An Independent Weekly: Established 1878

Subscription Rate \$3.50 per year; to United States \$4.50; 10c single copy Member Audit Bureau of Circulations Member Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association J. E. SMITH, Editor and Publisher

W. S. COOK, Managing Editor "Authorized as second class mail, Post Office Department, Ottawa"

Planning Is Costly County

It is expected county council will soon have to make a decision to either accept or reject Murray Jones' suggested establishment of a county planning agency. Mr. Jones has recommended a planning department that would include a chief officer, a research planner, a draftsman and a secretary-stenographer at an estimated cost of \$31,600 annually.

Each of the 14 municipalities comprising the county are represented on county council, which is the governing body, by their reeves and deputy-reeves. They are the people who are going to have the final say as to whether to accept or reject Mr. Jones' recommendations. Locally Richmond Hill Planning Board discussed the report and its implications for the town at its meeting last week. However the final responsibility for deciding the issue lies with the reeves and deputies of each of the member communities. The six southern municipalities are in a unique position and this important fact should be kept in mind by their senior officials.

The suggested county planning agency will be of no direct benefit to the people of the six southern municipalities which include Richmond Hill and Markham and Vaughan Townships. Any benefits will accrue to the eight northern municipalities and therefore they alone should bear the total cost. The six southern municipalities are under the strict control of the Metro Planning Board and the province has given no indication it intends to allow any shift in the present area of planning responsibility.

At a time when our politicians keep telling us how concerned they are about the rising tide of taxation, this latest county planning would cost the people of Richmond Hill alone a reported \$3,800 a year for services that are of no direct benefit to the town. And this comes at a time when Richmond Hill is already the second largest contributor to county government paying out last year a total of \$210,493 as its share towards its operation.

Richmond Hill already has its own planning director and department and certainly doesn't need a further duplication of services at the county

Ecumenical Goodwill

Two hundred and fifty persons wrote a page of religious history in Richmond Hill on the evening of January 19. The number was almost equally divided between members of St. Marys-on-the-Hill Anglican congregation and St. Mary Immaculate Roman Catholic Church.

The meeting was held in the spirit of both the Anglican Congress and the Vatican Council, and those present discovered over coffee that Roman Catholics and Protestants have many things in common. They agreed to emphasize these things and over-

look the differences. Father John Markle, assistant priest at St. Mary Immaculate, expressed the feeling of all present when he accepted the challenge to

keep the torch of Ecumenical goodwill lighted and to see that it burns brighter and brighter for all the world to see.

For too long, Christian denominations have placed too much stress on their differences and have lost sight of the fact that the underlying

principles of Christianity, to which all adhere, are the important thing. Down through the years too much of the vitality of the Christian church has been sapped by paying too much attention to our differences.

If we are not ready to worship together, if we are not ready to give up the traditions, the heritage handed down by our forefathers, we can at least hold more meetings such as this one that took place at the Anglican parish hall. We can learn to work together to spread the gospel and combat the spread of our common enemies, sin, wickedness, greed and poverty.

Hence the picture of Christianity presented to non-Christians has often been obscured behind clouds of dissension among the followers of Jesus

If we reserve the right to worship as we please, one of the freedoms we are guaranteed, we can also learn to respect the right of others to worship according to their beliefs.

Library Vaughan's '67 Dream?

We would sincerely hope Vaughan Council will give more than a passing thought to building a township library.

It has been suggested as a centennial project for the community by Maple Library Board who is managing with very makeshift quarters to serve a population that by 1973 is estimated to reach between 21,000 and 25,000.

The board's argument in favor of building a centennial library is an obvious financial one... it would greatly benefit Vaughan Township to take advantage of federal and provincial grants being offered for projects of this nature built by Canada's 100th birthdate in 1967.

There are other sound arguments,

The council itself has indicated it would support a York County system to provide library service, particularly in the more rural areas and likely in the form of a bookmobile service. Such a library as proposed could serve as the nucleus of the township service.

Vaughan School Area Board, responsible for about 3,200 elementary school students, has also expressed its deep concern over the lack of service and its interest in the pro-

vision for more books to more people. In Richmond Hill, where a wellestablished library is serving more than adequately all the needs of the town's people, it is interesting to

note 1,200 of its readers are either

adults or children from Vaughan Township.

The adults are paying members but the youngsters are given the service free and Vaughan pays nothing to Richmond Hill in the way of grants.

Whether or not the Maple Library Board, which says its present quarters on Keele Street are cramped, inadequate and of little over-all service to the community, can envision the township building not just a Maple library but a central Vaughan service is another matter.

We would hope they can put their own personal desires aside in a real endeavor to provide a first-class library for Vaughan.

It might even be conceivable to locate such an edifice in Maple.

And from the aesthetic point of view, Vaughan could, with the additional financial stimulus engendered by the 1967 centennial, build a library that could be an outstanding architectural and cultural centre and a notable landmark.

Interest is stirring locally in the

centennial. Richmond Hill is attempting to build a centennial swimming pool. Newmarket is casting about for

concrete projects to commemorate the event and Markham Township has plans to finish off one of its recreational programs.

Vaughan would be wise to at least get a library in the talking stage if it is what their citizens want.

EXTENDED CLASSIFIED SERVICE

MONDAYS & TUESDAYS - 8 A.M. TO 9 P.M. EACH DAY

PHONE TU. 4-1105-6 OR AV. 5-3316



Rambling Around

by Elizabeth Kelson

Canadian Red Cross Helps Disaster Areas Throughout The World

In 1963 the International Red Cross plus the League of Red Cross societies won the Nobel Peace Prize. It was presented on December 10 during a traditional ceremony at the University of Oslo on Montreal Star. the anniversary of the death of Alfred Nobel, in the presence of his majesty King Olav of Norway. The prize was accepted on behalf of the international committee of the Red Cross by its president Leopold Boissier, and for the league of Red Cross societies by the chairman of the board, John A. MacAuley of Winnipeg. The Nobel Peace Prize brought with it a cash award of \$51,000 which was shared equally by the international committee and the league.

When speaking of the Canadian Red Cross, Flashback we think of the many divisions and branches that go to make up this humanitarian organization. In the latter days of 1963, Canadians through the Canadian Red Cross societies expressed their sympathy in a tangible way to the victims of floods in three widely separated parts of the world. For Ghana, a cash grant of \$5,000 was made to the League. In the eastern region of Ghana, flooding of the Volta River had left almost 100,000 people homeless. The money was used to purchase tents to house the homeless. Just before the disaster occurred, a supply of powdered milk forwarded by the Canadian Junior Red Cross had been received by the Ghanian Red Cross Society. This was immediately used to help in disaster areas.

In Costa Rica, an overflowing river affected the town of Cartago, destroying 400 houses and leaving over 3,500 persons homeless. The Canadian Red Cross, answering an appeal for help from the league cabled \$5,000 to the Costa Rica Red Cross. This was done in order that the society might purchase relief supplies locally and spread the relief bank, and his body was found On April 27, 1813, the local

Floods in the northwestern area of Morocco in late December caused 15 deaths. Hundreds of homes were washed away and approximately 35,000 persons were left homeless. The Canadian Red Cross made a cash grant to the league to assist the victims of this flood. In addition 10 cases of clothing, the product of the women's work committee were issued from the warehouse of the league located in Marseilles. The \$500 cash grant was used to purchase blankets.

"Ballet Gives Me A Wonderful Feeling"... Susan Ostergaard

Sunday, January 26, thirteen year old Susan Ostergaard was a guest on Tiny Talent time. She is the daughter of Margaret and Valdemar Ostergaard, 16 Elizabeth Street in Richmond Hill. She has one sister, Annette, who is a student at Richmond Hill High School. Susan has taken ballet lessons for four years, first with a Toronto Ballet teacher, Mrs. Pooley and now with Mrs. Audrey Parker of Richmond Hill.

Susan likes the ballet very much and she practices as much as possible. She said that before she took up ballet she felt tired but after she had been dancing for awhile she didn't seem to feel tired any more. "Practicing the ballet makes you strong and limber, your posture improves and you feel better," she said. When Susan listens to the wonderful ballet music and begins to dance all those numerous steps she has learned, she feels something good happening inside her. Everything just seems to flow along. "If I haven't time to practice my steps," she said "I have to do the "Plies" for ten minutes to keep in shape." These special warm-up lessons must be done before every lesson too.

Susan said that she was a bit nervous when (Continued On Page 12)

Dear Mr. Editor

LIQUOR & HYPOCRISY Dear Mr. Editor:

Mayor Tom Broadhurst is quoted in your February 6 isliquor tax revenue.

He labels as "rank hypocrisy" high tax rates on liquor. He your issue of January 30. implies that the use of liquor is in the same category as attendance at hockey games.

It would be interesting to have an accurate comparison of Ontario liquor tax revenue and of the cost (direct and indirect) to society of its use.

Where such studies have been made by governmental agencies, the verdict has always been the same. The social costs of liquor consumption are NEVER the population of the village COVERED despite relatively

high rates of taxation! Direct social costs include regulation of production and marketing, penal and rehabilitation care related to the use of organized, and the first letter alcoholic beverages, social ser-

vices to individuals and fami-Patterson. It read, in part, as lies afflicted with alcoholism. Indirect social costs include broken families, lost man-hours and skills in the economy, dead,

injured and maimed on the

highways, etc. Society pays the cost of the foster care of children, of welfare to the family, of hospitalization and compensation to the victims. Society suffers from each productive man-hour lost

to the effects of liquor. Who pays? Herein is the moral issue. Shall the general publie be taxed to bear the social costs involved?

Is it not more equitable to increase liquor taxes to cover a larger fraction of the real costs involved in its consump- and memory.

Which attitude is "rank hyp-

Signed: NOT AN ABSTAINER

Dear Mr. Editor: Undoubtedly many of your readers were interested in the sue lamenting the increase in article on the Patterson Works' and the establishment of 'Don Head Farms' which appeared in

This week because of the annual meeting of the Richmond Hill branch (No. 3) of the Canadian Red Cross Society, it might be interesting to relate another incident which links Don Head Farms, Richmond Hill and the Canadian Red Cross

Society. When Richmond Hill Red Cross branch (No. 2) was formed on September 8, 1939, and stood at 1,317, the immediate and urgent need was cash with which to purchase supplies for the work room. After the charter was received, a canvass was received from outside the village was from the late John D.

> Richmond Hill, Ont. October 7, 1939

Dear Mrs. Hill: "For the credit of the Richmond Hill Red Cross branch I have the pleasure to enclose a cheque for \$100 and exchange.

The appeal presently to be made for funds to carry on your work will be generously supported I am very

J. D. Patterson. The record of helpful deeds sometimes remains both in file Sincerely Yours,

Yours Sincerely

Gladys G. L. Hill, Hon. Pres. of Richmond Hill Red Cross Society.

BY RICHMOND HILL PUBLIC LIBRARY BD.

During February the Rich- by Constance Irwin. Miss Irwin mond Hill Library is featuring develops the theory that sea- Hi! You great big handsome lug, a display of the books in "150 faring Phoenician traders may books of the last three years, have been the origin of the pre-1961-1963". The library has Columbian civilization in the gathered the books on this list, New World. An easy style and which was prepared by the many illustrations enhance this Toronto Public Libraries, and volume for the arm-chair archpatrons are encouraged to eologist. browse in this important dis- Homebrew and Patches by play. Some of the newer titles Harry J. Boyle. The author of

are mentioned below. The Coming Explosion in boyhood reminiscences of life Latin America, by Gerald Clark. on an Ontariofarm in the This is a discerning appraisal hungry 'thirties'. of the forces, economic, politic- Last Letters to a Friend, al and historical, that are shap- 1952-1958, by Dame Rose Macing South America in the twen- aulay. Intimate and tantalizing tieth century. By a Canadian fragments of correspondence in

Art, by R. H. Hubbard. This is to religion" the most complete and master- Mrs. G.B.S.; a biographical

ful survey of Canadian art yet portrait of Charlotte Shaw, by the intense and lovely Charlotte

Fair Gods and Stone Face, (Continued On Page 12)

Mostly in Clover continues his

newspaper reporter for the which Dame Rose wrote of books, people, and places, but The Development of Canadian principally of her own "return

attempted. Mr. Hubbard, cura- Janet Dunbar. The trials and tor at the National Gallery in compensations of marriage to Ottawa, has prepared a volume an enigmatic genius are delicatwhich is a visual and literary ely balanced in this picture of

In Years Gone By

Items gleaned from files of "The Liberal", the home paper of this district since 1878.

Colonel David Bridgford has been mentioned before in these columns as the man who successfully warned York of the approach of the rebels in 1837. His name is to be found in the earliest records of Richmond Hill, "The Liberal" of August 22, 1907, notes in an

article written by William Harrison who received his information from Bridgford's daughter, Mrs. D. C. O'Brien. Born in New York in 1792, uipment. he was the son of the owner of Later he was at Detroit when a vessel which plied between the American General Hull sur-New York and Greenoch, Scot-rended. To the end of his life land, each passage taking two Bridgford wore on his chest the

months. The father was murder- silver medal struck in commeed just after he had drawn a moration of that Canadian viclarge sum of money from the tory. at the foot of Broadway. young man was at Fort York The widow and her seven- waiting for orders when the year-old son David came to magazine blew up, blowing into Canada. After a short stay in the air 200 Americans with their York, they made their way to commander Pike, and several Richmond Hill, then not yet out of the British garrison as they of the woods. Their conveyance were vacating the fort. Bridg-

was an ox-cart, their right-of- ford was among those hurled

way an axe, and the time two into the air. He was picked up

days from "York" to the "Hill". for dead and placed in a wheel-

Shortly after settling here Mrs. barrow ambulance for burial.

Bridgford married Robert On the way signs of life returned and he escaped premature The family was not long sett- interment. He lived to serve led before there was something his country at Fort Erie, Chipto do. The war of 1812 was de- pewa and Lundy's Lane, and to clared on June 18 and a draft return to Richmond Hill.

was made on every available His military mantle fell on Young David Bridgford was his youngest son, D. B. Bridgadvised by Dr. (afterwards ford, who went to Richmond, Bishop) John Strachan to avoid Virginia when about 20 years the draft by joining the volun- old. He served in the Confede-

rate army during the American Men were badly needed at Civil War, being promoted to the front and on July 29 a body the rank of major and serving of volunteers under Colonel Al- as aide-de-camp to General len was ordered to prepare for Stonewall Jackson. At the funeservice. David Bridgford was ral of this famous confederate among the men who marched leader, Major Bridgford repreto the head of the lake for eq- sented "the army".

BY GEORGE MAYES

Yesterday's news is not necessarily dead

Cries of "Shame! Shame!" were heard in the Ontario Legislature last week as a new member took the floor to deplore the public acceptance of Elizabeth Taylor. (Well, he should have known better than to pick her as the topic of a maiden speech.)

The Progressive Conservatives have decided to keep John Diefenbaker as their national leader in spite of the record of his rejection by the voters. ... Sort of a Dief and dumb affliction.

Metro police have had belated reflections on their parking-ticket "image" and will hire civilian parking control officers for the job. The PCO's will be dressed in uniforms as "different as possible" from the police... As "different as possible" would be the Crook Brothers attire common to Kingston inmates. Very appropriate!

The Ontario Research Foundation has spent \$246,800 over the past six years to develop a doit-yourself garbage disposal system... when any ice sweeper on the NHL circuit could have told them how the fans dispose of their garbage for as little as \$2.50.

Toronto's antiquated Riverdale Zoo has acquired modern status of a sort by inadequately housing two-ton-and-growing Indian elephant. Animal lovers in the city say the zoo is an elephant joke.

Baldness may mean cancer immunity — according to two New Orleans doctors. They say a three-year research project has shown cancer strikes four times more often among heavily-haired men. This, if we take a broad view of the word "men", is the only good and hopeful news we've noticed in conjunction with the arrival of the four Beatles.

Twelve Metro ministers are appealing to the provincial health minister for permission to put their parishioners to sleep with hypnotism... instead of an old-fashioned sermon.

The M.L.A. from Ottawa East says Frenchspeaking motorists in the Ottawa area are failing in their driving tests because they have to answer questions in English ... A lot of them would fail in French too when they were asked to explain YIELD.

* * * * * *

Question of the week -

How many cases have there been where hospital patients realized surgical instruments had been left inside of them during an operation but wouldn't say anything for fear they would be put on the bill too?

Various Valentines . Have You Read These? : From Leap Year Gal

From The Leap Year Gal

Won't you be my jitterbug? Do not look at me askance, This may be my only chance!

Any Wife To Any Husband

I am the woman you promised to cherish, Sustain and support in conventional style, If you still love me as once you declared it, Why den't you tell me so once in a while?

Valentine Of A Versifier

I should perhaps send roses or other charming posies To tell of love so tender and so true, Or a box of sweet confection to remind you my affection

Is a tendril rooted deeper than the yew. There are colored TV sets or a pair of castanets,

Or a jaunty sports car labeled cabriolet,

But I cannot seem to choose so I'm calling on the Muse To express the tender nothings I would say; When I gaze into your eyes I can vision Paradise,

So the things that I might purchase from my purse Wouldn't illustrate as clearly that I love you very dearly, Nor be quite as economical as verse.

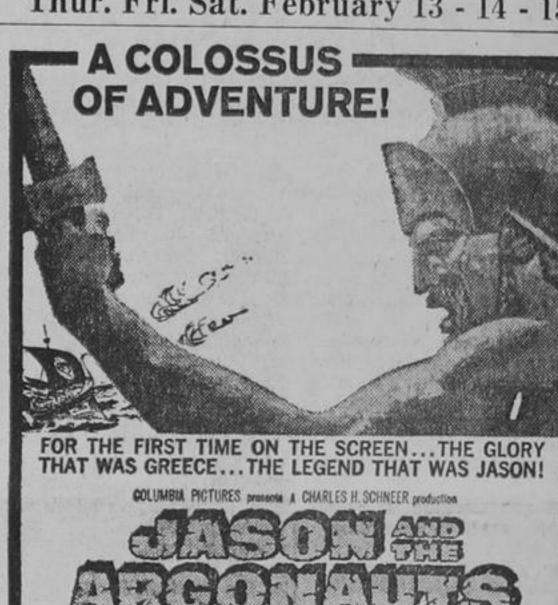
ROBERT D. LITTLE

RICHMOND HILL, ONT. Phone TU. 4-1212

Enjoy Sunday Movies This Sunday and every Sunday SATURDAY and SUNDAY Continuous from 6 p.m. MONDAY TO FRIDAY 1st Show at 7 p.m. MATINEE SATURDAYS & Holidays at 2 p.m.

The above times effective unless otherwise advertised

Thur. Fri. Sat. February 13 - 14 - 15



Plus From the land of the midnight sun comes an unforgettable adventure! in gargeous COLOR

Thur. Fri. 1st show 6.45. Last complete show 8.30 p.m. Saturday from 6.00. Last show 8.20 p.m.

Please Note

JAN READ and BEVERLEY CROSS . RAY HARRYHAUSEN

Directed by DON CHAFFEY . A MORNINGSIDE WORLDWIDE FI

SAT. MATINEE Feb. 15 2 p.m. Only

JASON And The ARGONAUTS

Sun. Mon. Tues. Wed. Feb. 16-17-18-19



Recommended Adult Entertainment



* RILEY JACKSON - ROBERT PATRICK Presentation - A PARADE RELEASE - A Toho Co. Ltd. Production Please Note Sunday, continuous from 6 p.m.

Mon. Tues. Wed. from 6.50 p.m. Last complete show 8.30 p.m.