

HEADFORD NEWS

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Rosemary Leek and Jean Clark left Wednesday with a group of young people who are enjoying a long weekend in Quebec on the student exchange program. A fine itinerary of events arranged for them included the ice carnival and a ball at the Quebec Winter Carnival with host Premier Daniel Johnson.

Church News

Hi-C members enjoyed a skating party Saturday evening returning to the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Leek for refreshments.

The February meeting of the UCW met at the home of Mrs. W. Wellman with Mrs. S. Rumble in the chair. Mrs. George Barker conducted the devotional period and Mrs. E. Leek presented the Bible Study from The Panorama of the Bible.

This dealt with Amos, the great farmer prophet. His name means "burden bearer" and he lived 786-746 B.C. However, the picture of the society of his time is strangely like our own. Huckleberry Finn explained his lack of interest in Moses by saying that "I don't take no stock in dead people."

These "Jomely" men, the prophets of old, have influenced our living habits through their conception of laws and ethics and they remain a living force.

Mrs. C. Lee gave a profile from the mission study book of a Japanese who rose from poverty to a very successful life financially but also a very successful life helping others to achieve the best. This was his Christian contribution.

Rev. Martin Jenkinson and Mrs. Jenkinson told of their trips to British Columbia and

showed slides of that beautiful province.

Mrs. W. Middleton extended appreciation to the hostesses and participants in the program following a pleasant social hour.

March 6 and 7 the annual meeting of Toronto Conference UCW will be held in Donway United Church. The delegates represent a membership of 30,000 women who give service through the church to many needs.

The church is only a 20-minute drive from Richmond Hill and the public is welcome to the evening service, Wednesday, March 6 at 7:30 pm, Dr. E. E. Long, secretary, general council, will be the speaker and Thursday at 7:30 Dr. Norman McKenzie, formerly director, lay training centre, Agar, India, now personnel secretary, board of world missions will speak.

It is a privilege to hear either of these men.

Sunday morning service Rev. Jenkinson spoke on the mighty word "if", key or barricade to accomplishment. He told an interesting story about the discoverer of penicillin, Dr. Alex Fleming. Alex's father was employed on a great estate and help was successful in saving the life of the son of the owner. He refused a reward but the grateful father set up a fund to educate him for a doctor.

Years later the prime minister of Great Britain, during the Second World War, was very ill, presumed fatally ill. He asked that they send for Dr. Fleming. As Dr. Fleming was leaving following the successful treatment, Winston Churchill said, "Alex this is the second time you have saved my life."

Hi Sports!

Mr. "B" Is Leaving

William Babcock, the head phys. ed. teacher at Richmond Hill High will be leaving RHHS after this year to go to the new school at Thornlea.

After 15 years of teaching and coaching at RHHS Mr. "B's" loss will be strongly felt by his present and former students.

On last Friday the senior basketball team, which he coaches, and which until last Friday night had a perfect season, presented him with an attache case as a token of their esteem and gratitude for the many, many hours of time and energy spent in coaching the team. At a full school assembly, his team's players presented him with a large gift wrapped package.

Out of the box popped Jim Dysart (that scourge of the basketball court) to present the gift.

In his years of teaching (and in the few years I have known him) Mr. Babcock has demonstrated an intangible ability to communicate with the kids in the school, resulting in a closer relationship with those kids, and they in turn have returned a greater measure of respect.

The senior team was merely showing their thanks to a wonderful person, but no amount of verbal, written, or physical tribute can even begin to pay back what Mr. Babcock has given to Richmond Hill. Thornlea is a very lucky school having acquired an extremely valuable asset.

Chip Martin's Column

GYMNASTICS

Basketball season and winter are almost over. With the coming of spring that rare bird, the gymnast, returns to the scene. Gymnastics is one field of endeavor in which I have never really excelled. Co-ordination you know.

I really admire the gymnast. He (or she) is a person who practises hours on end to achieve perfection to the highest degree. The gymnast also has to have nerves of steel because butterflies in the stomach can upset everything at a meet. Several high school gymnasts I have talked to, all claim to have overcome nervousness when going before a crowd for any reason, due to their experience with gymnastics.

For months now gymnastics have been going on in the schools but interschool competition won't begin until basketball and the winter exams have been dead and buried.

Gymnastics is a particularly demanding sport. Although your school team is just that, a team, the emphasis is on the individual to a far greater degree. Whereas even on a championship football team there may be a few slackers who don't pull their load and can be left virtually unnoticed, this cannot happen in gymnastics.

It's the same sort of thing that comes up when you compare a figure skater to a hockey team. One slip, and there is no one there to back you up. You've had it.

TRIPLES AREN'T UNUSUAL

Two triple defeats occurred last week. On Wednesday last, Langstaff met Richmond Hill in a triple header and lost all three games. In the junior contest Richmond Hill won a low scoring game by the score of 32-13. The scores in the intermediate and senior games were 53-51 and 84-30 respectively for the green and white squads.

Langstaff obviously angered at this defeat must have insisted that Thornhill get revenge. Thornhill obliged by pulling the same stunt topping Richmond Hill 43-25 in the junior, 54-35 in the intermediate and 58-36 in the senior game. If the Richmond Hill Seniors had been able to defeat Thornhill they would have completed a perfect season but those Thornhill nasties would have none of it.

That kind of revenge hurts.

QUESTION

Ever heard of the famous comedy team of Ruggles and Pugsley?

(Active in high school athletics, Chip Martin is a resident of Richmond Hill)

Police Accident Report

Tree-Van Collision, Keele Fatality

Vaughan Township Police investigated the death of a Willowdale man, Bruce Martin, 50, of 26 Elmhurst Avenue who was killed February 14 following an accident on Keele Street, north of the Maple Sideroad. His small panel truck went out of control on an icy patch of the southbound lane of Keele Street, swerved into the southbound lane and crashed into a tree on the east side of the road.

Mr. Martin was taken by Kane Ambulance to York Central Hospital but was pronounced dead on arrival by Coroner Dr. Jack Saunders.

Vaughan Police investigated a minor collision February 16, at the entrance to Aerosol Packaging plant on Keele Street, north of Highway 7. Mrs. Sue Duke, of Downsview and Mrs. Audrey Robinson, 86 Church Street, Richmond Hill collided as they both turned into the driveway of the plant at the same time. Damage to the cars was very slight and no charges have been laid.

Markham Police charged Reno Derosier, 22, RR 2 Markham, with driving without a licence following an accident at Steeles Avenue and Concession 7 on February 15. The car was eastbound on Steeles Avenue and made the turn onto Concession 7 too quickly. The vehicle skidded, hit a snow bank then overturned. The roof of the car was pushed in and damage to the car was estimated at \$300. A passenger in the car, Robert Godbout, 19, of Concession 7, Markham, was slightly cut in the accident.

Charges against John Lake, 18, RR1 Markham, are pending the results of investigation of an accident on February 18, when he pulled out of his driveway on Bayview Avenue, north of 18th Avenue, and was struck by a southbound car driven by Clarence Whitmore, 27, of Toronto. Whitmore was in the curb lane and was not able to

pull over because of cars in the passing lane. Damage to both vehicles was estimated at \$550.

Richmond Hill Police have charged Mrs. Mary Bartlett, 29, Yonge Street, Jefferson, with impaired driving following a rear-end collision at the stoplights at Levedale Road and Yonge Street on February 16. Mrs. Bartlett had failed to stop for the red light and hit a car driven by Keith Barndale, 28, of Stouffville.

Mr. Barndale's wife Beverly, 27, suffered whiplash injuries and their daughter Tammy, 3, who was also a passenger in the automobile, was shaken-up in the accident.

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Buttonville Community Happenings

Neighborhood Notes

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Andy Grant is bringing curling laurels to the Unionville Curling Club again this year, with the Senior Men's Ontario Championship in the bag.

Brian Stiver is excelling again at bowling. Recently, in the Masters' Tournament of Bowling at Kitchener, Brian bowled an 821 triple. The master bowler, the junior girl, and Brian (junior boy) racked up a total score of 3,109 and placed second. The winning contestants were presented with transistor radios.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Brillinger of Richmond Hill are visiting their Musselman grandchildren while Marie and Ran Musselman are on a winter vacation.

Mrs. A. W. Miller is convalescing following surgery at York Central Hospital.

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Couples' Club Agenda

There is an interesting program planned for Brown's Corners Couples' Club members, who meet the second Saturday of each month.

In March the group is invited

to visit the Newtonbrook United Church Couples' Club; April, bowling; May, golf; June, a camping weekend; July, a barbecue and swimming party at Bruce's Mill; August, a picnic at Toronto Island; September, corn roast; October, speaker and film; November, dinner dance; and December, an extravaganza.

Take City Tour

Recently Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bishop conducted a tour of some of Toronto's most interesting points for 13 boys of Brown's Corners United Sigma-C group. John Mitchell was unable to be present but lent his station wagon which Mrs. Bishop drove.

High points of the trip included a visit to Maple Leaf Gardens where, unfortunately, there was no hockey practice that day, but the boys watched a rehearsal for the Ice Follies; the city hall, where a Metro Council meeting was in progress; a view from the top of the east wing; and dinner at the B & M Restaurant on Don Mills Road, to wind up a wonderful day.

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