

Richmond Hill's Sixtieth Birthday.

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In responding to the toast, Reeve J. A. Greene expressed the pride of present day citizens in Richmond Hill Village. We have made creditable progress in the years that are past and it is our duty to continue to work for the advancement of the interests of the town so that the progress made in our day and generation will be a matter of pride to those who follow after us. The Reeve extended the sincere congratulations of the town to the Young Canadians lacrosse team on winning for the second consecutive year the Tri-County league championship. "We are proud of what they have done and we extend our sincere congratulations," he said to the members of the team who were guests of honor at the banquet.

Mr. W. F. Sheppard of the Canada Life Assurance Co. represented Mr. McCarthy, the donor of the McCarthy Cup, and presented the handsome trophy to the Young Canadians team. The speaker expressed his confidence that the future of Canada's national game was assured and extended sincere congratulations to Richmond Hill on having such a fine team and to the members of the team on winning the trophy for the second time.

The trophy was accepted on behalf of the lacrosse club by A. E. Glass, the president. He expressed the appreciation of the club to the donor of the cup and to the people of the town and district for their support to the team during the year. He said he was naturally proud to be associated with the lacrosse team of 1933 which had ably upheld the traditions of the best in sport and were worthy successors of the famous Young Canadians of Richmond Hill who in the early eighties were champions of the Dominion of Canada.

Responding to the toast to the village T. H. Trench, an ex-reeve and a member of the fourth generation of the Trench family to live here, said that in the passing of the years many changes could be noted in Richmond Hill but to him the most notable change was in the personnel of the citizens. There are, he said, only twenty-three residents in Richmond Hill to-day who were here when I can first remember the town. There are only eight of my schoolmates living here to-day. The people have changed and the old residents are to-day living in widely scattered centres throughout Canada and the United States. Many of the old landmarks are gone. The old post office, the old school house, are gone, but we have to-day new schools which are a credit to the town. He reviewed the many improvements which have come with the passing of the years and pointed out that it could be well said that Richmond Hill had kept pace with the times. The speaker is a son of the late William Trench, the third reeve of the village, who served in that capacity for seven years. He himself was also reeve for seven years and has served the town in some public capacity continuously since 1898.

David Hill, a former member of council, extended congratulations to the village on the celebration of the Diamond Jubilee.

A. J. Hume, clerk of the village for the past twenty-eight years, in responding to the toast traced in a most interesting manner the history and development of the village since the days of incorporation. He recalled that the village was incorporated by County by-law, June 19th, 1872, and the first election held Jan. 1873. Seats on the first municipal council were eagerly sought and four candidates contested the reeveship and ten ran for council. Ninety-seven votes were cast and Abraham Law was elected the first reeve. The members of the first council were, William Warren, Jacob Brillinger, David Hopkins and William Powell. The succeeding reeves of the municipality were William Harrison, William Trench, Dr. James Langstaff, John Brown, William Pugsley, P. G. Savage, I. Crosby, T. H. Trench, J. Lunau and J. A. Greene. Only eleven reeves in sixty years is accounted for by the long terms accorded to several of the incumbents of that office. William Trench served seven years as reeve, William Pugsley was six years as councillor and twenty-four years as reeve, P. G. Savage sixteen years as member of council and nine years as reeve, T. H. Trench seven years as reeve and J. Lunau seven years.

The first council met in rooms over a driving shed situated where the Bank of Commerce now stands. The municipality paid \$8.00 per year rent for the quarters and this handsome sum included heat and lighting.

Twenty-five by-laws were passed by the municipal council the first year, one of which was a by-law governing the sale of spirituous liquors. The by-law specified that those engaged in the sale of liquor must be men possessing high standards of character. It further provided that liquor must not be sold in quantities less than a quart. The tax apportioning of character much depend-

ed on the home and family life. The ultimate aim in education is to attract young people and give a challenge to human worth, he asserted. An education which fails to do this has lost its soul, continued Dr. McCutcheon.

"It would be extremely beneficial to the province and to the world at large if the spirit prevalent here to-night was carried away with us," he maintained. "Due to our worthy ancestors in pioneer days, Canada to-day occupies a place of honor and distinction in her status in the world and we should honor them by a tolerant spirit and a willing friendliness to our neighbors."

"It is not the making of money, nor the achievement of arts which is the important thing," he said. "It is better to have second-class brains than second-class character."

The toast to "The Ladies" was proposed by Dr. R. L. Langstaff in a pleasing manner, the proposer calling on his generous store of wit to intermingle with a sincere tribute to the fair sex. The toast was ably acknowledged in behalf of the ladies by Mrs. H. H. McMahon and Mrs. George Gee. Mrs. McMahon extended congratulations to Richmond Hill on its Diamond Jubilee and related an interesting incident in the history of the village concerning her mother, the late Mrs. Mary Wiley, who for over thirty years taught in Richmond Hill school. When in 1887 greetings were sent to the late Queen Victoria from the provincial W.C.T.U. the late Mrs. Wiley as secretary of that organization drafted that message and mailed it from Richmond Hill Post Office. The acknowledgement from the Queen was also sent her and was to-day among the prize possessions of Mrs. McMahon. For the continued success of Richmond Hill, Mrs. McMahon commended the motto of The Liberal which for fifty-five years of Richmond Hill's sixty years of incorporated history has been the home paper and of which her husband, the late T. F. McMahon, was the editor for over forty years, which is "In Essentials Unity, In Non-essentials Liberty, In All Things Charity."

Brief remarks by Rev. L. Claude Secrett, rector of St. Mary's Anglican Church, and J. E. Smith, editor of The Liberal, concluded the program.

England Mason, a well known member of the town band of former days, delighted the gathering with a coronet solo, Allan Duncan rendered vocal solos, and Mrs. R. Walker Hall and Miss Olive Switzer a vocal duet all of which were greatly appreciated by the gathering.

An interesting feature of the Diamond Jubilee celebration was the fact that A. J. Laverne Wright who proposed the toast to the Village is the fourth generation of the Wright family living in Richmond Hill and also a great-grandson of Abraham Law the first reeve of the village. Dr. R. L. Langstaff who proposed the toast to "The Ladies" and his son James Langstaff are descendants of Abner Miles the first settler of Richmond Hill. Dr. R. L. Langstaff is a grandson of John Langstaff who came from New Jersey in 1808 coming the way it is told on horseback. He settled on Yonge Street and married Lucy, daughter of Abner Miles of Richmond Hill. Abner Miles was mentioned several times Thursday evening as one of the first settlers here.

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An interesting incident recalled by the speaker was the fact that General Brock reviewed the York volunteers on the Vanderburg farm south of Richmond Hill at the time of the war of 1812. The stirring days of 1847 were recalled when this district was the scene of many of the historic events in that troublous year.

Dr. McCutcheon, Civil Service Commissioner for Ontario, delivered an inspiring address stressing the importance of good citizenship in the upbuilding of a community and a nation and in the maintaining of best conditions throughout the world. We can best honor pioneers by doing our duty as good citizens, he said. In this the responsibility rests on the individual for he pointed out the fibre of national character was just as strong or just as weak as the character of the individual. It is the key to real national greatness and in the upbuilding of character much depend-

TO HOLD CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

The Presbyterian Young People's Society held their social meeting last Monday when games and contests were the main features of the evening. Refreshments followed, bringing a very enjoyable meeting to a close. A Christmas Carol Service will be held in the Sunday School room on the evening of Dec. 24th at 8:30.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S COUNCIL

The closing meeting of the Young People's Council was held Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Kathleen Plewman, Richmond Street. The President, Mr. Donald Frisby presided. The report of the Rally Committee was given by Miss Isobel McLean and Miss Mable Mackie reported for the Dramatic Committee.

All members are asked to attend the first meeting of 1934 when the annual election of officers will take place.

Each Society wishing to enter the Dramatic contest please have entry fee of \$2.00 paid to the treasurer before Jan. 9th, 1934.

The annual School Concert at Patterson will be held on Dec. the 22nd.

MELVILLE

On Friday, Dec. 1st, a family reunion was held at the home of Mrs. S. B. Lehman and her sons Harmon and Willis at Almira, to honor Mrs. Lehman on her 89th birthday.

She is enjoying good health and her hearing, eyesight and memory are excellent for one of her age. She doesn't use glasses. Out of a family of fourteen, Mrs. Lehman and Mr. John R. Hoover of Altona are the only surviving children. Mr. Hoover, who is 84 years young, was able to be present at the gathering and also Mrs. Hoover. Many childhood memories were recalled by the brother and sister which were both serious and witty.

A full table welcomed them when they entered the dining room for dinner and Mrs. Lehman made the remark "You have gone to so much bother over us." When her brother spoke up in his witty but sober way, "Well, we're worth it," which caused a hearty laugh from them all.

It was just like Christmas to see the hot goose and "goodies" on the table, and among these was the beautiful birthday cake, which Mrs. Peter Steckley of Almira brought in that morning all as a surprise.

After dinner an enjoyable time was spent in conversation and in singing. Misses Marjorie, Doreen and Gladys Lehman and Luella Gayman rendered several beautiful quartettes and then all joined in singing the lovely old familiar hymns which old and young sang heartily.

Those present included Mr. and Mrs. John R. Hoover of Altona, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Myers and son Benson of Zephyr, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Wideman and son Clarence of Cashel, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Gayman and Miss Luella of Stouffville, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Baker of Gormley, Mrs. Harvey Houck of Cashel, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Lehman and family and Mr. Harmon Lehman who are at the old home with Mrs. Lehman.

When evening came and the friends were leaving they all thought they had certainly had a good day, the memories of which would linger with them for a long time.

Our School Christmas Tree and Concert will be held next Tuesday evening at eight o'clock, Dec. 19th. We always have a jolly time. Be sure to attend.

Wednesday evening, Dec. 20th, is the date set for Miss Bunker's school entertainment, 1 1/4 miles south of Cashel. The coming weeks will be busy weeks for most of us.

The Westminster Guild, Melville W.A., also W.M.S. hold their annual business meetings Wednesday and Thursday of this week. The New Year will begin with a clean sheet for Melville.

Miss Vivian Boyd, while at play at school fell and broke her arm, having to call the doctor to the school. After being attended to, Vivian was taken home. This makes the second broken arm on the 6th Line. Both Vivian and Mrs. W. Carruthers are improving as well as can be expected.

The Mary Bruce Missionary Circle held an open meeting in the church on Sunday evening. Those who attended were especially inspired by the splendid address given by the Vice-President of the Women's Auxiliary of the Toronto East Presbytery, Mrs. Stanley Hastings. Delightful old hymn tunes were played by Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Baker and Mr. Murray Baker on their guitars with Miss Aura Klinck accompanying at the piano. Sorry the church was not very well filled owing perhaps to insufficient announcement and cold weather. However, those who made the effort to attend were well repaid by the excellent and very inspiring discourse given, challenging the youth of to-day in a most arousing nature. If you have something good, pass it on.

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VICTORIA SQUARE

Now come the Christmas preparations with all their roses and thorns, with all the added effort and added joy. Our Christmas wish for everyone is that the roses may completely smother the thorns.

Keep in mind the dates for Christmas concerts, Miss Holden's school Wednesday afternoon, Miss Jennings' Thursday afternoon, Mr. Foote's, Thursday evening, Mr. Nichols, Friday afternoon and the Victoria Square Sunday School concert in the Community Hall on Saturday evening, Dec. 23rd. This will make a full week but all will be worth attending.

The W.M.S. met for the December meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 6th. An appropriate Christmas program was enjoyed with readings by Mrs. Colard, Mrs. McCague and Miss Reva Nichols and music by Misses D. Oliver and L. Gee. Encouraging reports of the year's work were then given and the election of officers for 1934 followed. Hon. Pres., Mrs. W. Brumwell and Miss H. Hopper; Pres., Mrs. Haig; Vice-Pres., Mrs. R. Klinck; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Ross Nichols, Laura Gee, assistant; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. H. McCague; Press Secretary, Reva Nichols; Temperance Secretary, Mrs. I. Nichols; Literature Secretary, Mrs. Knapp; Strangers' Secretary Miss Ethel Mortson; Associate Helpers Secretary, Mrs. R. Batty; Treasurer, Mrs. R. F. Boynton, Supply Convener, Mrs. Stoutenburg and Committee, Mrs. Flavelle and Mrs. Dennis; Stewardship Convener, Mrs. Willows, and Committee, Mrs. Avison and Mrs. G. Boynton; Mission Band Leader, Mrs. Haig, Assistant, Aura Klinck; Baby Bang Leader, Mrs. H. Collard, Assistant, Dorothy Valiere; Pianist, Mabel Sanderson, Assistant, Laura Gee; Flower Convener Mrs. E. Caseley; Missionary Monthly Secretary, Mrs. L. L. Nichols. With such a body of women interested in the work the Victoria Square Auxiliary are pressing on for a good year's work in 1934.

Y.P.S. had a good meeting Sunday evening. A splendid paper on the "Value of Work to Humanity" was given by Miss Dorothy Valliere. Miss Reva Nichols sang a solo and Miss Ruth Caseley gave a reading which fitted in very well with the special appeal for a Christmas missionary offering to help out the folks in Northern Ontario and Saskatchewan.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. I. Nichols has had another fall. We hope it is not very serious.

Special Christmas services will be held on Sunday, Dec. 24th. In the afternoon under the Sunday School organization and in the evening under the W.M.S.

AGINCOURT

Mr. Ira Shank of Markham and lately of Detroit accompanied by his son Harvey attended services in Knox Presbyterian Church last Sunday. Mr. Shank who is a well known church soloist of Toronto sang "The Holy City" and "Open the Gates of The Temple" most acceptably. We trust we shall have the pleasure of hearing him again in the near future.

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