

PROCLAMATION

VILLAGE OF RICHMOND HILL
 THAT
BOXING DAY
Friday, December 26th
 BE PROCLAIMED A
Civic Holiday

WM. NEAL, Reeve RUSSELL LYNETT, Clerk

SKATING

— AT —
Richmond Hill Arena

CHRISTMAS NIGHT SKATING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25th
 (No Skating on Christmas Eve)

SKATE THE OLD YEAR OUT and
THE NEW YEAR IN
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31st
 Skating 9.30 p.m. to 12.15 a.m.

Mondays — Old-Timers' Night
 7.30 to 10 p.m. (No one under 16 years)
Wednesdays & Saturdays, 7.30 to 10 p.m.
 Admission—Adults 35c. Children 25c.
 Doors open at 7.15 p.m.

New Years Eve DANCE

— IN —
Victoria Square Community Hall
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31st
Ken Rose and His Orchestra
 ADMISSION 50 Cents
 Proceeds in aid of Bowling Club

Joy Be With You

"A Thing of Beauty is a Joy Forever"—So wrote John Keats. Our business is to bring beauty into life and we thank our patrons for their continued support and confidence.
 May we now express to them our Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

Minerva's Beauty Shoppe

Yonge Street Richmond Hill

Social and Personal

Mr. Lorne Boyle, Elgin Mills, has returned from his trip to Western Canada and will spend Christmas at his home.

Mr. Peter Lamb of Burlington, Iowa, is spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Lamb, Church Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Brydon Ellis of Rosseau Road, Ont. spent a few days last week visiting relatives in Richmond Hill, Thornhill and Newmarket.

We extend congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John Varley, Carrville who on Friday, December 26th celebrate their thirty-eighth wedding anniversary.

Owing to the fact that the first Thursday of January is New Year's day, the next regular meeting of the Afternoon Auxiliary of the W.M.S. of the United Church will be held on Wednesday, January 7th.

The Liberal welcomes news items and social notes, and we believe your co-operation in letting us have names of your Christmas visitors. We go to press next week on Tuesday and our telephone is Richmond Hill 9.

All ladies of the community are cordially invited to a luncheon sponsored by the Richmond Hill Women's Institute January 8th at 1 p.m. in the United Church Sunday School room. Miss Anna Lewis, Director of Women's Institutes, will speak and show pictures of her recent European trip. Tickets 50c. Proceeds for the Community Hall.

Prize winners at the St. Mary's R.C. euchre and lucky draw held in the Parish Hall Friday night last were as follows: Lucky draw—Turkey, Mrs. Fred Clark, Richmond Hill; goose, Father McGinn, Richmond Hill; chicken, Mrs. B. Watson, Richmond Hill; duck, Mrs. John Kingma, Oak Ridges. Euchre—Ladies, Mrs. J. Russell, Richmond Hill; Mrs. R. Fox, Richmond Hill; Mrs. W. J. Taylor, Richmond Hill; Men, Morley Beynon, Richmond Hill; Neil Malloy, Richmond Hill; Norman Carter, Richmond Hill. Convector, Mrs. Vincent McCullough and Mrs. Ollie Murphy. The next euchre will be held Friday, January 2. Convector will be Mrs. Francis Cosgrove.

There are said to be 1,000,000 Communists in France, thus reducing to a mere 49,000,000 the number of Frenchmen who can't be wrong.

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ST. MARY'S EVENING GUILD

(By Glad McLatchy)

The Order of the Garter came as a great shock to most of us at the meeting last Tuesday, for it was not exactly an honourable bestowal, and the ceremony was anything but dignified. It more or less resembled a snake dance as we wriggled and wrestled in and out of the garter, and it was not one of those heart fluttering 'jazz' creations which adorned our feminine limbs of yesterday, but the uninteresting everyday band which was a changed piece of elastic when we were finished with that syncopated rhythm which we all seemed to acquire.

Shoo, shoo, baby, was quite a game too, each member was shooed (shoed) to retrieve her shoes and dash back again with the fleetfoot of a deer. If you could find your own shoes you were well shod, but alas, it was not as easy as we thought, and then to be rewarded for the effort with a balloon in need of inflation, with the one and only remaining breath, was more than some of us could blow, thank heavens we still have some windy ones left (not mentioning names).

It was a grand party, the air (mostly hot) was filled with the finest music on earth, laughter, for it was a Xmas party and we all felt like laughing and the program committee gave us our fill of fun and frolic which we will long remember.

And at this wonderful time, we must not forget those who have made this Guild a 'must' on our program and the generous space afforded us in this chummy little newspaper, by our esteemed publisher and god-natured village editor, Mr. M.P. Smith, M.P.

On behalf of the Evening Guild, I wish you and your most affable staff, a very merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

BIRTH
BROWN—Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Reynolds Brown (nee Dorothy Mae Fenn) announce with pride the arrival of their 8 lb. 4 oz. baby boy, born at Belleville General Hospital, Belleville, Ont. on Monday, Dec. 22, 1947.

MARRIED
POLLARD-DYSON — At Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church, on Friday, December 19, Nancy Agnes Dyson of Hull, Yorkshire, England, to William F. Pollard, Richmond Hill. The Rev. S. W. Hirtle officiated.

EXPRESSES THANKS
 Mrs. Alfred Hall, 20 Arnold St., wishes to thank all her friends and neighbours who so kindly remembered her with cards, fruit and enquiries during her recent illness, and wishes them all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

EXPRESS THANKS
 Mr. and Mrs. F. George wish to thank the many friends and neighbours and the people of the various districts for the very kind assistance during the past few weeks, since we lost our home. At this time we would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

IN MEMORIAM
LINE—In loving memory of a dear wife and mother, Clara Line, who passed away December 23, 1945. Just a thought of sweet remembrance. Just a memory fond and true, And a heartache still for you. More and more each day we miss you. Though our thoughts are not revealed, Little do they know the sorrow That is within our hearts concealed. —Sadly missed by husband, Minnie and Muriel.

UNITED CHURCH
 Rev. C. B. Brethen, B.A., minister
Sunday, Dec. 28th 1947
NEW YEAR'S SERVICES
 10 a.m.—Sunday School.
 11 a.m.—Morning Worship. Special music.
 7 p.m.—Evening Worship with the usual service of music. All are welcome.

ST. MARY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
 Rev. W. F. Wrixon, L.Th., R.D., Rector
CHRISTMAS SERVICES
 Wednesday, Christmas Eve
 11.15 p.m.—Midnight Communion and Carols.
 Thursday, Christmas Day
 10 a.m.—Holy Communion.
 Sunday, Dec. 28th
 11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon.
 2.30 p.m.—Sunday School.
 7 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon. Congregational Hymn Singing. All are invited to these services.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH RICHMOND HILL
 Rev. S. W. Hirtle, B.A., minister
Sunday, Dec. 28th
 10 a.m.—The Sabbath School.
 11 a.m.—Public Worship. Subject, Retrospect.

THORNHILL
 1.45 p.m.—The Sabbath School.
 2.30 p.m.—Public Worship. Subject, Retrospect.
 Everybody welcome.

LANGSTAFF BAPTIST CHURCH
 Rev. H. H. Phinney, pastor
 Oak Avenue, Richvale
Sunday Services
 11 a.m.—Sunday School.
 7 p.m.—Evangelistic Service.
 Wednesday, Prayer Meeting 8 p.m.
 Friday, Young People's, 8 p.m.

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FINE RENDITION OF CAROLS AT PARK ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

(From a contributor to The Liberal)

If there be any who have not attended a Carol Festival, we cannot but feel that they have missed a very wonderful part of Christmas celebrations.

Christmas calls for a man's best thoughts and emotions—generosity, thanksgiving, joy and humility—which can be expressed in many ways, but most sincerely, we think, in music and song.

It was this contributor's good fortune to be present this year at the annual Carol Festival at the Park Road Baptist Church on the evening of December 17th. There are few occasions when we have had the pleasure of hearing a choir render a programme more harmoniously and with more genuine feeling.

Very great credit is due the organist and choir leader, Miss Muriel Gidley, and to the evident enthusiasm of the choristers in the attainment of such perfection, exact execution and clear enunciation. Her own performance and accompaniment on the organ were superb, and our regret is that time did not permit, nor was the occasion appropriate, for an encore in the form of a Bach Fugue.

The Festival opened promptly at 8.30 p.m., when the choir, leaving the vestibule, commenced singing an old English professional folk carol, entitled "A Virgin Most Pure". Gradually the voices came closer, and the choristers, preceded by two girls carrying candles, passed through the choir and advanced into the choir.

This was a most attractive sight as they marched in pairs; the girls ahead dressed in black gowns with red hoods, and the men following, also in black but with pink ruffs. The church was dim, lighted only by a glow of red from hidden lamps, against which the blue decorations on the Christmas trees shone brilliantly. The choir was illuminated by a row of graduated candles which were lighted by the two leading girls as the choir took their places. This, and the old 16th century French recessional carol, "Ding, dong! Merrily on High", sung when the choir withdrew, were two of the highlights of the evening.

For the next our and a half the congregation was held enchanted as the choir rendered their programme, varied with two organ numbers by Miss Gidley—"Rhapsodie No. 3 on Breton Melodies", by Saint-Saens, and "Noel: Une Vierge Pucelle", by Le Beque (1630-1702). The women choristers demonstrated their skill in two selections, "Tytle, tytle, tytle, tytle", by Healey Willan, and "The First Mercy", by Peter Warlock.

At this point we have to mention a very fine baritone solo, "On the Road to Bethlehem", by Michael Head, and delightfully rendered by Harold Sallach, followed by "The Shepherds Had An Angel", by Maurice Besley, and performed by Dorothy Walker, soprano, Florence Hagerman, viola, and accompanied by the chorus. Miss Walker has a fine, clear voice, and held her own with clarity and ease.

Later in the evening Miss Gidley and Florence Hagerman performed together in three French airs by Marais (1656-1728) in which the viola was heard with great distinction. And we must certainly not overlook a very excellent performance of Brahms' "Cradle Song of the Virgin" in which the organ and viola provided accompaniment to Harriet Banting who took the solo contralto part. We must also pay tribute to Delbert Rogers, tenor, for some fine singing during the evening.

The congregation had their opportunity in two well-known carols, "Silent Night" and perhaps one of the best known of English traditional carols, "God Rest You Merry Gentlemen".

All in all the evening proved to be a most entertaining one, that clearly demonstrated what a choir of mixed voices can do, when enthusiasm is directed by able leadership. We hope we may be privileged to hear them again in a future Christmas programme.

NATURE LORE
 A kangaroo at the time of birth is unusually small, but from then on it grows by leaps and bounds.—Kitchen Daily Record.

"Science is wonderful," exclaims the Sault Star; "now it's going to take the smell out of limburger!" And a right smart trick it is, if Science can do it.

NOTICE RE Christmas Delivery

In order that our employees may receive a true holiday at this time there will be no delivery on

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26th

We ask your co-operation in this matter by arranging with your milkman to have a plentiful supply left on Christmas morning.

RICHMOND HILL DAIRY

Richmond Hill, Ont.

Holiday Greetings

Nothing pleases me more than to see my old friends back, and back again to my store, and new friends that are always welcome. I would like to send them this Card of Thanks and to wish everyone

A Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Ted GRAINGER

Yonge Street

Richmond Hill

Merry Christmas

It has at all times been our aim and endeavour to provide the best service for our customers and the splendid response received during 1947 convinces us that we have given the satisfaction which has been our object. May we wish our customers and friends

A Very Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

Mansbridge Meat Market

Yonge Street

Richmond Hill

ROYAL THEATRE AURORA

TWO SHOWS DAILY—7 AND 9 P.M. SAT. MATINEE 2 P.M. SATURDAY & HOLIDAYS CONTINUOUS FROM 6.30 TO 12 P.M.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26, 27

GENE AUTRY, LYNN ROBERTS in

"SADDLE PALS"

"SINGING IN THE CORN"

MON., TUES., WED., DECEMBER 29, 30, 31

ELIZABETH TAYLOR, GEORGE MURPHY in

"CYNTHIA"

THURS., FRI., SAT., JANUARY 1, 2, 3

VAN JOHNSON, JANET LEIGH in

"ROMANCE OF ROSY RIDGE"

WATCH FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE MIDNITE SHOW

Season's Greetings

The very foundation of business is friendship, and with each Christmas it gives us pleasure to extend best wishes to those whose friendship we treasure. May your Christmas be happy and your New Year be prosperous.

IRA D. RAMER
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CHRISTMAS

Every day we feel appreciative of the favours of our patrons and of all the courtesies shown us but it is especially at the Christmas season we like to pause and think back over the pleasures derived from our business dealings. So here's wishing you the best of health, the most of wealth and greater happiness than has been yours before.

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