

Your Legion Reports

Branch 375, Royal Canadian Legion
By Eric Chapman - 884-0045

Warm sunshine, a tranquil Sunday afternoon and a garden resplendent with colorful flowers provided the background for a party held recently at the May Ave. home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Titshall. The ladies' auxiliary was out in force at the event aimed to boost auxiliary funds, and we are informed a few husbands sneaked in unobserved on this affair, primarily held for ladies. Tea, coffee, cookies and chit chat were available to all.

At croquet play-off time, Inez Greenfield, Audrey Apperly and Margaretha Tonner emerged winners and received prizes consisting of vegetable produce grown in the Titshall garden. Bouquets of flowers were awarded to Audrey Tutton and Lucy Rickard. The garden gate prize, a neatly embroidered tablecloth was won by Edith Titshall was won by Isobel Bonner. President Lucy said it was good to see that several members who hadn't been well for some time were present, and the garden party proved very successful. The auxiliary's 2nd Vice-President, Edith Titshall, is also a fervent flower grower, well known among local horticulturists. At times of horticultural competition she is the envy of many and has yet to walk away without winning a prize. Two years ago she won the Eaton Silver Trophy for her efforts.

She may also be remembered by some of the older members in the community as a Legion lady who has sold poppies on every November 11 since she has resided here. This too when there were no paved roads, subdivisions, nor automobiles to any great extent; but only trucks on which she trudged through the snow from farmhouse to farmhouse. She was known then as "the little lady of the flower", and she still remains an ardent and successful lady where flowers and the significant poppy is concerned.

At a recent Legion zone meeting, a motion was passed to investigate the possibility of chartering a jet aircraft flight from Toronto to London, England, seating 133 passengers. This charter would leave early in September 1966, for approximately 21 days, and the cost per seat would be in the region of \$210. Members of at least six months' standing, their wives, ladies' auxiliary and relatives living in the same household are eligible. Children under two years of age would have free travel and first class meals are included. If the scheme proceeds, 10% down payment with the booking is required.

A temporary booking has been made, but before a contract is signed, an indication of the number of persons interested in the scheme is required. Members interested should append their name to the list currently displayed in the club room or telephone 884-7129. Definite bookings or deposits of money will not be taken until after the next zone meeting on October 6, when a decision will be made on the flight based on the number of interested participants.

At the recent executive meeting, Poppy Chairman Rick Pillage said he had only three cases to report of veterans requiring welfare during the last two months. These had been taken care of.

A letter was read from the VON and a motion passed to make a cash donation to that organization.

District Bursary Officer George Wood reported that all applications for bursaries had been processed and now awaited final approval by district executive. The names of the five students to be awarded bursaries will be announced shortly. An announcement of award winners from our own branch scholarship fund, which is separate from district, will also be made in the near future.

The branch will now have two of its members sitting on district executive committee. They are George Wood, and a newly appointed officer, Frank Barrett, who was recently named district public speaking and citizen chairman. Comrade Wood said that only two zones in the district had ever taken part in the Legion's public speaking contests.

Our own zone has never participated because of the number of other local organizations running similar contests. He felt that a fine selection of talented local youth was available and perhaps they should be afforded the opportunity to compete for Legion provincial awards. The new district chairman said he is taking steps toward this end, and that speakers would be allowed to talk in any language they wished providing the judges were able to understand them. He then made a motion that an executive member with a cockney accent be named branch public speaking chairman. The motion was carried and details of this also, will be announced shortly.

After adjournment an informal discussion took place concerning the upcoming North York Open at Aurora. The subject was golf and our 2nd vice-president's chances at the championship. Golf seems to be currently one of the "go-goes", complete with motorized caddy carts carrying heavy golfers and clubs from hole to hole. The 1st vice-president humorously suggested that our prospective champion; privately a policeman, might even up the par if he hid in the rough with radar and handed out tickets on the fairway to his speeding opponents as they passed him by.

Sound & Light Gives Life To Canadian History

As part of the 1967 Centennial celebrations, Canadians may enjoy a sound and light re-enactment of our country's history at the Parliament Buildings in Ottawa. Results of a study by Legendrama, the company which would produce the presentation, are being considered for inclusion in the Centennial program. Mayor Moore is president of Legendrama and Eric Handbury of Richmond Hill, who represents Ward 4 on the town council, is the firm's vice-president.

This summer Legendrama has presented Canada's first exterior son-et-lumiere, or sound-and-light, production at Dundurn Castle in Hamilton every evening for 15 weeks.

The presentation at this historic home is of particular interest to residents of this area since its builder, Sir Allan Napier MacNab, as a young man, built saw and grist mills on Lot 30, Concession 1, Markham Township. This was later to become John Street and location of the mills was just where the Don crosses that thoroughfare. He was just 22 years old when in 1820 he constructed these mills which were leased to several men and became known as the Pomona Mills.

During his stay in our neighboring community, Mr. MacNab made a great effort to have the settlement called Dundurn. He was not successful, however, and finally gave the name of Dundurn Castle to the baronial home he built in Hamilton.

On November 15, 1855, at this home, Sophia, his only daughter, was married to William Coultts Keppel, Viscount Bury, member of a distinguished English family.

Sir Allan was the first lawyer in Hamilton and the first Queen's Counsel and was joint Prime Minister of Upper Canada (Upper and Lower) from 1854 to 1856. The guest list for Sophia's

wedding included the Governor-General and Bishop Strachan among other notables.

This summer, November 15, 1855, is relived—the castle is bustling with preparations for the marriage. The building glows, inside and out, with constantly changing colored lights and echoes with the voices of Sir Allan, Sophia and other members of the wedding party. There are no actors, however, the castle is populated by invisible but highly audible ghosts.

They exist only through 80 kilowatts of light and stereophonic sound from 50 speakers at nine sound sources, but the illusion is so perfect that it takes only a bit of imagination to give shape and substance to the voices.

The audience follows the events of the day from room to room in the castle and around the garden. Carriages crunch on the gravel driveways and horses whinny

as the guests arrive; musicians tune their instruments and argue about payment with the host. And so on throughout that very busy day.

When the wedding is over, the lonely Sir Allan calls for his bagpipes and wanders through the grounds, piping laments until the sound fades amongst the trees.

Legendrama's first interior application in Canada of son-et-lumiere, which originated in France when the curator at the Chateau Chambord in the Loire Valley decided to recreate the lightning and thunder of a storm, was at Upper Canada Village at Morrisburg where the battle of Crysler's Farm during the War of 1812-15 has been recreated. But the principle has been used in some of the world's most famous structures, including the Acropolis in Athens, the Forum in Rome, the Pyramids in Egypt and the Tower of London.

Mr. Handbury, who had experience in outdoor theatre work in his native New Zealand, sees the sound-and-light approach as the ideal way to recreate the history and spirit of famous buildings, and suggests it could be very effective in this country's restored old forts, Osgoode Hall and Calgary's Planetarium.

In New Zealand Mr. Handbury was public relations officer for the City of New Plymouth, and one summer served as production manager and general manager of an outdoor theatre, seating 14,000 people where he produced a sound-and-light drama covering the entire history of the country.

When he came to Canada with his wife and family more than five years ago, he lived for a time at Oakville, but has been a resident of Richmond Hill area for the past two years.

We are indebted to Bill Brown of Weekend Magazine for the description of the program at Dundurn Castle.

Charge Former Driver Mail Robbery

A former driver with Richmond Hill Post Office, has been charged with the robbery of a mail truck last week.

He is Bernard Corless, 38, of Elgin Mills Sideroad West, who had held the mail van contract for seven years, before relinquishing it to Allan Rumble of Richmond Hill in July.

Mr. Rumble was picking up mail at the Allencourt Plaza sub post office September 16 when a registered mail bag, containing \$400 was taken from the centre of the van.

He told police he had left it unlocked and unattended while he went inside the building.

Mr. Corless appeared in Richmond Hill Magistrate's Court three days following the robbery and was remanded for trial until this morning (Thursday).

Highways Not Only Unsafe Thoroughfares

It's getting so you can't even drive down a ditch in safety anymore.

H. Kellendonk, Scarborough, told Markham Township Police he was parked in a ditch at Steeles Avenue and Don Mills Road when he was struck from behind by another car.

William Bailey, Scarborough, the driver of the other vehicle, said he had slowed down because of an accident on the road, and had skidded into the ditch.

Police didn't say what Mr. Kellendonk was doing in the ditch in the first place.

Elgin Mills And Jefferson News

EVENING BRANCH ST. JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH - 884-3008

Chitter Chatter
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Waters entertained the West Toronto Customs Officers and their wives at a corn roast at their home Friday night.

Mrs. J. G. Robertson and Miss Mabel Louise Robertson had dinner on Thursday evening with Mrs. Robertson's sister, Miss Evelyn Eppes, in Toronto.

Gary Caldwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Caldwell, left last week for Europe where he will be staying for a few months.

Mrs. Roy Holmes of Falconbridge and her daughter Janice spent last week with Mrs. G. Kerswell. Janice started her third year at the University of Toronto on Monday.

Mrs. D. Sweeny is spending a few days this week with her sister, Mrs. N. Dibb.

Mrs. Lyle Boyle and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. Meyers, attended the wedding of Wayne Hunter to Miss Joan Durmo at Grace United Church in Toronto to Saturday. Wayne is Irene's nephew.

Mrs. Otto Pick, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pick, Mr. and Mrs. Don Warner of Lindsay and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Passmore attended the wedding of Martin (Mickey) Pick, in Montreal last Saturday. Tom Pick was his brother's best man and John Passmore, Jim Williams and Mike Dorey were ushers. Mr. and Mrs. Pick will be making their home at Elgin Mills.

Mrs. H. G. Robertson and Miss Mabel Louise Robertson attended the Victoria Square Lions fall sale on Saturday.

St. John's Church News
Miss Linda Craig, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Craig, was married to Paul Gibson on

Saturday at St. John's Church. Regular Sunday school classes started last Sunday. Miss Leah Stephenson is the superintendent this year.

Rev. D. C. H. Michell, former rector of this parish, is returning to Canada this week. He is expected to arrive next Sunday and will be staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Snively.

Harvest Thanksgiving service will be held September 26. Donations of flowers and vegetables should be brought to the church Saturday morning.

Mrs. S. C. Snively entertained the members of the afternoon branch of the women's auxiliary at lunch last Wednesday, prior to their regular September meeting held at her home.


Community Club
The community club will start a new season with a meeting at the school September 29, at 8 p.m. Plans will be discussed for activities during the coming months, and it is hoped for a good turnout.

Cubs And Brownies
Jefferson Cubs held their first meeting of the season last Saturday.

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week at St. John's Church Parish Hall, with 13 boys in attendance. Four new chums were welcomed into the pack: Greig Gadsby, Kerry Reed, Bobby Waters and Stanley Ensor. Boys are eligible to join Cubs as long as they are within 7 or 7½ years of age when in grade 3. Anyone interested in joining or desiring further information, should get in touch with Mrs. Ensor, 773-5414.

Brownies will be holding their first meeting at the Jefferson School on September 27. Will all of last year's Brownies, regardless of age, please attend this meeting. Any girls in the area, ages 7 to 10 years, who would like to join the Brownies are welcome.



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