

# 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. Margaret McLean, who may be reached by phoning AV. 5-2331.

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## Thornhill Notes

**Tennis Club**  
The Thornhill Tennis Club has now arranged to provide instruction for beginners on Saturday and Wednesday mornings from nine to eleven. Mr. Ted Toogood, the Manager of the Swimming Pool is to be the instructor at these times. Other experienced members of the Club will provide instruction at other times. There are about 40 youngsters from 8 to 16 years of age, eager for these lessons and it looks as if tennis is becoming an increasingly popular sport in these parts.

**Golf too is claiming the attention of our young people.** Three local lads, Al Smith of Richvale and Ted Drury and Jeff Elliott of Thornhill, members of the Uplands Golf Club attended the Ontario Junior Golf Tournament at Islington. Brian Wilcox of the Thornhill Golf Club tied for the Juvenile Championship. With three fine golf clubs in the area, Thornhill may well produce a champ yet, so keep it boys.

**Farmers Market**  
The North York Farmers Market in Thornhill is a treat to all the senses these days with mouth-watering displays of early fruits and vegetables, colourful offerings of summer flowers and the usual variety of fragrant cheeses.

Of special interest is the interesting table of antiques displayed by Mrs. Margaret Phillip of the Canadian Homestead Antiques in Unionville. Mrs. Phillip scoured the countryside for over five years collecting antiques before opening her business and as a result has a wide variety of interesting and beautiful objects for sale. One intriguing item was a tiny pair of hand made scissors with a small box attached to the upper blade. These I was told, were used for clipping and catching burnt candle wicks. A charming lamp with pedestal and globe of milk glass completely wired, was to be had for the reasonable price of \$32.50.

This Saturday Mrs. Phillips will have for sale a collection of restored pine chairs, hand-made arrow back and fan back types, as well as a Boston rocker and others. Sounds interesting and well worth going to see.

**Change of ownership**  
Mr. John Adkins of Proctor Avenue, Thornhill, in partnership with Mr. Bryce R. Miller of Scarborough will henceforth be operating the local paint store, previously owned by Mr. Vern Griffin. The business will be known as Thornhill Paint Supplies, Best of luck!

**Showers**  
Miss Joan Gamble of Yonge St., Thornhill has had several showers in anticipation of her marriage later this month to Mr. Paul Hahn, of Toronto.

Mrs. Hazel Baird of 1330 Avenue Rd., Toronto, held a cup and saucer shower some time ago. On June 27th, Miss Diane McMillan and Miss Eileen Bell held a kitchen shower at 5 Brooke Avenue, Toronto.

Miss Gamble, after graduating from Thornhill Public School and Havergal College Toronto, took her B. A. at Trinity College, University of Toronto, and then attended the Ontario College of Education. For the past year she has been teaching French and commercial subjects at the High School in Iroquois Falls. She was given several presentations there, one by the Iroquois Falls School Board when she received a cut glass bowl. Her popularity as a teacher is attested by the fact that her class are planning to charter a bus and attend the wedding en masse!

**Accomplished Family**  
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stothers of Centre Street returned this week from Virginia Beach where Mrs. Stothers had an exhibition

of her paintings by the Virginia Beach Art Association. A group of Mrs. Stothers paintings are presently being shown at the Golf Club premises in Aurora. Mr. Stothers is the gentleman responsible for the magnificent display of roses and other flowers on the north side of Centre Street, immediately West of the Pond. A member of the British Rose Society, Mr. Stothers has approximately 50 varieties of roses in his garden, some of which he imported from Ireland last year. Last winter when it was reported that almost 70% of the roses in Ontario were frozen, Mr. Stothers lost only one bush, certainly something to be proud of. Mr. Stothers also has a large collection of begonias which rival the roses in their beauty. Unfortunately for the casual passer-by, they must be kept in the shade at the bottom of the garden. Much admired also is the attractive terraced effect Mr. Stothers has achieved where his garden slopes steeply down toward the pond.

Another interesting sidelight to his garden, of which I am sure Mr. Stothers is quite unaware, is that it has saved me many a ticket for speeding. I invariably slow down to admire his flowers and am travelling at a sedate 20 miles per hour when I pass the speed trap usually located just east of his home!

**Horticultural Society**  
The July meeting of the Thornhill Horticultural Society was held in the Thornhill United Church on July 7.

The Secretary, Mr. R. Healey, gave a very interesting pot pourri of timely garden hints, followed by a short discussion of problems encountered by various members.

Mr. A. Sumner showed two films from the National Film Board, *WORLD IN A MARSH*, illustrating flora and fauna in a marsh, was of particular interest as most of the pictures were taken near Uxbridge. The second film was *LIFE AT YOUR FEET*, demonstrating the interaction of plant and animal life in the soil, as well as the effects of various types of soil on plants.

Members took advantage of the larger display area to have a beautiful flower show with 118 entries, the magnificent delphiniums overshadowing everything else. The Mannings took the best specimen prize, with one spike of glorious purple delphinium and Mrs. Bridges the arrangement prize with a professional buffet arrangement of delphinium and Iris Poulsen roses, against a fan of Iris leaves. Mr. D. Boyd of Richmond Hill was the meticulous judge.

The annual summer flower show will be held in the Thornhill United Church on Saturday evening, August 22.

The details of the judging of the July show were as follows:  
Section One - Specimen Flowers:  
Three Shasta Daisies, Single; First, Mr. F. Teasdale, Second, Mrs. Tremaine, Third, Mr. Frank Small.  
Three Shasta Daisies, Double; First, Mrs. Tremaine, Second, Mrs. Svenningsson, Third, The Mannings.  
One Spike Mauve Delphinium; First, Mrs. P. Bone, Second, Mr. Frank Small, Third, Mrs. Svenningsson.  
One Spike Blue Delphinium; First, Mrs. P. Bone, Second, Mr. Frank Small, Third, Mr. F. Teasdale.  
One Spike Mauve Delphinium; First, The Mannings, Second, Mrs. P. Bone, Third, Mr. Frank Small.  
One Spike Purple Delphinium; First, The Mannings, Second, Mrs. P. Bone, Third, Mr. A. Sumner.

Three Spikes White Delphinium; One entry, Mr. Frank Small.  
Three Spikes Blue Delphinium; First, Mr. Frank Small, Second, The Mannings.  
Three Spikes Mixed Coloured Delphinium; First, The Mannings, Second, The Healeys.  
One-three Spikes Day Lily; First, Miss Winter, Second, Mr. McCulley, Third, Mr. A. Sumner.  
One Spike Lily (Lilium); First, Mrs. A. Dolan, Second, Mr. A. Sumner, Third, Mrs. P. Bone.  
One Hybrid Tea Rose; First, Mr. J. P. Hanna, 2nd Miss Winter, Third, The Healeys.  
One Hybrid Tea Rose (Full); First, Mr. J. P. Hanna, Second, The Healeys; Third, The Mannings.

One Spray Floribunda Type Rose; First, The Mannings, Second, Mr. McCulley.  
Three Stages Hybrid Tea Rose; First, Mr. J. P. Hanna, Second, The Healeys.  
One-three Stems Any variety perennial; First, Mrs. Tremaine, Second, Mr. McCulley, Third, The Healeys.  
12 Stems Annual Sweet Peas; First, Mr. Lalla, Second, The Healeys, Third, Mrs. P. Bone.  
One Spray Flowering Shrub; First, Mr. J. Hallowell, Second, Mrs. Svenningsson, Third, Mrs. Boyd.  
Special Prize, Class 6, The Mannings.  
Section Two - Decorative Arrangements:  
Pink and Red Arrangement; First, Mrs. A. Dolan, Second, The Mannings, Third, The Healeys.  
Vertical Arrangement featuring Delphinium; First, Mrs. J. A. Bridges, Second, Mrs. A. Dolan, Third, The Healeys.  
Composition of Plate and Arrangement; First, The Healeys, Third, Mrs. A. Dolan.  
Arrangement of Lilies; First, Mrs. A. Dolan, Second, Mr. A. Sumner, Third, The Mannings.  
Modernistic Arrangement; First, Mrs. J. A. Bridge, Second, Mrs. Svenningsson, Third, Mrs. P. Bishop.  
Arrangement for Outdoor Table; First, Mrs. A. Dolan, Second, The Mannings, Third, Mrs. J. A. Bridges.  
Buffet Arrangement; First, Mrs. J. A. Bridges, Second, Mrs. A. Dolan, Third, The Mannings.  
Basket of flowers; First, Mr. C. Williamson, Second, The Mannings, Third, Mr. A. Sumner.  
Special Prize, Section Two, Mrs. J. A. Bridges, Class 29.  
Section Three, Vegetables:  
Plate assorted Vegetables; First, The Mannings, Second, Mr. J. Hallowell, Third, Mr. Lalla.  
Plate Assorted Fruits, one entry, The Mannings.  
Total entries, 118.

## Thoughts and Theories

by Elizabeth Kelson  
Why read? You might just as well ask, why breathe? Some writers have said that there are two kinds of readers, those who want to escape from themselves and those who want to find themselves. In the first place, reading is one of the most effective ways of getting away from disturbing and unalterable conditions. Intimate association with good writing, literary, philosophic and artistic, is a promoter of thought and a refuge from almost all the miseries of life. In the second place the person who reads wisely and widely often finds that he has an enormous advantage of knowing more about his subject than others do. Knowledge builds self-confidence and self-reliance. Knowledge has to be assimilated by the intellect and the imagination before it can be of any positive value.

Many people say that they haven't time to read, but in this modern age of ours, the amount of reading we do affects us economically and socially. Good self-expression is important in all of our daily relationships. A person who wants to write good letters or to excel in conversation needs to consider his reading.

Reading wisely makes us acquainted with our past which helps to open up trains of thought that are workable in the future, and thus the boundaries of ignorance are pushed back a little further each time. As for having time to read, fifteen minutes can be found in almost anyone's day. Many people today are carrying small pocket books with them, and they take advantage of ever period of waiting - for buses, trains, haircuts, beauty parlour appointment, telephone calls, at the doctor or dentist offices, or just waiting about on other people. We read to be informed, inspired and entertained, and there is no better way to the better life than through reading.

## Hope To Have New Clark - Elgin School Ready By Next January

In the absence of Chairman Roy Bick, away on holidays, Vice-Chairman Alan Parker presided at last week's meeting of the Board of Trustees of School Area No. 1 Markham and Vaughan.

Architects Dunlop, Wardell, Matsui and Aiken had two of their representatives, Mr. Matsui and Mr. Hindemann, present to finalize plans for the public school on the Clark-Elgin site in Markham Township. Following a lengthy discussion with Public School Inspector Maynard Hallman, also present for comment, it was decided to seek Department of Education final approval of the plans at once in order to get tenders out as quickly as possible.

Vice-Chairman Parker pointed out the accommodation was needed "as soon as we can possibly get it. We must have temporary accommodation until it is." Mr. Matsui said he hoped it would be ready by January. The school will contain seven standard classrooms and a kindergarten room. The latter will contain a storage wall that can be moved to make use of the room as an auditorium.

### Vaughan Refuses Site

The board received a letter from Vaughan Planning Commissioner W. Gillings, in which he stated the board's request for approval of a site on Carrville Rd. West for a school would not be considered due to the probable dissolution of the area and the establishment of a new township wide area. On motion of Trustee H. Skinner, seconded by Trustee J. Taylor, the board reaffirmed its opinion the site was necessary even if there was to be dissolution, and asked that Vaughan Township approve it.

Trustee Taylor has been named the board's representative to the interim committee on planning for Vaughan's new township area.

Trustee George Chandler told the board the year's budget was within bounds at the end of six months and was "very good on the whole".

Supervising-Principal and Business Administrator E. J. Sand reported that enrollment at the end of June was 2,313 pupils.

Eighteen classrooms in the area took excursions to various points of interest in June.

At the last principals' meeting on June 18, Mr. Sand said, teaching respect for school property was emphasized. Since school closed, Mr. Sand wryly commented, there has been an epidemic of window breaking at the schools.

During the summer school telephones have been cut off, saving the amount of \$200.00.

Painting of Langstaff, Richvale and Powell Road Schools will

## Miss Gail Lockhart Is Bride Of Ernest Denby

Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Thornhill, was decorated with pink and white carnations for the wedding of Miss Gail Lockhart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Lockhart, to Mr. Ernest Daniel Denby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Denby.

The ceremony, performed by Rev. Ronald Owston, cousin of the bride, and assisted by Rev. William E. Askew, was followed by a reception at The Four Winds.

Entering the church on her father's arm, the bride wore a floor-length gown of white silk organza over taffeta with a wide front panel of French Chantilly lace which fell from an Empire-styled waistline to emphasize the huge bouffant skirt. A Sabina neckline set off tiny iridescent beads and pearls which sparkled against the lace bodice. A small high crown of pearls and ora. zeblossoms held her full fingertip illusion veil, and her bouquet was

wore a gown of pink lace with blue-tinted rosebuds. Mr. and Mrs. Denby are honeymooning in the Perry Sound area and will return to live in Maple.

## New Owners Village Store

PRATT and LAMBERT the well-known Thornhill Paint Supply Company has changed hands.

Former owner Vern Griffin has sold the business to an employee of many years standing, John Adkins of Proctor Avenue, Thornhill, a local man who is married with two children. Mr. Adkins has been living in the area for the past fourteen years and is well known in Thornhill.

Mr. Adkins has entered into partnership with an old friend of twenty years standing, Dick Miller of Scarborough, also a married man with one child. The business will henceforth be known as the Thornhill Paint Supplies Limited. Business is and will continue as usual under this new management.

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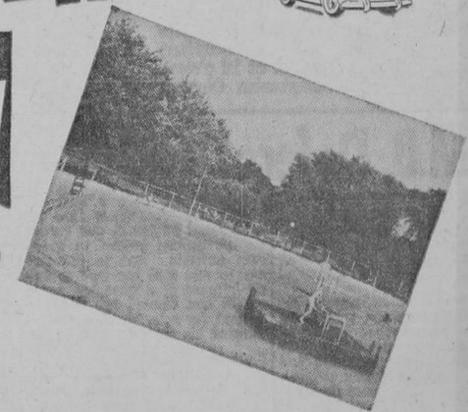
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SEALED TENDERS on a stipulated sum basis, plainly marked "Tenders for School for Markham & Vaughan Township" will be received until 4:00 p.m. TUESDAY, JULY 28th, 1959

at the office of the Architects, Dunlop - Wardell - Matsui - Aitken, 3341A Bloor Street West, Toronto 18, Ontario.

Plans and specifications will be available on Friday afternoon, July 10th, and may be obtained from the Architects on deposit of a certified cheque for \$50.00 payable to the Architects. This deposit will be returned upon return of plans and specifications in good condition.

Tenders of mechanical and electrical sub-contractors will be deposited in the Bid Depository, Toronto Builders' Exchange, before 3:00 P.M., July 27th, 1959. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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