

Come and hear the Regent Theatre Organist, Mr. H. O'Grady, at the Presbyterian choir concert, Thursday, March 1, at 8 p. m.

Mr. E. H. Duggan, of Toronto, Clerk of the 10th Division Court, York, for the past 50 years, died on Friday, following an attack of pneumonia.

You are assured of a good evening's entertainment at the choir concert to be held in the Presbyterian church on Thursday, March 1st, at 8 p. m. The best local talent has been secured.

Keep in mind the entertainment to be given in the Methodist church by Frances Nickawa, Canada's popular Uree Indian entertainer on the 8th of March.

The Thornhill Seniors and the York Radials, Metropolitan League, will play a hockey match in the Richmond Hill Arena this Thursday evening. Puck faced at 8.15. Admission 25 cents.

Schomberg Seniors vs. Willowdale Seniors will face the puck Friday evening of this week in a Metropolitan League match, in the Willowdale Arena.

Master Donald Frisby, Richmond Hill, (pupil of Miss Forester) was successful in passing his Elementary Piano Exam at Toronto Conservatory of music.

Mr. G. R. Goulding, Newton Brook, announces the engagement of his daughter, Georgie Gladys, to Mr. William Harold Murphy, son of Mrs. R. J. Murphy, Elgin Mills; marriage to take place shortly.

The Auction Sale of farm stock, implements, harness etc., of Arthur P. Elson, postponed on account of bad weather, will take place Saturday of this week, commencing at 12 noon, Lot 13, con. 3, Markham.

The citizens of some of the towns and cities in Ontario are deciding now as to whether they will have so-called daylight saving the coming summer. The idea of deciding the question now is much better than leaving it until next June or July.

The following pupils of Miss V. Lubbock have been successful in passing their examination at the Toronto Conservatory of Music: Introductory—Miss Alice Innes, 1st class honors, Elementary—Miss Ivy Foden, honors, Miss Margaret Duncan, honors.

At the last meeting of the Board of Education the firm of Burden and Gowanlock, architects, Toronto, were appointed to superintend the erection of the new High School. The Board decided to hold its meetings in the Public School during the year 1923 on the first Wednesday evening of each month.

How easy it is to mistranslate an overheard remark. Said Mrs. A. "They must have been to the zoo, because I heard her mention 'a trained deer.'" Said Mrs. B: "No, no. They were talking about going away, and she said to them, 'Find out about the train dear.'" Said Mrs. C: "I think you are both wrong. It seemed to me they were discussing music, for she said 'a trained ear' very distinctly." A few minutes later the lady herself appeared, and they told her of their disagreement. "Well," she laughed, "that's certainly funny. You are poor guessers, all of you. The fact is, I'd been out to the country overnight, and was asking my husband if it had rained here last evening."—Boston Transcript.

Richmond Hill Public School Report

Report of Room VI
Names in order of merit
First Book—Marguerite Glass, Gordon Mollett, Kenneth Seager, Lorraine Kelly, Margaret Lawrence, Sandy Kelly, Agnes Caldwell, Maud Buchanan, Mary Newport, Marjorie Lowery, Leslie Kendall, Norman Newton, Fred Palmer, Harry Jenkins, Everett Heard, Ralph Keene, Marjorie Graham, Mary Gillings, John Hurst, Mildred Patton, Emma Margetta.
Primer Sr.—James Deadman, Margaret Buchanan, Catherine Stanford, Bruce Armstrong, Donald McKenzie, Grace Brillinger, Patricia Smith, Reay Hopper, Evelyn Hodge.
Primer Jr.—Carrie Allen, Henry Roberts, Sara Merricks, Anna May Mahoney, Margaret White, Harold Young, Marjorie McCutcheon, Ruth Davis, Queenie Urban, Lenore Glass, Frances Willowgby (abs).
M. L. McCONAGHY, teacher.



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DEATHS
Ness—At Dollar, Markham Town ship, at the home of her son-in-law, James Tricker, on Sunday, Feb. 18, 1923, Sarah Ness, widow of the late John Ness, in her 89th year. Funeral Tuesday to Thornhill Cemetery.

Boys' Club
In the election held by the Lansing-Willowdale Boys' Club, it was found that three of the officers elected are students attending Richmond Hill High School. Edgar Scott was elected Reeve; Arthur Jarred, 1st Deputy- Reeve; Donald Hassard, 2nd Deputy- Reeve; Melville Scott, 3rd Deputy- Reeve, and Chas. Blakeman, Councillor, are attending York Mills school.

Village Water Supply
I am pleased to be able to report that the Provincial Board of Health, after having made exhaustive tests of the village drinking water, and having also sent out sanitary engineers to examine the entire system, have prescribed a method of remedying the present unsatisfactory condition. Immediate steps are being taken to apply the remedy, and I trust that in a few days the water will be in a satisfactory condition.
R. L. LANGSTAFF,
M. O. H.

Cadet Carnival

Everybody on the ice enjoyed the opening carnival in the new Richmond Hill rink, Friday evening. There was a large attendance, and the best of music was furnished by the York Ranger's Brass Band, through the kindness of Lt. Col. Clarke. Mrs. Clarke and Reeve Trench acted as Judges, and awarded the following prizes: Gentlemen—George Bellerman, George Vanderburgh, special, Dr. Langstaff.
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In general the conditions making drains necessary are those where the gravitational or free water is either on the surface of the land or so close to the surface as to interfere with the proper growth of plant roots. The instances where the water is lying on the land, such as in pond holes, sloughs, pockets, swamps, etc., are very common in Ontario, and it is usually an easy matter for these conditions to be remedied. They may be remedied either by means of open ditches or a system of tile drains.

Where there is a large area of low-lying land which is uniformly wet, such as we have in the southwestern counties, namely, Kent, Essex and Lambton, tile drains augmented by open ditches are used, and sometimes when the wet land is the same or possibly lower than the lake level dikes are constructed and pumps installed to remove the water. Other instances where low-lying and flat lands require drainage are those which are occasionally flooded either during the spring freshets or during heavy rains. If no means has been provided for this water to be removed quickly the crops growing on this land will be killed out, and thus cause financial loss to the land owners.

In the case of underground springs we have a condition where the impervious layer of the subsoil has caused the underground water to be blocked and held to such an extent that it eventually comes to the surface. These can be prevented by having a tile drain put in a short distance above the springs so that the water may be cut off and conveyed to a proper outlet.
Another instance is that where irrigation is being carried on. In some of the irrigation districts the water is fairly saturated with alkali salts. When this water is used for irrigation it is spread over the land and eventually is evaporated from the surface of the soil or from the leaves of plants and trees by the sun, the alkali being left on the surface. This alkali accumulates until it becomes so strong as to prevent the growth of plants or trees.

To remove this alkali it is necessary to install a system of under-drains, then thoroughly flood the soil which is saturated with alkali, thus dissolving the alkali and allowing the water to pass off through the drains, thereby removing the alkali. After this has been removed it will be necessary to use a greater amount of water for irrigation of this soil, and after each irrigation as soon as the water has been evaporated to such an extent that the remaining water is almost saturated with alkali the free water remaining in the soil and containing this saturated solution of alkali must be allowed to run off through the drains.

Across many Ontario farms we see small creeks flowing at least part of the season. In most instances where this occurs the drain can be placed parallel to this creek, and except during the spring freshets or after very heavy rains the water will flow through this drain, thereby obviating the use of the creek. When this drain is installed the creek banks could be levelled, and instead of being a creek with ragged banks and weeds and small trees growing alongside, could be converted into a scoop ditch. This ditch could be of such a nature as to allow farm machinery to cross back and forth, and would take care of the occasional heavy flows of water.

In all conditions where the ground water comes within two and a half feet of the surface of the soil it is necessary for this to be removed in some manner so that plants may have proper root growth.—W. R. Scott, U.S.A. O. A. College, Guelph.

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