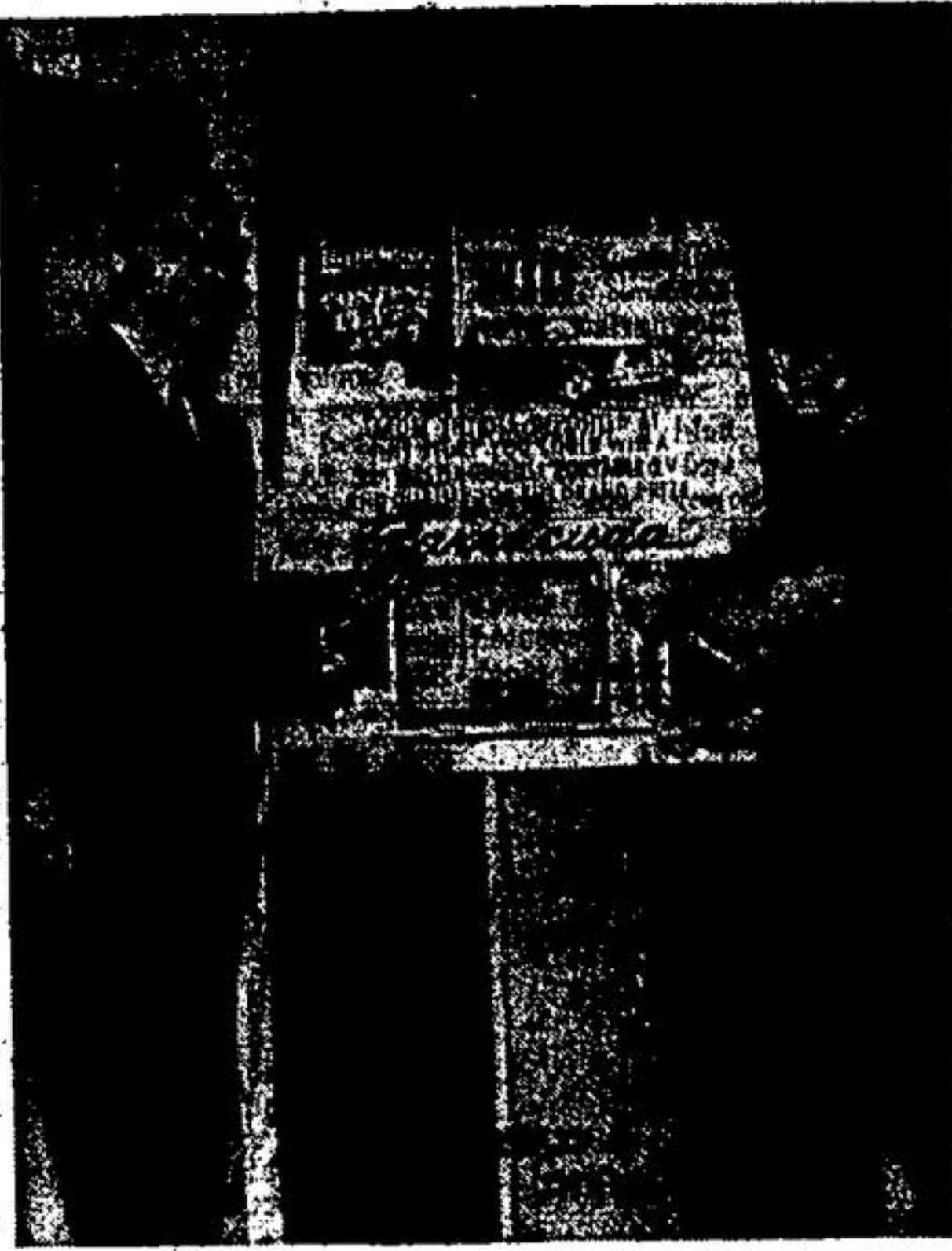


BEAVER CUSTOMER HAPPY WINNER



MRS. B. McCANN, 17 MACKENZIE DR., is the lucky winner of a portable TV, first prize in a draw at the local Beaver Lumber Co. store last week. Here, store manager Del d'Entremont makes the presentation. The win also puts Mrs. McCann in the running for a Chrysler Barracuda to be drawn for later.

Says Jail Inadequate ... For Twentieth Time

For the third time since September and the twentieth in the past few years, a grand jury has condemned Halton County's century old jail.

The grand jury's report which was submitted Wednesday as part of the Supreme Court Assizes presently underway in Halton simply stated that it was in full support of reports presented last September and November that strongly urged the need for new premises.

Earlier reports have criticized everything from inadequate detention facilities to a total absence of recreation and library facilities.

Jury's Verdict

The grand jury's verdict comes in the wake of an announcement last week that the regional detention centre for Halton and Peel counties will be located on farmland on the Ninth Line north of Highway 401, just east of Hornby.

The \$2 million dollar detention centre will have two buildings one for maximum security and the other for minimum security.

"Everyone should welcome it," said Crown Attorney Peter McWilliams during a recent interview. "It is an enlightened concept."

Mohamed Early Champion Of Rights for Women

"Mohamed has been called the greatest champion of women's rights the world has ever seen," stated Mrs. Betty Frost in her most recent lecture in the series on comparative religion currently being sponsored by the Bahai's of Georgetown.

"As far back as 622 A.D. when people first began responding in numbers to the teachings of Mohamed, he gave women the same property rights as her husband, required that daughters be included in inheritance and that women had equal rights to education. Islam, sometimes incorrectly referred to as Mohammedanism demands the full consent of a woman before she marries — even should a Sultan propose. In the event of divorce, husbands must set up a sizable trust in his wife's name. Although divorce was discouraged, and divorce proceedings called for 3 attempts on the part of representatives of each family to help reconcile the couple, a woman was permitted either husband or wife could be the one to start the proceedings. The law of polygamy (up to four wives) was given at a time when there was no way for a woman to support herself if she was not married, and a great many more females than males. It is considered by most scholars that Mohamed opened the way to monogamy when he also stated: "If you cannot deal equitably and justly with more than one wife you shall marry only one."

Mrs. Frost discussed the condition of life at the time of Mohamed's birth. "Mecca and Medina at that time were in a state of barbarism. There was constant fighting among the tribes, travelling was hazardous in the extreme — ending sometimes in being sold into slavery, drunken orgies, incessant gambling, blood feuds, baby daughters were often buried alive in infancy, the position of women was intolerable and the religion of the Arabs consisted in the worship of 360 idols in the temples of Mecca."

"Mohamed, orphaned at an early age, became an agent conducting caravans across the desert to Syria, becoming known as the Trusted One because of his integrity. Many times Mohamed would retire to a cave in the mountains to reflect on life and the problems of the day. It was during one of these meditations that the first intimation of His mission came to Him. His wife Khadija became His first convert. For thirteen years Mohamed preached in Mecca against violent opposition and persecution, when in 622 A.D. He was summoned by the leaders of the city of Medina to come and be their leader."

Mrs. Frost continued: "This was the beginning of the welding together of the nation of Arabia. Although violently opposed by the Meccans, who attacked the city, Mohamed successfully defended His position and in ten years, the entire country of Arabia became unified."

"Contrary to general opinion, Mohamed did not permit conversion by the sword. The Koran (The Holy Book of the Moslems) states "There must be no compulsion in religion." War was to be fought to 'suppress tyranny, insure the right of a man to his home and freedom within his nation, prevent persecution in religion, and guarantee freedom of belief to all people."

It is interesting to note that some of the rules of warfare have since been adopted over 1300 years later by the Geneva Convention. The teachings of Mohamed enjoin nations to regard their treaties as sacred, to make every effort to avoid war through arbitration, to not engage in surprise attacks before war is declared, to not harm civilians, to give safe conduct to an enemy within the borders at the time of war, to treat with mercy any prisoner captured.

As to individual behaviour, Muslims must pray five times a day, believe in but One God and Mohamed as His Prophet, fast from sunrise to sunset one month a year, be charitable, and if possible, make a pilgrimage to Mecca. There is no racial problem under Islam as each person is considered to be a brother.

"Some of Mohamed's teachings regarding individual behaviour would be particularly helpful today," Mrs. Frost suggested, "for example from the Sayings of Mohamed we read 'It is not right for a guest to stay so long as to inconvenience his host — not to present themselves at mealtimes unasked . . . and not to interfere with the owner of the house in the management of his house.'"

The two fundamentals of Islam are faith and right-doing — faith which leads man to strive for the perfections of the God in Whom he believes, and right-doing being the practice of mercy and brotherhood.

The final lecture in this series on Comparative Religion will be held next Sunday, January 29th at 2.30 p.m. in the Centennial Centre.

Canadian Play is Next Little Theatre Offering

The annual Theatre Festival will have a truly Canadian flavour this year as part of our Centennial celebrations. From Newfoundland to British Columbia little theatre groups competing in festivals will only be allowed to present plays written by Canadian authors.

To assist theatre groups to choose a Canadian play the Dominion Drama Festival prepared a catalogue. A formidable task that required two years of research to compile and lists 276 plays with titles ranging from "The Door" to "Whose afraid of Hoo!, Hoo!, Hoo!."

A special play-reading committee comprising Mary Goebel, Chris Fisher and Ron Hill read 26 of the plays before selecting "A Little of What You Fancy" as the festival entry for the Georgetown Little Theatre.

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Mounties Find Whiskey Stills In Two Georgetown Homes

Royal Canadian Mounted Police Officers who raided two Georgetown homes found three illicit stills and whiskey galore a court was told in Milton Wednesday.

The distillers were promptly arrested and charged with being in possession of illicit stills. Three pleaded guilty to the offense. The fourth denied the charge and said the equipment had been sent to him by his father.

He had used Yugoslavian wine as a base for the spirits.

"In Europe it is legal," he told Magistrate Black.

"In Canada it's not," came the magistrate's reply.

The fourth man's moonshine was 74 per cent proof. He had 35 ounces in the basement of his Delrex Boulevard house where the still was found under a stairway.

The other three, all of Mountainview Rd., were in possession of a total of 345 ounces of highly-proofed liquor.

Three stills, copper coils and bottles of the spirits were exhibited in the court.

Three of the men were fined \$125 each or three months imprisonment, and the fourth was fined \$115 or three months.

The fourth said they had made the liquor for their own consumption and pleaded it was a Portuguese custom to make their own spirits.

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