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A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ONE AND ALL

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

WED., THURS., FRI., SAT., DECEMBER 31, JANUARY 1, 2, 3
TYRONE POWER, BETTY GRABLE in
"A YANK IN THE R.A.F."
GLACIER TRAILS AND OTHER SELECTED SHORTS

MATINEE DAILY AT 2 P.M.—CONTINUOUS THURS. & SAT.
EXTRA CARTOONS

MON., TUES., WED., THURS., JANUARY 5, 6, 7, 8
SPENCER TRACY, LANA TURNER, INGRID BERGMAN in
"DR. JEKYLL AND MR. HYDE"
— AND —
"SAILORS ON LEAVE"

MIDNIGHT SHOW
New Year's Eve at 11.30
BOB HOPE, PAULETTE GODDARD, EDWARD ARNOLD in
"NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH"
THE COMEDY OF THE SEASON
— AND —
BONITA GRANVILLE, RAY MacDONALD in
"DOWN IN SAN DIEGO"

MAPLE NEWSY NOTES

A small crowd attended the annual nomination meeting for the Police Village held Monday evening. The 1941 trustees, Wilbert Cousins, W. J. Johnson and Joshua Manning were returned by acclamation when the only other nominee Harry Chapman, withdrew.

We extend congratulations to Reeve Scott and members of the Township Council on receiving an acclamation.

The Police Village Trustees are endeavouring to secure a site for a Fire Hall, and also are looking for a place to erect a new flag pole to replace the one which formerly stood on the athletic grounds. The corner of the new Maple Villa has been suggested as a suitable place for the new pole as it is felt it should be somewhere on the main street.

Mr. and Mrs. George Palmer, Lois and Dorothy, Mr. Edwin Crook, L.A.C. Frank Pace of the R.C.A.F. and T. Woodward of the R.C.A.F., all of Kingston spent Christmas with Mrs. George Crook.

Mrs. J. W. Thomas received a Christmas message by telephone from Arizona, U.S.A., from Randolph Hoiles who is attending University there.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce McDonald spent Christmas at Beamsville with Mrs. McCrimmon and Mrs. R. Foote. Bill Hoiles and Jack Crook each shot a red fox in the district this week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Nixon spent Christmas with Mrs. Garrow in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Edmunds of Richmond Hill attended the Candle-Light service at St. Stephen's Church on Christmas Eve.

A large number enjoyed the impressive candle-light service in St. Stephen's Anglican Church Christmas Eve. Miss Brown of Oak Ridges rendered a beautiful solo in a blackout, and during the number the lights were re-lit depicting the "light of the world" coming back, even though it seems to be going out all over the war-torn world. Another solo was given by Miss Bettie

Walker of King. The candles in the body of the church were lit by the two sidesmen, H. Bryan and Jackson Cook. The United Church choir assisted in the service for which the church was attractively decorated.

A euchre will be held in the Masonic Hall, Wednesday evening, Jan. 9th under the auspices of the Maple W.I. Fowl will be given for 1st and 2nd prizes. There will be four lucky frame prizes and there will also be a freeze-out. Come and enjoy the fun.

A very pleasant social evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Ramsay December 23rd, when a number of friends gathered to welcome Lorne Wells of the R.C.A.F., home on Christmas leave from Eastern Canada. It was a very festive, jolly evening of music, singing and games of all kinds, after which a most delightful lunch was served by the hostess. A toast to Our Armed Forces was given by Dr. Bigford and nobly responded to by Lorne. Dr. Bigford spoke of the great co-ordination of sea, air and land forces and the working out of one supreme command, so as these great forces, hereafter, shall be rated their true value in order that they might work together in the closest harmony. On behalf of all present, very best wishes were extended to Lorne for the coming year.

CHANGEABLE WEATHER HARD ON CROPS

Winter crops in York County may have been damaged by the changeable weather, W. M. Cockburn, York County Agricultural Representative, declared on Monday.

"The seriousness of the damage cannot be determined, however, until next spring," he said. "Alternate thawing and freezing injures the cell walls of the plants and the heaving of the soil, breaks off the plant roots. Farmers prefer a steady winter with an abundance of snow, which protects the plants and provides moisture during the early growing period in the spring," he said.

REEVE T. H. TRENCH AND ALL OF COUNCIL RE-ELECTED FOR 1942

School Trustees Re-elected — Small Attendance at Annual Nomination Meeting Monday Night

All members of Richmond Hill council were elected by acclamation at the annual nomination meeting held in the Municipal Hall Monday evening. In the absence through illness of Mr. A. J. Hume the Village Clerk, J. E. Smith presided over the nomination proceedings. The chairman commented on the fact that in thirty-seven years as village clerk this was the first nomination meeting Mr. Hume had missed which is a record which can be equalled by few municipal officials in Ontario.

The attendance at the nomination meeting was small, in fact the smallest in many years. Reeve Thomas H. Trench who has been Reeve since 1940 and previously served seven years in the same office, was the only nominee for the office of Reeve for 1942. Wesley Middleton, Dr. J. P. Wilson, R. D. Little and William Neal, members of council since 1940 were the only nominations for councillors. For school trustee, L. H. Clement, Duncan M. Chamney and Duncan Kerr, former members of the Board were returned, no other names being placed in nomination.

Reeve Trench gave a very interesting and detailed statement of village finances and reported that while a year ago the village had an overdraft of \$4000, this was wiped out and today there is a credit balance of \$1722. The Reeve pointed out that approximately ninety per cent of the tax levy is for uncontrollable expenditure, that is for schools, debentures and fixed charges. This year the requisition for school purposes was \$1800 higher than last year, but even with this there had been a tax reduction and the council had lived within its budget and finished the year with a surplus. The Reeve dealt in detail with the projects which have engaged the attention of council including the search for a more adequate water supply and the trunk sewer being constructed on Centre Street East. This latter undertaking is to clear up the situation which has cost the village so much in past years in law costs. The sewer is being constructed so that it will be a useful and valuable village asset he said.

Councillor Wes Middleton said he had served seven years on council and as he looked back he could see that he made some mistakes, but he at all times did what he thought was in the best interests of the village. He said the past two years had not been easy ones. There had been difficult problems and while they might not be completely solved we at least can see daylight through the woods. He pointed out that the contract price for the Centre Street sewer was less than \$8000 to which would be added costs for land and engineering which might bring it up another thousand dollars. In other years the village spent large sums for law costs and had nothing to show for it. I think it is better to spend this money and have something for our money.

Councillor Dr. J. P. Wilson, chairman of the Waterworks Commission, appealed to the citizens to co-operate and pay their bills for public services promptly. "We can cut the water off if the bill isn't paid," he said, "but it would be much nicer if the people would pay up promptly. During the year there were seven new water services installed and an extension of the main some 452 feet on Vaughan Road. There had been an acute water shortage last summer and the council had found a new source of supply which it is hoped will meet the demands of the village. He thanked the 99 per cent of the citizens who last summer co-operated by refraining to use water for lawns and gardens. The odd one

he said disregarded our appeal which was manifestly unfair. New equipment has been installed at the waterworks in an endeavour to eliminate any trace of marshy taste on the water. This was done at a very small cost. The waterworks department had a substantial surplus on its operation and he advocated an increase in the hydrant rental charged the municipality by the waterworks department. The present low hydrant rental is unfair to the water users he said. Dr. Wilson also advocates the setting up of a reserve fund in the waterworks department for replacement of machinery and equipment.

Wilbert Bone objected to the charge of the municipality of \$1.00 per foot for digging a new water service. He claimed the charge was excessive, and if lowered would be more of an incentive to have the water put in.

Councillor R. D. Little, chairman of the Electric Light Department declared that the village was saving from \$600 to \$800 per year by the present system of having the Hydro service the system in comparison to the former policy of having an electrician engaged by the village. At the end of November there was only \$17.50 arrears in electric light accounts compared with \$440 in June 1940 when the new system was adopted.

Councillor William Neal was unavoidably absent from the nomination meeting but the report of his department of streets and sidewalks was covered by the other members of council.

Trustee D. M. Chamney thanked the electors for re-election and paid tribute to the fine service rendered to the schools by the late Lloyd A. Hill, former chairman of the board whose passing was a great loss to the board during the year. Mr. Chamney also commended the teachers, pupils and caretaker for the fine work effort being carried on at the Public School. They're doing a fine job and we congratulate them, said the speaker.

Trustee Duncan Kerr who has been a member for the past two years said that it had been a pleasure to serve on the board and that at all times he had tried to do his duty to the school and the taxpayers.

Trustee P. E. Angle, Chairman of the Board, added words of tribute for the late L. A. Hill and commended all members of the board for their faithful performance of their duties.

HOPE FOR SKATING SATURDAY

Councillor Wes Middleton, chairman of the Arena Commission, advised The Liberal that it is hoped to have skating at Richmond Hill rink Saturday night. Unless there is a very sudden change to cold weather there will be no skating for New Year's.

ST. MARY'S CHRISTMAS TREE

The children of St. Mary's Anglican Church held their annual Christmas Tree on Tuesday of last week. Supper was served, after which Santa Claus appeared and presented each child with a gift. Instead of the usual prizes the children receiving highest marks received War Savings Stamps. Mr. B. Watford gave each child a box of chocolates and entertained the gathering with moving pictures. All reported a very happy evening.

SHOT TWO FOXES IN AN HOUR

Bruce Stephens, Richmond Hill, had the good fortune on Christmas Day to shoot two red foxes in Vaughan Township, within an hour.

Bedford

Yonge St. at Glenforest Rd. * Hudson 5437

THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY, JANUARY 1, 2, 3

"Life Begins With Andy Hardy"

With MICKEY ROONEY, JUDY GARLAND

"Strange Alibi"

With ARTHUR KENNEDY, JOAN PERRY

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 6, 7

"When Ladies Meet"

With JOAN CRAWFORD, ROBERT TAYLOR

"Case of the Black Cat"

With WILLIAM LUDIGAN, MARIS WRIXON NOVELTY

NEW YEAR'S EVE MIDNIGHT SHOW

REGULAR PRICES

NO SPEECHES HEARD AT MARKHAM TOWNSHIP PUBLIC MEETING

Markham Township Council was elected for a two year term a year ago and there was no nomination meeting this year, but in accordance with the Act a public meeting of the ratepayers was called Monday to hear the members of council speak and hear the financial report. Bills were posted up calling the public meeting but Monday afternoon all that turned up were the Reeve and members of council, the Road Superintendent, two road foremen, a member of the Board of Health, the Constable and the Hall caretaker. No speeches were heard, and the absence of the ratepayers was testimony in support of the argument advanced a year ago that adoption of the two year term would tend to lessen interest in municipal affairs.

VAUGHAN HAS PAID BOUNTY ON FORTY-FOUR FOXES

Vaughan Township, which was the first Ontario municipality to offer a bounty for killing foxes has so far paid \$200 each for forty-four foxes killed in the Township. Council took the action as farmers were complaining of the raid on fowl by the foxes. Many of the foxes being killed are young ones.

COUNCILS RE-ELECTED

Municipal councils in Woodbridge, Aurora and Whitchurch Township were all re-elected by acclamation Monday. Reeve Toole of Whitchurch is mentioned as likely choice as 1942 York County Warden.

L.O.L. OFFICERS ELECTED

Election and installation of officers of Victoria L.O.L. 2368 was held in the Orange Hall, Richmond Hill, Monday evening. The ceremony of installation was performed by Wor. Bro. G. W. Cox, District Master of Centre York District and associate officers. Officers for 1942 are: Wor. Master, Wor. Bro. R. H. Kane (re-elected); Dep. Master, Bro. Lloyd Beatty; Chaplain, Wor. Bro. Rev. W. F. Wrixon; Rec. Sec., Wor. Bro. Fred Hopper; Fin. Sec., Wor. Bro. A. Hawkes; Treasurer, Wor. Bro. W. Tyndall; Marshal, Wor. Bro. J. Sanders; First Lect., Bro. M. Chedzoy; Dept. Lect., Wor. Bro. R. J. Beatty; 1st Committee, Bro. J. Orr; 2nd Com., Wor. Bro. R. Libb; 3rd Com., Wor. Bro. A. Hawkes; 4th Com., Bro. W. Scrivener; 5th Com., Bro. L. Beatty; Auditors, Wor. Bro. Dibb, Bro. Scrivener; Hall Com., Wor. Bros. Hopper, Tyndall, Kane; Sick Com., Wor. Bro. Kane, Bro. L. Beatty, Wor. Bro. Rev. W. F. Wrixon.

SHOT A FOX

Charlie Graham, Church Street, Richmond Hill shot a red fox in Vaughan Township this week.

Victoria Square

There were eighty present at the church service on Sunday.

Misses Viola, Ruby and Margaret Avison, Miss Peggy McKay, Mrs. Jim Paul, Mr. Isaac Williamson were all home over the week-end and were present at the regular service. Also Mr. Harvey Attwood who is spending a few days with his aunt Mrs. Willows.

Misses Vera Boynton and Mabel Sanderson spent Saturday with Mrs. Ratcliffe and Mrs. Nichols.

Miss Vera Nichols had a quilting on Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Herb Marritt spent Christmas at Keswick.

Mr. Roger Britnell spent Christmas at his home in Toronto.

Mr. Donald Boyle spent Christmas at his home in Long Branch.

Next Friday evening, January 2 the Sunday School will hold their annual meeting to elect the new officers for 1942. Everyone is asked to be present who are interested in the Sunday School work. Choir practice will be held at the close of the meeting.

Mr. Rolph Boynton and daughter Vera are the only two entitled to a prize this year for regular attendance (50 Sundays) in the Sunday School.

Master Nelson Buchanan is the proud owner of a new pony these days.

The Christmas concert was well attended on Christmas Eve and old Santa must have had a heavy load in order to bring all the gifts that were placed at the foot of the tree. The evening is always one to be remembered by the young folk of the Sunday School.

Mr. Herb Sanderson, Mr. Harold Sanderson and Miss Sayers, all of Richmond Hill, accompanied by two lads of the R.C.A.F. from Manning Pool who were formerly from Manitoba and Rhode Island spent Saturday afternoon at Mr. Bert Sanderson's.

We are sorry to hear of the illness of little Vera Nichols of Templeville. Hope she will soon be able to be home from the hospital. Miss McCausland is spending a while with her parents here.

CUTTING GRASS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Convincing evidence of a 1941 Green Christmas was observed at Victoria Square on Christmas Day when Mr. L. G. Stoutenburg was seen pushing his lawn mower. "The grass on the lawn was long and needed cutting," said Mr. Stoutenburg who expressed the hope it would be the last time he would have to do the job this year. He stated definitely that Santa Claus had not brought the lawn mower.

Opening Dance



BUTTONVILLE HALL

Friday Ev'g, January 9th

Rus Creighton's Orchestra
Lunch Provided

Admission 50c. per person