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Rotarians Continue To Help ARC Industries

The latest gift of many made by the Richmond Hill Rotary Club to ARC Industries came recently when Rotary President Emerson Smith presented a cheque for \$900 to York Central Association for the Mentally Retarded President Doug Hinchcliffe. The cheque will pay for the adult retarded training centre's new electric Gestetner duplicating machine. In the above picture, taken during the brief ceremony, are (left to right) Mr. Smith, Dr. Mark Kirby, chairman of Rotary's committee for handicapped children and adults, YCAMR Treasurer Joseph Dwyer and Mr. Hinchcliffe. Richmond Hill Rotarians will be selling Christmas trees on a North Yonge Street lot between now and December 24. As in past years, these are quality trees, and their purchase will assist the Rotarians in their work in the community.

Victim Of Hit-And-Run On Birthday

Hitting House Is Careless Driving

One man was charged with careless driving in Richmond Hill last week after a \$950 crash with a house on Lawrence Avenue. Another was a hit-and-run victim on his birthday and York Region Police are looking for the driver of a car that left the scene.

There was about \$450 damage to the vehicle driven by Teuvo Kukkonen, 22, of 12 Diagonal Road, Willowdale at about 10:30 pm December 6 in the house crash. But the house at 207 Lawrence Avenue got the worst of it, with police estimating damage at \$500. The car hit a basement window in the foundation of the house, police said.

COMING EVENTS

DECEMBER 31, FRIDAY — Richvale Lions Club New Years Eve Dance, 31 Spruce Avenue, Lions Hall. \$20 a couple includes everything. For tickets call 889-4145. Limited number of tickets. c2w25

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Story Of 1837 Rebellion Featured In New Gibson House Gallery Wing

The Gibson House Museum in Willowdale commemorated the 134th anniversary of the rebellion of 1837 with the official opening of the new gallery wing on December 7.

The 120-year-old house behind Willowdale Post Office on Yonge Street and the adjoining gallery were decorated for the occasion by the members of the Toronto Garden Club. President of the club Mrs. Flavia Redelmeier of Richmond Hill and her husband, Ernest, were guests at the reception as representatives of the Region of York.

Decorations were in keeping with those used in pre-Confederation days — chains of popcorn and cranberries, brightly colored wool and evergreens.

The gallery wing will house displays of historic significance in the days of early Canada. For the opening there were maps and lithographs, reproductions and original documents, firearms and descriptions of events leading to and following the uprising.

Many of the rebels protesting the stranglehold the "Family Compact" had on the government of Upper Canada in 1837 were farmers and businessmen from York County, as were many of the loyalists.

QUAKER REBELS DIED
 On display in the new gallery is an axe from the blacksmith shop of Samuel Lount, a Quaker from Pennsylvania who settled in Holland Landing in 1811.

Another Pennsylvania Quaker, Jesse Lloyd, founder of Loyd-town near Schomberg, joined Lount in leading a march of about 50 men from Loyd-town to Montgomery's Tavern on Yonge Street, north of Eglington Avenue on the eve of the fateful battle which officially began and ended the rebellion. Lloyd fled to the United States where he died the following year. But Lount was captured and executed on April 12, 1838.

Leader of the rebellion was William Lyon Mackenzie who later became mayor of Toronto. Other leaders of the rebellion were Silas Fletcher of Pickering and David Gibson of Willowdale.

After the battle all five men were declared traitors to the Crown and a reward of 1,000 pounds was offered for information leading to the capture of any one of them.

Prior to the rebellion Lount was Member of the Legislative Assembly of Upper Canada for Simcoe. Gibson was the Member for York. Gibson escaped to the United States, returned after being pardoned five years later, and became first postmaster of Willowdale. The house now the Gibson House Museum and official museum for the Borough of North York was built on the same site was burned by the government troops the night of the battle of Montgomery's Tavern.

OPEN TO PUBLIC
 The house of David Gibson was gaily decorated for the opening and is open to the public every day to 5 p.m. In the kitchen the staff members are serving mince pies, cranberry bread, homemade Christmas cake and mulled wine prepared in the large open fireplace. On weekdays the house and gallery are teaming with school children on tours. On weekends staff in pioneer dress conduct the public through the spacious rooms.

Defenders at the battle of Montgomery's Tavern were the Queen's York Rangers, the oldest regiment in Ontario. A company of the regiment is stationed at Aurora and the Rangers took part in a re-enactment of the battle in North York on December 4. Fighting with rebel forces at the mock battle was Municipal Affairs Minister Dalton Bales, a former North York Controller whose forefathers pioneered at Yonge Street and Highway 401 more than a century ago.

Although the battle was a military disaster for the rebels, it led to many reforms.

Stouffville Area Man Killed In Car Crash, Maple Pedestrian Hit

A 34-year-old Stouffville area man, George Martin, was killed early Saturday morning of last week when the car in which he was a passenger collided with another car.

Three teenagers were injured in the same accident, including the driver of the car, Dale Rennie, 18 of Markham; Judy Taylor, 16, and Vladimir Smirnov, also of Markham.

They were admitted to Scarborough Centennial Hospital. York Regional Police have not released the identity of the driver of the fatal vehicle.

The accident occurred at 1:05 am Saturday morning on the Stouffville Road about a half mile west of Highway 48.

Estimated damage to the Rennie car was \$1,000.

Both vehicles were wrecked. Vaughan Division of York Regional Police also investigated an accident December 11 which caused undetermined injuries to a pedestrian at Major Mackenzie Drive and Dufferin Street. Elgin Victor Gibson, 49, of Maple, was taken to hospital when he was struck by a car while crossing the road.

Driver of the car was William Henry Gibbons, of Downsview. It occurred at 7:20 pm.

School Daze

By JOHN MacRAE

I've been told that I gave just a smart-aleck answer last week about reading. I must admit it wasn't too constructive but I'll try to make amends.

Besides taking your child to the library there are other things which might set a healthy climate for home reading. You might allow yourself to get "caught" reading a book yourself. Reading used to be a fun thing and people who read books were not immediately dismissed as being browners, egg heads or social misfits. It was respectable to spend one's time reading a book. It didn't mean you were lazy and shiftless. It didn't mean that you were better simply because you couldn't think of anything reading to do. Perhaps if YOU read something besides the sports pages and the comics you might revive reading as a participant sport.

It is an admission of guilt but I fear the schools are often to blame. After all, teachers make kids spend hours in the elementary school years learning how to read. Libraries in the junior schools are beautiful and often well-used. But high school and university students are kept so busy doing homework, researching essays and projects that they're turned right off of books even if they had the time. Even after five years of high school they've gotten out of the habit and besides there are so many easier ways of amusing oneself today.

Many of us wish, though, that we did read more. Perhaps all we need is a gentle push. Maybe mom and dad, son and daughter, if you set an example, your whole family might re-discover the pleasures of reading.

It may not be as fashionable as it once was but have you considered giving a book for Christmas? It requires a little thought but if you choose wisely it may give a greater, longer lift than a bottle of rye. Here are a few suggestions:

Think of their interests and this may help. If he's politically oriented then he might enjoy Rene Levesque's "An Option For Quebec". If he's socially conscious he might enjoy Cardinal's "Unjust Society" about the Canadian Indian. Pierre Berton's book about the railroad would intrigue a history buff. The best of Max Ferguson's satires on current affairs have been included in "Unmuzzled Max" — a delightfully funny book. If he's a real thinker try "Future Shock" or "Pentagon To Power".

Teenagers and young adults enjoy "Catch 22", "The Andromeda Strain", "The Godfather" or any of Arthur Hailey's best sellers. A word about these to parents — they do contain four letter words and they tell graphically of sexual encounters. Try to remember what you used to say and do behind the barn or someplace far away from home. Young people are still saying it and doing it but they no longer feel obliged to do it all in secrecy. These books present a true picture of the society they portray. You and I may deplore these segments of our society but they're there and just the way the author describes them. If you'd rather your child not know about that part of the world in which he lives then pass these titles by.

Try instead "Dr. Zhivago", "Gone With The Wind", "Exodus" or "Fahrenheit 451". If your teenager is serious minded, try "Black Like Me", "To Kill A Mockingbird", or Hemmingway's "Old Man And The Sea".

Buying a book is a risky venture — they may not like it. I gave a book to my Dad once which was never opened beyond the second dirty word. He threw it down in disgust and used it to take the teeter out of his desk. Just remember that horrible housecoat or that ridiculous tie you got last year. Could you do worse?

Next week I'll talk about books for young children.

If you have questions concerning any aspect of education don't hesitate to get in touch with Mr. MacRae. Mail your questions to "School Daze" in c/o The Liberal, P.O. Box 390, Richmond Hill.

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