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Church News
Guest preacher at St. John's Anglican Church Sunday was Rev. A. F. Cowan of the Canadian Bible Society. In the absence of Rector Rev. E. C. Gerber (the latest 'flu victim') the service was taken by Les Eliot and Len Lomas, the parish's lay readers. Mr. Cowan, a United Church minister formerly of Owen Sound, took up his duties as district secretary of the Bible society last September. He spoke of the work of the society, a branch of the British and Foreign Bible Society, in distributing scriptures throughout the world.

The vestry meetings for the parish were scheduled for Monday at St. Mark's and Tuesday at St. John's. Full details will be in next week's issue.

February 2 there will be a special meeting at St. Paul's United Church, when James Gilmore, agricultural advisor who has served in India as a United Church missionary, will speak. Everyone in the Anglican parish is invited to share in this evening's fellowship at St. Paul's.

The service next week at 11 am will be morning prayer and the litany.

The young people's group spent Saturday evening bowling. Officers were elected for the year. Alex Wilton remains as president, Arnold McPhee was elected vice-president, Ann Tankuay treasurer, Ruth Harper

secretary, Joanne Anderson and Karen Wilton social conveners.

Neighborhood Notes
Early readers are reminded of the important and interesting meeting to which ALL parents are invited at Jefferson School Wednesday evening at 8 pm. The new concept of ungraded schools will be discussed.

Today (Thursday) grades 4, 5 and 6 will have an excursion to the Royal Ontario Museum, where the pupils will have an opportunity to study fossils and the exhibits of the Canadian Indians.

Birthday greetings are extended to Valerie Chubb on February 3 and to Billy Mackay and Blake Jones on the 5th.

The Jefferson kindergarten children, who have been travelling to Roselawn School daily since September have, since January 29, moved to Ross Doan School. Mrs. Dorothy Buckingham remains their teacher in the new kindergarten room which has just been built.

The district commissioner was scheduled to be present at the meeting of Jefferson Brownie Pack January 29. Full details of the awards will be published next week.

The Jefferson Euchre Club held its regular fortnightly meeting February 22 at the home of Mrs. Fran Costoff, Yonge Street for Mrs. Joan McMachon. First prize was won by Fran Costoff, lone hand prize by Mary Hazelhurst and the consolation by Alice Mashinter.

Your Legion Reports



Branch 375, Royal Canadian Legion

By Eric Chapman - 884-0086

It has been brought to the attention of the Legion that an outfit calling itself "The Veterans' Hospital Journal" is conducting a "get-rich-quick" scheme from Edmonton, Alberta.

Operating apparently on the assumption that a certain percentage of people anywhere, anytime, are "suckers", the slick promoter sends an invoice for a certain amount (usually \$14.75) to merchants, industrial firms and weekly newspapers in both Western and Eastern Canada for "complimentary" advertising which they have not ordered.

Obviously, the promoter's hope is that the "Advertisers" on receipt of the bill will react sympathetically to the combination of "veterans" and "hospital", and to a line at the bottom of the invoice reading: "Distributed free of charge to Canadian and American hospitals courtesy of the advertisers."

The RCMP are investigating the racket, and the Better Business Bureau and Department of Veterans Affairs are warning prospective victims. The Legion hopes that the additional publicity will alert others.

Comrades Bill Hughes, Roy Phillips and Vic Lane are in York Central, and Bob McLean is in Room 836 at the Riverdale Hospital, Toronto. Mark Everard is convalescing at home after a long illness and Mrs. Kay Wood, the wife of District Membership Chairman George Wood, is a patient at the Toronto Western Hospital.

The branch extends best wishes to all of them and we hope to see them back in trim in the very near future.

Two Legion films now doing the rounds are drawing good-to-excellent comments from all parts of the country.

One is a 14-minute color documentary on the organization's track and field program. Entitled "Tomorrow Brings Challenge", the film takes one behind the scenes at a national clinic. In addition to National Sports Director Geoff Dyson, it features such outstanding international coaches as Fred Wilt, Geoff Elliott and Jacques Bergougnous.

We see tomorrow's champions undergoing training at Edmonton where they receive inspiration from top performers such as Harry Jerome. The film has already appeared on 23 television stations and before over 150 other groups.

Vimy is vividly remembered in the second new Legion film. Called "That Other April", it is based on the 50th anniversary ceremony at Vimy last April. Present-day color sequences are effectively supplemented by flashbacks to WWI footage.

The film follows Vimy veteran Brigadier "Jim" de Lalanne (the Legion's hon. treasurer) through the Vimy and other areas such as Hill 70, Sanctuary Wood and the Menin Gate. Director Writer Norman Shannon then matches the voice of Brigadier de Lalanne as he describes the battle to actual World War I footage.

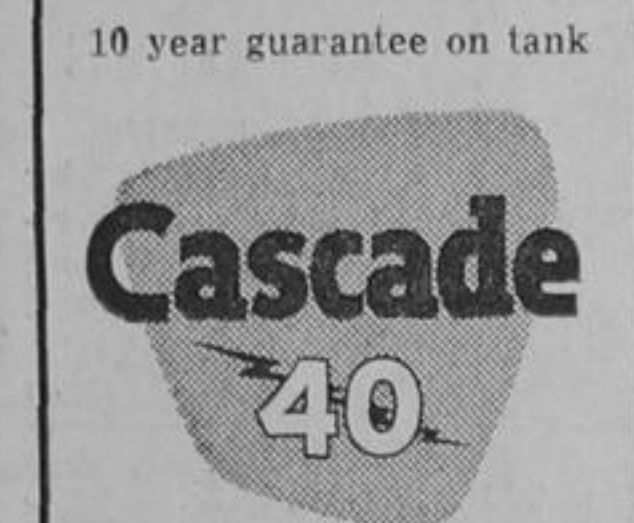
Both films are available through Association - Industrial Films, 135 Peter Street, Toronto. However any group borrowing either 16mm film is urged to have a qualified projectionist and to return the film immediately after use.

Both of the films are in color and have a Canadian content number. The latter is of particular interest to TV stations.

A third film is now under production. It will deal with a variety of Legion programs from coast to coast and is expected to be premiered at the national convention in Penticon next May.

PICKERING: A 16-year-old Pickering high school student has been sentenced to 30 days in jail, following a conviction on a charge of possessing narcotics. Alan Gary Hall pleaded guilty to having a package containing a quantity of marijuana.

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Edwin J. Gamble Sr.

A resident of Elgin Mills for the past 17 years, Edwin James Gamble Senior died January 17 in York Central Hospital. He had been ill for the past three years.

Mr. Gamble was born in Markham Township November 9, 1887, the son of Emma and William Gamble, and farmed in that township until moving to 650 Yonge Street North, Richmond Hill. He was a member of St. John's Anglican Church.

Surviving to mourn his loss are his wife, Violet Mae, and his sons Edwin James Junior and Kenneth Arthur. Also surviving is one sister (Jennie) Mrs. A. Greenwood.

The funeral service was held January 20 at the Pipher Funeral Home, with Rev. E. C. Gerber of St. John's Anglican Church officiating. Interment followed in Aurora Cemetery. Pallbearers were Jack Hall, Peter Large, Lloyd Reid, Bill Sheppard, Art Halstead and George Goulding.

MARKHAM: Two residents of this village have been selected for Centennial Medal Awards. They are Murray Henderson and Paul Mingay QC. Both were recommended by council for services to the community. Mr. Mingay is a well known local solicitor.

Problem For Municipalities

Removal Of Dead, Diseased Elms

Township councils in Markham and Vaughan have embarked on a program to remove dead elm trees throughout their municipalities. Removal of affected trees is the only known method of controlling Dutch elm disease. These programs will be conducted under the winterworks program with a 75% subsidy from senior levels of government. Two-thirds of the subsidy is paid by Ottawa and the other third by Ontario.

In Vaughan Township, 93 trees on public and private property have been designated for removal and council opened eight tenders for the work at the January 23 council meeting. Low bid was \$2,362 from Henrikson Landscaping and Tree Service, closely followed by Richmond Hill Tree Service's \$2,861. High bid was \$6,400 from Thornhill Tree Services. Council delayed awarding a contract until the tenders could be studied by the engineer.

Markham Township has placed \$7,000 in the 1968 budget for a tree-cutting program. This will be part of a three-year program to eliminate dead elms throughout the township. Estimates for this winter works program are \$21,000 for the three years, or \$31 per tree.

After much consideration of the legislation which would permit municipal authorities to pass a bylaw permitting work crews or a contractor to remove dead or diseased elms from private property, Richmond Hill council decided not to take that step. The program which has been in effect for some

winters of removing dead elms from public property — along the roadside and in the parks by a contractor — will be continued. All trees removed are first certified dead.

To assist property owners who desire to get rid of diseased and dead trees, the town's works department has agreed to remove from the roadside any trees which are cut on private property and placed alongside the road in sizes which can be handled. This is posing a problem of disposal, however, since the gathering of refuse has been taken over by the garbage contractor and the works department has nowhere to dump the wood.

Other municipalities in the province are also finding the tree-removal program has its difficulties. The Town of Milton recently advertised that diseased elms would be removed from

the property of anyone wishing to pay 25% of the cost of removal. This cost was estimated up to \$260 a tree. They then discovered that the minister of agriculture has directed that no subsidy be paid on any removal if the property owner is required to pay any part of the cost.

The town intended to have its works crew do the removals under the winter works subsidy scheme. But to qualify for this scheme they discovered the proposed removals must be approved by the provincial entomologist and by the minister of agriculture.

The Town of Oakville abandoned any attempt to remove diseased elms from private property because it learned the cost would be too high.

Milton officials are now investigating what Brampton did in the face of a similar problem.

ATTENTION

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