

Headford & District News

Grade 8 Graduation
Six Headford pupils, Gloria and Gordon Lee, Jenni Calder, Connie Burton and Paul Wellman were present on June 27 to receive diplomas for entrance to high school from Parkview Public School, Unionville. Lisa Staton, a graduating member was absent.

The school auditorium was crowded with parents and friends to watch 184 students cross the platform to receive their reward and the good wishes of their teachers. The girls in fresh "hair do's" and gay dresses added color to the parade.

Principal A. M. Hill welcomed the parents and introduced the teachers of the grades 8 and School Board Chairman Eldred King who brought greetings and good wishes from the trustees. Sharon Buchanan, valedictorian expressed the appreciation of the students to the staff and parents for their effort to make the night possible.

Superintendent Dean Culliford held the attention of the audience as he compared the scholastic world of today with the Canadian world of 1830. The cost of education per child per year was \$5. Of course they had the fringe benefit of having the teacher live with them — turn about — in lieu of salary! In cash he received one cent per day per pupil. A class rarely exceeded 12 or 13 pupils. Last year in Markham the cost of keeping a child in school was \$527 per pupil.

In spite of the limited number of subjects and the frequent application of the hickory stick the system produced men like Sir John A. Macdonald and the Fathers of Confederation who laid the foundation for Canadian culture.

Mr. Culliford mentioned several recommendations from the 258 outlined in the Hall-Denis Report on the future of education in Ontario and said that 50 years from now today's system would seem as obsolete as the system of 120 years ago. "No homework" brought youthful applause, French from Grades 1 to 4 — and then optional — rated a few "boons" and the progressive system when students will advance, not by grades but by their ability to complete assignments, in their own time.

Mr. Culliford mentioned, with amusement that on an occasion when he was asked unexpectedly to speak, he sat thoughtfully blowing smoke from his pipe. After his talk a student came up to speak to him but instead of complimentary or bright remarks about his speech, he said enthusiastically, "Sir you blew some great smoke rings!"

He concluded his talk expanding on the advice from Shakespeare's Hamlet when Polonius told his son Laertes, "To thine own self be true and it will follow as doth night the day, thou canst not then be false to any man."

In extending his wish for their success he quoted a translated Chinese farewell blessing, "I wish for you as you travel through life that a star will lead you, that the wind may be at your back, that your road come up to meet you and that God will hold you in the hollow of His hand."

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Police Accident Report:

Traffic Jams Bumper To Bumper In The Worst Weekend In Years

Heavy weekend traffic resulted in a number of accidents in the area.

"The traffic on Don Mills Road Sunday was the worst I've ever seen it," said a spokesman from the Whitechurch Township Police Force. "It was bumper to bumper from five until nine."

Markham Township Police are investigating a three-car accident on Don Mills Road near 19th Avenue July 8 at 7:25 pm. The drivers were Shalom Brovster of 19 Glen Park Avenue, Toronto; David Connell, 191 Prescott Avenue, Toronto; and Peter Pogulis, 107 Brookdale Avenue, Toronto.

The five passengers in Mr. Connell's car were all slightly injured. They were David Connell, 12, Ronnie Connell, 9, Derick Connell, 7, Gary Connell, 3, and Gregory Connell, 6 months old. Rosie Arruara, a passenger in another car, was also injured in the same accident. All three cars were southbound when the accident, a rear end collision, occurred.

Police in Markham are also investigating an accident that took place July 6 on Don Mills Road at Gormley Townline. Dorothy Weedon of Kettleby and Alfred Rach of Connaught Avenue in Willowdale were involved in a collision. No one was injured, but damages amounted to \$100 to Mr. Rach's car.

In Richmond Hill, an accident July 5 resulted in damages of about \$475. Robert Gardiner of 80 Forest Manor Road in Willowdale and Mrs. Marie Binns of North Road, Lake Wilcox were southbound on Yonge Street at Arnold Street when the accident occurred.

When a pedestrian stepped from the curb into the street, Mr. Gardiner stopped his car, and Mrs. Binns applied the brakes, but her car slid into the back of the other one.

Tall grass around the parking area of the Pine Valley Golf Club obscured the vision of two drivers and caused a head-on collision in Vaughan Township July 7.

Richard White, 48 Dellbrook Crescent, Weston was driving south, out of the parking area when his car collided with one driven by Verna Hoffman, 50 Islington Avenue North, Islington, who was driving north into the parking area. Total damages were \$450.

A three car collision took place at Langstaff Sideroad and Keele Street July 5 at 4:45 pm. David Henderson, 92 Mill Street, Richmond Hill was driving north on Keele Street, and Joseph Keech, 48 Doncaster Drive, Bramalea, was driving south. As David Fredenburg, 106 Saskatoon Drive, Weston approached the intersection, Mr. Henderson applied his brakes and skidded into the southbound lane, colliding with Mr. Keech's car. Damages amounted to \$150.

TSA 2 Schools Can't Accomodate Students From 80 More Homes

TSA 2 Markham at its June meeting was asked if it would require a school site for an 80-lot subdivision proposed for the west half of Lot 33, Concession 2, south of the Gormley Townline.

The request brought the exclamation from Vice-chairman Mrs. Mildred Toogood, "What a silly system! They come a long and ask if you want a school site for 80 homes! Of course we don't!"

She added, however that the request indicated a need for better planning, and it was agreed that the subdividers should be told that a school site was not needed at present but that "While we don't require a site, neither do we have accommodation for pupils from that type of subdivision."

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Bell Builds Addition Gormley Switching Ctr.

Construction of an extension to Bell Canada's switching centre in Gormley has commenced, according to Manager G. B. Wansbrough.

The 29 by 34-foot addition to the south of the existing building will increase its frontage along Don Mills Road to approximately 64 feet, more than doubling its size.

Growth in the area has made necessary the installation of additional switching equipment, Mr. Wansbrough said, and the existing building is filled to capacity. The new wing, scheduled for completion in October, will meet future requirements.

Vaugh'n Workers

The men had also originally asked for a 10% general increase as of January 1, 1968 and a further 10% next January. Recommendation of Conciliation Board Chairman J. B. Metzler QC was for 6 1/2% for 1968 and a further 7% for next January.

The workers representative on the board, Murray Tait, put in a minority report recommending two 8% wage increases. He also recommended a reduction in the work week to 42 hours, as of March, 1968 and 40 hours next January.

CUPE representative C. F. Kitchen who has been acting for the workmen blames poor employer-employee relationships for the impasse. Both township officials and council have been difficult to deal with and have shown little understanding of the men's position, he said.

"If council is as unreasonable and unrealistic as it has been in the past, we will have a strike," he told "The Liberal". "They have set the tone for a damn good strike."

Mr. Kitchen said that outdoor workers will most neighboring municipalities work a 40 hour week. A laborer's pay in Metro and surrounding areas is \$2.61 per hour he said, while Vaughan pays laborers the \$1.79. "This is not enough to live on," he stated. "The men are fed up to the teeth."

Proposed 200 Acre Cemetery Second In Vaughan

A 200-acre cemetery site is sought in Vaughan Township by the Trustees of Toronto General Burying Grounds.

The trustees now operate the 166-acre Beechwood Cemetery on Jane Street, just north of Steeles Avenue and as well, own a 100-acre site for a future cemetery on the east side of Highway 27, south of Highway 7, the Johnson farm.

However, if the township grants the request for the 200-acre site, the trustees propose selling the Johnson property.

The new site is on parts of Lots 10 and 11, Concession 9, immediately northwest of Woodbridge.

R. B. Robinson, solicitor for the trustees, appeared at the June 26 meeting of council to explain reasons for the request.

According to Metro planning staff population projections within 15 or 20 years, there will be about a million people in the west part of Metro, about two million in the centre core and a million in the east section, he stated. As the Toronto General Burying Grounds bury about 50% of all those who die in the area, they will need about four acres of land per year for the western section. Thus 25 or 30 acre cemeteries are of no use.

If permission were given for the new site, the trustees would dispose of the Johnson farm, Mr. Robinson advised. The land there could be expected to develop more quickly than the site further north, he said, and the northerly site would be more difficult to develop.

Mr. Robinson felt that Vaughan Township Planning Board had turned down the request for the new site because the need for it had not been established. Mount Pleasant Cemetery in Toronto will be full in 10 or 15 years, he said, as will Prospect Cemetery. The 100 acre York Cemetery in Willowdale and the 166 acre

Beechwood Cemetery in Vaughan will be needed to serve the centre core of Metro and there is no more land available for cemeteries in Metro.

"We have to look ahead 15 or 20 years and get land at a reasonable price," Mr. Robinson advised. "We must go to the fringes of Metro."

He advised that the proposed site would continue in an agricultural usage for 10 or 15 years, during which time full municipal taxes would be paid on it.

In answer to a question about required services, Mr. Robinson advised that the cemetery would require storm sewers but would hope to pump water from a creek (a tributary of the Humber) for watering purposes. He admitted however, that OWRC approval had not yet been sought or obtained for this.

Toronto General Burying Grounds was chartered as a non-profit charitable organization in 1826 and its cemeteries are non-denominational. Its first site was of six acres at the north-west corner of Bloor and Yonge Streets, near the Yorkville area, at that time outside the city limits. This was closed in 1850 and moved to the 18-acre Necropolis site which was in operation for about 100 years. It is now full but will be maintained in perpetuity.

Mount Pleasant Cemetery on Bayview Avenue was acquired in 1873 and 1883 and its 200 acres were also outside the city limits at that time. Prospect Cemetery in Toronto's west end was purchased in 1890.

Some municipalities operate cemeteries as do some churches. As well, there are commercial establishments which operate the so-called "lawn" type cemeteries on a profit basis.

Vaughan, Markham & Woodbridge Agree

(Continued from Page 1) a normal school," said Mr. McLean. "I think we can find the extra money, any municipality can afford it. I don't see any need for such a long meeting."

Although Vaughan Township Reeve Brian Bailey had earlier indicated that his council was prepared to approve the additional debenture request, he pointed out that the \$300,000 included \$32,000 for a package sewage disposal plant for the school. Pointing out that word had just been received of the approval of a sewage disposal plant in Vaughan Township that would serve the school, he asked assurance from Richmond Hill that it would permit temporary attachment to its disposal system by the school until the plant was ready.

If these were done, \$32,000 could be deleted from the debenture request, he said.

Mayor Broadhurst refused to give this assurance however. "I only heard about this approval 10 minutes before the meeting," he said and his council had not discussed it. He also stressed that Richmond Hill had

insisted ever since the school was first proposed that it would be unable to provide sewer service for it in the town's overladen sewer system.

Deputy-reeve S. J. Gadsby of Markham attempted to present a motion that the municipalities accept their share of the increase but Mr. Broadhurst pointed out that the meeting could not bind the municipalities.

Mr. Longhouse also objected that the meeting was a fact-finding one and asked that the motion be declared out of order.

High School Board Chairman Allan Peck thanked those present. "It has been heartening to us to hear what has been said about the need," he said. He reminded the councillors how since that time was of the essence and that before time ran out for signing of the contract in less than 60 days, the board would have to have the approval also of York County Council and the MOH. "We would like to hear a yes or no as promptly as possible," he said. "We have just 13 months to get this school up."

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