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Correspondence was received from Nickie Henshaw, Mrs. Ewart Jennings, Mrs. Barbara and Mrs. W. S. Hare in appreciation of remembrances for various reasons at the Temperanceville W.I. March meeting. President Mrs. June Turner of Oakridge Institute, England, the friendship link W.I. wrote an interesting letter to the group which asked for a 'tape' recording to be sent from Temperanceville W.I. to them.

York Manor Auxiliary has tucked shop and handicrafts for the residents every Wednesday afternoon. Anyone wishing to assist with this work will be most welcome. Used Christmas cards can be used by these aged residents.

In reporting as health convener, Mrs. Don Chalk said that one out of every two boys smoke and one out of three girls smoke in the High School. This is a poor practice which should be discouraged.

Mrs. Harry Hutchinson reported on plans to use the old Legion Hall as a factory to employ local persons; also Richmond Hill and Maple industries. Home Economics convener Mrs. M. Wells, read an article on bleaching. It was voted to again join the Canadian Association of Consumers.

W.I. members and friends are invited to attend the 50th wedding anniversary celebration of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Rumble, Oak Ridges, on March 25 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Jennings.

Mrs. Clayton Beynon called on

BUTTONVILLE NEWS
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Neighbourhood Notes
Mrs. W. J. Russell of Unionville will open her home Saturday of this week for a tea. Proceeds will be for books for the Unionville Library.

We offer sincere sympathy to Mr. Wm. Spears and Nancy of Markham in the death of Mrs. Spears last week. The Spears family were well-loved members of this community for many years and active members of Brown's Corners United Church.

Last week Mrs. Wilfred Turner was supply teacher at Buttonville School when teachers in the Junior and Intermediate rooms were ill.

Miss Netta Spaans who is nursing in Northern Ontario was home last week-end to make plans for a June wedding.

Joy Fuller was organist at Brown's Corners Church last Sunday morning in the absence of Mrs. Donald Reesor.

There was a good attendance at Davidson Mission Band on Saturday afternoon of last week and plans have been made to meet twice monthly until June. This group of pre-school and school-aged children will be at Brown's Corners church on Saturday afternoon, March 25—parents take note.

With regret we learned of the serious illness of Mr. Frank Speckert of Markham. Mr. Speckert is the young man who contracted for the building extension at Brown's Corners Church, and those who have seen the church know what a fine piece of work he engineered. Mr. Speckert spent some time in hospital earlier in the winter, but was present for the Ceremony of the Keys and the church dedication service of February 12. He returned to hospital last week.

The measles are still with us, it seems, presently concentrated in German Mills School. The Greensides family has been among its victims.

There were those who were sure our time had come when the first recorded electrical snow storm to hit the area struck last Wednesday afternoon.

Brown's Corners choir members are planning a musical evening early in April when the York Choralists will be the guest artists.

Mrs. W. W. Miller Entertains W.M.S.

On Wednesday afternoon of last week Mrs. W. W. Miller, John Street, was hostess when Brown's Corners W.M.S. members held their March meeting.

Mrs. A. W. Miller was acting president in the absence of Mrs. Wm. Rodick and Mrs. S. J. English played the piano.

Mrs. F. W. Baker gave a fine review of Study Book chapters on Japan and the Philippines. Mrs. W. W. Miller conducted the devotional.

A letter was read from the group's missionary for prayer, Mrs. W. J. Enderwick, who is in Indian work at Teulon, Manitoba—working with secondary school boys. Teulon is famous as an educational centre for the Interlake Region of Manitoba. In her note Mrs. Enderwick mentioned the need for such items as pencils, notebooks, shoe laces, needles, large sized second hand skates (9-10-11) and towels, and it was agreed that W.M.S. members would hold a shower of these articles at a later meeting and forward them to Mrs. Enderwick for her work there.

Forestry Firm Receives Tender
A tender for the removal of 100 trees has been awarded to the Richmond Tree Service and Forestry Company for the sum of \$3,240.00 by Scarboro Township. The local company's tender was the lowest of 16 quotations received. The high price was for \$22,000.00.

Board To Engage New Teacher For Voice Correction
Three per-cent of the children attending Richmond Hill Public School had some degree of speech imperfection, it was revealed at the last meeting of the public school board. It was decided to advertise for an itinerant auxiliary teacher to help individual children or small groups in speech-correction.

The problem in the past had been effectively handled. Supervising Principal Gordon McIntyre told trustees, as a member of the present teaching staff had been able to give the special training needed. With the departure of that teacher, he recommended the engagement of a qualified person.

The importance of early remedial attention to speech defects was emphasized, with board members agreeing that the problem, which affects over 100 local pupils, should be tackled.

HORTICULTURAL NEWS
Richmond Hill Horticultural Society
By Jane Williams

A few weeks ago some of the executive and members of the Richmond Hill Horticultural Society sat mulling over a theme for the Annual Spring Fair. After several hit and miss suggestions the idea for an "Early Richmond Hill" theme was born.

This small amateur-run fair will be casual and should be a pleasure to attend. Since space is limited and time of the essence (everything must be collected, set up and torn down, by the committee within twenty-four hours) it can only be presented as a friendly, homey, scene showing off the kind of household utensils and bric a brac used in the early days. Two antique dealers and the curator of pioneer village have been wonderful in allowing their wares to be displayed. There will be pictures of early landmarks, by the courtesy of local residents, a collection of arrowheads and Indian relics found on the farm of another local personality.

Whether young or old it is always pleasant to have a little of the past brought back by a glimpse into personal scenes of people years ago, in snapshots in an old album kindly lent to the society. To all there is quiet enjoyment looking backward.

An effort is being made to be as authentic as is possible with old store names on placards over the various booths. Names that so many local people have links with or remember with nostalgia. A picture of Yonge St. as it was when the "Radial" travelled through Richmond Hill to Sutton and back to Toronto.

Given more time, a portrayal

of early Richmond Hill as an exhibition could be fabulous; and the chairman of the Spring Fair found such co-operation from radio, press and other phases of publicity, along with the keen interest given by local residents to be unsurpassed. The data is all so wonderfully detailed in the local Women's Institute book with delightful personalities like Abner Miles in 1793 to the settling of French Royalty on virgin acreage around 1807 after the French Revolution. It is a compelling history and should be known by all who live here.

The Richmond Hill Horticultural Society regrets that with only a few hours of one day, this subject, can only have the surface tightly scratched at the Spring Fair and hopes that in a small way it may inspire others to delve more deeply into the history of Richmond Hill.

This Spring Fair will be held on Saturday, April 15th from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Wrixon Hall. Everyone including children will be welcomed. Admission is free and many prizes will be drawn for those who visit.

March 23 Meeting
For its monthly meeting on March 23 at the Lions Hall, the Richmond Hill Horticultural Society will take us out of the garden into the winter spaces of field and forest.

The speaker will be Mr. William Campbell of the Federation of Ontario Naturalists whose specialty is the study of Wild Life and the photographing of it. His experiences and his very fine pictures he will bring to the society.

This meeting will be of particular interest to all naturalists and to the many members who take pictures of birds, animals and flowers. Mr. Campbell will give suggestions and advice which is that of an expert.

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