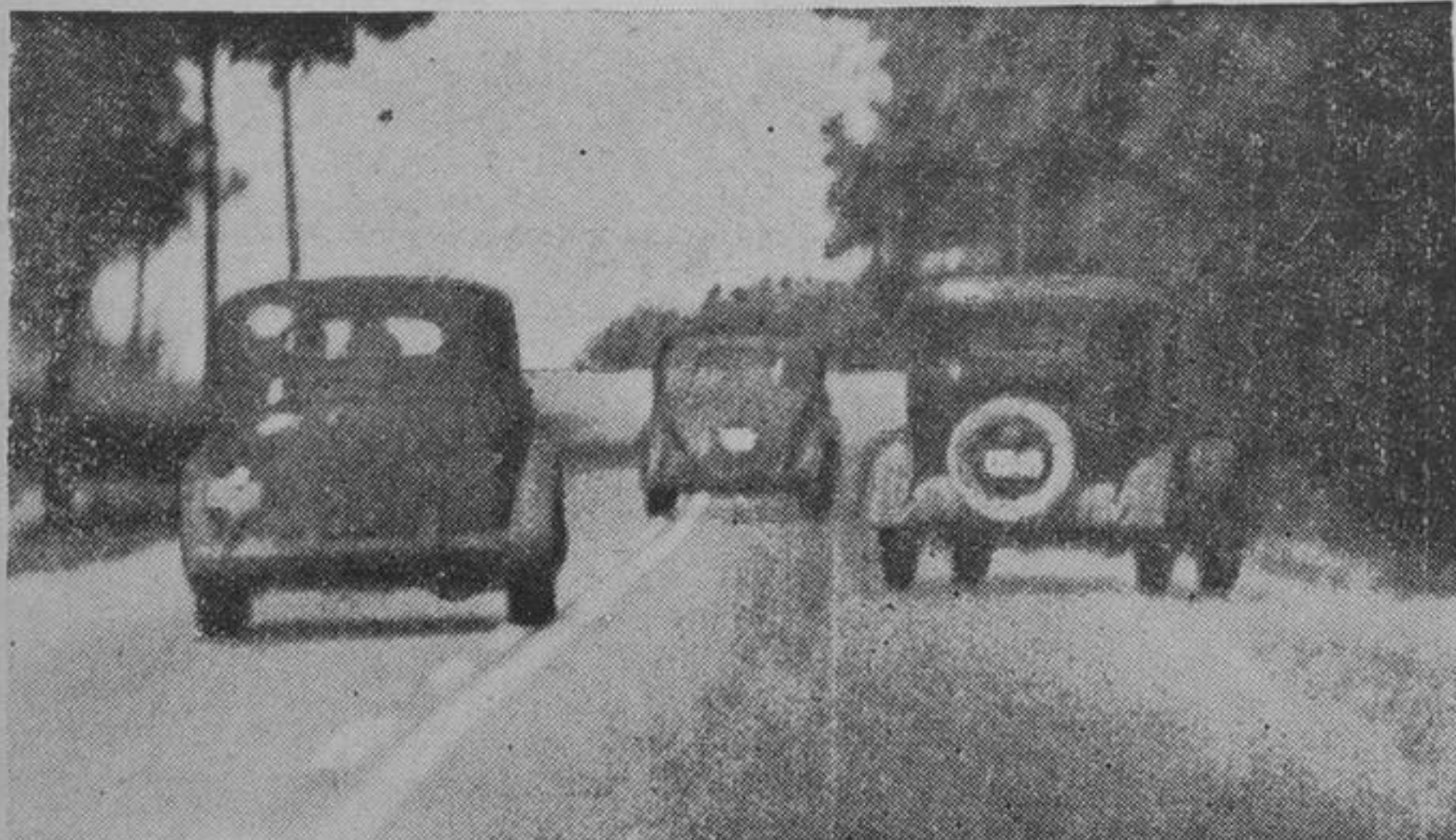
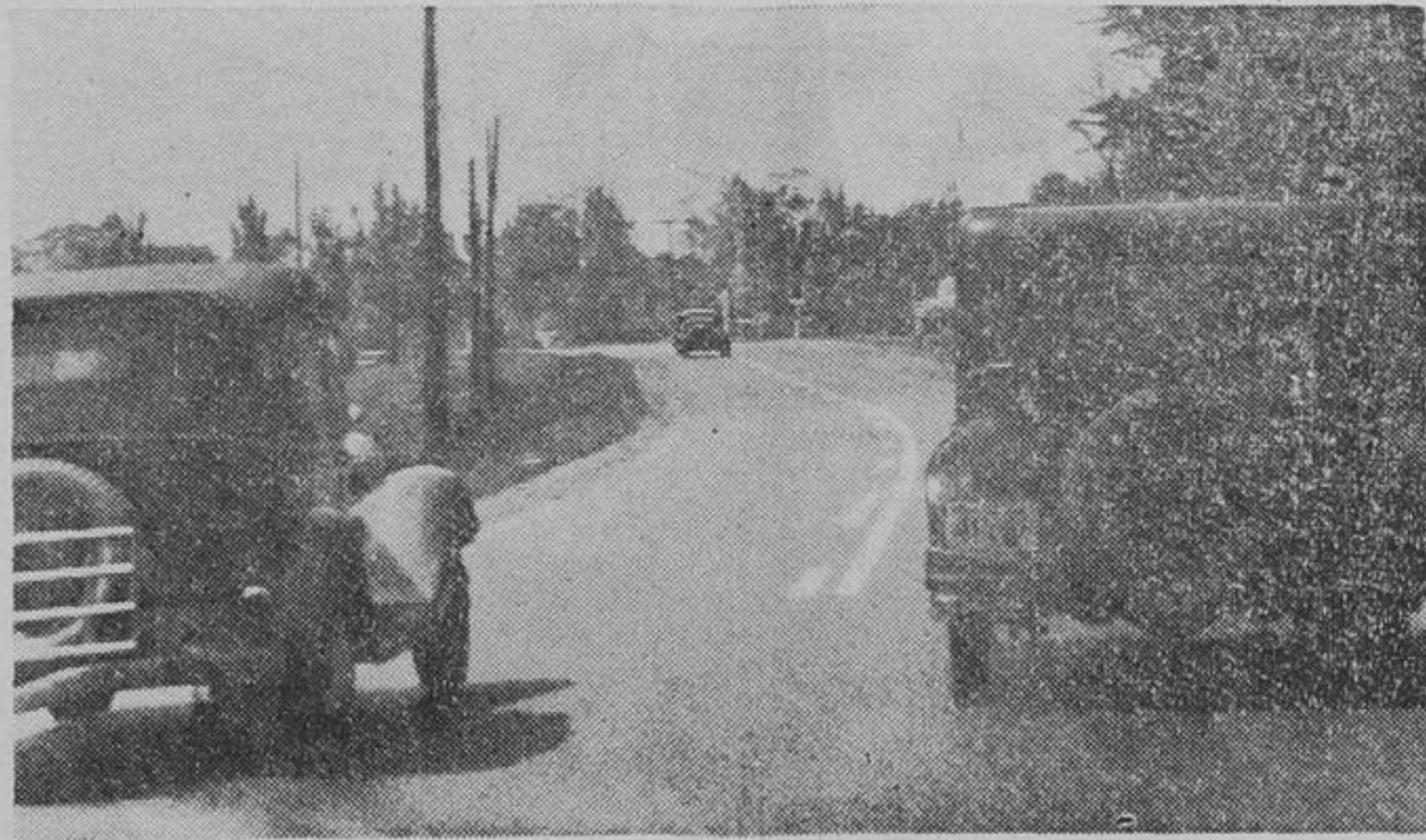


# These White Lines Help to Reduce Accident Toll in Province of Ontario



The "Eager Beaver" driver can't take his foot off the accelerator. Seconds only are required to clear the road of the car on the right. Car on the left swinging wide in a restricted area is a real hazard with a blind hill coming up.



Solid white lines on your side must NOT be crossed! Here are all the elements of a fatal accident—a curve, a solid white line, an impatient driver, an approaching car.

## Machine Will Mark 2,400 Miles Highway This Year; Uses Huge Quantity Paint

Those white lines on Ontario highways are not put there by the man who marks out tennis courts. They're applied by a special truck that averages, as it works, 8 to 10 miles an hour, and carries a crew of three. The Ontario Department of Highways has, in fact, five of these trucks, representing many thousands of dollars of valuable equipment. They are an important factor in keeping our highways safe.

So far this year, some 1,500 miles of black highway have been "white-lined," involving the use of about 11,000 gallons of paint. It is expected that 2,400 miles of Ontario highways will be so marked this year, according to a highways department engineer.

Laying those white lines, with which so many motorists are familiar, requires the skill and perspiration of a sizable crew.

Before the line-marking equipment is brought into play, engineers precede it and mark with symbols just where the lines and bars are to be placed. There is no margin for error; symbols placed in the exact centre of the road indicate where and what type of marking is required.

Also preceding the marking machine is a supply truck with a crew of two that carries an adequate supply of little red flags mounted on wooden blocks. These flags are dropped along the fresh markings by a helper in a trailer attached to the marking truck, warning motorists to keep clear of the wet paint. The supply truck precedes the marking machine by a few miles and leaves stacks of the red flags by the side of the road. Later, it retrieves the flags after the paint is dry.

To show up the white markings at night, glass bead paint is applied on the more heavily travelled roads. Fine particles of hard, smooth glass (made into a dust) are dropped into the paint, providing a reflecting surface for the headlights. So far this year about 21,000 pounds of this glass bead paint has been laid on portions of Ontario highways that carry heavy night traffic.

Some 23 years ago, the white paint was put on by brush from a hand-drawn "buggy," George Stockdale, highways foreman reports. This was a slow and tedious process and became quite inadequate as the province's paved highway was expanded. A spray gun was next used but the truck which carried it had only sufficient paint to mark about 8 miles a day.

The new trucks, built by the Department of Highways, carry 350 gallons of paint each, enough for a four day and a half's work. Mr.

### Highways Minister

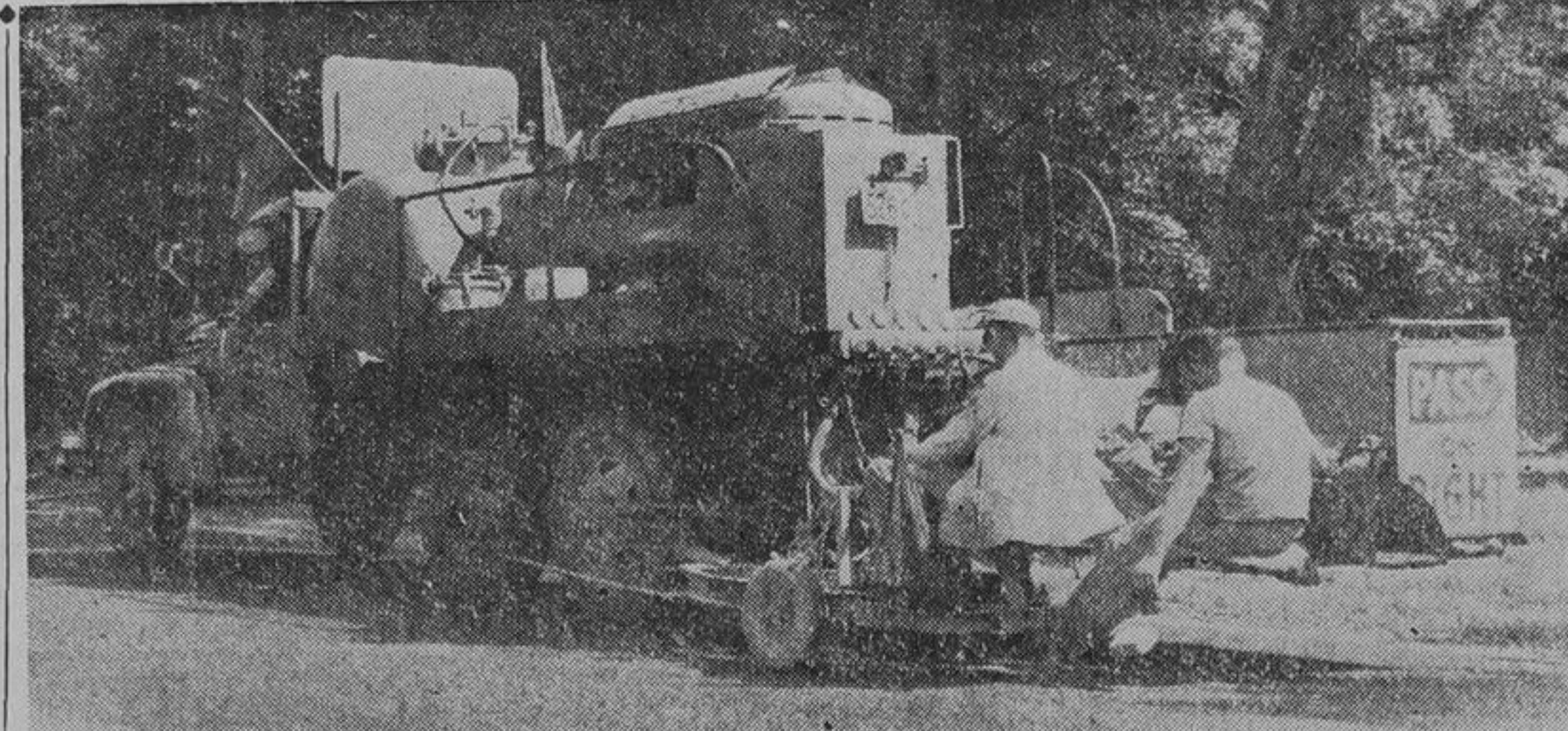


HON. GEO. H. DOUCETT  
Minister of Highways, Province of Ontario, whose department is responsible for the system of highway marking as part of a constructive program for highway safety.

Stockdale says. Equipped with compressor and air curtain, the trucks apply a smooth, even coat of paint. A long V-shape fin attached to the front of the truck and protruding some 10 feet, provide an accurate pointer that keeps the truck in the right path for marking.

Highways inspector, Ivan Rasmussen, stresses that the white lines are put on for the protection of the travelling public, and their warnings should be observed. Where vision is less than 300 feet double white lines are laid. Their meaning to motorists is clear and concise: "Do not cross the solid line on your side."

Cost of white lines average about \$30 a mile. The public pays for this work; it is good sense and safe practice to make sure it is not wasted. Many accidents could be avoided and lives saved by "cozying" the white lines.



Operator Bruce Dure is ready to pull trigger of spray gun that paints white markings on Ontario highways. His helper, Frank Brewster, is prepared to drop line of red flags warning motorists to keep off the fresh paint. Pointer in front of truck enables driver Ralph Lee to keep operator's gun in the exact centre of road. Ontario Department of Highways operates five of these trucks and so far this year has "white-lined" about 1,500 miles of black highway.

## Thornhill District News

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jacques and Teddy left on Wednesday for a trip to California by train and motor. Congratulations to Peter Wade who received first class honors in eleven Senior Matriculation subjects at Earl Haig Collegiate.

Miss Marjorie Jamieson and Mr. Keith Jamieson returned last weekend from their aunt's home in Pleasantville, N.Y.

Misses Mary and Sylvia Garnett, joined by Mrs. E. Tandy and Mrs. Garnett, spent a week at Wasaga Beach, the guests of Mrs. C. Pellan. Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Fitzgerald have returned from Geraldton, Ont. where they spent the month of August.

The many friends of Derry Giles will be pleased to learn he is home from the hospital and progressing favorably.

**Doncaster Community Club**  
The Doncaster Community Club held its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. H. Law on Tuesday, August 26. The guest speakers of the evening were Mr. and Mrs. A. Ridout of Weston. The evening of Friday, September 12 was chosen for the corn and Weiner roast, and all proceeds will go towards a community building for the club. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. J. Baker, Clarke Avenue, at 7.45 p.m. Ladies of the community are cordially invited.

**Former Resident Passes**  
Edward Wiltshire of Willowdale, formerly of Centre St., Thornhill, passed away at his late residence, Byng Ave., September 2, 1947. The sympathy of this community goes out to the bereaved family, Edith (Mrs. George Stephenson), Helen (Mrs. A. Fowler) both of Willowdale, Charles of Kirkland Lake, Edna (Mrs. Chas. Harding), Richmond Hill. Funeral service was held in the Trinity church here. Interment St. John's Cemetery, York Mills.

**United Church Resumes Fall and Winter Activities**

The Sunday School will re-open next Sunday at 10 a.m. There will be a choir practice at 8 p.m. on Friday, held at the church and new members will be welcomed. The Evening Auxiliary of the W.M.S. will hold its annual corn roast at the home of Mrs. Donald Davidson, Centre street, on Tuesday evening, September 9.

The Women's Missionary Auxiliary and the Women's Association of the United Church will hold a joint meeting at the home of Mrs. Wesley Sr. Thursday, September 11 at 2.30 p.m. All members and friends of the congregation are cordially invited.

The C.G.I.T. will hold its regular meeting Friday at 7 p.m.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Warwick who won first prizes for their Persian cats at the Canadian National Exhibition cat show.

The joint meeting of the United Church Women's Association and the Afternoon Auxiliary of the W.M.S.

will be held in the Sunday School room of the United Church September 11 at 2.30 p.m. All ladies cordially invited.

Thornhill Public Library will be open on Tuesdays and Fridays from 3 to 4.30 p.m.

The following books are recent additions to our shelves:

**NON-FICTION**  
Mary Bosanquet, Saddle Bags for Suitcases; Alex. W. Galbraith, Trees We Should Know; Ellsworth Jaeger, Easy Crafts; J. D. Robins (Ed.), A Pocketful of Canada; Harlan Hatfield, The Great Lakes; Alan Moorehead, Montgomery; David Dodge, How Green Was My Father; Ernie Pyle, Home Country; Chick Ferguson, Mary, Mink and Me.

**ADULT FICTION**  
Grace Campbell, Fresh Wind Blowing; Manning Coles, A Brother for Hugh, Drink to Yesterday; Mabel Dunham, The Grand River; Arthemise Goertz, Give Us Our Dreams; John Jennings, The Salem Frigate; Gabrielle Roy, The Tin Flute; Nevil Shute, The Chequer Board, Pastoral; Margaret Campbell Barnes, My Lady of Cleves; Muriel Elwood, Deeper the Heritage; Upton Sinclair, A World Town; Jan Wescott, The Border Lord; Elizabeth Seifert, Orchard Hill; Neil M. Gunn, The Silver Darlings; A. A. Fair, Crows Can't Count; Temple Bailey, The Blue Cloak; Faith Baldwin, The High Road; Edward Bellamy, Looking Backward; Louis Bromfield, Bitter Lotus; Maymie Greig, Oddsson Love, One Man Girl; Erle S. Gardner, The Case of the Rolling Bones; Craig Rice, The Lucky Stiff; Rafael Sabatini, The Snare; Margery Sharp, The Stone of Chastity; Sydney Thompson, Dr. Parrish, Resident; Mary Douglas Warren, The Rich Are Not Proud.

**JUVENILE**  
Al Avery, A Yankee Flier in the Far East; Thornton W. Burgess, Happy Jack, Billy Mink; Louise M. Alcott, A Garland for Girls; F. W. Dixon, Hunting for Hidden Gold; L. L. Hope, Bobbsey Twins in a Radio Play, Bobbsey Twins Solve a Mystery; F. K. Judd, The Lone Footprint, The Green Cameo Mystery; C. Keene, Mystery of the Ivory Charm; I. H. Irwin, Maida's Little Shop; Zane Grey, Tappans Burro; A. F. Johnson, The Little Colonel; M. Sidney, Polly Peppers Book; H. L. Thorndyke, Honeybunch, Her First Twin Playmates; R. Rickwood, Bomba The Jungle Boy; M. Saunders, Beautiful Joe; M. Sutton, The Mysterious Half Cat; B. Tarkington, Penrod Jashber; H. L. Smith, Pollyanna's Jewels.

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