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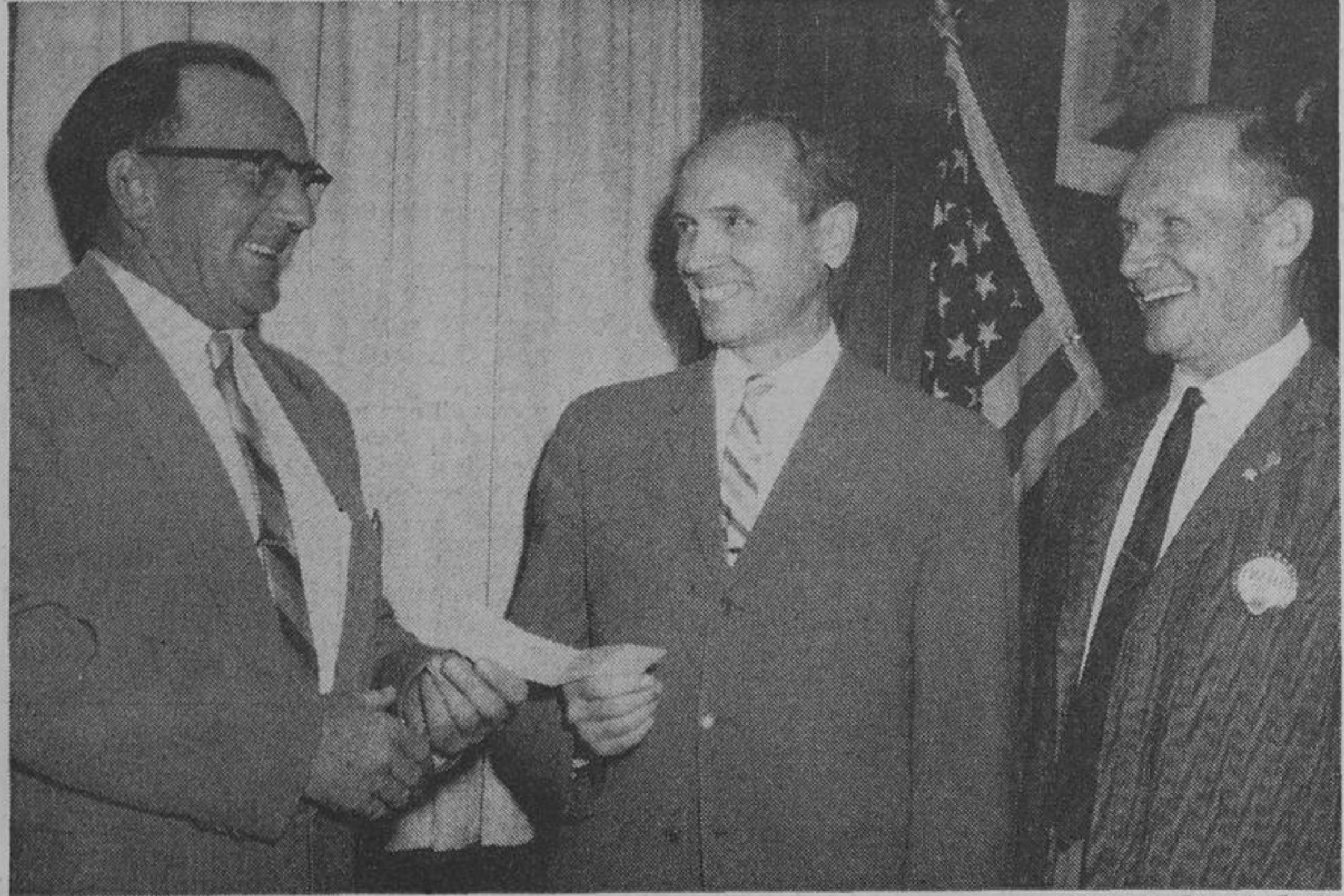
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HOME PAPER OF THE DISTRICT SINCE 1878

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**ANNIVERSARY CLEARANCE SALE**  
Children's Wear 14 minutes to 14 years  
**CHILDREN'S fashion shop**  
Prices Reduced 20 to 50%  
RICHMOND HEIGHTS CENTRE



(Photo by Stuart's Studio)

## Last Payment On Community Centre Loan

Tuesday, June 20 was a happy evening for Victoria Square when the Lions Club presented Lloyd Beatty, chairman of the building committee of the board of trustees of the community centre with a cheque for \$3,000. This was the final payment on a bank loan of \$5,000 to help the community complete the centre. The Lions paid off the entire loan.

The building itself was a gift from Stephen Roman, and the community has turned it into one of the most attractive, well-planned centres in a wide area.

More than \$10,000 in cash has been expended plus thousands of dollars in gifts of furnishings and material and labor from residents of the area. Its present value is estimated to be between \$30,000 and \$40,000.

In the picture above happy smiles by (left to right) Lloyd Beatty, Archie Crosier, manager of the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, Richmond Hill who was the final recipient of the cheque and Union President Fraser Gee, who made the presentation, reflect the feeling of accomplishment by every member of the community.

## Discharge Of Raw Sewage Into Creek A Health Hazard? Queries Mansbridge

Councillor Ivan Mansbridge expressed concern Monday night over a possible health hazard resulting from the discharge of raw sewage into a town creek running south under Markham Road.

His remarks came during a discussion at the town council meeting of a manually controlled relief valve on the bank of the creek which was described as a "poor setup" by Deputy-Reeve Floyd Perkins. Mr. Perkins is chairman of the works committee. The creek runs into the Don River.

The valve touched off a barrage of complaints from Pugsley Avenue residents over raw-sewage-flooded cellars after a rainstorm June 10.

Damage claims to walls, floors and furniture of over \$1,800 have been presented to the municipality by the residents concerned.

Deputy-reeve Perkins said the relief valve had been installed by the Ontario Water Resources Commission who operate the sewage plant to take away excess water in the case of an unusually heavy downpour of rain. The sewage is then discharged into the creek.

Mr. Perkins said the valve had been built over the protest of Richmond Hill which had desired a better arrangement.

He also stated that the works department had temporarily relieved the situation by constructing a "bypass" which would assure that in future any excess sewage would be directed into the creek during a heavy rainstorm.

Councillor Mansbridge noted the bypass could mean an excessive amount of raw sewage going into the creek and "creating a possible bad health hazard for town residents."

Mr. Perkins said the case of a certain amount of sewage going into waterways occurred in "90 percent of other municipalities."

"I'm not interested in municipalities," retorted Mr. Mansbridge. "If such a situation exists here, that's what interests me. There's little point in relieving raw sewage from basements and creating a health hazard somewhere else."

Mr. Perkins said it would be pretty "expensive proposition to build a plant large enough to handle flash floods. It would cost the town an additional half million dollars to eliminate all the problems which occur in maybe two or three homes a year."

At the same time, Mr. Perkins assured that the works committee was concerned about the matter even if it happened in only one home "but this thing can't be cured all at once."

Referring to the "raw sewage" being discharged into the creek, Mr. Perkins said he didn't think "more than one or two percent of the water going into the creek consists of raw sewage. Most of it is water and what isn't won't affect anybody."

He added that he wasn't satisfied with the size of the sanitary pipes but emphasized that the works committee could only do so much.

"We can't replace all of them all at once," he said.

Mr. Perkins pointed out that it was also a problem for the provincially appointed OWRC to contend with and do something about and "not just the works committee."

He said that installation of the bypass was just a temporary measure and "has helped the situation."

He was just as concerned about health hazards as anyone else.

Works Commissioner Otto Whalen said there had only been two incidents of flooding on Pugsley Ave., resulting from flash storms.

He said also that the OWRC had installed the relief valve which resulted in the discharge of some excess sewage when it was opened to relieve pressure on the system.

Residents of Pugsley Avenue spearheaded by J. G. Osprey of 88 Pugsley Avenue petitioned individual members of council following the June 10 flooding.

Mr. Osprey told "The Liberal" that the "raw sewage coated the floors of a number of basements and damaged floors, walls, and furniture."

He cited one resident who had recently moved into his home and had piled furniture in the basement. The furniture

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### Stanley R. Greenwood

## Vaughan Names First Hydro Supt. Thirty Apply For \$13,000 Post

Vaughan Township residents moved a big step closer to having their own hydro system June 5.

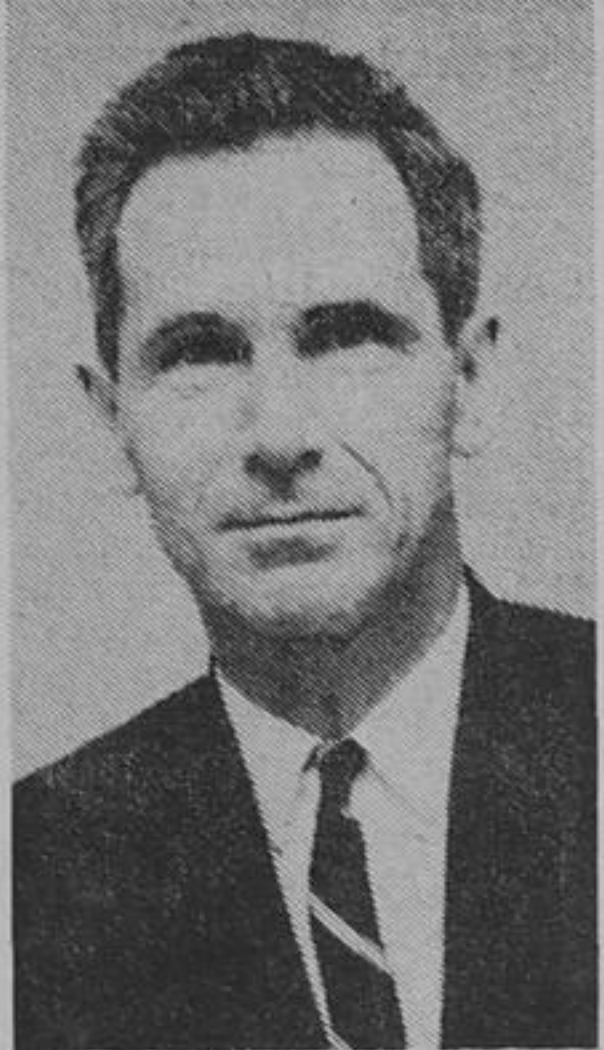
At the meeting of council on that date, final reading was given to a bylaw authorizing the issuing of \$2,750,000 worth of debentures to be used for the purchase, construction and installation of a township-owned hydro system. The debentures, to be issued in units of \$1,000, will bear 7% interest.

At the township elections last December voters gave overwhelming support to the project which is expected to lead to slightly reduced hydro rates in the township.

At the same meeting, council passed a second bylaw appointing Stanley R. Greenwood P. Eng., as hydro superintendent as of July 3 at a salary of \$13,000. Mr. Greenwood was one of 30 applicants for the position, all of whom were screened by the management consultant firm of Simpson, Riddell, Stead and Partners. The firm narrowed these down to three who were then interviewed by the township's hydro committee, which consists of all members of council.

Councillor Dave Fraser expressed himself very pleased that Mr. Greenwood was able to come to the township while and both Reeve Brian Bailey and Councillor Charles Birkett noted that the decision had been a difficult one as the three final applicants had all been more than adequate.

Mr. Greenwood 42 is an electrical engineer. He lives in Rexdale. From 1950 to 1966 he was superintendent and general



S. R. GREENWOOD P. Eng. New Hydro Superintendent

manager of the Weston Public Utilities system which was absorbed at the end of 1966 into that of the Borough of York.

A native of Durham, Ontario, Mr. Greenwood was educated at Durham Public School. His family moved to Toronto when he was a boy and he attended Riverdale Collegiate. World War II interrupted his studies and he enlisted in the RCAF, serving as a pilot. After the war he attended the University of Toronto, graduating with a B.A. Sc. in electrical engineering in 1950.

Mr. Greenwood is married to the former Betty Campbell of Muskoka and they have two children, Peter 9 and Melissa, 4 years old.

### July 6

## Paul Hellyer To Be At Markham Liberal Meet

Hon. Paul Hellyer MP (Toronto Trinity) Canada's Minister of National Defence will be the featured speaker at the annual meeting of the Markham Township Liberal Association to be held July 6 at Buttonville Hall.

A dinner meeting, proceedings are timed to commence at 7 p.m. The meal is being catered by the Liberal women.

Mr. Hellyer has spearheaded the unification of Canada's armed force and is a forceful speaker and debater. He was first elected to the House of Commons in 1949. He was named to the defence portfolio first in 1957 as an associate minister and then as minister in 1963.

He will be accompanied to the meeting by John Addison MP.

Donald Deacon, Liberal candidate for the new provincial riding of York Centre will also address the gathering. A resident of Unionville Mr. Deacon is busy campaigning in preparation for the provincial election expected for sometime in the fall.

### July 6

## Heintzman House Nearly Got Its First Workout This Week As Markham Township's Recreation Centre

The famous old house in North Thornhill, which was purchased for that purpose last year, has instead been converted recently for the use of the township's administrative offices and as a meeting place for council.

Monday afternoon, however, it took on some of the overtones of a recreation centre, with emphasis on the gymnasium, as Reeve Stewart Rumble and Deputy-Reeve S. J. Gadsby all but went to the mat for a best of three falls.

It all started when the deputy-reeve accused the reeve of "favoritism", because it was the latter's deciding vote that awarded a contract to Lloyd Canning of Victoria Square to provide two graders for the township at \$8 an hour.

Canning, who is also an employee of the township, was \$4 an hour lower than the next bidder.

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"It was an honest tender," replied the reeve. "I object to you saying otherwise."

The reeve said the township had been renting the graders from Canning for \$7 an hour, until Mr. Gadsby had decided it would be better to call

## Some Stay Open Canada's 100th Creates Split Among Merchants

July 1 may be Canada's most important holiday, but there seems to be some confusion on that score, so far as area business places are concerned.

A quick survey shows that, while many places will be closed Saturday — the legitimate holiday — those same places will be open Monday — a federal holiday for banks and other government places. The provincial government was given the power to declare an extra holiday Monday for business places, but left it to the municipalities to decide.

As a result, the municipalities have all declared Monday a holiday for their own staffs, but have not done the same for the local commercial enterprises.

If that's confusing, the box score at the moment looks like this:

Closed Saturday, Richmond Heights Centre stores, Allencourt IGA, Dunn's Barber Shop, Canadian Tire, Rendezvous Barber Shop.

Closed Monday, Richmond Hill, Vaughan and Markham Township municipal offices, Puddicombe Motors, Allencourt Barber Shop, Rendezvous Barber Shop, Dunn's Barber Shop and Stan Ransom's Barber Shop, Monday being the regular closing day for local barbers.

The best way to avoid confusion, however, is to go away for the weekend.

## Casual Burglar Walks Off With \$319 From Service Station Till

A casual burglar relieved Ken's Gas Bar, Spruce Avenue and Yonge Street, Richvale, of \$319 in cash June 26.

Vaughan Township Police said that a man walked into the office of the station about 2.30 am, while the attendant was servicing a car, and lifted a package of money, which had been left there from the previous shift, and walked out of the station with it.

The robbery wasn't discovered until the attendant went into the station several minutes later.

Another service station was robbed of \$600 in tools June 20. Police said that entry to the Crestwood Fina Station, Yonge Street and Crestwood Road was made by forcing a door on the west side of the building.

Vaughan police also reported three other thefts.

Thieves used an unlocked door at the residence of John W. Powlesland, 8th Avenue North, to steal a quantity of liquor and an electric carving knife valued at \$80, June 24.

At the Roy Foss compound, Loblaw's parking lot, Highland Park, a set of rear wheels and tires, valued at \$348, was taken from a 1967 model car.

David Ledslow, Weston, reported the theft of his wallet from his locker at Pine Valley Golf Club June 24.

The wallet contained \$4.

About \$100 damage was done to a bulldozer, belonging to M and P Rentals, Weston, when it was rolled over a bank and then abandoned with its motor running June 23.

The machine had been parked on a construction site on 8th Avenue.

Italo Sacucci, Downsview, has been charged under a township bylaw with dumping garbage on Carrville Road June 25.

## At Markham Township Reeve, Deputy In Shouting Match

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## Williams Condemns Plan Dump Operation Contract Benefits Firm, Not Twp.

"In all my life I never heard of such a jangle over trying to operate a dump. I am sure any branch of the women's institute in the township could set a far better policy than this council."

These were two of the opening statements made by Deputy-Reeve Garnet Williams at a special meeting of Vaughan Township Council Monday, held for the express purpose of allowing Mr. Williams to present facts and figures he had gathered to bolster his contention that the township should operate its own dump rather than letting its operation out to a private contractor.

At an earlier council meeting, June 19, the deputy-reeve had stalked from the council chambers with the statement "I refuse to tolerate deceit" during discussion of a proposed contract with Paul Street Construction Limited of Richmond Hill, the only firm which submitted a tender for the operation of the dump.

Mr. Williams objected to the awarding of the contract at that time because council members had not received minutes of the previous meeting and copies of committee reports on the Friday before the meeting as the procedural bylaws call for but had seen them for the first time when they sat down in the council chambers. As a result, he did not know that the dump contract was to be discussed and had not brought any of his notes on it with him.

Mr. Williams reminded council members before he left the chambers that at the Wednesday previous committee of the whole meeting, they had all agreed, since the clerk's office would not have time to get the minutes and reports ready by Friday; that if anything of a controversial nature arose at the meeting, council members would agree to have it referred back to committee.

Considering the letting of the contract for the dump operation to be controversial and not having come prepared to discuss it, Mr. Williams moved that it be referred back to committee but found no seconder for the motion — at which point he left the meeting.

DEPUTY-REEVE STANDS DOWN

When Mr. Williams opened the discussion at the June 26 meeting, immediate objection was raised by Councillor Dalton McArthur that Mr. Williams was supposed to be appearing at the meeting as a deputation and therefore should not be speaking from the deputy-reeve's chair. "Is he here as a member of council or as a private citizen?" he asked. "If so, he should be over there," indicating the area in front of the dais from where members of the public normally address council.

"I don't care where he stands," stated Councillor David Fraser. "All I want is to listen to him and hear what he has to say."

The dilemma of where Mr. Williams should stand or sit to address council was solved when Deputy-clerk Ted Jackman suggested that it would be best if the minutes of the meeting recorded that Mr. Williams had been present at the meeting as deputy-reeve but had stood down from his chair to address council as a delegation then got up from his seat at the reeve's right hand and moved with his voluminous papers to the extreme end of the council's semi-circular desk and continued to speak from there.

CONTRACTOR WILL PROFIT

His argument against letting the contract to Street Construction for \$28,800 per year was that it was obvious that any tenderer expected to make a profit on the operation and the dump should be operated for the benefit of township residents rather than for the profit of any individual or firm.

Councillor Charles Birkett stated however that he didn't think that any level of government, municipal, provincial or federal could operate anything as cheaply as a private corporation working towards a profit motive.

"I don't think we should work to a profit motive but we should not go out to scuttle the township either," Mr. Williams replied.

Deputy-reeve Williams also contended that council was misleading the public if it tried to give the impression that the dump operation would amount to only the \$28,800 cost of the contract. He pointed out that to this amount would have to be added the salary of a gate keeper, \$4,600 per annum; payment to an exterminator, \$1,040; cost of a Jerry-on-the-Job \$365; telephone \$180; heating \$120; salaries payable for holidays and off days \$900; and a nominal sum of \$100 for miscellaneous costs.

To this would also have to be added, Mr. Williams insisted, \$1,250 for loss of scrap rights which would go to the contractor. He brought, he said, total costs of operating the dump to \$37,355 per year.

Cost of operating the dump during 1966 had been \$35,848.54, he pointed out and in addition, the township, by a machine rental agreement whereby a portion of the rental of a machine was applied to the possible purchase of it, had built up an equity in the machine of



DEPUTY-REEVE WILLIAMS

Wants Vaughan run own dump \$13,000. Deducting this from the 1966 operating costs produced a net cost of \$22,848.54, he pointed out.

### TOWNSHIP COULD SAVE

Mr. Williams further pointed out where another \$1,925 per year could be saved by having vermin extermination done by township employees (\$1,040); replacement of the Jerry-on-the-Job where effluent is trucked to Whitchurch Township for disposal by an earth closet (\$365); and avoiding a \$520 annual cost for bottled air to blow refuse out of the radiator of the bulldozer by purchase of a \$148 compressor operated by a small gasoline engine.

In this way, he insisted that annual operating costs of the dump could be lowered to \$20,923.54 — as compared to the \$37,355 cost in using a private contractor.

The only fault council members could find with Mr. Williams' figures were that he had not shown any amortization figure for depreciation of the machine. "In any accounting principles of which I am aware, you must apply against the operation the capital cost of the machinery involved," pointed out Councillor Birkett.

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## Quota Not Met In Cancer Drive

The Richmond Hill Unit of the Canadian Cancer Society, which includes Markham Village, Victoria Square and Thornhill, has fallen \$2,106 short of the quota of \$25,920 set for it by Ontario Division, it was announced June 21 by Campaign Chairman Munroe Ashkanase.

Treasurer Archie Crosier noted that Richmond Hill, usually a pillar of financial support for the annual drive, fell \$2,482 short of its 1967 quota of \$9,420 but felt the quota could be reached by the end of the year.

For those industries and individuals who have not yet sent in their donation, Mr. Crosier asks that they be sent in his care to the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, 57 Yonge Street South, Richmond Hill. Receipts for income tax purposes will be mailed.

Mr. Ashkanase wishes to thank all captains and canvassers who worked so hard during the campaign. "If it were not for such dedicated men and women there would be little or no money for vital research education and medical assistance," he said.

## Join The Fun July 1 To Help Celebrate Canada's 100th Birthday

July 1 will be a big day in Richmond Hill as all citizens are invited to join in celebration of Canada's 100th birthday.

The festivities get underway Friday evening at 8:15 in Richmond Hill United Church, Yonge and Centre Streets, where the Richmond Hill Symphony Orchestra Chamber Music Group will present the final concert of Canada's first century. Admission is free and everyone is invited.

There will be many activities in which everyone can participate on the day itself from 9 am to midnight.

Getting underway at 9 am, the Shrine Horse Show will have two rings for hunters and jumpers and the program will be continuous until 6 pm. The Canadian Equestrian Team will be featured and the eliminations held for Canada's show horse

entries in the Pan-Am Games to be held in Winnipeg in August. There will be a nominal admission charge for this, but all proceeds go to Shrine charity activities. The show is organized and conducted by El Shamaly Shrine Club, composed of Shriners living in this area.

Games, sports and fun for every member of the family, with prizes and favors begin in Crosby Park at 12 noon. Everyone is invited to participate in this family fun time and test your skill. Everything is free.

The largest parade ever seen in Richmond Hill gets underway from Industrial Road at 3 pm and will proceed south on Yonge Street to Markham Road, east on Markham to Newkirk, then north on Newkirk to the Crosby Park. There will be lots of curb space for everyone to enjoy it.

Included will be all the Shrine units which will have participated in a Toronto parade earlier in the day — at least 30. These include the rickshaw unit of El Shamaly Shrine Club, the streetcar, the caboose, the Thompson Stagecoach, the motorcycle unit, drum corps, oriental band, the transport unit for crippled children, the Divan (heads of the Shrine), and marching units. The local section of the parade will

feature color parties, marching groups and floats galore. At least 40 business places and groups have indicated that they will be participating. A trophy is being offered for the best float in the parade.

A brief official ceremony will be held in Crosby Park when the parade arrives there, when Richmond Hill will be dedicated to a new and more promising century which will have just started. A bang-up salute by exploding fireworks will close the first century and welcome the second. A fly past by planes from Buttonville Airport will also be a feature.

Bring your picnic lunch

and enjoy it on the grass of the park or buy it at the refreshment stands which will be operated by Richmond Hill Civitans.

The Civitans have also made all arrangements so that Richmond Hillites may dance on the streets in joy for the remainder of the day. Go-go dancing starts at 6 pm and round dancing for those who prefer it starts at 7 pm. Both will continue until midnight. There will be no charge for either. So enjoy yourselves.

At 10 pm there will be a fireworks salute to Canada for everyone to enjoy.

Every citizen of the town is invited to participate in all

or any of these events. You can honor your country and have a lot of fun right here, without having to contend with the heavy traffic of a three-day holiday weekend.

