



A synopsis of pictures to be shown locally in the near future, for the information of movie-goers.

The famous novel written by Kenneth Roberts, "Captain Caution" makes its screen appearance at the Richmond Theatre on December 2 and 3.

The picture opens aboard the American merchant vessel, Olive Branch, shortly after the beginning of the War of 1812. The Olive Branch has been on the seas, homeward bound from the Orient, for 108 days and is unaware of the war on the high seas. She is captured by a British naval vessel and during the fighting, the Captain is killed and his daughter, a high spirited, forceful young lady, as well as the rest of the crew are captured. When, however, the Olive Branch is recaptured by an American vessel, Corunna, the Captain's daughter takes over. Although she is deeply in love with Captain Caution, played by Victor Mature, Corunna has him put in chains because he laughs at her plans to get a commission and to take part in the war.

From then on to the smash hit climax in French waters, the story of "Captain Caution" fills the screen with scenes of tense excitement, red-blooded action and thrilling romance. When the Olive Branch finally sails into her home port, there is a dramatic denouement which draws the picture to a stirring and unforgettable end.

Cary Grant, as the woe-begone Mr. Blandings in RKO's happy comedy, "Mr. Blandings Builds His Dream House," playing at the Richmond Theatre on December 5 and 6, saves his job, his newly-built home and his family's security by finding the right slogan for advertising campaign. Blandings is an advertising man in the film, who must supply his office with new slogans for a ham called "Wham."

In the midst of his dreams Mr. Blandings has to face reality when he finds that his lawyer, played by Melvyn Douglas, was his wife's (Myrna Loy's) old beau.

When, after many vicissitudes, the Blandings move into their new home, there is no heat, no windows, no furniture.

The picture revolves around the Blandings' decision to give up their cramped apartment and to rebuild an old farmhouse in Connecticut. One of the funniest comedies in a long, long time, the picture should have a special appeal to the many in this neighbourhood who are going through problems similar to those of the Blandings.

An English film of unusual distinction comes to the Richmond Theatre on December 7 and 8.

Few pictures have been able to convey a feeling of great drama as movingly as Ealing Studios' first Technicolor production "Saraband for Dead Lovers," starring Stewart Granger, Francoise Rosay, Joan Greenwood, Fora Rosson.

It is a masterpiece of filmcraft and another triumph for Ealing. Adapted from Helen Simpson's historical novel, "Saraband for Dead Lovers" is the story of Sophie-Dorothea, the princess who was married for political reasons to George-Louis of Hanover (afterwards George I of England), and who fell in love with the Swedish soldier of fortune, Count Philip von Konigsmark.

Their romance rocked the thrones of kings. It ended in tragedy and in a mystery that was unsolved for years. Because of it, Sophie-Dorothea's husband had her imprisoned for life and tried to erase her name from the pages of history.

Stewart Granger and Joan Greenwood play the unhappy lovers with distinction and charm. Francoise Rosay gives a performance of great merit as the ambitious Electress Sophia and Flora Robson is incomparable as the jealous, scheming Countess Platen.

"Saraband for Dead Lovers" is a film of colour, depth and movement made with great attention to detail and accuracy.

Many of the scenes in the film were taken in the park at Blenheim Palace, where Winston Churchill was born. Others were taken at Prague, where great cooperation was given by the Czechs, many of whom took part in the filming.



DREAMY expressions mean Cary Grant and Myrna Loy are thinking of home they build in "Mr. Blandings Builds His Dream House."

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Voting Day - December 5th

All Seats To Be Contested In Richmond Hill Vaughan Reeve & Deputy Win Acclamation

Hostrawser Returned

Six Candidates Contest Vaughan Councillorships Two Old Members In Race

With Reeve John Hostrawser and Deputy Reeve Marshall McMurphy returned by acclamation, electors in Vaughan Township will be required to elect three councillors on December 5.

Although nominated for deputy reeve and for council, Councillor Carl Shaw withdrew for reasons of health. Consequently only two members of the 1949 council have to appeal to the electors—Councillors James H. Robson and Albert Rutherford.

Six in all have qualified and their names will appear on the

ballots. They are: William J. Agar, farmer; Cyril G. Baker, salesman; Herbert A. Phelps, civil servant; James H. Robson, farmer; Russell Rowntree, farmer; Albert H. Rutherford, farmer.

Nomination meeting held at the Township Hall at Vellore on November 25, the day after the big storm, brought out only a fair attendance and proceedings were brief and quiet. No controversial matters were brought up either by members of the 1949 council or by new candidates in their addresses to the gathering.

Five in Race For Three School Board Vacancies

With Trustee Duncan Chamney retiring and two members of the public school board up for re-election, a lively race is promised for positions as Richmond Hill public school trustees.

With three to be elected, five candidates are in the running. They are: Len. Clement and Andrew Armstrong, members of last year's board; Albert C. Barber, Marwood Cunningham and John Williamson, new contenders for office.

In brief speeches at the nominations for positions on the village's governing bodies on November 21, all those nominated declared their intention of running. Trustee Armstrong, who has served on the board for three years, expressed his appreciation of the co-operative way in which affairs had been conducted. Trustee Len. Clement said that he felt it was his duty to offer himself again and to play his part in making

arrangements for the new school which would soon be necessary.

Chairman James Pollard was called on to speak by Village Clerk Russell Lynett, who officiated at the meeting, although he is not up for re-election, having another year of his term left. He spoke highly of the manner in which all members of the board had pulled together and of the progressive work which had been done.

Drilling Well Discover Gas

Is Yongehurst Road, south of Richmond Hill, to become independent of Hydro restrictions? Will gas supplant electricity there?

That's just a bit too optimistic, but nevertheless the fact remains that a property on the street has recently produced a supply of natural gas.

Drilling for water on the property of Mrs. Bolton, gas was struck at a depth of 170 feet. When lighted, the gas burned in a four foot high flame and, as this issue goes to press, is still alight.

Few men around this district have had more to do with wells than Albert Jones of Elgin Mills. When The Liberal asked him if such an occurrence was common, Mr. Jones said that on several occasions he had struck small pockets from which gas could be smelled. To strike a pocket of such size that it would light was, he said, something new in his experience.

825 Can Vote On Sewers

Property owners who are entitled to vote on the sewerage plebiscite in Richmond Hill number 825, Village Clerk Russell Lynett reports.

1297 voters are entitled to ballot on reeve and members of council. At the last election held two years ago the number was 1161, of whom 714 went to the polls.

Coming Events

DECEMBER 2 — Friday, a Eucharist will be held in St. Mary's parish hall, starting at 8.30 p.m. Convoys will be Mrs. D. E. Carter and Mrs. N. Carter. Everyone welcome. c1w22

DECEMBER 3 — Don't forget St. Mary's Anglican Bazaar in the Parish Hall on Saturday, December 3, at 3 p.m. c1w22

DECEMBER 3 — The Women's Auxiliary Branch 375 Canadian Legion are holding a eucharist on Friday night, December 3, at the home of Mrs. Titshall at 8 p.m. Everyone welcome. 1w22

DECEMBER 3 — Thornhill Women's Institute bazaar at Lawrence Memorial Hall at 3 p.m. Official opening by Mrs. Sayers, Richmond Hill W. I. Dolls, doll clothes, fancy goods, hooked rugs, baking, candy, used clothing, "White Elephant" sale, afternoon tea, tea cup reading, novelty sales. 1w21

DECEMBER 5 — The evening group of the W.A. of the United Church Richmond Hill are having a Christmas party, Monday, December 5, at 8 p.m. in the Sunday School room. Bring your

gift. All ladies invited. 1w22

DECEMBER 6 — Regular monthly meeting of Vaughan and Richmond Hill Veterans at Municipal Hall, Richmond Hill. 1w22

DECEMBER 7 — Annual bridge and eucharist of Richmond Hill Lawn Bowling Club, in Public School Auditorium, on Wednesday, December 7, at 8.30 p.m. sharp. Prizes galore. Refreshments. Come and bring your friends. c3w19

DECEMBER 8 — The December meeting of the Richmond Hill Women's Institute will be held on Thursday, December 8, at 2.30 p.m. Please bring in the Christmas gifts you have been making for display. There will be carol singing and a report of the area convention. 1w22

DECEMBER 9 — Friday, December 9, St. Mary's Anglican Sunday School Christmas Concert and Tree in the Public School Auditorium, Richmond Hill. 4w20

DECEMBER 10 — Combination bridge, eucharist, cribbage and bingo contest in aid of completion of Richvale Community Hall, at the Richvale School. 1w21

Election Returns

Results of local municipal elections will be posted in The Liberal's office window on the night of December 5 as received.

Points reported will include Richmond Hill — where the results are not likely to be known until late on account of the fact that the sewerage plebiscite votes have to be counted as well — Vaughan Township, Markham Township, King Township, North York Township and Woodbridge.

And please don't wait outside in the cold. The office door will be open and we shall be glad to welcome anybody who cares to come in.

We refer readers to the special listing of candidates which appears on page 8 of this issue, with space for marking results.

Air Force Veteran To Run Pony Crest Lodge, Elgin Mills

After living for fifteen years in Lansing Jack Bayley, veteran of the Royal Canadian Air Force, has taken over the Pony Crest Lodge Helping him operate it will be Mrs. Bayley, who has had a long experience in high-class catering. During the war Mr. Bayley was a radio instructor, serving both western and eastern Canada and in Iceland.

"To Be, Or Not To Be . . ."

Taxpayer's Letter, Reeve's Reply Give Information On Sewerage Vote Medical Officer Expresses Opinion

The Liberal has received the following letter from Mr. D. C. Smith of 3 Arnold Crescent, Richmond Hill.

Because of the fact that it asks some questions which we believe to be of particular interest to taxpayers at the present moment we are reproducing the letter in full. In order that these questions could be answered in such a way that the information will be of value to electors we have asked Reeve Percy C. Hill to make replies thereto, and these follow Mr. Smith's letter.

We have also received a letter regarding sewers from Dr. J. P. Wilson, M.B., Medical Officer of Health for the village of Richmond Hill and, as a matter of public service, that letter is being published also.

It should be stressed that the letters and replies express the opinion of the writers — that they have not been solicited by this publication — and that they are printed in order to place all possible information in the hands of ratepayers previous to next Monday's election.

Dear Mr. Editor: —

There are several questions in my mind which might well have a decided bearing on the electors' decision in the forthcoming Municipal Elections, consequently I am writing to you — in the hope that some of these problems may be clarified and publicized.

First of all may I congratulate the Village Council on their most excellent bulletin of 7th November, which has laid out very clearly the problem before the property owners.

However, the questions which arise in my mind are as follows.

- (1) The bulletin quotes an approximate figure of \$275,000 for the installation in the Village. Is this estimated cost a guaranteed firm price? Does it include the cost of a disposal plant? If the approximate figure of \$275,000 does not include these items it could well be that the final cost to the taxpayers could be in the neighbourhood of \$500,000, with a frontage tax up to 40c per foot and an increase in the general tax rate up to say 15 or 20 mills.
- (2) Has the Village Council applied for Government assistance? If so, what is the dollar value of this assistance?
- (3) What is the estimated cost

Know Your Neighbour



Just twenty-five years ago on this date WALTER SCOTT pictured above, took over the principalship of Richmond Hill's public school. Today, still holding the same responsible position, he is in charge of pupils who are the children of the pupils he taught when he first came to the Hill.

Back in 1924 the public school had seven rooms, with an overflow class being held in the Municipal Hall — a sharp contrast to today's school attendance of 437, quartered in eleven classrooms.

But before Mr. Scott took over the post in which he has earned the respect and affection of many thousands of school children, their parents and, indeed, all citizens, he had

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Stiff Fights Are Indicated In All Local Municipalities Many Candidates Qualify

Hit of the evening at Richmond Hill's nomination meeting was Councillor Wes. Middleton's address to the gathering of electors which filled the Masonic Hall.

Introduced as the member of council in charge of streets and sidewalks, the councillor took in a lot of territory in describing his further activities with regard to sanitation and allied problems and kept the audience in a ripple of laughter as he described in humorous but down-to-earth fashion the activities of the council of which he was a member.

A typical Middleton "crack" was his description of his working arrangement with the village's Medical Officer of Health. "If people call me," he said, "I refer them to the M.O.H., and if they call him he refers them to me." But, in spite of his somewhat joking approach to municipal problems, he conveyed to the gathering a seriousness of purpose which earned for him the biggest round of applause given to any candidate.

Running a close second if applause is any criterion, was Councillor Ken. Tomlin who smoothed waters which at times showed indications of becoming troubled. Pulling few punches, Councillor Tomlin emphasized the fact that the council was elected by citizens as a whole to administer their affairs and was not afraid to take responsibility when decisions had to be made.

In a concise report Councillor Tom Taylor — who will be officially listed on the ballots as W. J. Taylor — laid stress on the work which had been done in providing the village with an adequate water supply — a department which comes under his jurisdiction. Emphasizing population growth, he recorded that 62 new water services had been installed this year.

Although he had stated his intention of retiring a few weeks ago, Councillor Cec. Mabley told electors that he had reconsidered and was willing to run for the 1950 council. He described the work which had been done during the year in connection with the park and arena.

Candidates For Reeve

The two candidates for the reevehip, Reeve Percy C. Hill and former Reeve John A. Greene, were both given good receptions.

Speaking of his reeved while in office, Mr. Greene asserted his belief that the municipality should have a sewerage system. "I'm in favour," he said, "but can we afford it? I doubt it very, very much." He referred to the days when he was in office and said that at that time the Dominion and Provincial governments would have borne a large part of the cost. "It's impossible for people who are only paying for their houses now to carry an additional load," he said, stating that if he was elected he would try to get other governmental bodies to assist in installing a sewerage system.

Some time was spent by Reeve Percy C. Hill in paying tribute to village officials. An especial compliment was given to Village Clerk Russell Lynett. "The time is coming fast," said Reeve Hill, "when we shall have to give him some assistance, even if it means putting another mill on the taxes."

W. S. Pocknell, the village assessor, was also given a special "pat on the back." Reeve Hill asserted that the fact that not a single appeal against assessments had been received was a tribute to the conscientiousness of his work. The fire brigade, P. C. Frank Moore, Les Baker and the staff of the works department also were praised by the Reeve. Challenging some of the statements made by Mr. Greene in his nomination address, Mr. Hill stated that taxes now were the same as they were in 1943 and that the new pumping

Nominees Speak
All members of the 1949 council were nominated and, in addition, Ned C. Hill and Floyd Perkins. The two latter spoke briefly, stating that they would consider acceptance in the next twenty-four hours.

Mr. Len. Clement, nominated for the council and also for public school trustee, said that he felt it was his duty to stay with the school board.

The list of candidates who have qualified and whose names will appear on the ballots will be found on page 8 of this issue.

D. G. McAllister New President

At the recent meeting of the Canadian Guernsey Breeders' Association held in Toronto on November 18, Mr. D. G. McAllister, well known Guernsey breeder from Richmond Hill, was highly honoured by being elected as President of the Association for 1950, a position for which Mr. McAllister is very well qualified, having been a member of the Board of Directors for some years. Mr. McAllister is well known to Guernsey breeders all over Canada and is at the moment president of the Guernsey Cattle Breeders' Association of Ontario. Don has one of the highest production Guernsey herds in Canada and has developed many real cows. He has been untiring in his efforts and unsparring in his time in the interests of the Guernsey breeds.

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