

Thornhill and District News

The Liberal is always pleased to publish items of interest contributed by its readers in the Thornhill area. Our representative in Thornhill is Mrs. Donald Smellie, who may be reached by phoning AV. 5-3555.

Three Categories Higher Than Metro Dist. High School Bd. Approves New Salary Schedule

The York Central District High School Board authorized an increase in principals' and teachers' salaries amounting to \$20,000 for the year 1959 at last week's meeting at Thornhill High School. Based on recommendations put forward by the chairman of the management committee, Trustee E. Axelson, after consultation with a teachers' negotiating committee, the board passed resolutions step by step to cover each aspect of the new schedule. On the whole the trustees seemed to feel they were being pressured into such a scale by prevailing conditions, but they were optimistic again this year that the teachers might have reached their basic aim after six years of negotiating, and that a favourable position with relation to Metro salaries had been achieved in that maximum salaries were higher in three categories than those of most Metro boards.

In the midst of an opening discussion of the overall picture Trustee W. Middleton put forth a motion for a 25 per cent increase across the board, but found no seconder. The first motion to pass was that accepting a new grouping system based on qualifications, establishing four groups for teachers.

"This is the biggest step the Ontario Teachers' Federation has ever made. The theory has a merit rating aspect," remarked board chairman H. Sayers. The salary schedule then was passed, effective Sept. 1, 1959, as follows:

Group 1	.....	\$4,500	\$7,500
2	.....	4,800	8,000
3	.....	5,100	8,000
4	.....	5,400	9,000

annual increment, \$300.

Next, a motion that department heads could be appointed by the board when the principal concerned showed a definite need for setting up such a department and that a suitable and qualified person was available to hold the position, with an allowance of \$900.00 passed. Considerable discussion centred about the question of minor department heads and assistant department heads.

"A minor department head is where there is no actual department as presently constituted," Chairman H. Sayers explained, but though Trustee Axelson had an unsigned explanatory statement from a teacher which might have clarified the teachers' idea of such a position, the trustees passed a motion that an unsigned communication should not be read. A motion by Trustee R. Eadean was passed to the effect that there should be no minor department heads. As to assistant department heads, originally this category was included in the motion authorizing department heads with an allowance of \$300.00 but after discussion which brought out the point that an assistant department head could possibly be appointed in lieu of a minor department head it was turned down as an amendment to the motion. Chairman Sayers asked for further direction as to the question of assistant department heads and when the trustees did not pursue the matter he remarked that it might have to be dealt with later.

Schedule for Principal and Vice-Principal

Trustee Axelson said the committee had wanted to negotiate principals' and vice-principals' salaries separately, as in the past, but the teachers' negotiating committee was empowered to do it. The board passed a motion authorizing the schedule for vice-principals to be \$1,800.00 above their teaching salaries, with annual increment of \$400.00, and the minimum salary for principals to be the maximum for their group as teacher plus 25 per cent, the maximum to be the maximum for the group plus 50 per cent, annual increment \$500., with a reduction of \$1,000 in each case for principals of schools with fewer than 20 teachers.

At the request of the business administrator, D. J. Ashworth and the secretary-treasurer, Mrs. E. McAlister, these salaries were discussed in a committee of the whole after the meeting adjourned. As a result an increase of \$1,300 for this year with an annual increment of \$500.00 to a maximum of \$12,000.00 for the business administrator, and an increase of \$300.00 this year with an annual increment of \$200.00 to a maximum of \$5,500.00 for the secretary-treasurer, was recommended by the management committee.

All trustees attended the meeting with the exception of M. Kinnee and Snider. The principals reported lowered attendance because of sickness, 91.6 per cent at Thornhill, 91.4 per cent at Richmond Hill, 94.3 per cent at Woodbridge Schools. Attendance at Thornhill High School had dropped by five to 652, four had dropped at Richmond Hill High School and one at Woodbridge, but one new student there left the registration at 204. Principals reported themselves in the process of hiring teachers to replace a few resignations. Principal Morrison of Woodbridge mentioned that offers of prizes and awards from businessmen in the area served by the school were being received and would be discussed later with the board. Thornhill's Principal Elson reported the closing of the night school on March 11, and the success of the Thornhill H.S. entry in the recent Simpson Drama Festival in which it placed sec-

Miss Mary Catherine Clement Bride Of Bruno Ehrismann

Spring flowers with forsythia and pussy-willows decorated the Richmond Hill United Church for the wedding of Miss Mary Catherine Clement, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon C. Clement, Thornhill, to Mr. Bruno Ernst Ehrismann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernst Ehrismann of Winterthur, Switzerland. Rev. Charles Higginson officiated. Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a floor length white satin-brocade princess gown. Her veil was shoulder length and she carried a prayer book with gardenias and hyacinth bells. Bridal attendant, sister of the bride, Nancy Clement, wore a mauve swiss organdy dress with a harem skirt and carried a nosegay of yellow roses. The best man was Hans J. Blatter of Drummondville, Que., and ushers were Karl Dubec and William Washburn. After a reception at the church hall, the couple left on a motor trip to Montreal and Quebec City. The happy couple will reside in Stratford, Ontario.

1st Thornhill Scouts and Cubs

The Scouts met last Monday evening in the Thornhill United Church. After the opening service the boys played a few games and then tried to pass tests for Tenderfoot, 2nd Class and 1st Class. The Scouts are also trying tests each Friday evening at 7 o'clock at the Scout Hall in Thornhill Park. On Saturday, March 14, seven boys turned up for a hike. The meeting closed with the lowering of the flags and the Lord's Prayer.

Thornhill School Juniors Concert

A good time was had by all at the Public School on the evening of March 18 and 19, when the juniors held their annual concert. A capacity audience of parents, grandparents and friends thoroughly enjoyed the two operettas, the rhythm band, and playlet, but probably no whiter more than the young performers who played their roles with smiling enthusiasm. For the teachers it was the proud culmination of weeks of rehearsing and costume making, the latter in conjunction with the mothers. A musical version of Peter Rabbit was given by the kindergarten under the direction of Mrs. Buckingham and Miss Linton. (The morning class performed on March 18 and the afternoon class on March 19.) This was followed by Grade 1 Rhythm Band directed by Miss Geraldine Wesley, and a playlet acted by Miss Cleverdon's grade 1. "The Early Bird Catches The Worm" was presented by grades 2, 3 and 4, who were coached by their teachers, Mrs. Acheson, Mrs. Bowen, Mrs. McBride and Miss Urowitz.

The songs and music under the direction of Mr. Hugh Martin, area supervisor, were tuneful, the farm yard setting painted under the supervision of Mrs. Kathleen Elliott, area art director, most effective, and the costumes of rabbits, birds, rhythm band, etc., were all very colorful and interesting. Tickets — Doug Wilson, Reg Allen, Mrs. E. Lean, Mrs. C. Devey. Stage — Ed Lean, Frank Baxter, Harry Iddon, Peter Priestman and Dunc Ball. Lighting — Frank Baxter. Costumes — Mrs. L. Redman and Mrs. E. Ryan. The play is produced and directed by Betty Priestman.

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Spring is officially here, but it may be summer before these awful roads get right. At the Lenexa Study Group's meeting last Wednesday, Mrs. Freeman Barker took the chapter on Jezebel in the section on Av-
 It was a distinct pleasure to have Mr. Binnington's Palm Sunday message of "Friends of the King" and our choir's rendition of the old and well-loved "Open the Gates of the Temple" left nothing to be desired. We were happy to welcome Mrs. Harry Burton's sister from Richmond Hill to our Sunday morning service.

Mrs. William Wellman, and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Wellman and Paul and Brenda spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Allan Wellman and family. The Missionary and Maintenance committee of the Vaughan Branch met on Monday evening at Victoria Square to take care of mailing the Easter messages. A very cordial invitation has been received from Brown's Corners W.M.S. for all the ladies of Headford to visit their Easter Thankoffering meeting on Wednesday, April 1st, at 2 p.m. Miss Haslam of the Elizabeth Fry Society will be guest speaker, and will speak on "Prison Reform." As this is one phase of work allotted to York Presbyterial for this year, it should prove most interesting. We are happy to know Mrs. Deverell is recovering from her fall; or should we say "fall," for she fell upstairs? Some of us wish we could accompany Margaret Brodie and her mother at the weekend when they fly to Florida for the Easter holidays. They will set down in Tampa, and hope to join in the Easter sunrise service at St. Petersburg.

Mrs. N. Brodie, Cora and Don, attended the Meyers-Runk wedding in Timothy Eaton Memorial Church on Saturday last. Very many happy returns of her birthday to Mrs. Stewart Rumble, whose birthday this year happens to fall on Good Friday. The executive of Headford W. A. are at last able to announce their plans for the Annual W. A. Evening Service. The date is set for April 26, when the guest speaker will be Mrs. William Hodgson of Kettleby. There will be special music, and Mrs. Marguerite Jones will be soloist. Resignations from the following teachers were accepted with regret on a motion by Trustee N. Hicks: from Richmond Hill High School — Mrs. Huckle, Mr. Kyle, Mr. Weitzman; from Thornhill High School — Mrs. Paulin and Miss Walneck.

Thornhill Notes

Holy Trinity Anglican
The regular semi-monthly meeting of the parish guild was held in the church hall on Tuesday, March 17. Before the meeting the members met in the church for a short devotional service conducted by the Rev. W. E. Askew. After the service the members adjourned to the church hall. As this was past executives' night, the immediate past president, Mrs. Betty Ball, took the chair. Interesting and humorous reports of the first ten years of the guild (1948-1958) were given by members and former members, who had served in past executives. Rev. W. E. Askew then showed an excellent informative film on missionary work in Uganda, Africa. This was particularly interesting, as Mr. Charles Ledger, the student assistant, is looking forward to spending his ministry in Africa. An informal social period followed, with tea, coffee and light refreshments served by the hostesses: Mrs. Audrey Davis, Mrs. Phyllis Garland, Mrs. Irene Halliday and Mrs. Jerry Langman. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 7, in the church hall.

The Girls' Auxiliary of Holy Trinity Anglican Church held its regular meeting in the church hall. The girls enjoyed freshie and cookies and worked on their sewing for their mission badge. Mr. Logan Tarey gave the girls a lesson on "Aging" and afterwards the girls acted out a short play which was followed by the business part of the meeting. The meeting closed with a Lenten prayer.

Thornhill United Church News
The young people of the catechumen class, who joined the church Sunday morning were: Sheila Craig, Lee Davidson, Joan Forester, Jacqueline Howard, Marilyn Pinel, Pat Watters, Bruce Clark and John Mollard. Those adults joining the church by letter and profession of faith were Mrs. Donald McCallum, Mrs. J. B. Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Donald MacKinnon, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Snary and Mrs. J. L. Watters.

Dramatized Sermon
A very outstanding and worthwhile dramatized sermon was presented Sunday evening, March 22, in the United Church by the Sunday School teachers under the direction of Mr. Hal Dempster, assisted by Mrs. Nels Gage, superintendent of the Sunday School. The cast of Biblical characters, dressed in Biblical costumes, were: Bill Gage as a Greek merchant; Mrs. Wm. Kojala as Mary, the Mother of Jesus, Mr. E. G. Tompkins as John the Apostle, Mrs. Robert Gibson as Martha, Mrs. Wm. Heron as Mary of Bethany, Mr. Alan Beckwith as Lazarus, Mr. Ed Gillan as a Samaritan, Miss Jackie Howard as Miriam, daughter of Jarius; Tommy Tamblin as a boy; David; Mrs. E. G. Tompkins, as Mary Magdalene; and Mr. A. D. Facey as Paul.

Mrs. Harold Craig and Mrs. Allan Martindale were in charge of costumes and Mrs. W. Buckler was in charge of make-up. The choir under the direction of Hugh Martin added to the sacredness of the presentation with the singing of many familiar and favorite hymns. Mr. Hal Dempster was the narrator.

A social hour followed. This play will be presented to the Sunday School children at an open session on April 5.

Presbyterian Church News
The Boys' Club enjoyed a tour of the Globe and Mail Building Thursday night. They were under the supervision of their leader, Jim Brown and Norm Terry. The Couples Club held a bowling party Saturday evening at Richmond Hill and were afterwards entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Puddy.

Communion Service
Sunday morning, March 22, saw the largest Communion Service in the history of the church. The new members who joined the church were: Mr. and Mrs. G. Yule, Mr. and Mrs. R. Hazel, Mr. and Mrs. T. Kool, Mr. and Mrs. M. Weiland, Mrs. Pomplii, Miss Julie Morrison and Mr. Kenneth Terry.

Baptist Church News
The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Association of the Thornhill Baptist Church was held Tuesday, March 17, at the home of Mrs. Arthur Lennie, Woodward Avenue. The devotion was taken by Mrs. Ross Knight, her theme being "Legends of Easter." Following the business section of the meeting, Mrs. Lennie introduced the guest speaker, Rev. James Smith of the Toronto Religious Education Council, who spoke on the motivation in

Christian Education of youth, which was very interesting. The meeting closed with prayer after which a social hour followed with refreshments being served by the members of the south group. The Rev. H. Trimmer will be the guest speaker at the meeting on April 21. He will speak on his trip to South America and will show pictures also. All ladies are cordially invited.

Horticultural Meeting
At the March meeting of the Thornhill Horticultural Society, the president, Mrs. J. Bridges, announced the appointment of a new treasurer, Mrs. Christine Fletcher, and a new director, Miss Muriel Dean.

The librarian, Mr. A. Foster, gave a brief outline of horticultural bulletins available from the Ontario Department of Agriculture, and pointed out that samples could be found in the library. The secretary, Mr. R. Healey, gave a report on the recent O.H. A. convention at which Mr. and Mrs. P. Bone, Mr. Arthur Bone, Miss L. Wakeley, Mr. and Mrs. R. Healey, Mrs. Bridges, Mrs. A. J. Dolan and Mrs. L. Riley were delegates. Special mention was made of members who had entries at the convention — Mr. R. Poulter for his prize-winning slides of the flower show in August, Mrs. G. R. Horton and Mrs. Dolan for their beautiful floral arrangement, Mrs. R. Byford for her poster, Mrs. W. Svenningson and Mrs. Riley for their essays on wild flowers, and Mr. Healy for the interesting miniature of his garden.

Mr. Healey outlined several items of interest from the convention, ending with a demonstration of rooting stem cuttings by using plastic squares.

Mr. Foster introduced the speaker of the evening, Mr. Robert Calvert, landscape architect, who gave an interesting and amusing talk on landscaping the typical suburban lot. He was thanked by Mrs. R. Briggs.

Mr. E. Kohler judged the daffodil arrangements, awarding prizes to Mrs. Bridges, Mrs. Dolan and Mrs. Healey, with a special fourth prize to Miss Helen Fraser.

Personals
Mr. and Mrs. Bert Stunden celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary Sunday, March 22, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Williams in Thornhill. Mr. and Mrs. Stunden have been residents of this area for 35 years.

Among guests who visited them were: Mr. and Mrs. B. Bentley with Bruce and Margaret, Mrs. E. Judd, Mrs. G. Jackson, Mrs. G. Peters, Mr. and Mrs. C. Stunden and Rev. C. Chambers. **1st Thornhill Ladies Auxiliary**
The Ladies Auxiliary met Tuesday afternoon in Thornhill United Church. The President Mrs. Lambert thanked the social committee, headed by Mrs. R. Low for a very well planned Father & Son banquet.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and the treasurer's report given. Discussions on the fashion show were held. Mrs. McCrea read an editorial on the book Scouting For Boys, which is to be read at each meeting. Mrs. McCrea then read two chapters, Mrs. Clark and Mrs. McTaggart-Cowan read a chapter each in this interesting book.

The meeting closed with the Scout Mizpah.

The ladies then joined the Brownies to have tea at their bazaar. **1st Thornhill Brownie News**
The 1st Thornhill Brownie Pack held a St. Patrick Day bazaar on March 17, in the Thornhill United Church. The proceeds from this event are to go to the building fund of the Thornhaven School. We are indeed grateful to the Brownie's mothers who were so generous with donations of baking and items for the bazaar tables. Mrs. P. McTaggart-Cowan, District Commissioner, opened the affair promptly at four o'clock, and for an hour the

shamrock and poster bedecked room was the scene of great activity.

The Pack would like to thank the mothers group which provided a very attractive tea for the adult shoppers, Mrs. H. Echlin, who supervised the bake table and Joan Gibson who took charge of the lucky dip and candy sale. Busy Brownies were everywhere, efficiently acting as salesladies, waitresses and baby sitters. When all was over and the receipts tallied, it was found that the proceeds were more than double what had been anticipated by even the most optimistic Brownie. The leaders, Mrs. Grant Gibson, Mrs. Tom Harrington and Mrs. Eric Boyden and the girls of 1st Thornhill wish to thank those who attended and made this, their first bazaar, such an outstanding success.

Thornhill Dist. Girl Guides
The Brownies and Girl Guides will be much in evidence during the next few weeks as they begin on Saturday, March 23, to collect cookie orders for delivery on Cookie Day, May 9.

Thursday night, April 2, is the Gold Cord ceremony at Convocation Hall, University of Toronto. This is a big night for Thornhill as two Guides, Patricia MacDonald and Gillian McTaggart-Cowan will receive their Gold Cord Certificates from Mrs. J. Keller MacKay, wife of the Lieutenant-Governor of the province.

During the holidays many of the Guides will be giving more time to badge work as Badge Day is April 12.

The Brownies and Guides are busy working toward their purchases of square inches in the new Canadian Headquarters building to be built in Toronto in 1960, the Jubilee Year of Canadian Guiding.

STOUFFVILLE: Mr. Milton Forfar, a former Stouffville resident, recently caught a multi-colored "Trigger Queen" in the waters of the Gulf Stream near Miami Beach, Florida. Only two other similar fish have ever been caught. The fish measured 18 inches in length.

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