

Ronalds does everything in a big way

Bruce Humphries reckons half the teens and ex-teens in town have passed through the doors of Ronalds Printing.

He should know. As plant manager of the Richmond Hill operation, he is well aware of how big a staff it takes to produce millions of pocketbooks, phone books, magazines and catalogues each month.

Although the permanent staff numbers 350, at peak periods the staff count tops the 500 mark. Many of these part time employees are area teens.

It's small wonder that the plant requires a large staff.

In the past week alone, one million Harlequin Romances were

printed in the Yonge Street plant, in addition to the regular supply of Bell Telephone books and other printing orders.

Humphries joined the firm (known until November as Ronalds Federated Graphics) when it located in Richmond Hill 13 years ago come January 1.

At that time, the Montreal headquarters was "the largest printing plant in Canada", Humphries said.

As one of the major printers of telephone directories, the company felt Ontario books should be printed within the province, he explained.

"And Richmond Hill at the same time was looking for in-

dustry," he said. "Somehow the two parties got together."

Humphries is particularly proud of the high calibre of work turned out at the plant.

Sophisticated equipment with electric eyes to produce perfect color registration (often a problem in color printing) and presses prepared to handle five colors are part of the Ronalds picture.

The plant turns out most of Ontario's telephone books, printing two million a year for Toronto alone. And during a year, the number of paperbacks produced climbs to 25 million.

"On top of this are the millions of catalogues and other things we do," said Humphries. "We do

things in a big way."

In fact, everything about Ronalds is big, even the way the company gets its ink delivered.

Roger Lemieux of Canada Printing Ink drops in every two weeks during the peak periods with his 7,000-gallon tank of ink.

He hooks up to the outside of the building like an oil deliveryman and tops up the giant 3,000-gallon tank in the plant.

"That truck is quite a rig," said Humphries.

The plant itself was built big to handle the growth the company knew would come over the years. It was designed by local architect Doug Allen.



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(Photo by Roberts) Pressman Robert Smith mans the controls of the giant Hantscho Mark IV, Ronalds' five-color press, above left. Above, Ronalds Printing general manager John Hisink takes a break from the books for a moment to share a laugh with one of his salesmen.

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Wow

The giant ink truck from Canada Printing Ink arrives once every two weeks during peak spells to "gas up" Ronalds huge indoor tank. Ronalds general manager Bruce Humphries calls the truck "quite a rig".

Markham-Unionville

The Markham-Unionville Association has launched its new Sunday School.

The classes meet from nine to 12 every Sunday morning at the Kennedy Chiropractic Clinic, Highway 7 and Kennedy Road.

The school services children ages eight to 12.

For further information

the piano teacher

Estelle Markham
884-3787

call Mary Shiff at 297-3521.

The Markham-Unionville Association is having a Chanukah Celebration this Sunday, December 11, from 2 to 5

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THE PLANNING ACT AND THE PARKWAY BELT PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT

Town of Markham

Take notice that application for amendment to Treasurer's Parkway Belt Land Use Regulation filed as Ontario Regulation No. 473/73 in the Town of Markham has been received. The application is:

(1) Applicant: A. and M. Ellis
File No.: 11(32)
Location: Lot 35, Conc. 1E (east side of Ruggles Avenue south of Langstaff Rd.)
Proposal: Addition to existing industrial building on an approximately 0.3 acre lot.

All submissions received in the Office of The Treasurer of Ontario and Minister of Economics and Intergovernmental Affairs, 801 Bay Street, 7th Floor, Toronto, on or before the 20th day of December, 1977 in respect of the foregoing requested amendment will be fully considered before a final decision is made thereon.

Under Section 32(9) of the Act, any interested person may request a hearing by the Municipal Board on an application for amendment to a restricted area order.

W. Darcy McKeough,
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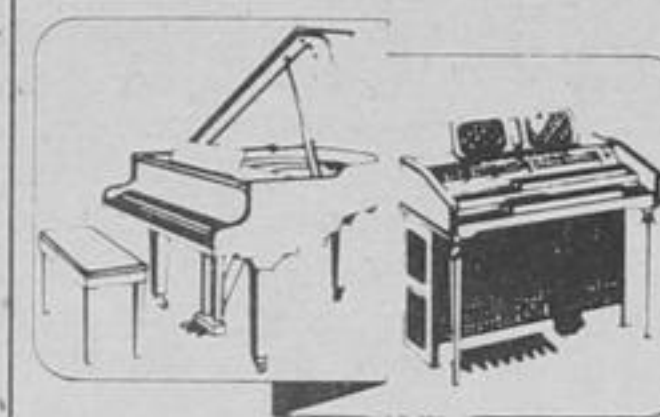
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