

Thornhill and District News

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"The Liberal" is always pleased to publish items of interest contributed by its readers in the Thornhill area. Our representative in Thornhill is Mrs. Margaret McLean, who may be reached by phoning AV. 5-2331.

Thornhill Notes

Social Notes
 Ray Willocks, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Willocks received a degree in electrical engineering from the University of Michigan last week. Ray is a graduate of Richmond Hill High School. His parents went to Ann Arbor to see the graduation ceremony. They say there were 500 Canadian students at the university this past year.

Jenlise June and Janette Joy, infant twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Elgin McKibbin of 12 Erica Road, were baptized at Thornhill Presbyterian Church on Sunday afternoon, June 3. Following the ceremony, some forty-odd guests returned to the McKibbin home for a Christening party.

The twins are now six months old, just starting to notice each other, and Mrs. McKibbin insists they are so good, the two of them are no more trouble than one baby, although she admits there are times when she wishes she had five hands!

There will be great excitement around 25 Colborne St. at the beginning of August. P. O. Peter Zinkan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Galther Zinkan has been posted back to Canada as the former Sylvia Sommerville, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Sommerville, 56 Centre Street, Thornhill. We expect, however,

that the young couple will not receive half as much attention as will small daughter Sonya Lee when she is introduced to her two excited grandmothers for the first time. Lee was born in Metz, France, and will be a year old in September.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Percival and family of Elgin Street, returned recently from a pleasant stay in Barbados. They flew direct to Bermuda and Antigua and after just a brief stop, went on to Barbados.

Barbados is an island 26 miles long and 13 miles wide with only one city, Bridgetown. The Percivals stayed just outside the city and had a leisurely holiday, enjoying swimming in the surf and touring the island, as well as a trip to the harbor where they watched sugar ships loading.

Auxiliary Tea
 The garden tea held by the Thornhill Branch of the York Central District Hospital Auxiliary on June 20th was a happy event in Thornhill and attracted over 200 people.

The tea was held in the adjoining gardens of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Parker and Mr. and Mrs. John Sumner. The gardens were at their June best and caused much comment. A tea table was set up in each garden. The one in the Parker garden was decorated with a lovely arrangement of pink peonies, while at the Sumner's the table had a bouquet of mixed garden flowers. Both arrangements were the work of Mrs. H. Stafford, as were the charming corsages worn by those pouring tea.

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Some seventy-five children received their graduation awards at the closing exercises of the Thornhill Presbyterian Church Sunday School held on June 17th. The children were presented their awards from Professor J. Stanley Glen of Knox College, Toronto. (Photo by David Barbour)

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Notice To Creditors AND OTHERS

IN THE ESTATE OF RALPH WIDEMAN, deceased.

All persons having claims against the above Ralph Wideman, who died on August 13, 1961, are notified to send particulars to the undersigned on or before July 5, 1962, after which date the Estate will be distributed with regard only to the claims of which the undersigned shall then have notice.

Dated at Toronto this 31st day of May, 1962.

William Selby Pocknell, Executor, by his Solicitors, WILLIS & DINGWALL, 4 King St. W., Suite 1400, Toronto 1, Ontario

Highland Park

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Last week Henderson School was successful in winning top honors in the Area Field Day. Capturing top spots were Veronica Almone, senior girl, Rod Snider, senior boy, and with three firsts, and Bill Fleming placed second.

There was much excitement this week as Grade 8 students left by bus for Toronto Union Station on their way to Ottawa. They were accompanied by other Grade 8 students in the area and seasonal teachers. Elaine Hall is in hospital for ear surgery.

T.S.A. No. 1 Markham

Noisy Legislature Disillusions Pupils

"Our member appeared hardly adequate. The Liberals were passing around candies during the debate," were the comments of one member of the special class for gifted students in T.S.A. No. 1, Markham, after a visit to Queen's Park.

The children had been asked to write in their own words their evaluation of the class and of the various trips they had made. The trip to the legislative assembly at Queen's Park drew the most comment. "I never thought adults would be so rude to each other," stated another student.

One class was started in 1960 and there are now two classes, consisting of brighter than average children in grades 7 and 8. Mr. E. Sand the supervising principal has been the pilot for the project and he and Mr. K. Kinzinger have conducted the classes for one half day each week. They reported on the classes at the June 12 meeting of the board of T.S.A. No. 1, Markham.

"The aim of the project was to provide enrichment for the children which they are unable to get in the regular classes; to broaden their experiences and to develop skills in human relationships and to develop leadership in basic research techniques.

The program is basically a discussion type, led as far as possible by the children. The program was not pre-planned but the teachers tried to discover the interests of the group and take advantage of these interests.

The children were introduced to a type of mathematics not familiar to them and this culminated in a visit to the IBM Plant. There was considerable formal debating and the children were introduced to various types of governments, studied parliamentary procedure, formed a mock parliament and then visited Queen's Park — where their illusions were evidently shattered.

Considerable debating was done on various occupations and the building business was thoroughly investigated with visits to an engineer's office and an architect. The children each did a research essay on a famous person and began a study of the psychology of advertising.

The grade 7 students went to the library and the art gallery, took part in debates, started news files, did a book report and visited the Copp Clark Plant to see a book manufactured. There was also much discussion of their hobbies.

Children are chosen for the classes by the general testing program throughout the school system. Pupils were identified according to their I.Q. and those with an I.Q. over a selected figure were put in the special classes.

I.Q. Tests

Mr. Sand reported however that there is still a problem of identifying children who should be in the classes. "Principals tell us that some children in a class are making higher marks than others who are in the special class. We have discussed this point and haven't

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Congregational Picnic, held at Mrs. McLaren's farm on the German Mills Rd. Assembly was at 2 p.m. when Rev. Howden welcomed the families. He thanked God for many wonderful blessings and asked for guidance throughout the day.

Children of all ages were full of pep and eagerly awaited the race for their age bracket. Following the children's races "family participation" events were held. The various types of activity were lots of fun and created a good deal of laughter.

At one point ladies' shoes were flying high in the air — almost as if they had gone into orbit! It was apparent that some teen-age daughters could dress their fathers in a smock quite capably. Some were neatly arrayed but some Dads were rather tall and looked scantly clad.

All was so quiet when the puppets took over in a wonderful show. The children were fascinated but they no doubt wondered why they are reprimanded for the slightest misdeed when with such rough ways, they were as follows:

Girls, 6 & 7: 1st, Mary McLean, 2nd, Judy McLean, 3rd, Penny Stevenson.

Boys, 6 & 7: 1st, Ronald Elvidge, 2nd, Robert Adams, 3rd, Rowland Stow.

Girls, 8 & 9: 1st, Louise Duder, 2nd, Catherine Bryden, 3rd, Marilyn Elvidge.

Boys, 8 & 9: 1st, Bradley Price, 2nd, Jimmy Hudema, 3rd, Ken Moore.

Girls, 10 & 11: 1st, Cathy Hudema, 2nd, Gillian Duder, 3rd, Pam Whitehead.

The June show was a tremendous success with a record number of entries all of excellent quality. The Peonies were past their prime, but the other flowers and arrangements more than made up the difference. The society was honoured to have Mr. and Mrs. C. Wilson of Willowdale (both accredited rose judges) to judge and Mr. Wilson stayed to comment. It is quite a number of years since the Wilsons have visited the Thornhill Society but they are most certainly responsible for the interest shown by many here in the growing and showing of Roses.

The largest number of entries was in the arrangements class "Summer Snow", an all white arrangement. Several members brought along flowers for display only — these included a display of Floribunda Roses from the Stothers garden on No. 7 Highway, immediately west of the pond, a lovely basket of Peonies and a very lucious looking Head Lettuce from Mr. Whalley's garden.

A report was given of the very successful garden visit of the previous week, and others planned.

The speaker of the June meeting was Mr. Murray Peart of the United Co-operatives of Ontario who spoke on "Fertilizers". It was a most informative talk on the composition of soils. We were told that the fertilizers compose only 5% of requirements. First develop the physical soil structure with humus, compost or some decomposing organic matter to provide air and water retention, then study the requirements of that particular soil and add commercial fertilizers only after very carefully reading the labels. He pointed out that what we really pay for is the extensive study that goes into the production of these fertilizers.

A brief question and answer period followed this talk. The July meeting will be held in the Thornhill United Church — the new home of the society meetings. It will feature a Delphinium Show and a film followed by refreshments. This will be on July 10th.

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