

## York Centre Will Elect First Assembly Member

A total of 36,223 York Centre voters are eligible to cast ballots in the October 17 general election. Following redistribution York County now has two seats (York Centre and York North) in the 117 seat Ontario Legislature. The new riding of York Centre serves the Southern York County municipalities of the Townships of Markham and Vaughan, the Town of Richmond Hill and the Villages of Markham and Woodbridge. York North serves the central and northern municipalities of the Townships of King, Whitchurch and East Gwillimbury, the Towns of Aurora and Newmarket and the Village of Stouffville. It has a population of 53,069 and 32,000 eligible voters.

The far northern county municipalities of North Gwillimbury, Sutton and Georgina are now part of Ontario County for both provincial and federal election purposes.

Returning Officer for York Centre is Warren Bailie of 55 Denham Drive in Richvale. Mr. Bailie was returning officer for the old federal riding of York North during the Diefenbaker

else in common. This election will mark a second try for both to win a seat at the senior level of government. Mr. Deacon was Liberal standard bearer in the Toronto Beaches riding in the 1963 provincial election while Mr. Norton was his party's candidate in York North in the 1965 federal election. Both suffered defeat.

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At age 32 Mr. Norton is the youngest of the three candidates. Mr. Deacon is 47 years of age and Mr. Wells is 48. Mr. Wells is the son of the late Arthur Wells who was returning officer for the old provincial riding of York North from the early 1930's until his death as a result of an automobile accident in January 1963.

Both the Liberal and Conservative candidates have gained experience in government at the local level. Mr. Deacon served on Markham Township Council during the 1950's while

### County Clerk J. L. Smith Retires

York County Warden Floyd Perkins was chairman at a testimonial dinner held Tuesday night at the Bayview Golf and Country Club, Steeles Avenue, to honor retiring York County Clerk John L. Smith. The evening was widely attended by members of the county council.

Mr. Smith will retire at the end of this month after 42 years' service to East Gwillimbury Township and the county. He began as clerk-treasurer in East Gwillimbury in 1925, and took over as clerk-treasurer of the county in 1943.

A resident of Queensville, just north of Sharon in East Gwillimbury Township, Mr. Smith taught school for a year in the Haliburton region and subsequently enrolled in a course in agricultural chemistry at Ontario Agricultural College, before entering municipal work.

## Campaign Tempo Picks Up As Roberts And Nixon Visit Richmond Hill Tuesday



(Photo by Stuart's Studio)

Ontario Liberal Leader Robert Nixon visited Richmond Hill Tuesday morning. In the above picture he is seen with York Centre Liberal Candidate Donald Deacon discussing problems with a group of independent milk producers at the Bathurst Street home of Milton Savage.

Mr. Nixon is aware of milk producers' problems since he owns a 260-acre farm and his father-in-law is on the milk committee of Brant County.

He told the farmers that the Roberts Government has consistently ignored the proposals of the milk producers and has discontinued the agriculture committee of the Legislature where proposals and problems could be discussed. Farmers now have to deal directly with the Premier or the Minister of Agriculture where recent protests have fallen on deaf ears.

The farmers claim the policy of the Conservative Government to subsidize the large industrial shippers is forcing the independent producers out of business and could cause abandonment of farms in this area.

## County Council Resolution Ask Ont. License Half-Way Homes

York County Council at its October 4 sitting, passed unanimously a resolution asking that the provincial government enact legislation to control and license homes for the care, control and treatment of emotionally disturbed children.

The resolution was passed at the recommendation of the welfare committee and arose because of a number of homes for disturbed children purchased throughout the county by Brown Camps Limited, Welfare Chairwoman Gladys Rolling, deputy-revee of East Gwillimbury Township advised that her municipality had passed a resolution that council was not agreeable to having such homes operated in East Gwillimbury by Brown Camps.

Mrs. Rolling insisted that the homes were a private business venture that, because of costs of educating children from the homes, was being subsidized by local taxpayers. Her council had received complaints, she said, that the homes were noisy and supervised by teenagers.

Secretary of the welfare committee is Vaughan Township Deputy-revee Garnet Williams. In an interview with "The Liberal", he stated that an emergency meeting of the welfare committee had been called for Mrs. Rolling the day prior to the county council sitting when the Brown Camps homes were discussed.

He advised that the resolution subsequently put before county council and passed was identical with one recently passed by Essex County which Mrs. Rolling had visited in her investigations of the matter.

"I don't see anything wrong with the homes if they are not a nuisance to the neighbors," said Mr. Williams, "although we must check and see that they have proper adult supervision."

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### Dump Hearing Postponed Again

The Ontario Municipal Board hearing between Vaughan Township and Metro concerning the 600 acre dump which Metro wants to open south of Woodbridge was postponed again last week.

Several who went downtown to OMB headquarters on Queen Street West on the morning of October 5 were merely told that the hearing would not continue that day as scheduled.

Vaughan's Solicitor James F. McCallum advises that the hearing was postponed this time at the request of Metro as its Solicitor George Mace was engaged with a case before the Supreme Court of Canada.

At press time, Mr. Mace was said to be back from Ottawa but no date had yet been set for the resumption of the hearing.

The hearing was postponed for two days in September due to the illness of Mr. McCallum.

As Mr. McCallum has not yet completed his cross-examination of Herbert Finnerty, vice-president of James F. MacLaren Limited, the firm which made the \$175,000 garbage disposal study for Metro, Mr. Finnerty is still under oath and unable to discuss the matter with his associates or anyone else.

On the last day of the cross-examination, Mr. McCallum uncovered discrepancies amounting to several million dollars in the report.



(Photo by Studio Nine)

Premier John Roberts made a flying visit to Richmond Hill Tuesday afternoon to be greeted by his former colleague, 81-year-old Lex Mackenzie, who represented the old riding of York North in the Legislature for nearly a quarter of a century.

In the picture above Lex (centre) in a "Victory sign" holds aloft the arms of Premier Roberts (right) and of Lorne Wells, who is carrying the Progressive Conservative standard in the new riding of York Centre in the current election campaign.

Before visiting Richmond Hill Mr. Roberts toured Newmarket and Barrie.

## Be Sure to VOTE!

When Ottawa appointed Roy Haines of Markham Village returning officer for the new federal riding of York North in 1966 following redistribution, Queen's Park turned around and named Mr. Bailie returning officer for the provincial riding of York Centre.

Three candidates are seeking the right to be the first representative of the new riding of York Centre in the next Legislature and the \$12,000 salary that goes with the job. Two of the candidates are residents of Unionville while the third is a resident of Maple. Both Liberal Donald Deacon and New Democrat James Norton call Unionville home. These same two candidates have something

Mr. Wells is a former public school trustee in Vaughan Township. Mr. Deacon is a Toronto businessman while Mr. Wells is a chartered accountant associated with a city firm. Mr. Norton is an economist with the United Steelworkers of America.

The old provincial riding of York North which prior to redistribution included the whole of the county of York (Steeles Avenue to Lake Simcoe) has gone Tory in each successive general election from 1945 to 1963. This was during the time Lex Mackenzie held sway. From 1934 to 1943 during the Hepburn Era the riding sent a Liberal to Queen's Park. Former

## CMHA Workshop Series Will Aid Police Handling Of Mentally Ill

Eager response has been received to the York County Canadian Mental Health Association's series of five workshops on mental health problems for police department personnel.

Morning and evening sessions have been arranged to accommodate policemen on shift work with morning sessions at Wrixon Hall in St. Mary's Anglican Church and evening meetings at Bayview Secondary School.

Each session will be two hours long and will include a film on various types of mental health problems likely to be encountered by a policeman in his daily work.

First workshop will take place October 16 when the film will be "Booked for Safekeeping" which depicts the handling of disturbed persons by an enlightened police force. On hand to discuss the film will be Dr. R. E. Turner of the Clarke Institute of Psychiatry and a senior representative of the Metro Toronto police department.

"A Cry for Help", a film concerned with the handling of suicidal persons by the police will be shown October 18 and

as well as a Metro police officer, Brigadier Cyril Fisher of the Salvation Army anti-suicide bureau will lead discussion.

Subsequent films and discussion will be concerned with the problem of distinguishing between someone who is drunk or may be suffering from such things as a head injury, diabetic coma or mental illness; the pressures policemen are under as they handle family quarrels, investigate accidents, deal with injury and death, apprehend thieves and transport psychotic persons.

The final session, October 30 will be concerned with "Youth and the Law", a film outlining some of the problems of youth in contemporary society. A panel consisting of Dr. P. Perry of the psychiatric unit of York County Hospital, Mrs. C. Bezoff and Fred Boden, social workers at the hospital and a Metro police officer will discuss this topic.

Response from local police departments has been very good and the CMHA hopes that as a result of the series, relations will be bettered between law enforcement and social work agencies in York County.

## Town's Newest Industry Pioneer In Aerosol Field

The U.S. parent of Richmond Hill's newest industrial entity, VCA Manufacturing of Canada Ltd., is a pioneer in what has proved to be one of the fastest growing industries of the post World War II era. VCA Manufacturing of Canada is building its first Canadian plant at Newkirk Road and Centre Street in Richmond Hill and according to its president, George Macura, the plant is expected to be in production by January 1968. The sod for the new plant was turned on September 5.

The parent company is Valve Corporation of America, a Bridgeport, Conn.-based company which made its entry into the now-booming aerosol field shortly after World War II. Aerosols at that time were relatively unknown, except among returning ex-G.I.s who talked about the U. S. Army's miracle insecticide bomb. The bomb, a somewhat primitive but highly effective development produced by U.S. Army engineers, consisted of a sturdy metal container filled with gas and insecticide. When the button atop the container was pressed, the pressurized gas forced a steady stream of insecticide spray into the air. The airborne particles of insecticide proved to be highly effective in combating insects, particularly malarial mosquitoes, that plagued Allied fighting forces in the South Pacific during the war.

It was from this humble beginning that today's aerosol industry, which in 1966 produced a record 1.7 billion aerosol units, had its start.

Today, aerosols are used in virtually every country of the free world and are produced domestically in plants in North and South America, throughout the British Commonwealth, in every country of Europe, in Asia and Africa. As virtually every homemaker knows, aerosols, which are prized for their extraordinary convenience, are used to dispense a variety of products. These range from perfumes, colognes, hairsprays, shave creams and deodorants to

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## Well-Rounded Student, Aim Of Hill Public School System

By MARGARET McLEAN

To the question "Where is the Richmond Hill Public School system going now?", its new chairman, Mrs. Deena Simpson answers: "Into the field of specialization and looking after the needs of children with particular problems."

A member of the school board for the past five years, in private life the new chairman is Mrs. Edward Simpson, of Church Street South, and the mother of two teenage daughters, both students at Richmond Hill High School.

Mrs. Simpson was born in Perth, Scotland, educated in England and came to Canada in 1947. After 10 years spent in Toronto, the family came to Richmond Hill 10 years ago.

In an interview with "The Liberal", Mrs. Simpson stated that her interest in school board business was

originally prompted by interest in her children's education. "I had been a member of the home and school association for four years, and the board seemed the next natural step to be of service," she said.

In part, Mrs. Simpson was motivated by an attempt to understand the basic philosophy underlying the educational system here as compared to the system in England under which both she and her husband had been educated. Her conclusion is that "While the education I received in England was an excellent one, it was sheltered and academic and not suited to today. It was a shock when you entered the outside world."

In contrast, Mrs. Simpson feels that her children have been much better prepared to take their place in society, they have matured earlier and have a much

better concept of the world and what goes on in it generally. "Of course there have probably been changes in the system in England since I was there," she is quick to add.

Mrs. Simpson reports that the Richmond Hill board has just completed a year-long study of the aims and objectives of education. Board members, principals and teachers had all been involved in the discussions and a report will be ready shortly. "It was interesting to see the variety of views as to what we should be trying to produce through education," she said. "The battle was between the complete development of each child as an individual and the development of a child who could satisfactorily take his place in the world."

"But we must strike a balance," she continued. "The world is a small place now. People must have a well-

developed personality but must be able to communicate clearly and have the ability to fit into our industrial world."

Mrs. Simpson stressed that in her own view, teachers must be given more scope to assess pupils, to look at them as individuals and assist them to develop well roundedly and to take their proper place in society. "This is what we are trying to do, as I see it," she said.

The new chairman feels the co-operation with the high school board and other elementary school boards in the York South Regional Education Committee has been "a terrific development" and notes that it has aroused a "fantastic" amount of interest in other boards, as evidenced by questions asked at various conventions. "I anticipate that one day there will be a board of education," she said "and this

concept (the shared services provided by the regional committee) is a step to assessing it and finding out how it will work. The final step (to a board of education) will be an easier one."

In particular, she feels that the psychological services Richmond Hill schools share with other boards will make possible the extension of help for children with particular problems. She cautions however, "This can't be done quickly. Psychological services provides the core, a beginning in solving many problems found at the elementary stage."

Teachers are alerted to notice children with problems in speech, mathematics or reading for instance, and co-operate with psychological supervisors and parents to devise a way of coping with the problem. "With the specialists, we can give in-

dividual attention to particular children."

In conclusion, Mrs. Simpson stated that she feels the Richmond Hill board is progressing in the right direction. "It is a young board, its members are enthusiastic and functioning well together," she asserted, and added, "In addition, we have first rate co-operation with our administrative staff."

Mrs. Simpson was named chairman when former chairman Walter Hutchinson asked to be relieved of his post due to pressure of work. Both he and Mrs. Simpson represent Ward 3 on the board.

Other board members are David Service and Peter Sale for Ward 1; Mrs. Phyllis Hawkes and Larry Schell for Ward 2 and Jack Knott for Ward 4. A Ward 4 replacement has not yet been named for Trustee Charles Wortman who moved from the area early in September.



SCHOOL BOARD CHAIRMAN, DEENA SIMPSON