

The Richmond

Richmond Hill, Ontario

THEATRE

Telephone Richmond Hill 500

York County's Newest and Most Modern Playhouse

Shows daily, Monday through Friday at 7 and 9 p.m.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday: Matinee at 2 p.m. Doors open at 1:30 p.m.

Continuous Show Sat. from 5 p.m. Doors open 4:45 p.m.

Friday & Saturday, February 18 - 19

Its Magnificent!!!

DENNIS MORGAN
MY WILD IRISH ROSE
WARNER BROS. Jubilee of Joy
16 SONGS *color by TECHNICOLOR!!!*

ARLENE DAHL - ANDREA KING - ALAN HALE - GEORGE TOBIAS - GEORGE O'BRIEN - BEN BLUE - SARA ALLGOOD
Directed by DAVID BUTLER Screen Play by Peter Moore - Based upon a Book by Rita Coont Musical Numbers Orchestrated and Conducted by Ray Heindorf

Monday & Tuesday, February 21 & 22

NOW

COLUMBIA PICTURES presents
GINGER ROGERS **CORNEL WILDE**
It Had to Be You
with PERCY WARAM - SPRING BYINGTON - RON RANDALL
Directed by DON HARTMAN and RUDOLPH MATE A DON HARTMAN PRODUCTION
Screenplay by Norman Panama and Melvin Frank

Wednesday & Thursday, February 23 & 24

VIOLENT THRILLS IN THE VALLEY OF VIOLENCE!

IDA LUPINO - DANE CLARK - WAYNE MORRIS
"DEEP VALLEY" presented by WARNER BROS.
FAY BANTER - HENRY HULL - JEAN NEGULESCO - HENRY BLAINE

Friday & Saturday, February 25 & 26

UNIVERSAL INTERNATIONAL presents

BUD ABBOTT **LOU COSTELLO** **MARJORIE MAIN**
THE WISTFUL WIDOW OF WAGON GAP
with GEORGE CLEVELAND - WILLIAM CHING

Monday & Tuesday, Feb. 28 & March 1

WARNER BROS. DELUGE OF HAPPINESS!!!

JACK CARSON **ANN SOTHERN**
APRIL SHOWERS
12 ALL-TIME SONG SMASHES!
Directed by JAMES V. KEENE Screen Play by Peter Moore - Story by Joe Laurie, Jr. Music Arranged and Conducted by Ray Heindorf

Always a Cartoon, News and Short

Richmond Hill Public Library To Open On February 25th

NEW FURNISHINGS TO PROVIDE BACKGROUND FOR NEW BOOKS

The long-awaited opening of the new quarters for the Richmond Hill Public Library will take place on Friday evening, February 25, when Mr. Angus Mowat, Director of Libraries for Ontario will officiate. The room has been the scene of great activity as the work nears completion. The rubber tile floor is laid, the shelves are in place, and nothing remains to be done but the painting, the installation of the electric fixtures, the hanging of the curtains and the shelving of the books. The interest and co-operation shown by Mr. Sander-son and his men throughout the job have been the greatest assistance to the planners. Much of the old equipment and furniture has been refinished and modernized, reducing to a minimum the purchase of new material. It is hoped that finances will permit the buying of some easy chairs and lamps, and more children's furniture at a later date. A committee has been busy choosing a colour scheme and material and they feel sure that the borrowers will enjoy the bright appearance of the room, as well as the many books on the shelves.

With the remodelling almost completed, the Board has turned its attention to the book collection. Lights have been burning in the evenings in the old room where, assisted by volunteer helpers, they have sorted over the books, discarding out-of-date and worn-out volumes, and listing popular titles for replacement and purchase. Visits have been paid to publishers to place orders, and the Librarian is occupied preparing the new books for circulation. Greatly increased activity is expected because of the improved location and pleasant surroundings, and all members of the Board are anxious that a useful and attractive collection of books should be available.

Women's Institute View Film On Community Programme

The monthly meeting of the Women's Institute was held in the Municipal Hall, Thursday afternoon, February 10, with the president, Mrs. Wm. Sayers in the chair. Mrs. K. Svaneftel was acting secretary in place of Mrs. Richard Edmunds, who was absent through illness.

Several interesting projects were discussed during the business meeting which preceded the feature of the program. It was decided to furnish the old library — reconverting it into an attractive club room for the use of the Ladies' Veterans Association, the Scout Cub Mothers and the Women's Institute. Plans were made for a group to attend Kate Aitken's Broadcast, "The Market Basket at radio station CJBC at 10:30 in the morning. Two boxes packed monthly for Britain will now be shipped under the U.E.F.B. plan instead of the Personal Parcel Service as formerly.

Mr. Archibald of King, interested in introducing the locker system of cold storage to Richmond Hill, invited the ladies of the Institute to a special evening, when the plan could be explained to them. A feature of the service will be a pick-up and delivery system. Coffee and cakes will be served, but no definite date had been decided on.

As a money making project, the women were urged to bring in all the scraps of wool and woolen clothing they could spare to make up a 12 lb. bundle to send to the Midland Knitting Mills for the purpose of making into a blanket. This can be auctioned off upon its return. A combination Baking Sale, Tea and White Elephant Sale was planned for the very near future. Mrs. Wesley Middleton was appointed convener of the Baking Sale and Mrs. K. Svaneftel, convener of the White Elephant Sale.

Mrs. Sayers announced that she had been approached by Mr. Wesley Middleton, president of the Agricultural Society, to contribute in some special way to the celebration of the 100th year of the Society — in consideration of the fact that the Women's Institute this year celebrates its 50th birthday. It was suggested that it might be possible to resurrect costumes of half a century ago, and to prepare a float for the parade on Fair day.

Mrs. Lance Zuefelt had an English address, the president informed the society where convalescent soldiers had learned to erase signatures, so that Christmas cards could be re-sold. Anyone interested in disposing of old cards was advised to get in touch with her.

After the roll call, "My Favourite Song" the speaker of the afternoon, Mr. Harold Miller, in charge of Community Programs with the Department of Education, was introduced by Mrs. Sayers.

In explaining his field, Mr. Miller remarked on the great emphasis placed on recreational programs during the last few years. Formerly a matter for the individual, now facilities for recreation are publicly sponsored and publicly maintained. Richmond Hill, he suggested, must be particularly interested in a recreational project, with plans afoot for a new Community Centre.

Mr. Miller defined recreation as simply a pleasant use of leisure time. There are three different types — one of escape, one of relaxation, and one of self-expression — which develops talents and skills. The two latter need the most encouraging. As the speaker agreed with the scientific observation that the individual retains only 2% of what he hears, he proposed to show by film, how the proper use of a recreational project could change the lives of individuals in a community.

The picture was an interesting documentary of a street that was just an ordinary street, in an average community, except that it lacked any feeling of friendliness and neighbourly interest. Two men with their families lived side by side on the street. Ed Logan, a grouchy man whose discontented attitude was reflected in the outlook of his whole family, and Sam Jones, a cheerful man, who with his wife had brought his family up to pull together as a whole.

The Jones family finished a rumourous room in their basement for the children and in no time at all, they had all the young people in the neigh-

bourhood gathering for fun in the evenings. When they became interested in making things with their hands, they needed more space, and it was then that the Logan boy decided to approach his irritable father on the subject of his empty garage, and Logan finally came around, and in the end, old and young in the neighbourhood joined in making a club room out of the garage, which expanded later to include a nursery school. With its development, grew to a rebirth of interest in daily life which community projects always foster.

In his closing remarks, Mr. Miller told how Women's Institutes throughout the country had been instrumental in developing facilities for recreation. Organizations already set up should not feel excluded, but should work along with any new recreational programs. Although a project of this sort would not attract the interest of a delinquent type of young person, it would prevent delinquency that might otherwise occur if interest was aroused in a girl or boy at an early age. When Mrs. A. L. Phipps had moved a vote of thanks the meeting adjourned for tea.

Note: Members interested in procuring a copy of "Fifty Years of Achievement," a record of the Institute from its inception, may purchase one from Mrs. Sayers.

Agricultural Board Makes Plans For Fair

At a meeting of the Board of the Richmond Hill Agricultural Society held Friday, February 4th at the Municipal Hall, it was decided to again sponsor three field competitions during the coming year — Oat Crop Improved Pastures and Canning Pea Crop.

Plans were made for the construction of an announcer's stand at the Horse Show at the 24th of May, so that the various events can be called off effectively. Gates and turnstiles at the two entrances will be installed. The admission fee to the Fair this year will be 35c.

A committee was appointed to consult Mrs. P. C. Hill with regard to the special centennial prize she had offered to donate in memory of her father, Mr. H. Legge.

Fair Committees were named as follows:

Heavy Horse — S. Rumble, M. Savage, G. Atkinson, D. Palmer, N. Tyndall.

Light Horses — S. Tyndall, D. Rumney, M. Boyle, G. Rumney, D. Stephenson.

Hunters and Jumpers — O. D. Robinson, M.F.H., others to be appointed.

Cattle — H. Barber, A. G. Little, Hugh Sheardown.

Grounds and Buildings — P. C. Hill, B. Weldrick, W. Middleton, A. Rice, S. Tyndall, H. Charles.

Attractions — A. Rice, others to be appointed.

Concessions — L. H. Clement, W. T. Cook.

Publicity — O. D. Robinson, M.F.H., others to be appointed.

Advertising — G. Agar, B. Weldrick, L. H. Clement, R. W. Scott.

Crop Competitions — N. Tyndall, H. Charles, E. Redelmeier, D. Stephenson.

Evening Performance — G. Agar, A. Rice, A. Stong, H. Charles, E. Redelmeier.

Centennial Committee — All past presidents, P. C. Hill, L. H. Clement, G. Agar, D. Rumney, M. Boyle, W. Neal, B. Weldrick, H. R. Butt.

MARKHAM TWP. APPOINTS BUILDING INSPECTOR

Mr. Ross Norton of Unionville, has been appointed to fill the position of Building Inspector by the Markham Council. His duties began February 15th. Operating a machine shop in the village, Mr. Norton is well qualified to act in the capacity of Inspector. The position will not carry the double duty of assistant to Mr. Arch Fleming, Assessment Commissioner, as originally planned, but will be a full time job. Provision will be made at a later date for an assistant as well.

Presentation To Retiring Manager Bank of Commerce

Fred Hoover, Richmond Hill, recently retired after twenty-one years as manager of the local branch of the Bank of Commerce and forty-two years with the Bank was honored by a group of business and professional men last Friday evening. About fifty gathered at the Albany Club, Toronto, for dinner with Mr. Hoover as guest of honour. Following the dinner J. A. Greene acted as Master of Ceremonies when a short program presented with two beautiful leather travelling cases and sincere tribute was paid to his long years of faithful service to the bank and the community. The presentation was made by J. E. Smith M.P. and J. R. Herrington, and among those who spoke were Reeve P. C. Hill, Dr. Langstaff, Geo. B. Ball, T. H. Trench, Walter Scott and Mr. Hart, Mr. Hoover's successor as manager of the bank. On behalf of himself and Mrs. Hoover, Mr. Hoover graciously acknowledged the presentation and the many expressions of good will.

Local Orangeman Heads County Lodge

On Saturday, February 5, the Loyal Orange County Lodge of West York No. C45 held its annual meeting and election and installation of officers for 1949, in the West Toronto Assembly Hall, at 2 p.m. Among the distinguished Orangemen present were: Most Worshipful Brother Albert E. Mitchell, Past Grand Master of British America; Right Worshipful Leslie Saunders, P.G.M. of Ontario West, who is also Controller Leslie Saunders of Toronto City Council; R. W. Bro. John Moore, Deputy Grand Master of Ontario West; R. W. Bro. Elias Gray, Junior Deputy Grand Master of Ontario West; W. Bro. John Murphy, County Master of the County Lodge of Toronto W. Bro. John Tucker, County Master of the County of West York; South; W. Bro. J. D. New, Past District Master of Toronto Junction District, who is also Very Wor. Sir Knight Jas. D. New, County Master of the Royal Black County Chapter of York, Royal Black Knights of Ireland. Several other distinguished visitors were present whose names were not procurable, among whom were the Wor. Ruling Master and Immediate Past Master of L.O.L. 1331, located at Guelph. These two members were present to extend an invitation to the County of West York to celebrate the 12th of July at Guelph.

W. Bro. L. W. Zuefelt, a Past Master of Victoria L.O.L. 2368 of Richmond Hill, having held the county offices of 2nd Deputy Lecturer, County Chaplain and Deputy County Master, in the last three years, was elected County Master of West York for 1949.

The electing of officers was performed by R. Wor. Bro. John Moore D.G.M. of Ontario West, and the installation was conducted by R. Wor. Bro. Elias Gray, Junior D.G.M. of Ontario West.

The following officers were elected and installed as county officers for 1949: County Master, W. Bro. L. W. Zuefelt, Victoria L.O.L., Richmond Hill; Deputy County Master, W. Bro. C. S. Holt, Fairbank L.O.L.; Co. Chaplain, W. Bro. Baggott, Mimico, L.O.L.; Co. Rec. Sec., W. Bro. A. K. Moffat, L.O.L. 900; Co. Fin. Sec., W. Bro. W. Lev, Guiding Star, L.O.L.; Co. Treas., W. Bro. A. B. Marshall, W. Bro. A. Forbes, Parkhill L.O.L.; Co. Lecturer, Bro. H. Bourne, Victoria L.O.L.; Dep. Lec., W. Bro. Jas. Thurmer, Fairbank; 2nd Dep. Lect., W. Bro. J. Ostrander, Alex Muir, L.O.L.

W. Bro. Zuefelt received the Master's Gavel and took over the Office of County Master at 5:48 p.m. and as the Lodge had to vacate the Hall at 6 p.m., the speeches were dispensed with and the Lodge closed in due form at 5:55 p.m. To any one interested, W. Bro. Zuefelt is the first member of Victoria L.O.L. 2368 to be elected to the office of County Master of the County Lodge of West York.

UNITED CHURCH MEN'S CLUB

Exciting, colourful, instructional comprehensive can be only a few of the words used to describe the coming meeting of the men's club on Monday, February 21st, at 6:30 p.m. sharp. This is the date when every man will want to bring his son, or failing that, a friend or neighbour's son to our Annual Father and Son banquet in the Sunday school auditorium. Why are we so proud of this event, why are we so sure of its success? These are the reasons: besides having 30 minutes of colourful hockey drama in full colour with sound on the screen, when pictures will show former hockey greats, blackboard talks by National Hockey League coaches showing how to check play goal, how to control the puck etc., as well as action alive with in-teresting hockey news, there will be as our guests at least one, and possibly two, members of the World Champion Toronto Maple Leafs. You will, by coming sharp at 6:30, also enjoy another fine supper being put on for a capacity crowd by our helpful ladies organization. There will be no advance sale of tickets so we advise all fathers and sons to be on hand early. Tickets are the normal price for each person. Remember boys the thrill you had in bringing your father out to see "Syl" Applegate him again to see two other Maple Leaf Stars.

Vaughan Township Council Deals With Delegations

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Vaughan met at the Council Chambers in Maple Monday February 7, at 10:30 o'clock a.m. All members were present, the Reeve in the chair.

The following persons appeared before the Council:

Alfred McDonald of Jefferson inquiring of the delay in installing a large culvert pipe on Gamble side road. Nelson Kerr, Township Road Superintendent, advised that a contracting company to install the same last fall failed to complete the job, even after repeated requests to complete the job, failed to have the culverts installed. Mr. McDonald was assured that every effort possible would be made to have the culvert installed early this spring.

John Ellacott contractor who built the sidewalk in Thornhill requested additional payment of \$250.80 for protection against the cold and the difference in price between the original quotation for material received by Mr. Ellacott and the final one paid to the supplier. In view of the engineer not approving of this addition to the contract, the Council directed that this additional payment be referred to the Trustees of the Police Village of Thornhill for their consideration. Council directed that the amount of the certificate received from the engineers amounting to \$500.00 be paid to John F. Ellacott. Lloyd Seed requested that a grant amounting to \$39.00 be made to him in lieu of the road. Council directed that this grant be included in the road expenditures and the same be paid to Mr. Seed.

Several tenders for the purchase of an issue of \$30,000, as a debenture were opened and considered and the following resolution was passed: That the tender for debentures amounting to \$30,000 for the school at Concord, received from A. M. Ramsay & Co., at a rate of \$100.23 (\$30,043) be accepted subject to certain provisions.

Lloyd Davidson showed the Council on a surveyor's sketch the suggested conveyance of various parcels of land now owned by him in part of lot 8, concession 7. Mr. Davidson further advised that the property to be sold must have a frontage on a public highway and offered to dedicate to the Township sufficient land for the purposes of a public street. Moved by Carl Shaw, seconded by Jas. H. Robson, that the Township of Vaughan do accept a portion of property on part of lot 8, concession 7 on land owned by Lloyd Davidson as a road to land being sub-divided by Mr. Davidson, subject to an agreement being completed providing that Mr. Davidson grades, drains and gravels the road in a satisfactory manner.

The following matters were discussed by the Council:

Gravel On The Tenth Concession Nelson Kerr, Township Road Superintendent advised that he inspected the gravel in Parr's pit and was of the opinion that this gravel in its present condition would not be approved by the Department of Highways. The Council were further advised that the gravel in the pit would be acceptable if crushed. No action taken.

Surveying Ox-Bow Clerk advised that W. S. Gibson Ontario Land Surveyor, had again been requested to give a description of the land acquired from Dr. R. N. Taube for the construction work at the Ox-Bow. Since the survey was not completed no action was taken.

O. A. P. and Mothers' Allowance Acts A letter from the County of York was read advising that Mr. H. E. Beckett was appointed as local authority for the purposes of the Old Age Pension Act for the County of York and that Mr. W. G. Gohr was appointed a local authority for the purposes of the Mothers' Allowance Act for the County of York. Clerk instructed to file.

Speed Limit at Pine Grove Mr. Hostrawser advised that requests had been made to him to have the speed limit through Pine Grove restricted to 30 miles an hour. Reeve Hostrawser further advised that the Toronto and York Roads Commission would endeavor to have authority provided for the same if so requested by the Township Council. This authority would be granted.

Armstrong Brothers Construction Clerk advised that a cheque amounting to \$200.00 representing the amount paid for two used tractors had been returned to the Township.

Highway Returns The return of money expended on the Township Roads was made to the Council showing that \$59,826.80 had been expended on the Township Roads during 1948. Twenty-one culverts were installed during the year, 8,532 yards of crushed gravel and 2,009 yards of pit run gravel were placed on the Township Roads during the year. The cost of winter control was \$9,873.53 which included \$8,658.13 for snow removal.

Checker Board Sign The Council were advised that a request had been received to have a checker board sign erected on the Eighth Concession north of Woodbridge. Council approved and directed the Road Superintendent to give further consideration to this matter.

Council were requested to inspect the condition of the Fifth Concession just south of Number 7 Highway. If view of a creek flowing through property adjoining the road and washing away part of the road surface, it was suggested that arrangements be made to correct this condition.

Thomas Michell Complained that property previously assessed to him was now being assessed to John Angus. No action taken until the reason for the same be given by the assessor.

Assessors Council directed that Mr. R. D. McNaughton and Edward C. Kyle arrange to assess for the Township of Vaughan for the year 1950 on the same basis that assessments were made during the past number of years.

Humber Valley Conservation Author. Carl Shaw, representative of the Council to the authority advised that arrangements were being made to proceed with the conservation of the Humber Valley. Mr. Shaw further advised that a budget of \$100,000, was suggested and further notification would be given respecting the amounts to be levied on each of the constituent municipalities.

Some 32 sets were designed by Hugh Reticker, who utilized such erasing devices as cobblestone streets, horse-drawn ice wagons and rickety explosive automobiles to lend credence. James V. Kern handled the expert direction on this film. Eleven songs are featured in the film. You From Dixie?, "Carolina in the Morning," "Black and White Rag," "Moonlight Bay," "Strolling Through the Park," "Put On Your Old Gray Bonnet," "Pretty Baby," "Cuddle Up a Little Closer," "Every Little Movement," "Mary, You're An Old Fashioned Girl" and the title song number, "April Showers."

RICHMOND HILL FIRE BRIGADE CALLED TO AID NEIGHBOURS The volunteer fire brigade of Richmond Hill worked over time last week. Although the home front was quiet, two calls came through from neighbouring towns for assistance. On Friday morning, February 11, two cottages went up in flame at Wilcox Lake, one of them being burned to the ground. The Aurora Fire Department was called to fight the blaze, but when the fire got out of hand sent an S.O.S. to Richmond Hill. Although there was plenty of water around, it was difficult to get at it, owing to the fact that a hole had to be chopped through the ice.

On Saturday, February 12, around noon, a call came from other quarters. The Maple fire department attempted to bring a fire under control at the Moon Pine Ranch on No. 7 Highway and Bathurst St., phoned through for assistance to Richmond Hill. All stock was saved, but a bunkhouse and two barns were destroyed. Sparks flying across the road set fire to a neighbouring house, and several times had to be extinguished by the firemen.

"April Showers" Is Next Attraction At The Richmond

WARNER BROS. LIVELY MUSIC FEST STARS JACK CARSON, ANN SOTHERN

"April Showers," which comes from the studio that produced such other great musical films as "Night and Day," "This Is The Army," and "Rhapsody in Blue," will be showing Friday and Saturday at the popular Richmond Theatre, Richmond Hill.

Starring Jack Carson and Ann Sothern, "April Showers" has been endorsed by Warner Bros., which started the parade of big musicals with the unforgettable "42nd Street" some years back, with production values, numbers, tunes, chorus lines, not seen on the screen in some time.

Eleven songs are in the picture, with comedian Carson and lovely Ann Sothern, famed for comedy roles in the "Maeie" series, handling most of them. Miss Sothern is also not new to musical comedy, being remembered for a wonderful performance in "Panama Hattie" a few years ago.

Robert Aida, who played George Gershwin in "Rhapsody in Blue," and S. Z. Sakall, well-known comedian, head the featured cast.

Of special interest is the film debut of 12-year old Bobby Ellis, popular young radio performer. This youngster was new to dancing and romantic musical, including: "Are visual acting, but practically overnight he was transformed into one of the most personable young finds of the past few years. Bobby was coached by LeRoy and Eddie Prinz until his dancing reached professional assurance.

"April Showers" is set in the nostalgic 1912 period, and concerns a trouping act on the West Coast.