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No Tax Cut Expected

will probably offset a \$4.2 million increase in education grants, cancelling out anticipated reductions in municipal levies for education in the Region of York. In a report received at the March 13 meeting, York County Board of Education learned that grants will go up this year by something like \$4.2 million. With a budget increase of between \$3 and \$4 this should result in a slight drop in educa-

The picture is clouded, however, by a drop in assessment of \$33 million from farm assessment appeals, a reduction of about 2,3 percent of the total assessment. This means that although increased grants will reduce municipal levies, there will be fewer taxpayers to pay them, and individuals, particularly home owners in urban areas, may see little or no reduction on their tax

As grants are structured to provide greater assistance where assessment is lower, reducing assessment rolls by the \$33 millions

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

York County Board will

Catholic Board

Lacks Quorum

history York County Ro-

man Catholic School Board

was unable to hold its reg-

ular meeting scheduled for

March 21 because of lack of

There are 14 members of

At 8 pm, the scheduled

time, only five members

were present-Vice-Chair-

man Gaspar Parent of

Newmarket, Allan Quesn-

elle of King Township,

John McDermott of Stouff-

ville and Father Francis Robinson and Malcom

the board and a quorum

a quorum of trustees.

consists of eight.

For the first time in its

when calculating 1972 grants would have produced an additional \$335,000 in grants. This was not the case, however, as grants for 1972 were based on last year's assessment rolls. Trustees were unanimous

in their decision to seek an appointment with Minister of Education Thomas Wells to seek some compensation for the loss of assessment. Peel, Muskoka, Welland and Lincoln Counties have also been affected by substantial farm assessment reductions.

receive in provincial grants this year 57.6 percent of elementary and 61.6 of secondary school costs. Province-wide, grants are 63.5 of ordinary expenses this year. The eight percent over grants received last year is the largest increase yet for the regional board.

York County Bd.

No Increase In Honorarium For Education Advisory Committees

Members of York County Other topics the association Board of Education agreed thought would be of interest March 13 that they would not were problems and legalities insupport a move by the Niagara volved in transportation, rules South Board of Education to of order and parliamentary prohave an adjustment in honor-cedure, and proposed changes aria paid to non-board members in the certification of vocational and occupational teachers. of advisory committee.

pointed to "great discrepancy" go ahead if a minimum of 15 an undefeated seven days of in the amounts paid to non-member boards see a need tournament play. board committee members serv- for it. ing on advisory vocational, advisory French Language and advisory trainable retarded committees. It asked that the Minister of Education be requested to review the honoraria authorized for such committees and that copies of the motion be sent to all other boards con-

Vaughan Trustee Morley Kinnee, a member of the board's advisory vocational committee and a former chairman of that committee, advised that non-board members of the York County Advisory Vocational Committee are paid \$50 per

Markham Trustee Louise advisory committees serve on Councillor Jongeneel said he them out of a sense of com-

> Trustees also rejected a suggestion from the Ontario Public School Trustee Association that a zone conference be held this

In a letter to Board Chairman Vaughan, the association's Assistant Executive Director dealt with at another meeting. Freeman Farrington said there has been no zone conference for Councillor Twinney re-intro- the past two years and asked for a consensus of opinion from

Locations suggested were a school in Oshawa or a lodge in Haliburton. Format would in clude a "cracker barrel session" with all directors of education from boards in the zone being on the receiving end of trustees

FRANK MURPHY

Best Tourney Yet But this was the tournament for the Foster Birds who de-The resolution from Niagara Plans for the conference will feated seven clubs enroute to

> One of their victories was against a determined Richmond Hill Legion Midget Hockey Team which came within one goal of possibly ending up in

the finals themselves. The Legion crew, displaying all kinds of desire and hustle, got by St. Mike's 6-2 in the opener, then Burlington 3-1,

and North York Rangers 2-1. Then they ran head-on into The Firebirds in the "A" semifinals and that was as far as they went.

The Firebirds had upended Hamilton 3-0, Levack 3-2, and Detroit Ceasars 1-0 before the Richmond Hill game which drew over 2,000 victory-eager Richmond Hill fans.

Richmond Hill's underdog Sauce For The Goose midget team gave them plenty to cheer about as they opened the scoring at 16:18 of the first IS Sauce For Gander period on a penalty shot.

The shot was called when a Firebird fired his stick at Val is sauce for the gander," as far Steffan as he broke in alone on goal. Steffan then carried in from centre ice, faked as if to pull the goalie out, and then Robert Deremo, 39, fired a high one into the top

School Grants Up But Foster Firebirds Win All Midget Hockey Tourney By FRED SIMPSON Some 2,000 spectators saw that truth was more exciting than fiction Rangers 2-1 on the strength of

Sunday afternoon as Toronto Foster Firebirds scored in overtime to down goals by Hugh Cutler and Mike

Cornwall Knights 4-3. It gave the Torontonians the 1972 Richmond Hill fifth annual Inter- More than 20 National Hocnational Midget Hockey Tournament Grand Championship climaxing seven days key League and OHA Junior of drama viewed by 12,000 record-breaking spectators.

The score was tied 3-3 with 30 seconds remaining in the first overtime ament and awarded most valuwhen Gary Coates hammered in a rebound ending one of the most exciting able player awards to Douglas games of the tournament.

A fan-favorite Cornwall team | Richmond Hill hung on to its to meet Cornwall in the Grand -defenceman, Greg Craig, St. had sent the arena into con- 1-0 lead in dogged fashion from Championship. vulsions when they tied the there on in aided by some Cornwall, Liter losing an 8-3 tell-most gentlemanly player.

> put the puck into the net It couldn't last and the Fire- ings for a local Legion team ice during the tournament.

third and then won it in sudden five years ago. death overtime. The Firebirds then went on Mikes 6-2 in the opening game had in the past five years".

'A" finals by 4-2 for the right Burlington.

Arrest Boy 15 Butcher Knife Murder Try

A 15-year-old boy was arrested for attempted murder near midnight Saturday night while at the York County Hospital in Newmarket for treatment of cuts.

Also at the hospital recovering from being stabbed in the back by a 121/2inch butcher knife was Mark Francis, 17, of Woodbine Avenue (formerly Don Mills Road) RR 3, Newmarket, according to York Region Police.

The wounding took place at a property in Whitchurch - Stouffville Town where the two boys were working.

The arrested juvenile was kept under guard while a patient at the hospital and then returned to the Ontario Hospital at Penetang, police said. Previously a patient at Penetang, the boy was a ward of the St. John's Training School at Uxbridge when the incident occurred, police said.

Francis was seriously wounded. He was sleeping in bed when he was awakened by an attacker and stabbed in the back, YRP

"What's sauce for the goose as York Region Police are con-

On Tuesday of last week Browndale Crescent was at Richmond Hill Division Police Station complaining somebody punched him at 3:30 pm at 280

Centre Street East. At 4:10 pm YRP arrested John Plowman, 31, of 258 Elka Drive, Richmond Hill on a charge of common assault.

Then Plowman complained Deremo punched him, so at complainant on a counter charge of common assault. Both men were released after signing a promise to appear in Richmond Hill Court Now its up to the judge.

"A" scouts attended the tourn-Jamie Master, Don Mills Flyers

Catharines-forward and Disogame at 3-3 with only four sec- brilliant goaltending of John game to Oshawa, went on to The R. P. Robbins Award onds remaining in regulation Clement and some sheer luck win the "B" championship by went to Halifax Lions for showas Toronto did everything but whipping Ottawa Canadians 4-2, ing the most gentlemanly de-It was one of the best show- portment both on and off the

birds finally tied it at 1-1 in the since the tournament opened Tournament Incorporated President Frank Murphy said it The Legion disposed of St. was "the best tournament we've

to down St. Catharines in the of the tournament then defeated. Other highlights included the introduction Saturday night of It took the Legion Midgets members of the Richmond Hill almost two periods and a half World Softball Champion Dynes but they finally got a goal to Jewellers.

tie their game with Burlington Marsh Amos of Tournaments at 1-1 and go on to win by 3-1. Incorporated presented Man-Hero in this outing was Bruce ager Russell "Casey" Cripps Hipkiss who scored the tying with a cheque to help defray goal at 9:31 of the final period costs of making the trip. assisted by Kim Mabley and Also present at the tourna-

Chuck Lunau. The goal result- ment was Chris "Mouse" Amos who presented one of the ined from a scramble. Prior to this score the Legion dividual awards. Amos was a team had found the going rough member of past Legion tournand looked to be on their way ament teams and is now a student at Royal Military College.

The Hipkiss score started President Murphy also paid them on their way and Jeff tribute to the Royal Military Wood got the winning goal at College Band which played be-15:04 assisted by Dennis Acomb tween periods Sunday attribut-Acomb got the puck back to ing it's appeal toward helping to Wood at the blueline and his attract a record crowd. just-off-the-ice screen shot The 1972 tournament closed

out with a grand dinner at the found the mark. "Digger" Dunkley's goal at Legion Hall Sunday evening at-19:32 was the final one. He was tended by tournament officials assisted by Tommy Sanlon. and special guests.



(Photo by Photique Studio)

Hey, We Won!

A jubilant Gary Nicholls hugs the Grand 4:15 pm police arrested the first Championship Tournaments Incorporated Trophy Sunday afternoon scarce seconds after the Toronto Foster Firebirds had scored an overtime goal to down Cornwall 4-3 and win it all. The final game was viewed by 2,000 fans and was one of the most dramatic of the seven day tournament.

Councillors Query Higher Pay For Region's Top Brass Just about everyone on the payroll of the Reg- Twinney introduced, then with- month and there has been no

Beautiful Eggs For Easter

children's baskets this year, as he has had for several years past.

Ambitious and artistic members of Holy Trinity ACW Thornhill, have

made 600 quarter pound eggs and added attractive decorations. In the

above picture Sue Robson (left) fills an order and Myrtle Lang puts the

and decorate more than a thousand Easter eggs, which are real works of

art, as well as delicious confections. The demand for these very special

eggs is great and orders must be placed early in order to be filled.

finishing touches on the eggs at a recent work meeting.

The Easter Bunny will have some extra special wares to put in

The UCW of St. Paul's United, Lake Wilcox, also annually make

ion of York gets a raise in pay this year - all but drew a motion that the two pressure for an increase. the head man, Chief Administrator Jack Rettie.

The increases, which average about eight per- ance. cent, were approved by York Regional Council at a meeting in Newmarket Thursday.

Noting that Rettie's salary will remain at for mileage, that in the final \$32,500, Markham Councillor James Jongeneel de- analysis the cost to the taxpayer clared, "It should be publicly stated that the lack of an increase for the chief administrator is not an indication of lack of appreciation for his services," adding that in the face of a tight budget situation, however, said Jongeneel, only Rettie had said he did not want an increase.

ment heads came in for critic- Controversy waged hot and matter should be postponed and ism from Newmarket Mayor heavy over car allowances for Robert Forhan. The personnel the respective department and grants committee headed by heads. The committee put for- duced his motion to provide a Regional Chairman Garfield ward three options for depart-Wright had recommended an ment heads using their private increase from \$21,000 to \$24,000 automobiles on regional busifor Engineering Commissioner ness. They could submit de-Denne Bosworth and from \$18,- tailed reports indicating date, 000 to \$21,000 for Regional origin, destination, purpose, distance travelled and odometer

Treasurer John Hlynski. Increases of \$3,000 were too reading; submit monthly milemuch, said Forhan, for men age accounts not to exceed 800 who had been with the region miles per month without indicating details aforementioned. He asked, too, why Regional or accept charges in excess of Solicitor Edward Oakes got a \$115 per month toward cost of

Car Arson

In Vaughan

pected in Vaughan Town in

the Friday night burning of

a vehicle belonging to a

woman whose husband is in

jail for robbery, according

Gasoline was apparently

poured inside the car and

set on fire sometime after

midnight Friday and before

3 o'clock in the morning

Saturday, police said. The

burnt out shell of the car

Mrs. Cecilia Neal of

11730 Keele Street North

parked her car on the road

in front of her home be-

cause of snow conditions.

was found later.

to York Region Police.

Automobile arson is sus-

raise from \$25,000 to \$26,000 leasing and operating a private when he had not asked for it automobile. He moved that each department | Mileage allowance for reg- a six month probationary period head be dealt with individually, ional employees using private for new employees, payment of

cents per mile. seven to three. Salary for Commissioner of Newmarket Mayor Forhan ob- cal, extended health, long term Health and Social Services Dr. jected that there was no justi- disability and supplementary Owen Slingerland goes from fication for a \$115 per month hospital benefits. \$29,500 to \$30,500; Planning allowance for Clerk Robert Ver- Eleven statutory holidays Commissioner Murray Pound non and Treasurer John Hlyn- were listed for regional emfrom \$22,000 to \$24,000, and ski. A motion from Georgina ployees: New Year's Day, Good

> ment head found no seconder. ing Day and Remembrance Day Chairman Wright broke a tie when it falls on a working day. vote to defeat a motion from When any of these holidays,

Newmarket Councillor Ray work week.

officials in question be given a straight \$75 a month car allow- Aimone felt that members of

(Photo by Stuart's Studio)

could understand offering mitment and generally do not choices in methods of charging would be the same, but their might be tax advantages to the

Since there was controversy, 10 of the 16 members of coun- Ross Jolliffe, trustee for cil were present, the mileage

Council did not agree. \$75 allowance for clerk and trustees of the York County treasurer and it was passed.

Councillor Jongeneel reiterated his objections, saying it was disappointing to have to deal with important matters such as salaries with so few members of council present. With only 10 councillors present, he declared, it was not a representative vote.

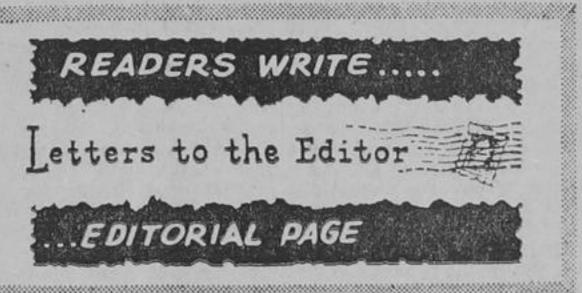
The committee recommendations included establishment of but the motion was defeated cars on regional business is 14 75 percent of costs of group insurance, hospitalization, medi-

Regional Clerk Robert Vernon Councillor Robert Pollock that Friday, Easter Monday, Queen's the question be sent back to Birthday, Dominion Day, Civic committee for specific recom- Holiday, Labor Day, Thanksmendations for each depart- giving Day, Christmas Day, Box-

> Forhan calling for straight mile- with the exception of Rememage compensation for these two brance Day fall on a Saturday or Sunday, then the Friday pre- structures are not known. In defence of the clerk ceding or the Monday following

of observance of the holiday. over estimates of the vari-Employees will be entitled to ous departments which totaloffice, bank, police office, two weeks' vacation after one led over \$24 million, an inengineering department year of employment, three crease of \$6.8 million over \$126,000 for the regional operation of centres in Sutwhich clock less than weeks vacation after five years 1971. a mile on the odometer. "It of service, and four weeks on It was assumed at the time costs more to start the car | completion of 15 years' service. | that the province would have than the allowance for the Grievance procedures, over- assessments and grants finalimileage for the distance time pay, mileage allowance zed within a week, and the travelled". The recom- were included in the committee various department heads mendations were drawn up report. Hourly salaried em- were told to return to the by a special committee of ployees will receive time and drawing board, to knock council, said Rettie, not by one-half for all time worked in \$100,000 off their respective excess of the scheduled normal estimates.

Peake of Richmond Hill. Peter Van Dyk of King Township arrived a few minutes later. Mr. Parent chaired a discussion of the transportation report by the trustees READERS WRITE



Family, Youth Centres Fear Withdrawal Of Tax Support

More than 50 people from all parts of the region turned out to York Regional Council Chambers in Newmarket, March 17 to protest proposals to cut Family Service Centres completely from the regional budget for 1972, and drastically reduce assistance to Youth Aid Centres.

They did not hear the subject discussed, however. Council, meeting as a finance committee, agreed, after two hours of debate, that it was futile to talk budget when assessment figures and grant

Two days had been spent and treasurer. Rettie told will be designated as the day the previous week going

sult would be an acceptable budget which could be whipped into shape for presentatoday (Thursday). In absence of the essential information regarding revenue, however, council agreed to ask for a meeting with provincial representatives, to present the original estimates along with lists of items that might be cut

One of the hardest hit departments if the reductions are approved would be Health and Social Services. Since many of these services are heavily subsidized by the province, it would be necessary to cut \$303,000 from its order to effect a saving of taxpayers.

cussion of budget estimates. the majority seemed to favor continuing the department's program for bringing family services under regional con-

Estimated cost of operating the two existing centres was \$26,000 for the year. Of this was anticipated \$2,600 would be paid by people seeking services, \$6,300 would be paid by the community, and another \$11,800 in provincial subsidies. This would leave \$5,500 to be picked up by the region.

Family Service Centres were not included in last year's regional budget, but it had been the intention of the department to assume responsibility for these serv-

The committee chaired by ed estimates for six-month ton and Newmarket, but are not a haven for drug will be forced to take it over. In earlier committee dis- when the report was present- addicts and do not provide ed Dr. Burrows withdrew the overnight accommodation as ional form of government, Sutton Centre, explaining they did two years ago. they would not be able to go ahead with it this year.

Council hoped that the re- Markham and one in Rich- estimated \$37,040 would be directors, but with their sure may force the muni-

needed to operate the centre this year. The Richmond Hill Youth Aid Centre was allotted a budget of \$49,400 in 1971 and spent \$35,200. This year's estimate was for \$29,600 for the centre. These centres, explained

Dr. Burrows, are eligible for a 75 percent subsidy Aurora Mayor Richard Illingworth described the

youth centres as "A complete

and utter waste of money . . a luxury we cannot afford". The Newmarket Centre, he said, served only about 60 people in a year. Dr. Burrows explained that the crisis in youth seems to

Best service could be financing of all welfare and given, said Burrows, through social services at regional In 1971 the region bud- integration of the youth centrol and expanding the pro- getted \$48,700 for the New- tres with the family service gram to four centres. There market Crisis Intervention centres with both operating are two at present, one in Centre and spent \$48,300. It under a common board of

separate staff and in different locations. The storefront image should be maintained, he said. Many young people in need of counselling would be reluctant to go to a centre that also served the larger community.

Richmond Hill Councillor Donald Plaxton agreed that a tight lid must be kept on spending, but warned that councillors were kidding themselves if they tried to eliminate the family and

youth counselling services. he said, the need for such

Bill 102 setting up the regsaid Plaxton, provided for

level. "I have doubts that we (the region) can afford it," Plaxton said, "but local prescipalities back into the field if we do not provide the service"

Mayor Illingworth continued to protest that family life centres and youth centres operating in the same community were a duplication of services. "We can't have

Dr. Burrows stood firm, "It is important to keep separate fronts.

However Health and Social Services Commissioner Dr. Owen Slingerland had prepared a proposed budget for integrated family and youth services to operate in Markham, Richmond Hill and Newmarket. Personnel cost would be shared fifty-fifty foot the bill for rent, office expenses and programs operating from the centres.

The budget estimate was \$20,962.35 cost to the region, an equal sum to the province and \$8,700 to the community for each centre.

By the "community", Slingerland explained, he re-(Continued on Page 3)