

Headford Community Happenings

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In going to press this week could somebody tell me what happened to the month of June? Has our family prematurely taken an extra page off the calendar, was it the weather conditions or am I getting old too soon? Somehow, somewhere I feel very cheated.

The hay harvest has come round so quickly this year. The crops are ripening very fast and we are just waiting now to put in the sickle. The new-mown hay to me is always very acceptable and that solid wall of perfume that surrounds the purple clover fields when even a blind honey bee with defective radar could not make a mistake.

This week we can call ourselves, with such a lush and lovely valley of vegetation, the Vale of Headford. The gardens here are fully populated and in their splendour with the individual effort of man, woman, boy, girl, flower and bug overflowing in fragrance and beauty displaying the grand design of our faithful Creator.

Highlights of our garden this week have been the crescent moon, a few humming birds the fireflies with their on and off courtship which have made our garden a highway some evenings. The little creatures appear so very uncanny to me. I am sure that when I examine one of them one of these days I am going to find stamped on the tail "Made in Japan". They are just too good to be true.

Who said that Mic Biggs and Carl Wallace could not build the rustic fence? Those lovely gardens at each end of the village—we do appreciate them and say, Mike, where did you get those ponies? Also Doug McAndrew's garden is looking good and the church grounds are being very well maintained thanks to Paul Wellman.

This last week we had a young man visitor to the old school. Quite a number of cyclists call by and we love to entertain these young people. As he was looking from our place to the church building, he said to me "Man, there is blood and sweat in that building". I knew what he meant. It is not only bricks and mortar that make a building, in fact, it does not even make a church. It is the people, the families, the devotions, the thoughts, and I am sorry that so many of these churches or church buildings have been taken over with the promise of a new curriculum which turned out instead of something new to be the death rattle of many faithful individual congregations. How sad when founders have put so much effort into erecting a building to worship God that later on we find so often that spiritually "Ichabod" is written across the doorway. You will find the meaning of the word "Ichabod" in the First Book of Samuel, Chapter 4, verse 21.

Talking of edifices, the Tucker family went down to Yorkdale to see some of the old vintage automobiles on display down there. There was a 1929 Bentley, an old Brewster, an old Deussenburg, an old Fiat, an old Ford, and various other lovely old cars. Here again these speak of an earlier individual effort, something we see very little of today.

We find that companies and corporations are large impersonal things, and in the political field there are parties. Instead of individual effort in the House to provide the best counselling for the country, we find that the parties decide. We find exactly the same with denominations in spiritual and church matters.

Here at Yorkdale with the old automobiles the individual effort, the pride of workmanship of each person dealing with these automobiles was just wonderful. I could not help thinking when I looked on these lovely hand-made automobiles that this was the golden era of the motor car, this was their finest era. How nice it would be if various companies could reproduce some of these old cars.

So glad to see that Richmond Hill has gone flashy with the traffic lights flashing, instead of being set to certain timing. This is so much easier on the motorists, and here again calls for a bit of individual initiative on their part, particularly to show courtesy to both young

and old pedestrians.

I was delighted to see at Yorkdale also the private agency for policing it, that was being used. In these changing times I think that it is good for times to be flexible and that private enterprises, such as this large concern should be privately policed and the burden taken off the taxpayer. I would like to see now with the trend of the cyclists some policemen from time to time using a cycle. The police have a negative role in catching the criminal, but I do feel they have a positive role also in conditioning the society to a certain extent. There was the day when the church did the conditioning, they were the salt of the earth, now we need other groups to also come in to play their part, morally.

Sometimes my thoughts run wild and I should not be speaking this aloud but I only hope that my dog did not keep my neighbors awake last night. With their windows open it must be quite difficult, but I will try to make certain that he won't bark too loud tonight.

Forrest MacDonald mentioned that they had a groundhog on their premises acting very strangely. They called the police in—the Canine Control officer apparently was not available at the time. Both Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald were very impressed with the way the police handled

the situation. Both officers were very reluctant to use their guns on this animal, and I was asked to specially comment on the very good nature and the good impression that was left behind by these two officers.

I was sorry to hear that Jim Curtis is in hospital for a minor repair at the moment. We miss you, Jim, and hope to see you around again shortly.

Mrs. William Wellman celebrated her 85th birthday last Sunday. Congratulations to this fine lady. The day was spent very happily at the home of Peg (granddaughter) and her husband Larry at Ravenshoe. All relatives were present and a good time was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Albert Leek Senior celebrated her 80th birthday at the home of Elmer and Mary Leek here at Headford. During the day about 150 relatives and friends dropped in to pay their respects, to give their good wishes and maybe to encourage this forerunner of a good Ontario family to go on to the century mark.

Mrs. Elsa Wellman was host to her two brothers and sister this past week, Fred Marshall, Gordon Marshall and Miss Doris Marshall, who were visiting, also friends Mr. and Mrs. George Beecham from Nigeria. They are with the Sudan Interior Mission.

Sorry about last week, two of

us goofed. One was the garbage collector who came too early and one was your paper reporter who arrived too late.

Belated birthday wishes to Marilyn Horner and Susan McKay. Then for the coming week we wish Brenda Wellman a happy birthday.

Democracy stands committed to the principle that liberty is no 50-50 affair. If the average citizen is guaranteed equal opportunity in the polling place, he must have equal opportunity in the market place.

99's Meet

Buttonville was a host airport to the 99's last weekend when they held their convention in Toronto.

The 99's are an organization of women pilots which was formed in 1929 by Amelia Aerhardt. Now there are 5,000 members in 36 countries. Its name derives from the fact that there were 99 flyers attending the first conference.

This is the first time the convention has been outside the United States. According to

one commentator, Toronto was a fitting place to meet since this is where Amelia Aerhardt learned to fly back in the '20's when she was a nurse here.

Neighborhood Notes

Congratulations to Lorna Cox who received honors in grade 1 Music Theory, and to Julie McConnell who had first class honors in the same exam. The girls are the pupils of Mrs. Marguerite Jones. Congratulations.

Sharon Buchanan is working with the Town of Markham

recreational staff at Victoria Square and Buttonville this summer. Cheryl Tennison is also assisting with recreation. Kathy Jones and Jill Arnold have been at a summer camp at Bancroft this month.

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TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND AUDITOR'S REPORT - 1971

The Members of Council, Inhabitants and Ratepayers of the Corporation of the Town of Richmond Hill:

We have examined the Consolidated Balance Sheet of the Corporation of the Town of Richmond Hill as at December 31, 1971 and the statements of Revenue and Expenditure and Capital Fund Operations for the year then ended. Our examination included a general review of the accounting procedures and such tests of accounting records and other supporting evidence as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion these financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Corporation of the Town of Richmond Hill as at December 31, 1971 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted for Ontario municipalities applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

JOSELYN, LAUGHLIN, HARPER, TORY & ASSOCIATES
Chartered Accountants
June 12, 1972
Richmond Hill, Ontario

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE for the year ended December 31, 1971

REVENUE Schedule 1-1	
Taxation	\$ 4,997,178
Contributions from other governments	1,103,590
Other	639,475
Total revenue	6,740,243
EXPENDITURE Schedule 1-3	
General government	301,369
Protection to persons and property	308,276
Public works	1,018,120
Sanitation and waste removal	342,162
Conservation of health	391
Social and family services	7,765
Recreation and community services	324,308
Community planning and development	57,938
Financial expenses	269,944
Education	2,929,182
Region — share of expenditure	831,269
Other	165,208
Total expenditure	6,555,932
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR	184,311
SURPLUS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR	\$ 188,856
Bill 102, surplus, reserves and allowances of annexed municipalities	177,345
Working funds — former Richmond Hill	129,600
	495,801
Allocated to 1971 revenue	311,000
	184,801
SURPLUS AT THE END OF THE YEAR	\$ 369,112

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET as at December 31, 1971

ASSETS	
CURRENT ASSETS - Schedule 3-1	
Cash	\$ 132,779
Accounts receivable	739,328
Taxes receivable	704,710
Other current assets	16,203
	1,593,020
CAPITAL OUTLAY TO BE RECOVERED IN FUTURE YEARS	
	3,216,390
	\$ 4,809,410
LIABILITIES	
CURRENT LIABILITIES - Schedule 3-2	
Temporary loans	\$ 225,000
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	330,510
Other Current liabilities	60,811
	616,321
NET LONG TERM LIABILITIES	3,086,942
RESERVES AND RESERVE FUNDS	787,035
SURPLUS	369,112
	\$ 4,809,410

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS as at December 31, 1971

Note 1
On the 1st day of January, 1971, the Town of Richmond Hill became an area municipality within the regional Municipality of York as established under the Regional Municipality of York Act, 1970. As at that date the boundaries of the Town of Richmond Hill were extended and certain capital assets and liabilities were assumed which have been reflected in the financial statements as at December 31, 1971.

Note 2
Charges for Net Long Term Liabilities
Total charges for the year for net long term liabilities were as follows:
Principal payments \$ 223,105
Contributions to the debt retirement fund of the Ontario Water Resources Commission 5,152
Interest 240,425
\$ 468,682

Of the total charges shown above, an amount of \$302,411 was paid from the general revenues of the municipality and is included in expenditure classified under the appropriate functional headings, and the amount of \$166,271 was recovered from the municipal enterprises for which the related net long term liabilities were incurred.

Note 3
Net Long Term Liabilities
Total long term liabilities incurred by the municipality and outstanding at the end of the year amount to \$ 4,890,659
In addition, the municipality has assumed responsibility for the payment of principal and interest charges on the long term liabilities of other municipalities, the principal amount of which at the end of the year is 788,717
Of the outstanding long term liabilities shown above, the responsibility for payment of principal and interest charges has been assumed by others for an amount of (2,499,271)
The balance in the debt retirement fund of the Ontario Water Resources Commission which have been accumulated to the end of the year to retire the outstanding long term liabilities shown above amount to (93,163)
Net long term liabilities at the end of the year \$ 3,086,942

Note 4
Basis of Consolidation
The Consolidated Balance Sheet reflects the assets and liabilities of the revenue fund, the capital fund and all reserve funds of the municipality. The assets and liabilities of any local boards of the municipality have not been consolidated.

Note 5
Liability for Sick Leave Benefits
Under the sick leave benefit plan, unused sick leave can accumulate and employees may become entitled to a cash payment on termination of service. As at December 31, 1971 the liability for these accumulated days, to the extent that they could be taken in cash by an employee on terminating, amounted to \$97,615. No provision has been made in the accounts for this liability.

Note 6
Capital Outlay to be Recovered in Future Years
Some capital outlay does not represent a burden on general municipal revenues, as it is to be recovered in future years from other sources:
Special charges on benefiting landowners \$ 722,517
Municipal enterprises 531,704
\$ 1,254,221

Note 7
Allocation of a Reserve re the Planning Act of the Township of Vaughan has not been finalized under the provisions of the Regional Municipality of York Act. This Reserve amounted to \$120,512 as at January 1, 1971 subject to the final costs of expropriation of certain park lands. Richmond Hill will share 17% of the net balance.

At Spring Convocation

Thornhill, Langstaff, Bayview High Grads Win Diplomas At Ryerson

Three young women from Thornhill and a young man from Richmond Hill graduated this year from the Ryerson Polytechnical Institute and were among more than 1,000 who received their diplomas during the recent Spring Convocation.

Miss Linda Sawyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Sawyer of 87 Weeping Willow Lane, Thornhill graduated in secretarial science. Previously from Downsview, she lived in Thornhill the past six years and for three years was an honor student while attending Thornhill Secondary.

Richard Masters, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Masters, 133 Laverock Avenue, Richmond Hill graduated in electrical technology. He resided in

Richmond Hill for the past 14 years, attending Walter Scott Public, MacKillop Public and Bayview Secondary Schools.

Miss Sheena Ashworth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Ashworth of 39 Centre Street, Thornhill and previously resident of Richmond Hill, graduated in social services. She has resided in Thornhill for 14 years, attending MacKillop Public, Thornhill Public and Thornhill Secondary Schools.

Miss Diane Little, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Little, 18 Uplands Avenue, Thornhill graduated in home economics. A Thornhill resident for 10 years, she previously lived in Markham, attending Franklin Public, Langstaff Public and Langstaff Secondary Schools.

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