

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

C.W.L. News
Mrs. Clare Moore, chairman of the White Cross Volunteers of the Canadian Mental Health Association was the guest speaker at the November 19th meeting of the St. Luke's Catholic Women's League. The meeting was held in the auditorium of St. Luke's School.

Mrs. Irene Lodge introduced the speaker who told of visiting the White Cross workers who have been doing for 40 years. She described the approved homes where mental patients stay. The speaker who told of visiting the White Cross workers who have been doing for 40 years. She described the approved homes where mental patients stay.

Holy Trinity
Winner of the silent auction at the Round the World Fair held recently at Holy Trinity was Mr. R. V. Tyson. His guess of 4,690 beans in the jar came closest to the actual number - 4,811. Mrs. Sally Smith had the job of counting the beans, which she did at odd times, she said. Mr. Tyson's prize was a lovely blue hand-made woollen stole, made and donated by Mrs. H. C. Kent. The auction produced \$25.00 for the work of the Guild. So both Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Kent made a worthwhile contribution.

Incidentally, in last week's account of the fair, I neglected to mention that there were two "French" artists on hand sketching portraits. Jo Byford turned out lovely watercolour portraits in almost nothing flat for \$1.00 and Joan Timmins made charming charcoal sketches of numerous youngsters, which I know will be treasured by many proud parents.

Teaching by means of machines, films, charts, records and even blocks. The devices are used mainly in the teaching of arithmetic, spelling and grammar. They are a method of drilling in these subjects which is fascinating instead of boring to the children - in some cases they have preferred this kind of work instead of watching TV. The machines do the drill with much less trouble and the teacher doesn't come between the learner and his subject.

Mr. Meneer has produced his own film strips and showed the audience one on arithmetic. One frame gives the question, the children write their answer and then the next frame gives the correct answer. Mr. Meneer said he has had as many as 300 children doing this in an auditorium and was able to feel the wave of excitement pass over the group as they got the answers. He expressed the opinion that in another 20 years we would all be using this kind of teaching and would depend on these methods just as much as we now depend on books. In pointing out the large field that existed, Mr. Meneer noted that 70% of the world's twelve year olds have never mastered arithmetic. "A nation-wide effort is needed to challenge children," he stated. "We need to revise our thinking on children."

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4th Thornhill Cubs & Scouts
On Thursday evening, November 22nd, the mothers' auxiliary of the 4th Thornhill Cubs and Scouts convened in the board room of the Thornhill Presbyterian Church. A very congenial hour was spent by discussing which time the mothers had the opportunity of seeing the following new Cubs invested: John Malone, Ricky Hopper, Gregory Lee and David Sheldrake.

Those attending the Thornhill home and school meeting mentioned above were glad to see Mrs. Clayton Atkinson of 226 Arnold Avenue out at a meeting for the first time since her recent long illness. She may be a little slowed down, but it was easy to see that she was still fighting, and her sense of humour remains intact. Hurrah for Mary - and for all those other good people, who shall be nameless, but who have helped her on the road to recovery.

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Talking Shop

(with Doris FitzGerald)

Convenient and Comfortable Shopping

Have you ever gone all the way to Toronto to buy something and later found you could have done this in Thornhill? Many district residents have made this discovery, and we canny ones now look around the village shops before bucking the crowds in town. Harley's Pharmacy is a treasure trove of good brand name products suitable for gifts to favourite people. Candy, cigarettes, pen and pencil sets, cameras and films, transistor radios, heating pads and cosy electric blankets are articles that would be appreciated by friends of all ages. There there are shelves full of the fragrant perfumes and fine toilet preparations beloved by women, boxed cosmetics put up especially for the pre-teens set, and a good choice of colognes, lotions and powders that appeal to men. Other gift possibilities noticed were electric, or battery powered shavers, nylon stockings, toys and books for youngsters, and rattles, bibs and bottle warmers for babies. Hal Harley also has a large assortment of attractive Christmas cards, gay wrappings, ribbons and novelties. First and foremost, however, Mr. Harley is a prescription specialist. If you need medicine your doctor can telephone him and it will be delivered to your door.

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Following this, while enjoying the coffee and cake provided by Mrs. Shirley Hopper, the auxiliary discussed future meetings and the choice of refreshments at the Christmas party which will be given by the Cub and Scout leaders for the youngsters on December 13th.

Name Miss Cindy Perry Co-Ed Correspondent

Miss Cindy Perry of Thornhill has been made Co-Ed Correspondent for the 1962-63 school year at Thornhill Secondary.

He Will Gift-Wrap Your Purchases Too

As this goes to press John F. Cole is making his first bid for the office of Thornhill Village Trustee. However, win or lose, it is business as usual for this public spirited young man. Never has his jewellery store looked more festive, nor been so filled with desirable gifts for Christmas. Do drop in to have a look at the handsome watches, travel clocks, jewel boxes, rings, rosaries, costume jewellery, Hummel figurines silver, china and glassware. And give him your good wishes too. If he is not elected this year he should be encouraged to try again.

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Thornhill Home & School
At a well attended meeting November 27th, members of the home and school association heard an interesting and enlightening address by Mr. David Meneer, principal of Manhattan Public School in Scarborough, on the subject of programmed learning.

The term programmed learning actually means the use of teaching devices and includes several methods of automatic

AURORA: Reeve Clarence Davis
Aurora, considered a candidate for warden in York County, was returned to the post by acclamation for 1963.

Talking Turkey

Every expert likes to discuss his specialty and for long-time butcher H. W. "Ace" Clarke this is Meat. Across the counter of his immaculate shop he is always glad to give advice and helpful suggestions to customers about the various cuts and their uses. Though he cuts to order and sells only Red Brand beef and other quality meats, his prices are most reasonable, and include free delivery. "I already he is busy with Christmas orders. "I will have a full line of choice fresh killed turkeys and capons," he said, "and my customers know that by ordering early they will be sure of getting exactly the right size bird, be it large or small, and they will also avoid wearisome last minute shopping."

H. W. "Ace" CLARKE 7717 Yonge St., Thornhill
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(STAFF PHOTO)

Moving To Larger Quarters

We heard some interesting news when picking up a dress at Thornhill Cleaners and Tailoring the other day. Mr. Samuel Singer, the proprietor, told us that after Christmas he plans to move a stone's throw north, to 7726 Yonge St., the store formerly occupied by Scanlon's Bakery. He explained that the present shop in which he has been for eight years is now too small. In the new premises he will have a more adequate fitting room for the suits and coats he tailors, and remodels, so expertly, and there will also be better parking. Mr. Singer expects to be established in his new quarters on December 26, and will be offering some "opening specials" to mark the occasion. We hope all the customers he has served so well over the years will be in to take advantage of them, and to wish him continued success.

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New Minister Arrives

Getting settled in their Thornhill home after a move of over 3,000 miles are Rev. and Mrs. A. I. Higgins who arrived here recently from Victoria, B.C. Mr. Higgins is the new minister at Thornhill United Church. He was formerly at First United in Victoria.

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AURORA: Reeve Clarence Davis
Davis has announced he will be a candidate for the 1963 wardenship of York County. Next year Aurora will celebrate its centennial. The town had its last county warden in 1953.

TOWNSHIP OF MARKHAM TENDERS FOR

Collection and Disposal of Garbage, Ashes and Refuse

Sealed tenders plainly marked as to contents will be received by the undersigned until 12 o'clock noon E.S.T. on Monday, December 10th, 1962, for the Collection and Disposal of Garbage, Ashes and Refuse, in a certain area of the Township of Markham, for a two year period January 1st, 1963 to January 1st, 1965.

Tenders must be made on standard form which can be obtained at the office of the undersigned.

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D. Miklas, P. Eng., Township Engineer, Township of Markham, R. R. 2, Gormley, Ont.

Revenue Up But Thornhill Pool Shows Loss

Even with revenue from the pool up some \$800.00 over last year, the financial statement presented by the treasurer, J. D. Jarrell, at the November 30th annual meeting of the area recreation committee, at St. Luke's School, showed a loss of between five and six hundred dollars. This is in contrast to last year's operation when the net loss was \$4,700, due to extensive repairs to the deck of the pool.

Increased revenues at the pool were mainly from swimming classes, and sale of family season tickets. Some 1,300 children were enrolled in the swimming classes. As well as the area schools, the children came from Richmond Hill, Maple, Woodbridge, Pine Grove, and King.

The pool's new manager, Mr. John Hanna, gave a comprehensive report on the operation of the swimming pool during the past summer. He reported that a firmer disciplinary attitude was taken to both the public and the staff which resulted in much less rowdiness and greater staff efficiency. The pool was operated with three fewer people but high standards of public safety were maintained. There were approximately 100 minor injuries sustained at the pool, cuts, scrapes and bleeding noses for the most part. Ten swimmers required stitches for cuts caused by swimming into the sides of the pool.

Unit and was pronounced A1 on all but one occasion. Mr. Hanna stated that they were most disappointed in the results of the Red Cross swimming examinations. Out of 200 candidates only 40 juniors, five intermediates and three seniors passed. It was felt that the standards were very much higher and great emphasis was placed on style. In previous years when examinations were given by a member of the pool staff the ability to do the stroke and go the distance was sufficient for a pass. This year, however, if a candidate failed to satisfy the examiner in any part of the test, he was not permitted to continue and was failed.

The Royal Lifesaving Society examinations were held August 28 and September 1 and 90 per cent of these candidates passed. Five people won their Award of Merit, 11 their Bronze Medallion and two their Intermediate Certificate.

In his recommendations, Mr. Hanna suggested that in future only Red Cross Qualified Assistant Instructors be used at the pool and that unsuccessful candidates be given a certificate showing in what parts of the examination they were successful. He also suggested that it should be arranged to have a Red Cross supervisor check over the program and progress of the students by mid-July each year.

Other recommendations included in the manager's report were that the front walk be paved, the front steps repaired, a new trophy case be provided, adequate bicycle racks be provided to prevent hazardous and untidy condition at the front entrance, that a spotlight and two new underwater lights be provided, that the pool close on Labour Day unless the weather is very promising, and that University students be given the advantage of student rates.

President J. P. Loughran thanked Mr. Hanna for his report and stated that the committee had been very pleased with the operation of the pool by Mr. Hanna and his assistant, Mr. Brian McLean. He said the committee had looked into the recommendations and he felt that they would all be carried out.

Mr. J. Flannagan, assistant commissioner, gave the report of the Thornhill and

The life guards made 11 rescues during the season, but none of these persons required treatment of any kind. The staff made a survey of previous rescues and found that there were three danger areas at the deep end of the pool. The guards were instructed to pay particular attention to these and of the nine rescues at the deep end, eight were in these predetermined spots.

Thefts at the pool were comparatively rare with only three bicycles reported stolen during the summer. There were 11 patrons caught looting season passes to others and these were disciplined by suspension from the pool.

It was announced that three members of the A.R.C. were retiring on the regular rotation system. These were Mrs. Jo Taylor, Dr. Peter Morse and Mr. Paul Johnson. Nominated to take their places were Mr. E. Brennan, Mr. Ed Butlin and Mr. Willard Simpson, who received acclamations. The president also announced that as he had refused nomination to the Thornhill Village trustees, Mr. Bob Roberts, the village's representative on the A.R.C. would also be retiring, and thanked Mr. Roberts for his valuable contribution to the work of the A.R.C. during the past year.

There were 13 church teams with 190 players who had six hours ice time every Saturday, unfortunately at Bradford. The teams were very successful and the All Stars, coached by Ed Windsor and Roy Davidson made a creditable showing in the finals. The teams had received a contribution of \$96.00 from the A.R.C. for ice time and \$200.00 from the Thornhill Lions Club for uniforms.

Some discussion then took place on the possibility of having a skating arena in the Thornhill area. Mr. Loughran reported that some time ago

the A.R.C. had met with representatives of the township and the Lions Club and Mr. DeMarco to discuss this possibility, but that nothing had come of it. However, there were still some parties talking of a combination curling rink and hockey rink in the area, and the committee was keeping in touch with the situation.

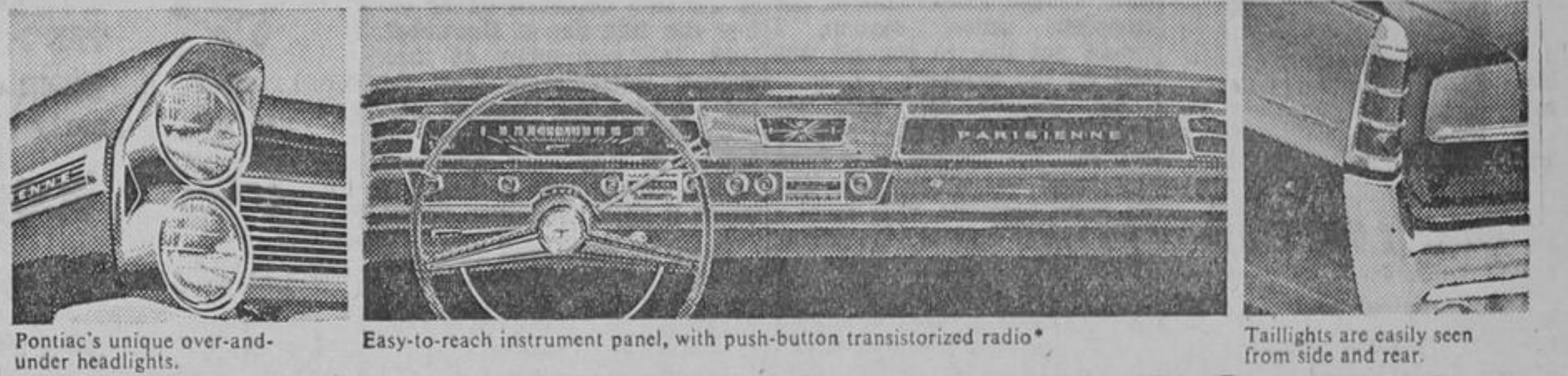
It was suggested to the executive that the A.R.C. was mainly catering to boys' activities and that there were no teams for girls. The girls do participate in the tennis but there had been no demand for any softball teams, etc. Dr. Morse mentioned that there had been a great deal of interest shown by girls in North York in track and field activities and suggested this would be worthwhile looking into, as it would involve more people and cost less money. The idea was well received by those present, but founded on the question of a possible organizer of the project.

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