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BUTTONVILLE NEWS

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Neighbourhood Notes
Congratulations to Mrs. Jean Cook who has a new grandson, born to her daughter and son-in-law at Niagara Falls last week. Dr. George Kelly arrived home from St. Michael's Hospital on Saturday of last week after a ten day session following surgery. He is making good progress now, we're happy to say is able to be out for a walk now and then.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray McTavish, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hood and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ferguson of Unionville have been holidaying in Bermuda recently.

It was Kathy Melvin the measles kept from participating in the skating carnival, not Kathy Stewart. Mrs. Stewart was suffering from the ailment last week.

Congratulations to Mr. Art Storey who has been accepted as a candidate for the ministry of the United Church of Canada. We understand Art is the first young man to enter the ministry from York Presbytery and he is also the first from a congregation of Dr. A. F. Binnington's.

19th Anniversary Services
Two fine services have been planned for Sunday, May 7, when Brown's Corners United Church celebrates the church's 19th anniversary. Two excellent guest speakers have been invited. In the morning at 11.30, Dr. Bruce G. Gray, M.C. of Kew Beach United Church will be present and Rev. W. S. Sellers, B.A., B.D., S.T.M., of Newtonbrook United Church will preach. Music will be by the church choir, under the direction of Mrs. S. J. English and Mrs. Donald Reesor, organist. Services at Headford and Victoria Square have been withdrawn so that all on the charge may share in this occasion.

Rally Held May 9
On Tuesday, May 9, W.M.S. and W.A. members of York Presbytery will hold a joint rally at St. Andrew's United Church, Markham, from 9.30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Those attending are asked to bring a box lunch — dessert and tea will be provided. The United Church Women's organization will be under discussion and in the morning Mrs. Howe will be in charge.

On Monday evening, April 25, Rev. Dr. A. F. Binnington conducted a meeting for the women of Brown's Corners Church when the new organization was discussed. A provisional committee is undertaking the necessary ground work for the new group was appointed at that time. Those named were Mrs. Wm. Rodick, Mrs. A. W. Miller, Mrs. S. Ingimundson, Mrs. S. R. Patterson and Mrs. Wm. Turner.

Following the meeting tea was served in the Christian Education room.

Local Ladies Attend Luncheon
On Wednesday of last week, when the women of Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church held their annual spring luncheon a large number of local guests were

present, among them: Mrs. Russell Boyington, Mrs. George Kelly, Mrs. Reid Brumwell, Mrs. Adam Brown, Mrs. James Rodick, Miss Elizabeth French, Mrs. Elmore Hill, Mrs. John Donaldson, Mrs. John Wilkins, Mrs. E. Walton, Mrs. John Gordon Riscbrough, Mrs. Fred Craig, Mrs. Joe Robinson, Mrs. A. Robinson, Mrs. Charles Hooper, Mrs. John Hood, Mrs. F. W. Baker, and Mrs. Wm. McGimpsey.

Final W.I. Euchre Held
Friday evening of last week at Buttonville W.I. Hall marked the final euchre game of the present season, and the decks have been tucked away until next autumn. The 1960-61 season has been a good one for euchre players in the neighbourhood, with sometimes more than 80 people attending the parties. There has always been good prizes, an evening of good fellowship and an excellent cup of coffee to top it off. W. I. members have made this a community project, and it has provided pleasant recreation for many people.

On Friday evening there were 16 tables playing and winners were Mrs. J. Dewsbury, Mrs. Theresia MacIver, Mrs. Gordon Sorine, Messrs. Martin Gall, David Mizen and H. Mizen, (cons. Mrs. Mizen and Milt Sherman). Mr. A. Robinson won the lucky draw and freecost winners were Messrs. Matt Davies and D. Mizen against Mrs. Russell Boyington and Mr. Adam Brown. Hostesses were Mrs. Richard Pralet, Mrs. A. Robertson, Mrs. A. Stephenson and Mr. Henry Harper.

To Hold Second "Ball"
Last week, when the Buttonville School parents met at the school for their monthly meeting, the main topic of interest during the business period was the "Spring Ball" which was held at Buttonville W.I. Hall during the Easter holidays. Everyone agreed it had been an unequalled success as far as fun went, and a second one is being blueprinted for some time in June. Needless to say Carson Whelan who called the dances and Ray McTavish, the incomparable MC, will be asked to act again. This time the club wants everyone who enjoys a good time to come along. You'll hear about the time later.

The programme for the meeting was conveyed by Mrs. Helfenstein. Five poems and five action songs were presented by pupils from grades 1 and 2, and this was followed by a spelling match between grade 2 students and six volunteer adults. The words chosen were simple in the extreme, but sticklers all, and the children won. Contestants were Irene Leitch, John Stephenson, Linda Jones, Susan Venus, Douglas DeNike, and Philip Christiansen against Messrs. DeNike, B. Venus, Helfenstein, Mrs. James Hood, Mrs. Meyers and Mrs. Venus.

Mrs. J. Hood was the winner in the group of grownups, and prizes were awarded to the grade 1 and 2 children.

At the conclusion of the programme Cheryl Halkes presented flowers to Mrs. Helfenstein on behalf of the group.

There was an informal social hour, with Bernard Venus leading a singsong to Mitch Miller Sing long records. Light refreshments were served by the executive.

On Wednesday evening of this week an executive meeting will be held at Buttonville, when Mrs. Storey will entertain.

Curling Club President
Over the years, Buttonville has contributed liberally to the executive membership of both men's and women's Curling Club at Unionville. Messrs. John Brown, Bill Hood and Norman Reid have all taken the presidential office at one time or another in the Men's Curling Club; and this year Mrs. James Hood, Elsie to her contemporaries, has accepted the presidency of the Ladies' Curling Club at Unionville. Other local women included in this year's executive are Mrs. Stan McTavish, treasurer; Mrs. Stan Defoe, secretary; Mrs. Harvey Collard, house committee; Mrs. John Brown, ice convener; and Mrs. Vern Griffin, membership convener. On Tuesday afternoon of last week Mrs. Hood entertained members of this year's executive when they held a meeting at her home.

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91 May 4, On Same Farm For 81 Years

By Alex Sjöberg

Many people, at the risk of sounding corny, have it that milk is a factor in longevity. At the same time, what is sauce for the goose isn't necessarily such for the gander. These are observations by Mr. Cline Burr of Buttonville, a life-long milk drinker, who celebrates his 91st birthday May 4th among family members and friends.



CLINE BURR

In an interview with "The Liberal", Mr. Burr, enlarging on longevity factors, added: "For what it is worth, I'm a non-smoker and non-drinker, and while I've never been a heavy eater, I've always been an appreciative one." He went on to say that a settled life, suitable work, respectable, friendly neighbours and faith affect one's life span. While he did not say so, possession of an excellent sense of humour, of which he is a good example, must also be taken into account. He is a United Church member.

81 Years On Same Farm
Mr. Burr has lived on the same 75-acre farm, one mile north of No. 7 Highway on the Don Mills Road, for 81 years, since the age of ten when his father, the late William Burr, moved the family from a farm at Headford. Grandfather John, of Pennsylvania Dutch stock, appeared in the district around 1800.

Life hasn't been bad at all, he said. "My years here have been given over to farming and the breeding of Jersey cattle. I enjoyed my work and had a fine family. We had some hard times but there was always plenty to eat. We got through. The years have slipped by pretty smoothly and I have to stop and think about the many changes that have occurred to Buttonville in particular and the agricultural economy in general."

Many Local Changes
Eighty-one years ago, Buttonville was a community of a dozen homes, he said. Mail was delivered to the post office from Unionville by horse three times a week. "The lamp gave way to electric lights, country roads to paved highways, old farm tools to the reaping machine, the binder and tractor plows. Horses are pretty well things of the past, but we still keep two." With a twinkle he added: "We also hang on to an old oil lamp just in case the electricity fails."

Miss Old Times
He confessed that socially things aren't quite what they used to be. "I miss the old-time neighbourly get-togethers," he said, "but of course, when you're edging 91, most of your cronies have departed this world, and it isn't the easiest thing for an old codger to adjust to new ways."

"There's less time for friendships to develop and ripen nowadays," he declared.

An unwavering Liberal in politics, he anticipates good times for his party. He was an ardent and active supporter of Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King when the former Prime Minister ran in North York in 1921. "Campaigns were lively affairs in those days," he chuckled.

Enjoys Good Health
His slightness of form belies an iron constitution. Still a handsome fellow, it's pretty hard to believe he is not an exceptionally well preserved 75. He told us the only health problem he experienced occurred in 1936. "I fell off a load of hay," he said shaking his head. "Broke my hip, pelvic bone and leg, and was in a cast in hospital three months. For an active man, being laid up that long is real punishment. Still, it could have been worse."

Today, though a little hard of hearing, he considers himself in pretty fair shape. An avid newspaper reader, he faithfully goes through a daily paper and, each week, "The Liberal", which he has been reading since, as he put it, he was a pup.

Married twice, his second wife, the former Lillian Lamb, passed

away in 1947. His first wife, whom he married in 1901, the former Isola Cross, died in 1903. Son Newton, who lives at home, was born from the first union. Other children are Clifford, Russell, Della, Jessie and Myrtle, all married and residents of the district. Russell and his wife the former Mona Mason of Agincourt, also live at home and with Newton farm the land and another 50-acre tract. There are 12 grandchildren.

Mr. Burr's brother, John, a former Richmond Hill resident, passed away two years ago. Sister Olive, now 89, lives in Toronto. The baby sister, Stella (Mrs. Bert Tennyson) lives in Richmond Hill, another sister, Hattie, the former Mrs. William Boynton, has passed on.

The birthday celebration will also include Beverly Burr, daughter of Russell and Mona. Beverly, 21, graduates in home economics from the Ryerson Institute this week and next fall will join the staff at the Bayview Junior High School. Her sister Sandra, 16, will be on hand to help do the honours.

Live And Let Live
Mr. Burr was chary about expressing a definite opinion as to whether the world was getting better or worse. He takes the view that the simple, practical and essential need is to keep on doing the impossible from day to day, tackling and resolving one problem at a time, contributing to neighbourliness, living and let live. "If we hang on to this idea," he said, "we'll be surprised and gratified at our accomplishments."

"The Liberal" joins with Mr. Burr's many friends in wishing this fine citizen, retired successful farmer and gentleman, many happy returns of the day.

\$85,000 In Property Recovered By Police

The value of property recovered by Vaughan Township Police in 1960 is estimated at some \$85,000. This figure includes the approximate value of recovered cars and bikes which accounted for \$66,600.00.

Police Chief J. W. Davidson, in his annual report, said that of the 31 cars stolen in the area, 28 were recovered, while the number of automobiles stolen elsewhere and recovered in the Vaughan area accounted for another 25. Of the 28 bicycles stolen in the area, 22 were turned up by police, and another 9 recoveries of bikes stolen elsewhere but which ended in the township were made.

VICTORIA SQUARE NEWS

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Girl Guides
A badge presentation took place last Thursday evening when the following girls received badges presented by Lieutenant Mrs. N. Johnston. Hostess badges: Mary Miller, Jeanette Lang, Lynda Mery, Cleverly, and Lynda Sherwood. Toy-maker badge: Jeanette Lang; Thrift badge: Judy Varden; Child Nurse badge: Dinah Wilcox, Janet Varley, Cheryl Cochrane, Marilyn Stacey, Judy Varden and Jeanette Lang. The girls wish to thank all the community who helped by ordering cookies. This is the only fund raising project that the girls ask the public to help with.

Mrs. G. Hardie, Mrs. H. Varden, Mrs. C. Wideman, Mrs. N. Johnston, and Mrs. P. Runney, attended the second annual Guides dinner for Guide & Brownie Leaders of York Central Division held last Wednesday evening at the Yantze Pagoda, Richmond Hill. Honoured guests were Mrs. Collins, Central Area Commissioner from Oshawa, who introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. C. Clydale, Provincial Chief Commissioner from St. Marys, Mrs. Clydale gave a colorful description of the workings of the Provincial office. An interesting piece of information was that estimated hours of voluntary leaders, commissioners, local association members, etc., during the past year totalled 1,250,000 hours.

Guides and Brownies
The Local Association of Guides and Brownies will meet at the home of Mrs. R. Wilcox, first house south of the Gormley store on May 10 at 8.30 p.m.

Pink Tea
The Buttonville Local Association has invited the members of the Local Assoc., from here to attend a Pink Tea at the home of Mrs. Gundy, Unionville, on Saturday afternoon, May 6, 3-5 p.m.

Church News
Mr. Royal Moulton, General Secretary of the Ontario Temperance Federation, was in charge of the church service on Sunday morning. He delivered a challenging message on the work of the Ontario Temperance Federation.

On Sunday, May 7th, the church service at Victoria Square will be withdrawn in order that everyone may attend the 19th anniversary services in Brown's Corners United Church. At 11.30 a.m. the guest speaker will be Dr. Bruce G. Gray, M.C., of Kew Beach United Church. At 7.30 p.m. the guest speaker will be the Rev. W. S. Sellers, B.A., B.D., S.T.M., of Newtonbrook United Church. Special music by the choir. Everyone welcome.

There will be Sunday School at Victoria Square at the regular time of 10 a.m. Sunday, May 7. The regular W.M.S. meeting will be held on May 6th, at 2.15 p.m. in the Sunday School room. The Mission Band will provide the programme and Mission Band Graduation ceremonies will also

take place. Mothers of Mission Band and Baby Band members are invited to attend.

It is time to collect good used clothing for the bale to be sent early in June for Overseas Relief.

Spring Rally
The joint rally of the W.M.S. and W.A. will be held in St. Andrew's United Church, Markham, on Tuesday, May 9, from 9.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. The Victoria Square group has been asked to take the worship period and offering. There will be a speaker in the morning and the afternoon session on "The New Organization." Bring a box lunch. Dessert and tea will be provided.

Women's Institute
The May meeting of the Sr. Women's Institute will be held on Tuesday evening, May 9, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Carl Walker in charge of Mrs. John McCague. Roll call is to be answered by "Pay Your Dues". Hostesses: Mrs. R. Brumwell, Mrs. C. Walker and Mrs. A. Frisby.

Couples Club
The members of the Couples Club held a social evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Empringham on Saturday evening.

Candidate For Ministry
Mr. Arthur Storey, having been recommended by the Session of the Victoria Square United Church, was accepted as a candidate for the ministry of the United Church, at the York Presbytery meeting in St. Matthew's United Church on Tuesday, April 25th.

Neighbourhood Notes
This is Mental Health week, you are invited to join with other members across Canada who really CARE what happens to the mentally ill. Would you kindly consider a donation or membership for this important work? If so contact Mrs. Lawson Mumberson at Gormley 5540.

Misses Margaret and Betty Sande attended a birthday party at Alison Shivas' on Monday of last week, to honour her fifth birthday.

Mrs. L. Mumberson told the life history of Francis Jane Crosby to the children in Sunday School on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Morley Ryan and family had Sunday evening dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Beare and family of Cedar Grove.

Jeanie, Keith, Mark and Bruce Rummy attended a birthday party at Christopher Johnston's on Saturday afternoon to honour his sixth birthday.

Birthday greetings to Mark Betty who will be two years old on May 3; to Laurel King who will be four years old on May 4. Mrs. Percy Bennett attended the mother and daughter banquet of the Explorers and Sunbeams at the Unionville United Church last week. She also attended the Family Night held at the Keswick United Church.

Mr. L. L. Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Nichols, and Miss Lillian Nichols attended the Graduation Exercises of the Toronto Bible College, when Desmond Meed fiancee of Lillian, received his Missionary diploma and Child Evangelism diploma.

Mr. Bill Williams was able to leave the hospital in Sunbury, Penn., on Saturday, and came as far as son Douglas' home in Welland, where he will spend a few days before returning to his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bennett and family of Richmond Hill had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Percy Bennett, the occasion being Ray's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Boynton and Patsy called on their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Boynton, at Epsom on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Orr, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Orr and family had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Allan Orr and family to celebrate Alan and Ronald Orr's birthdays.

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517 Criminal Cases Investigated By Vaughan Police Force In 1961

A statistical breakdown of the 517 criminal cases investigated by the Vaughan Township Police during 1960 reveals that of these, 280 were urban cases and 237 rural cases. In alphabetical order the nature and number of cases are as follows: arson, 1; attempted arson, 2; assault causing bodily harm, 6; assault (common), 4; assault (indecent), 11; attempted suicide, 1; attempted entries, 13; break and enter dwellings, 11; break and enter shops, 15; break, enter, theft of dwellings, 60; break, enter, theft of shops, 55; carnal knowledge, 2; criminal negligence, 2; disturbing the peace, 2; driving under suspension, 5; drunk driving, 1; failing to ferry, 0; fraud, 1; impaired driving, 11; indecent exposure, 2; intimidation, 3; malicious damage, 39; manslaughter, 1; possession of burglar tools, 2; possession of stolen goods, 3; prowling by night, 1; procuring abortions, 3; public mischief, 1; rape; attempted, 1; rape, 1; theft, 138; theft

of auto parts, 37; theft of auto radios, 4; theft of bicycles, 28; theft of cars, 31; theft of outboard motors, 2; vagrancy, 1; wounding, 2; mental hospital act cases, 2.

Other
Four fatalities other than traffic deaths occurred and 12 accidents other than traffic. Ten deaths and two suicides were investigated. There were 139 requests for traffic control, and 23 banquet permits were checked. In the same period, the department provided a total of 370 escorts required for funerals, parades, and the safe transferring of mourners. A total of 317 dwellings were under police surveillance and 121 fires were attended. Twenty two complaints concerning dog-molested animals were looked into, and 84 complaints were turned over to the dog control officer. Eighty three domestic complaints were checked out. Finally, general complaints came to a grand total of 1812.