



Pictured following commencement exercises held at Thornhill Secondary School November 13 are the school's two top scholars for 1964, Donna-Lynn Pieri and valedictorian, Terry Lazar.

Standing at rear are, (left to right) Superintendent S. L. G. Chapman of the York Central District High School Board, Thornhill Principal A. S. Elson, and Terry's father, Eugene Lazar, head of the music department.

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10th Commencement At Thornhill Secondary School

"You can take it with you" was the theme of the address delivered by Dr. A. B. Moore, president and vice-chancellor of Victoria College at Thornhill Secondary School's tenth commencement exercises, November 13.

You can take knowledge with you when you leave high school, he told the graduates, "as one of your most precious treasures."

Graduates could also take with them a sense of direction, he said. While he knew that most of the graduates had no firm idea of exactly what they wanted to do in life, what you want from whatever job you do."

The third thing students could take with them Dr. Moore said, along with memories of work, teachers and friendships was a knowledge of themselves. With a knowledge of themselves, an assessment of their promise and potential, they could go on to become full and accomplished persons.

Valedictorian was the school's top student, Terry Lazar. As well as receiving an Ontario Scholarship, Terry won the York Central District High School Board's prize for proficiency, presented by Dr. L. T. White, the Beamish Construction prize in mathematics and science, presented by W. A. Doherty of that firm and a gold pin for obtaining honor standing for five years. It was

also announced that he had been awarded a Varsity Admission Scholarship of \$1,500 per year for five years.

In his address, Terry paid tribute to the kindness, devotion and wisdom of the staff. "You have given true meaning to the school motto 'Post Proelium Praemium' — after the battle the reward," he said.

The 1964 graduating class was the largest the school has had. Of the 62 students who received their honor graduation diplomas, 57 have gone on to further study. The diplomas were presented by John Honsberger, vice-chairman of the high school board.

Mr. Honsberger brought greetings from the board, and congratulated not only the graduates but the school and the system. The teachers especially, he said, were to be congratulated on the professional spirit they showed at all times. Many of them were at the school at 8 p.m. and it was unusual to find some of them there as late as 10 or 11 at night he said. He also com-

mended the residents of the area for their interest in the school and said they had at all times shown a community pride and demand for excellence. The 24 commercial graduates were presented with their diplomas by R. Masters of the board, assisted by Mrs. H. Furse, head of the commercial department. Secondary school graduation diplomas for grade 12 in the general course had been mailed earlier to 105 students.

Dr. L. T. White, assisted by staff member E. Gillan presented the board's awards to the top students of grades 9 to 12. These went to Anne Matheson grade 9, Jeffery Coleman grade 10, Ian Rankin grade 11, Jeanne Buffet grade 12 of the general course and Susan Brunner of grade 12 of the commercial course. Jeanne Buffet also received the Gordon Lake memorial prize for languages which was presented by the late Gordon Lake's sister, Mrs. E. Barclay.

The school's eight Ontario Scholars had their certificates presented to them by S. L. G. Chapman, York Central's superintendent of schools. These were John Denby, Sandra Evans, Patricia Gazey, Terry Lazar, Jeannette Obney, Donna-Lynn Pieri, Sharon Rumble and Judith Stewart. Mr. Chapman called Terry Lazar, head of the music department at the school, to the platform to present Terry's certificate to him.

Donna-Lynn Pieri also received the Morley Kinnee Plaque for English, presented in Mr. Kinnee's absence by Trustee Masters, and the Mary Threapleton prize for English literature, based on the year's work. This was presented by Mrs. Threapleton.

It was announced also that Donna-Lynn had been awarded the Walter E. Massey Entrance Scholarship to Victoria College which proves a \$300 cash allowance and tuition fees for four years.

Sharon Rumble was presented by Mr. Foley with the Dervent Foley prize for the highest mark in upper school history. A surprise presentation of a \$100 scholarship was made by Mrs. E. Brynt of the W.A. of the Toronto East General Hospital to Diane Derry. Diane is taking her nurse's training at the hospital.

The president of the Board of Student Senators, B. Clark

presented honour pins. Susan Alcock, John Denby, Sandra Evans, Patricia Gazey, Anja Heinoenen, Terry Lazar, Jeannette Obney, Donna-Lynn Pieri, William Roy, Sharon Rumble and Judith Stewart all received gold pins for obtaining first class honors for five years.

Susan Brunner was presented with a silver pin for four years with first class honors and Bonita Barnes was given a bronze pin for three years with first class honors.

The school orchestra, conducted by Eugene Lazar, gave three numbers during the evening. The invocation was given by Rev. D. T. Evans of Thornhill Presbyterian Church.

Annual Meeting Elgin Park

Elgin Park Ratepayers Association will hold its annual general meeting November 19 at 8:30 p.m. in Beverley Acres Public School.

A special welcome will be extended to all residents of Ward 1 to discuss the recently submitted petition on storm sewers and ditches in Beverley Acres and other points of interest. Ivan Mansbridge is association president.

Accidents Light In Vaughan Twp.

Vaughan Police reported only three accidents in the township from Thursday to Monday.

On Sunday at 7:45 a.m. on Maple Sideroad and Bathurst Street, two drivers were involved in a collision with resulting damages of \$700. Drivers were Jack Crook, 17, 55 Cartier Cres., Richmond Hill and Roy E. Williams, 43, of Toronto who was charged with failing to yield the right of way.

Earlier Sunday, a pony owned by Peter Regina of Lot 35, Concession 11 in the northern corner of the township was struck and killed when it wandered into the path of a car driven by Wayne Norris, 19, of Willow Street, Bolton.

Last Thursday, on Richmond Street in Maple, damage was \$800 following an accident between cars driven by Gerald Bowen, 26, 180 Bayview Avenue, Richmond Hill and Gerald Robichaud, 21, of Huron Street, Toronto.

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St. Matthew's Players Do Good Mystery-Comedy

BY MARGARET McLEAN

The St. Matthew's Players' fifth production, "The Clock Strikes Twelve" had a successful three night run at Our Lady Queen of the World Roman Catholic Church, Richmond Hill East, on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of last week.

A mystery-comedy, the play showed good, tight direction by Lou Donnelly. Pace and timing were excellent and the interest of the audience never flagged.

Bill Jones as the correspondence course cop, Slim Summers, drew a burst of spontaneous applause on his first appearance dressed in western garb, and thereafter kept the audience convulsed every time he strode across the stage. Equally amusing was Neil Crowe as a deranged billionaire who galloped around, alternately firing a gun and throwing money into the air.

Flip Forbes did an excellent job as Gail Martin. She along with Lucille Urquhart as Peggy Parker and Joan Plume at Mini Davis played the parts of a trio which had taken shelter at the Thomas mansion during a storm and got involved in the drama as innocent bystanders.

As Peggy Parker, Lucille Urquhart unravels the mystery and one of the funniest scenes in the play was when the mail order cop, holding a gun on the murderer, turns and asks her

"What detective course did you take Ma'am?"

Bud Renshaw was the handsome (if rather wooden) neighbor who turns out to be the bad guy, Joan Mallory was Lucille Thomas who after a scene involving a ghostly voice, the dowsing of lights and shots in the dark turns up (or rather lying down in midstage) as a corpse and Don Lugsden was Tom Dick, a bibliophile and prime suspect as the murderer.

As well as playing a lead role, Neil Crowe acted as stage director. Stage manager was Linda Davis, assisted by Jim Dean.

The nicely designed set was the work of Maureen Loughlin with lighting by Ron Joyce, costumes by Anna Derry, properties by Mike Derry and sound effects by Verd Stoness.

Doreen Kendry looked after publicity, Peggy Renshaw was in charge of tickets and refreshments, theatre manager was Dawson Lang, hair styling was by Monica Wood and makeup by Audrey Wilson, Lily Martin and Doreen Kendry. Prompter and producer was Jean Wolanska.

Between acts the members of the "CGI" at St. Matthew's sold well-buttered popcorn and delicious home-made fudge. The girls donated the popcorn and their mothers the fudge. Proceeds of their sale went to the debt retirement fund of St. Matthew's United Church.

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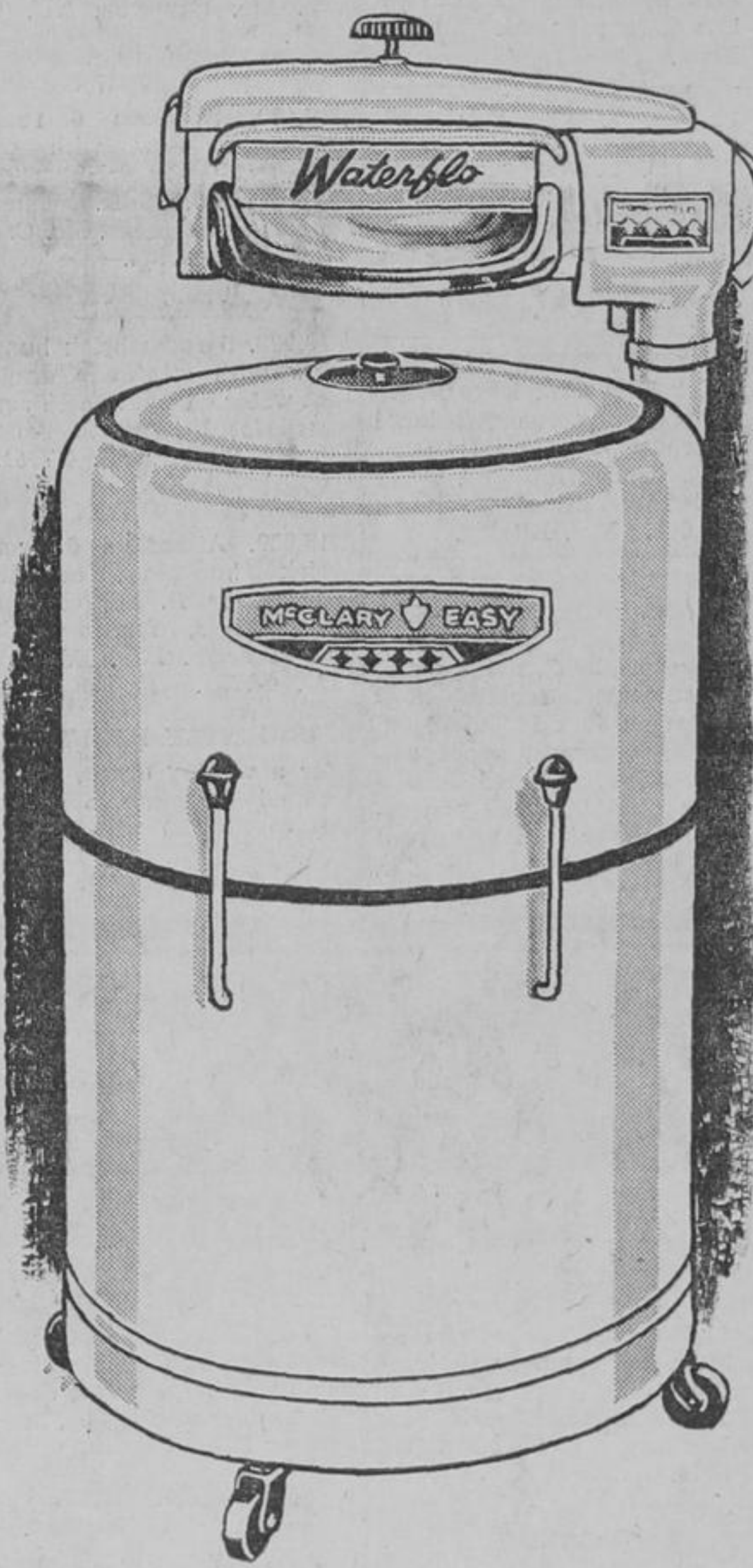
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