by Mona Robertson

On a tombstone in a neglected private cemetery in Markham Township is a weather-washed carving of two clasped hands, one, that of a woman, the other apparently tinue to be completed. Among Pastel Decorations depicting the hand of the kind Shepherd . . . under the these are Hill's fine new hard- The floor is lined with attracpicture are the words, almost obliterated in part by time and wear, "In Memory of Elizabeth, 1814 - 1884," and below this inscription reads,

"The winter of trouble is past

The storms of affliction are o'er" -And around the recumbent stone tall grass and milkweeds out to make room for the founda- porter that the store will be opblow in the summer breezes, threatening to bury the stone and destroy all trace that "Elizabeth" ever walked about the quiet countryside and laughed or wept as she went open to the public Thursday, Oc- free of charge will be available at about her daily work one hundred years ago.

there are those who realize the dren. indignity and desecration that has

peared to be pastures and scrub stones.

In Markham Township alone, Iland - but which startlingly en- ters. there are twelve known private ough were the final resting placcemeteries that have fallen into es of many of our country's pion-

come to these lands once marked time and neglect had done to the serve the community better. as hallowed, a committee has now former Thornhill Methodist Cem- A Splendid Job been formed to investigate con- etery, later bought by the Reditions and present a report to formed Church. Just an eighth of | will find it a pleasure to visit the | ped by steam heating, thermostat-Markham Township Council to a mile east of Yonge Street, we new store. More attractive and ically controlled so that temperasee what can be done to remedy found a gate - leading into what inviting, a splendid job has been ture can be set at will to suit the these sadly neglected estates. | appeared to be a pasture — our accomplished, in breaking away convenience of customers. This beneath the surface of many an had committed the crime of steal-Property Committee and Messrs. skirts of a small forest of scrub and cluttered with unorganized The store will be open Mondays, in business here. Charles Boynton, Willard Simp- trees and wild fruit trees. There, displays," were the order of the Tuesdays and Saturdays from 8 son and Charles Rodick have he lifted the branches and point- day where this type of store was a.m. to 6 p.m.; on Wednesdays 8 Boomsma, who was born in Holalready toured the concessions ed to crumbling bits of marble - concerned. puty-reeve taking pictures and the long, dank grass were other hardware industry. tramping in and out of what ap- crumbled pieces of white grave-



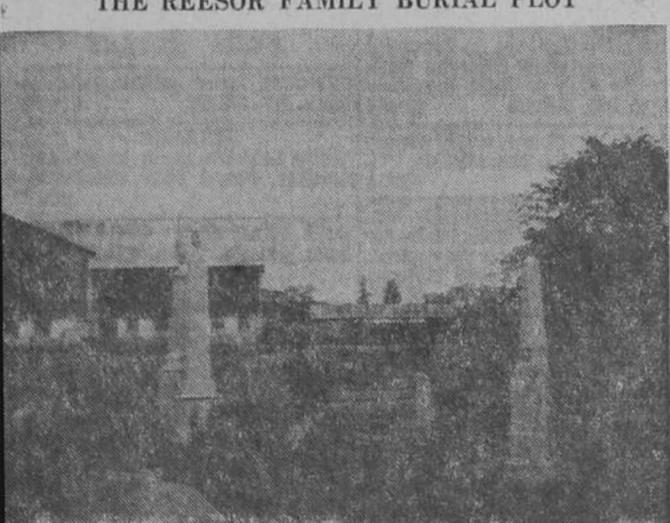
pleture shown above blue chicory and marigold, growshows a "better" section of the ing wild. Reformed Church cemetery, with Mr. Dean holding the scroll top of (any) one of the three stones caster Co. Pa., August 26, A.D. 1747 and died Mar. 26, 1806 -

seen in the picture. Another cemetery visited, on also Fanny wife of the above, neglected corner of an open field, family burial plot of the Reesor one acre in size. It must have family on the 10th Concession. been a beautiful place at one This private cemetery has not

time - for on three sides are fallen into ruin -yet. Situated Canadian National Exhibition. rolling green farmlands - but high on a hill on what has been Awarded "First in Lightweight now the field stones which were for the past 25 years the Saurer Open Class" was "Tippy," a 21/2 used by the pioneers, with dates farm, the Reesor burial plot was year old Border Collie, owned by and names to mark the resting cared for by Fred Reesor and his Mr. Ross Flemming, Essex Avenplace of loved ones, are strewn grandchildren, until his recent ue, Richmond Hill. In the Lightamong gravel and rocks and cattle death. "This cemetery has been weight Grand Challenge, Tippy have apparently wandered in and | well taken care of until Mr. | was also successful in securing out among the graves breaking Frank Reesor died", Mrs. Saurer second place, winning in all a up the marble markers - be- told us. It has noble monuments trophy, a silver tray, and the two cause there is no fence. Here, enclosed in a picturesque pedes- cash awards. too, of course, weeds and wild tal railing and we felt it would ruit trees were growing . ' . be desecration indeed if it fell and the only flowers flaunting into decay at last as others we their colourful heads were bright had viewed have done.

"Christian Reesor, Born Lan-

THE REESOR FAMILY BURIAL PLOT



The picture just above illustrates part of the Reesor cemetery, In | prgram could be initiated in

buildings. eady, since the cemetery inves- grounds in the township. igating committee was formed. work on restoring the Thornhill scheduled with Mr. J. R. McAl-Cemetery (not the old Methodist ister, Provincial Cemetery Inemetery referred to earlier) has spector, says that the best plan begun. Chain length fence is be- would be to cut down all weeds ng placed around each section of and trees and place the timehe cemetery; the old vault is tilted stones flat; also, broken being taken out, and leveling of stones would be patched and he grounds, straightening of mended and their dignity and tones and seeding is taking meaning restore as much as posplace. To complete the renova- sible. ion an asphalt driveway is to be

think the government little plots - family descendants, hould assist us with a grant", if there are any left, should re-Ir. Dean told "The Liberal". For member their ancestors and help

nd 2 representatives to Provin-

with money available a works with the repairs and upkeep. just returned after 11 busy days Doings which she describes in your own language as being "fabulous!" She will fill you in on the fun and Richmond Hill United "hurch fellowship of her once-in-a-life-

Every year, C. G. I. T. groups time experiences at an early

York County are invited to | meeting, Now let's look to our first I Camp which is held at Port | meeting which is a weiner roast erse. Lake Erie. The Camp is at the home of Marg Paton on lled Cagintra from the words | Wednesday September 16. Please nadian Girls In Training and note that our meeting night is Lorne Madill of Concord to the secret behind the bumper tomato aided and hidden. Came a bad girls spend much time in | now Wednesday. Pleasantville | sales staff of David McLean Ltd., crop at the Whittamore farm. At | winter nearing the end of the uncil hours discussing C.G.I.T. | girls may go directly to the roast | Realtors, Thornhill head offices, the end of July when the small | war when even their warm winter ogrammes and offering sugges- but other members please meet at has been announced by Sales tomato plans were "giving up", coats had to be given away in exns for improvement. Girls at- the United Church at 7 p.m. All Manager Sam Carlisle. res from our own Richmond Hill sheet, bring it too for you and of local properties. partment. Crystal Bowyer has | your pal to share.

Mr. Dean, who has a meeting

But it should not be left to

strangers to re-beautify these

# Seek Solution Of Abandoned Modern Hardware Store Couple Hidden Four Years was forced to remain and to reweekly to the police. Later her "Dear Mr. Editor" Official Opening Oct. 1st

ging as the many new stores con- a truly showroom look. ware store and in the same build- tive tiled floor linoleum

of Hill's Hardware. At that time gift section, black. there was an enormous crater in | Self Service ly rapid growth the store is al- with a check out counter at front

hought to this considerable devel- similar types of stores. There is disuse and ruin. And because eer farmers, their wives and chil- opment in their business. A large a new 'Gondola' type of modern amount of capital has obviously aisle with canopy daylight light We were shocked to see what been expended in an effort to ing overhead set in the ceiling in

part of another day with the de- unheralded and unsung. Under demonstrates a new spirit in the A shift system will be operated loma in Pharmacy at the Univer- population on whom they could and ice cream. The building is very spacious No Eclipse!

with the impression of departary for this area and offer cus- ing to eclipse us when it comes Dutch Underground tomers an eye catching permanent to value, service, counsel and help and planned display which will to customers."

FACE OF YONGE make shopping easy, fast, mod-

Only a few weeks ago your re- tel shades of yellow, turquoise,

tions. Today after an astonishing- erated on the self-serve principle most complete and is slated to of the store. Parking facilities Germans. tober 1. Business as usual is car- the rear of the store. More hardrying on in the improvised quar- ware and household lines than ever before will be displayed with The Hill family has given much a wider variety then is usual in eight foot lengths. New Development

Members of this community | The building is modernly equipin the staffing of the store.

## Ministerial Training School For Sunday School Teachers

Church School teachers is being Training School for the Presby- years employed in the wholesale lied Victory and Germanys unheld in Thornhill Presbyterian terian Church in Canada, will pharmacy trade in Holland. Then Church from September 8th to speak to an open meeting on Oc- he established his own pharmacy le had survived through four October 13th. This series is spon- tober 6th on the important theme and later still was overtaken by years of being hidden and had sored by the Thornhill-Richmond of Church School and Home Re- the war events of the time. Hol-Hill Ministerial Association.

be taken up, led by competent plan to attend this meeting. The topics will be, Worship: Les- not only for those who are presson Preparation; Audio and Vis- ently teaching in Sunday Schools, his wife on Queen Wilhemina's ual Aids; Creative Use of Expres- but also for those who would like sion Work; Church School and to teach but feel the necessity Home Relations and Discipline. Miss Lily MacArthur, principal

lations. It is hoped that all parcourse, subjects of interest will welfare of their children will

leaders in Christian Education. This school has been planned

## Dog Exhibitors Win Many Awards

Dog exhibitors of Richmond the Ninth Concession, was in a Died 1818," read a stone in the Hill district were especially successful in winning canine honours at the all-breed Dog Show,

of Blossomlea', and captured the a bouquet of white gardenias.

urday night won the 'Best in drews in white nylon and carry- during the daylight or night Show' award, nosing out the Eng- ing a basket of talisman roses and hours of summer, even after these lish setter that had claimed the petals which she scattered down faked documents had been obribbon at the end of the first the aisle. Ring bearer was Louis tained. During summer and dayshow. Saturday's winner was Ch. Mortson who carried a pillow of light police were more strict and Haviland's Gai Robin, a fawn and white velvet and lace with a talis- careful in their scrutiny - in the white bitch owned by Mr. and man rose. Mrs. Stan Whitmore of Richmond Hill, This dog carried the work- son, brother of the groom, and lenged, the cards would receive ing group, before going up to de\_ ushers were Lawrence Curtis, a more cursory inspection and feat the Canadian and American Angus Mortson and Neil Mortson. thus they lived for four long champion, Ch. Ben-Dar's Replica, At Country Acres, the bride's years. owned by Mr. and Mrs. E. P. mother received in beige silk, Warning Signals Horn III of Davison, Michigan. white French lace with a corsage This dog had won top sporting of red roses. Assisting her, the a party of Germans would enter winner on Thursday night.

Honours for "Best Canadian he background may be seen farm | Markham Township to carry out | Bred Puppy", Pekinese, were a clean-up-straighten-up program | claimed by "Miao Ching", owned Mr. Dean informed us that al- in all the little forgotten burial by Mr. and Mrs. H. Sheahan, of Richmond Hill.



Lorne Madill

The recent appointment of Mr. farm pond in a dry year was the his wife and the couple they had

nd from all areas in Ontario | girls 12-17 years of age are most | Mr. Madill who joined the com- ment, poured an inch of water feed the Jewish couple. d we are fortunate in having | welcome so come along-bring a pany some weeks ago has already over five acres of crops and the | Rations were often meagre too e of York County's representa- pal and if you have a ground negotiated the sale of a number results were wonderful. He had - half a loaf of bread and some

A six weeks training course for of the Missionary and Deaconess University, Peter was for four Each night throughout the ents interested in the spiritual

for adequate training.

## Medding

MORTSON-CURTIS

The Christian Baptist Church, Newmarket, was decorated with white gladioli, ferns and tapered candles for the wedding of (Gertrude) Joan Curtis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence A. Curtis, and Cecil James Mortson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Mortson, of Queensville

Stephen Crisp was organist,

line, fitted bodice and bouffant The imagination balks at the pos- their own. Miss Jean Grant, Yongehurst skirt flowing into a train. Her sibilities. Yet, with his eyes open, Road, Richvale, won at the first tiered fingertip veil was held by Peter accepted the responsibility. show, '2nd Open Female' with her a coronet of orange blossoms and It dragged on for four years. Boxer entry, 'Moonlight Haven lily-of-the-valley and she carried The Hidden Guests

prize for 'Best Opposite Sex, Fe- Miss Margaret Brodie was maid ches by Nazi guards and police. male' with 'Ch. Chataway of of honor and bridesmaids were The family and their hidden Blossomlea'. Winner of 'Best Miss Ann Harrison, Margaret guests would have to be on guard, Male' was 'Ch. Baron of Blossom. Leek and Kathleen Curtis, sister day and night. Arrangements had lea', bred and sold as a puppy by of the bride, who wore white em- to be made by Peter at an early Miss Grant. On Labour Day, bossed nylon over blue taffeta stage to obtain false papers, iden-'Moonlight Haven' was winner of with matching picture hats and tity cards, ration cards, etc., for 1st Open and Winners Female'. carried bouquets of white carna- the couple so that they could ex-

A Richmond Hill Boxer on Sat- Flower 'girl was Susanne An- They never ever risked going out

honours as well as best in show groom's mother wore pale blue the pharmacy and demand to be

Mills Road.

growing among her petunias . . and this is September?

ily died at her home on Church | awaited that signal at times. St. Newmarket, August 23.

in recognition of 17 years of out- tinued their secret life. standing service". For the 17 Barters Winter Coat years Mr. Kendall has taught at | Money began to run short, and St, Andrew's the school has led later still what money there was Canada in issuing life saving | became useless being of no value.

the best crop in years.

Another story in our series The People We Know FOR FOUR YEARS a Jewish couple were hidden in | Canada in 1948. STREET is very rapidly chan- ern and efficient. It already has the basement of a Dutch pharmacy. In the fourth year the pharmacist himself joined the couple in hiding. Before through .mutual .pharmacist that happened he had had to sell his clothes to be able to buy the food to feed the couple who were in hiding. Some- agers of the store. ing Patti-Lu's Ladies Wear Store. All the decorations are in pas- times they were without fuel for warmth. Money was often useless and necessities could only be obtained by bartering. tion since he was 20 years of age. porter related a visit to the site flamingo, green and behind the Faked identity papers, false passports, false identity cards He has fulfilled this ambition too sign was erected at the intersecand ration permits were also all part of the plot which His hobbies are amateur movthe ground which had been dug Mr. Hill Junior told your re- kept one Jewish couple out of the hands of the Nazis for les, antiques and guns. He has our esteemed and respected citifour long years to achieve final safety at the hands of the one of the finest collection of an-British when they entered Holland and defeated the

time because of the curfew im-

Eludes Arrest

on of the facts to a friend might

conditional surrender. The coup-

achieved his ambition and es-

tablished the fine new pharmacy

za. Because such a large business

requires more than one, Peter has

entered into partnership with a

young man called William (Bill)

Taylor Mills Drive, Beverley Ac-

res, Richmond Hill. Born at

Kingston Ontario he was educat-

ed at Belleville. He attended the

College of Pharmacy of the Univ-

ersity of Toronto and graduated

in 1957. He worked for G. Tam-

blyn's until he joined in partner-

Bill met his wife as a customer

in 1951 and they were married in

1952. He says that his own suc-

cess in college he owes to his

wife Evelyn who was a constant

source of encouragement and in-

spiration. They have a little girl

of two Carolynne. Bills wife has

a story of her own too. She re-

turned to Germany in 1938 on a

visit to her parents who were

With the outbreak of World

able to leave the country. She

ship with Peter.

Marries Customer

Could Not Leave

lead on to discovery.

owe to Peter.

Commissioned In Army

This is the first time the story they would have to get safely back has been told in print, and is ex- to the pharmacy by a certain clusive to "The Liberal".

Why should it be told in "The posed on the whole population Liberal"? Well, there are two by the Germans. very good reasons. Readers are | Stole Bread - Shot

This is the story of Peter years. sity of Amsterdam. Today Peter lay hands where the men were And thus another story is told which NEVER stops, has narrow-Mr. Hill declared that "No de- pharmacy modernly equipped were taken off to labour camps serve Richmond Hill. mental store proportions. The partment store, no variety store, on the new Allencourt Shopping to step up the German war efnew fixtures are quite revolution- no supermarket chain store is go- Centre on Markham at Bayview. fort.

There the reader may be served by Peter himself and if so inclined may ask the questions which will lead Peter to tell even more intimately the details of his adventures as a member of the Dutch Underground movement, den there. Not even a mother in which he participated throughcould be trusted with such inout the war years. formation. An innocent passing Holland Invaded

Following his education at the land was overrun by the Nazi invaders and freedom went overboard. It was now that the original Anne Frank story was to be enacted, although until new has never been told. He had met birthday in Amsterdam. She is also a qualified pharmacist.

Peter and his wife lived over in Glasgow & on Salisbury Plains the pharmacy. Below the store there was the basement. When the Nazis took over, they combed the army there. out the Jews and these just disappeared to the terrible camps where they were incinerated in their thousands.

Seek Help One couple came to Peter and asked him to help them. All he himself but first he had to enter could do, and that at the risk of his life, was to offer to hide them | the Drug Training Company while on the premises. It was a terrific his wife worked for Simpson's. responsibility to accept of course. They have now been naturalized Anyone can see that. First of all, as Canadians. if discovered, Peter and his wife Obtains Licence Rev Fred Breckon officiated | would almost certainly have been and Mrs. Grant Price, Toronto, tortured and finally executed. was soloist, singing 'The Lord's Secondly, with food and all sup-Prayer' and 'O Perfect Love'. plies rationed there was certain to be difficulty in feeding the Given in marriage by her fa- couple and in clothing them, etc. ther, the bride wore a gown of If they fell ill, more difficulties white silk embroidered organza would arise. If they died there over taffeta with portrait neck- would be bodies to dispose of.

on the Allencourt Shopping Pla-There would be periodic sear-Lazenby. Bill lives at 433 North ercise after dark during winter. cold winter nights, they had more Groomsman was Leonard Mort- chance of survival. When chal-

At a moment's notice sometimes organza over taffeta with a pink | shown over the premises. Prearranged warning signals had to I The couple left on a motor trip | be planned so that the household | War II Evelyn found she was not to New Brunswick, the bride and in particular the hidden wearing a beige suit with match- guests could be warned and take ing accessories. They will reside cover before they were caught. on the groom's farm on the Don They would dive towards the basement and would hide in a large Kleenex box. This box be-NEWMARKET : Mrs. Vincent came to them a second home. Hodgins of Newmarket reports Sometimes the search when the she has a two-bloom Easter lily Nazis were being particularly suspicious would go on for hours and the couple would have to remain silently hidden in the dark-NEWMARKET : Miss Geraldine ness of the Kleenex box, until Millard, one of the last surviving | the "all clear" signal was given. members of an old pioneer fam- How anxiously they must have

All this time Peter was helping the Dutch Underground. Had an AURORA : One of the highest opportunity presented itself for service awards given by the Roy- him to ship the couple to Engal Life Saving Society was pres- land he would have taken it. But ented to Horace Kendall of Aur- there was always someone else ora by Lord Louis Mountbatten, in even more desparate need of grand president of the society - assistance and so the couple con-

Peter had to slowly and little by little part with all his precious STOUFFVILLE: The value of a possessions to feed himself and Gib Whittamore rented equip- change for food with which to

old potatoes.

When they went out in winter

friends and are now close friends as well as co-partners and man-Peter has held another ambi-

parents were able to ship her to

the Alps to attend a boarding

- to own an MG sports car. tique guns to be seen anywhere. He likes Canada enormously. Says

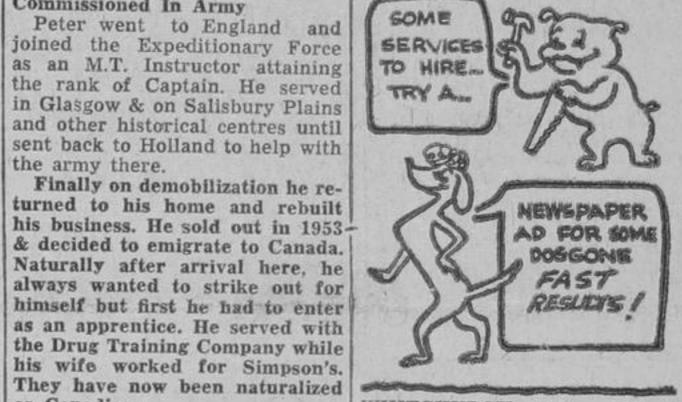
has a nose for searching out the Peter relates, there were times play of goods is set out for cus- negligent, irresponsible drivers unusual human interest stories of when you would look out of a tomers' convenience on all metal who abuse the privilege. Such as Richmond Hill and the surround- window and see police chasing a fittings which are adjustable. An those who deliberately disregard ing countryside. Readers have en- man. Catching him, they would acoustic ceiling is installed with and ignore the sign at the interjoyed many such reports in the shoot him there and then in pub- the decorations in pastel shades section I have mentioned. past few weeks and it is clear lie and in cold blood. Later it of beige and sandalwood. that many others still lie hiding would be learned the man shot | Apart from all kinds of medi-

Deputy-reeve Wilfred Dean, guide Mr. Dean led us through from the old pattern of hardware development your reporter under-Chairman of Markham Township thistles and weeds to the out stores when "dingy, dark, untidy stands is new in Richmond Hill. er is that this pharmacist is now There were many scares and the cy goods, toys gifts, cards and strain was terrific all through the magazines, newspapers, baby, Lynett Crescent that NEVER stop women's and men's needs in the at the sign. These same cars are During the last year of the war, fields of toilet equipment beauty observed daily making reckless a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Thursdays land where he also obtained his the Nazis became desperate for etc., including a complete cosand "The Liberal" spent a good all that was left to mark a grave | The new Hills Hardware Store and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. | education. He received his dip- labour and took the entire male | metics line, as well as candies | CHILDREN, bicyclists or other

has opened a 2400 square foot sufficiently able bodied. They of the wonderful people who ly missed crashing two neighbor And yet the story is only half I am sure the responsible citi-

told. How can the fears, the trials, | zens of our community will thank the day to day, hour to hour you for your effort, and may I Peter eluded arrest and joined strain of such experiences as here express my personal thanks for the Jewish couple in hiding in related ever be put down on this space in your paper. his own house. Now life was even | paper. We can only touch the more of a strain. His mother once fringe of it. But it is good to know 448 Lynett Crescent, visited the house without ever that such people live among us. Richmond Hill, Ont. knowing these people were hid- and free of such fears.

escaped numerous times as the article Germans searched. They left the house to build a new life for themselves . . . the lives they



WHITCHURCH : The Official Plan for the municipality was ap-In 1956 Peter sat for the On- proved recently by Whitchurch tario College of Pharmacy Exam- Planning Board and Council, with inations for his Canadian Licence one dissenting member of the in Pharmacy and obtained this Board, A. C. Marsh stating he had without difficulty. Peter and his reservations and would be more wife have since adopted two Can- in favour of a Master Plan which adian orphans, Patricia Iris, aged | would not require the consent of 11, and Marguerite Rose, aged 9, the Minister of Planning if altersince they have no children of ed

In the last few days he has processes to the last few days have the

Too Many Ignore Stop Signs

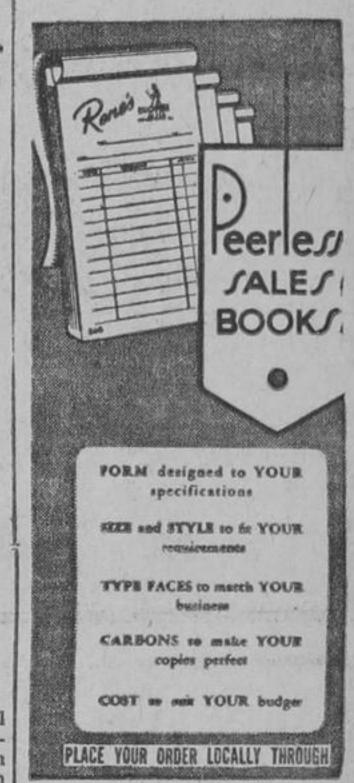
school. Her father worked for Dear Mr, Editor: the Allied occupational forces The editorial that appeared in having no sympathy with the your paper September 3, 1959, Nazis. She finally returned to "Especially for Motorists" is most commendable and timely. I am Peter and Bill met originally sure the fine sentiments so ably expressed will be greatly appreclated by your readers.

In this connection may I voice concern for the safety of youngsters and oldsters in our neighborhood. Some time ago a stop tion of Lynett Crescent and Windhurst Gate. Only a very few of zens obey the stop sign.

Since the demerit point system was adopted in Ontario, and since that too many Canadians don't failing to obey a stop sign will realize "how good their country add three points to the driving record of a motorist, it would take Bill's principal hobby is stamp only four convictions to accumucollecting and he will be glad to late twelve points which would discuss philately with any other bring suspension of the privilege fans who care to give him a call, of driving. The point system was The store is 40 by 60 feet and designed to protect pedestrians already aware that your reporter Those were terrible days. As is modernly equipped. The dis- and careful motorists from the

By copy of this letter to the local chief of police I am drawing their attention to a very serious situation they could correct, There are some resident cars on left turns with no regard for vehicles. One particular car,

Owen C. Good



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MONTREAL - Eastern and Western Canada will be less than five hours apart early next year when Trans-Canada Air Lines takes delivery of the first of six ordered 127-passenger, 550-mile-an-hour Douglas DC-8 Jetliners. The aircraft will go into service on trans-continental and trans-Atlantic routes, cutting present flying times by more than one-third. The first of the Rolls-Royce-powered DC-8s, pictured here, flew at Long Beach, Calif., on July 23. Inset is a photograph of TCA's first passenger aircraft, a 10passenger, 200-mile-an-hour Lockheed Electra, purchased in 1937 and used on trans-continental air service. The Electra was only 50 feet in length, while the DC-8 stretches 149 feet from nose to tail. The two are shown here in comparative size. The DC-8 devouse more fuel in text-ing and take-off them the Electra was capable of carrying. (TCA PHOTO)