry Sound area. During the three-week period the girls will be housed at the local Orange Home.

Residents of this area will have the opportunity of hearing this prize-winning band at an open house at the L.T.B. & O. home next Sunday, at 2:30 p.m. A cordial invitation has been issued by the governing board of the home for all interested people to attend and hear this outstanding pipe band.

Upwards of 2,000 members of the Orange Order and friends are expected at

Annual County Picnic

The annual picnic will be held at Sibbald's Point Provincial Park, July 17 at 2:30 p.m.

A sports programme for both children and adults will include a ball game - reeves versus deputy-reeves.

Selkirk Subdivision Back In News Again

The George Selkirk Subdivision in Markham Township is in the news again with the receipt by Markham Township Council of a letter read at Monday afternoon's meeting from the Department of Municipal Affairs. The letter reported that the minister had granted approval of the township's by-law No. 1861 which was designed to repeal a previous by-law 1842.

By-law 1842 was passed on November 7, 1960, declaring the Selkirk lands unregistered.

On January 30, 1961, when Mr. Selkirk petitioned council to reverse their decision because a mortgage company was prepared to underwrite develop-

O.M.B. Approves Water For Oak Ridges Area

Monday the Ontario Municipal Board approved installation of a \$110,000 system of water mains in the Oak Ridges area, east of Yonge Street, King Township section of Oak Ridges, west of Yonge Street, is already served by municipal water and has enough reserve capacity to serve consumers on the east side. The Ontario Water Resources Commission, which operates the existing system, made the application to the O.M.B. for the extension of the service to the other side of Yonge.

Only three persons opposed the extension and 15 approved of it at the hearing.

Dr. A. Carmel McKenna of the York County Health Unit told the hearing that tests conducted five years ago in the Whitchurch Township section of Oak Ridges had shown only 13 of 30 wells producing water fit for human use without boiling or chlorination.

He said 13 cases of hepatitis, sometimes transmitted by polluted water, were reported in the area during 1962.

Lack of water, polluted water, high incidence of hepatitis were complaints presented to the hearing.

Chairman A. L. McCrae said the board found a great need for the extension of the water system.



WINS SCHOLARSHIP

Susan Broadhurst, 13, graduate of Our Lady Help of Christians School, grade 8 this year with highest marks was the winner of a full scholarship by examination to St. Joseph's College, Morrow Park, the only Richmond Hill student to be so honored. As top student here, she was awarded a \$25 prize given by the Richmond Hill Separate School Board; second prize was awarded to Richard Bunnett. She is the daughter of Mr. Thomas Broadhurst, former deputy-reeve and Mrs. Broadhurst, North Taylor Mills Drive.

Firemen Plan Joslin Memorial

Herb Joslin who died as a result of burns last August when he attempted to avert the explosion and fire which devastated Maple, will be honoured by fellow firemen of the three Vaughan Township fire brigades. Members of the brigades located at Richvale, Maple and Robinson's are hoping to equip a room in the new York Central Hospital as a memorial to this courageous member of the Maple brigade.

In recognition of her husband's bravery, Mrs. Joslin received a citation from Her Majesty The Queen.

Mr. Joslin was very popular with all members of the three departments. He was an expert firefighter and is greatly missed for his guidance to the newer members of the department. He took

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Orange Home Welcomes Colleens

Drum Major Olive Leddy of the Belfast Girls' Pipe Band shows little Lynn Pillsworth of the Orange Home the baton she carries when she leads the band. Pretty Irish colleens Sandra O'Brien, Elizabeth Harvey and Irene Gray admire young Lynn who proudly wears the pipe major's baldric, while Mr. Alistair Gray, in charge of the group, wearing a kilt of the McIntyre clan, looks on. In front are cases containing the pipes, while in the background members of the band, assisted by children from the home, are sorting through the baggage which has just been unloaded from the bus which brought the band from Niagara Falls.

Municipal Board Gives Go-Ahead To Richmond Hill Arena Plans

Work on renovations to the Richmond Hill Arena is expected to start within the week, as approval of the project has been received from the Ontario Municipal Board.

Some delay may be experienced as steel is needed in the construction and this material is in short supply, but the contractors Decantis & Rice optimistically forecast completion of the renovations in two to three months.

The arena board has stated that if the lower floor is ready for the start of the hockey season in October, they will be satisfied.

Plans call for the construction of a two-storey cement block structure under the present roof and extending 18 feet to the south. This will necessitate some excavation and entrance will be between the two levels.

The lower floor will contain six dressing rooms with showers. These will be used the year round - for hockey and skating programmes during the winter months and for field sports during the summer. Washrooms will be accessible from outside for players and spectators in the town park during the summer.

The upper floor will contain one large room, heated and with a glassed front overlooking the ice. This room will be available for many purposes and organizations. Offices, a canteen, and rooms for organizations using the facilities will also be provided on this floor.

The Town of Richmond Hill is issuing debentures in the sum of \$30,000 which will be self-liquidating, and the balance of the \$51,000 contract will be paid by the arena board from funds on hand.

The arena board took over operation of the arena in 1954 when the artificial ice plant was installed. The artificial ice surface was first used in March 1955, and in the eight years it

Strike Delays Hospital

The opening of the York Central Hospital at Richmond Hill planned for late this fall may be delayed several months by crippling strikes in the construction industry. The strike of terrazzo workers some time ago and the recent strike by carpenters has slowed down construction on the badly needed hospital to almost a standstill.

The strike of the terrazzo workers is especially crippling as it is delaying and holding up other work which should be proceeding now. York Central Hospital Board Chairman Douglas H. Storms has appealed to union leaders to make an exception on hospital construction and allow work to be continued.

The shortage of hospital beds in Metro and York County is a matter of the utmost concern to all concerned with the care of the sick and injured. The situation is particularly acute here in the southern part of York County and hundreds of people in need of hospital care are waiting for hospital beds.

Parks Programme Attracts Thousand

One thousand children registered Monday for Richmond Hill's summer recreation programme, Mrs. Jean Thomson, recreation director said.

Largest registration was at Beverley Acres school yard with 300 arrivals to sign for the course which includes playground games, sports and entertainment. Pleasantville, 100 registrations including children from the Orange Home, 100 at town park, 250 at Walter Scott, 200 at Crosby Heights and 150 at MacKillop. At Walter Scott, there is a crossing guard stationed for the younger children in the mornings.

This week, a Metro Police officer is giving safety talks and Mrs. Fred Israel is holding a morning story-telling time.

Mrs. Thomson said she was more than pleased with the staff she has recruited for the various playground supervision.

Public Schools Filled, Separate And High Par

Close to capacity school enrolment is expected in Richmond Hill's six elementary schools next fall.

High school enrolment in the four area schools will be about normal with the exception of Bayview Secondary School where attendance will leap from 690 to an estimated 1,025 mainly because of stepped-up residential building and new courses offered.

Separate school attendance is reported to be about average with room for 180-210 more students but not necessarily the demand.

Bearing on the increased room is the September opening of eight new classrooms at St. Joseph's School on the town's southern boundary.

Public school Superintendent Gordon McIntyre told "The Liberal" he expected all schools 690 to 1,025; Richmond Hill, no change, about 750; Thornhill, 1,090 to 1,225 and at Woodbridge, the same at 350.

Separate school board Trustee John LeClaire said this week no radical change could be expected in Catholic school enrolment here.

There will be 35 teachers including teaching sisters and one "walking" principal and 34 classes with an average of 30-35 students. A junior opportunity class will commence in the fall, he said.

There will be eight new classrooms at St. Joseph's, 14 classrooms and one portable in 8 classes there will be transferred to Crosby Heights School.

High school enrolment this Our Lady of Fatima schools.

Another "Wet Or Dry" Plebiscite

There may be another "wet or dry" vote in Richmond Hill. At an informal meeting of the newly-formed council committee investigating the possibility of a swimming pool for Richmond Hill and Civitan Club representatives, Councillor Walter Scudds said a pool plebiscite may be held in December along with annual elections.

The service club offered to build the pool but some of the difficulties posed by such a large-scale project were outlined.

Councillor Alex Campbell said he thought the municipality should supply the basic structure, either an indoor or outdoor pool, and the service clubs could supply the "frills" such as life-saving equipment, pool accessories and all the extra equipment that would be needed.

Mr. Scudds said if the town were talking of an outdoor pool, cost would be roughly \$100,000 and if indoor, \$250,000. "What bothers me is not the building but the maintaining of such a pool."

Mayor William Neal said he received dozens of phone calls for and against the pool as an addition to present tax bills.

In the matter of financing, a \$5,000 recreation grant and winter works assistance could be expected to aid the construction costs and a possible mill a year for two years if Richmond Hill voted in favour of a municipality-built pool.

The committee said it would seek legal advice on the building of a pool as well as construction and maintenance figures from neighboring municipalities who have undertaken such projects.



Learning To Be Pals

Learning to play together are these youngsters attending the Richmond Hill 1963 Vacation Bible School being held until Friday at St. Matthew's United Church, Richmond Hill, under the direction of Mrs. J. Lowens. Sponsoring the co-operative school are St. Matthew's, St. Gabriel's Anglican, St. John's Baptist and St. Paul's Lutheran churches. A parents' night will be held from 7-8 p.m. tomorrow.