Thornhill and District News

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What Is A Police Village?

By DORIS M. FITZGERALD Why is Thornhill called a police village? This question has amused and puzzled a number of local residents and by chance we came upon the answer when glancing through a worn calfbound volume, The provincial justice, or magistrate's manual, published in 1851. According to this old digest of the provincial laws of Upper Canada, the municipal council of any county was authorized to define the limits of any unincorporated village, or hamlet situated in a township, or (like Thornhill), partly in one township and partly in another, upon petition of the inhabitants of said village or hamlet. Provision was then made for the election of three police trustees, one of whom was to be an inspecting trustee. Their du- sel; - to put hay, straw or ulations within the village and to levy fines ranging from five to 60 shillings upon householders who did not observe these laws. In turn the trustees could be fined for neglecting the duties of their office. Monies so raised went toward the maintenance and improvement of the village streets and lanes.

Most of the regulations had to do with fire prevention, for instance there must be a ladder on the roof, to every chimney of a house more than one story in height; and another from the ground to the roof. Two buckets for water, in case of fire, must be kept by every householder. Stove pipes were to have six

partition, or floor, or nearest woodwork, and the pipe, inserted into a chimney with 10 inches between the stove and any wood work or lathed partition. Ovens and furnaces of any bakery, hatter, brewer, manufacturer of pot and pearl ashes, or any other person, to be connected with a stone or brick chimney, three feet higher than the building, or any buildings within one chain. It was unlawful - to enter any mill barn, outhouse, or stable with a lighted candle, pipe, or cigar, or carrying fire not properly secured into such barn etc. - to light a fire in any wooden house or outhouse, except in a brick or stone chimney, or in a stove; - to carry fire through any street, lane, yard, garden or place except in a copper, iron or tin vesties were to enforce 15 reg- fodder in any dwelling house: - to keep gunpowder for sale except in boxes of copper, tin or lead; - to sell gunpowder at night; - to deposit ashes or cinders in any wooden vessels not lined with sheet iron, tin or copper: - to deposit unslaked lime in any building, in contact with woodwork; to light fires in any street, lane, or public place; - to erect furnaces for making charcoal of wood; - to throw filth or rubbish into any

street, lane or public place. Though some of these regulations seem designed for times long past we learned in conversation with Mr. James Timmins, chairman of Thornhill Village Trustees, that they are still embodied in the Municipal Act. "English law has been

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Richmond Hill

expanded, but has otherwise changed very little during several centuries", Mr. Timmins, a lawyer explained. We can't help thinking what a tidy sum the trustees could raise for the village should they decide to enforce that regulation, "a ladder on the roof to every chimney of a house more than one story in height, and another from the ground to

By 1931 when Thornhill became a police village the trustees' duties were mainly in connection with village roads, sidewalks, culverts, bridges, and in more recent years, the park. garbage collection, the library, and snow clearance, and the rink in winter. They were empowered to enter into contracts for work to be done to maintain these services, and costs were. and are, met, by grants from the Townships of Vaughan and Markham. The amount of these grants is determined on the basis of taxation.

ented growth of the Thornhill area after the second world war some residents felt that the village should be incorporated so that services like water for fire protection and home consumption, and sanitary sewers, could be provided. In 1950 a petition for incorporation was presented to, and rejected by the Ontario Municipal Board. A few years later the trustees en-

gaged a planning consultant

Because of the unpreced-

to make a survey of the situation and his report indicatthe proposed much larger Thornhill. According to a hours. Act, the village trustees have also become a corporate body, with among other at body, with among other at body.

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Mr. Alan Beckwith at TU. 4
My thanks for the above two items to Trinity Tidings Unit 5 of the U.C.W is have lage trustees has always cruiser. without incorporation they were unwilling to saddle Thornhill with additional expenses in connection with the new subdivisions, so the boundaries have not been altered since 1931, and the population of the village proper is only about 1100. The Ontario Municipal Board has a list of 162 police villages in Ontario, some quite large. City View, near Ottawa, has a population of

for the office of village trustee, and three have been

4,047. Women are eligible

Village Trustees.

Crestwood Road News Correspondent: Mrs. Fred St. John 75 Crestwood Road Telephone AV. 5-3443

Neighbourhood Notes lon Roman Catholic Church, ma Ritgasser and Bernice St. came through these unpleasant Steeles Avenue West, are hold- John by District Commissioner experiences with little damage. ing a summage sale in the Mrs. P. D. McTaggart-Cowan, She intends staying in Thornparish hall on April 27 from Stars were also presented to hill until the end of May. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Road, left last April 18, for a Webster received their fourth March. Mr. Gall enjoyed the trip back to her home-land year stars. Tamworth, England, after five Donna Webb, Susie Zepp, while Ruth confined her exeryears in Canada. She will be Betty Dysart, Jo-Anne Hoddy cise to walking but enjoyed the gone for a month. A farewell received three year stars. party was held last Wednesday Patsy Hayes, Sandra Dewar, Galls spent Easter week-end at at the residence of her daugh- Debbie Beckett, Irma Ritgasser, their summer home near tive education course at Thornter on Crestwood Road. Over Bernice St. John, Helen Mar- Huntsville with Dr. and Mrs. hill Secondary School working 30 friends helped celebrate the ges second year stars.

East, (retired of T. Eaton & has been ill in hospital. bigging Funeral Home, Mt. Brownie cookies this year.

Mrs. A. Durigon, 171 Crestwood St. John, secretary. Brownies

minster Memorial Gardens.

held their mother and daugh- all the placards for the tables. ter banquet last April 10. A World pins were presented to buffet supper, prepared by the all the Brownies by Mrs. Ruth mothers' group was enjoyed by Barratt. all. The tables were decorat- An animal film was shown, protection. But your policies are sound investments as well,

ed in the Brownie colors of which was enjoyed by both brown and yellow, centrepieces parents and children.
of bowls of sweet peas, which Brownies are finished until were later presented to the the fall. Opening date will be when they're the "cash value" kind. Mutual Life policyholders enjoy steady increases in the guaranteed values of their announced in September.

President of the mothers'

Owl Mrs. Barbara Rogers. Gol- Shoebridge, who was making and also preached at the Ladies of St. Paschal's Bay-den bars were presented to Ir-her fifth Atlantic crossing.

Bill Francis and Mrs. Doris ey, first year stars. Fowlston and families on the A lovely brooch was present- themselves on the dock. passing of their father last ed by Bernice St. John to Mrs. In spite of the fact that it ior deb shop has the latest in April 14 at Toronto General Ruth Barratt, who has been in coincided with the final Stanley fashions for girls between 15 Hospital. William George Fran-charge in the absence of Brown Cup playoff game, the spring and 18. cis, late of 244 Hillsdale Ave. Owl Mrs. Barbara Rogers, who thaw theatre night sponsored They have put on three

17. Interment was in West-year as follows: Mrs. Dorthea coffers. Dewar, president; Mrs. D.

Congratulations to Mr. and Bailey, treasurer; Mrs. Amy Mr. Kremin, custodian of Road, on the birth of their daughter Grace last month, a sonted with a large box of

sister for Loretta and Michael, sented with a large box of chocolates by Helen Marges. The 4th Thornhill Brownies Mrs. Barbara Rogers made

group, Mrs. Helen Hoddy, in- Mr. Mike Matson had an actroduced the head table as cident at work last week and follows: District Commissioner had several of his fingers se-Mrs. P. D. McTaggart-Cowan, verely damaged. He spent sev-Brownie Jo-Anne and her eral days in the hospital but is mother Mrs. H. Hoddy, Tawny now home. We wish him a Owl Mrs. Ruth Barratt, Brown speedy recovery.

PROCLAMATION

Council, I hereby proclaim Daylight Saving Time to extend from 2 a.m. Sunday, April 28, 1963, to 2 a.m. Sunday, October

All residents are hereby notified and requested to govern

H. C. T. Crisp Wilfred Dean Reeve Clerk

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN

Community Happenings In Thornhill

All About People While those of us who stayed 12 Parkway Ave., was a guest chairman for the initial meet- happened on Calvary as sug- called him - to be a fisher of at home during Easter enjoyed recently on the C.B.C.'s pro- ing of a series of Anglican gested by Christ's words: "This men. incomparable weather, many gram Seven - O - One. Dr. congress nights on April 17th. Cup is the New Covenant in who ventured farther afield Jackson, the director of the The meeting was addressed by My Blood". Peter is plunged The young people were counappear to have enjoyed just as Department of Educational the Primate, the Most Rev. H. into remorse and despair as selled by Mr. and Mrs. Frank

the H. R. Cruises of 1 Raymond "Education Today for 2000 hold their Corporate Commun-fulness unto death in His Drive. They encountered real A.D.". Dr. Jackson emphasized ion and Breakfast on April words: "Shall I Not Drink The Consult THE LIBERAL" their week-long visit to Tarry- change of society today and town, New York and picnicked noted that just fifty years ago, town, New York and picnicked in nearly all its major aspects, Rev. Howden of Holy only one conscious of having FOR They also visited Van Court-life more closely resembled life Trinity Anglican Church land Manor, a restored colonial at the beginning of the Christ- will preach in Thornhill home at Tarrytown. On their ian era than it does today. United Church, while Rev. ed that the assessment in forays into the big city, they While previously the educated A. I. Higgins of Thornhill toured the U.N. building, which person lived parasitically on United will preach at Holy

area still did not justify in- Steven found particularly inter- the products of the physical Trinity. corporation. Such a step esting, took a trip around efforts of his fellow man, in United Church News Manhattan Island on a boat, the future the majority will There is still time to concreased taxation because of and "did" the 5th Avenue live on the bounty flowing tribute good used clothing to the expense of duplicating shops. Mrs. Cruise was also from the mental effort of the the U.C.W.'s used clothing equipment and public and able to fit in a visit with her highly educated minority. Dr. drive during the month of administrative services sup- brother, Mr. William Hodgkin- Jackson saw a nation's supply April. Donations may be left plied by the townships. Since son of Westport, whom she had of highly educated persons as at the Church and will go to then water has been piped not seen for ten years. a measure of its economic, the downtown clothing distribu-

Cross will be in charge of

games. Plans are already being

made for the fall fashion show

which is to be convened by

was the showing of a colour

film of the 1954 Anglican Con-

gress held in Minneapolis. This

was interesting in view of the

fact that the Diocese of Toron-

Trinity will receive his

ordination to the Diacon-

ate on May 12th. After

ordination. he will be

assistant curate at St.

Hilda's Church in Toronto.

Mr. Hartley was the spea-

ker at the Young People's

Corporate Communion

Breakfast on April 21st

The girls from the distribu-

The distributive education

course which is part of the di-

versified occupations pro-

gramme seeks to give the stu-

dents the basic training neces-

sary to enter into the distribu-

tive trades area of employment

these include wholesale, retail

Morrison, Valerie Medcalf,

Deanna Kindness, Glenna Rob-

erts, Linda Marshall, Lynne

Kerfoot and Suzanne Wilson.

Also working very hard behind

the scenes were Leona Page.

Louise Schell, Anne-Marie

Densmore and Pat McCarville

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and service occupations.

High point of the evening

Betty Crawford.

to the village from township wells, and some sanitary which they found and stated that if world peace. Three women and three men sewers have been installed well worth the various tolls, based on the dignity and teachers are needed for the on the Markham side of and reached Tarrytown in nine brotherhood of all men is to primary department of the

small advantages, authority guests at her sister's estate on and its Editor. Doris Fitz-ing a May day coffee party on to administer the Thornhill Long Island. As well as enjoying gerald).

Park, and to exact the max-

> Youle-White was at the Grosvenor Hotel in New York City, the guest of the MacMillan Publishing Company. During his stay. he had the opportunity of interviewing Miss Margaret Nicholson, the foremost authority on copyright law. At the end of the school year, Mr. Youle-White will retire as head of the English department at Thornhill Secondary School and enter the pub-

to will be host to the 1963 lishing field. Anglican Congress in August. Mary Kearns of 41 Kirk Mrs. H. R. Howden expressed unsuccessful candidates in Drive and Joy Whitehead of the Guild's gratitude for the Thornhill. Reeve Wilfred 15 Colborne St. made a flying showing of the film to Mr. Dean and Councillor Allan trip to Montreal last week to Adrian Dixon. Mrs. Howden R. Sumner of Markham meet Mrs. Kearns' mother, also spoke briefly about the Mrs. G. J. Shoebridge of Wok- 1963 Anglican Congress. Host- Markham Sets ing, Surrey, who arrived in esses for the afternoon were chairmen of the Thornhill Montreal on the Franconia. members of the harmony group. This was the ship's maiden

voyage but it was marred not only by the extremely rough crossing but by the fact that a passenger committed suicide by throwing himself overboard. A boat was lowered and spent two hours circling the area with no results and because of the very high seas, considerable difficulty was experienced in getting it aboard again. Mrs.

the Brownies for attendance Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gall of Mrs. L. Tonks, mother of by Brown Owl Mrs. Barbara 35 Kirk Drive spent a week at Mrs. Leo Brown, Crestwood Rogers. Donna Hayes and Lynn Mt. Tremblant at the end of School Girls Are tail end of the season's skiing sun and air exceedingly. The

D. B. Robson and small in co-operation with the Say-Carol Webb, Debbie Miller, son as their guests. Protected vette Store co-ordinated and Sympathy is extended to Mr. Rosemary Canale, Donna Bail- by hills and woods, they spent modelled a fashion show for J. N. Mulholland most of the week-end sunning the inauguration of Sayvette's new junior deb shop. The jun-

by Langstaff Home and School shows at the Steeles Avenue Co.), rested at Murray E. New- Jo-Anne Hoddy sold the most Association was well attended. and Thorncliffe Store on April The group sold 250 tickets for 5, 6, and 13th, and will put on Pleasant Road. The service was The mothers' group elected the occasion, which will make another two shows on April held in the chapel last April new officers for the coming a welcome addition to their 19th and 20th, at the Dixie Plaza store.

> Continuing a hobby begun by her father, the late Dr. James Playfair McMurrich, Miss Kathleen McMurrich of 108 Elgin St., recently won second prize for her interesting and well-arranged collection of German stamps, at the North York Philatelic Society's eighth annual show, held at the North York Public Library. Miss McMurrich has been appointed examiner for Stamp Collectors' Badges by the Thornhill Boy Scouts Association.

Research at the Ontario College H. Clark on the subject "The he remembers his own words: Kellam and their offering was The only ones who, to my of Education, was interviewed Anglican Congress and the "I Will Lay Down My Life For deeply appreciated by the

knowledge, enjoyed a picnic by Percy Saltzman on his Religious Frontier." You" and his subsequent denial, audience. over the Easter week-end, were recently published pamphlet The men's association will as compared with Jesus' faith-

become a reality, no race or Sunday school. Anyone who

May 1st from 10 to 11.30 a.m. Geranium plants will be for imum fine for vandalism time on their aunt's 72 foot Trinity Church held its general time for your spring planting. meeting on April 16th in the And don't forget Hydro show been "pay as you go", and In the meantime, Mr. parish hall. Plans were time, sponsored by the U.C.W. announced for the annual din- on April 23rd at 8 p.m. in the ner to be held on May 28th. Church auditorium. Tickets Convenor will be Olive St. are 50c each and may be had John. Doris Davis and Jean by phoning 285-5867.

> A very moving presentation of "The Cup" a play centered around the Crucifixion, was given by the young people's union on Easter Sunday evening. Directed by David Iverson, the play had Paul Rivers as Peter, Ellen Jackson as Mary Magdalene, Donna Burnett as Joanna, Dianne Fierheller as Mary Cleopas and John Mollard as John. Stage director was John Hunter.

Mr. Robert Hartley the student assistant at Holy

Markham Township in session last week established the following salaries for employees: probationary constable \$3,900; police constable \$4,100 to \$5,000; patrol sgt. \$5,400; sergeant, \$5,800; chief surveyer \$5,145; draftsman \$5,145; chief inspector \$5,565; fleet supt. \$5,145; engineering clerk \$4. 252; water works supt. \$5,040; assistant supt. \$4,200; grader operator \$1.95 per hour; truck operator \$1.65 per hour; laborer \$1.60; master mechanic

\$2.25 per hour. Increases of \$200 each were granted the building inspector. police chief and assessment commissioner. The clerk treasurer and engineer will each receive \$175 increase.

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Principal - Miss D. Ketola FRIDAY, MAY 3 -

Open House "Warrendale" Highway 11 at Bond Lake 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

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27, 1963, in the township of Markham.

themselves accordingly.