



The official opening of Yonge Street, recognizing the fine job of rebuilding done in the past two years by the province and the town, will be carried out by Minister of Transportation and Communication Gordon Carton and Mayor William Lazenby Saturday afternoon in front of the Municipal Building following a monster parade.

event, Mayor Lazenby is seen on the right above as he supervises a group of street sweepers (left to right) Councillor Lois Hancey, Regional Councillor Gordon Rowe, Councillor Dave Schiller, Councillor Stewart Bell, Councillor Shaun Beggs, Councillor Andy Chateauvert and Judge James Butler of the Civic Improvement Committee, who has been very busy arranging the events for Saturday.

Big Parade Saturday — Yonge Official Opening

To culminate six years of effort for an improved Yonge Street and to alert everyone that 1973 will be the Centennial of Richmond Hill—the town's big Civic Improvement Committee day—when at 2:30 pm the mon-

ster parade will fall in at Richmond Heights Centre, prepared to move off promptly at 2:45 pm. Under the direction of Frank Barrott of the Provincial Command of the Royal Canadian Legion, the parade will consist of the Legion Color Party, the Lion Majorettes, the famous Royal Canadian Signal Corps Band, Navy Cadets, Air Force Cadets, the Queen's York Cadets, Centennial car, YWCA float and majorettes, antiquated fire truck, modern fire truck, municipal rolling stock including a horse-drawn road grader and a modern automatic road grader and other vehicles, service club cars, Chamber of Commerce and decorated bicycles.

The parade will proceed down Yonge Street to Lorne Avenue, east on Lorne to Church Street, north on Church to Centre Street, west on Centre to Yonge Street, north on Yonge to the

town hall where Mayor William Lazenby, assisted by Transportation Minister Gordon Carton will cut the ribbon. Provincial, regional and municipal officials will join in the celebration along with the citizens of Richmond Hill.

As the ribbon is cut 99 balloons will be released. These along with the colorful banners on Yonge Street which bear the design of a rose and the number 99, will serve to make all who pass through our town aware that next year Richmond Hill will celebrate 100 years as a municipality.

Following the cutting of the ribbon, the children will head for the fire hall and, as guests of the town, will consume hot dogs and pop.

Boys and girls of the elementary schools only are eligible to compete for substantial prizes for decorated bicycles. The prizes are being provided

by "The Liberal"—1st \$25, 2nd \$15, 3rd \$12, 4th \$10 and 5th \$8. The judging will take place before the parade and all those competing are to assemble at the town park in front of the arena not later than 1 pm.

Sam Cook of "The Liberal" and Ivan Mansbridge of the Civic Improvement Committee, and the very popular Police Constable Doug Young, safety officer.

Following the judging, the bicycles and riders will assemble at Richmond Heights at 2:30 to have an honored place in the parade.

Grandson Of Scarborough Pioneers Dies At 80

Grandson of one of Scarborough's oldest families, Walter Thomson, 80, was laid to rest Friday in Old St. Andrew's Cemetery just a few yards from the old stone farmhouse off Brimley Road where he was born.

David and Mary Thomson were among the earliest white settlers in the wilderness of Scarborough, and their grandson used to walk five miles to attend Markham High School. Today no student walks more than two miles to school in Markham, and Scarborough is one of the fastest growing boroughs in Metro.

Walter Thomson worked for 41 years in the credit departments of the Oneida Community in New York State and the Bulova Watch Company in Metro. He retired 18 years ago.

And even though he did not always live there, his heart was in the community where he was born.

"He knew every inch of Scarborough. It really was in his blood," said his wife, Dorothy. Mr. Thomson is survived also by a daughter, Valerie Zedel, and a brother, Fred, the last of the family to bear the Thomson name.

Parking Plaza Arrest For Dangerous Driving

Dwight Duhamel, 18, of 437 Centre Street East, Richmond Hill was arrested for dangerous driving Monday at 8:50 pm in the Richmond Heights Centre parking lot, according to York Region Police.

Police were called to the area to investigate a report of erratic and dangerous driving. Duhamel will face trial on the charge at a future date to be set in Richmond Hill Court.

\$1,300 Theft Arrest Aurora Gasoline Bar

Arrested Monday in connection with an alleged \$1,300 theft from an Aurora gasoline outlet was a Newmarket employee, according to York Region Police.

The money was reported missing from cash receipts during the past six months at Hollings Gas Bar, Yonge Street South, YRP said.

Facing a theft charge in Newmarket Provincial Court is Ronald Lockerie-thon, 32, of 625 Davis Drive, Newmarket.

Thornhill Lady's Tank Stuffed With Paper

Somebody stuffed the gasoline tank of a Thornhill woman's car about half full of paper on Wednesday night of last week in an unusual case of malicious mischief, York Region Police say.

It would cost Verna Potter of Apartment 15 at 65 Inverlochy Boulevard about \$75 to fix her car, police said.

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Parents' Opinions Invited

The School In Society Public Meeting Topic

The public will have a chance to air their views on the school's place in society at a meeting of York County Board of Education June 19.

This special meeting has been called for 8 pm Monday in the board's administrative offices, 22 Church Street, Aurora to give community groups and private individuals, including pupils, teachers and principals, an opportunity to discuss with trustees and staff the direction they would like the schools to take.

Sociologists from the university community will make brief presentations on how the school affects values in society and how society impinges upon and controls what the school does. The public will then be invited to form small groups so individuals may join in the discussion. One

or more board members will be in each group, and when the meeting reconvenes, trustees will report the feelings and ideas of people in each group.

The trustees want to know how the people they represent feel about interaction of school and society: should schools be leading or mirroring society? How much and what kind of community participation should there be in the schools? What part should parents, students, teachers play in curriculum planning?

Regular meetings of the board on the second and fourth Monday of each month are also open to the public. There will be only one scheduled general meeting in July, however, on July 10, and the August 14 meeting may be cancelled if there is no pressing business at hand.

Snow Removal, Slower Speed

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tee can do something to alleviate your problems, even though we can't satisfy all your requests. I hope we can come to a solution to benefit you."

Councillor Louis Wainwright, chairman of council's transportation committee, reported that he had received phone calls at the time of the accident. "The snow was pushed up one way by the highway crews and then the merchants pushed it back. I hope that by next year we will have more equipment and will be able to handle removal of snow at street corners and bus stops."

Councillor David Schiller, chairman of council's works committee felt that the main problem was one of snow removal. "I hope this is one item we can include in our overall budget. I am willing to meet with these ratepayers at any time."

Councillor Lois Hancey indicated that she is available "whenever one, two or 500 people want to meet with me. However, I need time to investigate, research and collect data to give people information."

If we cannot open up Pearson Avenue this year, I wonder if a compromise solution might be to provide a walkway through to the library."

"This year four people have been killed between Highway 7 and Markham Road," stated James Callaghan, father of the injured lad. "When my son was hurt the snowbanks in the area were as high as six feet two inches. Car owners had to put their front wheels out on to Yonge Street in order to see if there was any traffic coming. This was taking their lives in their hands. I think human life should overrule money considerations."

Councillor Wainwright reminded those present that this is all one municipality now. "We are not split into sections. For the past year and a half this is what I have stressed. I would like any ratepayers to get in touch with me if they have any troubles to be solved."

"They may contact any members of council, even our regional councillors," stated the mayor, "and be heard."

Youth Dies Friend Fair

A young Richmond Hill man died in a Metro hospital Sunday of injuries received more than a week before, June 2 at 10:15 pm, in a three-car crash on Yonge Street near Carrville Road in the Richvale area of Richmond Hill. A second youth remains in another Metro hospital with serious injuries received in the same crash.

Frank Von Zuben, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Von Zuben, 94 Wright Street, was buried at Mount Pleasant Cemetery from the Marshall Funeral Home, 126 Yonge Street North, Richmond Hill, on Wednesday morning.

He is survived by his parents, a brother Peter and two sisters Theresa and Susan.

Von Zuben died at Sunnybrook Hospital.

In Toronto General Hospital with head and chest injuries is John Cameron, 19, of 1 Marilyn Crescent, Oak Ridges. At press time the hospital told "The Liberal" his condition was fair.

COMING EVENTS

JUNE 17, SATURDAY, 11 am Garage sale at 177 Baker Ave., Richmond Hill. Items such as washing machine, carriage, furniture, dishes and many more. c2w50

JUNE 18, SUNDAY, 3 pm, Maple United Cemetery Memorial Service. clw51

JUNE 19, MONDAY — Every third Monday of the month 8:11 pm Family Euchre at OLGW Parish Bayview and Crosby. Prizes, refreshments. clw51

JUNE 21, WEDNESDAY, 5 pm to 7:30 pm, Strawberry Festival, at the Maple Community Centre, Maple, sponsored by St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. clw51

JUNE 25, SUNDAY, 11 am — Teston United Church Sunday School anniversary service. Rev. Robert Al Rumball, Evangelical Church of the deaf, Music Teston Sunday School Choir, 10:45 Musical Prelude, Centennial Girls Choir. c2w51

JUNE 28, WEDNESDAY, 4:30-8 pm — Teston United Church Strawberry Festival. Salad plate, strawberries and home baking. Adults \$2, children \$1. c2w51

JUNE 28, WEDNESDAY — Temperanceville Strawberry Supper. Supper served from 5-8 pm. Adults \$2.50, children under 12 \$1.25. clw51

SCHOOL RAZE



By John MacRae

What's It All About?

Last week I suggested ways in which students might structure their time so that they might better prepare themselves for the final exams. I hope you're sticking to it but just take a few minutes break. Think for a minute about long range goals rather than immediate necessity.

Why are you going to school anyway? Is it because you love learning? Is it because your parents send you? Is it because you're not yet old enough to quit? Is it because it will prepare you for adult life so that you can "make something of yourself"? Is it because you'd rather go to school than work? Be honest with yourself.

Now you know that if you can read you can teach yourself. Some of the most "educated" men and women I've known barely graduated from grade eight. If you really loved learning you'd quit school, quit taking someone else's course, and go out living and learning on your own.

Is it because your parents send you? Perhaps you can get them to be honest with you. If school is a drag and you want out then maybe they'll see that it won't be the end of the world if you quit. It's becoming much more necessary to return to school as mature adults. Some universities are even accepting students without even asking what their academic qualifications are. That's right! They describe their courses and admit any interested students right off the street. Maybe your parents don't know this. Make a deal with them. Ask them how many more years of schooling they'd support if you continue now. Ask them if they're still financially able, will they support you for the same number of years starting two years from now? I'd agree if my kids asked me.

If you're turned off on school and yet not old enough to quit then I'm afraid you're beat. This province at one time recognized that some pupils wouldn't benefit from formal education and they used to let them go out and get a job at 14 years of age. Now whether you like it or not, by Jove, you're going to get it 'til you're 16 at least. What's to do? You can't refuse to do the assigned work or they'll send you to a training school for incorrigibles. You might wangle a transfer to Don Head where some exciting practical learning is taking place. If you could arrange transportation to Thornlea then that high school offers some interesting academic courses. Other than that there's nothing for it in this county until you're 16.

Is it because you want to "make something of yourself"? If so then you've swallowed the educational lie hook, line, and sinker. Whoever first started the big lie that schooling would make you rich, successful, and therefore happy should be exhumed and boiled in oil. They proved that your life's earnings increased proportionately to your years in school. The high school graduate earned more than the elementary graduate and so on. We now have students with doctor's degrees vying for jobs that formerly were given to grade 13 graduates. Many students find that they've qualified themselves right out of the market. A student friend of mine couldn't get a job until he started lying about his academic background. He got a job when he told them he was a grade 10 graduate.

If you're only going to school because it's easier than working then good luck to you. With a little careful planning such as failing the odd course and repeating the year; by transferring to other courses and starting over again; by insisting on at least one post-graduate degree, you'll be able to keep at it 'til you're at least 30. Then you spend an easy year training to be a teacher and you'll be able to look forward to a lifetime of short days, weeks and years.

I can see you now admonishing your students to stay in school and learn. I hope your students never ask, "What shall I learn teacher?"



MR. AND MRS. ALEXANDER CARON Celebrate Graduation

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Caron of Toronto are jointly celebrating their graduation from the University of Toronto.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Caron, RR 3, King City, Caron attended Richmond Hill High School. He graduated this year with a Bachelor of Science Degree and will spend the summer working on research for his Master of Science Degree.

He is carrying out his research in aquatic ecology at Resolute Bay, Northwest Territories studying the effect of pollution on three Arctic lakes. He will be returning to graduate school at U of T in September.

His wife, Joyce, graduated from U of T with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing. Mrs. Caron is a graduate of the Atkinson School of Nursing at Toronto Western Hospital and worked for a time at the hospital before attending university.

She was president of her class at U of T and graduated with honors. Mrs. Caron will be teaching nursing students at the Atkinson School of Nursing starting in July.

\$700 Equipment Loss Week Of Grass Fires

Grass burning was just about the only fire problem in Richmond Hill during the week ending Monday, with one grass fire blamed for causing \$700 damage, according to Fire Chief Alf Stong.

A grass fire June 5 behind Stephenson Construction Company Limited, 117 Yonge Street

North, got into some rubber-covered construction protection equipment and the loss was estimated at \$700 before it could be put out.

There was a grass and tree stump fire behind the Dairy Queen Shop, 183 Yonge Street North on Sunday, but there was no damage there.

Another grass fire blazed Monday near the railroad tracks 200 yards south of Palmer Avenue, but it was put out before it caused damage. Another grass fire was put out before it did any damage on the Toronto City owned Langstaff Jail Farm property, Yonge Street and Highway 7, on Sunday.

Firefighters were called to release passengers from a stalled elevator in a Markham Road apartment building June 5.

NEWMARKET—A bylaw forbidding construction of carport garages closer than three feet to a lot line may be changed so residents of East Gwillimbury Heights and Bayview Hills Subdivision can build carports. It was explained to Newmarket council that many of the homes in the subdivision were so designed that if the owners build carports or garages they will be one foot from the lot line. The bylaw was put under study to consider changes.

AURORA — Nineteen false fire alarms in the past six months has cost the municipality a considerable amount of money. Of these calls, nine resulted in costs of \$1,064. A recommendation from the public safety committee of council suggests that if the alarms were set off by negligence, faulty sprinklers or fire detecting equipment, the company should be billed. Council is considering the recommendation.

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