Teacher trustee interest conflict debated in York public school board education, suggested the reach for a hankie, they

poard of education at the same time, constitute a conflict of interest?

York County Board of Education has been challenged on that score and as a result will seek an interpretation through the Ontario School Trustees' Council.

The suggestion the two might be on opposite sides of the school fence was conained in a letter from Michael Bailey, president of Thornhill Parents Council. The parent group was concerned about the board having any active teachers in its ranks.

Both Trustees Robert Houghton of Richmond Hill and John McMurray of Whitchurch-Stouffville hold teaching positions outside

York Region. In his letter, Bailey said the council would like to see a policy instituted excluding such people from voting "when the matter is appertaining to a conflict between the board and any teacher federation.'

Shouldn't vote Trustee Margaret Coburn federation was in conflict of directed.

of King, whose husband is a teacher, moved the board ask staff to develop a policy whereby teacher-members would not vote where it was primarily an issue between the latters' federation and

the board. Trustee Doreen Quirk of Markham, a former teacher, seconded the motion "with a fair bit of

She said she didn't like what had happened to society. She was disturbed by literature from the teacher federations calling for members to support only those who supported them.

She said she felt they put children at the "bottom of the heap." The board couldn't have those conflicts of interest.

Ultra vires Markham Trustee Don Sim just returned from a session before the Supreme Court of Canada in Ottawa that afternoon. At his eloquent best, he shot the terming the matter "ultra

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interest, and if teachers shouldn't be elected.

shouldn't vote, they If elected, they were fullfledged members of the board, "so we can't tell

them what to vote on. "If the Parents Council feels strongly, they should have the legislation changed," Sim said.

Mrs. Coburn said the matter had to come out on the floor. She felt it was an

Trustee Houghton, who teaches upholstery in North York, said such a motion as that proposed by the council would destroy the board, which was made up of people from all walks of life.

Trustee Ross Jolliffe of Vaughan, said he felt the board should approach the Ministry of Education to "clear the air."

Hard liner Trustee McMurray, the other active teacher on the board, said he objected to the attitude expressed by theory down in short order, the Parents Council. He felt he had been a "hard-line vires" - "beyond this trustee," and people had a right to have their He said if it were felt the representative vote as they

The same applied to groups outside the school, such as WEB (Watchers of Educational Bureaucracy). Sam Chapman, director of

board take it through the trustees association, rather than have it misinterpreted. "Right now when you

think you've got a gun,' Chapman said. Jolliffe agreed to the

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Have they one law for one and different laws for others? Do you believe they should

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Do they recognize you after an election like they did two weeks before?

Hillcrest area meet tonight

The Hillcrest Residents Association are holding a meeting tonight (Wednesday) in the auditorium of Hillcrest Mall. The main topic for discussion will be the proposed community centre and how the residents can participate in the planning and future operation of the centre. All residents are asked to attend. The meeting starts at 8 pm. Coffee will be served.

Ecumenical rice bowl December 3

A bowl of rice would seem like a feast to millions of starving people in the world today. To give the people of Richmond Hill some idea of the privations which so many in other countries are suffering, all churches in Richmond Hill are combining to offer an Ecumenical Rice Bowl at Richmond Hill United Church December 3.

All offerings and proceeds will go to the World Relief Fund. Dinner is at 6:30 pm and tickets are \$1, available from any church in town.

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Toronto Montessori Schools will hold their annual pre-Christmas Hollyday Luncheon Tuesday. From 11 am to 2 pm there

will be handcrafted Christmas gifts suitable for children on sale at the Heintzman House, 135 Baythorn Drive, Thornhill. Luncheon tickets, at \$3 each, include the cost of a glass of Sherry and are available from Phyllis Brown (223-0618) or at the

There will be decoupage, pottery, copper enameling, candles, fine European toys, antiques, stocking stuffers, Montessori T-shirts, knitting and sewing crafts as well as home baking on sale. Proceeds will be used to

News from next door

KESWICK: The Harold King Farm is to be sold. The 44-acre farm operated for 12 years as a halfway house for

The parents' guild of the buy books for the school

St. Matthew's film showing

"The Cross and the Switchblade", an explosive motion picture which will "put you through the wringer of raw emotion" will be presented at St. Matthew's United Church, Crosby Avenue, Richmond Hill Saturday at 7:30 pm. Tickets are 50 cents if purchased in advance and \$1

at the door. The film stars Pat Boone with Erik Estrada, Jackie Giroux, Dino DeFilippi and Jo-Ann Robinson. The screenplay was written by Don Murray and James Bonnet, the music by Ralph Carmichael and the film was directed by Don

Also showing will be "The Eternal Ticket".







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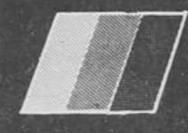
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