



(Photo by Hogg)

Minister retires

Richmond Hill United Church said farewell Sunday to Rev. Rowan Binning, assistant pastor there since 1972. Shown with him at a church reception following Binning's last sermon is Ted Sale. The popular minister was born in Calgary at the turn of the century and has devoted most of his ministry to the Toronto area.

Robbers raid gas station

RICHMOND HILL — An armed robbery in Markham headed the major criminal activity in the area last week, York regional police report.

The robbery took place at North Town Texaco, Main Street, about 4:50 a.m., April 24, when two people, driving a van held up attendant Peter Angus.

After taking his wallet, they put him in the washroom and then emptied the cash register of \$400. They also took headlights, valued at \$45, and \$2,000

police blotter

worth of automotive tools.

The gun used was described as being a 32 or 38 calibre revolver. Its wielder was male, white, 25 to 30, about five feet, seven, 150 pounds, with brown, greasy hair.

Markham was also the scene of another strange happening.

McArthurs in Markham Limited, Wellington Street, reported that someone stomped across the hoods of 15 new trucks on their lot, causing \$800 damage.

Also in Markham, a routine car check by police on Church Street, led to the arrest of a Markham man.

Police said they discovered a small

quantity of marijuana on the person of the driver, who was also found to be driving while under suspension.

Facing charges on both counts is Joseph Waddington, 19, of Hamilton Hall Road.

At the Parkway Hotel, Highway 7 and Leslie Street, a guest walked away with the draperies in his room, plus a quantity of other articles.

Total loss was placed at \$185.

A young Willowdale man was brutally assaulted early Sunday morning, while crossing a parking lot at 7411 Yonge Street in Thornhill.

Kicked and punched by two men was Christopher Sutton, 19.

Charged with assault occasioning bodily harm were Patrick Needham, 23, of Yonge Street, Thornhill; and Roy Johnson, 21, of Douglas Road, Oak Ridges.

Well rested?

Police are probably looking for some well-rested thieves as the result of a theft from Brass and Things, Yonge Street, Richmond Hill, April 24.

Taken from the store about 4 p.m., were two brass beds, valued at \$1,500.

In Concord, thieves there were more in a party mood.

Taken from La Gondola Banquet Hall, Bowes Road, were five cases of liquor, valued at \$452.

Meanwhile down the same road at Mavic Construction Limited, thieves made off with \$4,000 worth of equipment.

A Wintario ticket, said by police to be worth \$500, was stolen from a home on Elgin Mills Road, Richmond Hill.

A boarder in the house is suspected.

Dead, too

Even the dead didn't escape the week's marauders.

At Stouffville Cemetery, 10 Line South, vandals knocked over \$500 worth of plot markers.

In King City, a \$20 counterfeit American bill turned up at Chateau Restaurant in payment for a meal.

It was the third penny \$20 reported by police in the area in the past three weeks.

Other occurrences

Other thefts and incidents reported in the area: Avenue Taxi, Yonge Street, Thornhill, a \$450 two-way radio from vehicle; Pace-Setter Homes Limited, King City, 80 sheets of plywood valued at \$600, taken from construction site on Concession 7; electric outlets and light fixtures smashed in vacant home on Bathurst Street in Richmond Hill; Evermore Industrial Magnetics Ltd., Glencameron Road, Thornhill, \$3,840 worth of magnets taken in break-in; White Rose Crafts and Nursery Ltd., Highway 7, Unionville, \$1,036.84 from safe; Kelly Construction Ltd., Stratford, \$1,800 worth of tools and instruments taken from construction trailer at Don Eddy Road and Islington Avenue in Woodbridge.

Catholic school official defends teacher PA days

RICHMOND HILL — In a recent article in Focus, a publication of York Region Separate Schools, editor Frank Bobesch defends professional activity days — and as a result has been commended in turn by Education Minister Thomas Wells.

Bobesch, superintendent of separate schools, discussed whether the controversial days were a "blessing or a burden."

Despite certain inconveniences to parents, Bobesch decided, they were more of a blessing.

"Because we are a young and growing system with a relatively small number of resource personnel and a widespread geographic base, we chose to take the maximum number of professional activity days allowed to more effectively bring our teachers together and to collectively pursue the training and program needs confronting us in our jurisdiction," Bobesch wrote.

In doing so, they still were able to offer the legally required 185 days of instruction per year, he said.

"In terms of our own system, we feel that we have put these 'P.A.' days to good use," the superintendent stated in his article.

"Contrary to some opinions, these are not leisure days or holidays for our teachers but rather rigorous work days — requiring a great deal of planning and co-ordination on the part of administration, principals and consultants, and a lot of active participation on the part of teachers."

Since 1973, they had succeeded in "developing and implementing curricula and programs" in mathematics, metrics, music, art, social studies, early childhood education, primary education, new report cards and student achievement forms.

Present and future projects included: added training in religious education,

continued advancement in the area of Christian Family Life, continuation of the early childhood education document to include the primary years (grades 1-3); language arts (grades 4-8); systems analysis relative to the new primary-junior document, The Formative Years; expansion of the math-metrics program; science guidelines (1-10); further development and co-ordination of the French program; expansion of special education programs and students services, evaluation systems schemes for principals, teachers and pupils.

Bobesch then asked parents for their opinions and comments on the matter,

which he said would be considered in drafting the next school year calendar.

In his letter to Education Director John Zupancic, Wells said it was gratifying parents were being notified of the positive results of the days, and the outline of future projects should reassure them "of the value and the need for continued use of such days for the benefit of their children."

"Be assured of my continuing interest in educational development under your leadership," Wells concluded.

Trustee Alex MacGregor of Markham said the board should add its thanks to Bobesch.

MP won't say which riding he will seek

AURORA — Urban Affairs Minister Barney Danson, whose York North riding includes the southern York region along with a portion of northern Metro, will have a difficult choice to make before the next federal election.

If, as expected, new electoral boundaries are established within the next year, Danson's riding will be split along the regional boundary at Steeles Avenue.

He'll have to choose between the new Markham-Richmond Hill-Vaughan riding and a new Willowdale-area riding.

And he's not about to say yet which way he'll go.

"It would be inappropriate for me to say at this time," Danson commented at an informal press conference prior to his speech at last week's meeting of the York Region Real Estate Board here.

"I want people all over the riding to

feel I haven't written them off, and if I announced now where I was going to seek re-election, people in the other part of the riding might feel I'm no longer their MP."

Pressed further, Danson admitted he has "some views" on which part of the constituency he'll stay with.

In other words, he knows but he's just not going to say until he's ready.

Only about 5 per cent of the land area of York North federal constituency is in Metro, but the Metro portion's dense population accounts for about one-third of the riding's electorate.

Danson also said he wants to hear the views of constituents on the proposed name change, from York North to Markham-Richmond Hill Vaughan.

The latter, he said, is "descriptive, a convenient handle," but York North is "a historic name and I would hate to see it disappear."

Danson has represented the riding since 1968.

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