

# Temperanceville Identity Crisis

New Richmond Hill Resident Has Endless Trouble With Telephone Service, Post Office, Government

Walter Sinclair has a problem—he would like to know just where he lives. It is Richmond Hill, Oak Ridges, Melody Acres, Temperanceville or RR 3, King City.

He is represented in the House of Commons by Sinclair Stevens of York Simcoe Riding. He is represented in the Ontario Legislature by William Hodgson of the York North Riding. He is represented on the Region of York Council by William Lazenby, Gordon Rowe and Lois Haney.

He pays his taxes to the Town of Richmond Hill.

However, according to the map, he lives in Temperanceville, and his area called Melody Acres has streets named

Puccini, Toscanini, Aida, etc. Homes there are served by the Oak Ridges water system and the people are represented on Richmond Hill Council by Ward 5 Councillor William Corcoran.

**TELEPHONE PROBLEMS**

The telephone is listed under Oak Ridges. When he dials operator, he understands he is speaking to one located in the Oshawa area. If he wishes a telephone number in downtown Richmond Hill not listed in the telephone book he has to dial 1-555-1212, not the normal 411.

He can phone Newmarket and other areas far afield without a toll charge. But if

he wants to phone a friend in the south end of Richmond Hill he will be charged for the call.

"The new boundaries of Richmond Hill have been in existence for better than three years, surely some improvement could have been made by now," he said.

**NO HIGHWAY SIGNS**

Mr. Sinclair also notes the absence of any sign indicating Richmond Hill on Highway 11 until you are at least five miles within the town's boundary. He also suggests there should be a Richmond Hill sign on the Highway 400 exit to the King Sideroad, noting that other municipalities off 400 and 401 have signs indicating different exits to their towns.

Even with manpower, residents of his area have problems, Mr. Sinclair notes. Residents of Richmond Hill south of the King Sideroad deal with an office in Willowdale. But everyone north of the King Sideroad must go elsewhere.

"Why don't they go by municipal boundaries, rather than chop, chop, you go here, and you go there?" he asks.

Richmond Hill has its own hydro and this area has been in Richmond Hill for three years. Residents here, however, are still not under Richmond Hill Hydro but pay their bills to Ontario Hydro in Newmarket. "Surely after three years we should be moving into the Richmond Hill Hydro system," he states.

**MISS WINTER CARNIVAL**

Children from his area go to school (senior public and secondary) in King City. Therefore they are excluded from taking an active part in Richmond Hill's Winter Carnival, etc.

"Back in 1971 I was told

in the Richmond Hill Town Offices that a complete street renumbering was being done," he reports and would like to know, "What happened to that new numbering project?"

To add to Mr. Sinclair's problem one end of his street is named Poplar Drive and the other end is named Puccini Drive. Is it any wonder that he is confused?

**POST OFFICE PROBLEM**

Since Richmond Hill took in the area a new post office building was erected less than a mile from Mr. Sinclair's residence. It would seem logical that his mail would be handled through that office (Oak Ridges). But that is not the case. His address is RR 3, King City.

When Mr. Sinclair applied for a job with the town, the town's acknowledgement took three letters before it finally reached him. The first was addressed to Richmond Hill — no luck. The second went to Oak Ridges — and he got that one eventually. He also got the third one addressed to RR 3, King City.

Mr. Sinclair reports he has a great time explaining to his friends and associates where he lives, and usually has to draw a map and make certain he lists his telephone number.

**TIME FOR ACTION**

"I am not ashamed to tell them I live in Richmond Hill. I do, however, have to tell them to look for my telephone number under Oak Ridges and that my mailing address is RR 3, King City. I know this involves federal, provincial, regional and town governments, but let's get this Richmond Hill problem straightened out. Three years is a long time for foot dragging," he challenges.

# VD On Increase Here But At Slower Rate

Reported cases of venereal diseases continued to increase in Ontario during 1973, but at a lower rate than in 1972. There were 15,653 such cases in 1973, up 3.75 percent over the 1972 total of 15,087, whereas the increase in 1972 was 57.5 percent over 1971.

Deputy Minister of Health Stanley Martin does not regard this as cause for alarm, however. Commenting on statistics released recently by the Ministry of Health, Martin said, "The public is more aware today than ever before of the consequences of non-treatment of venereal diseases and is co-operating in helping bring them under control."

He credits the apparent leveling off in reported gonorrhoea cases (13,476 in 1972, 13,594 in 1973) to a greater public awareness that venereal diseases can be treated. There are 25 special treatment centres funded by the

ministry in the province.

Also, special venereal disease instruction kits, prepared by the ministry, were distributed to the majority of secondary schools in the province last year. These kits, along with other ministry public information programs, are credited with alerting the public to the dangers of venereal disease.

Most alarming feature of the report is the trend to an increase in infectious syphilis observed during 1972 and continuing to escalate during 1973, showing an increase of 41 percent in the reported incidence of primary (first stage) syphilis and 36 percent in the reported incidence of secondary syphilis where outward symptoms are not visible, but infection has gone into the blood stream. There were 324 primary cases in 1973 compared with 230 in 1972, and 259 secondary cases

in 1972 and 343 in 1973.

Syphilis in the latent, non-infectious stage also continues to increase, rising from 1,065 cases in 1972 — a difference of 27.3 percent.

At this point the disease has gone "underground" but continues to eat away at vital organs, such as the heart and brain, causing permanent damage and often insanity. Reported cases that had reached this level totalled 21 in 1972 and 41 in 1973, but this is still an improvement over the past six years when there were 14 cases of heart damage reported in 1967, 51 cases of brain damage, and eight that had caused damage to other parts of the body.

The number of infants born with venereal disease was 15 in 1973, 13 in 1972, 34 in 1967. The all-time low reported was in 1971 when there were only three babies born in the province who had inherited a venereal

disease from the parents.

The increase in reported cases might also be an indication of the success of a provincial program to alert family doctors to the need for identifying venereal diseases in the early stages, said Martin.

"Private doctors are now more conscious of looking for and diagnosing initial signs of the disease and are thus reporting cases earlier."

Failure to identify and treat contacts could also be a cause for the increase, Martin said. "Health unit staffs will continue to be instructed, in special workshops, in interview techniques and contact tracing. Our venereal disease teaching kits will be given even wider distribution throughout the province as part of an intensive overall program to assist in reducing the incidence of this communicable disease."

## Legion Reports

Branch 375, Royal Canadian Legion  
By Eric Chapman

**Our Legion Midgets Won At Drummondville? Wish Somebody Would Tell Us**

There is a ten-year-old boy playing minor house league hockey at the local arena every Saturday morning who scores nothing but goals.

As a result, the team he plays for is half-way up the atom league roster but could be at the top if it was not for the same player. Unfortunately the young lad is a "hogger". A name awarded him by contemporaries—which means he plays for himself and not for the team.

An interesting parallel was drawn recently when some Legion members learned that hogging the puck was not restricted to ten year-olds.

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 375 is an organization which provides funds for worthwhile community projects through the voluntary services of some of its members. By the sweat of the brow, ladies and gentlemen members alike, have been known to raise bounties far in excess of basic necessities. They work as a team, these philanthropists, and their only reward, on occasion, is knowing that their investment is recognized.

For a decade now, members of Branch 375 have sponsored a midget hockey team. In 1964, Sandy Dunlop then the president of the Richmond Hill Minor Hockey Association; and Earl Methe then the manager of the OMHA Midget Team, approached the Legion executive for a commitment of \$500 per year—and the Legion workers came through.

In consecutive years since then, sponsorship fees have risen considerably; and with inter-provincial tournaments being the "in-thing", costs rose accordingly, but were always provided. In recognition however, and with some token of respect, the Legion was always advised of its proteges' progress.

On February 5, the Legion-sponsored team and its adult entourage departed Richmond Hill for Drummondville, Quebec, on a generously assisted passage and was never heard from again.

Eleven days later, Legion philanthropists were astounded to read in their local "Liberal" that their time honored team had finally surfaced by winning six straight games and a championship of sorts. And as one unbelieving member stated, "Perhaps we should hang the flags out?"

Alas, there were no flags flying at Legion headquarters when the victors returned because not a soul at the branch had one iota of an idea of whether the team was still playing in Drummondville or Brownsville, Brooklyn.

Taking nothing away from the 16-year-old youngsters, who after all are what the Legion members sweat for. It is a sad commentary we make on the team's management and accompanying convoy who apparently had neither the tact, thoughtfulness, courtesy nor respect to pick up a telephone and dial Legion on area code 416.

Legion members will therefore be quite in order when they question at the next branch general meeting whether the continued sponsorship of a minor hockey team is in the best interests of the branch. Such questions might also include objection to the fact that while playing on ice the Legion-sponsored team no longer wear sweaters representative of the Canadian Legion, but rather those of the Richmond Hill Rams.

While a ten year-old boy can be forgiven for scoring nothing but goals to satisfy an ego—there is nothing contained in the Royal Canadian Legion Charter that condones or excuses immature adult behaviour by ignoring the work of the whole team.

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WANT TO HELP?

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My kids are all in school now. What should I do.

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**Church News**

Sunday at St. John's Anglican there will be a family service at 10:30 am featuring The Mixed Blessings and a 40-minute movie on the life of Martin Luther, Part 1.

Sunday there was a celebration of Holy Communion at St. John's with the senior choir reading the anthem, "Let All Mortal Flesh".

The Spiritual Life Fellowship met at Christ Church, Stouffville at 8 pm Monday. A group from St. John's attended. The passage studied was John 5.

In preparation for Lent an evening service was held at St. John's Ash Wednesday instead of the regular mid-week morning communion service. In the midst of self-examination and worship a message on tape from Rev. Dr. John Gladstone of Yorkminster Park Baptist Church, North Toronto, was heard.

The annual World Day of Prayer service will be held at 2 pm this coming Friday in the chapel of the Roman Catholic School, Bond Avenue, Oak Ridges. Baby sitting services will be provided. All women of St. John's are invited and urged to attend.

The young adults will meet for their regular bi-weekly Bible study at the rectory Friday evening at 8 pm to discuss Matthew 21, verses 23 to the end.

**Community News**

There will be a big night at Jefferson Public School March 8. The movie "Million Dollar Duck" will be shown. There will also be a bake sale, white elephant table and crafts bazaar. The hours are 7-10 pm. Everyone is welcome.

This week birthday wishes go to Irene Horvath who will be 10 February 28, to Brenda Mackay who will be nine March 3 and to Andy Chapman who will be 11 March 5.

The Temperanceville I-4-H Homemaking Club acted as hostesses to Temperanceville II for afternoon tea February 24.

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