

GORMLEY NEWS

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Happy Birthday
Best wishes of our community are extended to Mrs. E. A. Cale (formerly of Gormley) who celebrated her 100th birthday at York Manor, Newmarket, Friday. Mrs. Cale received congratulations from the Queen and from Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson.

Congratulations are also extended to Mrs. George Cober, who celebrated her 83rd birthday Sunday.

Neighborhood Notes
Mr. and Mrs. Elias Elliott spend several days last week in the Killaroe and Huntsville districts. They especially enjoyed the boat trip from Gravenhurst to Port Carling.

Mrs. C. Milsted and Charleen and Mrs. Henry of Toronto are reporting a wonderful time in Western Canada. They plan to travel as far west as Victoria, BC.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Jones of Willowdale had dinner Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. Allan Doner.

A miscellaneous shower was given in honor of Miss Shirley Wideman and David Evans at Stouffville Youth Centre Monday evening.

George Lewis and family of Scarborough spent Saturday with his parents, Major and Mrs. F. Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Lehman of Carlisle, Pennsylvania and Mrs. Walter Cloke of Wainfleet are visiting relatives in this area this week.

Mrs. Roy Brillinger left Toronto International Airport, Malton, Tuesday morning for Upland, California, to attend the funeral of her cousin, Miss Lydia Byer.

STOUFFVILLE: Richard Yake, son of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Yake, Westlawn Crescent, was rushed to York County Hospital last week when he became sick after swallowing a small quantity of diluted weed killer. It is believed the boy found the bottle containing the poison in a garbage can. He was released from hospital after treatment.

Your Legion Reports

Branch 375, Royal Canadian Legion
By Eric Chapman - 884-0045

Gratitude it appears, like hope, springs eternal. We often hear and read about grateful people making great requests to their favorite, and even more grateful charities, and sometimes such benefactors astound us all. So it was with Christos Galanos, a Greek, for he never forgot the debt he owed the British Army.

Back in 1945, Greece was in turmoil as the allies and the jubilant partisans harried the prisoner of the Nazis, didn't give much for his chances of escaping alive. But a group of British soldiers rescued him, and after the war he went to what was then British East Africa to start a new life as a planter in Tanganyika. His admiration for the British soldier never wavered and he promised to show his gratitude when he died.

Galanos kept his promise — and staggered the British Legion. For he left them a cool \$750,000 to build and maintain a country home for aged and incapacitated ex-servicemen. Last month the foundation stone of Galanos House, at Long Highton, Warwickshire, was laid by Lt. Gen. Sir Oliver Leese, President of the British Legion. When completed, it will accommodate 56 men and women and become the Legion's fifth country home for aged war veterans.

know very little about Mr. Galanos and the amount of the legacy flabbergasted us. In addition to leaving \$750,000 to the British Legion, he left similar amounts to the Village of Blatzi, in Greece, where he was born, and to the Township of Tanga, Tanganyika (now Tanzania) where he made his fortune.

Such are the fortunes of war, and hope, like gratitude, springs eternal. Comrade Mason Vokes reports that a letter was received by him from Leo Gehan who, as previously reported, is residing in the Doctors' Hospital, Toronto. The letter from Leo said that after his operation things seemed a little grim for a while, but he is now up and around on his feet again and he wishes to be remembered to all at Legion Court.

Leo, who is 66 years old, is a well known resident of Yonge Street, Richmond Hill, and is also a fiddler of considerable note who has played many times at Legion Court alongside his friend Mason and another fiddler, Frank Barrott. The trio have sometimes been referred to as "The Fiddlers Three", and some speculators agree that professionals like Mantovani, Albert Sandler, The Beatles and The Remains have nothing to offer that can compare. Except perhaps a few hundred thousand dollars — but then our respected artists only play for posterity and not for financial gain.

Color Guard Member Vic Bridges said however, that Barrott would be present on the great day and would be carrying a new brass-trimmed oak barrel, which had been generously contributed by members of the branch.

Membership Chairman Doug Hopson reports that since he began taping stereo recordings from some of his famous albums, and replaying them at Legion Court on Saturday nights, things have been really swinging in "Tuckers Place". Our stereotaper said the music is tested for sound regularly each Saturday afternoon before the evening performance, and the first time it was tried found both Frank Woods and Gord Mills dancing down the aisle. Which sounds hard to believe but perhaps a perfect combination for those who also stand and serve.

Legion members who like watching television and listening to good music are advised it goes on every Saturday, and would you believe, admission is free. Leo Butler was present at Legion Court recently and told of his plans for the forthcoming two weeks. Our Comrade, who is 73 years young, lives on Spruce Avenue, Richvale, and is an avid fisherman. He reported that pickering weighing in excess of seven pounds are in great supply in a lake near the Village of Hornepayne, which is 700 miles from here, north of North Bay and west of Kapuskasing. He will be a guest of his niece and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Vic Bowers who have a cottage there, and his youngest son Roy will be doing most of the driving on the great trek north.

Leo also mentioned that the small community at Hornepayne once experienced considerable difficulty in having an access road provided for them from the nearest neighboring community of Hearst. After many futile representations were made to the local powers that be, the local men decided to stop shaving in further silent protest until they achieved their objective.

Eventually — presumably after many months of flowing beards and numerous "phone calls" to the Department of Highways asking how they were fixed for blades — the bearded wonders had their way and now Leo, among others, can drive into town on a genuine road.

Whether or not the descendants of Mr. Gillette also own a cottage there is not known. BETHESDA: An estimated 10 acres of bush were destroyed in a fire on the property of Ronald Carter, RR 4, Stouffville, last week, before it could be brought under control by two fire brigades, two bulldozers and 14 volunteers. Cause of the blaze was unknown.

Buttonville Community Happenings

DATES TO REMEMBER — August 25, WI members and friends take bus trip to CNE — pickup by Langdon Bus Lines at WI Hall at 1 pm and Jones Groceria a few minutes later. Return at 9 pm.

August 31, tentative date set for Brown's Corners UCW, first meeting of autumn.

September 6, Bill and Corinne Allen entertain for Mr. and Mrs. David Potts who celebrate their golden wedding anniversary, 7 to 9 pm. Neighbors are cordially invited.

The ceremony and reception were held on the lawn at their home, Talltrees.

September 9 — Buttonville Branch of YCHA meets at the home of Mrs. Russell Boyington, 10 am for coffee and business.

Local Students Excel
Congratulations to local grade 13 students on final results — John Steffer, Maureen Martin, Kathy Murgaski, Pat Patterson and Gordon Brown. John, who received an Ontario Scholarship, leaves September 1 by freighter to spend a year in Europe. Maureen and Kathy have been accepted at U of T in Sociology and Philosophy; Patricia expects to attend Toronto Teachers' College, the kindergarten course; and Gordon, whose year was interrupted by two operations, wants to upgrade his marks for university next year.

The Association of Public School Supporters for Markham TSA No. 2 invite parents and other interested persons to attend a public meeting at Mount Joy School, north Markham Village on August 30, at 8 pm.

Among local guests attending were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hood, Mrs. S. J. English, Mrs. John Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Gray.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Warnock whose new daughter was born at Scarborough General Hospital on August 9 — a sister for Marlene and Roger.

TO ALL PARENTS OF MARKHAM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL AREA No. 2

The following are the instructions regarding transportation to and from school for the 1966-67 year.

As was earlier reported, it will be necessary to operate the No. 10 (Unionville) School on a shift system until the completion of the new Parkway School in the Varley Village Sub-division. In order to accommodate all the pupils the following schedule has been arranged.

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Parkview Ready By Nov.

Shift System Still Problem But TSA Trustees Think It Solution

The shift system, which is proposed for pupils in the eastern portion of TSA 2, Markham Township, until the new Parkway School in Unionville is ready for occupancy, is still causing much soul searching among parents and board members.

Last week, the board was asked to consider a number of alternatives put forward by the Public School Supporters' Association in a letter to the trustees. The board later met the group to discuss the matter further.

Included were the recommendations that the schools, which were to be closed, remain open, and that grades 1 to 8 be divided among classrooms at Locust Hill, Cedar Grove, Box Grove and Mount Joy, until Parkway is completed.

The group is strongly opposed to staggered hours and the resulting disruption of children's routines. Board members, who have been studying the alternatives for some time, believe the plan of using closed schools is not practical because of overcrowd-

ing and transportation problems, and feel the shift system offers the best of six or seven alternatives.

However, they have promised to notify parents of final plans by the end of August. Contractors on the Parkway job have promised occupancy by the end of November and trustees have already approved a motion for an addition to the school in 1967.

The sale of Headford Public School last week finally brought TSA 2 the price it was asking. Business Administrator Wilfred Morley said the school, which is located at Concession 3, north of 16th Avenue, was sold to Frank Tucker for \$10,000.

Tenders were called for the school in July, but as they only ranged from \$2,500 to \$7,000, it was decided not to accept any of them and to instead ask for \$10,000. As highest bidder, Mr. Tucker was notified of the board's decision and agreed to meet their figure. Mr. and Mrs. Tucker and family have already moved in and are at present remodeling.

TO THE PARENTS WHO ARE AFFECTED BY THE STAGGERED SYSTEM, WE SUGGEST THAT THOSE ATTENDING CLASSES FROM 8.00 A.M. TO 12.30 P.M. BE AT THE ROAD AT 7.00 A.M. AND THOSE ATTENDING CLASSES FROM 12.30 P.M. TO 5.00 P.M. BE AT THE ROAD AT 11.30 A.M. FOR THE FIRST FEW MORNINGS UNTIL THE BUS ROUTES ARE ESTABLISHED.

To the parents of small primary children, we suggest that the children be equipped with a name tag giving Name, Address (Lot and Concession) and phone number to ensure safe delivery home.

To the parents who are new to the area and are registering their child for the first time in Area No. 2, please present on the day of registration, a birth certificate for each child registering as well as a statement showing whether you are a Public School Supporter or a Separate School Supporter.

Your co-operation on the above matters is appreciated.

W. G. Morley,
Business Administrator.
Stuart Watson,
Transportation Chairman.

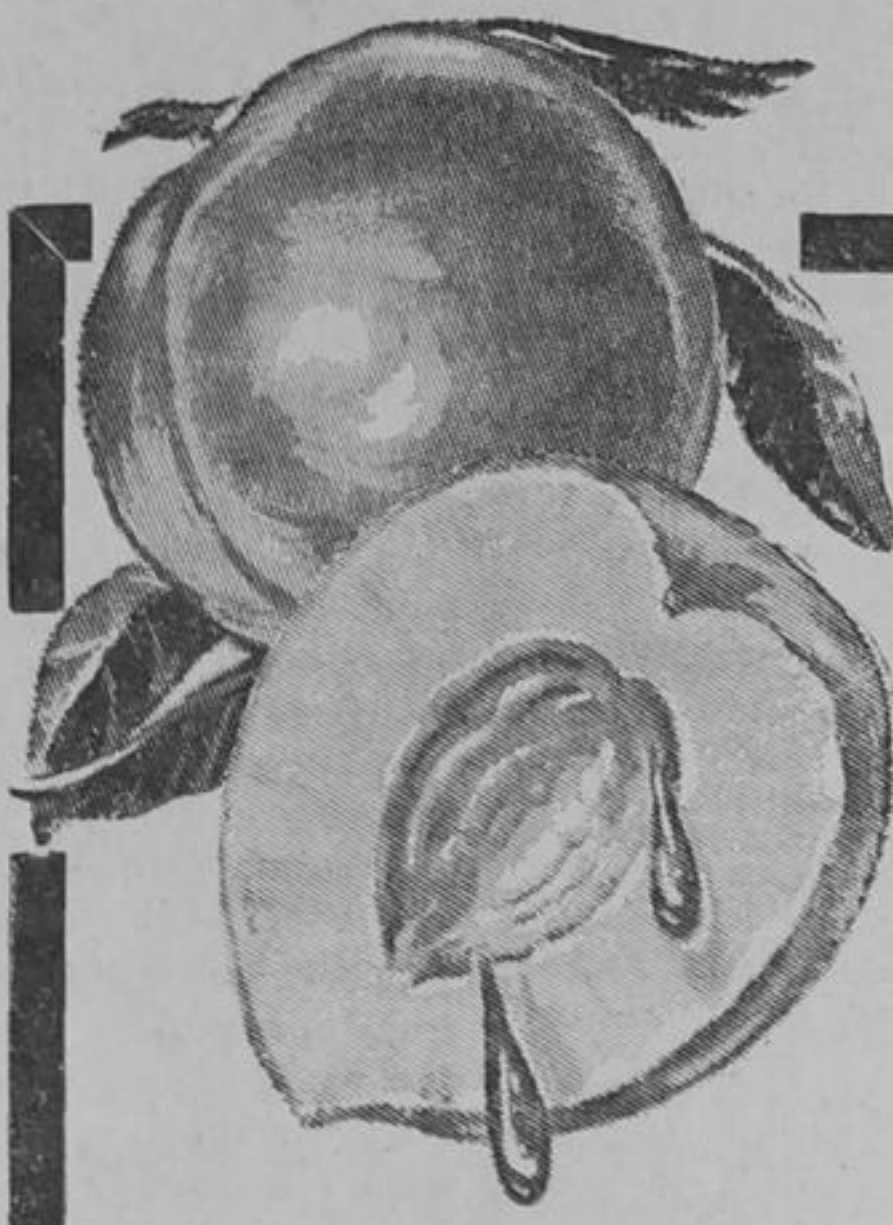


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