

PHONE MO. 2172 **CAPITOL THEATRE** Yonge at Castfield
300 Seats All Evening 25c.

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 12, 13
MICKEY ROONEY, LEWIS STONE in
"LIFE BEGINS FOR ANDY HARDY"

— AND —
LYNNE ROBERTS, TED NORTH in
"THE BRIDE WORE CRUTCHES"
ADDED FOR SAT. MATINEE — CAPT. MARVEL
AND EXTRA CARTOONS

MONDAY & TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 16
JAMES CAGNEY, BETTE DAVIS in
"THE BRIDE CAME C.O.D."
— ALSO —
DEAD END KIDS in
"HIT THE ROAD"

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 18
LORETTA YOUNG, ROBT. PRESTON in
"THE LADY FROM CHEYENNE"
— ALSO —
GERALD FITZGERALD in
"SHINING VICTORY"

MAPLE NEWSY NOTES

Urge Wig-Wag For Level Crossing

The Maple railroad crossing, scene of a recent fatality should be equipped with wig-wag warning signals in the opinion of Vaughan Township Council. Representations to this effect have been made with the proper authorities but the council was advised at a recent meeting that the Toronto and York Commission budget would not allow for such an expenditure this year. However every effort will be made to have the necessary amount placed in next year's budget.

Dance Friday Night

A large crowd is expected to attend the dance to be held in the Concert Hall, Friday evening, December 12th. The dance is under the auspices of the North York Unit of the Canadian Women's Service Force and funds raised go to send cigarettes and comforts to boys overseas. Billy Hole's Live Wire Orchestra will provide the music.

The December meeting of St. Andrew's W.M.S. met at the home of Mrs. Bowman with a good attendance, the President, Mrs. N. Malloy presiding. The meeting opened with hymn 541 followed with prayer by Mr. Bowman. Scripture lesson was read by Mrs. V. Orr. Minutes of the previous meeting and treasurer's report were given. The roll call was answered by the word "heal or healing". Mrs. Orr sang a lovely solo and a splendid paper was given by Mrs. M. McDonald. Hymn 601 was sung and the meeting closed with prayer by Mr. Bowman, after which Mrs. Malloy declared all offices vacant and election of officers for 1942 followed. Mr. Bowman was appointed chairman and Mrs. G. Matheson secretary for the election of officers. Mrs. Richard MacNaughton was appointed as the new President; 1st vice-pres., Mrs. M. McDonald; 2nd vice-pres., Mrs. A. Lawrie; secretary, Mrs. Geo. Matheson; treasurer, Mrs. M. White; Glad Tidings, Mrs. McCullough; Supply Sec., Mrs. E. Keffer; Press Sec., Mrs. V. Orr; Literature, Mrs. C. Snider; Home Service, Mrs. A. Rumble and Mrs. W. Hodge; Home Helpers, Mrs. A. Robinson; Organist, Mrs. E. Wade; Asst. Organist, Mrs. W. Hodge; Mission Band, Mrs. A. Lawrie, Mrs. M. McDonald and Mrs. E. Keffer.

Maple Community Christmas Concert will be held in Maple Concert Hall, Friday evening, December 19th at 8.30 p.m. D.S.T.

Township Constable Sam Ireland of Kleinburg is still under the doctor's care suffering from injuries received some weeks ago when making an arrest of men causing a disturbance in the gravel pit near Nashville.

Vaughan Township has paid bounty on some twenty-two foxes shot in the township this season. This should make farm yards more safe for fowl.

Have you something to sell? A classified "ad" in The Liberal will do the selling job for you at a very small cost.

We invite readers to send in news items of social doings, personal notes or news of organizations. Mail them to The Liberal, or telephone 9 Richmond Hill.

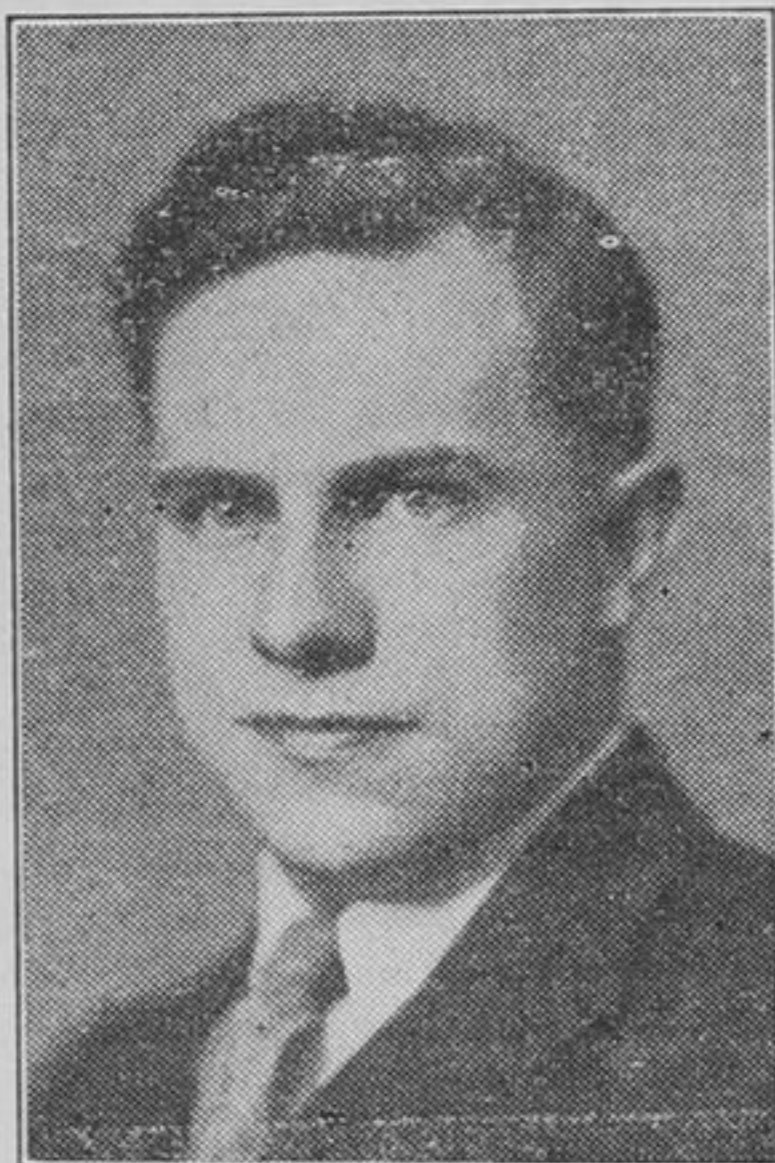
FATHER INSTALLS THIRD SON AS WORSHIPFUL MASTER OF VAUGHAN LODGE

James M. McDonald was installed as Worshipful Master of Vaughan Lodge No. 54 at Maple Masonic Hall Tuesday evening at the annual ceremony of installation and investiture. W. Bro. Milton McDonald acted as installing master and was assisted by other past masters of Vaughan Lodge. The ceremony was unique in the history of Masonry in this province as it was the third time that W. Bro. Milton McDonald officiated as installing master for one of his sons. W. Bro. Henry McDonald was Master of Vaughan Lodge last year and W. Bro. Neil McDonald ruling master in 1931. Another son of the installing master, Bro. Bruce McDonald was invested as Senior Deacon of the Lodge. Many visitors attended from Toronto and district lodges. Other officers invested were: Immediate Past Master, W. Bro. Henry McDonald; Senior Warden, Bro. C. McCluskey; Junior Warden, Bro. R. Marritt; Chaplain, Bro. Rev. C. H. Bowman; Treasurer, R.W. Bro. I. B. Musselman; Secretary, W. Bro. Dr. R. A. Bigford; Senior Deacon, Bro. Bruce McDonald; Junior Deacon, Bro. A. Bishop; Director of Ceremonies, W. Bro. Neil McDonald; Inner Guard, Bro. Andrew Snider; Senior Steward, Bro. A. Shaw; Junior Steward, Bro. W. Hodge; Tyler, W. Bro. A. Jones.

There will be a dance in Vellore Memorial Hall Christmas night sponsored by the Hall Committee. Carl Black's orchestra will provide the music and Ernie Evans will be floor manager.

The 103rd anniversary of St. Phillip's Anglican Church, Maple will be observed Sunday, December 14th. Holy Communion at 9 a.m. D.S.T. Evening service at 7.30 p.m. D.S.T. when Rev. W. S. Pocknell of Richmond Hill will preach.

WORSHIPFUL MASTER OF VAUGHAN LODGE



W. BRO. JAMES M. McDONALD Installed as Ruling Master of Vaughan Lodge A.F. & A.M. No. 54 at the annual ceremony of installation at Maple Tuesday evening. He was installed in office by his father, W. Bro. Milton McDonald, a Past Master of Vaughan Lodge.

This Is Our War-Buy More War Savings Certificates

Richmond Hill must reach its objective of one Naval Gun per month in War Savings Stamps and Certificates. To this end members of a volunteer committee are now making a canvass of the town. Reports indicate that they are meeting with splendid success and it is now apparent the objective is not beyond our reach. The objective means monthly purchases amounting to \$3000, and to attain it means that everyone must do his and her full share.

A report of the canvass team showed that in the first five homes visited, four doubled their War Savings pledges. This is the kind of spirit which will enable Richmond Hill to reach its objective and the kind of spirit which will win a war. Nothing short of this kind of spirit will do.

We know we do not need to repeat any of the many arguments for increased purchase of War Savings Stamps.

If your neighbour's house were on fire, you would not stand around with your hands in your pockets and wait until the flames spread to your own home. You would help him to put out the fire before it spread.

Whether you join the armed forces and fight over in Europe, or join one of the national defence organizations, or knit and sew for the soldiers, sailors, airmen or for the people of Britain, or you invest every last cent in War Savings Certificates, you will be fighting not only for Europe and the British Empire, but for Canada, your own home town and your own family.

This is our war, yours and mine, to win or to lose by our own efforts or lack of effort. Never mind what the other fellow is doing. If we are sure that we are doing all we can, the other chap will follow suit and we will win.

But it is up to everyone of us — it is our war.

Blank forms have been mailed to every household and citizens can help expedite the work of the canvassers by having these forms ready when they call.

Window's Unveiled At St. Mary's Church

St. Mary's Church, Richmond Hill was filled to capacity on Sunday morning last for the 69th anniversary and unveiling of new windows. The whole service was very inspiring and will not soon be forgotten. The Rector, Rev. W. F. Wrixon, thanked the donors of the beautiful window and called upon Mrs. J. Lockhart to perform the ceremony of unveiling. Mrs. Lockhart was escorted to the Altar rail by the church wardens Mr. R. D. Little and Mr. W. S. Scrivener. In a few well chosen words Mrs. Lockhart unveiled the three light window, bringing to the view of all present a beautiful picture in English glass. The Rector then called upon Bishop Beverley to perform the ceremony of dedication. Other gifts received at the anniversary were a pair of satin cushions to be used in the service of Holy Matrimony, given by Mrs. W. Rumney, and Miss Joyce Rumney of Toronto, and a deed of land from the Arnold Estate. Out of town visitors to the service included Mrs. Jane Lockhart, Miss Bertha Palmer, Mrs. Cebell Ford, Mr. and E. Rumney, Miss J. Rumney, Mr. H. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. J. Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. C. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. T. Farr, Dr. and Mrs. H. Hill, Dr. and Mrs. A. Mason, Mrs. Humphrey, Miss G. Humphrey, Miss M. Davis, Mrs. Davies, Mr. and Mrs. G. Hudson, Mrs. A. R. Beverley, Mrs. J. Barnett, Mrs. L. Cardwell, and others all from Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Legge from Jefferson. Other visitors included Reeve Trench and Mrs. F. Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wright, and Mr. W. W. Trench, of Richmond Hill. The evening service was well attended and was conducted by the Rector, who preached on "Gratitude and Courage". In order that friends might have the opportunity to visit, refreshments were served by the ladies of the congregation following both services.

MUNICIPAL WORK RUSHING AHEAD

The contractor is making excellent progress on the construction of the sewer on Centre Street East. The water main on Vaughan Road has been completely installed. It is hoped to have all work completed within a couple of weeks.

CURLING NOTES

Ice makers, Moodie Brothers are busy at the local rink and if cold weather continues are hopeful of plenty of ice for curling soon.

Roy Wice, George Lake, Wilf. Ball and Billy Watson played in the High Park 'spiel' Tuesday and made a good showing. They won their first two games and were eliminated by the highly rated Kelly rink from the Granite Club.

C. G. I. T. CHRISTMAS VESPER SERVICE

On December 18, 1941 at 7.30 o'clock in the Sunday School Room of the United Church there will be held a Christmas Vesper Service. Canadian Girls in Training will conduct the service. Parents and friends are invited to attend. There will be carol singing and a candle-lighting ceremony. This service will be part of a nation-wide Christmas celebration when Canadian Girls in Training from Charlottetown to Victoria, with their parents and friends, will worship together as one community, reading the familiar Christmas story, and lighting candles as a symbol of the light that came into the world at Christmas. A modern Christmas story, "Blessed be the Towers", written specially for the service by Frances E. Russell, will be told. It relates the experience of a war guest in Canada at Christmas time. This story will be read by members of one of the local groups. One group will put on a short Christmas play "No Room at the Inn," while the third group will enact a couple of Christmas carols. The Explorers' Group are invited to come out and join the C.G.I.T. in their Vesper Service. The local girls hope for renewed interest and support of its work, and a warm invitation is extended to all who are interested in Canadian Girls.

NEW BOOKS IN RICHMOND HILL PUBLIC LIBRARY FICTION

One red rose forever, Jordan; Waters of the wilderness, Siefert; Golden skylark, Goudge; There's one in every family, Eisenberg; Keys of the kingdom, Cronin; Junior Miss, Benson; No one will know, Delafield; Shelter, Nicholson; Restless are the sails, Eaton; The drums go dead, Aldrich; No love lost, Reeves; N or M, Christie; Westgate Mystery, St. John; And then there were none, Christie; A number of mystery novels.

CLASSED

Forsaking all others, Miller; Where stands a winged sentry, Kennedy; Crossing Canada, Strack; Nine days, Wonder, Masefield; Music and its makers; Biography of Roosevelt; Days of our years, Paassen; Horse and buggy doctor, Hertyler; Human side of birds, Dixon; Kabloona, DePoncin; Women of Britain, Struthers; Little citizen; Wings of the morning, Tracy; Naturalist in Canada, McGowan.

JUVENILE

A few older boys and girls stories.

BIRTH

PEARCE—At 47 Mill Street, Richmond Hill, on Tuesday, December 9 to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Pearce (nee Eveline Hamill Taylor) a daughter, (Carol Eveline).

Bedford

Yonge St. at Glenforest Rd. * HUDSON 5437

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 12, 13

"They Met at Bombay"

With CLARK GABLE, ROSALIND RUSSELL

"Sleepers West"

— AND —

With LLOYD NOLAN, SYLVIA SIDNEY

NOVELTY — MRS. LADY BUG

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 16, 17

"Wagons Roll On"

With HUMPHREY BOGART, SYLVIA SIDNEY

— AND —

"Affectionately Yours"

With MERLE OBERON, DENNIS MORGAN

HOLLYWOOD STEPS OUT—DEC. 15, 16 NEWS—DEC. 17, 18

Buy Theatre Tickets For Your Christmas Presents

"ALL FOR ONE, ONE FOR ALL" THE IDEAL COMMUNITY SPIRIT

STORY OF THE ROCKWOOD FAMILY EXPERIENCE WITH A MORAL FOR EVERY COMMUNITY

(By Russell Fox, Richmond Hill)

Stories with morals are no longer popular. Probably we had too many of them in childhood, and so now we insist on a diet of adventure that grips and romance that fascinates. This tale I want to tell about Peter Lockwood and his family and neighbours could have a moral if the reader wants to draw one, but he need not do so, of course, unless he wishes.

Peter and his wife and children live on a farm in a rural area adjoining a village in Kansas about one hour's ride from Topeka. A few years ago, when we were in the midst of the depression, Peter could not meet his mortgage payment with the result that all over the village and at the cross roads near and far, large, heavy type posters appeared announcing a mortgage farm auction to take place on the veranlah of Peter's home.

It was a well equipped farm, was Peter's. I learned from the hotel clerk in the village, and folks were sorry for Lockwood as they were for many others whose hard work, thrift and ingenuity had failed to combat the depression. "Yes," said the hotel clerk, "it surely is tough, but it could be worse because there won't be any sale and Lockwood will get the chance he wants to make good."

I asked how the sale could be avoided. "Just watch and see," laughed the clerk. "You will be here tomorrow, won't you. Well, go out there to the sale. You'll probably enjoy what happens, and you can get out to Lockwood's place in a taxi or you can get a ride because there will be dozens of folks going from the village. It will be a sort of holiday. Even the stores won't be open."

The hotel man's survey of the situation was accurate. Next day the business of the community was suspended. All roads seemed to lead to the Lockwood home and cars, carts, wagons and bicycles headed in that direction. Of course, I went along and when I got there I found myself in a crowd of the size you find at the Canadian National Exhibition, but the sombre faces all around me, the lack of mirth or inclination to make merry even on the part of the children present, suggested a lynching party rather than the quasi-social affair an auction sale becomes around Richmond Hill.

I skirted the crowd and wormed my way around to the front of the verandah. I was congratulating myself on attaining such a point of vantage when a big fellow elbowed his way over to me, and pulling back his coat flashed on me a bright metal badge on which were the words, "Deputy Sheriff" together with the name of the county.

"You wasn't a-thinkin' of doin' any biddin' was you stranger?" he asked kindly enough.

"No," I answered, "I wasn't a-thinkin' of doin' any."

"That's right," he drawled. "If'n you seem to hanker after somethin' that seems mighty cheap, just don't do it. We'uns in this here part of Kansas wouldn't like it, and you might lose it afore you got home."

In a minute or two, the auctioneer took his stand. He offered the farm. It would probably be worth about \$5,000 and he announced that the mortgage arrears amounted to \$672. Not a bid was forthcoming. Then he offered the farm and chattels and he read off the list of the latter; it seems the mortgage covered everything down to the housewife's coffee pot. Still there were no bids. Then he offered the chattels one by one and group by group. I recall a first class looking tractor with plow and other implements.

"Who'll start the bidding at \$25?" shouted the auctioneer, but for all the response he got he might as well have said twenty-five cents. Within probably ten minutes the sale was over, nothing was sold, and the crowd turned to go home. A few feet away stood the deputy sheriff who had made himself acquainted. I worked my way over to him and took him by the arm.

"Tell me sheriff," I said, "what's it all about? I'm a stranger in Kansas, and I don't get the hang of it."

"Well," he drawled, "it's just like this. That young feller Lockwood was borned here about, and man and boy he's been here ever since, and he'll pay his mortgage when he can. We'uns ain't a-goin' to see his home taken from him when it ain't his fault if'n he ain't got the money, and so we ain't a buyin' any of this things and we ain't a-lettin' anyone else buy them. His'n is just about the 25th sale we got down in the books at the office where no buyin' was done, and there's a heap more to come."

I would not try to defend the boycott of mortgage sales the people of Kansas followed a few years ago. Indeed, I do not think a defence would be possible without knowing all the facts. Perhaps the holder of the mortgage was some poor person, also a depression victim, who needed the money or the Lockwood property as an alternative. A mortgage is a contract and a contract must be regarded as something sacred or a complete collapse of business relationships is inevitable.

Over and above those primary considerations, however, one thing seems to stand out, namely, the neighborly loyalty and community spirit demonstrated. "All for one and one for all!"

Sometimes it may seem dormant, but it really does exist in the communities of Ontario. The Lions at Richmond Hill seem to be the incarnation of it, the repository of fine, robust community spirit.

SHOT FOX NEAR VICTORIA SQUARE

A. A. Eden of Richmond Hill shot a beautiful red fox in the Victoria Square district Tuesday afternoon.