



Smile Of Success

Successful candidate in Ward 1, Walter Scudds smiles happily at his wife Val after the count in last Saturday's town elections. Mr. Scudds won over two opponents to capture the northeast side ward in his first bid for public office, polling 455 votes.

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BUTTONVILLE NEWS

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Talk about babies! There have been so many new ones lately, it seems we're having our own population explosion! On November 29 Dean and Margaret Brumwell were proud parents of a second son; on December 1, at the York County Hospital, Newmarket, twin girls were born to Bill and Jessie (nee Boyington) Lewis. Twin girls were born to Bill and Anne (Davies) Henry at the Toronto General Hospital on Wednesday, December 5; and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Miller's first grandchild, John Gregory Mokrynski, was born at Branson Hospital on Thursday, December 6. And speaking of grandparents, Anne Davies Henry's aunt and uncle, Norman and Laura Reid, are as proud as any we've seen.

At the Unionville Horticultural Society meeting last week, Mrs. Reid Brumwell and Mrs. George Barker came first in Christmas arrangements. Mr. and Mrs. Nash of Arnleigh Heights and their neighbour Mrs. Scofield are also members of the group, and Mrs. Nash led carol singing.

Kenny and Barbara moved to their new apartment in Toronto last week.

Several women from Brown's Corners U.C.W. spent Thursday of last week at the Queen St. United Church Clothing Distribution, sorting and giving out clothing. Among those present were Mrs. Harold Steffler, Mrs. W. W. Miller, Mrs. Ross Hord and Miss Mary Rodick.

When the annual banquet of the Markham and East York Agricultural Society was held last week at Buttonville Hall, Buttonville W.I. women catered, and the master of ceremonies who kept everyone in such a good mood was our own Ray McTavish.

Cancer Society Benefit Dec. 14

This Friday evening the eucharist and bridge party, sponsored by the Buttonville W.I. for the Cancer Society Gift Cupboard, will be held at Buttonville W.I. community hall, and a bumper attendance is expected. There will be a Christmas flavour to this event, and fowl and other draw prizes will add interest. The social and work committees of the W.I., convened by Mrs. A. Robinson and Mrs. F. H. Leaf, with assistance from Mrs. Gordon Purves, are in charge of the evening.

Come and bring a friend. Your 50c will give a cancer patient a bright moment.

Christmas Concert December 19

One event of the Christmas season everyone looks forward to is the Sunday school concert at Brown's Corners United Church.

The junior choir, under the direction of Mrs. George Hooper, will sing, and there will be other songs and skits, as well as some impromptu numbers by the small types.

Come the evening of December 19 — Santa will be there too.

White Gift Service

There were lighted trees and a manger at the chancel of Brown's Corners United Church last Sunday morning, for the white gift Service which combined Sunday School and Church.

Mr. Charles Turner, Sunday School superintendent, was in charge of the service and Dr. A. F. Binnington and Miss Hart of the Fred Victor Mission each brought a Christmas message.

The junior and senior choirs sang Christmas music, and White Gifts were presented for use at the Fred Victor Mission. Mrs. S. J. English and Mrs. George Hooper led the choirs, and Miss Joy Fuller was at the organ.

300 Children at Lions Party

When it comes to attracting children, the Pied Piper of Hamelin had nothing on the Victoria Square and District Lions.

Last Saturday, when they held their annual children's party at Buttonville W.I. Hall, Gord Morton's busses brought children in from around the countryside and the hall teamed with them.

Santa and his helpers had prepared for 200 children at the 1961 party, and were a little short, so this year they thought they would be on the safe side and make up 275 Christmas packages for their guests. You've guessed it — this year there were 300 children!

But no one went away disappointed. There was "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," and a short comic film, and at intermission cookies and freshies were served — and there was carol singing.

Lions in charge were F. Donnelly, the projectionist; Lawson Mumberson, Forest Dullege, J. Smith, Harvey Collard, Jerry Woods and Andy Storey. They were especially grateful to Gordon Morton who lent his busses and drivers for the occasion.

Entertains Happy Timers

The Happy Timers (U.C.W. unit No. 1 Brown's Corners Church) were guests at the home of Mrs. Alan Martin recently, when they held their

November meeting. Mrs. Gib Whitmore of Cedar Grove gave an interesting demonstration of Christmas decorations made from tissue paper, and Mrs. Armstrong, Mrs. Cormack and Mrs. Ainley conducted the devotional hour and were hostesses for the evening.

School Parents' Club

Dr. Crane of the Toronto Psychiatric Clinic was guest speaker at the Buttonville School Parents' Club at their November meeting, and a film "The Angry Boy" which dealt with the emotionally disturbed child was shown and discussed.

Mr. S. R. Patterson, board member, was present and spoke briefly. Mrs. S. Savage and Mrs. Ken Bennett were in charge of refreshments.

Congratulations were in order for the club president, Principal Howard Atkinson, whose wife had just presented him with a new son.

Note to YCHA Volunteer

Canvassers If you have not had word from the York United Hospital Appeal headquarters regarding a canvassers' meeting, rest assured you have not been forgotten. The Unionville district is still under organization, according to Mrs. R. J. Miller, YCHA president, and the hospital canvass in this particular area may have to be postponed until after Christmas.

Celebrate 40th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Clark celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on Sunday, December 9, and on Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Syl Savage, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Bennett and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Clark held a surprise party in their honour. There were approximately 30 guests, immediate family members and relatives, present at the Clark home, and a special anniversary cake was cut for them, following a pleasant evening of cards and visiting.

Poppy Receipts Down

Poppy fund receipts in 1962 are down \$300 from 1961, according to a report from Mrs. A. Titshall of the local branch of the Canadian Legion.

Mrs. Titshall reports receipts this year were \$1,342.16. Cost of relief for 1962 was \$1,261.90. Decline was attributed to the bad weather on Remembrance Day by Mrs. Titshall.

Trees An Old Tradition For Christmas Season

The traditional use of Christmas trees associated with religious festivals, according to most historians, dates back to very ancient times.

In North America many credit the introduction of the evergreen tree to Hessian soldiers who crossed the Atlantic during the time of the American Revolution.

There has always been a variety of opinion as to the most important qualities in choosing a tree with needle density of foliage, desirable color, shape and balance, tradition and other miscellaneous factors such as price, availability and ease of decoration being considered.

In some parts of the country fir and spruce are the most popular varieties. In southern Ontario, Scotch pine, a fast growing species with many excellent qualities, is the tree most commonly used.

In recent years tree growers are paying more attention to pruning and shaping trees to meet present-day standards and market requirements.

Thousands of trees are already on display at establishments throughout the Metropolitan area for early cutters. A word of caution to those more adventuresome individuals who still like to cut their own tree. Remember to respect the rights of the property owner and first obtain permission from him before doing any cutting.

Cutting of trees from private or government land without authority is a punishable offence and penalties involved may do much to mar an otherwise happy Christmas.

A dried out tree can be very inflammable and, therefore, be a source of fire risk. Bringing a tree inside, in higher temperatures, will cause it to again resume its transpiration processes which soon use up the moisture in the cells. The life of a tree can be kept to some extent, by making a fresh cut in the butt and by keeping it in a pail of water, stored in a cool place until you put it up inside the home.

Once erected it is wise to keep the butt immersed in a dish or pan of water, keeping the water level up daily. Some people have also found it beneficial to add a concentrated sugar solution to the water supply.

Among other safety precautions, be sure to place the tree as far away as possible from fire or other sources of heating.

Also check the wiring carefully to eliminate any faulty electrical connections. Never use candles, which so many times in the past have resulted in costly fires.

Lastly, keep tree lights turned off when people are away from the room for any long period of time and before retiring at night.

My Sincere Thanks

I would extend my appreciation to all those who supported me at the polls on Saturday, December 8th. I would also like to thank the many who worked on my behalf. Best wishes to everyone for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Floyd Perkins

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Library Board Plans

Purchase Of A Bookmobile In 1964

The Richmond Hill Public Library Board held its regular meeting Thursday of last week with Mrs. Peter Townsend presiding. The first item of business was a letter from the Richmond Hill Women's Institute expressing their appreciation for the many kindnesses they had received at the library, and presenting the Board with a cheque for \$25.00. This was very gratefully received by the members, and the trustees approved the suggestion that this donation be used to purchase a much needed chalk-

board and tackboard for use in the auditorium. This free-standing chalkboard will be made in Richmond Hill by Vienna Furniture Co. on Industrial Rd.

Owing to the number of requests for the use of the auditorium for fund raising projects, an addition was made to the schedule of fees for use of the Gordon MacLaren Auditorium. The new fee will be \$20.00 for each fund raising activity. It was pointed out, that the original plans of the library considered this room for adult

educational and cultural programs, and also that the present fee did not cover the extra costs of cleaning and other work involved.

Circulation

The circulation for November 1962 was 26,516, while that for November, 1961 was 22,860. 294 new patrons joined the library during the month of November, and of these, 113 were from outside of the town. 236 books were added to the collection during the month at an average cost of \$2.93.

Young Canada Week

The trustees learned that the program for young Canada's book week had been very successful. Over 150 entries were made in Name-the-Book-Characters Contest, with Frances Thornhill and Heather Brien being the winners. The puppet show on the closing day of this annual celebration brought almost 200 children to the library.

Holiday hours call for the closing of the library on Christmas Eve. It will also be closed on Christmas and Boxing days. On New Year's Eve the library will be open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The library will be closed on New Year's Day and on January 2.

A grade 3 and 4 class from the Orange Home on Yonge St. N. will visit the library every two weeks to receive a book talk from Children's Librarian Mrs. F. Israel, and then have time to choose books to take to read at home. This extension of the school service program received the approval of the board.

Plans were completed for a OMB forecast of capital expenditures for the next five years. The library will submit a recommendation of a capital expenditure for the year 1964 in the amount of \$30,000 to cover the cost of a bookmobile and the initial stock of books for this bookmobile. This service would extend the library's collection to all parts of the town, especially the east side. If annexation comes, the need for bookmobile service increases.

Parking

The trustees were pleased to learn that the new parking lot at the rear of the library property has been completed by the town. On a motion by the trustees, stressing the co-operation of the library board with the overcrowding in parking caused by the courts, and that part of the library's parking lot had been given as an access to the new parking area, the library board has asked the works committee of the town to erect signs reserving the library's parking lot for library patrons only.

SUTTON: Reeve William Sellers, warden of York County, and Deputy-reeve Mrs. Mariane Gillan of Sutton, were returned by acclamation to their posts for 1963.

BELL LINES

by Bill Barnes
your telephone manager



Our Christmas Tribute

At this time of the year we like to think in human terms — the love of man for his fellow men... the rebirth of hope and the renewal of man's faith in himself. We have seen the machine age grow and develop to the point where some have suggested that machines have become our masters...

...that nowadays machines can serve mankind better than man himself. Indeed, the age of science has advanced so far and so fast that one can scarcely keep abreast of it. We in the telephone company are very much aware of this. We have made tremendous strides in perfecting what we like to call the telephone art. But, in spite of all our up-to-date technology we cannot escape the happy fact that the friendly helpful operator is as indispensable as ever. There are many times when only human understanding and sympathy can provide the service you urgently need.

A sudden emergency, the need for a doctor in the night, swift help from the police or fire department, locating a friend in a distant city — these are the times when an unknown, but friendly voice can help you most. No matter how many complex devices the years may bring to improve telephone service there will always be operators to give the one service that no machine can provide — human understanding.

Speaking of Christmas, we would like to take this opportunity to remind everybody about careful driving during the festive season. We at Bell have a sort of philosophy of the road that we try to encourage our drivers to follow. We call it defensive driving. A defensive driver avoids driving errors himself, is always alert to the behaviour of the cars around him and carefully compensates for road and weather conditions in order to stay alive. At this time of the year, when driving conditions can be hazardous, we think this is a worthwhile philosophy to have.

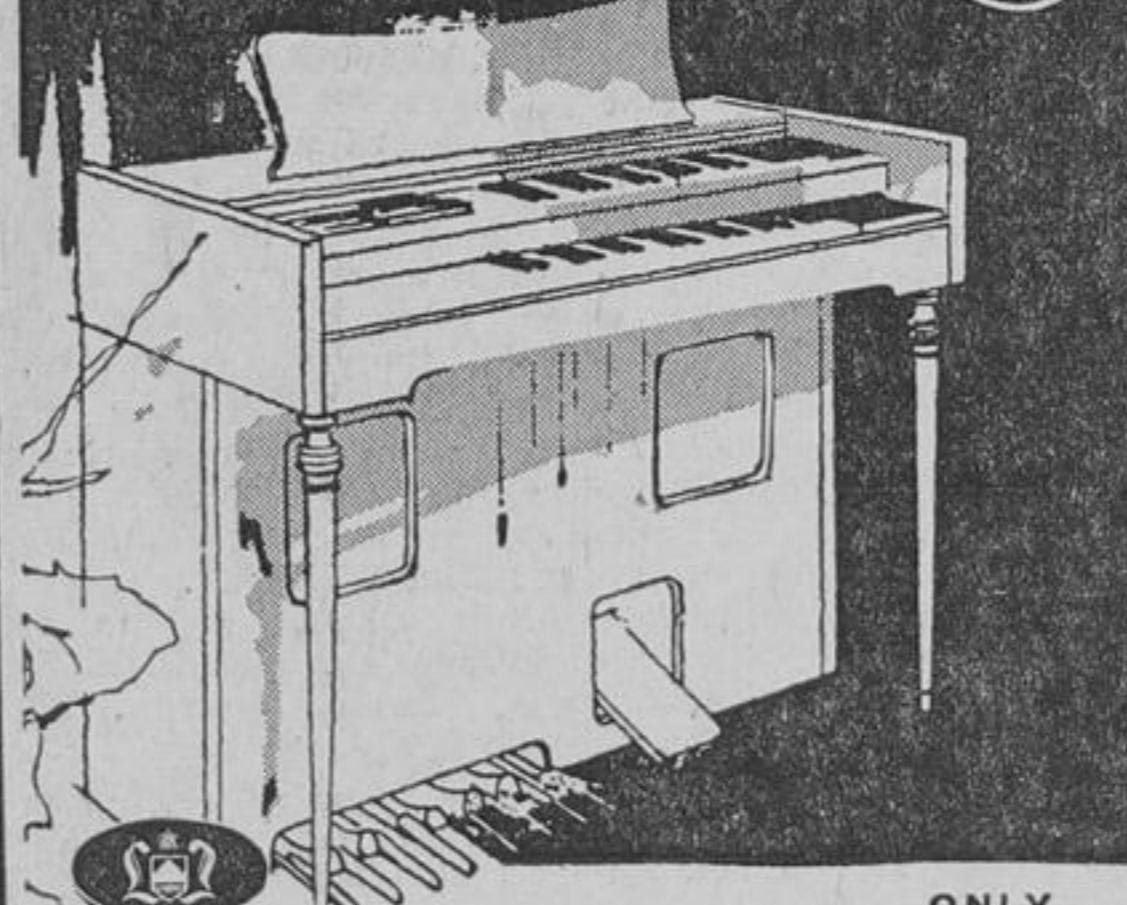
In the meantime, on behalf of everyone here at the Bell, I would like to extend to you a very Merry Christmas and the best in health and happiness for the coming year.

Bill Barnes

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May I wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

ROBERT SAUNDERS
Candidate for Council, Ward 4

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