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FRIDAY & SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20 - 21
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— ALSO —
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WILLIAM POWELL - MYRNA LOY in
"I LOVE YOU AGAIN"

— ALSO —
RICHARD DIX in
"MEN AGAINST THE SKY"
MATINEE DAILY

MAPLE NEWSY NOTES

The annual Christmas candlelight and communion service will be held in St. Stephen's Anglican Church Christmas Eve at 10 p.m. S.T. The choirs of the United and Presbyterian churches will assist St. Stephen's choir at this service and all are cordially invited.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Keffer on the birth of their son, Carl Ellsworth at Peel Memorial Hospital, Brampton, Thursday, December 12. The Teston and Hope Red Cross unit No. 6 will meet at the home of Mrs. Meal Wilson on Friday, Dec. 27th. Members are requested to bring their old car license plates.

The annual business meeting of Hope W.A. was held in the S. S. room Dec. 10th with the president Mrs. Wilbert Crook presiding. The Christmas scripture lesson was read by Mrs. Wm. Hoiles and Rev. Fockler presided for election of officers as follows: Pres., Mrs. Wm. Hoiles; 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. E. Phillips; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. Gordon Watson; Sec., Mrs. Jennings; Asst. Sec., Mrs. Keith Thomas; Treas., Mrs. W. Thomas; Asst. Treas., Mrs. George Thomas; Pianist, Mrs. Jennings; Asst. Pianist, Mrs. W. Hoiles; Flower Com., Mrs. T. O. Nixon and Mrs. John Hutchison. The business meeting was closed with the Mizpah Benediction. The W.A. entertained the ladies of Maple and Teston to a cafeteria supper followed by the following program: Readings by Mrs. Taggart of Teston and Miss Betty Jackson, Maple; piano duets by Audrey and Ruth Oliver, Miss Beryl LeGriec and Mrs. E. Wade, Mrs. W. Hoiles and Mrs. Jennings. A Bible quiz was conducted by Rev. Fockler followed by carol singing. Total collection amounted to \$20.57. The monthly meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Parnell White Wednesday, December 11th. A piano solo was given by Mrs. Noble and a recitation by Betty Jackson. An inspiring address by Mrs. C. H. Bowman was enjoyed and the ladies joined in singing "O Little Town of Bethlehem". A delightful lunch was served by the hostess and committee and a social time was spent by all. The Christmas meeting of the Y. P. U. was held in the S. S. room Monday evening. The address entitled "The Real Christmas" was given by Mr. I. B. Musselman followed by a duet by Marion Watson and Marjorie Bailey. A Christmas medley instrumental was played by Margaret Ramsey and a solo was sung by Mrs. Robt. Marritt. The S.S. room was decorated with candles and a Christmas tree and the presents were distributed by Santa Claus. A light lunch consisting of home made candy and peanuts was enjoyed. Next Monday evening the Y.P.U. will attend the Christmas party being held by the United Church Young People at Richmond Hill.

The death occurred on Wednesday, December 11 of Susan Bliss Hollingshead, wife of the late Alfred Hollingshead in her 83rd year. The

funeral service was held from the late residence on Saturday, December 14th with Rev. E. Huenergard officiating followed by interment at Buttonville cemetery.

A white gift service was held at Hope United Church Sunday morning and the gifts were sent to Fred Victor Mission, Toronto.

The annual election of officers of the Women's Missionary Society and Women's Association of the United Church was held on Wednesday, December 18th, at the home of Mrs. L. Laver. Officers for the W. A. are as follows: Hon. Pres., Mrs. H. C. Bailey; Hon. Vice-Pres., Mrs. T. Cousins; Pres., Mrs. Geo. Merrick; Vice-Pres., Mrs. R. A. Bigford; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. M. Palmer; Secretary, Mrs. Geo. Bailey; Treas., Miss Doris Cook; Pianist, Mrs. F. W. Routley; Asst. Pianist, Mrs. M. J. Kinnee; Devotional Secretaries, Mrs. C. E. Fockler, Mrs. F. P. Rumble.

The W.M.S. officers are: Honorary Pres., Mrs. J. T. Saigeon; Past Pres., Mrs. A. Forest; Pres., Mrs. L. Laver; 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. Norman; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. George Bailey; Rec. Sec., Mrs. C. Ball; Cor. Sec., Miss Margaret Ramsay; Treas., Mrs. R. A. Bigford; Pianist, Mrs. M. J. Kinnee; Asst. Pianist, Mrs. F. W. Routley; Associate Helpers, Mrs. N. Lund, Mrs. R. Ramsay, Mrs. Norman; Secretaries, Literature, Miss Margaret Ramsay; Strangers, Mrs. Merrick; Temperance, Mrs. A. Forest; Press, Mrs. Ball; Supply, Mrs. H. Jennings; Mission Band, Miss Margaret Fockler; Christian Stewardship and Finance, Mrs. F. S. Rumble.

The annual Christmas Festival Service will be held in Zion Lutheran Church on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock Standard Time, at which time the Sunday School will render an appropriate program. All are invited.

CURLING NOTES

The curling season was officially opened here last Saturday afternoon with one of the popular jitney tournaments. Ice-maker Booth had two fine sheets of ice and four rinks of enthusiasts enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon's curling. President Jim Young extends a cordial invitation to all interested in participating in this popular winter sport to join in the activities of the club. The members are looking forward to a most successful season.

Local curlers extend congratulations to Walker Hall, a former member here, now a member of High Park Club who as a member of Skip Sproule's rink won the Senior Bonspiel at Hamilton recently.

PRIMARY SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT
The Primary Department of the Richmond Hill United Church Sunday School will hold their Christmas Entertainment in the Sunday School Room on Saturday, Dec. 21 at 3 p.m. A cordial welcome to all mothers and friends of the Primary and Cradle Roll Departments.

LOCAL MUNICIPAL COUNCILS HOLD FINAL MEETING

The curtain was rung down on the year's business by district municipal councils last Monday when statutory meetings were held. At Richmond Hill clerk and treasurer A. J. Hume presented a detailed financial statement showing village finances to be in a very satisfactory condition. It showed all departments had lived within their estimates in the matter of expenditures. Reviewing the year's work Reeve Trench said two items of major importance were the improvements brought about in the waterworks and electric light departments. During the year H. B. Stirling replaced V. H. McBride as waterworks engineer and the operation of the electric light system was placed in the hands of the Hydro Electric Commission. Both it was said have resulted in increased efficiency and economy. It is generally expected that Reeve T. H. Trench and all members of council will seek re-election.

In Vaughan Township there is a likelihood of an acclamation. Reeve R. W. Scott has intimated that he will accept an acclamation but if there is any desire on the part of present members of council to seek promotion he will retire. So far we have heard of no new candidates seeking council seats.

In Markham Township where the council members were so sure of an acclamation that they made no provision for the people to express their wish on the question of the two year term even if there should be voting on January 6th, there is talk of an election contest. It is now several years since there was a contest and it will not be surprising if one develops this year.

BUTTONVILLE BOY ACCIDENTALLY SHOTS AND KILLS CHUM

Harold Cotterell was accidentally shot and mortally wounded by his chum Murray Walton at 1.40 Tuesday afternoon. Death occurred within five minutes of the accident.

Harold Cotterell and Murray Walton were playing in the barn of Mr. A. D. Newson when Murray picked up an old 25 calibre rifle which was standing against the wall and pointed it at his chum. The gun discharged and Harold slumped to the floor. He said "Take me to the house." Murray put him on a wheelbarrow and wheeled him to the house, a distance of 100 feet. Mrs. Newson and Murray were unable to lift him into the house. Murray ran to the neighbors to telephone the doctor. Mrs. Newson ran to the road and signalled Mr. Jas. Calvert to come. He assisted in lifting the boy into the kitchen and stated that he thought the boy was beyond help.

Dr. MacDonald of Markham examined the body and stated that the bullet had entered the right shoulder then glanced or splintered on the bone and severed a main artery causing death by internal hemorrhage.

Harold Cotterell was a boy 15 years of age and employed by Mr. Newson to tend his chickens and rabbits. His mother and family reside in Toronto and his father is in the C.A.S.F. Murray Walton is a local boy 17 years old. He frequently visited Harold in the afternoon. Murray says that they often played with the gun and that it was never loaded. Mrs. Newson said that Harold was a lover of guns. He would read all gun advertisements and was always wishing he owned a gun.

Mr. Newson stated that this old 25 calibre rifle was left in the barn and not loaded. He had 6 or 8 cartridges to fit the gun in a box upstairs. These were missing when looked for, after the accident. One cartridge was found in the pocket of the clothing on the body, showing that Harold himself had taken them and loaded the gun.

Constable Ben Gayman of Unionville and Dr. Ball, the coroner from Stouffville investigated and stated that the evidence pointed to accidental death.

FARMERS MAY GET INCREASE IN MILK PRICE

A. E. Buchanan New President of District 6 Milk Producers

Councillor W. L. Clark, representative of District 6 Toronto Milk Producers Association, at the annual meeting held at Unionville recently hinted that farmers might soon expect an increase in the price of milk. Mr. Clark in his address gave a comprehensive review of existing conditions in the milk business and told of the efforts of the Board to obtain an increase in the price of the farmers' product. He stressed the need for greater co-operation and commented on the attendance of fifty-five members at the annual meeting out of a membership of 325. He urged shippers to work through the association as individual agreements often hampered the work of the organization.

After the minutes of the last annual meeting, President P. E. Perkins gave a brief address reviewing the year's work and the position of the farmer in the present world picture. The secretary's report was given by Fraser Gee. The treasurer's report given by Frank Dimma showed receipts \$316.35, expenses \$117.63.

Mr. Clark was given an acclamation as representative on the Toronto Board. The new District Board elected was as follows: Hon. Past President, R. E. Perkins; President, A. E. Buchanan; 1st Vice-Pres., Chas. Hooper; 2nd Vice-Pres., Chauncey Connor; Sec., Fraser Gee; Treas., Frank Dimma; press reporter, Fraser Gee; Auditors, Robt. Holden and C. Connor. Other executive members, L. L. Peterson, Henry Burnett, Ross Chapman, Ross Winterstein, Lorne Clubine, D. McAllister, N. Porter, P. Delf, Wm. Wellman, J. E. Empringham, W. J. Spears, J. P. Carr, F. Gingell, Bert Weatherill, Jack Maclean, R. Coulson, Geo. Myland, Alvin Wideman, H. Coakwell, H. Thomas, W. Hallman, Wm. Tran, Walter Reesor, W. L. Clark.

Obituary

LATE ALEX KERR

The funeral of the late Alex Kerr, who passed away Thursday, December 19th after an illness of several weeks, was held from Wright and Taylor's Funeral Parlors, Yonge St., Richmond Hill last Sunday afternoon. A large attendance of friends and relatives and many floral tributes bespoke the sorrow of a wide circle of friends occasioned by his passing. A native of Argyllshire, Scotland, the late Alex Kerr who was in his 39th year, had been in the meat business here for the past nine years and during that time he established a reputation of honesty and integrity. Of a quiet, unassuming disposition he had many friends and his passing at such an early age is a loss felt by the whole community. The funeral service Sunday afternoon was conducted by Rev. John McLaughlin of the Presbyterian Church, Newtonville, assisted by Rev. W. F. Wrixon of St. Mary's Anglican Church. Interment followed at Richmond Hill cemetery, the pallbearers being five brothers, Duncan, Charles, Archie, John and Dugald, and a brother-in-law, Harry Hopper. He is survived by his father Alexander Kerr, in Scotland, his mother and five brothers, and two sisters, Mrs. Harry Hopper and Miss Flora Kerr.

A member of Richmond Lodge A.F. & A.M., the Masonic service at the cemetery was conducted by Albert R. Hill, the Worshipful Master, and other officers, and attended by thirty-five of the brethren.

The Liberal joins with the people of the community in extending sincere sympathy to members of the bereaved family.

LIONS CLUB TONIGHT

Dr. J. H. Carson, president of Vitamin Oil Producers, will be the speaker at the regular meeting of the Richmond Hill Lions Club tonight.

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With JOHN PAYNE - GLORIA DICKSON
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"THE BOYS FROM SYRACUSE"
With ALLAN JONES - MARTHA RAYE - JOE PENNER
ROSEMARY LANE

— ALSO —
"THE BISCUIT EATERS"
With BILLY LEE - HELENE MILLARD
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With RANDOLPH SCOTT - KAY FRANCIS
— AND —

"LIFE OF HENRY"
With ALL STAR CAST
PARAMOUNT NEWS

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS MATINEE WEDNESDAY AT 2 P.M.

VICTORIA SQUARE NEWSY NOTES

The following list of new officers were elected for the local Y.P.U. for 1941: Hon. Pres., Rev. H. McKay; Pres., Miss Marion Smith; Vice-Pres., Miss Viola Avison; Leadership Training, Miss Viola Avison; Sec., Miss Shirley Sanderson; Treas., Mr. Leslie Hart; Citizenship Convener, Mr. Harold Klinck; Fellowship, Miss B. Robertson; Missionary Treasurer, Miss V. Boynton; Culture, Miss Irene Beatty; Missionary Convener, Miss M. Boynton; Recreation Convener, Mr. A. Forson; Pianist, Miss M. McKay; Asst. Pianists, Misses Marion Boston, Marjorie Hart, Vera Taun; Song Leader, Miss Marion Boston; Asst. Song Leaders, Misses Dorothy Oliver, Verna Taun, Viola Avison; Ushers, Messrs. Bruce Kerswill, Leslie Hart, Charlie Stansbury, Philip Rumney; Publications Convener, Miss Marjorie Hart; Auditors, Miss Eloise Perkins, Mr. Gordon Morton; Social Com., Misses Mabel Caseley, Doris Knapp, Mrs. J. Paul, Mrs. W. Trussell, Messrs. Fraser Gee, Alvin Caseley, James Valliere.

All those who are planning on attending Y.P.U. next Sunday are asked to note that for that meeting only, Dec. 22, the service will not start until 8 o'clock, as Rev. McKay is coming from Carrville for the installation service and will be unable to be there any sooner. There will also be a special Christmas program prepared by Miss M. Caseley and her group.

Friends are pleased to see Mrs. Walter Ridley home again after her operation.

The many friends of Mr. C. Martin of Newmarket, formerly of the 5th line, will be sorry to hear he is in Newmarket hospital. While covering his auto one day last week another car came along, the handle of the door catching Mr. Martin in the elbow, going upward and tore the muscles out of his arm and also broke it twice between the elbow and the shoulder. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Don't forget the annual Sunday School Christmas Tree to be held in the Community Hall on Tuesday evening, Dec. 24th. A mixed program will be given and finally Santa will arrive to amuse the children and deliver them their gifts.

The W.A. supper last week was well attended considering the roads and weather. This was the last supper for this year and I'm sure the organization is well pleased with the success of the year.

UNITED CHURCH EVENING AUXILIARY

The annual meeting of the Evening Auxiliary of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Church was held on Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Gee, Miss Edith Jones presiding. The worship period was in charge of Miss Evelyn G. Follett and a brief Christmas message was brought to the ladies by Rev. H. E. Wellwood. Very encouraging reports were presented and the following officers were nominated, and afterwards installed by the pastor, Rev. C. W. Follett. Officers for 1941: President, Miss Irene Anderson; 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. Teal; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. H. Cook; 3rd Vice-Pres., Miss Hunt; Past President, Miss Edith Jones; Treas., Mrs. Kidd; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Austin; Press Sec., Mrs. Agar; Social Convener, Mrs. Sayers; Pianist, Miss E. G. Follett; Asst. Pianist, Mrs. Williams.

At the close of the meeting a most delightful social hour was enjoyed and Miss Jean Smith was presented with a beautiful tray in honor of her approaching marriage.

HOCKEY PRACTICE

There will be hockey practice at Richmond Hill arena Friday evening from 8 to 9 p.m. An effort is being made to enter an intermediate team in the Markham Township league.

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