

# Thornhill and District News

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## Will Hold Community Service Good Friday At United Church

A meeting of the Thornhill-Richmond Hill Ministerial was held Wednesday morning in the minister's vestry of the United Church. Plans were completed for the community service to be held Good Friday evening at 8 p.m. in the United Church. The choir of Holy Trinity Anglican Church under the direction of Mr. Devey will be present. The guest speaker will be Professor Ward of Wycliffe College. Coffee was served by Mrs. Eddy.

## 1st Thornhill Cub News

Akela Rolly Curtin Club Circle by their totem in the light of candles. After a short farewell speech by Akela Rolly Curtin, the Cubs gave the Grand Howl for the last time. Then came their big moment, each cub was led toward the Scoutmaster and passing between two lines of Scouts each holding a lighted candle, the cub heard the 10 Scout laws from individual scouts and the Promise from a patrol leader, thus the cub reaches his final destination as a cub, the Scout Patrol.

## Thornhill Notes

**Socials**  
Winners of the 1st Thornhill Cubs' Bird House Making Contest were: 1st prize, Ian MacMillan; 2nd prize, Terry Townsend; and 3rd prize, Bryan Smellie. The boys who entered bird houses and did not win were each presented with a cub diary from their Akela Rolly Curtin at the Father & Son banquet.  
Mr. and Mrs. Jan Kok have returned home after spending two months in Holland.  
Mr. Oswald James has returned from a two month vacation to St. Petersburg, Florida.  
Mr. Norman Fairhead is visiting with his brother in Jamaica. An executive meeting of the 1st Thornhill Cub Mothers' Association was held Tuesday afternoon, March 11, at the home of Mrs. Frank Tucker.  
Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Donkerley and family have returned from a three week vacation to Florida.

**Library**  
The Thornhill Library reports that a good selection of children's books has been bought with the money given by the Lions. A few of the books are, Mr. Popper's Penguins, Petunia, Blueberries for Sal, The Mousewife, The Story of the Great Lakes, Peter Pan, Rewards and Fairies, The 39 Steps, The Tallman, and The Boy's Book of Camping, Home & School.  
The Thornhill Public School Home & School Association will be holding its Spring Bonnet Desert Bridge on Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in the public school. The bridge is being convoked by Audrey MacMillan, assisted by Mary Atkinson, Joyce Allan, Bea Tremaine, Betty Boyden, Lynn Law and Sheila Runtwaite. There will be a prize for each table and also a lucky draw.  
**Horticultural Society**  
The Thornhill and District Horticultural Society will hold its monthly meeting in the Thornhill public school at Arnold and Yonge Streets, March 18 at 8 p.m. The subject will be "A Work shop with Guides to Gardeners." Friends of members are welcome.

**Couples Club**  
The Couples Club held a square dance Saturday night at Drewry Ave. public school with 15 couples present. The evening was in charge of the presidents, Mr. and Mrs. A. McKechnie. Afterwards the group returned to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Puddy for refreshments.

**Oil Painting To Session**  
Sunday morning Mr. Gordon Patterson, a member of the congregation presented to the church a painting of the proposed new church building. This painting was done by Mr. James Boyd, president of the Men's Club.

**Baptism**  
The three children of Mrs. Allan Wooley were baptized on Sunday morning by Rev. C. Chambers. They were Diane Bertha, Allan Albert and Dorthea Rose.  
**Fortnighters Club**  
The Fortnighters met Monday evening, March 3, at the home of Mrs. John Mackay, John St. The meeting was in charge of Mrs. H. Anderson with devotions taken by Mrs. S. Hopper. The guest speaker, Mrs. Kerr of Oakwood Presbyterian Church and President of Toronto and Kingston Synodical, was introduced by Mrs. N. Martin. Mrs. Kerr gave a very challenging message on "Stewardship" and was thanked by Mrs. J. Arnott.  
Mrs. Earl Patton gave a talk on the architecture of the new church and a short discussion followed.  
Mrs. Chambers and Mrs. Mackay were requested to buy some new toys for the nursery. The meeting closed with refreshments served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Arnott, Mrs. Kidd and Mrs. Anderson.

**Holy Trinity Parish Guild**  
On Tuesday, March 4, the regular semi-monthly meeting of the Parish Guild was held in the church hall. The opening prayers were followed by a business session, when arrangements were completed for a visit to St. James' Cathedral on Tuesday, March 18. This will take the place of a regular meeting. Work was started on felt articles for the bazaar which will be held in the late fall. Refreshments were then served. Any members who would like transportation to St. James' Cathedral please contact Betty Tyson, AV. 5-2140.  
**United Church W.A.**  
The general W.A. of Thornhill United Church held their March meeting Thursday afternoon of last week in the church. Mrs. L. May, the president was in charge of the meeting. Devotions were taken by Mrs. E. Meuser. A business period followed with plans being discussed for the "Spring Luncheon" which will be held the first Thursday in May.  
The guest speaker at the luncheon will be Mrs. Pruden of the T. Eaton Co., who will speak on interior decorating.

**Wm. Stewart** reported that the warming oven had been installed in the new kitchen. It was also stated that there will be a rummage sale on April 19 and anyone with useful articles could contact Mrs. Grace Bradley.  
Following the business period, Group 5 of the W.A. presented a very brilliant and amusing "Fashion Show" using authentic clothes of the 1920's and making them look like today's fashions. The ladies taking part were Mrs. Empringham, Mrs. Chandler, Mrs. F. Clarke, Mrs. Muriel Clarke, Mrs. Everist, Mrs. Mary Lial Grant, Mrs. Humphrey, Mrs. Mary Lou Patterson, Mrs. Ethel Sinclair, Mrs. G. Rose and Mrs. M. Whalen. The commentator was Mrs. Helen Foot and the pianist was Mrs. Gladys Finlay.  
Tea and refreshments were served.

On Wednesday evening, March 5, the Women's Mission Circle of Thornhill Baptist Church held its monthly meeting with Miss Gladys Stevens presiding. Following the opening hymn and prayer a business period was conducted. Mrs. William Cook led in devotions, continuing the study of "Women of the Bible." This was followed by prayer by Mrs. H. Ellam and Mrs. M. Carlson, who prayed for the missionaries in the northland and also for medical and leper work in the mission field. The Rev. G. H. King of the Mission to Lepers was guest speaker and also showed interesting slides on the work being done for these unfortunate people. Following a closing prayer by Rev. P. Buck, a social time was enjoyed by all.

**Local News**  
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gibson, Whytebridge Farm, returned home on Friday after a flying holiday trip to Mexico City.  
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Churchill and daughter Donna, accompanied by Bruce Greenhill, Briggs Ave., motored to Florida for a vacation, returning last Saturday.

**1st Thornhill Brownie Pack**  
The mothers of the girls of the 1st Thornhill Brownie Pack were guests at the regular Pack meeting on March 4.  
The meeting began with a semaphore word of welcome from the Golden Hand Brownies. Each six-table had been converted into a tent and the girls were busy about their campsite performing various tasks that they had learned for Brownie tests or badges. Several of the badge-winning stamp collections were on display as were an apron, which had won a needleworker's badge for its creator, and a plant potted and cared for by a Brownie working for her Golden Hand test. The mothers were given the opportunity to visit each six to admire and ask questions after which the Brownies retired to their tents for a rest after first removing shoes, hats, ties and

## 2nd Thornhill Scout News

by Ron Stagg, Jr. A. S. M.

Spring is almost here and the troop is planning spring and summer activities. After the band concert of March 17 and the concert of April 2, there are various other parades and concerts planned. In preparation for March 17, the Ladies' Auxiliary is giving every member of the band a pair of white gloves.  
There are to be some hikes and camps in the near future which have yet to be decided. The weather will greatly influence the date on which these will be held. Plans will be made for the summer camp which should prove to be a big event. It will likely be held during the latter part of June.

## 1st Thornhill Scouters Father & Son Banquet

The Annual Father and Son banquet of 1st Thornhill Cubs and Scouts was held last Friday night in the banquet hall of the Thornhill United Church. Visiting guests of honour were District Commissioner Leonard May, and District Cubmaster, Mrs. Leonard May, who sat at the head table with District Cubmaster, T. Barrington, Dr. E. B. Eddy, minister of the Thornhill United Church, Mrs. J. W. Lambert, President of Mothers' Auxiliary, H. Rogers, Scoutmaster, R. Curtin, Cubmaster, members of the group committee, A. Mollard and W. Lips, and their chairman F. Kellam.  
Mr. Rogers, the Scoutmaster, entertained the fathers and their sons by showing slides of scout-

## DONCASTER

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Happy birthday to Janet Cowley Henderson Ave., who celebrated her fifth birthday on March 7; to Denise Adkins, Proctor Ave., who will be seven on March 13. Denise is celebrating with a party for her friends on Saturday, March 15.

Friends and neighbours of Mrs. C. Morrison, Proctor Ave., are sorry to hear her grandson, Johnny Morrison, was scalded in an accident, and is in the Hospital for Sick Children.

Friends and neighbours of Mr. and Mrs. E. Petrie are glad to welcome them back to their home on Clarke Ave.  
The next meeting of the Doncaster and Highland Park Teenage Club will be at Henderson Ave. school on March 17 at 7 p.m. All teenagers from the area are welcome. The meeting will be under the supervision of leaders from the YMCA. They plan to have movies at this meeting. Bring 10c for refreshments.

The meeting of the Doncaster Ratepayers scheduled for Tuesday, March 11, was postponed until Tuesday, May 13.  
Monday, March 17, is Baby Clinic Day at Henderson Ave. school from 1:30 to 3:30.  
Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. G. Clow, Clarke Ave., who celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary by taking the Thornhill hockey team to the Moon-Glo for dinner.

**Community Club**  
The Doncaster Community Ladies' Club met at the home of Mrs. H. Mizen, on March 4. Annual reports were heard. They were most encouraging, showing the work done for the Cancer Society and for the Children's Aid Society of York County. Donations were made to the Brownies and Guides in the area; the Y.M.C.A. through the Recreation Association towards the operation of Camp Tom-Tom; and the recently-formed Teen-ager Club.

Mrs. Barbour reported on the successful eucure marathon recently completed.  
The new executive for 1957-58 was then installed by Mrs. Vaxvick, who warmly thanked Mrs. H. Morrison, the retiring president, for her leadership the past four years.  
A pleasant evening was spent playing court whist, followed by a delightful buffet luncheon, arranged by the hostesses, Mrs. Haley, Mrs. Morrison and Mrs. Russell. This was climaxed by the lighting of a birthday cake, denoting the eleven years of welfare and community work done by the club.

**Henderson Home and School**  
The meeting of March 10 had a very good attendance with 12 civil defence members present in uniform and the last half of the meeting was given over to Markham Township Civil Defence Unit.  
The following department heads, Publicity, Mrs. Strickland; Health, Mrs. Boujard; Instruction, Mrs. Metcalf; Fire, Earl Smith; Police, Don Dukes; were introduced by Chief Warden Charlie Clifford who spoke briefly on the importance of a strong civil defence organization in the township.  
A film was shown outlining evacuation methods concluding a very instructive and pleasant evening.

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**Anne Ward Winner**  
The Oratorical Contest of the School Area No. 1 of Markham and Vaughan was held in Charles Howitt school on February 24. Between winners of individual school contests which had been held previously. Judges were John D. Hilton, Queen's Counsel, Mr. E. Gooding, principal of MacKillop Public School, Richmond Hill, and Mr. F. K. Richan, former chairman of the school area board of trustees.  
Mr. E. J. Sand, supervising principal acted as chairman for the evening. The committee of principals who arranged the program was Mr. Peter Kurita, principal of Richvale school.  
Taking part were Jean Baylor of Ross Doan school, who spoke on "Problems of a Teenager"; Frances Paul of Richvale school, speaking on "The Circus"; Bryan Smith of Charles Howitt school, "The first man to fly in the British Empire"; Carol Hunt, Langstaff school, "The Treasure of Oak Island"; John Lennox, from Thornhill school, "An Era Just Passed"; James Hutchinson, from Powell Road school, "Milk"; Jas. Binch of Henderson school, "Education Week"; and Anne Ward of Thornlea school, who was the winning contestant, spoke on "The Conservation of Our Forests."

Each pupil was required as well to deliver an impromptu speech, and given the choice of drawing one of three subjects which were written on slips of paper.  
Mr. Richan addressed the audience briefly, explaining the plan of marking. He commended the pupils for entering the contest and stressed the advantage of being able to think when one got to his feet, which practice in such oratorical contests developed.  
On behalf of his father, Trustee Nathan Hicks, Ronald Hicks presented the winning contestant, Anne Ward of Thornlea school, with the school area trophy. In complimenting the contestants, Ronald advised them to take every opportunity to get up in public and say a few words, no matter how brief they might be.  
While the judging was in progress musical selections on the piano were provided by Lona Martin, and Wayne Langman, and Marian Martin, in Highland costume, performed two Scottish dances.

Chairman Roy Bick presented each of the contestants with a dictionary and an atlas, the gift of the Board of Trustees.  
**School News**  
Ross Doan School Open House was very well attended by many who came to admire the new school. Pupils in Grades 5 to 8 have set up a school bank to save for a trip in June.  
Richvale school open house was held in the afternoon and the senior room pupils took their visitors on an imaginary tour of Canada showing by charts, pictures and projects something of the life and geography of each province.  
Reverend Newton-Smith inaugurated adult services last Sunday morning at 9:30 at the Chas. Howitt school.  
Neighbourhood Bowlers, 200 and over flat: Allie Rhodes 212, Fran Clark 229, Florence Baird 244, Irene Edwards 245, Lillian McCallum 200, Muriel Merkle 222, Marge Barker 209, W. Weir 219, Eleanor Edwards 313, Hugh 3 with handicap, Frank Clark 723.  
Mrs. Frank Gardiner will entertain the 1st Langstaff School and Cub Mothers' Auxiliary with pictures of the Scout Jamboree in England last year, at their monthly meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. Kojala, Uplands Ave., on March 19.

**THORNLEA**  
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**School News**  
In observance of Education Week Thornlea school held "Open House" on Thursday, March 6. Many parents accepted an invitation to attend some of the classes during the daytime, and also to be present during the evening from 7 to 9 p.m. when work done by the pupils was on display.  
The boys' hockey team played their final game against Ross Doan Public School, losing by quite a margin. Better luck next year boys.  
Congratulations to Ann Ward on winning finals of the School Area Oratorical Contest held at Charles Howitt School. Representing Thornlea School, Ann's speech was entitled "Canada's Natural Resources." Each candidate gave a prepared speech and then an impromptu speech. Pupils from several schools in the district took part in the competition, and Thornlea is very proud of Ann for bringing honor to her school.

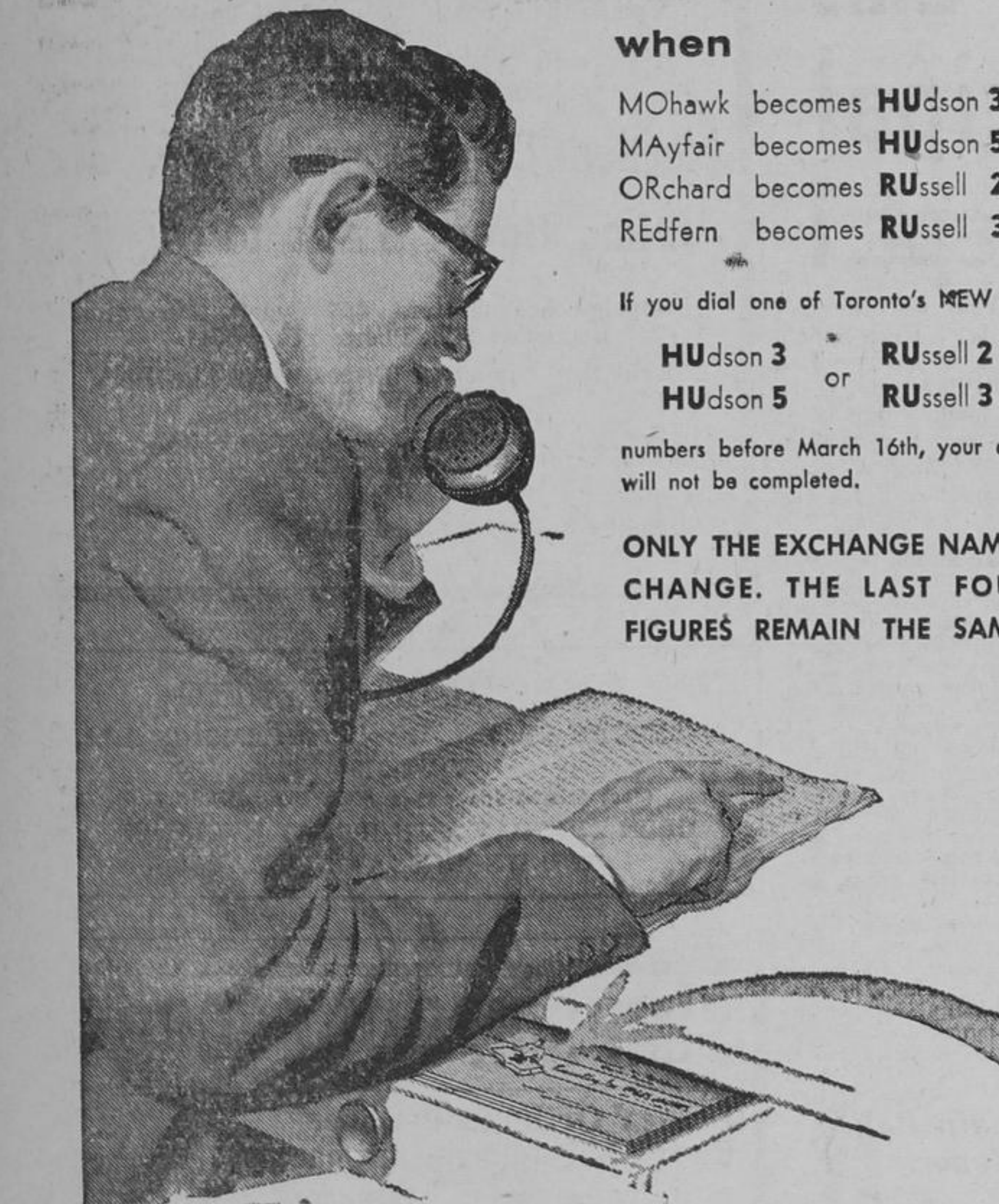
**Obituary**  
GEORGE HENRY MIDGLEY  
Mr. Henry George Midgley, of 29 Edgar Avenue, passed away in Sunnybrook Hospital on Tuesday, March 4, 1958, after a lengthy illness. Born in Hamilton, April 2, 1894, he was educated there and later moved to Toronto where he joined his father, G. B. Midgley, in a printing business on Gerrard St. East.  
He served with the Mississauga Horse and overseas with the 58th Battalion in the First World War. He was wounded in the foot and gassed.  
On his return to Canada he rejoined his father in the printing business in 1919, and operated it until his father's death in 1931, until his health forced him to retire a few years later.  
He was a member of Knights of Pythias Toronto Lodge No. 30, and for many years was active in boys' club work and summer camps.  
Seven years ago he moved his family to Richvale, and worked for various printing firms in Toronto until he was admitted to Sunnybrook hospital last year.  
He leaves his wife, Lillian, one son Ronald, 14, a sister, Eileen, of Hamilton and a brother, William, of North York.  
The funeral service was conducted from Wright and Taylor's Funeral Home in Richmond Hill by Reverend J. F. O'Neil. Interment was by cremation.

**Attending Royal Roads College**  
A varied sports program is part of the curriculum of the Regular Officers' Training Plan. Among the cadets attending Royal Roads, one of the Canadian Services Colleges, is cadet George Dalley of Richmond Hill.

This meeting, while planned, was completely unrehearsed and the leaders were extremely proud of the way the Brownies worked together and how well the Sixers had their Sixes organized.

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