

Furniture goes in as Clarkson Recreation Centre nearly ready

Members of the Park Royal Community Association began moving furniture into the new Clarkson Arena and Recreation Centre Monday. Moving day had been set back a week to allow electricians to complete their work. But after a 10-year wait for a permanent community centre what is a week more or less?

"We've been working toward a centre for about ten years now," said Bill Cann, president of the Park Royal Community Association. "In 1964 we started a fund raising campaign, but it's

pretty difficult to go to people for funds to make a \$800,000 community centre."

United Lands, the company largely responsible for developing Park Royal, had promised to build a community centre. In the meantime they let the association use a small factory-like building on the South Service Rd.

"Its main room is smaller than the little auditorium in the new centre," said Mr. Cann.

The community centre and rink now stands completed

on land donated by the town and United Lands.

ICE READY
Since April, the Lions Club has raised \$80,000 towards the new arena. Though they're still \$20,000 from their goal, the ice will be ready for community hockey by Jan. 2.

The Park Royal Community Association has taken responsibility for the furnishings within the community centre. An association New Year's Eve party will be the first event to take place in the large auditorium.

"We've moved in the equivalent of four households of furniture from the old centre and spent an additional \$1500 just to be ready for New Year's Eve," said Mr. Cann.

The association expects to spend approximately \$10,000 on furniture in addition to the \$8,000 in association memberships turned over to the Lion's Club funds.

Now that the actual building is completed association members have no worries when it comes to raising the additional funds.

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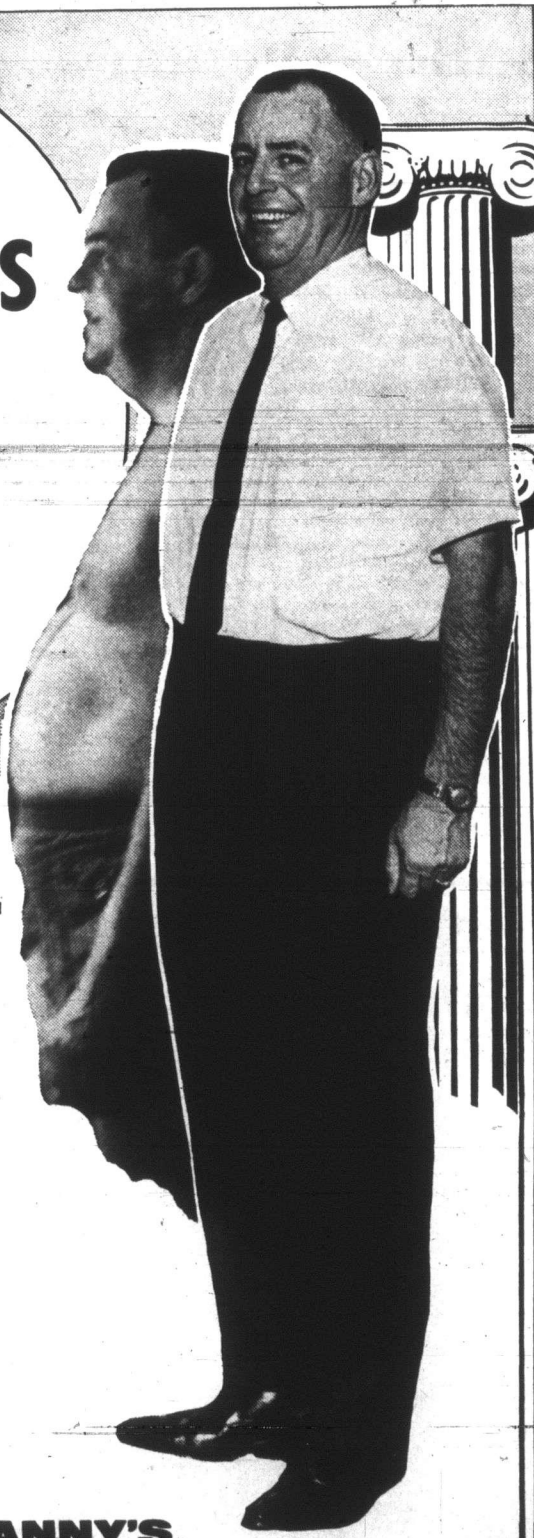
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In the courts

Two of five men charged with a series of crimes in Mississauga were sentenced last Wednesday to terms in the Ontario Reformatory when they appeared before provincial Judge John Ord.

Peter James Briggs, 19, of Vancouver, B.C., and Charles Lawrence Dark, 24, of Lakeshore Rd. E., both pleaded guilty to the charges against them.

Briggs and Dark were among those arrested and charged Dec. 4 in connection with a series of break-ins and armed robberies which began in early fall.

Briggs pleaded guilty to two charges of armed robbery and was sentenced to six months definite and nine months indefinite on both counts.

Dark pleaded guilty to a break and enter and was sentenced by Judge Ord to 18 months definite and nine months indefinite in the reformatory.

On a second charge of robbery, Dark was sentenced to 18 months concurrent to the first charge.

REFORMATORY

A Mississauga youth was sentenced to six months in the Ontario Reformatory last Tuesday but still faces a violation of parole.

James Thomas Halliday, 17, of 1425 Bodmin Rd., pleaded guilty to a charge of break, enter and theft Dec. 15 and pre-sentence report was ordered in his case because of his previous run-in with the law.

Halliday had been sentenced in St. Catharines to two years less one day in jail for a theft of an auto.

It was a first offence and he was paroled after serving 10 months of his sentence.

When Halliday allegedly entered a home Aug. 24 he was still on parole.

During Halliday's trial Dec. 15, defence counsel told Judge Donald August, who sentenced the youth last week, he would file for re-parole in Halliday's case.

Halliday still faces the remaining 14 months of his first sentence if a court finds he violated parole.

FIVE YEARS

A man serving a six-year sentence in the Kingston Penitentiary was sentenced to five additional five-year sentences last Wednesday by Judge John Ord.

Rainer Feitkaw, 29, of 1061 Seneca Ave., Port Credit, pleaded guilty to five charges facing him.

He was sentenced to five years concurrent to the present penitentiary term he is serving for having a restricted weapon, five years concurrent for possessing instruments for the purpose of forgery, five years concurrent for break, enter and theft, five years concurrent for break and enter, and five years concurrent for a second break and entry.

Feitkaw currently has most of the six year sentence still to serve.

THREE MONTHS

A Mississauga youth was given three, three-month sentences last Wednesday after pleading guilty to three charges before Judge John Ord.

Frederick Allen Thibodeau, 18 of Banwell Cres., had been sentenced to six months in the Ontario Reformatory the day before by Judge Donald August on another charge.

Thibodeau was sentenced to three months consecutive for a charge of theft of \$50, three months concurrent on a charge of possessing an unregistered firearm and three months concurrent for escaping custody.

THEFT OVER \$50

Philip Arthur Gardner, 19, Lake Promenade Ave., Toronto, was sentenced to terms in the Ontario Reformatory last Wednesday after pleading guilty to charges of theft of \$50.

Gardner was charged with two thefts from autos parked in underground parking lots.

On the first charge of theft over \$50, Gardner was sentenced to two months definite and six months indefinite.

On the second charge he was sentenced to two months definite and six months indefinite to run concurrently with the first sentence.

Millardair DC-3 makes soft landing at airport

No one was injured Sunday night following a "wheels up" landing of a Millardair DC-3 aircraft at International Airport.

Carl Millard, president of Millardair, said the safe landing was a credit to Capt. Norm Burlinghoff's "good airmanship."

"They (the passengers) knew there would be a wheels up landing and they were all pleased with the way he handled it."

"They thought it was the most fantastic thing that ever happened," Mr. Millard said.

Capt. Burlinghoff was piloting the DC-3 to International Airport from Thunder Bay when he noticed one wheel would not go down.

He had to circle while a DC-8 Air Canada jet, which had reported complete brake failure, landed.

The jet took the entire runway to stop and consequently the crash trucks were already on the scene when Capt. Burlinghoff made his final approach.