

Thornhill and District News

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(Photo by Barbour)

Best Campfire Singers

Proudly displaying the first place award which their 21-member group won for campfire singing at the recent Kiwanis Music Festival are four members of the 4th Thornhill Guide Company with Guide Captain Norma Davis at left. Guides are, (left to right) Mary Munro, Karen Forgie, Patty Todd and Vivian Gardener.

Socially Speaking in Thornhill

Grade 8 pupils and teachers from Royal Orchard Public School spent an interesting and informative day February 22 when they travelled by chartered buses to see the Legislature in action at Queen's Park. Principal Peter Kurita, Mrs. L. Klein and Mrs. Jean Arnott, grade 8 teachers, and 54 pupils made up the party. The group listened to Premier John Robarts' opening speech, heard members read private bills and leaders of the opposition party question issues of the day. Following the session, Donald Deacon MLA, York Centre, met the Thornhill group and invited them for an informal question and answer period in one of the committee rooms. Mr. Deacon explained his political duties and answered many questions put forth by the students.

race or with health problems. Please call Homefinding Department of North York Children's Aid, 924-4646 if you can help. ***** Birthday greetings are extended to Marie Bagg, Donna Mae Crescent, on the occasion of her 9th birthday recently. ***** A series of lectures for next season is being arranged by the York County Club, Canadian Federation of University Women in co-operation with the University of Toronto. Lectures will be held from October to March at York University, on Monday evenings. The university will arrange for six speakers from the following list of well known people: Lester Sinclair, Arnold Edinborough, Rabbi Stuart Rosenberg, Charles Taylor, James M. Minniffe, Gordon Hawkins and John Gellner. In order for plans to be finalized with the speakers, 50 subscribers are required by the end of March. The university undertakes this as a public service to the community and fee for the six lectures is \$10. Please call Miss F. Hurst at 884-4065 or Mrs. J. van den Hoek at 889-5119 for information. ***** Donna Clark, Bayview Avenue, entertained a group of friends at a party March 9 when she celebrated her 10th birthday. Guests enjoyed bowling as part of the afternoon entertainment. ***** Hand-made Easter eggs are being sold again this year by the Alpha group of Holy Trinity A.C.W. The eggs have cream-filled centres with yolks, are chocolate dipped and decorated.

ated. They are priced at 25¢ each. Advance orders are being taken now by calling Mrs. G. Langman at 889-1529 or Mrs. R. Cox at 889-4359. ***** "Welcome Spring", sponsored by Brebeuf Ladies' Guild, promises to be the biggest and best card party yet. The event is being held March 20 at Brebeuf College School, 211 Steeles Avenue East. Among many outstanding prizes at this year's card party is the painting by Mrs. Jane Timmins Williams entitled "Flours". The painting will be first prize in the raffle draw. It has been shown at the Forest Hill Community Art Show. The guild is very grateful to the artist for donating this lovely painting. Mrs. Timmins Williams, an artist of note, has studied at the Sorbonne, Paris, and has the honor of having

three of her paintings hanging in the Salon Des Artistes Français at the Grand Palais, Paris. She has studied at the Artists Workshop in Markham and is now studying sculpting. Tickets are available by calling Mrs. T. P. Phelan at 221-3314 or Mrs. J. Sinclair at 447-0015, ticket convenors. Don't lose any time in obtaining your tickets as this annual party has always been a sell-out. ***** The Willowdale Chapter IOOE held their March meeting at the home of Mrs. T. A. Gough, Regent, 75 Inverlochy, attended by 18 members. The chapter will be entertaining the senior citizens of Brimley Acres on April 17, with a film and refreshments. Mrs. Valerie Davis was welcomed as a new member by the chapter.

Vaughan Will Consider Plans For Richvale Park Development

A delegation from the Langstaff Community Centre Board and the Richvale Lions Club appeared at Vaughan Township Council March 5 to discuss the future of the community park. Spokesman for the Lions Club was John Bailey who advised that the members of the club have done a considerable amount of work on the park over the past several years, leveling the earth from a hillside, establishing a hockey cushion and a pleasure skating rink. Lighting had been provided at the rink with the co-operation of the community centre board. Now, Mr. Bailey advised, residents would like to see more

land added to the park, sufficient size for older youngsters. They would like to see playground equipment installed for younger children and finer grading done to the park and the rinks. Members of council were quite willing to explore the matter further and invited Mr. Bailey to bring a committee of representatives to council's next committee meeting to discuss details. Councillor Charles Birck suggested that it would help if the group brought with them, a list of specific items required, together with an estimated cost of same. Reeve Brian Bailey stated council appreciated the efforts of these two volunteer groups. "Get what you want on paper and come and discuss it with us and we will try to work out a program," he said.

100 Guests At Wm. Robinsons' Celebration Of 50th Anniversary

Over 100 friends, relatives and past fellow employees were on hand March 2 to give best wishes and congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. William Robinson on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. Their daughter Norma and her husband, Clifford Bolton, entertained at their home, 90 Arnold Avenue at an open house and family dinner party for the couple. Two large cakes in the shape of a five and zero, iced with pink, gold and white flowers, decorated the tea table. Mrs. Robinson's sisters, Mrs. A. Vance of Barrie, (maid of honor at her wedding) and Mrs. H. Moorey of Mount Dennis poured tea. Walter Gray, Mrs. Robinson's brother and best man at her wedding, assisted in greeting the guests. Two granddaughters, Doreen and Heather Bolton, helped in serving refreshments. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson were

married in St. Mark's Anglican Church, West Toronto, March 2, 1918. They resided in Toronto until 1954 when they moved to Bryson Avenue, Thornhill. They resided in Thornhill until 1966 and now live in Willowdale. The Robinsons have one son and three daughters and 13 grandchildren. All the family attended the golden wedding celebration including Vera, (Mrs. J. Cranswick) who travelled from Vancouver; Roy Robinson and his wife and son Barton from Ottawa; Delsie, with her husband Don Brigaitis of Willowdale, the host and hostess and their three children Doug, Doreen and Heather. Among the many friends who called to offer best wishes and congratulations were Rev. and Mrs. Dillwyn Evans, members of the Thornhill senior citizens and former fellow employees of Mr. Robinson from Canadian Controllers Ltd., where he was employed for 25 years prior to his retirement four years ago. The Robinsons were presented with many lovely cards and gifts at the party including an electric blender, portable radio and an anniversary cup and saucer from the senior citizens. The Robinsons wish to thank all their friends for making their anniversary a wonderful and happy occasion.

MOUNT ALBERT Frank Case, who had worked his farm east of Mount Albert for the past 52 years, died at his farm, Thursday, February 15. Mr. Case is survived by his wife Mabel, whom he married 59 years ago on the date of his death and six children, 15 grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

98 Enjoy Three-Day Visit Quebec Student Exchange Fosters Understanding

By JO CRUISE

An enthusiastic group of students from York Central High Schools recently spent three action-packed days visiting Quebec City and Levis, Quebec, on a student exchange program sponsored by the school board. Students from Bayview, Langstaff, Richmond Hill, Thornhill and Woodbridge participated in the successful venture. Students who travelled to Levis were paying a return visit to the French students they played hosts to last year. There were 43 in this group, 21 from Thornhill Secondary School, Norman Le Maire, a teacher at Thornhill, was in charge. In the group visiting Quebec City there were 25 students from Langstaff and 30 from Thornhill. Miss Kay Boomer of the Langstaff staff accompanied these students.

The entire group departed by train February 21 at 11 am and arrived in Quebec City at 9 pm. Television cameras, flashing lights, trumpets, noisemakers, newsmen and hundreds of exuberant French students greeted the Ontario visitors in the station. The welcome they extended to the English students will live long in their memories. ***** Students bound for homes in Quebec City boarded buses to Ecole Commerciale and the Levis group ferried

across the river to College de Levis. Each school had refreshments ready and here they were assigned to the homes of their hosts and hostesses. Among the students interviewed for their impressions of the trip were Avril Jennings, Kirk Drive, Jill Gossnell, Valloncliff Road, Doug Martindale, Elgin Street, Mary Pele and Wendee Wood of Arnold Avenue. Avril Jennings, a Langstaff Secondary School grade 12 student, stayed at the home of Monique Roussel, daughter of the public health inspector in Quebec City. Monique was one of nine children but Avril said there was plenty of room and the Monique's very comfortable English was fairly well but her mother spoke a little of the language and Monique's English was about on a par with Avril's French. They each had an excellent opportunity to practise in the other's language. Although schedules of the two groups were completely separate, several places were visited by all the visitors on different days. ***** Chartered buses drove the students to Quebec Coliseum to watch the Peevée Hockey Tournament in progress. The Levis group saw the Richmond Hill champions play in a semi-final game. A tour of the Legislative Buildings and a visit to Carnival Street to see the ice sculptures

were interesting activities enjoyed by both groups. Quebec City visitors were welcomed at city hall where everyone signed the guest book. A trip out to Beauport to a ski chalet with a quick tour of the shrine of St. Anne de Beauport were other highlights the students enjoyed. Levis visitors attended morning classes at College de Levis and convent de Levis with their hosts and hostesses. Girls were interested to sit in and observe classes at the convent while three Thornhill students, Ann Matheson, Gayle Fox and Leslie Martin, had the distinction of being the only girl students at the boys' college. In the afternoon these students visited Laval University for a tour of the buildings. Wendee Wood, grade 13 student from Thornhill, took the opportunity to submit her application to enter the university in September. Wendee has had several trips to French Canada with exchange programs and made her decision recently to attend a French University. ***** One evening a rousing game of broomball was played at the convent between the girls and teachers. Norman LeMaire and Dave Jeanneret of Bayview, members of the teachers' team, showed their athletic prowess with their assistance in winning the game.

Evening festivities were arranged for the Quebec visitors at the Club Renaissance, the Club 886 and a huge party on the last night. Dancing, singing and entertainment by French singing groups (one with the name of "The Jerks") were thoroughly enjoyed until the small hours of the morning. The Levis group had a marvellous time one evening when they went tobogganing on the icy runs at La Glissoire. A sleigh ride and horse back riding were other outdoor activities the students enjoyed. ***** Other evening diversions included dinner in St. Jean Chrysostome, the impressive electric relay town, a party at Le Seminar de Quebec, said to be the oldest school in Canada, built in 1668, and a gay farewell party at the Centre de Culturel on the final evening. The ferry ride from Levis to Quebec was an exciting experience for the travellers. Everyone was fascinated to watch the ferry crash through 3-6 feet of ice as it moved swiftly across the river. Free time was enjoyed by all the students during their visit. They were given the opportunity to explore Quebec and see the shops and attractive boutiques along the way. ***** A group of tired but happy students said farewell to their new-found friends and

boarded a train for Montreal at 7 am February 25. After spending several hours in Montreal waiting for their connection they arrived back at Union Station at 11 pm. Many historical facts and places became a real and living experience to the students as a result of their visit. They showed a sincere interest in the French language and a marked improvement was observed in their conversation. A happy and personal relationship with the Quebec students was most pleasurable and they returned with a more positive attitude and understanding of French Canada's problems. This also applied to the Quebec students who were left with a better understanding of Ontario and its problems. The success of the visit can be attributed to the selected students who conducted themselves with tact and diplomacy throughout their visit. Each student paid the nominal fee of \$16.80 for the trip. The school board contributed toward expenses and the host city students supplied all the entertainment for their guests. A raffle, organized by the Quebec City students, of a color television set collected funds to finance dances and entertainment. Enough was collected to help finance the return visit of the Quebec students when they will be guests of York Central students in April.

CWL To Host York Regional Council Meeting In March

St. Luke's Roman Catholic Plans and forthcoming events were discussed at the executive meeting of the CWL held March 6 at the home of President Mrs. Florence Martyniuk, Franklin Avenue. Two Brownies of 2nd Thornhill was held in the Presbyterian Church March 5. Brownies Linda Sills and Corinne Cull were enrolled by Brown Owl Helen Movat. Cindy Cruise was presented with sixer stripes and Marie Bagg was made a seconder at the ceremony. Guides and Brownies recently awarded badges are as follows: 1st Langstaff Guides, Susan Gambin, needlemaker; 3rd Thornhill Guides, Sherry Hubbard, cook; Patty Bowyer, Suzanne Wiles, Sharon Boyd, Kathryn Fisher, Debbie Dowker, skier; Jane Sues, minstrel and skier; 1st Langstaff Brownies, Nancy Palmer, skater; Megan Hill, skier. Guides and Brownies wish to thank the many residents who ordered Guide cookies March 9. Cookies will be delivered sometime in April. Proceeds from the sale go toward Guide and Brownie activities. ***** United Church Unitens are taking a marathon walk to Toronto City Hall March 16 to raise funds. Assistants, teachers and superintendents are needed now and for the fall term by the Sunday school. Please contact Jack Murphy at 889-6030 if you can assist. The Metro Hospital Chaplaincy Services of both the Anglican and United Churches is sponsoring a course for lay visitors to the aged. Lectures begin April 22 at 8 pm through to June 24 at St. Andrew's United Church, 117 Bloor Street East. For further information call the church office. Unit 2 is holding an opportunity sale March 16 from 10-12 noon. A room of new and nearly new articles will be featured at the sale. ***** Presbyterian Church The new youth program held every Sunday evening at 7 pm will show the film "City of the Bees" March 17. A discussion and coffee house will follow. Plan to attend the fortnightly Irish night March 18 at 8:15 and see a 40 minute film on Ireland along with other highlights. ***** Horticultural Society W. E. Hartnoll, FRHS, will be guest speaker March 19 at 8 pm at the horticultural society meeting in the lower auditorium of the United Church. Mr. Hartnoll is a noted horticultural consultant and can be heard every morning at 9:05 am over CHFI. He is also well known as a television guest over Channel 9. His subject will be "Horticulture at Expo '67", illustrated with colored slides. The pictures will show the actual start to finish of all horticultural aspects in preparing for the great exhibition. For the people who have yet to visit the Expo site and for those who admired the flowers and landscaping this will be an opportunity to see the work involved in making the site so beautiful. All members are urged to attend the meeting and friends and local residents are all invited. Pots or containers useful for decorative arrangements and no longer in use, are needed. Members are asked to take them to the next meeting. Proceeds of the sale will go to the society. The executive hope to have the 1968 year book available at the next meeting for distribution to 1968 members to enable them to grow the plants for exhibition and consequent prizes. Mrs. B. A. Heslop has donated a special prize for a basket of dahlias this year. Mr. and Mrs. Percy Bone will continue to donate the Jack Foster Memorial and Mrs. A. Dolan has donated the specimen glass prize. Get well wishes are extended to Harry Harris, a patient at Humber Memorial Hospital, C. Jones in Sunnybrook Hospital, and Mrs. Hazel Welch, Mrs. C. Harper, 41 Thornridge Drive, their brother, Morgan Boyle. Their parents founded the Thornhill Society in 1915.

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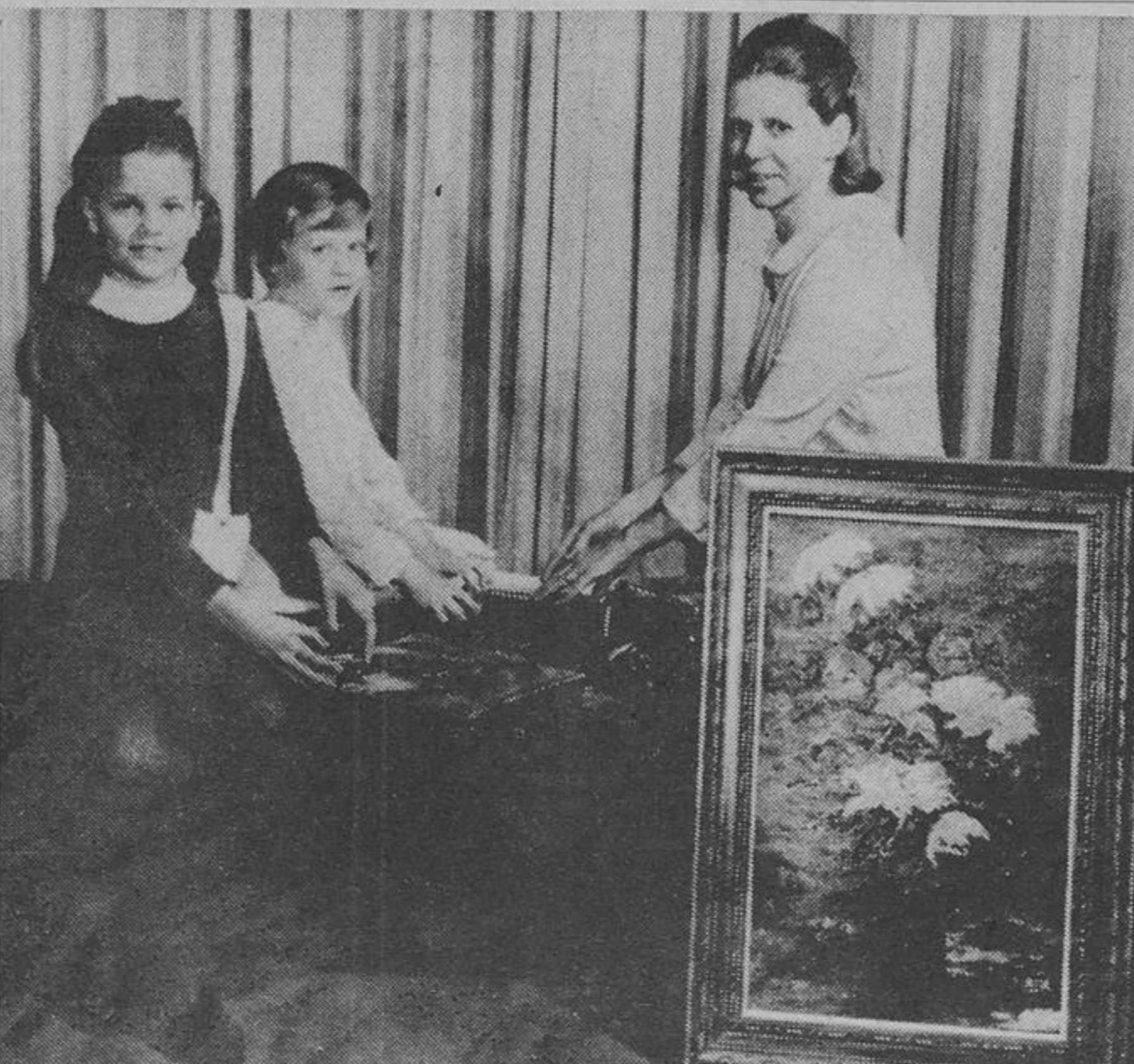
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"Welcome Spring" Party

Mrs. F. J. Crawford Jr. and her daughters Mary and Janet are seen wrapping prizes for the "Welcome Spring" card party, to be held by the Brebeuf Ladies' Guild March 20 at Brebeuf High School, Steeles Avenue. In the foreground may be seen the first prize for the raffle, a painting by Jane Timmins Williams entitled "Flours".

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York Central Hospital TUESDAY, the 26th DAY OF MARCH

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at the hour of 8:00 p.m. to:

- Receive and consider the annual Report
- Elect Directors
- Transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof

Dated at Richmond Hill this 5th day of March, 1968, by order of the Board of Trustees.

MRS. F. C. JACKSON, Secretary