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Neighbourhood Notes
 That was a charming picture of Kathy Brown shown recently in one of the daily papers taken when Kathy entered the little Miss Rose of Richmond Hill contest. Four-year-old Kathy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Brown, didn't win the first prize but she was happy with the doll she received and she had a great many fans.

Joy Fuller was one of a group of Thornhill High School students to attend a performance of "As You Like It" at Stratford last week.

Friends were pleased to receive a visit from Mrs. Lauder Hamilton (Florence Craig) of Colgan who was in this neighbourhood not long ago.

Margaret Champion, a pupil at Buttonville School last year, is a student at Markham High School this year. The line dividing Thornhill and Markham High School districts runs through the Champion farm, so Margaret has had to be separated from her former school mates this year.

Down below John Street CNR survey tripods may be seen from Don Mills Road, denoting the new railway bypass route in this area. Apparently there is to be no reprieve for those with homes in the region. New highways are also in the offing, and Mr. M. R. Paterson who lives on the east side of Leslie Street just below 16th avenue reports survey stakes at the back of his farm.

Lindsay Fair drew a crowd last week-end, among them Mr. and Mrs. Ken Stots who attended on Saturday.

Various organizations are hitting their autumn stride again, and this Thursday evening there will be choir practice at Brown's Corners United Church. Mrs. English will welcome all those who like to sing.

Sunday School promotions were held at Brown's Corners church last Sunday, following the previous week's Rally Day session and next Sunday children will begin their new class work. This would be a good time to join in Sunday School activities — 10:00 a.m. in the church basement.

Last Sunday church goes from Brown's Corners attended the Anniversary services at Headford Church, and enjoyed a fine speaker and good music.

Next Sunday the speaker at Brown's Corners church will be Rev. Wm. Butt of Unionville — it will be Communion Sunday.

Patrons Still Seeking Reason For Move Of Yongehurst Post Office

THE MATTER OF THE YONGEHURST POST OFFICE continues to simmer and is proving very upsetting to a large number of people. Accusations have been flying back and forth and all sorts of suspicions have come to the surface. This is the regrettable result from the Post Office Department's action in arbitrarily switching the location of the Yongehurst Post Office from Yonge Street to Weldrick Road, from Costoff's Store to Craigie's Store.

Political Motive Refuted!
 It has been suggested that the only motive for the change could be of political origin. However Mr. James Craigie and his wife state that they have never at any time assisted a Conservative Candidate in a political election, they have served on no committees and except for casting their own votes according to their conscience have not at any time participated in local or provincial or national politics. They state further that they have not even allowed politics to influence their choice of candidate.

They have voted for the candidate they thought would do most for the district regardless of his politics.
 In these circumstances the Craigies are very upset that this accusation should be made. They refute it completely.

Legion Notice
 As to how the Craigies came into the picture with regard to the local post office, has already been explained in these columns. Following our report last week concerning a doubt as to whether there was at any time a notice on the Legion notice board, Mr. Craigie told "The Liberal" he had not claimed that "a friend" saw such a notice on the board.

What Mr. Craigie actually said was that someone telephoned him to advise that there was a notice on the board and that the caller added, "why don't you apply?"

Mr. Craigie said the caller whose voice he did not identify referred to him by his Christian name, saying, "Eh, Jim, do you know . . ." Mr. Craigie assumed as anyone would that it was a friend. He accepted the authenticity of the advice without further investigation and lodged an application with the Post Office Dept. He says that he heard nothing until a Post Office official called to advise that his application had been accepted. The official asked, "When can you be ready?" Mr. Craigie replied, "In about ten days." Ten days later the post office was transferred from Costoff's Store to Craigie's Store.

"Not For Million Dollars"
 Mr. Craigie told "The Liberal" "Had I known that Mrs. Costoff wanted the office so much & had been sworn in and would be so upset, I would not have applied for it, not for a million dollars." He went on to explain that so far as he was concerned he had no strings, no pull anywhere, no political friends, he had heard there was a vacancy because Mrs. Costoff's son was resigning as postmaster and Mrs. Costoff herself was "too old." He had therefore made an innocent and normal application not knowing whether he would succeed or not. He admitted that he had not expected to succeed. He was pleasantly surprised when advised he would get the post office and he likes the work although financially is nothing much to it.

Post Office Owes Explanation
 Mr. Craigie says that the whole matter rests with the Post Office Dept. Any explanations which should be given should properly come from the Federal Government.

He said that now the move has been accomplished and people have made arrangements accordingly, they should not now at this late date be further inconvenienced by a move back to the old site. He claimed that with local subdivision development the present site would eventually prove ideal and most convenient to the largest number of residents. He agreed however that on the basis of published reports it would seem that Mrs. Costoff was entitled to an explanation of more satisfaction than she had so far received.

He also agreed that no-one had carried any complaint concerning Mrs. Costoff to him. He felt that most people were settling down to the situation and any further disturbance would be very upsetting indeed.

"Grossly Unfair and Untrue"
 Mr. R. James who lives at 64 Weldrick Road told "The Liberal" that while he had advised Mrs. Costoff he was satisfied with the original location of the Post Office and quite content with the excellent service she rendered to the public, no-one has since approached him to seek his opinion for or against the change. He said that the suggestions made against Mr. Craigie were grossly unfair and untrue and that Mr. Craigie had as a result been most upset.

Signs Of Strain
 He said that he thought Mr. Craigie was beginning to show signs of strain because of the pressure under which he had laboured since the unfortunate controversy had developed. Mr. James said he was as content now with the service he received from Mr. Craigie as he had formerly received from Mrs. Costoff and he supported Mr. Craigie's suggestion that now the move had been effected, it would do no good to make still another. "There really would be a riot" was his attitude. Right or wrong the change has been made, people had made new arrangements and would not like to go through it all again.

"Most Unsatisfactory"
 Nonetheless Mr. James agreed that on the basis of the situation

so far as facts had been published the whole matter was at a most unsatisfactory point and something should be done to clear the air because two innocent families were being placed under strain unfairly. (All sides seemed to be agreed that both the Costoffs and the Craigies were splendid people and an asset to the local community.) It was too bad something like this should set them at odds and stir up opposing factions. Everybody would like to hear from the Post Office Department direct and official with an explanation which all concerned could accept so that the matter could be finally settled without reflection upon anybody.

Mrs. Costoff believes local residents will be glad to see the Post Office restored to her store and that the temporary inconvenience would be more than offset by the greater convenience throughout winter months in particular in having the Post Office on the main highway.

Rural Surprises In Mail Box!

Yet another shock awaited merry-eyed Mrs. Aubrey Campbell of King City as she accompanied her husband on his R. R. 1 mail route along King Township's Fourth and Fifth Concession Lines.

Since she occasionally takes the round trip, Mrs. Campbell thought she was becoming used to surprises contained in those innocent looking country mail boxes — the odd bundle of magazines left by a neighbour, starling's eggs deposited in a robin's nest, bread and cookies left by a baker unable to negotiate a muddy farm lane. Then an aging fish and a dead alley cat placed by pranksters.

Last week Mrs. Campbell had mail ready in one hand, reached through the car window to open the mail box with the other, then let out a yelp as the cold eyes of a once-live raccoon stared back into her own.

"What do you do with the mail at such times?" she was asked by "The Liberal".

"What else can we do? Just put it in the box too", Mrs. Campbell reasoned.
 And what does her husband think about an occupation spiced with the unusual?
 "He claims the only time these things happen is when I'm along", she said with a chuckle.

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