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Street has already been done, luncheon.

There was no New Year's Day baby born in Richmond Hill this year, reports York Central Hospital.

Closest to gaining the honor was a lusty 7 pound, 1534 ounce boy born at 5.41 am, January 2, the first child of Mr. and Mrs. Herb Cliff, 133 Sherwood Forest Drive. Markham.

Mrs. Cliff, the former Ruth Windle of Toronto, advises that the baby has been called Jonathan And-

In contrast to the quiet New Year's Day on the maternity floor, two Christmas babies put in an appearance - both at 3.30

An 8 pound, 11/2 ounce boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Williams of 298 Axminster Drive, Richmond Hill. Named Scott Richard, he is their third child.

The other lively Christmas bundle was a 7 pound 31/2 ounce girl. Deborah Leoma, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cook, 3908 Bathurst Street, North York.

Other than this flurry of activity, maternity was quite quiet during the holidays, the hospital reports.

New Year Baby A Day Late Council Takes Initial Step To Encourage Regional Change

A major task for 1968 for Richmond Hill Town Council, which has been returned to office for a two-year term, will be attempting to maintain a tolerable tax rate, stated Mayor Thomas Broadhurst but a great amount of more Take Initiative in his address at the inaugural meeting held at 11 detailed work will have to be Richmond Hill Council has any resemblance to the present am Monday.

"To this end, I rate the adoption of a financial policy, as recently proposed by the Chairman of Finance Reeve Donald Plaxton, as having high pri- area, Mayor Broadhurst noted County by passing a resolution will have to fit in with the ority. In my opinion we must co-operate with that another problem is the at Monday night's meeting. higher levels of government and attempt to combat staging of development of the The resolution is to be circinflationary trends which have existed for too long Mills Sideroad, which became Vaughan and Markham, the cillor John MacDiarmid had by rigorously restricting every capital expenditure a part of Richmond Hill on Jan- Villages of Markham, Wood- challenged council to take the to which we are not already committed beyond the uary 1. point of no return, and which is not of immediate | Magistrate James Butler pre- Deacon MLA and the Minister request from Markham Townand vital necessity."

Mayor Broadhurst also point- As part of its responsibilities Rev. James O'Neil of St. Mary's asked to subscribe to the resed out that the whole of this he urged council to "exert the Anglican Church read the sage olution indicating those who read, "That the Ontario Police

leave the nature, timing and "The time is near when dis-mayor's levee, the opening ev- and the Minister of Municidegree of such changes to be cussions must begin to bear ent in Richmond Hill for Cen- pal Affairs to inform him of government of the Southern imposed by external sources or fruit," he challenged his fellow tennial year, and that it had the information and reports to be dictated by events and members. "Events begin to been designed and crafted by available on the subject; to disovertake us.

"complete farce".

"Well, when you are reeve

Council also made several ap-

area is "teetering on the verge most careful, most thoughtful advice of St. Peter and asked recognize that change of some Commission be requested to of significant changes" and ex- and most immediate attention divine guidance for the delib- sort is both necessary and de- make a survey of the Southern pressed the opinion that the to changes which must mean, erations of council. present council will have to de- at the least, major shifts in re- Presenting the mayor's chain The Town of Richmond Hill the feasibility of a joint police cide "whether it wants to moti- sponsibility for certain services of office, Clerk Russell Lynett will seek a meeting with those force and that the other five vate and participate in these and, more likely, the re-draw-recalled that it had been the municipalities who indicate they municipalities be asked to supchanges, or whether it will ing of municipal maps.

300 acres north of the Elgin ulated to the Townships of Earlier in the meeting Coun-

sided over the inauguration and of Municipal Affairs. administered the oath of office. Each municipality will be

gift of the local Lions at the recognize the need for change,

local Lion Doug Boyd. The cuss the various alternatives Mayor Broadhurst informed gavel, symbol of authority, with him; and to ascertain the council. His opinion was that which was made from Rich- attitude of the provincial govmond Hill walnut by Hydro ernment to these proposals and Commissioner William Wagner, how, if at all, any of them was presented to the mayor by would accommodate themselves Police Chief R. P. Robbins, with to any overall provincial phil- Town Names Members the admonition it use it "never osophies of development for

The resolution was presented Boards & Committees Mayor Broadhurst then made by Reeve Donald Plaxton and Discussion became more than a little heated at even when a recorded vote was the symbolic presentation of a seconded by Councillor Ivan

demanded by Councillor Roman. white rose to each member of Mansbridge. With the reeve and Council- council. He noted that the Speaking to his motion, the mode at Manday night's most lor Roman in favor, Mr. Hoover white rose is the emblem of reeve stated, "There is no other ing of Bighrand Hill Town still would not cast a vote, in the House of York, of the body but a municipal one which spite of the chiding of others County of York and of this can take the initiative in seekmunicipality. He drew the at- ing a solution for the need for striking committee's recom-In the tradition that no vote tention of the audience to the change. The Southern Six is mendations. The striking comis an affirmative one, Reeve recent gift from Otto Grebze an investigative body, only, and mittee, composed of the mayor, Rumble declared the motion of an oil painting of white cannot initiate. This is the reeve and deputy-reeve, met at carried. Councillor Roman felt roses, with the Richmond Hill first of a series of steps, which, the motion should be withdrawn Lion skilfully hiding in the if followed, will see eventual ments reform of municipal structure. and declared the recorded vote shadows.

Council then adjourned until We are not in the position of William Ruttle and W. J. Tay-

He also reported that a great 7:30 pm and council and guests seeking to annex land from our deal of the preparatory work journeyed to Thornhill Golf neighbors. In fact, if the necon the reconstruction of Yonge and Country Club for a buffet essary changes are made, this municipality may well disappear or be altered so much that

expended on this project. Re- taken the initiative in recog- community will be pretty tenferring to the virtual "freeze" nizing the need for change in wous. on further sewage treatment the existing municipal structure Councillor Lois Hancey warnfacilities by the OWRC in this in the southern half of York ed that any plans for this area

overall plan the province is de-

bridge and Stouffville, Donald initiative when it considered a The township was seeking

A meeting of the heads of (Continued on Page 15)

The following appointments

Committee of Adjustment:

Parks Board: Harold Jones,

board will presumably disap- coe Council of the Ontario Fed- tor of program development for Ankenman. pear with the formation of eration of Home and School As- York Central District High Planning Board: Howard

Councillor Sumner, council's School Board of R. W. Perkin, sion which will discuss parents' effective home and school asother representative on the Unionville, while appointments expectations of teachers. Panel sociations and executive skills, enson, Andy Chateauvert and authority, objected, however, "I were confirmed of H. Maynard, members will include King Course leader is Donald Nes-Herb Smith.

Councillor Charles Hoover ham, to the end of 1969. Bruce Douglas Wolfers, both parents associations are paying the registration fee for their delegates School Board: Lewis Clement,

(Photo by Stuart's Studio

Symbol Of Mayor's Authority

The placing of the chain of office around the neck of Mayor Thomas Broadhurst by Clerk Russell Lynett, at Monday's inaugural, was symbolic of his authority. The chain, Richmond Hill Lions' Centennial gift to the town, was designed and crafted by Lion Doug Boyd, local silversmith. Its individual links recall the nationalities of the founders of the town, and the town's crest makes it a distinctly Richmond Hill emblem.

Three Seek Top County Post At Opening Session On Jan. 16

vises that he will not stand.

REEVE S. RUMBLE

To Seek Wardenship?

on Pages 8 and 9 of this issue.

York County Council will meet for its first |committees. session of 1968 on January 16 and at the moment it appears that there will be three contenders for

mond Hill Deputy-reeve Floyd in favor of Mr. Wright with a various bodies. Perkins. East Gwillimbury similar strong hint that he will On the third and final day two representatives of the "Will you shut up?" Reeve Garfield Wright was actively seek the position next of the session, the 1967 warden Southern Six on the Metro nominated for the post at that year.

of Mr. Perkins although he this year is Mrs. Alma Walker, will be made by the striking agreed with the motion. "If warned council that he wouldn't reeve of Markham Village, a committee, announcing mem- both names we present are from step down for anyone in 1968, veteran of many years' service bers of the various committees Markham Township, it will be Subsequently elected commis- at county council.

sioner, Mr. Wright was very King Township Reeve Gor- There will only be one new- municipalities," he remarked. active in his duties throughout don Cook has announced that comer to county council this 1967 and it is expected that he he will seek election as first year, Whitchurch Township will win the spot this year with- commissioner while the posi- Deputy-reeve Lawrence Hention as second commissioner is nessey. Hugh E. Lyons will re-Markham Township Reeve expected to be filled by Georg- place Harry Bulens as deputy-

missioner last year, admits ris. however that he will allow his Vaughan Township Deputy- council twice previously. name to stand for warden al- reeve Garnet Williams has also though he is not doing any been mentioned as second comactive "politicking" for the post missioner, but Mr. Williams ad-

Plan For Day Care Centre

Preliminary steps towards care centre for children of

Reeve Donald Plaxton and members of Richmond Hill Council's Welfare Committee William Lazenby and Ivan Mansbridge are to be present at the meeting, as were York Central Hospital Administrator Gary Chatfield and High School Board Superintendent S. L. G. Chapman.

the Department of Welfare is also to be in attendance to interpret the Day Nurseries Act, which provides for an 80 percent administration and capital costs grant to a municipality setting up a day

ning Council of Richmond Hill and District. The council investigated the need of a day care centre in the area at the request of York Central Hospital which felt such a centre would assist in holding nursing and other staff. The suggestion has been made that the centre could be set up either in the new wing to be added to the hospital shortly, or in the new vocational school to be built immediately east of the hospital.

time but stepped down in favor A third possible contender their final report and a report Councillor Allan Sumner dis-

of council. Stewart Rumble, second com- ina Township Reeve E. J. Nor- reeve of Sutton but Mr. Lyons has been a member of county

and commissioners will make Board.

on the Metro board one of Markham should stand. whom is to be an elected rep- "Let the chips fall where resentative and in the past, after they may," he said.

an informal meeting, the vari- Deputy-reeve S. J. Gadsby ous councils have agreed on the seconded Mr. Roman's motion names and all passed resolu- that he and Mr. Masters be aptions naming the same people, pointed, agreeing with Mr. Last year's representatives, Roman that this would show Richmond Hill Mayor Thomas that "Markham wishes consid-Broadhurst and Norn Garriock eration."

New Conservation Authority Representative

Markham Township Council's last meeting of the

year, December 27, over appointments to Metro

of Woodbridge have already Even more acrimonious was been nominated by several discussion over council's ap-On the second day of the councils, Woodbridge, Vaughan pointee to the Metro Conservasittings, January 17, the two Township and Stouffville. tion Authority. Things became vious appointments.

commissioners will be installed However, Markham Council, so chaotic, with the deputyand bylaws will be passed ap- in a split vote has recommend- reeve repeatedly interrupting Thornhill was reappointed to an ambitious leadership confer- who has recently been appoint- Cripps. Last year's warden was Rich- and will presumably withdraw pointing county residents to an amortious leadership confer- who has reappointed to an amortious leadership confer- who has recently been appoint. Cripps.

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shot down in a hurry by other

Councillor Roman pointed out that in the last year Markham Township has had no representative on the Metro Planning Board and he thought this most unjust. In any event, he felt that since the decision will

Planning Board and Metro Conservation Authority. The Southern Six municipali- rest with the other municifor his lack of decision. ties are allowed two members palities, the two names from

you can run things your way, the subject closed.

Hot Words On Mkhm Appointments

Mr. Gadsby had moved that council's present appointee to the authority, Everett Harper of Unionville be replaced by Charles dall to the end of 1968. Peacock, RR 2 Gormley and this was seconded by Coun-

be replaced," he insisted.

believe Mr. Harper should not Unionville, to the end of 1968 Township School Board Mem-bitt. was agreeable to either ap- Davidson was confirmed in his of school-age children. pointee, but refused to vote (Continued on Page 3) Teachers' expectations of and teachers at their schools. reappointed.

replied Mr. Rumble, declaring Supt. G. S. McIntyre Moderator Of Panel

pointments to school boards and Many district teachers and parents will be discussed by a Beggs. other bodies and confirmed pre- principals as well as parents second panel which will include Recreation Committee: A. and home and school associa- Arthur Murch, former principal Phillips, A. Chateauvert, W. John Honsberger, John Street, tion members will be attending of Langstaff Secondary School Naylor, W. S. Cook, Russell

county school boards in 1969, sociations, the seminar will School Board.

Superintendent G. S. McIntyre, and Nelson Smith, RR 2 Mark- ber Mrs. Dolina Paterson and Many local home and school vaird.

Trustee H. S. Leybourne had his have as its theme the expecta- Members of the audience will

appointment confirmed to the tions of teachers and parents.
end of 1969 and Norman Tyn-Richmond Hill Public School of both panels. A three year appointment was BA, B. Paed. will be moderator Following luncheon, there Eric Charity, William McVean, made to Markham District High of the panel in the morning ses- will be workshops on building Tom Graham, David Harvey.

Whillans for a three-year term. Library Board: John Anderson for a three-year term. Arena Board: Elgin Barrow,

Bryden Ellis, Jack Hollowell, Weed Inspector: Fred Bo-

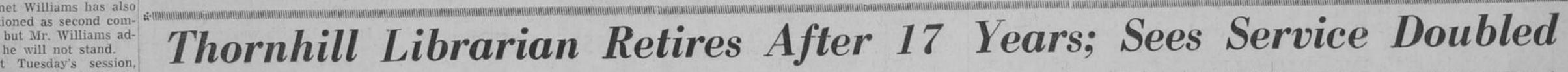
Manual At next Tuesday's session,

the setting up of a day working mothers are to be discussed this afternoon (Thursday) at a meeting in the board room of York Central District High School Board.

A representative of the Day Nurseries Branch of

The meeting has been called by the Social Plan-

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the colorful ceremony will take place of the presenting of the By MARGARET McLEAN colors of the Queen's York Will Thornhill Public Lib-Rangers and the colors will rerary ever be quite the same main in the council chamber again? There are some who until the end of the session. doubt it, since the retirement January 1 of its Chief Lib-The new warden will be inrarian Jane McLaren, after stalled and a presentation will

be made to retiring Warden 17 years' service. Perkins. A striking committee During this period, Miss will then be set up to name McLaren, with her happy council members to standing smile, cheerful disposition and friendly nature, has seen the library more than double in size and housed at four

> When she first joined the staff in 1950 as a volunteer worker for a few hours a week, the library was on the second floor of the Mac-Neil Building, over the restaurant. Next it went to 18 Centre Street, now the medical offices of Doctors Morse, Pamenter and Magee; then to a Yonge Street location in the old Masonic Hall north of Centre Street and finally to its present location on

different locations.

Colborne Street. With each move the library expanded, and with it the library hours. In 1954, Miss McLaren was named chief librarian and became the first paid worker and library hours were extended although she still did not

work a full week. The year 1967 saw the greatest change in the library however. In January the library service was taken over by Markham Township and became part of the township library system — or half of it rather, with the other Take advantage of the mam- half, the Unionville Public moth January Sales at Rich- Library, officially opened in mond Heights Centre, advertised October.

You can save money and please With the takeover by the your family by shopping at the township came increased revenue. Previously, the lib-

rary had been supported only by residents of the Police Village of Thornhill and small grants. "It was really wonderful this past year, having so much money to spend, being able to go out and buy books and whatever else was needed," Miss Mc-Laren told "The Liberal" "Before that we had to think twice before we even bought With the new books, the

thing like 9,000 volumes and by the middle of December, 680 new members had been added to the rolls during 1967, most of them from the new North Thornhill devel-During the last year also, a second paid worker was

library now contains some-

added, Mrs. Betty Boyden who works about quartertime and is staying on with the new Head Librarian, Mrs. Betty Sumner. The library is now open 18 hours per week, "although of course you work lots of hours when it's closed," Miss Mc-Laren hastens to add. For several years Miss Mc-

Laren also visited local schools in Thornhill, Markham and Vaughan Townships, giving talks to the children and introducing them to some of her favorite books, many home and school meet-Although born in Toronto,

Miss McLaren has lived in

the family farm home on

1922 and the historic little

boarding school for girls at Barrie where she completed her secondary schooling. From all accounts, the 100-

acre McLaren farm must have been a busy place. The family moved there because of the health of Miss McLaren's father, Col. George Mc-Laren, commanding officer of the 48th Highlanders whose lungs were damaged by gas in World War 1. It was first a thriving chicken farm. To this Mrs. McLaren added chinchillas and even produced fur slippers, coats, etc. The 140-year-old farmhouse was enlarged - the McLarens were the third owners of the property which was a grant from the Crown in

1818.

However, with World War II, activity was much diminished at the McLaren homestead. In England studying voice when the war broke out, Miss McLaren immediately joined the Red Cross and worked at the Maple Leaf Club, a servicemen's residential club in London. However, within a few months of each other in 1944 her only brother was killed in action in Italy and a sister, teers most of the time," she also in the services, was killed in a traffic accident so Miss McLaren returned home in April of 1945. Her stay overlapped by just two weeks volunteers and Miss McLaren and she has also spoken at with that of her younger sis- is full of praise for these ter who reached England with the Canadian Red Cross just as Jane was about to

Along with her work at the library, Miss McLaren has German Mills Road since long cultivated a host of German Mills School, SS 2 and with her retirement, Markham is her alma mater. hopes to give more time to At 12 however, she was enthem. An active member of rolled at Ovenden, a private

Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Thornhill, she sings in the choir and is a member of the Altar Guild there and of the Footlights Club, having appeared in many of its productions over the years. She studied pottery at Central Technical School and tries to keep her hand in with that, knits, hooks rugs, gardens and bird watches.

For several years Miss Mc-Laren has been an enthusiastic member of the Petronella Club which meets Friday evenings at Henderson Avenue Public School to do Scottish country dancing. "Maybe I'll be able to get there on time now," she laughed. However, Miss McLaren is

not deserting her library

career entirely and plans to

spend one day per week at

the new Unionville Public

Miss McLaren paid particular tribute to the many volunteer workers who have given their time to Thornhill Library free of charge over the years. "There were usually seven or eight volunsaid, "working one day each

Recently the library has had high school students as young people who asked to work in the library with no hope or expectation of payment. "It has been a very amicable arrangement," she said, "and two of them are staying on."

And it's even money too other absorbing occupations that Miss McLaren will be popping in from time to time just to see how things are getting on!



(Photo by Stuart's Studio)

Orchids Absorbing Retirement Hobby for Jane McLaren