LIFE IN THE HILL

Editor Margot Crack

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Addison entertained at a tea on Wednesday last at their home in King for lady Liberals from Richmond Hill.

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Mr. A. E. Plewman, Arnold Street, is leaving by air on Good Friday, for a five month's visit to his daughter, **Mrs. E. Warrington** in Birmingham, England

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Canvassers for the Richmond Hill Unit of the Canadian Cancer Society urge all residents to read the literature they leave when making their calls. It contains vital facts on the subject of cancer of interest to the whole family.

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The Mothers' Auxiliary of the **Church Boys League of St. Mary's Anglican Church,** ask parishioners to keep in mind the **Rummage Sale** which will be held in Wrixon Hall, on Saturday, May 12th, at 2 p.m. For pick up call TU. 4-2118 or TU.-4-4386.

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An Evening of Klondike Fun!

Fun! Gifts galore! Games! Door prizes! The International Students Steel Band from the West Indies! **All for one dollar!** Sponsoring this evening of fun are the **Richmond Hill Rotary Club** with net proceeds going to the International Students Centre Building Fund. Make a note of the date, May 5th, at the Lion's Hall, Centre Street East.

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Mildred Graham, ten year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Graham, Browndale Crescent is at present a patient at York County Hospital, Newmarket, recovering from third degree burns incurred during an accident at her home. Mildred, a pupil at Our Lady Help of Christians School, is now making satisfactory progress, and able to receive visitors.

All her friends send their good wishes, and look forward to her return home.

Mr. Hugh Yerex recently returned from a ten day trip to Vancouver.

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Mrs. W. Wellman left for her home at Cameron, Ontario, on Tuesday last, having spent a few days at the home of **Mrs. W. Sayers,** Centre Street.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rabinowitch were hosts to a meeting at their home on Kerrybrook Drive on Tuesday last, to the interim committee of the Richmond Hill group of interested citizens, who plan to participate in the financial campaign of the **Canadian Peace Research Institute,** headed by Dr. Norman Z. Alcock, former nuclear physicist.

Following discussion of plans for the local campaign, coffee was served.

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Through the excellent cooperation of the **Richmond Hill Public Library,** the **M.T.H. Musical Club** has had available to them several books dealing with music, musical instruments, composers etc. The members of the group along with its founder **Miss Ruth Garson,** A.D.C.M. are most grateful to **Mr. Israel,** and the members of his staff at the Library for their assistance and interest.

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The prize winning play **"Don't Listen Ladies",** which had such a successful run at the theatre prior to its triumphant showing at the Drama Festival, will be playing at **Hart House May 3, 4 and 5th,** before being taken to Winnipeg for the finals of the Dominion Drama Festival.

Tickets for the Hart House showing may be obtained from members of the Curtain Club, or by phoning TU. 4-2107, and are $1.50. If you missed "Don't Listen Ladies" when it was in Richmond Hill, now is your chance to see the play that the adjudicator described as a "superb and brilliant production, with almost flawless casting".

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bettles, Richmond Street, have returned after holidaying at St. Petersburg Beach, Florida.

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Miss Joan Leonard, 178 Lawrence Avenue, Richmond Hill, left by air, Saturday, April 14th for a six week training course at the American Air-line Stewardess College, Fort Worth, Texas. Prior to her leaving, she had been given parties in Beaverton and Willowdale.

Miss Leonard is one of **Canada's Dancing Majorettes.**

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Stardom For Sandy

Sandra (Sandy) Celsie, daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. A. Celsie,** is being groomed for stardom by a U.S. recording company.

Sandy returned home recently from Nashville, Tenn., where she signed a five year singing contract with Columbia records.

The company is planning an extensive public appearance tour for her in the United States.

Her first record, Date with Loneliness and Poorest Girl in Town was to be released in Canada this month.

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St. Matthew's United Church Women held their regular monthly meeting in the church last Tuesday evening and had as their guest speaker, **Mrs. Douglas Marshall,** a member of the panel of speakers of the **Canadian Peace Research Institute.**

Mrs. Marshall told of the founding of the institute by Dr. Norman Z. Alcock, former nuclear physicist, and expressed the hope that the citizens of Richmond Hill will support the coming financial campaign, to provide funds to establish a research centre in an eastern Canadian university, where Dr. Alcock and a group of scientists may study on a full time basis, the problems concerning peace and war.

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Our Lady Queen of the World C.W.L. elected their officers for the 1962-63 season at the regular monthly meeting held on April 11. The officers installed by Father F. C. Robinson were: President - H. F. O'Toole, 1st Vice-President - Mrs. R. Carter, 2nd Vice-President Mrs. C. Englehutt, 3rd Vice-President Mrs. V. Hanna, Correspondence Secretary Mrs. P. McConvey, Recording Secretary Mrs. J. Hornett, Treasurer Mrs. P. Killean, Councillors - Mrs. J. Bryan, Mrs. J. Fraser, Mrs. J. Tucker, Mrs. W. Parker, Mrs. M. St. Louis, Mrs. R. Brunsfield, Mrs. D. Reynolds, Mrs. Zetka, Mrs. J. Walsh, Mrs. C. Wilson, Mrs. Oude-Reimerink.

Arrangements were made for a rummage sale to be held April 28th with Mrs. T. Ormesher as convenor.

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The monthly meeting of the **1st Richmond Hill Scout Mothers Auxiliary** was held April 11th at the Scout Hall.

The main topic discussed was the May dinner to be held at the Summit View Restaurant. The speaker will be **Mr. Tweedle.**

Mrs. Mollye Brown gave a most interesting talk on the "Share a Loaf" plan to assist the hungry people in other underprivileged countries. Mrs. Brown was presented with a small donation of money by the group for her work.

A new member, **Mrs. Lena Vestanin** was welcomed to the meeting.

Refreshments were served by **Mrs. M. Metcalfe and Mrs. B. Curtis.**

Last Saturday morning, April 14th, the ladies auxiliary served refreshments at the Scout Hall to approximately forty boys and several fathers, after their annual bottle drive.

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There was a breath of spring at La Cantina Restaurant on Thursday last when members of **Richmond Rollers** held their annual **Bowling Banquet.** The usual bowling habit was replaced by smart spring ensembles and gay chapeaus, and a feeling of anticipation was in the air, as fifty-five members sat down to enjoy one of Mel's excellent chicken dinners, followed by the customary presentation of prizes.

Mrs. C. Stunden presided, and winners were as follows: **Vera Shropshire,** high average; **Det Palmer,** high three flat; **Peg Weideman,** high single; **Mae Walker,** high three handicap; **Pat Smith,** high single handicap.

Nine of the girls who had never missed a day of bowling were presented with a bouquet of roses, as was **Mrs. E. Maltby** who was the guest of honor.

Favours were given to each member, and team prizes were all very attractive but practical ranging from blankets to hassocks.

Nominations were held for next season, the new executive being; President, **D. Stunden;** 1st Vice President, **M. Blackburn;** 3nd Vice President, **Ruth Voight;** Secretary, **M. Bell,** and treasurer, **M. Walker.**

Word has been received from **Mrs. E. Chapman,** who has spent the winter months in Arizona, that she is now enjoying a leisurely trip home. Accompanied by her brother, they will be visiting relatives en route.

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A speedy recovery is wished **Mrs. Hilda Hudson** of Ruggles Avenue who is at present a patient in Western Hospital, Main Ward, Room 9, where she has recently undergone two eye operations.

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Everyone enjoys reading "Life in the Hill" - why not contribute your news items? Easter visitors, birthday or anniversary celebrations, wedding showers or holiday news all make interesting reading and the editor, Margot Crack, would appreciate hearing from you. Call us at TU.-4-1105, drop us a note by post or call in anytime during the week, we'll be glad to hear from you.

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The April meeting of the **3rd Richmond Hill Cub and Scout Ladies Auxiliary** was held at the home of **Mrs. A. Frank,** when plans for the forthcoming father and son banquet on April 25th were discussed and finalized.

The next meeting of the auxiliary will be held at the home of **Mrs. J. Burns,** 317 Bluegrass Blvd., in the evening of Wednesday, May 2nd. In addition to the business session, a social card party will be included, at which a large attendance is anticipated.

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With a thought of Easter in their minds, the members of **St. Gabriels Friendship Circle** met to complete the decorating of their Easter eggs. The regular program of exercises was performed.

Mrs. Betty Gilpin read from the book "Lift Up Your Heart". Coffee was served by **Mrs. Billy Sambrook** and **Mrs. Eileen Apps.** A play, "Wanted a Leader" was discussed and is being presented by the ladies of St. Gabriel Church at St. Mary's Anglican Church Deanery meeting on the afternoon of May 1st. This play is written and directed by **Mrs. Dorothy Price.**

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With the day of the **rummage sale** fast approaching the women of **St. Matthew's United Church** are making final plans for this annual spring event to be held this year on April 28. Contributions are still being picked up. Clothing, books, china and jewellery, household articles and furniture will be among the many items offered for sale. Phone TU. 4-3611 if you have rummage to contribute.

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First You Build It - Then You Perform On It!

An admiring audience—son Paul—daughter Jean—dog Taffy—and Mrs. Sanderson look on as Harold Sanderson plays on the electronic organ he has just finished building. (Photo by Lagerquist.)

By F. J. Picking

If on Easter Sunday morning you happen to be on Church Street North in Richmond Hill and hear an organ pouring out the strains of the grand old hymn "Welcome, Happy Morning . . .," chances are good that it will be the chairman of the Hill's public school board, Harold Sanderson, giving forth.

And, if you do hear it, there are a couple of things which you should realize. First, that it isn't one of those "they laughed when I sat down to play" performances. For Harold Sanderson, self-taught, can really manipulate the keys. Secondly, he has done something that few organists can lay claim to. He built the organ on which he plays—an electric one.

They tell me it was quite an event when, after hours of finicky labour, the organist and builder turned on the juice and the first squeak went through the house. The report is that wife and kids and dog came a-running to see what miracle had here been wrought.

It Needed Patience

And a miracle it was—a miracle of patience. A hundred and thirty-five hours went into the assembling of the innards of the two-manual electronic instrument, with its two 61-note keyboards. Another six weeks went into the beautifully tooled mahogany case—a work of art worthy of any professional cabinet-maker. The instrument was built from one of the ubiquitous "do it yourself" kits now available, it seems, for anything from a lawn-mower to a space ship.

(Incidently, if instead of an Easter hymn you hear "Love is a many-splendored thing" it will still be ex-choir-member Sanderson. I heard it at the musicale staged to demonstrate the fact that besides cutting school budgets the organ-builder can cut quite a figure at the console.)

Facts and figures, naturally, don't tell the full story and give the full impact of a labour of love, but they do serve to illustrate what a big job was undertaken in building the organ. For instance, eight hundred feet of wiring went into the instrument. There are fifty radio tubes. The number of tiny dabs of solder is legion. There are 122 keys switches with four resistors on each one. A look into the inside of the handsome instrument through the back reminds one of the internal organs of a dial telephone exchange.

Now another "dingus" is being built to go into the organ. When completed — and again there seem to be thousands of little spots of solder to be placed—it will expand the musical effects which can be obtained. The organ, for instance, can double as a harpsichord.

There was, naturally, one obvious question which had to be asked—"Why did you do it?" The answer was simple and complete. "Because I have always wanted an organ." Incidentally, it turned out that the organ was by no means an inexpensive thing to build but, even at that, it cost only approximately half of that of a factory-built one.

Church Street's organist spent sixteen years in the United Church choir. He admitted that during that time he sneaked in a few hours of buckshee practice on the church organ. The rest of his ability was developed through sheer stick-to-itiveness. Other members of the family play too. Daughter Jean and son Paul are pianists but apparently would rather play on the organ than the instrument they are supposed to practice on. So far, she has resisted temptation, Mrs. Sanderson, who is a pianist, said.

More Culture For Hill

That the Hill has far more than a normal share of experts in many cultural lines has been obvious for a long time. In painting, in architecture, in silversmithing, in acting in other lines of artistic endeavour the town on the hilltop has had to take second place to few. So far it hasn't won, to my knowledge, any awards for organ building or organ playing. But as far as Harold Sanderson's endeavour is concerned that doesn't count. He's had his reward — is still having it — in the happiness of creating one of those things of beauty which, according to Keats the poet, is a joy forever.

E. & A. McKinnon Sale Realizes High Prices

"Going, going, gone — sold for $400" called veteran auctioneer Alvin S. Farmer, knocking down one of the 40 head of accredited Holstein cows to a top bidder at the sale of Elmer and Arthur McKinnon's Farm at Maple Road and Highway 400, on April 12th.

High prices were realized, with yearling heifers selling from $150 to $175. Machinery also sold well, with the Oliver tractor sold at $2,100, with $2,200 bid for the combine, and $325 for the drill. Grain oat realized 80c a bushel, and hay 23c a bale. This sale started at 12.30 and finished at 5.30 p.m.

Senior Citizens' Apartment Bldg.

One hundred and twenty attended the April meeting of the Senior Citizens' Club of Richmond Hill. The guest speaker Mr. E. M. Nichols, proposed a "Senior Citizens' Apartment" building for those 60 years and over, built by the United Co-operatives of Ontario, 90% of the cost to be assumed by federal government, and 5% by the provincial government.

The speaker stated that already the firm has built in Dundalk, Orillia, and many other towns. Three ways of promotion are: interest of the municipal council; a survey by provincial government to prove the need; a sponsoring group to take over part of the cost.

Rents are $45.00 per single and $55.00 per couple. 45 years of tenancy pays the full cost, when the municipality owns the building. Upper income allowed a single tenant is $2,100 or less — a couple, $2,700 or less. Every convenience is provided, with tenant paying for his own hydro. The club executive was elected to study the subject. The speaker was thanked by Mr. William Medhurst.

Mrs. G. Langley, who is moving from Richmond Hill, received hearty thanks for her four years of service. Mrs. I. Marsden reported on the next fall bazaar. The club's picnic will be held at Peterborough late in June.

Mr. Sheahan announced "no bowling" on Good Friday, and that the bowling club will close in May with a turkey dinner. Mrs. Jean Maulner, soloist and Mr. J. Ward, elocutionist, entertained. Refreshments were served.

NEWMARKET : Council has reaffirmed a decision that basements of residences or other buildings under construction in Newmarket may not be used, pending completion of the whole structure. An application for permission to construct a basement of a Gospel Hall, with services to be held there until the whole building was completed, was refused.

Teen Town

RICHMOND HILL

by Joan Buchanan

For two consecutive Saturday nights Teen Town will be offering a sneak preview of a new brand of entertainment. Thats on April 21st and 28th.

This Saturday night, records from the top ten will be given as prizes for spot dances. Also Saturday night will conclude Garry Antony's term until the fall.

On the 28th there will be a "Route to Rhythm", featuring live entertainment and rhythm and blues music.

This will be an entirely new Teen Town — only the name remains the same.

Peace Research Group Form Speakers Panel

A group of local interested residents have formed a steering committee in order to lay plans to promote the current fund raising campaign being staged across Canada on behalf of the Canadian Peace Research Institute, headed by Dr. Norman Z. Alcock.

It is hoped that Dr. Alcock with six scientist associates, will be enabled to start work this fall in a research centre in an eastern Canadian university for the purpose of studying the problems of war and peace.

The Richmond Hill Peace Research Committee will be meeting this week to set up its executive officers and begin organizing for the local fund raising campaign.

In the meantime, a panel of qualified speakers is available to church groups, service clubs and any community organizations that may be interested in receiving information and asking questions about the Canadian Peace Research Institute. If you would like to have a speaker address your group (even if it be just six people) kindly call Mrs. J. A. Sutherland, TU. 4-2883, who will gladly arrange it for you.

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The Real Issue On April 28th ,,,,

The real issue facing our citizens on April 28th is whether or not we want to open up our town to the indiscriminate establishment of liquor outlets. We have heard a great deal about a promised "prestige" hotel but the very important fact remains our town council has no legal guarantee that such a hotel will ever be built. What we are really being asked to do on April 28th is to approve the sale of liquor by the glass in cocktail lounges and restaurants throughout our fair town under the jurisdiction of an outside authority. If we vote yes we are simply abdicating our precious heritage of local autonomy to a provincially appointed body located in Toronto.

LET'S NOT LOSE OUR LOCAL AUTONOMY AND CONTROL

VOTE NO, ON APRIL 28th.

Are you in favour of the sale of liquor under a dining lounge licence for consumption with meals on licensed premises?	YES	
	NO	X

Are you in favour of the sale of liquor under a lounge licence for consumption on licensed premises?	YES	
	NO	X

You are cordially invited to attend a public meeting being held on Tuesday, April 24th at 8 p.m. in the Richmond Hill Public Library. Come out and hear your fellow citizens discuss this vital public issue.

RICHMOND HILL "VOTE NO" COMMITTEE

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