

THORNLEA

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School News
Thornlea School was placed second in the Area Field Day. They are proud of the fact they have two area champions in the school: Carol Martin is Junior Girls Champion and John Doyle is Junior Boys Champion.

The girls' volleyball team has won the first two games: 49-23 over Ross Doan, and 54-14 over Richvale.

Congratulations to all participants.

Mr. Kinzinger also reports that the boys are presently engaged in a house league touch football at the school. Games are played during the noon hour.

Home & School

The October meeting was held at the school on Wednesday, October 14, with Mrs. Wright, president in the chair. The Fun Fair scheduled for November 7 was discussed, and it was decided to hold it from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. There will be the usual attractions: games and fish pond, home baking, etc. Donations for the rummage and white elephant tables would be appreciated if anyone has donations of this nature which they please phone either Mrs. Roy, AV. 5-2806 or Mrs. A. Wright, AV. 5-4007, so pick up can be arranged. Come and bring the family. You will be able to purchase tea and refreshments. There will be movies and dancing. It can be a very entertaining afternoon and evening for all.

Mr. Kinzinger was asked to say a few words and he began by thanking Mrs. Farmer and all the mothers who supported her on the field day, for their competent handling of the refreshments. He then asked the parents to impress two things on their children:

(1) That if any child who normally rides on the buses, for any reason misses his bus he is to report to Mr. Kinzinger or his teacher who will arrange transportation. They are not to walk home by themselves.

(2) That owing to the construction under way at Bayview Ave. parts of the sidewalks on Bayview and No. 7 Highway have been obliterated they must take care when walking in these areas. On no account walk on the highway use the path even if it is muddy. Both these hazards have caused great concern to the teaching staff.

Mr. Kinzinger's room won the parents' attendance prize.

The guest speaker was Mr. Ed T. Desrochers, field representative from St. John Ambulance Association who gave a very interesting talk on First Aid.

If anyone is interested in attending a first aid course, Mrs. H. Wright, AV. 5-4415 would be pleased to hear from you as she is trying to organize a class. The course will last for eight weeks and the fee will be \$3.00. Any local young people will be welcome.

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Opposition Leader Pearson Investigating The Sudden Moving Of Yongehurst P.O.

HON. LESTER B. PEARSON, Leader of the Opposition in the Federal Parliament has personally interested himself in the case of the change of location of the Yongehurst Post Office.

On September 24th, Mr. Pearson wrote to Mrs. Costoff in a letter in which he said, "Thank you for sending me the editorial and stories from 'The Liberal' about Yongehurst Post Office. I will be glad to look into this". Report Is Requested

On October 8th, Mr. Pearson again wrote to Mrs. Costoff saying, "the district Postal Director in the Toronto area has been requested to look into this personally and make a report, because they are concerned too about the fact that some of the residents have been upset about this change.

GPO Promise Investigation

On September 18th, Mrs. Costoff also received a letter from the office of the Postmaster General signed by an Executive Assistant which acknowledged receipt of a copy of a Petition protesting the removal of the Yongehurst Post Office from its original location to Weldrick Road. The letter goes on to promise that "The representations of the petitioners will be looked into at once by the Department."

Postmaster - General Writes

Later Mrs. Costoff also received a letter from the Postmaster General at Ottawa signed personally

In this letter Mr. Hamilton confirmed that the Post Office Dept. established some months ago a policy of replacing all postmasters who reach the age of 70 years. "At the same time a maximum age of 60 years was established for appointment to a position of postmaster." This was considered a reasonable maximum explained the Postmaster General, "as it would provide a tenure of office of at least 10 years for any postmaster."

Craigie Appointment Authorized

Mr. Hamilton went on to state that, "In the case of Yongehurst Post Office, because you had

there was a motive, and that the motive was to provide an excuse for the subsequent removal of Mrs. Costoff from the appointment. Certainly if the Inspector was aware of the Post Office policy he did an ill service to the family and to all the patrons of the post office by suggesting that Mrs. Costoff's name rather than her daughter's be put forward.

Mrs. Rita Thomas - Applicant

The fact that the daughters name was first put forward undermines the statement by the Postmaster General that there was no other eligible applicant. Mrs. Rita Thomas, Mrs. Costoff's daughter, is an eminently suitable applicant and her appointment would not have necessitated the change of location of the Post Office, and because Mrs. Costoff assists in the store, her valuable Post Office experience would still have been available. It is a fact that everyone, even those who have benefited by the change have been complimentary concerning the efficiency of the administration of the Post Office during Mrs. Costoff's brief tenure of office.

Mrs. Costoff Sworn In

The next point which the Postmaster ignores is that his officials visited the Costoff Store and swore in Mrs. Costoff as Postmistress, that in doing so no mention was made that this was to be a temporary appointment and furthermore no notice in writing was ever given to Mrs. Costoff terminating the appointment.

Unseemly Haste

In the now famous phrase, it was a case of "It's Going - It's Gone!" - verbal notice from an unknown Inspector and ten days later the office had gone, before Mrs. Costoff or the local press or anyone else could do anything at all about it. As residents have since accused, this was done in a manner which can only be described as with "unseemly haste." Quite naturally residents would be and are considerably upset.

Departments Figures Inaccurate

Furthermore the Postmaster General is obviously unaware of the true position with regard to location since it is not simply a matter of five hundred yards to Yonge Street, but to be added is the fact that there is then a drive up Yonge Street and down the roads being serviced by the Post Office. The total distance involved is therefore much more than 500 yards.

Enquiry Now Afoot

Mrs. Costoff told "The Liberal" that she is pleased Mr. Lester Pearson has taken a direct interest in the matter and hopes the result of the enquiry now afoot will lead to the transfer of the post office back to its original location with either herself or her daughter appointed as Postmistress. She feels strongly that such a move would be in the best interests of a majority of residents because of the obvious superiority of the Costoff Store so far as convenience of location is concerned.

Serious Step - Inadequate Notice

A very unhappy situation has arisen because the Post Office Department took the serious step in changing the location of the Post Office without adequate notice, without consulting the interests of the residents concerned, and without a full knowledge of the facts, and therefore it is up to them declares Mrs. Costoff to properly investigate and to explain its actions. In particular, Mrs. Costoff wants to know why an official of the Department suggested her own name go forward instead of the name of Mrs. Thomas as suggested by the retiring postmaster, when the Inspector must have been aware of the Post Office policy in the matter of age. It was really this suggestion which started everything off to the unsatisfactory conclusion finally reached. Mrs. Costoff also wants to know, why, if the post office was applying the policy now outlined, they did not advise her of the fact at the time, when it would still have been possible to substitute the name of her daughter, instead of pressing on swearing her in as Postmistress only to relieve her, without explanation just a short time later.

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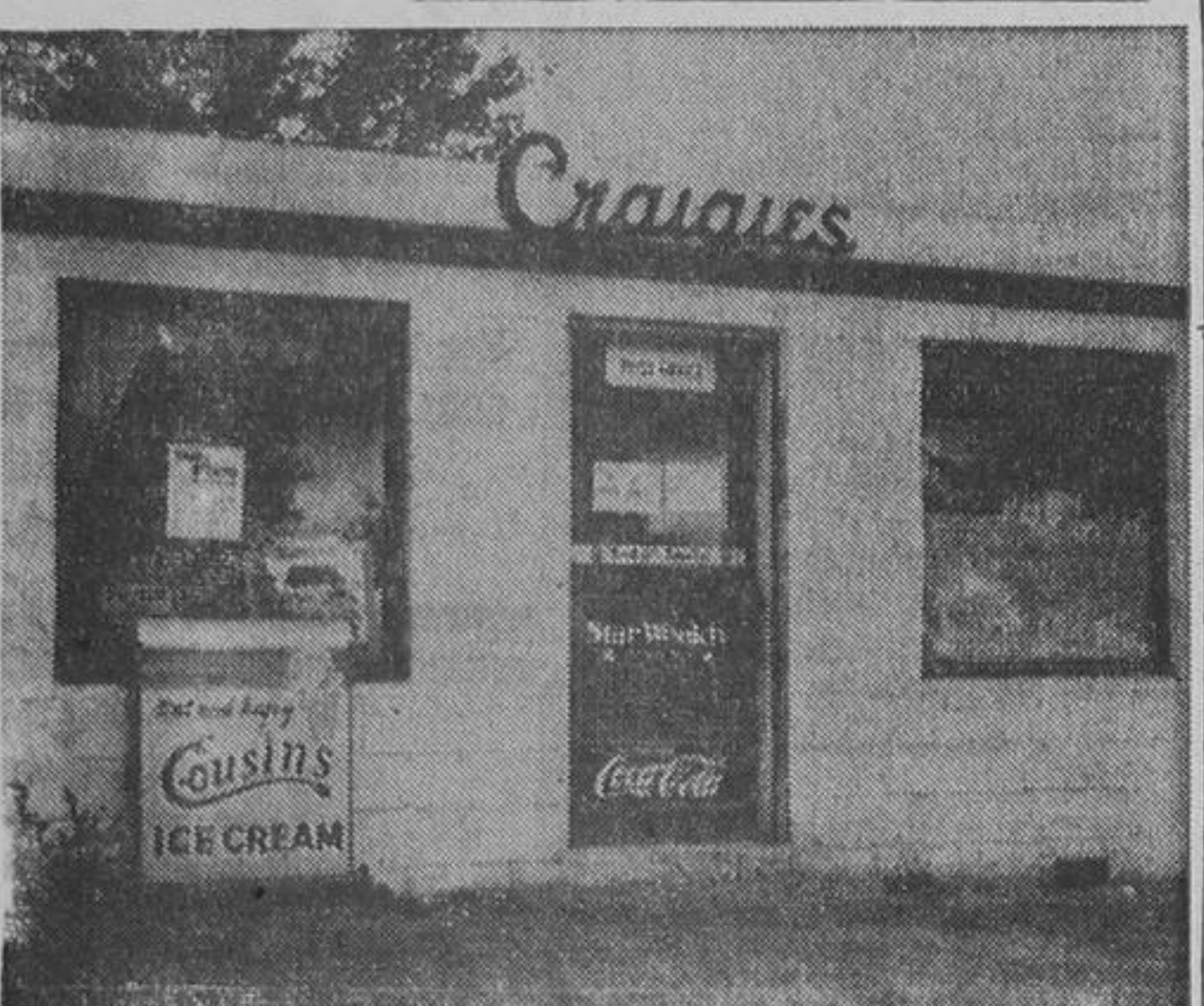
And if the vacancy was advertised unknown to the Costoffs why was this so. All these facts worked in favour of Mr. Craigie and against the Costoffs.

Mrs. Costoff Says She Has Noted

All the nice things said of her by Mr. Craigie, and in any of her remarks she wishes to make it clear she is in no way reflecting upon Mr. Craigie or his store. What she is complaining of, is the general activity of the department in this whole affair because there is so much which appears to be inexplicable and remains unexplained.



The Costoff grocery on Yonge Street at Yongehurst Road, for many years the very satisfactory site of Yongehurst Post Office.



Craigie's Store on Weldrick Road, new location of Yongehurst Post Office.

ally by the Postmaster General, William Hamilton.

Mr. Hamilton wrote at some length in an attempt to justify the change of location of Yongehurst Post Office. Mr. Hamilton said that he carefully perused the newspaper clippings he had received concerning this change.

He stated, "In general I would say the matter is fairly well covered in the newspaper article." Mr. Hamilton went on to declare that "you and Mr. Craigie were the only applicants for the office." Confirms Age Limits

passed the age of 60 years the Department had no alternative but to consider you as ineligible for the position. As the only other applicant was Mr. Craigie, his appointment was authorized."

Claims No Inconvenience

Mr. Hamilton claims that the new site is only 500 yards from Yonge Street and does not therefore inconvenience a majority of the patron's "In any event," concluded the Postmaster General, "as there was no other eligible applicant the Department had no choice but to appoint Mr. Craigie, which involved removal of the office to another location."

Department Ignores Facts

As Mrs. Costoff and her daughter point out in making these latest developments available to "The Liberal," the Postmaster General has tried hard to put up a satisfactory case for the Department's action but the correspondence totally ignores a number of facts which Mrs. Costoff and her family and a large number of local residents and patrons of the Post Office want answered.

Mrs. Costoff - Departments Choice!

First the Inspector, Inspector McKay who first came to Yongehurst Post Office following the resignation of Mrs. Costoff's son, was given first the name of Mrs. Costoff's daughter as the retiring Postmaster's recommendation for appointment as Postmistress. Had Mr. Costoff's proposal been adopted the unhappy events which have followed would never have occurred. But it was the Inspector or who suggested that the mother's name would be the better one to put forward. If the Inspector was aware of the policy of the Post Office not to appoint anyone above the age of sixty, why in fact did he suggest that Mrs. Costoff's name be put forward when from the point of view of the regulations, her daughter was a more eminently suitable candidate.

Was There Motive?
With these new facts available it is bound to be suggested that

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