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Last week in these columns we ran a special February Used Car ad. The response was even more gratifying than we ever imagined, and the main reason after talking to the many buyers, was not so much the low prices but our offer of a 7-day MONEY BACK GUARANTEE. Seems that the majority of people are a little hesitant about making up their minds to buy a used car unless there is a good guarantee backed by a reputable and well established dealer, and there is no element of risk involved. Remove the risk factor, and a sale usually results. So until such time as we start getting our used cars returned at a faster rate than we sell them we are going to continue to offer a 7 DAY MONEY BACK GUARANTEE on our reconditioned used cars with no questions asked. Drop in and see our latest selection of A1 used cars that you can buy with the RISK REMOVED.



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## Annual Meeting Held Growing Demand For Services Of V.O.N. In Richmond Hill Last Year Nurse Made 1633 Visits Caring For Sick

Richmond Hill V.O.N. made 1633 visits in 1958, and for forty-six per cent of the calls there was no fee charged. There is a fee of \$2.00 per visit, but if the patient is unable to pay the full fee a revised payment is accepted, or if there is need the service is given without charge. Wherever there is need the V.O.N. goes and renders every possible assistance regardless of ability to pay.

V.O.N. was established in Richmond Hill early in 1958, and reports presented at the annual meeting held in the Municipal Hall last Wednesday evening were convincing evidence that the need for the service is constantly on the increase. The service is operated and financed by the local branch of the Victorian Order of Nurses which receives grants and generous support from the citizens of the community.

In the first month of operation the nursing visits numbered 32, and in December the monthly visits totalled 202. The great majority of the 1633 visits made in 1958 were for nursing care which is one of the chief functions of the organization. Heart disease and cancer, the nation's leading health problems, head the list of cases on the local scene. Fifty per cent of last year's nursing calls were concerned with heart and arterial diseases, 15 per cent cancer, and 35 per cent miscellaneous ailments.

Mrs. Jean Thomson, re-elected president of the Richmond Hill Branch in a review of the year's activities paid tribute to Miss Eileen Woodbyrne, V.O.N. nurse and her assistant, Mrs. Frances Willock, and expressed thanks to the various organizations for their co-operation and to the people of the community for their generous financial support.

Attending the annual meeting were Miss V. Smythe of the York County Health Unit, Miss L. Brintnell and Miss Amy Keowin of Weston V.O.N., Miss Ellen Pollock of North York V.O.N., a number of representatives of local organizations and several interested citizens.

Mrs. Carey, chairman of the Nursing Advisory Committee extended thanks to the Women's Institute, the Catholic Women's League and the Inner Wheel for their assistance during the year.

In her report Mrs. Thomson thanked the local Hydro for providing office space and the Richmond Hill Police force for fine co-operation which includes answering service for the V.O.N. telephone.

Officers for the coming year were elected as follows:

President, Mrs. Malcolm Thomson; secretary, Mrs. J. R. McAlister; treasurer, H. R. Ludlow; assistant treasurer, R. W. Chandler; car director, R. D. Little; publicity director, J. E. Smith; medical advisor, Dr. Jean O'Neil; medical advisor assistant, Dr. J. Wynne; Dr. Bloom; nursing advisor, Mrs. Thomas Carey; council representative, Deputy-Reeve S. F. Tinker; Rotary representative, S. B. Guest; Kinsmen representative, Thomas Porter.

The V.O.N. has been in operation in Richmond Hill a little more than a year and already has established an outstanding record of service. In her annual report Miss Eileen Woodbyrne gave a most interesting review of the year's activities. In part she said: Richmond Hill Branch is one of 118 stretched across the continent. Parent organization is in Ottawa and harbours within its fold over 600 nurses.

V.O.N. is a voluntary work—waiting to be invited into community—waiting for a pledge of your support. That there is a need may be illustrated by monthly increase in visits from 32 to 202. Patients are referred to us by doctors, welfare and health agencies and hospitals but mostly by patients and families themselves. All care is given under doctor's supervision.

Nursing care is a very tangible thing. We picture a bed bath, changing of a dressing, administration of an injection, the bathing of a new baby. Much comfort is given to both patient and family.

However, health instruction is no less vital. An explanation of nature and her disease, interpretation and encouragement in following doctor's orders—importance of diet—are essential parts of a visit. Such instruction will do much to prevent complications, hasten recovery and point the way to a greater degree of health. Teaching a responsible member of the family to give care in intervals between the nurse's visits provides the continuity so necessary for progress.

Total number of patients cared for was 172. Half of these are mothers and babies. In 1956, 320 mothers died in childbirth and over 14,000 babies were lost to Canada.

Education regarding early and regular medical supervision as well as early signs of complication would help to reduce these startling figures. Role of diet in growth and development fundamentals such as fresh air, exercise and sunshine preparation for labour and art of baby care all contribute to that relaxation that goes hand in hand with health. Such visits made by V.O.N. are a small contribution to the Department of Health which carries full responsibility of maternal and child welfare for the County of York.

Total visits are 1633. Greatest majority of these are for nursing care which is our chief function. In 1956 heart disease was rated as the nation's No. 1 problem, cancer coming second.

It is interesting to note that here in Richmond Hill our nursing care visits which total 1,000 have been chiefly concerned with these two diseases.

50 per cent concerned with heart and arterial diseases, principally stroke victims.

15 per cent cancer patients.

35 per cent to all others, baby care, burns, digestive upset, arthritis, rheumatism and diabetes.

More and more people are fall-

ing heir to such long term chronic illnesses due to our rising population and increasing life span. Facilities to care for such persons are grossly inadequate. Hospital beds are needed for the acutely ill. It is inevitable that more such patients will be cared for at home.

In addition to this, research in recent years has revolutionized the treatment and care of many disabling diseases. No longer are they left lying prone in bed, doomed to a life of inactivity. No longer must the family stand passively by.

Effort, exercise, practice and patience on a daily basis brings reward. There are 99 activities carried out by the normal person in routine of daily living. No one can place a value on the ability to lift a spoon, feed oneself or walk across a room. But these are things rehabilitation has meant to many disabled persons. V.O.N. is designed to be of assistance to both patient and family.

This part of our service has been a stimulating experience during the past year for Mrs. Wellock and myself. Partly because of early referral, we were called in the early weeks of disability, partly because of the wonderful encouragement of the doctors and partly because of the enthusiasm and interest shown by the families we served.

Many thanks are due to the Lions, Kinsmen and Rotary Club, to the Cancer Society in appreciation of the sick room supplies, hospital beds, rehabilitation equipment, dressings and other benefits which facilitated to a great degree the care given.

The cost for V.O.N. services is small, nursing care fee is \$2.00. However, where there is a need, V.O.N. goes regardless of ability to pay.

42 per cent no charge, 32 per cent full fee, 22 per cent part fee and 4 per cent free.

Another aim of V.O.N. is to assist in the education of future public health personnel. An Austrian student at School of Nursing in Toronto spent two weeks with the branch in September. A second student from the University of Western Ontario will be with us for the month of March.

I would like to take this opportunity of extending my thanks to the Department of Public Health for their kind welcome and assistance over the years. Their counsel, educational conferences, literature and facilities have been made available to V.O.N. in abundance.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the members of the Board for their co-operation and support. Their interest in starting a V.O.N. library for reference and study is much appreciated.

In conclusion I feel that in this, our first year of life, V.O.N. has accomplished her three aims in a very true sense. The finer, more specific functions we would hope to attain in time might well be:

1. A sound referral system with our hospitals for continuing supervision into the home with regard to medical, surgical and orthopaedic patients particularly.
2. A closer working relationship with other agencies and a deeper understanding of their programs.
3. Provision of health instruction for industrial employees, or 4. Establishment of pre-natal classes depending on the needs in our community."

The financial statement of the year's operations was presented as follows by Treasurer H. R. Ludlow:

**Receipts**  
Received from patients \$ 1,088.80  
Grants  
Prov. of Ont. 190.36  
Town of R. Hill 2,000.00  
Canvass (1957) 4,030.75  
Canvass (1958) 4,133.62  
Donations  
A. V. Roe Ltd 340.55  
Bank Interest 43.84  
Discounts received 1.43

**Total Receipts \$11,829.35**

**Expenditures**  
Nurses salaries \$ 3,637.72  
Relief nurse 868.00  
Contrib. to pension fund 181.89  
Auto. expense 365.89  
S. tonery, supplies 229.85  
Postage, etc. 5.09  
Telephone 125.92  
Insurance 25.09  
National Office Charge 47.92  
Travel expenses 18.00  
Uniform allowance 75.00  
Automobile 2,090.00  
Office furniture 251.71

**Total expenditures \$ 7,922.08**  
Balance in bank, less O/S cheques \$ 3,907.27

**LANGSTAFF NEWS**

CORRESPONDENT: MRS. M. J. ROY  
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**Personals**

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart, No. 7 highway, returned recently from a three week holiday tour in the States. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart motored for several thousand miles and visited New Orleans, and other places of interest.

Many Langstaff residents attended the funeral on Thursday, February 3rd, of the late Harold Bryant White of Beaconsfield Avenue, Toronto. Mr. White lived in Langstaff for many years where he worked at the Ontario Hospital. The sympathy of numerous friends in Langstaff is extended to Mrs. White and son, Donald.

Anniversary congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Glassey, Garden Avenue, who celebrated their wedding anniversary early this month.

Mrs. Rootes, Essex Avenue, is in hospital recovering from a recent operation. A speedy recovery is wished for her.

This Friday, February 13th, is "World Day of Prayer." The ladies of Langstaff Baptist Church and the Langstaff community will be taking part in the district service to be held at Thornhill Baptist Church, Yonge Street, at 2:30 p.m.

Birthday greetings to Donna Palmer, No. 7 Highway, and to Teddy Weavers, Boyle Drive.

**Langstaff Baptist Church**

The annual meeting of Langstaff Baptist Church was held at the end of January. A very successful year under the pastorate of Rev. B. T. McSpadden was reported. Receipts for the year totalled \$11,900.00. \$2,220 was given for missions, and \$1,900.00 for the organ fund. The total membership numbers 86.

The following members were elected to the board for 1959: Messrs. E. MacLean, E. Martin, D. Merritt, B. Lawson, O. Knights, R. Hoyes, L. Weavers G. Eagleson and A. Spenceley.

**Mark Vaun Women's Institute**

Mrs. R. Glassey, President, was in the chair for the February meeting of the Institute held at the home of Mrs. N. Hicks, Es-

sex Avenue. The roll call was "A Home Accident and How To Prevent It."

During the business session, an invitation was read from the Thornhill Women's Institute inviting the ladies to their February meeting to help celebrate their 57th anniversary. This will be held on Thursday, February 19th. Plans were made for a euchre party to be held at the home of Mrs. Mary Charlesworth, Garden Avenue, on Saturday, February 21st. The annual board meeting of the York East District will be held on March 2nd. A discussion was held on the Markham Fair and means of raising funds.

A Valentine guessing contest was won by Mrs. Lepkey. All joined in singing happy birthday to member Mrs. Mary Charlesworth, who was celebrating her birthday on that date.

The 1st Langstaff Girl Guides are busy working to achieve their Homemakers and Laundry badges. The Scouts and Cubs of the area are working on projects for Boy Scout Week, February 16th to 22nd. Church parades will be held in the area, particulars in next week's column.

**Area Book Display**

The International Reading Association is holding a conference at the Crosby Heights Public School, Richmond Hill, on February 19th. In connection with this, Inspectors Hallman of York 3 and MacLeod of York 2 have arranged a book display of library and text books used in the area. Teachers of the area will be attending a special meeting between the hours of 3:30 and 5:30 p.m. The display will be open to the public between the hours of 8 and 9 in the evening and all interested board members and home and school members are invited to attend.

MARKHAM: Official permission has been received by Markham Village Council to construct a water main along Main St. to Church and easterly on that street to the R.C.M.P. site. The estimated cost is \$55,900.

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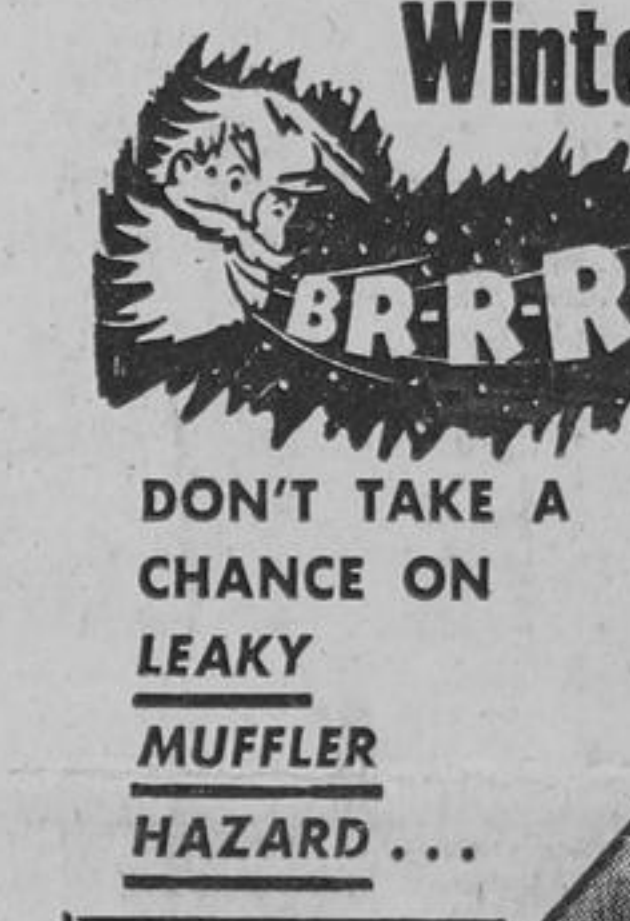
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All claims against the Estate of Emily Louisa Sheardown, (sometimes known as Emily Louise Sheardown) who died on or about the 13th day of September, 1958, late of the Town of Richmond Hill, in the County of York, must be filed with the undersigned Executor on or before the 13th day of February 1959, after which date the aforesaid estate will be distributed, having regard only to the claims of which the undersigned shall then have notice.

Dated at Toronto this 21st day of January, A.D. 1959.

WILLIAM SELBY POCKNELL, Executor of the Estate of Emily Louisa Sheardown, by his solicitor,  
Harry A. Willis, Q.C., 600 University Avenue, Toronto, Ontario.