Your Legion Reports

Branch 375, Royal Canadian Legion
By Chris Ratchford — 884-5260

Turn Sod For New Richmond Hill Legion Hall

Shall we take up the tale from where we left off last week? If the report for this issue seems to be a hodge-podge, please forgive us. The dratted moose got out of his cage again and found the notebook that all the news items were in. Seems he has a crazy nesting urge. He took the first opportnity that came to hand and used the paper for himself.

Did you ever try doing a jig-saw puzzle of notes? Oh well, here goes!

First off, we extend our very best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Tonner (Corrine Maggicommo) for their future happiness. *This young couple* were married on Saturday in St. Mary Immaculate Roman Catholic Church. Have heard that the groom is always nervous but poppa Marsh Tonner was so excited that he kept doing a jig while his lady Grethe kept calm, cool and collected. An unexpected guest arrived to make the scene complete. This was the groom's uncle Jack Tonner who was able to make it on his return from a tour of North Africa.

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It was a great day for the lady veterans of Branch 375 April 24. They were joint hostesses for a dance that was a smash. What a turn-out. Despite the bad weather, the crowd had a super time dancing to the music of George Cowie and Ken Birch.

The ladies worked hard and their reward was the fact that now they will be able to provide for the annual picnic as well as the Children's Christmas Party. Hooray!

The lady veterans (who choose to be nameless) wish to thank all those that pitched in and helped when asked. Also we extend our sincere thanks to those that donated prizes: Dynes Jewellers, Michael's Gifts, Vicki Page and the Music Shop, Village Coiffure, Bill Niddrie and Texaco Station (Bayview and Elgin Mills). These donations were used as spot prizes and door prizes.

The first prize went to Barbara and Donald Parnell for being the first couple to start the dance rolling. Next on the list of winners were Graham and Patricia Baker. Then Margaret Malcolm and George Barr came *up roses. Maureen Mills and* Steve Ascott were among the lucky ones. Final spot prize was won by Ursula and Walter Duncan.

There were two door prizes and Comrade Bill MacPherson picked the winners. They were: Mrs. Mary Bourget (No. 177); Miss Nancy Morrison (No. 088). "Mr. Legion" Jack Sanders drew the winning ticket for the raffle and Comrade Frank Barber was the big winner for this (No. 812249).

So you see we all had a grand time. To all concerned, once again, please accept the grateful thanks of Branch 375 lady veterans.

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Some of our comrades are on the ailing list. Sincere wishes for a speedy recovery go to Comrade Madge Barrott and Mrs. Janet Johns who is in Scarboro Centenary Hospital. Why not drop a card or note to cheer them up. Let them know they are missed. Very happy to report that other members have recovered and are once again in our midst. Welcome back to Tom Young, Bill Harrison, Frank Barber et al.

This past week was very special for Branch 375. To a packed general meeting Monday evening came the word that the sod turning ceremonies for the new Legion Hall would take place on Sunday, April 23. With the Lord's help we should be in our new hall by the end of September, 1972. Big Hoorah! Now let us all get down to the business of helping where we are needed. Never mind being asked. Just volunteer.

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This has been a really successful week for Branch 375. The Friday night social was packed and had the joint jumping. *Plenty of good company in* the ladies' lounge and a swinging time in the clubroom. No lack of partners for darts, euchre or shuffleboard.

The lucky mystery winner for Friday night was Mrs. Irene *Nicholls of Richmond* Hill. See what you all miss by not turning out. Why not come out sometime and join in the various activities?

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Several members of Branch 375 travelled to Orillia Saturday of last week to take part in a darts competition. We regret to report they didn't win anything. But they gave it a darn good try.

Those participating were Comrades Al Early, Wayne Kirkpatrick, Bayne Collins and Cliff Dunbar. Our zone sports officer provided the transportation.

It was a long day but maybe next year we can come back as part of the winners. Who knows.

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Sunday dawned cool and cloudy with a threat of rain. This did not deter a large crowd of Legion members and their wives from turning out to the sod turning ceremonies at the site where the new Legion Hall will be situated.

Various dignataries from the Legion were there, as well as representatives from the council for Richmond Hill. We regret that Mayor William Lazenby was unable to take part. First Vice-President Bob Jeffries represented Ontario Command. District Commander George Wood took part, as did Zone Commander Frank Barrott, along with Deputy Zone Commander Bert McGregor.

President of Branch 375 Doug Hopson also shared in the sod turning. Consecration of the site was by *Branch Padre David* Sproule. The blessing of the collected members and guests was given by our former padre Rev. Fred Jackson.

Following the ceremonies all members and guests returned to the hall for a corned beef dinner cooked by our genial Gord Mills and his helpers Marsh Thompson and Harry Copps. (See Harry, we remembered this time).

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At this time of year grandparents begin to gather and announce new arrivals in the various clans. Recently we had cause to celebrate for Mr. and Mrs. George Diceman when they welcomed a brand new grandson. Saw proud grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Bert McGregor and learned that they welcomed a beautiful new granddaughter.

We are happy to report that both sets of grandparents are bursting with pride. Our congratulations to all new arrivals and may you have long lives of happiness. This goes for the parents of course.

ELGIN MILLS - JEFFERSON

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Church News

At St. John's Anglican April 30, 8:30 am, Corporate Communion, 9:15 am Parish Breakfast. Tickets 50c each ($2 maximum for families) may be obtained from any of the men of the Men's Club. 10:30 am Family Service. Spiritual Life Fellowship Monday April 24 at 8 pm, in the Upper Room. Passage for consideration and discussion is Ephesians 2. This is your opportunity to meet with others of our Deanery and find out "where it's at" with the faith. Refreshments.

The 125th Anniversary Committee will meet April 25 in the Upper Room at 8 pm.

The annual Scout and Cub Father and Son Banquet will be held April 28 in the lower hall at 6:45 pm for the 1st Jefferson group.

Advisory Board will meet May 8.

The ACW annual meeting will be held at the Diocesan Centre, 125 Adelaide Street East May 3, beginning with Holy Communion in St. James Cathedral at 10 am and following through the day. All women of the church are invited and urged to attend. A special invitation is extended to WA life members to be present for afternoon tea in the dining room from 3:15 to 4:15 pm. The Primate will be the special speaker earlier in the afternoon.

The York Deanery spring dinner meeting will be held May 3 at Grace Church, Markham, at 6:30 pm. Tickets at $2 each may *be obtained from Bob Sayers.* Bishop Allan Read will be guest speaker. All are invited, women as well as men; teens as well as adults.

Friday, May 5, the Winchester Group will go to Cherry Hill Farm for "Women's Day Apart," leaving the church about 9:15 am. At 8 pm there will be a premiere showing of the Billy Graham film *"For Pete's Sake!"* at Dr. G. W. Williams Secondary School, Aurora. Tickets at $1 each — advance sale, ($1.25 at the door) can be obtained from John Gerber or Danny Locke.

The daffodil tea and bake sale will be held May 13 at Four Acres, 19th Avenue, sponsored by the ACW. Everyone welcome. A special invitation is extended to the men and young people. Further details will be announced.

Special appeal: A young mother and family without an in*come are in need of the follow*ing: bedding, bed and mattress, sofa and chair, chest of drawers, refrigerator and wringer washer. If anyone has any of these items to spare, it will be greatly appreciated if you will call: HELP-MATE at 884-2727.

An enjoyable evening was had by all at the dance held by the YCAMR at the Lions Hall Friday of last week. "Hugh and You Know Who" played everything from cha-chas to reels, and door and spot prizes were won by many.

"Hugh and You Know Who" will also be supplying the music for a dance to be held at St. Mary Immaculate Parish Hall, 79 Yonge Street North May 5 *There'll be door prizes,* spot prizes, bar and buffet. The fun begins at 8pm.

Paxton-Staples

Wed In St. Matthew's United Honeymooned In South Carolina

St. Matthew's United Church, Richmond Hill East, was the scene of a lovely Easter wedding April 1 at 4 pm when Carolyn Joanne Staples became the bride of Francis William Paxton. The bride is the younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Staples of Richmond Hill and the groom is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Paxton of Aurora.

Rev. John McTavish officiated at the double ring ceremony.

To the strains of Lohengrin by Wagner, played by Mrs. Laura Head, the bride entered the church on the arm of her father by whom she was given in marriage.

The bride wore a gown of French peau de soie, styled with empire waistline, long sleeves and princess neckline and trimmed with pearls and lace. Her three-tier shoulder length veil was crowned with miniature flowers and cascade tendrils. She wore a pearl choker and carried a bouquet of yellow carnations and white daisy chrysanthemums.

Mrs. Velma Parsons, sister of the bride was matron of honor.

Bridesmaids were Miss Janice Donnelly, the bride's cousin; Miss Darlene Hilker, the groom's cousin and Miss Sharon Wagg.

Flower girl was Susan Parsons, the bride's niece. Ring bearer was Sean Conlin, the bride's cousin.

The matron of honor and bridesmaids wore gowns of pink and purple floral polyester georgette, featuring a high neckline and long sleeves. The matron of *honor wore a pink velvet sash* on her gown and pink rosettes in her hair. She carried a nosegay of pink and white chrysanthemums. The bridesmaids wore purple velvet sashes and purple rosettes in their hair. They carried nosegays of purple and white Chrysanthemums.

The flower girl wore a gown of white French lace with short sleeves and train with a pink velvet sash. A large white rose crowned her head. She carried a basket of white daisy chrysanthemums.

Sharon Donnelly, the bride's cousin, was in charge of the guest book. She wore a gown of gold and bronze floral polyester georgette and a corsage of yellow chrysanthemums.

Best man was Frederick Hilker, the groom's cousin. Ushers were Berkley Parsons, the bride's brother-in-law; Eric Staples, the bride's brother and Kenneth Price. Male attendants and the fathers wore tuxedos.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Staples chose a gown of two-tone green shantung with gold accessories. Her corsage was of orange chrysanthemums.

The groom's mother's gown was of gold crepe with mauve accessories. Her corsage was of mauve chrysanthemums.

During the signing of the register, the soloist, Russell Renshaw, sang Ave Maria in Latin.

A reception for 85 guests was held in the Fiesta Room, Aurora. Fredrick Wagg proposed the toast to the bride and the groom responded. A telegram from the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Harold Caldwell, Hardwood Lands, Nova Scotia, was received and read.

The happy couple honeymooned in South Carolina. For travelling the bride wore a pant *dress of pink crepe. Her cor*sage was of daisy chrysanthemums. They are now residing in Thornhill.

It Worries Councillor Van Luyk

Cars Go In But Don't Come Out

By FRED SIMPSON

King Township Councillor Jack Van Luyk gets upset when he talks about a certain property in the Holland Marsh which he describes as an "eyesore".

So upset does he get that he *feels strongly* the occupants of adjoining properties should be exempt from paying township taxes because "they shouldn't be made to pay for services not received."

But he also scratches his head about the property in question which is littered with old cars and is located on the third line opposite the Christian Reformed Church.

"I keep seeing cars go in," he said, "but I never see them go out. The fact remains that the place is very active and the operator is also very active without a license."

Councillor Van Luyk said there were cars literally parked all over the place.

He has the distinct feeling that the place is a wrecking yard but he just can't see "where vehicles or parts go".

King Township has a bylaw forbidding operation of a wrecking yard without a license, but has no such decree against the storage of vehicles.

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That's the rub as far as Councillor Van Luyk is concerned. He thinks it's a wrecking yard but he can't see any wrecking going on.

Councillor Van Luyk said the situation has existed for over nine months and "it's getting worse instead of better, it's ridiculous".

Councillor Ben Rough couldn't see the problem, he said, "We have a bylaw officer and *it's up to him to investigate* the matter and take whatever action is necessary. I'm quite sure he is reasonable."

Councillor Van Luyk said there were attempts to look after it last year with no results. "Right now it would be impossible to look after it because he wouldn't be able to get in the lane for parked cars. He'd have to jump over the ditch," said Van Luyk.

Mayor Ken Mactaggart said he thought the owner had cleared the yard up. Van Luyk observed that "pictures were taken of the mess last year but there's no use taking pictures if you don't see any progress."

It was then that he said he felt "adjoining properties shouldn't have to pay taxes for services not received."

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Councillor Len Osin said the township's bylaw officer has been "very good and working very hard but he can't work *20 hours a day."* Osin felt the bylaw officer was perhaps waiting for instructions from council on the matter.

"How can we give instructions?" asked Rough. "None of us know what is what with the property."

Council then decided to take a look for themselves the next day.

Councillor Van Luyk concluded by saying that this "property is in the middle of our vicinity and is definitely an eye-sore and we should find some way of doing something about it."

Councillor Murray Sheardown agreed that the municipality should try and do something if the bylaw provides for it. "But you can't move mountains," he said.

"Not mountains, just cars," muttered one councillor.

The Liquor Licence Act
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