

PLAN OKAY DEFERRED BY OMB

Crowd Of 700 At Convention

Mackenzie Seeks Fifth Term As MLA

Major "Lex" Mackenzie was given two standing ovations in Aurora last Thursday night as an audience of 700 applauded his re-nomination as provincial Conservative candidate for York North.

The portly former market gardener from Woodbridge, who at 78 is the chronological dean of the Ontario Legislature where he served as riding representative since 1945, was the unanimous choice of the voting delegates.

There are 265 polling subdivisions in York North and at the convention, each subdivision was entitled to three voting delegates.

In accepting the banner, Mr. Mackenzie said, "In the next few years, we are going to see one of the greatest developments ever in this riding with the growth of Markham and Vaughan townships and communities such as Richmond Hill, Aurora, Newmarket and others growing into cities."

Of Premier John Robarts, he said "He is a man of solid thinking and we should be proud to follow him."

He urged rally delegates not to take for granted the present Conservative Government would sweep into power and urged them to work hard informing "the many young people who are voting for the first time and those who have forgotten what we stand for. I don't think there is a province in Canada that has had a better government," he said.

He was nominated by the old and the new factions in the York North Association.

In putting forward his nomination, Mrs. Mary Combs-Johnson of Newmarket said Mr. Mackenzie had won the respect and admiration of all who had come in contact with him.

Her second, Ross Pollock of Keswick said the candidate's supporters are drawn from all ages "and all parties." "He is truly a public servant and will continue to be so in future," he said.

Chairman of the meeting was York North Progressive Conservative Association President William Curran. Aurora Mayor Keith Nisbet welcomed the crowd to the Dr. G. W. Williams High School where the newly varnished gymnasium floor gave off a pungent odour and "No Smoking" signs were much in evidence.

There was a big hand for former riding organizer, Professor "Ernie" Smith whose activities have been curtailed because of illness.

Former York County Wardens and King Township Warden

William Hodgson, mooted earlier as in the running for the candidacy introduced since Centre M. L. A. Arthur Evans of Bradford.

Mr. Evans said, "I don't think there has been in Ontario's history so much good legislation as has been passed this past year."

"There's a meeting here tonight" was the kick-off song by Richmond Hill folk singers, the Hardy Minstrels who include Dave Englehart, Mike Lyne and Keith Maitland who entertained before the candidate was introduced as did Sutton vocalist Mary-Lou Lonergan.

Minister Critical Of Wintermeyer Remarks

Provincial Mines Minister George Wardrope, guest speaker at the convention was critical of Liberal Leader John Wintermeyer's attack on government pay-off scandals in the north and so-called organized crime.

He said the Conservative Government was sympathetic enough to let Mr. Wintermeyer go when it was found he had stock in the Northern Ontario Natural Gas Company "and now he is attacking us for the very same thing."

He said the Liberals were trying to confuse the minds of the Ontario people about government policies on portable pensions. "There was never a bigger falsehood than the one that Premier Robarts was trying to scuttle portable pensions as proposed by Health Minister La Marsh and Mr. Wintermeyer."

He was also critical of the federal representatives of all three parties who voted themselves a pay increase of \$8,000. "They gave themselves a raise but they couldn't see their way clear to add \$10 a month to old age pensions," Mr. Wardrope said.

In his own field he said Ontario dug out a billion dollars worth of minerals last year with the total in Canada of \$2.5 billion. He commended the Ontario Trade Crusade which he said was geared to provide 60,000 new jobs and so far has provided 45,000.

Mr. Wardrope considerably curtailed any lengthy speech he might have made because of the delay in getting the convention started.



James C. Cardinal McGuigan, Archbishop of Toronto, is shown here recently in Rome as he offers his congratulations and official co-operation and obedience to Pope Paul VI on the occasion of his election as supreme head of the church. The meeting took place at the consistory and conclave of the Cardinals in Rome. Cardinal McGuigan will be the presiding prelate at this Sunday's solemn blessing and opening of Our Lady Queen of the World Church in Richmond Hill East.

New Roman Catholic Church Opens In Richmond Hill On September 8

James C. Cardinal McGuigan, Archbishop of Toronto, will be the presiding prelate at this Sunday's solemn blessing and opening of Our Lady, Queen of the World Roman Catholic Church, Richmond Hill East.

The program will begin at 3 p.m. with the blessing of the cornerstone by Cardinal McGuigan who will also preach the sermon.

Placed in the cornerstone for future purposes will be a selection of coins, newspaper clippings, and other reading matter pertaining to this particular date in history.

Also participating in the cornerstone ceremony will be Fr. J. L. Austin, parish priest of St. John's Church, Whitby, Ontario; Fr. Edward J. Madigan, parish priest of St. Monica's Church, Broadway Avenue, Toronto; Fr. Francis C. Robinson, pastor of the new church; and Msgr. Vincent J. Ferraro, parish priest of St. Mary's

Church, Welland; and Rt. Rev. Msgr. J. O'Meara, secretary to the cardinal.

Invited to attend along with the other guests will be federal, provincial and civic leaders.

Solemn high mass will be performed by Fr. Robinson, pastor celebrant; Fr. L. J. Austin, deacon; and Fr. Madigan, subdeacon. Parish choir will be under the direction of V. Hanna.

A written message of congratulations will be received by the church from Fr. Philip F. Pocock, Co-adjutor Archbishop of Toronto.

A reception and tea in honor of the distinguished guests will be sponsored by the Catholic Women's League, followed by a clergy dinner.

Also receiving their official unveiling will be the new automatic church bells.

The tones are produced by miniature bell-tone generators of traditional bronze bell metal which are struck by metal hammers.

Our Lady Queen of the World Parish was established on August 18 by Cardinal McGuigan who appointed Fr. F. C. Robinson first parish priest.

Turning of the sod for the new church was held September 16, 1962. It was attended by Richmond Hill and Markham Township dignitaries.

On June 30, 1963, the first mass was held in the new parish church.

Donald Plaxton Opposes Pay Hike For MPP's

Liberal Candidate Donald Plaxton this week flatly opposed any suggested pay increase for members of the provincial Legislature. Mr. Plaxton was commenting on rumours currently emanating from Queen's Park that after the September 25th election one of the first items of business the new MPP's will attend to is to raise their own pay.

"If elected on September 25th I can assure the people of York North I will vigorously oppose any attempt by the Legislature to vote itself an increase in salary. There is no convincing reason in sight for a provincial pay hike at this time," stated the Liberal candidate.

"With our people struggling under a heavy burden of taxation it would be most ill-advised for the Legislature to even consider voting itself a larger slice of the public funds."

Mr. Plaxton is busy these days making a house to house canvass throughout the riding. "I am trying to meet and chat with as many of our people as possible between now and election day and I must say the response has been excellent and everybody has been most kind," stated the Liberal candidate.

A young married man with four children the Liberal nominee is a former member of Richmond Hill Town Council and public school board.

Few Complaints Aired On Over-All Changes

Markham Township's new official plan is still in a state of pre-birth today pending a written decision to be handed down at a later date by the Ontario Municipal Board.

About four hours of testimony for and against the official plan was paraded before O.M.B. Commissioner R. L. Kennedy at Tuesday's hearing at the township municipal offices.

Main points of opposition centred in an area north of Elgin Mills Road and the designated industrial areas at Langstaff and Thornhill.

Disputed Territory Three township ratepayers appealed to the municipal board to leave unchanged a portion of from three to four hundred acres north of Richmond Hill now designated as industrial and commercial land under the 1956 official plan.

Markham officials are requesting the municipal board to reclassify the area as agricultural land in the new official plan. The controversial area has been subject to a great degree of discussion over the past two years.

Ratepayer Cecil Gould, owner of two acres of property in the disputed territory east of Yonge Street and north of Elgin Mills, said a cement plant and auto body shop near his property "does not enhance the value of the land" if designated as agricultural.

Such a zoning, he said, "practically prohibits sale as residential property. I feel it should be left as an industrial zone."

Rural uses under the proposed official plan would allow residences by consent of the township's planning board but would emphasize that such practice not be encouraged.

H. Topper, also in the 300-400

acre area, owns 97 acres and is a gardener.

"I want it left as an industrial zone," he said. "If it's changed to agriculture I might have to wait until I'm 200 years old to sell my property."

Sharing the opinion of the others was Stan Leno who stated he owned an auto repair business and felt classing the land as agricultural "would spoil it as a residential area."

Township Solicitor D. Lucas argued in favor of the change, saying there were no services in the area at the time such as sewer and water to support any major industrial use.

The Town of Richmond Hill, he said, has refused to service the area outside of the town limits with exception of institutions such as schools or churches.

Richmond Hill, he said, has no intention of servicing the area at the present time or in the foreseeable future.

In his summation, Mr. Lucas, also solicitor for Richmond Hill, noted there were only three small industries or businesses located in the area at (Continued On Page 3)



A. A. MacKENZIE

Tory Candidate

At the Progressive Conservative convention held last week in Aurora Major MacKenzie was nominated to seek a fifth term as the representative of York North in the Ontario Legislature. He was the unanimous choice of the delegates.

No Council Meetings This Week

Councillors in Richmond Hill and Vaughan had a holiday from municipal duties this week - there was no council meeting in either municipality on Tuesday evening. Regular meetings will be held next Monday, with Richmond Hill and Vaughan Councils meeting in the evening and Markham in the afternoon.

Markham Township councillors attended the Ontario Municipal Board hearing on the township's official plan in an all day session Tuesday.

Ghanian Visitor Tours Schools, Notes Facilities

Ghanian Government School Inspector Godfrey Sam-Amavi last Thursday was taken on a tour of Richmond Hill school facilities, everything from a one room school house to a complex high school.

Mr. Sam-Amavi, Inspector for Anglican schools in the Accra district, was a lay delegate at the World Anglican Congress and was invited to Richmond Hill by Mrs. A. M. Longbridge. On August 18, he preached at St. Mary's Anglican Church.

Tour guide was Richmond Hill School Superintendent Gordon McIntyre. Later, the visitor was a dinner guest of Rev. Fred C. Jackson and Mrs. Jackson at the Hillview Drive rectory.

Mr. Sam-Amavi said impressed as he was by our facilities, he was even more impressed that teachers and principals were on the job and had everything ready for Tuesday's schools opening so early. He said the warm relationship that existed between school inspectors and staff must mean a great deal to the success of the school's programme here.

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Big Day In Her Life

Tuesday marked an important step in the life of little Miss Jennifer Ann Yeo, pictured with her mother, Mrs. W. Yeo, Ruggles Avenue, as she is welcomed to the McConaghy Public School kindergarten by her new teacher, Miss J. Hamilton. Teachers were prepared for school opening as hundreds of pre schoolers had been registered by the parents earlier in the summer.

Hospital Chairman Says—

Lack Of Lights Danger Hazard

Commenting on news reports last week that Vaughan Township Council has refused to provide street lighting on road leading to the new hospital, and Richmond Hill Council had refused a proposed extension of the bus schedule service to serve the institution Douglas H. Storms, chairman of the York Central Hospital Trustee Board said he was disappointed but not discouraged.

"I feel sure the decisions were reached in haste without full consideration of all the facts of the situation" he said.

Chairman Storms said that the board members had enjoyed a fine spirit of co-operation from local municipal councils during the planning and building of the new hospital, and he was sure when all the facts are placed before council members they will want to make sure that no necessary services are denied the people who will be using the hospital. Mr. Storms pointed out that of necessity nurses and staff members, as well as citizens making use of hospital facilities would be going to and from the hospital at all hours and lack of adequate lighting would provide a danger hazard with possibly very serious consequences. "The new hospital is being built to serve all the people of the district and I am sure none of our public representatives want to expose our citizens to unnecessary hazards" said Mr. Storms.

Construction work at the new building on Vaughan Road is progressing satisfactorily now after some costly delays due to strikes, and it is still the aim of the board to have the new hospital in operation before the end of this year.

A six floor addition to the present structure will provide 155 active treatment, 11 recovery and 26 psychiatric beds plus a 59 bassinets nursery and supporting hospital facilities. The existing buildings are being extensively remodelled and expanded. Target date for completion of the project is October, 1963.



First \$100 For Pool

Cliff Bennett, (left) presents "Liberal" Managing Editor Sam Cook with the first \$100 towards construction of a Richmond Hill swimming pool. Mr. Bennett also pledged Lions Club support when a building campaign begins. "The Liberal" will accept donations to a pool fund at its Yonge St. office. See editorial page 2.

Language Course On French Isle

BY DORIS M. FITZGERALD "It is the only one sponsored by a Canadian University, outside the country" commented Miss Dorothy Milner, Thornhill, when discussing the French Summer School, established four years ago at Saint Pierre et Miquelon, by the University of Toronto. Continuing she said that the idea for the school originated with Dr. Clarence L. Parsons, director of the division of university extension, U. of T., who was born in England, but grew up on Saint Pierre. When he left the islands at 17 to study at McGill, he carried at the back of his mind two persistent thoughts. One was that more Canadians should become bilingual and so better able to share, and enjoy both French and English social, cultural, and business activities; the other, that the French territory on which he had spent a happy boy-

hood would be an excellent place in which to start a school of Oral French.

As assistant director of the division of university extension Miss Milner has been interested in the venture since its inception and says that it has drawn enthusiastic participants, aged 17 to 67, from across Canada and the United States. Beginning with 20 in 1959 the registration reached 93 this summer and included students, teachers, clergymen, professional people and one M.P., and due to lack of accommodation some applicants had to be turned down.

Those enrolled board with private families attend classes in the high school, rented for the purpose, and take instruction in ceramics, art and French drama, if so inclined.

Dr. Parsons is assisted by Professor Rathe, University of Toronto, six teachers from Saint-Pierre, and a

professor sent out each year by the French Government, which thinks highly of the project and also gives three bursaries. Three more bursaries are provided by residents of Saint-Pierre. The school offers a six weeks credit course, and a one month non-credit course, requiring no examinations.

This summer Miss Milner conducted a group from Ontario to Saint Pierre. They flew from Toronto to North Sydney, Cape Breton. There fog closed in and it took two days for the party of 60 to complete the last lap to the island. However once all had arrived and been comfortably lodged Miss Milner had a chance to do some exploring and she found Saint-Pierre et Miquelon which lie off the south shore of Newfoundland very picturesque and fascinating.

Named by John Cabot in 1497 they were claimed al-

ternately by Britain and France, but have been French possessions since the Treaty of Ghent in 1814. Saint-Pierre, the most populated, is nearest to the Grand Banks and has long been a centre for the French fishing fleet. Many foreign trawlers also make the harbour a port of call. The townfolk she met were courteous and friendly and Miss Milner was pleased that the islands have not yet been overrun by tourists seeking ready made entertainment and excitement. Some Americans are attracted by the prospect of buying duty free goods such as French kid gloves, wines and liquors at a saving, but most of the visitors go there to enjoy the more tranquil way of life, the old world atmosphere, the many beautiful vistas of hills, blue lakes and tossing ocean, and of course, to practice French conversation.

Richmond Hill public schools are just about at capacity, Superintendent Gordon McIntyre said Wednesday. The school systems classrooms are averaging about 35 pupils but there is no crowding, he said.

"Our only concern is that at MacKillop School, the growth was larger than at others; there are 88 new names there

as compared to 75 at Beverley Acres school but we have a classroom we only use part time. We also have enough teachers," he said. Although firm totals aren't yet available, there are close to 3,800 students enrolled this year. When they began school on Tuesday, they faced a full day of reading, writing and arithmetic. (Continued On Page 3)