



MARGARET LOIS MILLER JOHN J. KOWALEWSKI

### Winter Nuptials

Mr. and Mrs. S. Dickson Miller, of Richmond Hill, announce the engagement of their daughter, Margaret Lois (Marnie), RN, to Mr. John J. Kowalewski, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jan Kowalewski, of Toronto, the marriage to take place Saturday, January 8, 1972, at 7 o'clock in the evening at Richmond Hill United Church.

## School Daze

By JOHN MacRAE

My child is very weak in reading and yet the teacher refuses to send the reader home. Shouldn't she have to send it home if I ask for it?

G.T.

Our primary aim in language arts is to somehow kindle in children a love for reading (at which we are only moderately successful.) I can think of no quicker way, though, of discouraging or even killing this love than to insist that the sometimes dull stories labored over during the day be regurgitated again at night.

Has it occurred to you, Madam, that the words used in the school textbooks are also used in Anne of Green Gables, The Kon Tiki, or even Tom Sawyer? Only their order has been changed. Take your child to the library and let him find a book he WANTS to read. If he must practise reading, at least let him enjoy it.

Mr. MacRae:

My son does well in most academic areas except spelling. He invariably loses marks in all subjects because of it and of course his average mark is lowered. How important is spelling? How can I help him?

P.L.

Some teachers are never quite sure about their goals of instruction. They'll set an examination, call it Math, and then deduct for spelling. It's like losing a ball game because your comments to the referee were not couched in grammatically correct language.

As long as this confusion of goals persists amongst teachers, spelling will continue to be important in school. But, for your boy, spelling outside of school will be only as important as he wants it to be. He'll never become a good speller unless he really wants to.

Remember that each of us is unique in the manner in which we learn to spell a word. Some of us are thought spellers. In the word "different" we think "diff" as in "tiff", put in "er" and add "ent" as in "bent". Others are ear spellers. They have a good phonic and syllabic sense and an ear for sound. They can rattle off "antidisestablishmentarianism". Visual spellers can "see" any word and they just write what is on their "screen". I'm a "finger speller". I let my fingers write the word and then I check to see if it "looks" right. Of course the best spellers use all these and other methods that they've devised themselves.

Try to find out which way your child learns to spell and help him improve his own peculiar skill. If he's a finger speller then it's obviously foolish to have him recite spelling orally. If he's a visual speller don't make him spell by syllables since he likely doesn't see it except as a whole word. (He may always see it in print script and he should, therefore, print it on his paper rather than try to transpose to cursive style). Insist that your boy use a dictionary. Don't have him interrupt his writing to check a word, just underline doubtful spelling words with pencil. When he's completed the assignment then he should check all the underlined words. This, hopefully, will develop a spelling conscience. Usually the use of a dictionary becomes less frequent as this conscience helps him to concentrate on spelling.

If your child just doesn't seem to care, tell him that some psychologists state that there is a high correlation between ability to spell and intelligence. Their conclusion would be that your child is not so much a poor speller as dull-witted. I don't believe it but maybe he will, and if he CAN DO WELL in other areas HE CAN LEARN TO SPELL if he wants to.

Over the weekend my son accidentally broke three windows in the school while throwing snowballs. The principal strapped him. I thought the Department of Education had outlawed the strap. Can I take the principal to court?

S.L.

Your son is an interesting mixture. He's stupid enough to be throwing snowballs on a playground, unlucky enough to get caught, and brilliant enough to convince you it was accidental.

There is merit in Mr. Davis' recommendation that the strap has no place in a learning environment. However, I suspect that your son already knew that he shouldn't fire snowballs at school windows. This was not, then, a LEARNING situation. Perhaps the principal did not act as a wise, judicious parent might have. (I shudder to think what my father would have done.) One alternative for him would have been to ask the board to lay a charge of malicious damage. I would advise against legal action.

## Dec. 2 Black Thursday On Yonge St.

Joe Myxplik of "Lil Abner" fame must have been travelling through Richmond Hill along Maple Road with his little black cloud of disaster about 9 am on Thursday of last week.

Around that intersection of Yonge Street it resembled a disaster area for a while, police found.

Five cars were damaged in two crashes, three motorists suffered minor injuries, two drivers were charged with being careless. And falling debris and roof ice knocked a workman off a ladder at the nearby Richmond Hill Presbyterian Church, breaking the workman's leg.

Workman Rolloid Aldous of Southampton ended up in a York Central Hospital bed on Maple Sideroad beside James McAlister of Laverock Drive, chairman of the church committee that raised the money for the new windows workman Aldous was installing. Chairman McAlister had just ended up being required to have surgery while being treated at the hospital, a building which also faces Maple Road.

At the Maple Road intersection with Yonge Street at 9:15 am three cars crashed.

One car driven by Patrick Halligan, 39, of RR 1, Gormley, escaped with only about \$50 damage, according to York Region Police Division 28 (Richmond Hill).

Minor injuries and \$500 damage were suffered by the driver of the other car, Mrs. Adelaide Cameron, 54, of Tareyton Road, Richmond Hill, wife of well known CBC-TV news announcer Earl Cameron.

There was about \$400 damage to the third car driven by Carmine Venditti, 67, of 377 Crosby Avenue, Richmond Hill. He was charged with going through a red traffic control signal light and careless driving.

Minor injuries were suffered by two passengers in the Venditti car, Thelma Long, 48, of 40 Starlight Crescent, Richmond Hill and Clonie Jones, 49, of 170 Sussex Avenue, Richmond Hill, according to YRP. They were treated at York Central Hospital.

At the same Yonge and Maple Road intersection at 8:58 am two cars collided.

Driver John Mann, 29, of 74 Morgan Avenue, Thornhill, had an estimated \$30 damage and was charged with careless driving, according to YRP.

There was about \$200 damage to the other vehicle driven by Derek Mills, 51, of 11 Ruddington Drive, Willowdale.

As Disaster Joe apparently made slow progress further

east on the same road at Bayview Avenue, two vehicles crashed at 5:30 pm Friday of last week.

Charged with making an improper left turn was Edmundo Torres, 39, of 270 Neal Drive, Richmond Hill. He had damage estimated at about \$50 by police.

The other car driven by Joseph Primock, 32, of 206 Cedar Avenue, Richmond Hill had about \$150 damage, police said.

The next day at the same Bayview Avenue intersection two cars collided.

Slightly injured and charged with careless driving was Roy Ball, 76, of 277 Medina Drive, Keswick. His car had about \$250 damage, according to YRP.

The other car was driven by John Fulton, 27, of 264 Neal Drive, Richmond Hill and had damage estimated at \$300. A passenger Diane Fulton, 25, of the same address had minor injuries as well.

Ice roads were blamed for a 6:30 am collision December 6 on Langstaff Road near Bathurst

Street and nobody was charged.

There was about \$225 damage to the vehicle driven by Vincent Gorman, 38, of 179 Garden Avenue, Langstaff. The vehicle driven by Marion Eagleson, 49, of 12 Yongevue Avenue, Langstaff had about \$100 damage, YRP said.

The same Monday at 12:30 am opposite 45 Elmgrove Avenue, Oak Ridges, a driver was charged with having unsafe tires in a single car crash with a culvert.

James Deary, 19, of Lot 5, Concession 2, King Township, Hare Apartments, had about \$400 damage to his vehicle, police estimated.

Two vehicles crashed opposite 15 Fairview Avenue in Richmond Hill at 7:10 pm December 3.

There was about \$500 damage to the vehicle driven by Wayne Martin, 19, of 23 Maple Avenue, Oak Ridges and about \$250 damage to the one driven by Vernon Sas, 23, of Lot 22, Concession 2, King City, according to York Region Police.

## BAIF Sewage Plant Low Bid \$1,189,728

Lowest of five bids received by the town of Richmond Hill for the sewage disposal plant to be built at Bathurst Street and the Langstaff Sideroad to serve the BAIF development was \$1,189,728. It was submitted by K. H. Preston Construction Limited of 676 Garryray Drive, in the Woodbridge area.

The tenders were opened at a brief meeting of Richmond Hill Council Monday evening.

The highest tender, in the amount of \$1,542,779, was submitted by Schwenger Construction. The package sewage disposal plant to be located on a branch of the North Don River will also, by order of the Ontario Cabinet, serve York Central Hospital, Don Head Secondary School and a portion of the southwest corner of the former Richmond Hill.

Because an error had been made in the specifications for a tender for two five-ton trucks, opened November 22, it was declared null and void and a new tender call on corrected specifications was ordered. These second tenders were opened Monday night also, and revealed no

change in the tendered price. Again the low tender was submitted by the Woodbine Truck Centre, located at Woodbine Avenue and Highway 7, in the amount of \$24,316.

## COMING EVENTS

DECEMBER 8, WEDNESDAY — At 8 pm. Notice an annual meeting of the Thornhill Area Recreation Committee to be held at the North Thornhill Community Centre (Heintzman House). Open to all members of Thornhill community. clw24

DECEMBER 11, SATURDAY — 2-4 pm. King City Co-operative Nursery School Christmas bazaar. King City United Church auditorium. clw24

DECEMBER 15, WEDNESDAY — Gigantic Christmas Antiques Show and Sale, 11 am to 11 pm, 20 dealers. Take Woodbine north of Steeles to Esma Park Road and follow the signs to the Firefighters Club. clw24

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The Town of Markham  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
 THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1971, 8:00 P.M.  
 COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
 MUNICIPAL BUILDING, BUTTONVILLE

A Public Hearing will be held by the Planning Committee of the Town of Markham Council as noted above to consider an application to change the Official Plan for an area now designated Highway Frontage — no apartments, to Highway Frontage and Residential low density multiple, so as to permit a shopping plaza with townhouses on the second and third floor. The parcel is located on Part of Lot 33, Concession 1, on the east side of Yonge Street north of Bay Thorn Drive — municipally known as 8185 and 8177 Yonge Street.

You are invited to attend the Hearing and to state your support or objection to the application. Should you be unable to attend, written submission will be received up to the time of the Hearing. The application, the proposed amendment, the zoning by-law and existing land use maps may be examined at the Planning Office.  
 Dated: December 6, 1971

J. P. Jongeneel, Chairman, Planning Committee  
 K. Hidaka, Planning Director

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**Moving Day Headache For York Police Also**

Moving day is a pain and a half for anyone and it's no better for the York Regional Police.

At least that's the impression you get from Police Chief Bruce Crawford.

The chief told members of the York Region Police Monday morning that the December 1 deadline — moving day — had been accomplished with a minimum of difficulty.

"We had the usual difficulties moving brings," he said, "but we're now operating in a very different manner."

Moving day involved the closing of four former police divisions and moving the furniture into the new headquarters on Prospect Street in Newmarket.

The four offices closed were those from King, Whitchurch, Newmarket and Aurora and moving their operations into the main buildings.

Chief Crawford noted that the new building "is currently bursting at the seams with furniture but we expect this to be straightened out shortly."

There are also some finishing touches to be applied to the new building.

Chief Crawford noted that the cells in the new building would be completed shortly and allow for the detention of prisoners now being incarcerated over night in Richmond Hill, Markham and Vaughan.

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