



Thornhill's Own Track Champs

Bill Gairdner, 22 (right), last Friday swept to victory with the men's aggregate total at the Eastern Canada Senior Track and Field Championships at St. Lambert, Quebec. Bill's specialty, the decathlon, won the University of Colorado student a silver medal for Canada in the Pan-American games this year. Carol Martin, 15, also of Thornhill, finished third in the women's midget 80 metres hurdles at the Toronto International Games held before 17,000 fans at Varsity Stadium, June 25. Cliff Nuttall, 21, University of Michigan, defeated Gairdner in the men's 120-yard hurdles at the Varsity meet and set a new Canadian record with his time of 1:42. All three, coached by Lloyd Percival, are members of the Don Mills Track Club. (Photo by Barbour.)

Plan For Markham Hotel Not Dead

Thornlea Construction Co. President Robert Jackson said recently a proposal by his firm to build a 120-room motor hotel is still "very much alive". No construction on the project has started on the company-owned 16½ acre site east of the Elmwood Cemetery fronting on Highway 7 and north to Markham District High School. Proposed was a private and public curling rink, bowling alley, tennis courts and playground. Cost was estimated at \$1-2,000,000. Mr. Jackson said the hotel had been given the green light through the September, 1962 approval of dining room and cocktail bar licences in Markham Village. He said other problems had arisen to result in the construction delay. Village Building Inspector E. R. Good said no further particulars had been received about the proposal.

Elmer's Safety Program Planned By Ont. League

Ontario Safety League again this summer is running Elmer the Elephant's safety contest. For the past four years the league conscious of the need for keeping children reminded of their traffic safety rules, has run a contest with unparalleled success. The 1963 contest is "Find the Seven Errors" in a safety cartoon which will be published in "The Liberal"; each contest emphasizes Elmer's safety rules. There will be weekly prizes of two bicycles to the best boy and girl entrant and 25 second prizes of a bicycle accessory kit. First contest will be the week of July 29.

\$2,500 Added To Hospital Fund

A recent release from the York County United Hospitals Appeal headquarters indicated total contributions are now \$1,139,410.52, a jump of approximately \$2,500 since a report two weeks ago. A summary of contributions under various departments of canvassing show the following: Advance canvass, number of gifts, 210, total subscriptions, \$213,325; national corporation, 47, \$347,700; county corporations, 51, \$114,125; service clubs, 33, \$93,729.50; doctors, 71, \$97,970; foundations, 2, \$2,200; employees, 150, \$37,119.13; general gifts, 800, \$37,099.74; interest on investments, 2, 217.60; community campaign, 5,517, \$195,914.55; total number of gifts 6,903; total subscriptions, \$1,139,410.52

seem particularly healthy and put up quite a battle for possession. Temperatures run high and a nasty cough and sore eyes are part of the discomfort.

Mrs. S. Rumble was hostess at her home to 102 kindergarten children from Walter Scott School where she teaches. Two teachers and four mothers kept several busy eyes on the children as they raced up and down hill.

A warm welcome to Deborah Anne, six and a half pound daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ladouceur, a sister for James, Robert and David.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Calder mixed business with pleasure and enjoyed trips to Kingston and Niagara Falls recently. The gardens and trees at Niagara are at their loveliest.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Terry and family spent the week-end in Rockwood camping in the Grand Valley Provincial Park. Rockwood is a beautiful village on No. 7 Highway with many points of interest near by. The second largest pot hole on the continent attracts visitors, its name The Devil's Well provoked a surprised exclamation from a small boy who said, "I didn't know he was sick."

Mr. Norman Lewis joint welfare officer for Richmond Hill and Markham attended the recent three day convention of the Welfare Officers of Ontario held at the Genosha Hotel in Oshawa. Host for the convention was Mayor Lyman Gifford of Oshawa. Guest speaker was former Labour Minister Mike Starr of Oshawa.

Ont. Welfare Officers Hold Oshawa Meet

Harry Burton celebrated his tenth birthday in the company of 16 friends. A 2 to 5 party ended at 9 p.m. with everybody tired and happy. Measles are still working hard in Headford. Gloria and Gordon Lee, Brenda Wellman, Linda Snider and Michael Calder are all sick. The germs



JO-ANN TRUDEAU JAMES WOOD

Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Oakley Trudeau of Stoco wish to announce the engagement of their daughter Jo-Ann to Mr. James Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Wood of Tweed, Ont. Marriage to take place on Aug. 3rd, 1963, at Stoco.

Kate Aitken Challenges UNA To Work For Peace

Only a few people braved the heat of Thursday evening to attend the meeting of the York Branch of the United Nations Association to hear Mrs. Kate Aitken give an informal talk on the work of this association. Had the general public realized that the Gordon MacLaren auditorium of Richmond Hill Public Library is air-conditioned and was so delightfully cool that those present lingered over their cups of coffee, chatting after the meeting for a long period, the attendance would no doubt have been much greater.

Described as Canada's best goodwill ambassador by Judge George Sweeney, president of York Branch, Mrs. Aitken said that there comes a time in every person's life when we have to make up our minds as to what we really believe in. "I believe in the integrity of Canadian life and Canadian people," said the speaker. "I believe we have two documents which should be taught to every Canadian regardless of religion, because they are written in the purest of English and will assist Canadians in communicating with others. These are the unabridged Shakespeare and the King James Version of the scriptures."

"I also believe strongly in the United Nations," continued Mrs. Aitken, "because in its charter is embodied the peace of the world. Do you believe in it? If you do you have to get out and work for it. In 18 years we have found in Canada only 18,000 people who feel deeply enough to join and work for the peace of the world."

Pointing out that in Canada we have freedom of travel, freedom of business, freedom of religion, and freedom of speech, Mrs. Aitken said that these very freedoms carry great responsibilities. "What are we doing about the things for which we are obligated," she challenged.

Vice-President Edna Izzard thanked Mrs. Aitken for her challenging message. President Sweeney also introduced to the meeting Miss Donna Shields, a graduate of the University of Toronto School of Nursing, who leaves in September to work for a year in India. She is sponsored by the Canadian University Service Overseas, and York Branch United Nations is contributing a substantial amount toward her expenses.

Miss Shields reported that she will be working with a man who joined Gandhi at the age of 15, and who works in a village area near Rangpur sticking very close to pure Gandhian principles. He has improved conditions in the area through every social service, and Miss Shields will be part of a new medical project, helping in midwifery and anything in the line of medical work.

Her area of work will be 130 miles north of Bombay, and the final eight miles of her journey must be covered either on foot or by bullock cart, although a tractor is kept for emergency use.

Miss Shields is one of 125 young Canadians who are being sent by CUSO to countries in Asia and Africa, to help these underprivileged people to achieve a better standard of living.

During the informal discussion period, ways and means of interesting more people in the work of the United Nations Association were discussed.

NORTH YORK.-Reeve Norman Goodhead switched his views on amalgamation and came out strongly in favour at a recent press conference. He said a unified city would increase the tax rate for North York by five or six mills, or an increase of about 10 per cent in existing taxes of 55.64 mills.

R. Hill Public Schools Enjoy Educational Tours

As the school term draws to a close in June each year, it has become customary for grade 8 pupils in all Richmond Hill Public Schools to take educational trips to points of interest. These tours have the full approval of the Richmond Hill Public School Board, who stipulate that one adult for each 15 children must be included.

Much preparation is done in class before the trip is undertaken and the lessons learned are reviewed on return. McCONAGHY Fifty-seven pupils from grade 8 at McConaghy School, accompanied by three teachers and one mother, crowded one big bus for a trip to Niagara on June 20.

This was not merely a picnic or a pleasure trip. Each child was provided with seven pages of typewritten material which contained a general outline of the itinerary, maps of the route, the Niagara area, historical notes of the localities visited, and sketches of the falls and whirlpool.

By the time they had completed the day they had studied history, geography, science, transportation and engineering (at the Welland Canal), and had put to use their knowledge of mathematics by calculating the ages of persons buried in the old churchyard at Port Weller, comparing the average with today's 65-75.

BEVERLEY ACRES This school has 38 pupils in each of two grade 8's. One class visited Toronto June 13, the other June 20. With the assistance of David Porter, attendance counsellor for York Central District high schools and Richmond Hill public schools, an itinerary was planned to make evident to these grade 8 pupils the opportunities that may arise from courses to be taken in secondary schools. Unfortunately a strike made it impossible to visit one industry, so visits to the museum, Toronto's waterfront and Riverdale were substituted. Each group finished off the day with a visit to the Sterling Drug Company plant at Aurora.

Described by Principal Grant Nighswander of Beverley Acres School as "by far the best educational tours" experienced by pupils of that school have been the tours of Vivian Forest by the grade 4's. Over 100 children this May had the opportunity to visit this reforestation project under the direction of S. R. Hamilton of the Department of Lands and Forests and other foresters. Mr. Nighswander reported that the text book "We Live In Ontario" has a section dealing with the Vivian Forest which is studied before the trip is undertaken, and commented favourably on the exceptional interest shown by the children in the entire programme.

A diversified programme which stressed almost every phase of the course of studies, was planned for the July 27 trip to Toronto for the grade 8 classes of MacKillop School and five pupils from the senior opportunity class who will be entering the diversified occupations course at Bayview Secondary School next fall. The 63 children were accompanied by three teachers and a parent. Included in their itinerary was a visit to Malton Airport, Fort York, the Parliament Buildings, and Edwards Gardens. They also had a good view of the Royal Navy ships in Toronto harbour. History, industry, transportation, government, politics, natural science and mathematics were aspects of the year's study which received emphasis in this trip. PLEASANTVILLE Twenty-five grade 8 pupils from Pleasantville School toured Toronto on June 27. Stops were made at Old Fort York, the marine museum housed in the old Stanley Barracks at the C.N.E. grounds, and the entire group visited the top of the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce head office building from where they had a panoramic view of the city and countryside. When they saw the full picture of Toronto harbour from this vantage point they realized the importance of the city as a port on the St. Lawrence and why Simcoe chose it as his capital. They found it easy to trace the outlines of the prehistoric lake by the escarpment. On their way home they stopped off for a swim at the Thornhill Pool.

CROSBY HEIGHTS Pupils from Crosby Heights School participated in two tours during the school year, which tied in with their studies in history, science and geography. The tours were carefully planned by the three members of the school staff who teach these subjects. In the fall, two bus loads from grades 7 and 8 visited

Bond Lake and Musselman's Lake, observing evidence of the glacial action there and in the Oak Ridges moraine. History was revived at the Sharon Temple and at Pioneer Village. Geological features were noted in a visit to the Holland Marsh, and the intricate system of irrigation and drainage which is reversed according to the needs of the season. A visit to a food processing plant explained the handling of fresh vegetables from the field to the consumer.

The development of the C.N.R.'s new marshalling yard stressed the importance of transportation, and throughout the trip examples were noted where good conservation practices were employed, contrasted with other properties where conservation is ignored.

On June 26, 49 children from grade eight gained further knowledge of history and geology in a visit to the Niagara district. Fort George and old St. Luke's Church were visited. The church is being restored and the youngsters were most interested to see lathe being manufactured in the planing way and being put into place with hand-made nails. Other historical sites, the falls, the Oakes Gardens, and the whirlpool were visited. At the latter spot the group were particularly interested in the geological formation of the gorge.

Climaxing a busy day was a cook-out in the Niagara Glen before the return trip to Richmond Hill. Food never tasted so good.

WALTER SCOTT Almost 100 grade eight pupils from Walter Scott School visited Toronto on June 26, and enjoyed a tour arranged by the Toronto Historical Board. Points of historical interest visited included Fort York, the marine museum, Mackenzie House and Colbourne House which all played an important part in the history of this area. From 8:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. every minute of the day was packed with items of historical interest which the young people will remember for the rest of their lives.

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Neighbourhood Notes
Headford had a busy week with residents riding off in all directions and joining in a variety of activities.

Brownies attended a mother and daughter banquet in Melville United Church, sixth line, Becky Staton and Linda Snider with their mothers, Connie Burton with Mrs. W. Middleton as a substitute for her mother and Jenny Calder with her grandmother, Mrs. L. Guild. At 'Brownie' age a good time is frequently measured by gastronomic capacity and so a very good time was enjoyed by all, particularly the Brownies.

A weiner roast for Richmond Hill Cubs was held at the home of Bill Pollard, Elgin Mills Side Road. Awards for the highest points in group tests were given. The Blue Sixers won their points in the health tests, the Tawny Group for their nature collection and the Grey Sixers for their compass track. Headford members were: Blue Sixer, Michael Calder, Tawny Group, Larry Burton and David Ladouceur, Grey sixers, James Ladouceur.

Markham Area Public School Field Day sponsored by the Lions Club had several Headford contestants. Winners in their class were, Jenny Calder second for broad jump, David Terry first for hop, skip and jump and Bruce Terry first for broad jump.

The Headford Baseball Team, ages 12-15 made a good start for the season in their first game against Buttonville. Well coached by Harry Burton they won 19-8.

Mrs. Freeman Barker had a busy June 22. She and Mr. Barker attended the Ayrshire breeders picnic. Following this she picked up Mrs. George Barker, Mrs. W. Wellman and Mrs. Loren Guild to attend the rose show in Richmond Hill. This national show is something to remember. The delicate perfume that pervaded the rooms added to the beauty of the display. Rose perfection would seem to be the ultimate in co-operation of man and nature.

Headford exhibitors were Mrs. Freeman Barker and Mrs. George Barker. Mrs. George Barker's summer-time arrangement and signora bedside arrangement won her two firsts and her second prize was for an arrangement for a dinner table seating six. In this class Mrs. Freeman Barker won third place.

To celebrate the birthday of Mrs. Joe Fleming, Richmond Hill, Mrs. Murray Acreman, Headford, Mrs. Lindsey Boomhauer Richmond Hill, and Mrs. Acreman's mother Mrs. B.

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