



# Life in the Hill

Editor Margot Crack

### T.V. Highlights

Cheryl Parker, talented daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Parker, Palmer Avenue, will be appearing on the Channel 11 programme "Tiny Talent Time" on February 16, at 4.30 p.m. Cheryl, taught by her mother, ballet teacher, Audrey Parker, was last seen by Richmond Hill audiences in the Curtain Club's Christmas pantomime "Cinderella," and on Sunday will be performing the Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy.

At last Thursday's meeting of the Friendship Circle of the Church of St. Gabriel, new member, Mrs. Betty McNeill, was welcomed into the group. "The Prodigal Father," a chapter from the book "Lift Up Your Hearts" was read by Mrs. Ray Stringer.

Coffee was served by Mrs. Linda Brillert and Mrs. Doris Faer.

Members wish a speedy recovery to Mrs. G.W. Shaw, who is at present confined to her home with influenza.

Richmond Hill Public School Board Trustee Basil Pappas was unable to fight his way through last Thursday's sudden and slushy snowfall to arrive in time for the meeting.

Mr. Pappas called the board from his Beverley Acres home at 8.45 p.m. to say he had just arrived home from work having left Pape Avenue around 5 p.m.

North York members attending the annual Progressive Conservative Convention at Ottawa were:

Meloye Harrison, Marilyn Joyce, William Beattie, Harry Nash, William Curran, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hooper, Mrs. G. Commission, Mrs. L. Catherine, Mrs. Janette Dunn, Mrs. Milton Savage, Mrs. William Park, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Norris, Mrs. Vera Webber, Dr. and Mrs. James Johnston, Mr. William Case and Mr. Richard Buchanan.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Boardman, Skopit Drive, entertained at a tea for relatives and friends following the christening on Sunday of their twin sons, Thomas David and Edward John, at the Church of St. Gabriel, Rev. R.E. McLennan officiated.

Wearing magnificent gowns, made in England in 1876 for their great grandmothers, the twins were accompanied to the ceremony by their proud brothers and sister, Robert, Bradley, Kenny and Julia Ann.

Guests included the maternal grandmother, Mrs. M.B. Tjof from Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. L. Wilson and family, Agincourt, and Mr. and Mrs. D. Wright, Richmond Hill.

Several pupils of the Bubik Classical Ballet School went to see the excellent ballet performance of Nora Kovach and Istvan Rabovszky at the Central Technical School on February 7.

Attending from Richmond Hill were Monica Dora, Diana Drummond, Cathy Harris, Mary Noelle Harris, Aileen Hogan, Alice Kormendy, Christine Kormendy, Barbara Park, Patti Smart, Lillian Van Weelden and Wendy McCormick. Adele Jennis, Paula Kennedy, Jennifer Hopkins, Susan McLaughlin, Leslee Thornton and Dian Wallace attended from Aurora. Miss J. Bubik, Mrs. E. Dora, Mrs. M. Hogan, Mrs. L.J. Kormendy and Mrs. R. Thornton provided the transportation.

After enjoying the superb dancing and colourful costumes, Miss Bubik took the girls backstage to meet the artists, take some pictures and get their autographs. It was an evening the girls will remember for a long time.

## Risque Comedy February Play At C.C. Theatre

A few years ago the Curtain Club would not have dared to present a play like the "Little Hut" to a Richmond Hill audience. It may be remembered that their festival entry "Clerembard" was considered much too risqué for a local audience, and had to be shown in Toronto. Now, however, the club is confident that their fourth production of the season will raise no protests but a great many laughs, and perhaps a few temperatures! Featured in "The Little Hut" are Elisabeth Jackson, Dennis Thatcher and Jerry Diakiv, under the direction of Rex Sevenoaks. Tickets are obtainable from all club members or by calling TU. 4-3595, and curtain time will be 8.30. Opening night will be February 19, and "The Little Hut" will run till February 29.

Mary Monks will be a guest on the Channel 6 programme — Elwood Glover's Luncheon Date — on Monday next, February 17, to discuss the Curtain Club's production of "The Little Hut" which opens at the theatre on February 19.

Tickets are still available and may be obtained by calling TU. 4-3595.

The Men's Club of Richmond Hill United Church are holding a supper meeting on February 19. Dr. Daniel G. Hill, chairman of Ontario Civil Rights Commission, will speak on "Civil Rights in Ontario."

Club members wish to thank the many people whose patronage contributed to the success of their recent bake sale.

Holidaying in the sunny south? Entertaining? Weekend skiing? These and other news items comprise "Life in the Hill" — the service is free — call the Social Editor Margot Crack at TU. 4-1105, drop a line to 63 Yonge Street South, or call in personally — we'll be pleased to hear from you.

Darlene Harcourt and Alexander Carter, young talented pupils of Ellen M. Blogg R.M.T., both received first class honours in their singing examinations at the Royal Conservatory of Music.

Darlene, 7 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Harcourt, 50 Benson Avenue, passed her grade 1 examination with 82%. She is following in the footsteps of her sister, Denise, age 12, who has accomplished a great deal in the past few years, and is now studying for her grade 9 piano.

Alexander, 11 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Carter, 52 Rockport Crescent, passed his grade 4 examination with 81%. He has won many awards, including a medal, at the Canadian National Exhibition.

## Two Local Services Planned For Women's World Day Of Prayer

The annual Women's World Day of Prayer will be observed in Richmond Hill on Friday at two services which are open to all women in the community.

An afternoon service will be held at St. Mary's Anglican Church at 2 p.m. and an evening service at St. Matthew's United Church at 8 p.m.

The Women's World Day of Prayer, now about 75 years old, is observed the first Friday of Lent by the major protestant and orthodox communions of the Christian Church. Prayer and giving for world-wide missions are its primary purpose.

Since its inception the World Day of Prayer has traditionally brought people together across denominational, racial, national and cultural boundaries to pray for the needs of the world and to make an offering for the carrying out of the church's mission. It is truly world-wide. The same service will be used in 150 countries on the same day.

A different country each year is responsible for the service. This year it has been prepared by Dr. Madeleine Barrot of France. Dr. Barrot daughter of a Huguenot father and a Lutheran mother, is a member of the Reform Church of France. She is executive secretary of the World Council of Churches.

The money raised on this day (\$59,000 in 1963) is used primarily to provide badly needed Christian literature for undeveloped countries. Also included in the list of those helped is the Indian-Eskimo Association of Canada. At least one new project is added each year, that of 1963 being the Voice of the Gospel radio station in

Congratulations to Leisha Van Leeuwen, grade 3, Linda Pearson, grade 4, and Suzanne Clayton, grade 8, who gained honour standing at the Royal Conservatory of Music examinations in January. All three are piano pupils of Estelle Markham A.R.C.T.

Mrs. D. Palmer, 221 Yonge Street, who was involved in a car accident south of the Hill on Saturday, is a patient in Toronto General Hospital, where her condition is described as "as well as can be expected."

Mrs. Palmer is the mother of Mrs. D. Plaxton, Sugar Maple Lane.

Deputy-reeve Stanley F. Tinker has been confined to bed at his home since Saturday with virus pneumonia and pleurisy. "The Liberal" and his many friends wish the deputy-reeve a rapid recovery.

The 5th Richmond Hill Ladies Cub and Scout Auxiliary meeting was held on February 5 in the education building of the Richmond Hill United Church. Plans were made for the father and son banquet, and a date fixed for the rummage sale which will be held on March 14.

Guest speaker was Mr. Ross Wood, who himself started as a cub and later attained the coveted Queen's Scout Badge, and is now akela of A Pack. Mr. Wood explained what the scouting programme endeavours to do for the boys, what it teaches, how it helps develop a boy's natural gifts and widens his spiritual outlook. He also outlined the programme a wolf cub must follow to achieve his Tenderpad badge, and then his 1st and 2nd star.

Questions were answered for the benefit of the new members, including the necessity for dues and registration fees. Coffee was served to round off a most interesting evening.

## McConaghy H&S Panel February 19 On "Discipline"

The first annual meeting of the Richmond Hill Chapter I.O.O.F. was held at the home of Mrs. W. Houston, Maple. It was preceded by a pot luck supper, convened by Mrs. W. Houston and Mrs. W. Sleeman.

A novel idea the chapter has adopted is buying the recipes from members to support their pin money fund.

All secretaries and convenors read their annual reports.

Mrs. L.V. Adshear, the chapter's honorary regent, seconded these, commending the chapter on their progress.

Mrs. H.S. MacMillan, Toronto, municipal regent, was a guest of honour and spoke to the members on "a chapter's creeping years" and installed the newly elected officers.

The newly elected slate of officers for the coming year is: Regent - Mrs. W.T. Barnes 1st vice regent - Mrs. W. Houston, 2nd vice regent - Mrs. W.J. McLeod, secretary - Mrs. A. MacNaughton, corresponding secretary - Mrs. S. Pipher, treasurer - Mrs. D. Weber, educational secretary - Mrs. D.J. Ashworth, school secretary - Mrs. T. Hobden, services at home and abroad secretary Mrs. R.B. Deschamps, standard bearer - Mrs. M.S.H. Verico.

W. Sleeman will convene the annual hyacinth bridge.

"Discipline" will be the debatable topic on the agenda for a February 19 panel discussion at McConaghy School Auditorium.

Sponsored by the McConaghy Home and School Association, the discussion begins at 8:15 p.m.

Acting as chairman will be David Porter, attendance counsellor for Richmond Hill Public Schools and York Central High School Board; panelists are Mrs. Deena Simpson, Richmond Hill trustee, John Lawlor, local lawyer, David Garlick McConaghy vice-principal and Rev. James O'Neil, rector at St. Mary's Anglican Church and four selected students from grades 7 and 8 at McConaghy.

Mr. G. L. Baker, 115 Casca-de Circle, is convalescing at home following a ten day stay in York Central Hospital.

February 10 was ladies night at the Rotary Club of Richmond Hill when Joe Calder, one of the leading Rotarians in Canada, gave a most inspiring talk.

On February 3 Rotarians heard William Ellis vocational guidance counsellor of Richmond Hill High School give a most interesting address on this phase of modern secondary school education.

Next week Rotarian Walter DeGeer will talk on classification.

The people of Richmond Hill Baptist Church reluctantly said farewell to their pastor the Rev. Gordon Forbes, Mrs. Forbes and family at the weekend, Friday evening at a social gathering gifts were presented to each member of the Forbes family. Speeches were made by representatives from each department and the choir sang several selections. Mr. Forbes is going to work in the Manitoba area where there is no Baptist church.

The 3rd Richmond Hill Ladies Auxiliary held their February meeting at the home of Mrs. J. Fraser, Crosby Avenue. Mrs. Jean Burns presided. Mrs. Doris Cowie reported on the progress of the father and son banquet to be held on February 19 at the Church of St. Gabriel.

Coffee and cake were served.

Hilltoppers Drum Corps Help the Hilltoppers chocolate bar drive go over the top by supporting the boys and girls in the last week of sale. Your support will mean the difference between success and failure. May they have your backing? 5000 bars have still to be sold in order to have sufficient funds to carry on.

At the meeting of the Aurora Horticultural Society on February 4, the speaker was R. D. Little, Arnold Street, who gave an illustrated talk on 'Iris'.

Mr. Little also showed slides of trees, flowers and other interesting views taken on his recent tours of Hawaii, Ireland, England, Scotland and Denmark.

Guests were present from neighbouring horticultural societies.

The C.W.L. of Our Lady Queen of the World Parish held a Valentine bridge and euchre party on February 7. The well attended event was convened by Mrs. H. Bryan. Euchre prizes were won by Rosemary Bransfield, R. King, Carol Sokalski, R. D. Neile, Gerry Sokalski, Mr. McCarvill, Cribbage, Mr. H. O'Toole, Miss Betty Berry. Bridge winners were Mrs. R. Dunn, Mrs. Ella McCullough, Mrs. Sinclair, Mr. R. Dunn, Mr. Carvin, Mr. Sinclair.

Many door and raffle prizes were won.

Lunch was served under the direction of Mrs. S. Parke, social convenor.

The Holy Name Society of Our Lady Queen of the World held their monthly meeting on February 9 with Mayor Tom Broadhurst as guest speaker. Mr. Broadhurst also drew the winning ticket for the 50-50 club draw — this month's winner Maurice Bourque, received \$353.00.

Pastor Fernand Petit-Clerc, a converted Roman Catholic, will be guest preacher at Richmond Hill Baptist Church, Wright Street, on Sunday next. He is a missionary in Verdun, Quebec. After the evening service pictures will be shown.

The February meeting of St. John's Baptist Women's Circle was held at the home of Vice-President Mrs. Shirley Butterworth.

Mrs. Mary Best and Mrs. Mildred Kirchin gave the devotional, followed by the business portion.

A demonstration on cake decoration was given by Mrs. Irene Miller.

Attending Queen's University open house in Kingston on Saturday were Miss Lois Loughridge, Arnold Crescent, Miss Shirley Dubkowski, 16th Avenue and Miss Donna McCarthy, Spruce Avenue.

They were overnight guests of Miss Penny Parmenter, who attends Queen's, and on Sunday visited friends at the Royal Military College, returning home in the evening.



## Roman Catholic School Blessed

Archbishop Philip Francis Pocock, co-adjutor archbishop of Toronto last Sunday blessed the new St. Joseph's Separate School on Roney Avenue before a crowd of 325. The \$185,000 10-room school was completed last September. The archbishop is pictured blessing the interior of the school as he goes with his assistants and choir to the linen-covered table on which stands a crucifix between two candles. It is the fourth Roman Catholic elementary grade school in the Hill.

## Fancies Fish, Swallows' Em, Too

The goldfish are nervous in Branson Hospital these days and you can put the blame on a two-year-old Richmond Hill girl by name of Caroline.

She likes to swallow them.

The goldfish were living in a comparatively normal life in a tank in one of the hospital's corridors last week but that all ended with the arrival of Caroline for an appendix operation.

Caroline, who has a last name which is being deleted to protect the innocent, caught everyone by surprise as she strolled innocently along the corridor.

They didn't know she was a fish-fancier from a way back having gulped down a bowl full of tadpoles a year ago at her home. "Oh, the fishes!" spouted Caroline as she sidled ex-

citedly over to the tank of goldfish.

With a quick scoop Caroline snagged herself a startled goldfish and popped it in her mouth.

An even more startled nurse tried to snag the fish's tail-fins which were still not quite all inside the little girl's mouth.

Caroline wasn't having any of it and clamped her mouth shut.

Gulp.

Caroline survived the ordeal and started looking around for another goldfish but all the fishes were running for cover.

She was spirited away in quick fashion.

"The fish didn't bother her a bit," said Caroline's mother. "Only a year ago she swallowed the tadpoles. She likes fish that way."

Caroline's new home and doing fine.

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## Rev. M. Wilkinson, Social Service Head, Begins St. Gabriel Lenten Series

Rev. Maurice P. Wilkinson, M.A.L.Th., general secretary of Christian social service of the Anglican Church of Canada, will be guest speaker at St. Gabriel, February 16. He is the first of five special speakers who will be at the evening service at seven o'clock during the Lenten season.

The council for social service is the department of the Anglican Church which has the responsibility of promoting a Christian public opinion of social problems and social needs. It assists dioceses and parishes to study social problems, to maintain a just condition of living and to build a wholesome Christian society.

Mr. Wilkinson is rector of St. Wilfrid's Church in suburban Islington. When he took over the new parish in 1955 he had

the pastoral care of 32 families. Today the parish numbers 600 families with a completely graded church school of more than 700 children. The present church building was opened in 1958 and is considered a splendid example of modern architecture.

Born and raised in Winnipeg, Mr. Wilkinson received his B.A. from United College there and graduated in theology at Wycliffe College, Toronto, with the degree of L.Th. in 1948. In his final year he won the Parker Scholarship, the highest academic award in the gift of the

college. He took his M.A. degree at the University in Manitoba in 1950.

Mr. Wilkinson's theological studies were interrupted by four years' service in the second world war. He was a lieutenant in the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps and served in Canada, England and Europe. After the war he was with the army of occupation in Oldenburg, Germany. At present he is chaplain of the Governor-General's Horse Guards.

From 1950 to 1953 he was executive secretary of both the

council for social service and the board of religious education for the Diocese of Toronto. While he held the posts, a hostel for young men newly discharged from police courts, jails and reformatories was established.

He has also produced and directed Anglican Sunday School of the Air broadcast over 20 Canadian stations. He has been secretary of the committee on international affairs of the general synod council for social service since the committee was formed in 1958.

