

LIFE IN THE HILL

Editor Margot Crack

Entering the Queensway Hospital on Wednesday for a possible stay of one month, the many friends of Mr. H. Ellis wish him a speedy return to his home on Ruggles Avenue.

The Beverley Acres Home and School Association are holding a card party in the school auditorium next Thursday, January 21st. This is in place of the January meeting and is the only fund raising event held by the Association and all parents are warmly invited to come along and enjoy a pleasant evening. See "Coming Events" for further details.

The sympathy of the community is extended to Alice Fay, Lloyd and Reg Milne of Richmond Hill on the sudden death of their mother, Mrs. Milne at La Riviere, Manitoba last Saturday.

Mrs. G. Rice and family recently returned from a weeks holiday in Detroit, Michigan, where they stayed with Mrs. Rice's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. Proulx.

Michael Draquet, gardener for some of the lovelier homes of Richmond Hill and district, is spending the winter months in Florida and Mexico. During September, when many gardens were hard hit by the early frost, one outstanding garden on the Elgin Mills sideroad still boasted magnificent chrysanthemums, marigolds and many autumnal flowers. It was one of Michael's prize possessions and he had stayed up for two nights spraying the flower with warm water to prevent frost forming! Fortunately Michael expects to be back in time for this year's gardening season.

Cadet Harley Harrison recently returned to College Militaire Royal, De Saint Jean at Saint Jean, Quebec, after spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Harrison, West Wood Lane, Richmond Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Huckerby of R.R. 1 Richmond Hill are celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary today, January 14th, with their family and Mrs. A. Lake.

Mr. Rex Sevenoaks is at present in St. Michaels Hospital, Toronto where he is undergoing surgery. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery and hope to see him home again very soon.

St. Gabriel's W. A. met Tuesday, January 12th at the Parish Hall. The annual reports were read by the 1959 officers, and the rector Rev. J. Newton Smith thanked the ladies for their work in 1959 and extended best wishes for a successful year to follow. The next meeting will be held January 26th, when slides of our mission fields in Africa will be shown.

The Sugar & Spice Club held their Christmas Dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Cartier, Centre St. E. with full attendance. Following a meal of Turkey and all the trimmings the members exchanged their annual projects, which certainly was quite an array of talents. They varied from paintings, wood carving, rug weaving and dressmaking. Carols were sung and the evening's entertainment was recorded by Mr. Cartier, on tape.

The Richmond Hill Womens Institute is holding its first meeting of the New Year today, January 14th, in the auditorium of the new library. Today's meeting takes the form of a pot luck luncheon, and members are reminded to bring their own plates etc. Meetings are held the second Thursday of each month and any newcomers to the district are cordially invited to attend. Time today: 1 p.m.

The Richmond Hill Unit of the Canadian Cancer Society is holding its regular monthly meeting on January 19th at 8.15 p.m. in the Municipal Hall. The public is cordially invited to attend.

An event of prime interest to education minded parents will be the visit to Richmond Hill on Monday, January 18th, of Mr. I. Laptev, First Secretary of the Russian Embassy. The purpose of Mr. Laptev's visit is to address the Home and School Association of McConaghy School on the subject - "Some aspects of Education in the Soviet Union today." Doors will open at 8.30 p.m. and it is the sincere hope of the Association Executive that the meeting will be well supported; it certainly promises to be a noteworthy occasion for the McConaghy Home and School Assn.

An interesting meeting of the Richmond Hill High School Home and School Association is planned for next Tuesday, January 19th at 8 p.m. at the High School. Mr. F. W. Morrow, principal of the school will explain the courses open to your sons and daughters and Mr. W. K. Ellis, vice principal, will discuss the "Carnegie" testing program, after which there will be a question and answer period.

As the success of the Home and School Association depends on the support of each and every parent, the executive has very high hopes of a large attendance next Tuesday night.

Congratulations to Margaret Hill on the successful opening of her "Figurama" Salon in the Richmond Theatre Building on Tuesday. The lobby presented a colorful spectacle as many "well wishers" sent along baskets of flowers, azaleas, chrysanthemums and a profusion of other flowers provided a riot of colour. Many visitors came along to try out the "Figurama-Tempulse", an enjoyable experience of stretching out on the Figurama table, and benefiting by its relaxing, refreshing, soothing action of heated, mechanical massage.

On Monday, January 11th the weekly meeting of the Anglican Girls Auxiliary was held in Wrixon Hall. After opening exercises, the Rev. J. F. O'Neil officially promoted Nancy Munroe from the Junior Auxiliary, and admitted Beverly Pridham and Donna Walker as new members of the Girls Auxiliary. Jolene Goodier was presented with the G. A. pin for attendance and good work in her first year. Following this Rev. J. F. O'Neil installed a special service. Preceding this the girls played charades and enjoyed the refreshments served by Jane Lepper and Elizabeth McLeod. The meeting was adjourned with taps and a prayer.

On January 5th, the Women's Federation of St. Matthew's United Church held their general meeting. Rev. W. W. Patterson installed the new officers and refreshments were served. An executive meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. R. P. Robbins, 80 Rockport Crescent on Monday, January 18, to discuss plans for the New Year. On January 19, the Federation will hold their group meeting at the following homes: (Group 1) Mrs. B. Curtis, 200 North Taylor Mills Drive. (Group 2) Mrs. C. King, 447 Taylor Mills Drive South. (Group 3) Mrs. H. Simmonds, 19 Cartier Crescent. (Group 4) Mrs. R. Wylie, 457 Centre Street East. (Group 5) Mrs. R. Wallace, 432 Palmer Avenue.

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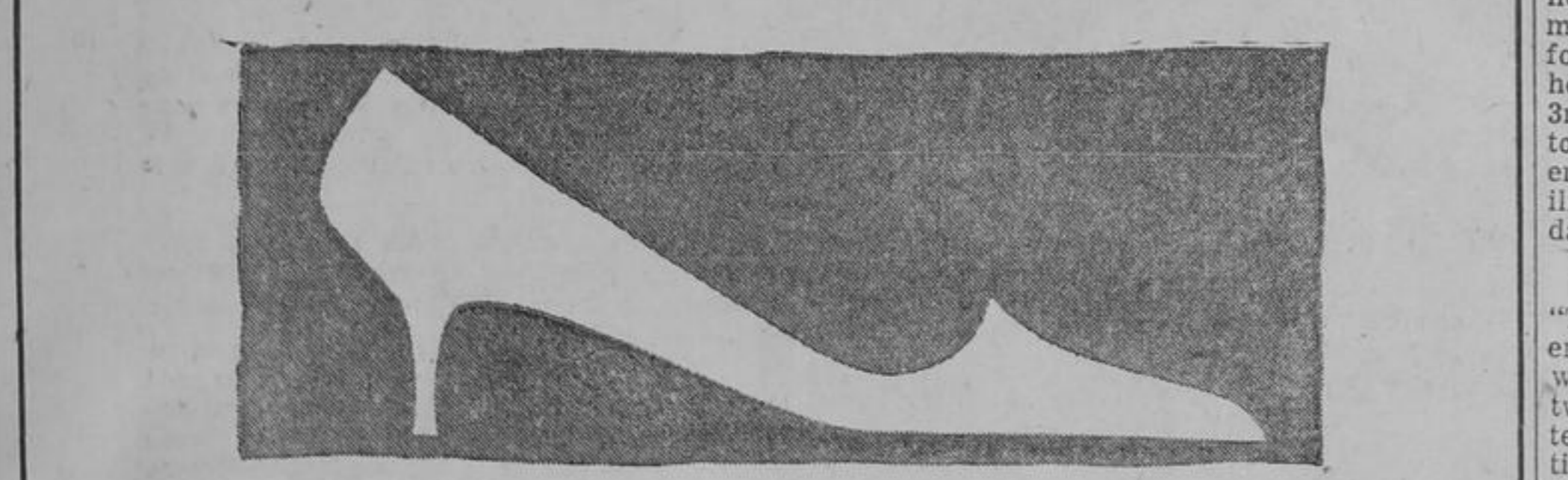
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Though our town of Richmond Hill is conducive to longevity, with many citizens past the eighty mark, Alfred Plewman is right in the front rank, physically strong, mentally alert, plus a keen sense of humor backed by 40 years of residence in this town, during which time being engaged in church and welfare work has won him the highest respect and esteem of fellow citizens. His crystal clear memory accentuates the telling of his interesting experiences back in the "early days" of his life, vivid memories such as his first job in Toronto in 1888, that of clerking in a dry goods store in the same block as Eaton's, then joining the clerical staff of the Toronto Railway Company, which later became the Toronto Transportation Company. Alfred Plewman served the "T.T.C." for a continuous period of 55 years retiring in 1947 only on account of the compulsory age limit set by the Company.

In the year of 1892, Alfred Plewman joined the Company, just as the first electric street car was introduced into the system. The last horse car service was discontinued in 1894, and at that time the system included 68 miles of single track, 264 cars, 99 buses, 100 sleighs, and 1,372 horses. The fare was five cents cash, or six tickets for 25 cents. Not having the modern methods of snow removal Mr. Plewman says "It was a regular winter sight to see the sleighs and the high-wheel horse drawn buses operating on downtown Yonge Street."

Mrs. F. Gardner, Weldrick Road left last week for a two week visit to her mother, Mrs. G. H. Stevens in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

We are happy to report that Mr. J. Guppy, Benson Avenue, is progressing favourably in York County Hospital, Newmarket. Though it means "company" for him — as his wife became a patient in the same hospital on Tuesday night — we trust that the two of them will soon be able to return home.

At the December meeting of the 1st Beverley Acres Ladies Auxiliary, elections were held and the following members were voted into office: Mrs. Ruth Swan, President; Mrs. Pappas, Vice President; Mrs. Betty Mae Hamilton, Secretary; and Mrs. H. Hall, Treasurer. The Convenors will be appointed shortly by the new executive.

Also at this meeting the auxiliary accepted a beautiful silver cream and sugar set presented by the cubs in appreciation for all the auxiliary had done for them.

The next meeting will be held on January 18th at the Beverley Acres public school at 8.30 p.m. All mothers of 1st Beverley Acres Boy Scouts and Cubs welcome.

Births

BREULS — Ross and Sarah (nee Moore) are happy to announce the birth of a son, Ross William Clark, 7 lbs. 8½ ozs., on January 8th, 1960, at Branson Hospital, Willowdale, with special thanks to Dr. Zuck.

RISEBROUGH — Neil and Linda (nee Matthews) are happy to announce the birth of a son, Kevin Scott, on January 10, 1960, at Women's College Hospital. *1w29

ROBSON — Frank and Marion (nee Watson) are happy to announce the birth of a son, James William Gordon, seven pounds, nine ounces on January 6, at the Branson Hospital, a brother for Brenda. All well. *1w29

ROLLER — Danny and Bernice (nee Archibald) Kleinburg, Ontario are happy to announce the birth of a son, David Anthony, on January 12, Weight 8 lbs. 15 ozs. at Peel Memorial Hospital, Brampton. *1w29

RULE — Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rule are happy to announce the birth of their son, Harold Russell, 7 lbs. 4 ozs., at the Humbler Memorial Hospital, on January 2. *1w29

In Memoriams

STUART — In loving memory of a dear husband, George Fulton Stuart, who passed away January 13, 1959.
"AT REST"
— Always missed and remembered by his wife, Jean. *1w29

CARD OF THANKS
I would like to express my sincere thanks to the Richmond Hill and Aurora Firemen for their efficient work when my place of business was damaged by fire, in the early morning of January 7.
Simpson Sales, Bond Lake *1w29

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CREAN — We wish to thank all our kind friends and neighbors for their many kind expressions of sympathy and condolence during our recent bereavement.
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Deaths

BONE, Sarah Ann (Annie) — At Maple, Friday, January 8, 1960. Sarah Ann (Annie) Bone daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Bone, dear sister of Edgar and Mrs. Reynolds Bone (Jennie) in her 84th year. Rested at the Wright and Taylor Funeral Home, Interment Carville Cemetery. *1w29

BASKERVILLE, Silas Bowman — Suddenly, at his home, 44 Benson Ave., Richmond Hill, Saturday, January 9, 1960, Silas Bowman Baskerville, beloved husband of the late Elsie Elizabeth Wilson, dear father of Beulah and James and loving grandfather of Bonita Ann, in his 62nd year. Rested at the Wright & Taylor Funeral Home, Interment York Cemetery, Willowdale. *1w29

FLOWERS, Charles — At his home, R. R. 1 Maple, Tuesday, January 12th, 1960, Charles Flowers, beloved husband of Lillian Ruthford, dear father of Mrs. J. Crevier (Ada), Mrs. R. Hancox (Margaret), John and Mrs. S. Anderson (Hilda). Rested at the Wright and Taylor Funeral Home, 126 Yonge St. North, Richmond Hill. Service Friday, at 2 p.m. Interment, Maple Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the heart fund. *1w29

FOX, Russell Patrick — On Friday, January 8, 1960, Russell Patrick Fox of 81 Mill Street, Richmond Hill, beloved husband of Ann McGuckin; dear father of Paul L. and Basil C., in his 72nd year. Rested at the Wright and Taylor Funeral Home, Richmond Hill. Interment St. Luke's Cemetery, Thornhill. *1w29

NEIGER, Eugen — Suddenly, at the Doctors' hospital, on Wednesday, January 6, 1960, Eugen Neiger, beloved husband of Olga Neiger, father of Dr. Stephen Neiger, father-in-law of Gertrude Neiger.

WHELAN, John — At his home on Bayview Avenue, Langstaff, Tuesday January 12th, 1960, John Whelan in his 90th year, dear brother of William of Willowdale. Rested at the Wright and Taylor Funeral Home, 126 Yonge Street North, Richmond Hill. Funeral Friday to St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church for Requiem Mass at 10 a.m. Interment St. Luke's Cemetery, Thornhill. *1w29

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