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# Old And New Mix Well At Fair New Appointees To Tax Rate Up 5.2 Mills Square Dancing Not So Square

dividual competitions, provided | Children, especially, got off to maybe even mug a bit, if the The old and the new collided a spring tonic as well for the a fast start, as they made for ride wasn't spinning too fast. at the 118th annual Richmond throngs that poured through its the go-carts just inside the door A little farther along, Batman Hill Spring Fair May 12 and 13: gates to be both entertained and performed with Sterling and Robin, beside their arch a longhaired youth did the enlightened, and/or to exchange Moss-like dedication, jostling for enemies, "The Joker" and "The square dance; massive Percher- a little bit of gossip along some position around the tiny oval. Riddler", gaped open mouthed ons and Clydesdales occupied tree-lined fence. A little farther down the mid- at passersby, who were invited

the centre of the ring with tiny It was a fair that was every way, the ferris wheel showed to try and knock out their long jumping ponies, and a veteran bit a fair in the old sense of that it has lost none of its at-wooden teeth with just three entertainer competed against the word, with its only con-traction for the young, with balls for a quarter. the music of the merry-go-round cession to the so-called go-go lineups there that would have A psychiatrist would have had with such old favorites as age, if indeed, that's what it done credit to the Gyroton at a fine time analysing the rea-"Golden Slippers" and "She'll was, was that it moved at a Expo.

be Comin' Round the Moun-brisk pace from the opening Some of the more hair-raising the particular victims they did tain" - and the overall mixture gates on Church Street, where of the 10 rides featured, found to throw the balls at, couldn't have been more com- the midway started, to the sen- the children reacting in the way Over at the bell-ringing booth, ior jumping events at the other children have always done, the a muscular pitchman discourag-With a benevolent weather- end of the grounds, where novices hanging on for dear life, ed a flabby reporter and severman plugging in the sun on the spirited horses carried their and the "old timers" releasing al others from trying their luck

final day, Richmond Hill Agri- riders over the hurdles, and their grips every now and then when he rang the bell with a cultural Society's annual offer- sometimes to the winners gate to wave a cocky greeting to sledgehammer, using only one ing of entertainments and in- and another red or blue ribbon, their fans on the sidelines, and arm.



(Photo by Stuart's Studio)

It all depends on where you sit when you're operating a dual-controlled flying boat, such as the one these two young boys were in Saturday at Richmond Hill Spring Fair. Obviously the boy on the left is convinced he was in control all the way, while the lad beside him is convinced

there was something wrong with his half, even if he did have the rail position. The Penny Arcade rang true Bayview Secondary School Band otherwise from women and similarity to the "mods" Saturto form, with the little girls under the direction of Eliza-children of the district.

"astrology" machine and the mellow stylings over the grounds aspects of the fair, had its con- the spotlight in the jumping up an average of 3.7 mills resi- purpose rate and the county rate boys donating their earnings to and kept the crowd from losing tradictions: first prize in the class at the pony show. was the real life palm reader, every now and then when Gormley.

Susan Pack, 5, daughter of cool sanctuary and an array of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Pack. 191 Altamira Road, and Mike Madaleno, 13, son of

Mr. and Mrs. J. Madaleno, 124 May Avenue, Richvale. It was the first bike for Susan, a kindergarten student at MacKillon Public School, who insisted that her parents put it in the trunk of the car and take it

home immediately. For Mike it was his second bicycle; according to his mother, his old one was in a bad state of disrepair. "He broke the fork in it the other day and was wondering when he was ever going to be able to save up enough money for a new one." Mrs. Madaleno said.

Mike picked up his prize

Monday.

Off the midway, Vince Mountford and his Rhythm Ranch Boys from Erin, Ontario, rendered "Golden Slippers" and exchanged quips with the crowd. and kept the whole show going. while square dancing groups waited on one side for their chance to perform and young girls with spirited ponies waited on the other side for their chance to attack the hurdles again and try to improve on that last time out.

When the Rhythm Ranch Boys weren't playing, it was the

ship Council last week struck a tax rate of 109.4 mills township public school rates, on residential properties and 120 mills on commercial 31.5 residential and 34.9 comand industrial. This represents an 11.9 mill school costs where the rate is

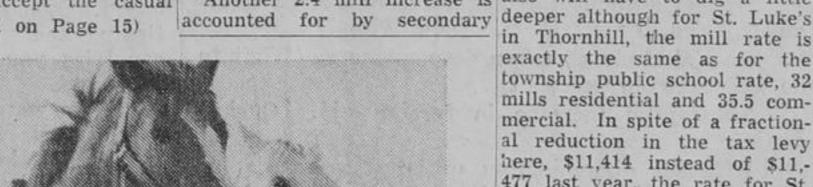
\$4,000, it will mean a tax in-levy for secondary schools is day, when a mini-rider and her putting their pennies in the beth Matthews, which sent its It too, as did the old and new pony took much of the share of mentary school rates which went Both the township general dential and 4.1 mills commer- went up 1 mill, while another

its good mood, even though that junior baking contest was won The mini-rider in this case cial to a total of 32 and 35.5 half mill increase was caused Not so fortunate, however, mood was brought up short by a boy, Jim Boyd, of RR 2, was Kimbell Kirton, RR 1, mills respectively. Tax levy by public library costs, the Oakville, who is all of six years here is \$1,046,371, compared to levy for which increased to who had her own little tent out- the crowd passed in front of the It was a fine fair on a fine old and a tiny six at that, and last year's levy of \$895,542. \$41,305 from \$25,122 last year. side; she might be more accur- posters of the burned and scar- day, with food, fantasy, rides, who wears a crash helmet, both Close behind in rate of in- The few public school supate than the "Accurate Astrol-red children of Vietnam the prizes, music and mystery; and for safety and because she can't crease was the township road porters in Vaughan whose

ogy" machine but 50 cents goes York Committee To End The any children making the trip to get a riding hat small enough rate, up 3.3 mills to a total of children attend Richmond Hill a lot farther in a penny arcade. War in Vietnam had erected Montreal later on - well sated to fit her. 14.3 on both residential and in- public schools will pay a slightwith the wonders they took in Once out on the track, how-dustrial. A total of \$414,685 ly higher increase as school Then, when the sun proved Saturday - may just even find ever, it's easy to forget that will be spent on roads, up from costs went up here by 4.9 mills.

cycles drawn Saturday were too much, the arena offered a Expo '67 a bit anti-climatic. she's just a child, and not too \$309,022 last year.

difficult to accept the casual Another 2.4 mill increase is also will have to dig a little fine exhibits, both edible and The Spring Fair had one (Continued on Page 15)





(Photo by Stuart's Studio)

Children attending the Spring Fair, must have felt they had wandered into the realm of some pre-historic animals when they first saw these two great reminders of early farming days. The two Clydesdales were engaged in pulling a stone boat well loaded with stone when the photographer caught them.

# Board

Richmond Hill Mayor Tom Broadhurst and Norn Garriock of Vaughan Township Planning Board have been appointed by the Southern Six municipalities to represent them on the Metro Planning Board, Mr. Garriock is the former reeve of Woodbridge.

'In Essentials Unity; in Non-Essentials Liberty; in all things Charity"

The action was taken at a recent meeting of the Southern Six at the request of the Metro authorities.

As a result of the formation of the six Metro boroughs, the places which some members of the board have represented no longer exist and its composition is therefore being changed. At the same time, instead of its present four representatives, the three fringe areas are to have six members on the board, two from each area, north, east and west.

In a letter from Metro Planning Board to the Southern Six municipalities. which are called the "North Planning Area", it was requested that one elected municipal councillor and one local planning board member be appointed to the Metro board. Timing of the appointments is not yet clear.

Previous local representatives on the Metro Board have been James Haggart and Robert Kirk.

## Plan To Hire 6 Firemen

The bad news is official. Tax bills for 1967 in Richmond Hill will be up \$26 for public school residential supporters with homes assessed at \$5,000; \$31.20 at \$6,000 and \$36.40 at \$7,000.

arate school residential supporters with increases of \$35.25 for homes assessed at \$5,000; \$42.30 at \$6,000; and \$49.35 at \$7,000.

The final figures were struck by town council Thursday of last week in an all-day budget session after weeks of hammering away at figures proffered while acknowledging the by the various municipal de- 5.2 mill increase was not partments and school boards.

The increase amounts to 5.2 have been. mills - down from last year's The council managed to keep record 8.83 jump - for public the increase down to its stated school residential; 6.71 for pub- rate due mainly to a two or lic school commercial; 7.05 for three mill surplus left over separate school residential; and from two unstarted projects in a 9.41 increase for separate 1966. school commercial. A mill is Mr. Plaxton pointed out the hire six permanent firemen at

 A public school residential purposes supporter with a house assessed at \$5,000 will see his taxes increased from \$362.55 to \$388.55. · A public school commerc ial from \$397.50 to \$431.05.

tial from \$388.54 to \$423.79. · A separate school commercial from \$423.50 to \$470.55.

11.9 Mill Rise In Vaughan Tp.

Residential Rate Is Now 109.4

Vaughan Township can stand it," was the comment dicated for Pine Grove separ-

\$959,885, compared to \$852,217

in Thornhill, the mill rate is

exactly the same as for the

township public school rate, 32

mills residential and 35.5 com-

mercial. In spite of a fraction-

al reduction in the tax levy

here, \$11,414 instead of \$11,-

477 last year, the rate for St.

Luke's supporters went up 1.4

mills, indicating a decrease in

Biggest increase will be felt

by Richmond Hill Separate

School Board supporters where

the jump was 5 mills, bringing

the total to 36 mills residential

To Appoint

Trustee May 25

Richmond Hill Public

and 40 mills commercial.

Oshawa.

December.

"This is ridiculous, I don't think the people of

of Deputy-reeve Garnet Williams as Vaughan Town-

overall increase from last year's 29.3 for residential and 32.6 for

rate. On a home assessed at commercial properties. The

· A separate school residen-

"The outlook in future years is absolutely bleak," commented Reeve Donald Plaxton, finance chairman, nearly as bad as it might

the budget was the decision to

5.20 public school residential a total salary of \$28,000 with In dollars and cents this increase was represented by another \$12,000 to be allocated only a .10 mill increase for town to the volunteers. The total year with salaries again making fire budget for 1967 was \$50,-

> "This means," he said. "the major bite is the continued school cost increases which we have little or no control over. And with little chance for any substantial increase in assessment it looks like residents will be even more hardpressed in the future."

A jump of 4.6 mills was in-

ate school supporters, although

the rates here are still below

The 3.3 mill increase in

the road rate came under

fire from Deputy-reeve

Garnet Williams. "I think

taxes right now are all the

taxpayers can earry," he

said. "With the increased

assessment we expect next

year, I don't see why we

must spend this amount

that too much road work

was being contracted out

instead of being done by

township staff and that with

better administration in the

road department the 3.3 mill

increase would not be nec-

Mr. Williams also felt

The 5.20 rate comprises the Richmond Hill's portion of .10 mill increase for town pur- the public school budget will be poses; .90 for the county; 3.15 \$748,809.63 less \$30,000 deleted for public schools; and 1.25 for for a new school site and anhigh schools. The separate other \$15,000 to have been used school board took the biggest to meet interest charges to fi-Those wearing the biggest scowls are the sep- hunk at 6.20 with the remaining nance borrowing under the mill rates identical with the Municipal Loan Assistance figures for the public school Plan. supporters.

Other budget items saw council approve a \$212,925 request by the Richmond Hill Police Commission - \$34,300 over the previous year.

Salaries accounted for the major increase at \$165,637 compared to \$138,991 in 1966. The commission will also hire one cadet plus a clerk. Other items include \$12,618 for cruiser expenses; \$5,000 for uniforms and equipment; \$2,000 Raising the most sparks in

The Richmond Hill Public Library Board will receive \$50. 000 compared to \$42,000 last up the major proportion; the 970 compared to \$45,670 in planning board \$25,000, an in-1966. Of the latter amount, crease over 1966's \$22,375; recreation, \$15,000 compared to \$19,000 went toward purchase \$14,875 last year. Public works is down at \$369,442 from last Mayor Broadhurst and Reeve year when it totalled \$381,691, Plaxton were bitterly opposed

Of the \$2,928,416.53 to be to the hiring of the six permraised in taxes for 1967 \$1,627,anent men stating generally 711.23 will be used for educathat the town had done very well with the volunteers and in 705.30 for municipal purposes. tional purposes and \$1,300,-

mond Hill Hydro's Centennial

Lawn Light project has been

good and homeowners are re-

minded there is still time to

order their lights. Six different

models are available at a price

range of \$27 to \$45. Each light

comes complete with post, auto-

matic control and 100 watt long

life bulb. Hydro will also handle

the installation at an average

cost of \$35 or if the purchaser

### a burden on the taxpayers. Hydro Display Centre In 1967 Richmond Hill's public school supporter Open Thursday Ev'gs ratepayers will pay 77.71 mills on residences and 86.21 mills on commercial The initial response to Rich-

and industrial assessment. Separate school supporters will pay 84.76 on residential assessment and 94.11 on commercial and in-

new men would be too much of

of the new fire truck.

dustrial. The general rate for residential public school will be 22.94 mills — a reduction over 23.04 in 1966 and 26.67 for commercial and industrial.

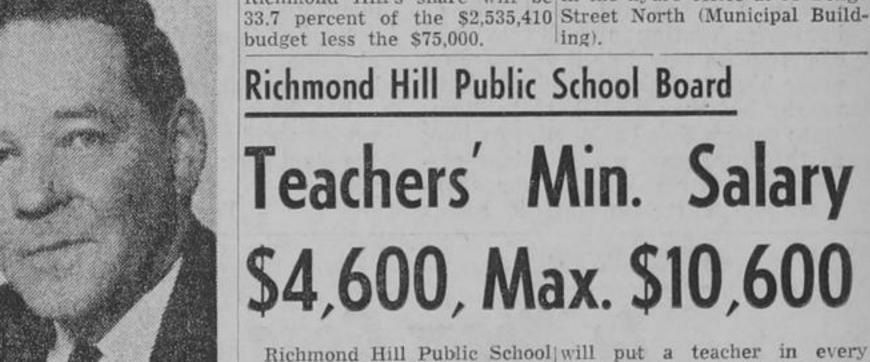
The remainder of council took The total cost can be financed the position that a town of 20,- over 12 months on your hydro 000 - with its residential and bill. A low interest rate of six commercial-industrial buildings percent applies with a minimum - needed a start on fulltime down payment of \$5. men. They adopted a "let's not wait until it's too late

Also controversial - but with

off the surplus fund of the York are in addition to the regular School Board in conjunction to Friday.

As an added convenience effective May 25 the display centre featuring all the models and full information will be open Thursday evenings between 7 was the decision to lop \$75,000 and 9.30 pm. These extra hours

9 to 5 pm hours every Monday with other area municipalities. The display centre is located Richmond Hill's share will be in the hydro office at 56 Yonge



Disagrees With Road Costs School Board hopes to have a replacement for Ward I Trustee Andrew Hutcheson, in time for its next meeting the matter at the meeting. "It increment. on May 25. Mr. Hutcheson officially resigned on April 27 as he was moving to

At the board meeting Monday evening trustees suggested several people will be approached in the search for a replacement The public school board will be up for election in

will all be very good teachers, ive September 1, 1967: DEPUTY-REEVE G. WILLIAMS Level 1 \$4,600 to \$6,400, who have been called up to fill Level 2 \$4,900 to \$7,900, Level key positions with other sys-3 \$5,200 to \$8,800, Level 4 tems," he commented. Councillor Dalton McArthur \$6,100 to \$10,300, Level 5 \$6,400 The teaching staff is comobjected to any discussion of to \$10,600; with \$300 annual posed roughly of one-third men, one-third single women and

Board has adopted the recom- classroom, Mr. McIntyre report-

mendation of its salary negot-ed, pointing out, however, that

iating committee, to set the fol- resignations may still be re-

lowing salary schedule, effect-ceived until May 31. "These

was discussed in committee of At the board's meeting on one-third married women, Mr. the whole several times and May 15, Superintendent Gordon McIntyre stated, approved. It is a necessity," he McIntyre reported that five The superintendent also remore resignations had been re- ported that Mrs. Laila Saleh, Reeve Brian Bailey defended ceived making a total for the who will be teaching Oral the increase in the road bud-system of 19. Three teachers French next year, has had

get. "We have a responsibility have also been granted leaves teaching experience in Cairo, to try and maintain roads and of absence effective September Israel and Rome. For the past get them up to par," he said. 1967. Twenty-eight new staff two years she has been engaged "I am in favor of the increase members (the same number as in designing souvenir medals in the roads budget and I am in 1966) have signed contracts for Expo '67. prepared to defend it at any for September, 13 of them be- New teachers are employed (Continued on Page 3) ing experienced teachers. This (Continued on Page 15)

### \$1,051,500 Yonge Street Reconstruction Likely To Be Launched This Fall In Richmond Hill

BY FRED SIMPSON

A \$1,051,500 reconstruction program on Yonge Street and portions of adjoining arteries will likely be launched this fall in Richmond Hill.

the project which will see cluding the cost of hydro dis- traffic to determine traffic downtown Yonge Street grow tribution. Formal approval lane requirements, prelimininto four lanes, installation has still to be received from any investigation of soils of new street lights, storm the province. and sanitary sewers. Ap-

The project will also in- Floyd Perkins. clude reconstruction of por-Streets.

Author of the face-lifting is the firm of Proctor and

eers of Toronto. Cost to the town — following subsidies by the Depart- of the report includes analyment of Highways - will be sis of present traffic vol- traffic. Town council has approved approximately \$250,000 ex- umes, prediction of future

"It's been long overdue." proval is also required from commented Works Committhe Department of Highways. tee Chairman Deputy-reeve ment widening, channeliza-

tions of Arnold, Centre, said, "has been holding back Richmond, and Wright the central section of the cost estimates showing esti- annual average daily traffic ties.

need storm sewers badly and ous phases of work, suggeswe just don't have the lines Redfern Consulting Engin- to take the runoff away. It's improvements, parking and

> data to estimate the type of pavement required and recommendations on pavetion, and relocation of exist-

"The present situation", he ing utilities where necessary.

tions on traffic operational servicing of abutting proper-The Yonge Street section ties and possible alternative by-pass routes for through



The report (basing its information on various studies) In addition, it includes estimates that by 1985 the town along Yonge Street. We mated subsidies for the vari- on Yonge Street will increase

to 32,000 vehicles or an 80 percent increase over 1966. Through trips will increase to 12,000 vehicles per day. The external trips vary from 8,000 per day south of the town limits to 4,000 trips ed, more lanes will probably nue. north of the town limits.

It calls for four traffic

lanes on Yonge to handle the present volume alone. of-way is only 66 feet, eight of the restrictions. traffic lanes cannot be provided. Additional right-ofway cannot be obtained without causing considerable

"Thus an additional four

damage to adjacent proper-

lanes paralleling Yonge Street must be provided to accommodate the anticipated volume within the next 20 years. If the population increased more than anticipatbe required."

until the end of the year.

The maximum practical widening is four 11 foot lanes (46 feet to face of curb) "Since the existing right- rather than 48 feet because

"Widening to 44 feet will improve the capacity over the present 40 foot width," the report states, "provided parking is prohibited during the peak hour."

The report recommends

that Yonge be widened to 44 feet with proper intersection improvements where practical. This widening will extend from Markham-Vaughan Roads north to Crosby Ave-



The report recommends that the town lease, purchase

or otherwise acquire land for require service by a number the development of off-street of suppliers throughout the parking facilities. This off-street parking require the disposal of waste.

located to the rear of the Yonge Street frontage would be in the form of "small" ability of land.

"Small lots tend to reduce walking distances to the areas of attraction thereby encouraging the use of such off-street parking."

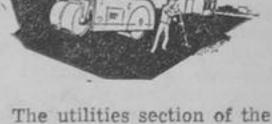
Proper servicing of the central business district is termed "extremely import-

ant" by the report. "Most stores and offices

not properly handled the level of traffic service achievsurface lots, the actual size ed by other operational imdepending upon the avail- provements will be reduced.

normal working day and most

If the trips so produced are



The utilities section of the report notes that storm sew-(Continued on Page 15)