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Richmond Hill, Ontario

THEATRE

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York County's Newest and Most Modern Playhouse

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Friday and Saturday, March 18 and 19

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Strange encounter... defiant embraces
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Screenplay by Frank Tashlin and Dewey Freeman · Based upon a SATURDAY EVENING POST story by Roy Huggins

Friday & Saturday — March 25 & 26

HUMPHREY BOGART

HITS A NEW HIGH IN HIGH
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TREASURE OF SIERRA MADRE

WALTER HUSTON · TIM HOLT · BRUCE BENNETT · JOHN HUSTON · HENRY BLANKIE

SCREENPLAY BY JOHN HUSTON · BASED ON THE NOVEL BY J. TRAVEL · MUSIC BY MAX STEINER

Always a Cartoon and News

Film Showing And Reception Feature Mortson Opening

An important unit of the "new look" which has come to the east side of Richmond Hill, the main street was given official recognition on the afternoon of Tuesday, March 15th, when the impressive building recently erected by Harold W. Mortson was opened to the public.

Housing Mr. Mortson's new show room on the ground floor, where a display room of 39 by 62 feet will provide space for the agricultural and other equipment which he handles, the building includes a large and well-equipped workshop in the basement, in addition to two two-bedroom apartments on the second floor. Built of cement block and brick, the building has exceptionally large show windows which give a very modern touch to the section of Yonge Street on which it stands — a section which by the erection and modernization of this and neighbouring properties has changed appearance materially in recent months.

On opening day various lines handled by Mr. Mortson were effectively displayed. These included many of the products of the Massey-Harris Company, for which Mr. Mortson is agent, also Kelvinator refrigeration products, Goodyear Tire and Beatty Bros. Lines.

Events of the formal opening began with the showing of pictures at the Richmond Theatre, at which over three hundred were present as guests of Mr. Mortson.

The programme was opened by Bill Martin, general agent for the Massey-Harris Company, who expressed the good wishes of his company to Mr. Mortson. In welcoming his guests Harold Mortson, invited them to visit his new premises and reiterated his desire to be of continued service to the farmers and other agriculturists of Richmond Hill and district.

Other out-of-town guests who were present at the opening included Bill Marshall, supervisor for Central Ontario for the Massey-Harris Company; Art Moffatt, merchandising supervisor for Canada for the same company; J. McAllister, Ontario branch manager and George Lewis, his assistant; W. S. C. Boswell, assistant public relations officer for Massey-Harris.

Beatty Brothers of Fergus, wash-

ing machine manufacturers, were represented by Murray Knox, district sales manager, and J. C. Laurie, Goodyear Tire general agent to the district, represented his concern.

The film programme opened with an amusing Laurel and Hardy picture, followed by a Goodyear Tire production which described how the popular Goodyear Open Centre Sure Grip tire was developed as a time-saving aid to farmers. A new feature followed and the final reel was an excellent colour film sponsored by the Massey-Harris Company which dealt with problems of producing green Cross 2-4-D and weed killing chemicals. This film was an excellent and instructive production emphasizing the manner in which the scientist has come to the aid of the farmer.

Eight Years' Progress
Opening of his new building marks eight years of progress for Harold Mortson in Richmond Hill. It was in 1941 that he assumed the Massey-Harris agency, after farming at Victoria Square. During that time his business has increased to the point where the new building had become an absolute necessity. That his confidence in the business future of the Richmond Hill district is not misplaced is indicated by Mr. Mortson's statement that business in 1949 to date has already exceeded by a sizable margin, that of 1948 to the same point.

Working with Mr. Mortson in the new building will be the old members of his staff — Dave Millen, salesman, George Green and Alvin Casey, mechanics. Then, of course, Mrs. Mortson — tower of strength to the business, whose books she keeps, will continue her efforts as usual.

Prizes Drawn For
After the theatre part of the programme, prizes donated by Mr. Mortson and the Valvoline Oil Company were drawn for by little Joyce Fleming. Winners were: Billy O'Brien, Lloyd Middleton, Walter Mitchell, Mrs. Shropshire, Gordon Timbers, A. Fierheller, Elmer Stong, Mrs. F. Jones.

The official opening concluded with a reception at the new sales rooms, where bouquets from many Richmond Hill businesses and other friends created a spring-like atmosphere.

From The Hilltop

A COLUMN OF VIEWS AND OBSERVATIONS

(By F. J. Picking)

Wasn't it Gilbert and Sullivan who, in one of their famed operas, had one of their characters singing "A policeman's life is not a happy one."

They could not have had Richmond Hill's new constable, Frank Moore, in mind for he seems to be quite happy about things — at least except for the housing shortage which is bothering him the same as several thousand other Canadians.

Nothing, it seemed to me, could illustrate the change in the character of a district so much as change in its policing methods. As I have pointed out on several occasions change is sweeping over this area like a tidal wave. For that reason I discussed modern law enforcement with P.C. Moore this week.

It's a comparatively short time since the village council made arrangements with the Ontario Provincial Police to have one of their men take over the policing of Richmond Hill. Local citizens, of course, pay the shot through their taxes.

Our new British-trained constable, who spent twelve and a half years in the world-renowned Metropolitan Police in London, England, had nothing but praise for the way in which local citizens were co-operating in law enforcement. Like every up-to-date police official, he stresses "prevention" rather than "punishment," and seeks the help of citizens to this end.

Several innovations
Already several new steps have marked Constable Moore's regime. A complete report on his activities is submitted by him to Council at its regular monthly meetings. That report covers a wide variety of subjects. Last month's, for instance, told of the investigation of traffic accidents, requests to locate people, the handling of lost and found property, investigation of two break-ins, the seizing of cancelled driver's licenses on behalf of the Department of Highways, and action in connection with a case of juvenile delinquency, among other things.

Marking the new trend in village policing was the report by Constable Moore of his activities in checking business premises. At irregular intervals he inspects stores, etc., after business hours to ensure that open doors and windows do not extend too ready an invitation to the light-fingered. And, in this connection, he suggests that householders might wisely take precautions to see that residences are safely locked up when left unattended. There you are — that's one of the penalties of progress. Gone are the good old days when you could walk out and leave the door open for the cat.

One of the most effective innovations in our new policing methods is the fact that Richmond Hill now has its own police car, equipped with two-way radio. Who said we weren't up-to-date? With his car Constable Moore can be at the scene of trouble in a hurry and, through his radio, in constant contact with Provincial Police divisional headquarters at Aurora.

Few things have done more to assist in the rapid arrests of criminals than have such radio-equipped police cars. A record of more than fifty rapid captures has already been set up by the Ontario Provincial Police since the installation of radio communication in its squad cars.

Spectacular Results
Last May a police cruiser on Highway No. 8 near Rockton received a flash that a large truck containing \$17,000 worth of merchandise had been stolen. Look out — said the flash. Within two minutes of receiving the message the police car passed the stolen truck, forced it to the side of the road, and three robbers were arrested.

Again, when the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Theford was robbed, radio cars played their part in apprehending two armed thugs, who each finished up with fifteen year sentences. Here's hoping, of course, that Richmond Hill doesn't figure in the news columns through any such kind of happening. Nevertheless it's a good thing to feel that local citizens and property are now protected by the use of the last word in police equipment.

Traffic control, especially during the coming summer months, with their hectic parade of vehicles through the village, will constitute an important part of our local constable's duties. "Please observe parking and other traffic regulations," is Constable Moore's message to local drivers. He points out that these regulations are not instituted for the sole purpose of collecting fines but in order to protect life and property and to give the "other fellow" a decent chance to go about his activities in safety and comfort.

Incidentally, if you do happen to collect one of those horrible little tags for parking in a restricted area you can now pay your fine at municipal hall.

War Veteran
Bad as Yonge Street traffic may be in the months to come it will never be quite as hazardous — at least we hope not — to Constable Moore as a journey that he repeated many times on behalf of Canadian citizens not so long ago when, as a member of the crew of the aircraft carrier, H.M.S. Nairana, he helped escort convoys on the desperate journeys through the northern ice and gales to Murmansk, Russia's war-time port of entry for the supplies which the Allies poured to her in such abundance. Three and half years' Royal Navy service is the price which Constable Moore paid for the string of ribbons which he wears on his uniform as he goes about his job of protecting our citizens in peace, even as he helped them in days of war.

ELGIN MILLS STUDENT BOXING TROPHY WINNER

David Angus, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Angus of Elgin Mills, became winner of the Armstrong Trophy, premier boxing award at St. Andrew's College, at the annual assault-at-arms at that institution last week. Angus out-pointed J. Gibbery of Callow, Peru, in the 125 pound class.

Extra Work On Well Not Costly to Village

How much of Richmond Hill taxpayers' money is being wasted because of delays in bringing in the new town well?

None — says Village Clerk Russell Lynter.

He points out that on several occasions recently citizens have complained to him that additional work which is being done must be resulting in the waste of public money.

Such is not the case, examination of the contract under which the new well is being brought into being reveals. The only expense to the village to date is payment for materials brought to the site of the well for preliminary work.

From there on the responsibility belongs to the contractors, the International Water Supply Company. The contract between that company and the village calls for the production of the completed well of 150 Imperial gallons of clear water per minute. The amount payable for this is \$8,865 when the flow has been established to the satisfaction of the village council. Therefore taxpayers are not penalized in any way by unforeseen circumstances which result in extra work.

Over and above the 150 gallon per minute flow, which is the minimum requirement under the contract, the contractors may provide additional gallonage if the well's capacity permits. In this case the village will pay the contractors at the rate of \$20, per additional gallon per minute. Thus, if a maximum flow of four hundred gallons per minute is obtained, the payment by the village to the contractors will amount to \$13,865.

It is reported that some difficulty has been experienced in obtaining clear water, due to the presence of iron in the water. This, however, is the contractors' headache, and is not resulting in any additional expense to the village.

Hog Producers Annual Meeting Friday, Mar. 18

At the meeting of the Directors of the York County Hog Producers' Association held last week it was decided to hold the Annual Meeting of the Association on Friday, March 18th, in the board room of the Agricultural Office at Newmarket commencing at 10:30 a.m. Arrangements have been completed to have W. P. Watson, Live Stock Commissioner for Ontario give an illustrated report on the results of the co-operative hog feeding tests conducted under the joint sponsorship of the Hog Producers and the Ontario Department of Agriculture. The two York producers who have been carrying on this work will report on their experiences.

W. E. Tummon, Secretary of the Ontario Hog Producers' Association will report on the work of the parent organization and delegates to their annual meeting will be elected.

A door prize will be drawn for at 10:30 sharp as the meeting is to get off to a good start to finish by 4 p.m. The Association is providing a pre-lunch for all members so make it a day.

Considerable interest has been worked up over the York County Bacon Show and the full quota of townships has shipped their hogs for slaughter this week. These will be slaughtered on Friday, placed in the cooler over the week end. On Monday they will be placed in the brine tank till the Wiltshire carcasses are returned to Newmarket for the Seed Fair and Bacon Show on Tuesday, March 22nd.

Highlights Horticultural

Despite the terrific roar of the March Lion, whose breath enveloped the countryside with snowy froth, a great number of flower lovers turned out to attend the Richmond Hill Horticultural meeting on March 10, to hear Mr. Paul Angle speak about "Roses" and listening to such a well known authority, everyone felt quite capable and confident to grow roses of distinction, and thereby advertise in reality, the beautiful motto of the Village, "In the Rose we flourish."

The next timely garden subject on the program, was a talk on Rock Gardens, by Mr. A. J. Walwyn, who weathered the storm from Kleinburg to give the members an idea of the fascination of building a rock garden, and the wonderful results achieved by arranging and planting the correct type of rocks and flowers. His talk was emphasized by several rock plants which were distributed among those present.

The evening was completed with the showing of beautiful garden scenes in and around this locality as well as pictures of the garden glory of Victoria B.C., taken by Mr. Carl James, who has developed this interesting hobby and delights in sharing it with others of mutual understanding.

The door prizes of Gladious corms donated by Mrs. Wm. Banks, were won by Mrs. Marion Ramer, Mrs. L. D. Ramer, Mrs. Rob. Craigie, Miss Lillian Anderson, Mrs. W. A. Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ferguson, Dr. A. Doan.

Vaughan Council Asks For A Decision On Race Track Appeal

TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR IS INSTRUCTED TO TAKE UP MATTER WITH ONTARIO MUNICIPAL BOARD

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Vaughan met at the Township Hall, Vellore on Wednesday, the 9th day of March, 1949, at 10 o'clock a.m. All members present. The following matters were considered by the Council:

The erection of tablets — The position of the tablets being prepared by the J. W. Fleck Company was considered with relation to the tablets already erected on the front of the Township Hall. Council directed Nelson Kerr to meet with representatives of the J. W. Fleck Company and direct the erection of the tablets in the places suggested by the Council.

Machine Shed — Nelson Kerr advised that the new 610 Adam Diesel Grader was too large to enter the sheds as now constructed. Alterations to the shed were suggested that would permit the machine to be housed. No action was taken.

Township Machinery — The Adams Leaning Wheel Grader which was formerly drawn by the Caterpillar Tractor was inspected by the Council. In view of the work formerly done by the machine now being provided for by the new Adams diesel grader, consideration was given to selling the old machine.

Trees on Garden Avenue — The Council adjourned to meet at the corner of Garden Avenue and Yonge Street and inspected the trees to be cut down by Mr. Butler. Permission was granted.

Amendment to By-Law 1626 — Council adjourned to meet at the Township Office in Maple where the application to the Ontario Municipal Board to amend By-Law 1626 to permit the erection and operation of a harness track on Lot 27, Concession 1, was considered. Clerk was directed to request the Township Solicitor to take this matter up with the Ontario Municipal Board and in view of no decision being granted since the hearing on January 7th, that the Township Solicitor, according to his opinion, request that a decision be made or arrange to have the application withdrawn.

Mr. Lathers appeared before the Council. Mr. Lathers requested an amendment to the Official Plan, clarifying the intention of the Township with respect to the erection and operation of a harness track on the east parts of lots 1, 2 and 3, in the Second Concession. Council considered this matter and in view of a recommendation from the Planning Board of the Township of Vaughan that such an amendment be made, the Council of the Township adopted the amendment and the Reeve and Clerk were authorized to sign the same.

Amendment to Agreement — re Plan 3403 — Whereas the agreement provided that every dwelling erected on Plan 3403 must have a basement or cellar and whereas the Council have been requested to amend the agreement insofar as it affects a 100' lot because of poor drainage thereon, to permit the erection of a dwelling without a cellar or basement.

The Council approved of the same and directed the Clerk to prepare the necessary agreement.

Department of Education — Community Program — Advising that By-laws 1623 and 1629 of the Township of Vaughan could not be approved because they were drafted for the primary purpose of establishing a Committee to construct and maintain a swimming pool to be located in Thornhill. No action taken.

Temporary Buildings — H. C. H. Miller advised of persons requesting to live in garages while building their houses. Permission having been granted similar cases previously, it was found occasionally that after living in a garage temporarily no effort was made to construct a dwelling but the property was sold to other parties unacquainted with the permission of temporary occupancy only. Council considered this matter and directed that persons wishing to live in garages or other temporary accommodation while building their dwellings may do so and that a building permit in such cases shall be issued only after the applicant has posted with the Township of Vaughan a deposit of \$300.00. The Clerk was further directed to prepare the necessary agreement to provide for this deposit and arrange to have the agreement prepared in a manner that the same may be registered against the property.

Shaw Valley District Boy Scouts — Carl Huber advised that the grant for the Humber Valley District Boy Scouts was for a capital expenditure. In view of many requests to the Council for money to assist in the building of Halls and other community projects, the Council directed the Clerk to advise that grants toward capital expenditures were not provided for in the budget as proposed by the Council and thus no grant could be made.

Woodbridge Request of the Canadian Legion — Reaching a grant toward the construction and erection of a Legion Hall. Council directed the Clerk to advise that grants toward capital expenditures were not provided for in the budget as proposed by the Council and thus no grant could be made.

Woodbridge Annexation — Council discussed arrangements being made regarding the hearing for the annexation of property owned by the Robinson Cotton Mills to the Village of Woodbridge.

The Council adjourned to meet at the Council Chamber in Maple on Monday the 4th day of April, 1949, at 11 o'clock a.m.

RICHMOND HILL MINOR BANTAMS

Detroit Win Championship Over Canadians

Last Friday night at the Arena the Detroit and Canadians met in the final game of the playoffs. They had both won one apiece and Friday night's game was the deciding one. The ice was fairly good and Detroit took advantage of this fact and within two minutes after the first whistle went, they had themselves two goals. The first goal was by Bob Moore who sank a nice shot from just inside the blue line. The second goal was by Youngerburg who caught the Canadians off guard and went in unassisted to beat the Canadian goalie.

The Canadian team then tightened up and put on the pressure and although they stonewalled the Detroit net and had many chances Ord for Canadians seemed to keep them out. He played a good game and had some tough shots to stop. The score at the end of the first period was 2-0 for Detroit. The second period found the Canadians really being down and Detroit started to rough it up a little and so a few penalties were handed out. Paul Atkinson, Brillinger and Tomlinson played very well and it was a pass by Brillinger that set Atkinson up for a real shot on the net to bring the score to 2-1. The last half of the game was very even with sides really trying and both goalies worked well. There were no more goals through the last half of the game but it was good fast, clean hockey.

Last year the Canadians won the cup and so this year we have a new winner with Detroit. Dick Mills and his gang deserve congratulations on having the winning team as all the four teams were very evenly matched.

The Coaches, with the help of some of the local women in the village are putting on their own banquet this year and there will be presentations of the three cups on this night, April 1st. The presentations will be made by a pro hockey player either of the past or present with taking pictures after it should be a real evening.

On behalf of the Coaches I would like to again thank all of you in the Village who have helped us so much. We only hope that you will be with us for next year's hockey.

Next year we are entering a Bantam team in the O.H.M.A. and I believe that our group will be made up of Aurora, Newmarket and Bradford. The same four teams will be carried as they are this year but we are

picking the older and better players out for the Bantam team and these players will not be playing in the Richmond Hill League unless they start to lag and then they will be sent back and another good player will have the chance of stepping up. This is the start of hockey going ahead again in Richmond Hill and as long as we can depend on your support we will keep it going. Who knows perhaps in a few years we will be meeting the Barrie Flyers.

Financial Statement

Amount collected for 48-49	\$ 196.35
Expenses	91.10
Amount left on hand	\$ 105.25
Expense Account:	
Goal equipment	\$ 60.00
Hockey Sticks	10.00
Tape	1.10
12 Sweaters	20.00
	\$ 91.10

H. J. Mills, Sec.-Treas.

EDNA JAQUES TO BE GUEST SPEAKER AT LUNCHEON

On Friday, March 25, the Sunday School room of the Presbyterian Church will be the setting for a Spring Luncheon under the auspices of the Women's Association. Miss Edna Jaques, eminent poetess and lecturer will be the guest speaker. Endowed with a charming personality and platform manner, Miss Jaques possesses the rare gift of being able to establish almost at once the unwavering attention of her audience from start to finish. Edna Jaques is a small gracious woman with a ready sense of humor and a capacity of seeing beauty in the everyday things of life. No Canadian writer has more beautifully dealt with the scenes from everyday life than Edna Jaques who charmed an audience of eight hundred members of the Women's Canadian Club last week. Do not miss this golden opportunity to hear such an outstanding personality. Tickets 65c, obtainable from any member of the Women's Association.

WINS CHAMPIONSHIP
Mrs. G. L. Thompson, Hunt's Lane, won a Championship, one first and two seconds at the Second Annual Show of the National Chinchilla Breeders of Canada held recently in Toronto. Mrs. Thompson had just four entries in the show.

Markham Twp. Taxes For 1949 To Be Paid In Two Equal Instalments

Residents of Markham Township will have the opportunity of paying their taxes in two installments in 1949.

The subject was discussed at a meeting of Township Council last week and, as a result, taxes will be payable on June 15 and October 15. Reeve Griffin outlined a large number of people who live in subdivision houses would benefit by the change, as the payment of taxes in a lump sum, at the end of the year constitutes a hardship for many. It would help the farmer also, he stated.

The township would also save money on bank interest, he added. This, the township clerk reported, amounted to around \$500 each year.

Councillor Wicks felt that it might be a good idea to try the installment method for a year, and Councillor Rao felt that the method would assist the man on a salary. Expressing his views, Deputy Reeve Trishers said that there had not been any complaint about the present system and that taxes come due in the fall, when the taxpayer is most able to pay.