



Back To Halls Of Ivy

It was back to school for four Thornhill-ites last week and from left as they pose on the walk up to Thornhill Secondary School are Walter Morasutti, John Secord, Fred Echlin and sister, Janice Echlin. (Photo by Barbour.)

1200 Students At Thornhill S.S.

MARGARET McLEAN
Thornhill Secondary School (it's official title as of last winter) opened its doors on September 3rd to slightly more than 1200 students, an increase of about 125 over last year.

Principal A. S. Elson recalled that in the first year of its existence in 1955 when classes were held on a shift basis in Richmond Hill, the school had 410 pupils. When the student body took up residence in their new building in 1956, they were 500 strong. Since that time, the new vocational wing has been added. This was opened in the fall of 1963.

The first part of the new provincial plan was successfully put into operation last year. This provides both a four and a five year course

in each of the three divisions in the school, academic, commercial and technical. This year, the new system will be operating in grades 9 and 10. Mr. Elson feels the basic idea of the new system is a good one, that it is "a sound approach". "It is not a static system," he stated, "there will be variations introduced from time to time".

Thornhill Secondary this year has three grade 13 classes with approximately 100 students, the largest grade 13 the school has had. Grade 13 will operate on a 42 period week this year, having two extra teaching periods Mondays and Tuesdays. This is to enable students to properly get time in for five options.

This year's staff of 60 teachers will be augmented with four Master teachers who will circulate among the York Central District's four high schools, doing some teaching and advising teachers. Mr. T. Roebuck who is the master teacher of English will be based at Thornhill and work from there.

Mr. Elson will have as his assistant this year, Mr. A. Murch who will be acting vice-principal at Thornhill. Mr. Murch is to be the principal of the new Langstaff High School when it opens next year. Mr. H. J. Jensen has also been named as an administration assistant as well as a teacher of science. Some changes have been made in department heads at the school this year, al-

though the bulk of department heads remain as last year. Mr. N. Jefferson will again be head of the mathematics department; Mr. E. Gillan of science; Mr. J. Turko of modern languages; Mr. D. Anderson of guidance; Miss J. Davidson, home economics; Mrs. H. Furse, Latin; Mr. J. Kajiocka, geography; Mr. E. Lazar, music; Mrs. E. Trott, art; Mrs. B. O'Shea, girls' physical education and Mr. C. Seath, boys' physical education. Mrs. J. Huron will continue as commercial director and Mr. R. Templeton as shop director.

The new head of the English department will be Mr. G. Barr who was formerly at Weston Collegiate. Head of the history department will be Mr. V. Pitkanen.

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.

Bowling

The Thornhill Ladies Five Pin Bowling League went into action again last Tuesday afternoon. This group has been playing for "years and years" and would welcome new members. It's a strictly "for fun" bunch and you don't have to be a good bowler to play. The league plays each Tuesday afternoon at 1.30 p.m. at the North Yonge Bowling alley, just north of Finch Avenue. If you're interested in joining, call Mrs. Anita Clark at 285-3803. Cost works out at \$1.00 per week, made up of 25c per game and a 25c contribution to the end-of-season prize money. There are four teams in the league and last year some 34 ladies from the Thornhill area played. Transportation can be arranged for anyone who needs it. And, interested to mother of young children - there is a nursery at the alley where children of any age can be accommodated, free of charge.

OK mother, hop to it, and call Mrs. Clark. You'll need something to keep you in trim over the winter you know!

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hanna, Elgin Street, returned at the beginning of September from a three and a half week holiday which they spent motoring to Vancouver and back. They went via Trans-Canada Highway going out and through the U.S. on the way back, having a most interesting trip. They made a point of stopping for a day or so at large cities and other points of interest, staying a day in Banff (and saw Bill Stratton who was working there); two days at Jasper (and visited with John Mavor who was working there); two days in Vancouver, a day and a half in Victoria, and so on. Mrs. Hanna found the ferry ride to Nanaimo and to Victoria most interesting and the flowers in Victoria "simply gorgeous". It was Mrs. Hanna's first trip to the West. She thought Vancouver a lovely city but felt the damp weather wouldn't suit her very long.

The Thornhill community was happy to welcome some new members this summer. Dr. and Mrs. John B. Fotheringham and their four children. Lately of Don Mills, the Fotheringhams are happily settled in at 127 Elgin Street. A psychiatrist, Dr. Fotheringham is associated with the Toronto Psychiatric Hospital.

Hospital Auxiliary
The first general meeting for the fall season of the Thornhill Branch of the York Central Hospital Auxiliary was held on

September 4th with the president, Mrs. H. R. Howden presiding. Mrs. D. Spafford gave a report on the returns from the garden party tea held in June and it was announced that the auxiliary had been able to forward a cheque to headquarters for more than \$400.

The auxiliary is more or less marking time for the present. It is expected that the York Central Hospital will open by December 1. Until the hospital does open, the auxiliary members will be unable to take the training required before they can be of service in the hospital. It is necessary for so they can see where they will best fit in. The next meeting will be the first Wednesday in October and a "pick-me-up" drive is being planned to get out all the members of the auxiliary to this meeting.

Home & School Association
In spite of the "back to school" rush, the entire executive of the Thornhill Home & School Association turned out for their first executive meeting of the year at Kay Burgess's on September 3. The roster was complete, even to past president Pat Trant, complete with beard, and newly appointed principal Mr. R. Urquhart. Plans were made for the season's activities, including the "get acquainted" meeting for September 10 (about which more next week).

A theatre night is being planned for the Crest Theatre's production of "Born Yesterday" on November 5. Tickets will be available from Mable Crawford at AV. 5-1427 and from Marion Duncan, AV. 5-1768.

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Horticultural Society

Members of the horticultural society are looking forward to their September showing of flowers, fruits and vegetables, the second largest of the year. It will be held at Thornhill United Church on September 17 and the public is invited. Members will have their specimens set up as soon after 7 p.m. as possible. The general meeting of the society will commence at 8 p.m. while the judging of the show is taking place. A feature of the meeting will be the showing of a film entitled "Budget Flower Arranging". This film was shown at the annual convention of the Ontario Horticultural Society last spring and members who saw it there felt it would

be of interest to the general membership.

So make a note of the date - September 17, 8 p.m. - and come to this friendly gathering. Refreshments will be served following the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Grant Gibson, Thornbank Road, returned last week from a holiday in western Canada. Mrs. Gibson spent 11 days with her mother, Mrs. D. I. Kerfoot at Oak Bay, Victoria. Mr. Gibson visited several cattle ranches near Cochrane and Waterton Lake and spent five days at a convention at the Banff School of Fine Arts. Miss Joan Gibson is interning in occupational therapy at the Ontario Hospital in Brockville until she returns to the University of Toronto later this month.

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NORTH RICHVALE NEWS

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Richvale Cub & Scout News
The First Richvale Cub Scouts had a very enjoyable weekend camp at King Haven Farms near King City, the camping grounds were donated by Mr. Tony, who owns the farm.

Saturday after the boys arrived they had hot dogs around the camp fire and at 6 p.m. had a turkey supper. In the evening around a campfire the boys roasted marshmallows. Sunday morning after a late night of raiding each other, the boys got everyone out by 6:10 to a breakfast of eggs and bacon. At 11 a.m. there was a hike across the farm. The boys found some fungus in the woods and were shown how to draw pictures and write their names on them as souvenirs. They arrived back at 1 p.m. for dinner. Afterwards the boys spent the rest of the time breaking camp. It was impressed on them that it is important to damp campfires and the usual

proceedings involved in packing up and leaving strange grounds. The helpers who did a very fine job of work were Mr. Ken Woods, Yonge Street, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hazelwood and son Jimmy, Spruce Ave., Mr. George Bowden, Birch Ave., Mr. and Mrs. Carrol, Oak Ave., Mr. and Mrs. Hough, Oak Ave. Fifteen cub scouts attended.

Anyone with news of Richvale is asked to contact your correspondent.

Welcome Home
Mrs. Hazel Lenton and daughter Mary of Weldrick Road, returned home this week from a nice vacation to the Channel Islands and England.

Welcome to our new neighbors Mr. and Mrs. Evan Hines with one child a boy of eight months old. They have moved in to 20 Weldrick Road. Their previous home was in Sydney, Cape Breton. Mrs. Hines' mother and father Mr. and Mrs. Clyde moved into this district with the Hannabour family.

Richvale Resident

Typographic Designer Accepts Jamaica Post

Canada lost one of its most distinguished men of art to Jamaica Monday when Carl Dair, resident of Richvale since 1951, left to take a teaching post in design, layout and typography at the Institute of Jamaica, in Kingston, which is affiliated with the University College of the West Indies of Mona, Jamaica.

Mr. Dair, a fellow of the Typographic Designers of Canada, last year was awarded the medal of the Royal Canadian Academy for distinguished achievement in the arts. He was one of 50 typographic designers of the world asked to participate in the 500th anniversary of the Gutenberg Bible by designing folio pages of the Book of Genesis. He has been a silver medal winner at the International Book Fair in Leipzig.

For the past three years he has been teaching at the Ontario College of Art. Freelance design and teaching have been combined both in Toronto and from 1940-50 in Montreal.

He was born in Welland, where he attended school. There he was stimulated by Louis Blake Duff to take an interest in design, typography and books. It is one of the proud curiosities of the Typographic Designers of Canada that this most internationally-recognized fellow of the society

came in by the back door, as Mr. Dair puts it. For in Toronto, he had drifted into printing as a compositor and from there, as a practicing printer instead of as an art school product, he gradually became recognized as a typographic designer, and the recognitions piled up.

In 1956-57, he was in the Netherlands on a Canadian Government Overseas Award. During their 12 years in Richvale, Mr. and Mrs. Dair have lived at 33 Scott Drive. They have two daughters, Erika and Willa. When Mrs. Dair joins her husband in Jamaica, about the middle of October, she will be accompanied by Willa. Erika will join the family group a little later. "We are all really excited about the move," says Mrs. Dair.

Honeymoon In North Residing In Richvale

Thornhill Presbyterian Church was the setting for the recent wedding of Miss June Davidge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Davidge of Thornhill to Mr. Campbell Henderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Campbell Henderson of Grimsby.

Rev. William Clow of St. Catharines, cousin of the groom officiated.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose a full

length gown of white nylon organdy over taffeta. The lace bodice was trimmed with iridescent sequins and pearls. Her elbow-length veil, trimmed with a band of French lace was held by a coronet of sequins and pearls and she carried a cascade of red roses and white chrysanthemums.

Mrs. Doreen Smith, sister of the bride, was matron of honour, and Mrs. Betty Morrey and Miss Marsha Henderson, sister of the groom were bridesmaids. All were dressed alike in bell shaped gowns of mint green nylon taffeta, with matching headbands and carried nosegays of pink carnations. Miss Wanda Lichacz, cousin of the groom was flower girl, wearing white organdy. She carried a nosegay of red roses.

Mr. Raymond Moorey was best man, ushers were Mr. John Nicholson and Mr. Ian Henderson, brother of the groom.

Following the wedding, a reception for 80 guests was held in the church reception hall.

The bride's mother received in a sheath gown of yellow nylon over silk with white accessories.

The groom's mother chose a sheath gown of lilac brocade with beige accessories.

For their honeymoon trip to northern Ontario the bride wore a yellow three piece suit with white accessories.

The couple are making their home in Richvale.

Headford News

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Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Leek and family attended the service in the Old Mennonite log church at Edgeley. The church was built in 1824 and has been kept in perfect condition. This is the first service held there in 40 years. The form of Sunday's service followed early customs; the men sat on one side of the church and the women opposite. Mrs. Leek felt this accounted in part for the excellent congregational singing. No musical instruments were used. It was of interest to Mrs. Leek to hear Rev. Alvin Baker whom she had taught.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Young and children attended morning services, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Burton.

M. Jean Paul Giles of Montreal visited his cousin Mrs. Harry Burton over the weekend.

Mr. William McKnight, brother Tom and sister Janet of Grand Valley were guests of Mrs. W. Wellman for dinner recently. The McKnights family were residents and lived on the Watford farm.

Other guests for dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Barker and Mrs. Norman Brodie.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Wellman and family visited in Toronto at the home of Mrs. Wellman's brother, Gordon Marshall; also with her aunts, the Misses Marshall.

Mr. and Mrs. Cumber Lee and family spent Sunday in Toronto with Mrs. Lee's mother, Mrs. M. E. McDougall.

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