

Richmond Hill . . .

"The Liberal" is always glad to receive social and personal items for this page and a call to Turner 4-1105 will receive courteous attention. This newspaper will also welcome news reports about church organizations, women's and men's societies, lodges and other groups. While copy will be accepted up to Wednesday of each week, it is desirable to have it in earlier if possible to ensure its publication.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Stephenson and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Stephenson from Montreal met in New York to spend Christmas with Misses Anne and Nancy Stephenson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Lee, daughter Sharon and baby son Donny Lee of Montreal visited over the holiday with Mr. Ross Casement, Mill St. Mrs. Lee is the former Phyllis Casement.

Wallace Judd of Lawrence Ave. South spent Christmas at home with his wife and sons. Wally is a patient at Sunnybrook Hospital, following an attack of bulbar polio suffered a few years ago. Now able to be out of the iron lung for several hours daily, Wally was driven to his home by the Red Cross.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ashworth and family visited Mrs. Ashworth's parents in London for four days during the Christmas season.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Elson and Gary of Church St. S., were holiday visitors in London and Lucan and district.

On Friday, December 26, Mr. Warwick Butt and Dr. and Mrs. G. T. Kean were guests of Baron and Baroness Van Karstead in Willowdale.

The Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church Women's Missionary Society held their December meeting in the church hall. The following members will hold office for 1959: Honorary president, Mrs. J. N. Hepburn, Mrs. Thos. Moore; president, Mrs. George Mooreley; 1st vice-president, Mrs. George Kelly; 2nd vice-president, Miss A. Cunningham; treasurer, Mrs. J. Beresford; secretary, Mrs. M. H. Burnie.

Rev. and Mrs. J. N. Hepburn entertained Miss Roberta Bradley of Ottawa during the Christmas holidays, and their son Kenneth Townsend Hepburn was home from Ottawa for Christmas too. A scientist with the Research Branch of the Department of Defence, Kenneth returned to Ottawa this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Edmunds arrived in town Christmas Eve from Montreal to spend the holiday with Mrs. Edmunds' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cook, Roseview Ave., leaving for Montreal again on Sunday. Bob Edmunds is the son of Mr. W. T. and the late Mrs. Edmunds also of Roseview Ave.

Councillor and Mrs. Joseph Paterson entertained their parents Mr. and Mrs. C. Paterson of Scarborough and Mr. and Mrs. S. Sweeney of Willowdale for Christmas dinner, but the festivities were brought to an abrupt close when their two-year-old daughter Mary-Catherine took ill suddenly with pneumonia. We are happy to report Mary-Catherine is now well on the road to recovery.

Clare Lagerquist, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Lagerquist, was home from Montreal for Christmas and afterwards his father accompanied him back to Montreal for a week, combining business with pleasure. Mrs. Lagerquist leaves next week for a visit with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Braunder, Cameron Falls.

Miss Claire McAllister, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McAllister, Arnold Crescent, is home from Alma College for the holiday vacation.

Miss Mary Dawson spent the Christmas holiday in Parkhill, Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Steffan spent an enjoyable Christmas holiday period at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey Valentine, Lake Shore Property, Kirkland Lake. Travelling by automobile, they were accompanied by their son and daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Sil Steffan and their children.

At the conclusion of the Carol Sunday service in St. Mary's Anglican Church, members of the church choir and friends enjoyed a very pleasant evening at the home of the choir leader and organist, Miss Dorothy Armstrongs, A.R.C.T., R.M.T.

At the final December meeting of the 3rd Richmond Hill Scout Troop, a ceremony was held recognizing six old Cubs as new Scouts and members of the troop. These six boys—Ronald Forrester, Chris Dearling, Jeffrey Toogood, Winston Chan, Wayne Rumble and Fred Quinton—all qualified for their Leaping Wolf badge. These boys are from "A" Pack. The meeting ended with the showing of interesting slides depicting the troop's activities during the past year.

During the "Week of Prayer" sponsored by the Ministerial Association of Richmond Hill together with the seven local Protestant churches, services have been arranged for Wednesday, January 7, at 8 p.m. in the Richmond Hill Baptist Church, on Wright Street, when the Rev. Calvin Chambers will be the preacher. On Thursday, January 8, at 8 p.m., the service in St. Matthew's United Church, 100 Bay Avenue East, will be conducted by a local minister. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to be present at these services.

"Here comes Santa" was the chant from the "forty-niners"—the 49 children resident at the Royal True Blue & Orange Home—when at eleven o'clock on Christmas morning, true to the annual custom of many years, Santa Claus (in the person of Magistrate J. W. Butler) was aboard the shiny red fire engine piloted by Fire Chief, A. Stong as it roared up Yonge Street and through the gates of the Orange Home.

Santa was greeted with a joyous welcome from the children, Matron Freethy and staff, and from there on was a very busy person in his happy task of distributing toys and gifts to every child—who range in age from 3 to 15 years. The three to five years of age group had their own separate Christmas tree in their room, and they were further delighted when Magistrate Butler remembered many of their names from his visits of previous years, when he ably enacted the happy role of Santa Claus at the Orange Home.

Miss Shannon Fraser of Kerrybrook Drive was rushed to Newmarket Hospital on Monday, December 22, where an emergency appendectomy was performed. Fortunately Shannon was allowed home on Christmas Eve, where she is making good progress.

A very enjoyable Christmas party was held in Wrixon Hall on Monday evening of the week before Christmas for the 4th Richmond Hill Cub Pack. Various games were played, followed by carol singing, then the distribution of gift parcels from under the Christmas tree. Excellent refreshments were served, home baked cakes and cookies by the mothers of the cubs, together with ice cream, etc. A very happy and lucky pack all went home with gifts, fruit and candy. Arranged by Group Committee Chairman Fred Lander, the older boys were presented with microscopes and other practical gifts, and all members of the pack were given a complete bird-house kit to take home. Present also was the Rev. J. F. O'Neil and son Peter, aged 3, who was presented with a Dinky fire engine. It is worthy of mention that for two weeks prior to this party, the Cubs worked on a basket project, using popsicle sticks, so that each member took home a basket to his mother.

A welcome visitor to our office last Saturday was Capt. W. Frank Mesley. The genial Captain used to farm in King Township and with Mrs. Mesley was spending the Christmas holiday with their daughter, Mrs. Don Chalk and family. Capt. Mesley recently retired due to ill health after ten years with the National Film Board. He is recovering nicely from a heart attack and at present is living with son Victor in Kemptville. Victor is in the honey business in a big way and recently was elected President of the Canada Beekeepers' Council. On enquiring about the family, we learned the Mesleys now have twenty-six grandchildren.

At the first Confirmation Service of the Anglican Church of St. Gabriel on Sunday, December 20, the following persons were welcomed into the Anglican Communion: Madeline Hare, Percy Hare, Irene Lister, Robert Percy Hare, Brian Longbottom, Ronald Waller, Edward Farr, Shirley Storey, Leonard Storey, Thelma Rogerson, John Rogerson, George Jordan, Georgina Reid, Kathleen Hexdman, Donald Burns, Thomas Debenham, Irene Lister, Robert Clarke, of our parish; and Anne Perry, Norman Perry, Dorothy Jellicoe and Nellie Jellicoe of Emmanuel Church, Richvale, were received into the Church by the laying-on of hands of Bishop Snell.

Mayor Thanks Members

Final Meeting For 1958 Richmond Hill Council

The curtain was rung down on the Richmond Hill Town Council deliberations for the year with the final meeting held last Monday evening. Mayor Ken W. Tomlin thanked all the members for their devoted service during the year and extended season's greetings to them and all citizens of Richmond Hill.

When the inaugural meeting of the new 1959 council is held on January 5th, there will be two considerable agenda items: Reeve-elect F. R. Perkins returns after a year's absence, and the new member will be former school board Chairman R. P. Ross. Retiring at the end of the year will be Reeve W. J. Taylor and Deputy-reeve Donald G. Plaxton.

In the closing days of the year council action is limited by procedural statute but there was a considerable agenda of business for the final meeting. All members were in attendance. Canadian National Express advised council that arrangements have been made to extend free delivery service to the Richmond Heights Shopping Plaza. Council welcomed the announcement but Councillor James Haggart protested that it still isn't enough. "The merchants in Bayview Plaza have been pressing for this same service for some time," he said. A motion by Councillor Haggart and Councillor Tinker that the Express Company be asked to extend the service to include Bayview merchants was passed unanimously.

Sten-Elm W.L., secretary of the United Church of Glen-Elm W.I. asked the town to accept a donation of \$100 raised by the Institute members to purchase playground equipment. A representative of the organization will be asked to appear before council to explain the wishes of the organization.

R.H. Police

Little Activity Xmas Holiday

Since December 16 the Richmond Hill Police Department has investigated 93 occurrences including 11 minor accidents and 6 very minor thefts. This figure is about half what it was two months ago.

Chief R. P. Robbins is pleased the record has improved over the Christmas holiday as it did last year. His only comment was "Let's hope the New Year's holiday is just as peaceful."

With no charges of liquor or of any other kind, the only events were automobile accidents. Even then, none of the following was due to over indulgence.

There was a two car accident at Yonge Street and Lorne Avenue on December 20, resulting in a total of \$175.00 damage, but no injuries or charges. The drivers were Arlie Laird, 37, of Toronto, and William Walker, 27, of Richmond Hill.

At 6:55 p.m. on the 21st, at the intersection of Yonge and Centre Streets, Lillian Smith, 51, of Scarborough, drove her car from a red light and smashed into another car being driven by William Brignell, 28, of Richmond Hill. There were no injuries and about \$300.00 total damage to the vehicles. Miss Smith has been charged with going through the light.

At Church Street and Lorne Avenue on the 22nd, there was a two car accident which resulted in a total of \$400.00 damage to cars driven by Ford Auburn Jr., 19, of Toronto, and Robert James Carson, 16, of Thornhill. Carson received cuts above his right eye, bruises and abrasions. Auburn has been charged under the Highway Traffic Act.

At 6:55 p.m. on the 28th of December, Gary Moss, of Richmond Hill, drove his car from a side street onto Bayview. He hit a patch of ice and instead of stopping at the corner, skidded across the street, travelled 35 feet in

the air and landed in the field on the other side of the ditch. Debra Moss, 2, and Paul Moss, 30, both received minor injuries in the form of bruises.

Last Monday, the day of the bad fog, at 11:15 a.m., another two-car collision occurred at Bayview and Cartier. A car driven by Clifford Duval, 25, of Maple Ave., Richmond Hill, ran into another car owned by David Walter Scott, 26, of Neal Drive, Richmond Hill. There were no injuries and no charges laid. The fog was the sole cause of the accident.

Births
CANNING — Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Canning (nee Helen Boynton) are happy to announce the birth of a son, on Christmas Day, at York County Hospital, Newmarket. *1w27

FRETZ — Eldon and Freda (nee Saunders) are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Susan Marie, on Tuesday, December 23, 1958, at Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville. First grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Saunders, Elgin Mills, and Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Fretz, R. R. 4, Stouffville. *1w27

SMITH — Mr. and Mrs. Bert Smith of Elgin Mills are happy to announce the arrival of their new son, Richard Alan, born December 26, 1958, at York County Hospital, Newmarket. clw27

SMITH — Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Smith wish to announce the birth of their son, Paul, a brother for Brian, Carol and Bob, by St. Michael's Hospital, December 24, 1958. *1w27

In Memoriams
NIXON — In loving memory of a dear husband and Dad, Ollie Nixon, who passed away January 5, 1958. There is no parting from those we love, No distance can divide, For today in memories' garden, We still walk side by side. Each dawnning day a thought of him.

At eventide a prayer; And in the hearts that loved him He always will be there. — Sadly missed and ever remembered by his wife Margaret and family. clw27

CARD OF THANKS
The family of the late David Brown wish to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for the many expressions of sympathy and acts of kindness in their recent sad bereavement. clw27

CARD OF THANKS
I am most grateful to my many friends for their sympathy expressed through cards, letters and by their presence at the Funeral Home and at the Church—a great tribute to my late wife. Wm. F. Wrixon clw27

CARD OF THANKS
Mrs. Nessie Gunn and family wish to express their thanks to individuals and groups who so kindly made our Christmas a merry one. *1w27 Mrs. N. Gunn

Light-Up Contest Winners

A close contest and a difficult decision was the opinion of the judges in the first annual Richmond Hill Light-up campaign sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

John Griffin presented plans for an industrial sub-division at the end of Industrial Road. Mr. Griffin plans to erect eight commercial and industrial buildings which will be for lease. Roads in the area will be paved under the local improvement plan.

N. A. Todd and Roy Burton appeared with an agreement for the development of 15 residential lots west of Sussex Avenue. Under the agreement the sub-divider agreed to the usual terms of constructing roads and services and paying \$500 per lot plus \$150 per lot in lieu of land dedicated for park purposes. Council members insisted on a clause in the agreement taking care of the maintenance of roads until they are paved. The developing firm is known as Contemporary Homes Ltd. Councillor Tinker commented on the fact that this will be an open ditch sub-division. However, Works Supt. Whelan stated the area did lend itself to storm drainage.

Planning Board
Council concurred in the suggestion of the local Planning Board that Ross Serlinger be named as district representative on the Metro Planning Board. Council will pursue further their suggestion that each municipality in the fringe area have a representative on the Board. Now Richmond Hill, Stouffville, Markham Village and Markham Township have one representative. "Sometimes there is a conflict of interests," said Councillor Bradstock "in fact we had one example to-night."

CANADIAN CANCER SOCIETY Richmond Hill Unit
FACT FOR THE WEEK:
With a full sack on his back and a smile behind his beard, Santa Claus visited small patients in the Children's Wing of The Princess Margaret Hospital in the children's gaily decorated playroom. Canadian Cancer Society Women's Service volunteers served ice cream and cookies to the tiny patients before they were put back to bed.

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Color does make a difference
I was looking at some very old advertisements for cars a few days ago. In many ways the manufacturers were saying the same things about their cars then as they say today . . . longer, lower, more power, more comfort. When it came to color, the story was a bit different. The advertisements talked about "gleaming black" . . . there was no mention of any other color.
Even as late as twenty years ago, there was very little mention of any color except black. Over 75% of all cars made were painted black and most of those painted other colors were for specialized uses such as taxis.
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