

Thornhill and District News

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Brings \$130,000

With the purchasers reported as being two doctors, the property at John and Yonge Streets in Thornhill has been sold. It is said that the sale price for the six to seven acres was \$130,000. The land has 450 feet frontage on Yonge Street. It is zoned as commercial.

UXBRIDGE TWP. : Glasgow Public School Board has agreed to rehire its lone teacher after a hectic three-hour meeting, at the request of parents. The teacher had earlier submitted his resignation and afterwards withdrew it. Trustees said that the teacher was a good one but was continually offering his resignation.

1961 Class Of Thornhill High School Honour Graduates



The 1961 Honour Graduates of Thornhill High School are shown above at their recent commencement exercises. Front row (left to right): Cherry Allan, Jane Twiss, Lois Davidson, Joanne Wilson, Joanne McLean, Joy Fuller, Vickie Watt, Gillian McTaggart-Cowan, Thelma Haggart, Mary Lou Bowden, Anna Lund, Nancy Hallawell, Lynn Hall. Back row (left to right): Ralph Finkle, Robert Blackburn, Elliot Saunders, Richard Charles, Ronald Stagg, Aimo Manninen, Bob Elliott, Bruce Whyard, Harold Shuster, William Johnstone, Nicholas O'Beirn, Charles Juryn. Absent: Edward Jay, Suzanne Ball, William Cooper, Steven Crutcher, Gregory Harley, Harley Harrison, Patricia McDonald, Catherine Resentera, Jennifer Robinson, Arthur Storey.

Thornhill Notes

Woodland H & S
Group discussions on a variety of topics were the order of the day when Woodland Home and School Association met at the school on November 15th. After the meeting was opened by President Ross Dean, the audience split up into small groups to discuss such things as the hockey rink at the school, the possibility of a general library at the school, the pros and cons of school uniforms, oral French teaching in the schools, should smaller countries get nuclear arms.

Following the meeting, a mimeographed form was sent out by Principal Mr. Learn, and over 100 people were heard from and \$110.00 collected. This will pay for the lumber required and anything further collected will be used for insurance. The meeting felt that a general library in the school, in addition to the classroom libraries would provide a better supply of better books. Raising money for this purpose was discussed briefly and a committee was named to go into it more thoroughly. It was also the feeling of the meeting that there was much to be said for school uniforms - that they would prevent competition and undue consciousness of dress. As the meeting was a comparatively small one

with approximately 35 parents in attendance, it was decided to discuss this matter at future meetings. The meeting was unable to reach any opinion on the question of the spread of nuclear weapons, being about evenly divided for and against. On the teaching of oral French, however, they were all agreed that this was a worthwhile course as this is a bi-lingual country and felt that this should be a standard part of the curriculum throughout the province. The next meeting will be on January 17th and the subject under review will be the musical and physical education program in the area schools.

UNICEF
I am now further advised that the children of Thornhill United Church Sunday School collected a total of \$127.25 for U.N.I.C.E.F. on Halloween. Mrs. Margaret Riley of Elgin Street, who has made herself responsible for this campaign in the Sunday school called to say that all the boxes were now in and the money sent away. As well as distributing the boxes, Mrs. Riley banks the money - she had \$68.00 in pennies to count. The collection this year was up considerably over last year, which she finds very encouraging. With her receipt, U.N.I.C.E.F. headquarters sent her a little booklet describing their work with children suffering from trachoma in Spain. So it could well be that your pennies will be literally "pennies from heaven" to some child and help preserve the incomparable gift of sight.

The Sunday evening service at Thornhill United Church on November 26th featured a colour film produced at the Moody Institute of Science and entitled "The Red River of Life". It was the result of four years' research on the human circulatory system.

Baptist Church News
The Women's Auxiliary of Thornhill Baptist Church held their annual meeting and election of officers at the church on Tuesday evening, November 21. Reports were given by the three group leaders, Mrs. A. McLeod, centre group; Mrs. Wm. Raeburn, south group; and Mrs. R. Goadsby, north group, showing another successful year, both financially and in practical work, with a good attendance at all meetings. Mrs. C. Lawson read the report of the nomination committee and the following were elected unanimously by those present: Past President: Mrs. Wm. McGowan; president: Mrs. R. Jardine; vice-president: Mrs. A. Lennie; secretary, Mrs. H. Elam; treasurer, Mrs. J. Smith; envelope secretary, Mrs. P. Willcocks; group leaders: north group - Mrs. W. Cook, assistant Mrs. Schoppe; centre group - Mrs. R. MacLeod, assistant Mrs. Walker Smoock; south group - Mrs. H. Elam, assistant Mrs. S. Calvert; social convener, Mrs. C. Lawson and Mrs. A. Kent; sewing convener, Mrs. R. Goadsby; flower conveners, Mrs. W. Smoock and Mrs. R. Goadsby. The south group, under the leadership of Mrs. W. Raeburn was in charge of the program. Mrs. R. Knight conducted the devotional period. Mrs. J. S. Calvert and Mrs. H. Elam gave the highlights of their trips to Great Britain last summer. Mrs. Calvert spent three weeks visiting London, Manchester, Edinburgh and North Wales, while Mrs. Elam spent two months visiting the south of England and the Guernsey Channel Islands. A quiz game was conducted by Mrs. Raeburn, followed by delicious refreshments which brought the interesting meeting to a close. The W.A. Christmas meeting will be held with the group at the home of Mrs. A. Kent, Thornbank Rd., Thornhill, on Wednesday evening, December 6th, at 8 p.m. The sewing group under the leadership of Mrs. C. Wilson meets weekly at the church mak-

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Sympathy is extended to Mrs. F. Coombs, Sussex Avenue, on the death of her sister, Mrs. Keith Miller, Toronto. Mrs. Keith Miller celebrated his 10th birthday Friday, November 24. Mr. William Bellamy, Green Lane, is seriously ill at the home of his son at Willowdale. Mr. F. Coombs, Sussex Avenue, is making progress at Sunnybrook Hospital where he underwent surgery recently. Young Women's Institute The December meeting of the Young Women's Institute will be held December 13 at the home of Mrs. Margaret Blow. The Christmas party will be held and the roll call is a gift for a senior citizen. Lunch is in charge of Mrs. Joan Suter and Mrs. Betty Paterson. A coffee party was held at the home of Mrs. K. Percival, Elgin Avenue, Thornhill, November 30 in honour of Mrs. Louise Amone. Mrs. Amone is a candidate for the Board of Trustees of T.S.A. No. 1, Markham. It was due to the efforts of Mrs. Amone that we now have a physical education teacher in this area and also the fact that, if a suitable teacher can be obtained, it is hoped to commence teaching oral French in public schools early in 1962. Mrs. Amone received her B.A. degree at the University of Toronto. As her husband's occupation necessitates his travelling abroad, she has travelled extensively, she has always been active in school work, having been programme chairman for Henderson Avenue home and school. They have three chil-

dren, Terry, in grade 10, Thornhill High School, Veronica, in grade 8, and Peter, in grade 5 at Henderson Avenue School. They have lived in their present home, on Proctor Avenue for four years. The December meeting of the home and school will be a parents' night, the date of which has not yet been set, and will be decided by the distribution of report cards. A notice will be sent home from the school, by the children when the date is set. A bus is now in operation picking up children west of Bayview on No. 7 Highway and transporting them to Thornlea, due to bad walking conditions in this area during the winter. This service is for grades 1 and 2 only, at present. Graduation Banquet Buttenville Women's Institute Hall was the scene of a successful graduation banquet on November 23, when the Thornlea home and school entertained the 1961 graduating class. Mrs. Tyfin, home and school president, welcomed the students, parents, teaching staff and guests and presented Mrs. McQueen with a past president's pin. Dinner was served by the students of grade 8. This was the first year the boys had waited on table. The tables were decorated in the school colours of green and white, with roses donated by Mr. Gordon, Bedford Park Florist, making the table centres. Mrs. Gough was convener for the dinner, assisted by mothers of grade 8 students. Trustee Mackay, a member of the school board, and Maynard Hallman, school inspector, spoke and congratulated the students on their graduation. Mrs. McQueen presented the President's Scholarship Award to David Wright. The Legion Scholarship was presented to Phyllis Frazer by Mr. Sanders, of Branch 375 Royal Canadian Legion. Valedictorian was Christie Terry, each graduate received a school pin. Mr. Anderson, guidance teacher at Thornhill High School, was guest speaker. After the graduation banquet a dance was held. Mr. Kinzinger, principal of Thornlea, acted as master of ceremonies for the evening and gave the closing address. Miss Ann Southward, Ireland Falls, Sask., brought her seven weeks' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Igmondson, to a close and returned to her home, where there is now 41 inches of snow. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Castelletti, formerly of Briggs Avenue, welcomed a baby boy at Bransford Hospital recently. Mr. and Mrs. Castelletti now live at Richmond Hill.

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Rambling Around

By Elizabeth Kelson
SAFETY! SAFETY! SAFETY!
Our Home and School bulletin says that the schools are doing everything possible to teach our children safety, regarding walking against traffic and bicycle riding with traffic. Many of the pupils still do not abide by these rules. If these rules were explained at home by the parents there would be fewer "near" accidents involving children going to and from school. Some children do not seem to realize that a car has the right-of-way on the road and when walking three and four abreast it is wise to form a single line when a car approaches. This also applies to bicycle riders.

BOB HAYNES - - ANYONE FOR JUDO?
Twenty-six year old Bob Haynes, 37 Idleswift Drive, Thornhill, is a Judo expert. So far he has earned his black belt in Ju-Jitsu and Judo and his green belt in Karate (wrestling tricks and punches are featured in this sport). How he has managed to come so far is a long story. While he was attending St. Andrew's College in Aurora, he became so proficient in gymnastics that he wanted to take it up as a way of life. It was natural for him to turn to Defendo and Judo. Bob explained that there was a difference in Defendo and Judo. Defendo is for self-defense and Judo combines sport plus self-defense. So when he was 18 years old, he joined the Defendo Club in North Toronto under Bill Underwood, and became so skilled that he ended up as an instructor. The Saturday Evening Post carried an article, written by Richard Thruelson on the art of Defendo, and Bill Underwood and Bob Haynes were featured in the story. Bob also appeared on Tabloid with the late Dick MacDougal, and he was the subject of a short film illustrating the art of Defendo that made the rounds of the Odeon Theatres in Toronto. At the same time he was perfecting his techniques in Judo and Karate. Bob Haynes has helped to train policemen in the art of self-defence, from North York, Scarborough and Newmarket. Last spring he spent a month in Japan studying the Japanese way of life. "Japanese study judo from an early age," he said, "and I think that's wise. Everybody who is able, should learn how to defend themselves against bodily attack." Bob Haynes has a burning ambition to establish a Judo Club in Richmond Hill. Until he can find suitable quarters, he works in his father's business, the Harry Haynes General Insurance Agency. I hope you do get that club started, Bob! Anything that helps people to take better care of themselves fills a real need.

AND SO TO BED!
The early flowering bulbs must all be planted by this time . . . the crocus . . . hyacinth . . . daffodil and tulip. They have entered their long sleep. The perennials . . . peony . . . lily . . . rose and delphinium are snug under their blankets of straw and leaves. Their welfare is assured by the kindness of the human gardener while Mother Nature looks after her wild children. The hardy plants of forest, woodland and field, when their seed is matured, disappear entirely, not a stem or a dead leaf is left to hint where the star-flower . . . spring beauty . . . violet or Solomon's Seal might be.

November counts almost no flowers under her cold grey skies and upon her bare hills unless perhaps a few hardy plants linger such as the wild aster or a weazened spray of golden rod. Like any wise mother, loving Nature folds away her flower children before the night of winter has well begun. She covers their sleeping forms with blankets of leaves as the robins once covered "The Babes In The Wood." Then we see no more of them abroad save for a few disobedient stragglers who already look worn and hungry from not following the good custom of the family.

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The American Medical Association points out that one of the meanest crooks on record today is the medical "quack." The men with the phoney cures and bogus remedies, the useless "health" foods and the trick electrical gadgets fleece the North American public of a billion dollars every year. Some of the quack products actually are harmful; others are harmless, but also are useless.
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