

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Mrs. Geo. Boadway is nursing an injured arm, as a result of a fall on an icy sidewalk.

The first meeting of the new Fire Brigade will be held on Wednesday evening, April 2nd, in the fire hall.

The municipal council will hold a session for general business next Monday evening, instead of the regular date a week later.

One of Stouffville's infielders on our baseball team, has received a tempting offer to play ball with Stratford this season. "Bill" Marks, who pitched for Uxbridge two summers ago, is on the Stratford line-up.

Are you interested in organizing a tennis club for the coming summer? If so, please attend a meeting at the home of Dr. Dale's on Tuesday evening, April 1st. Come prepared to help along and express your opinion.

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The Busy Bee Mission Band will hold an entertainment in the Baptist church on Monday evening, March 31st at 8 o'clock. Come along and encourage the children, and enjoy the evening as well.

By a unanimous vote of York township council, at a special meeting, Friday, Jas. E. McMullen was appointed chief of the York Township Police Force at a salary of \$3,000, which includes mileage. Numerous applications for positions of constables were received, but not dealt with. It is intended to appoint at least ten under Chief McMullen. The new chief is an old Ballantrae boy, having been born and raised there. His father, the late Samuel McMullen was a resident of the section about 50 years ago.

A meeting of local farmers in the interests of turnip growing was held in Stouffville on Monday, and quite a number of farmers turned out, which showed a keen interest in growing table turnips which is held to be a profitable farm product. An adjourned meeting will be held next Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock, to complete the business undertaken. Farmers who were unable to attend heretofore are urged to be on hand Saturday.

One of the oldest landmarks in Stouffville was torn down this week. We refer to the one time blacksmith shop on the property of the late Henry Dickson, Main street east. For three-quarters of a century this old frame did duty as a smithy's shop, and prior to that we are informed that it was a dwelling house. It stood out very close to the roadway and will no doubt be remembered by all the old pioneers in these parts. Although the place had been in disuse for nearly twenty years, the lumber was in excellent state of preservation and some fine plank and big boards were got out, such as are not obtainable today. Mr. Walter Dickson is wrecking the building to make way for a new driving shed. It is believed the old landmark was at least a century old.

Next Tuesday is the first day of April.

The Fire Hall building is badly in need of paint. The council might set a good example this spring, by brightening up the building.

In anticipation of lots of sunshine this summer, Ben Dote's barber shop and J. Boadway's drug store have been equipped with new awnings.

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George Mertens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mertens, near the skating rink, received a fractured ankle on Monday evening as a result of a fall when playing with other boys. The accident was very painful, but no serious results are anticipated.

A quiet wedding took place at the Christian church parsonage on Wednesday, March 19th, when Lucy, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Degeer, was united to Victor Paisley all of Whitchurch Township. Mr. and Mrs. Paisley will live in the house left by his deceased father, Thomas Paisley. We wish them a long and happy life.

Norman Bunker's little son at Altona received a severe cut on the forehead when he fell against an iron kettle. It required several stitches to close the gash which penetrated to the bone. Although the little fellow is less than school age, the surgeon informs us that he never shed a tear when the stitches were being put in. Pretty good stuff, eh?

The Tribune has been presented with 100,000 Marks the paper currency of Germany. Before the war this hundred thousand marks were valued in Canadian funds at approximately \$25,000, and here we have an advertising firm sending them to us without the asking! Truly did the poet speak when he said, "he who steals my purse steals trash." He must have had a premonition of the impending doom that befel the mark.

The play "Welcome Home, Jimmy" put on by the young people of Melville Presbyterian church, in Ratcliff's hall, last Friday evening drew a capacity house, and provided an excellent evening's enjoyment. The play took well as did the little sketch entitled, "Ghosts or no Ghosts". In each case the characters were well maintained. Luella Gayman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Gayman, excelled herself, and fairly "brought down the house" with her impersonations of Harry Lauder. While the admission was moderate, 25 and 35c, a seat, the proceeds amounted to \$110. The entertainment was under auspices of the local Presbyterian church.

There is a popular desire for the Mennonite camp meetings to be held here again this summer. We understand that Hanover has the first opportunity, and failing their acceptance and ability to provide the necessary accommodation, they may again come here. Stouffville is an ideal location, on the good road system and within easy reach of Toronto. Also the camp grounds provided last year, have special advantages not easily obtainable. At one of the Sunday camps a year ago more than 6000 people attended during the day. The people of this section, in general, would be pleased to have this great religious camp in their midst again.

At the W. C. T. U. meeting held at Mrs. Robinson, March 11th, 1924 the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

- President - Mrs. McLeod.
- 1st Vice Pres. - Mrs. G.E. Coulter
- 2nd Vice Pres. - Mrs. R. Young.
- 3rd Vice Pres. - Mrs. Fleischer
- Rec. Sec. - Mrs. J. W. Brown and Mrs. Warriner.
- Cor. Sec. - Mrs. J. Heise
- Treas. - Mrs. (Dr.) Ball and Mrs. W. J. Mather.
- Supt. of Departments: - Supt. of L. T.L., Mrs. A. Stouffer and Mrs. Fairles; Evangelistic, Mrs. Tarr and Mrs. Truman; Travellers Aid, Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Stouffer; Parlor Meetings, Mrs. E. A. Storry, Mrs. Sanders and Mrs. Booth; S. S. Supt., Mrs. W. B. Sanders, Mrs. Hodgins; Pianist, Mrs. George Lee; Surprise Soap Wrappers, Mrs. Truman.

Auction sales of farm stock have been selling well the past few days, and there have been four large sales within a week where the farmers are giving up tilling the soil. Charles Leadbetter's sale in Markham township totalled about \$2600. Cows sold at an average of \$80. Mr. Leadbetter moved on Monday, to Markham where he has taken over a butchering business. Albert Paisley's sale over in Uxbridge township the following day, Friday, realized \$3000. Mr. Paisley had been on the farm for a good many years and had a lot of implements accumulated. Prices ranged well throughout the sale. George Lee's giving-up-farming sale in Markham on Monday was very well attended, although the roads were almost impassable in places. It was perhaps the largest sale of the season, running up to \$4000. Grade Holsteins cows sold up to \$100. Abner Baker's sale at Ringwood on Tuesday was the final big sale advertised for March selling. Heifers sold up to \$50, while Mr. Baker's registered mares ranged in price from \$140.50 to \$215. The total sale amounted to \$2500.

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Henry McMullen has purchased from Dr. Ira Freely, executor for the estate of the late Dr. S. L. Freely the six acres of land lying just south of the Stouffville cemetery.

When writing to your friends, tell them there will be a big celebration in Stouffville this year on July 1st. The Board of Trade will endeavour to stage something entirely new, and a committee is already appointed to draft the program.

Albert Paisley of Uxbridge Township, has purchased Mr. Caleb March's house and lot in the east end. Mr. Paisley will move to Stouffville very shortly and live there. He has been in poor health for some time, but hopes that the pure water and other natural advantages of our town, will be sufficient to restore him to good health again.

The first automobile to make the trip from Toronto to Stouffville since the roads became snowbound last fall was a Star car belonging to Baker Bros., the local agents. The trip was made Wednesday of last week in 2 1/2 hours. Since that time several cars have come through, and each day now sees an improvement in the condition of this tarvia road between here and the city.

The sale of western horses held in the Mansion yards last Saturday was a popular event. Farmers drove in as if coming to a fair, while many outside buyers came by train. Auctioneer Silversides states he had many anxious buyers, who were not willing to pay up to the values placed on the animals. However, twelve or fourteen horses were sold, the highest priced team running about \$340.

Stouffville is always loath to part with old friends and the old citizens, hence it is with regret we announce that Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Heise will move about 15th of April to Toronto having rented their home for one year. Mr. Heise, being a traveller for the Seaman Kent Co., will find it much more convenient to have Toronto as headquarters. They have taken a house on Belfair Avenue, Kew Beach.

Hydro power was turned off part of the town on Tuesday morning, during which time a larger transformer was placed in position on O'Brien Avenue. On account of this work being done on Tuesday it occasioned a little inconvenience in the homes, as so many of the ladies do their ironing on that day. However, hydro has given little or no interruptions since it was installed here last fall.

We have been informed by trustees of some outside schools adjoining Stouffville, that they are most desirous to unite with Stouffville public school in holding a school fair here this year. Lemonville school and Ringwood will both change from Vandort to Stouffville, so that it is likely a large fair will be the outcome. The children have already handed in their requisition for seeds, etc. and the interest will continue to grow from this on.

Stouffville Fire Brigade, recently re-organized, is composed of the following officers and men:
Chief - Blake Sanders.
Deputy Chief - Clayt. Baker.
Captain - Robt. Hare.
Reel No. 1 - Lieut. O. Lehman, D. Davis, A. Lehman, Chas. Shakel, Ambrose Stover, E. Stouffer, P. Tarr, J. Gayman, F. Crossen, (hydrant).
Reel No. 2 - Lieut. W.E. Smith, P. Stover, C. Cadieux, A. Collard, B. Tait, F. Goudie, A. Goudie, N. Byer, R. Strong, (hydrant).
Hook and Ladder - Captain, G. Courtney, H. Leadbetter, W. Stover.
Wardens - M. T. Leavens, Frank Rowbotham, W. S. Cook, W. J. Mather.

The local curlers are planning to hold an oyster supper, or perhaps they will serve turkey, as a final wind-up of the season's sport. There are said to be strong advocates for either menu, so they might quite properly serve both, as they have been united for centuries at the dinner feast.
How bless'd, how envied were our life.
Could we but 'scape the poulturer's knife!
But man, cursed man, on turkeys prey,
And curlers shortens all our days: Sometimes with oysters we combine, Sometimes assist the savory chime. From Stouffville curlers to the King. The thought of turk's a pleasant thing.

A familiar figure in this locality and a resident of Mongolia for nearly fifty years, Thomas Smales, passed away at his late home on Saturday afternoon, aged 77 years. Mr. Smales had worked up to Friday night, for Robt. Spofford, and on his way home slipped and fell, apparently striking his face. He arrived home in an exhausted condition, and next morning a doctor was summoned. It was found that Mr. Smales had ruptured a blood vessel from which cause he passed away at 5 o'clock that afternoon. Mr. Smales was a respected resident of Markham, and his old neighbors testify to his integrity of character. He also possessed a keen memory. Besides his wife, whose maiden name was Mary Ramsey, a resident of the 7th of Pickering, he is survived by two sons, Albert and David. Mr. Smales was born in England, but was brought to Canada at the age of 8 years. The funeral on Monday was in charge of Rev. W.M. McGuire, local Mennonite pastor. Interment took place at Stouffville cemetery.

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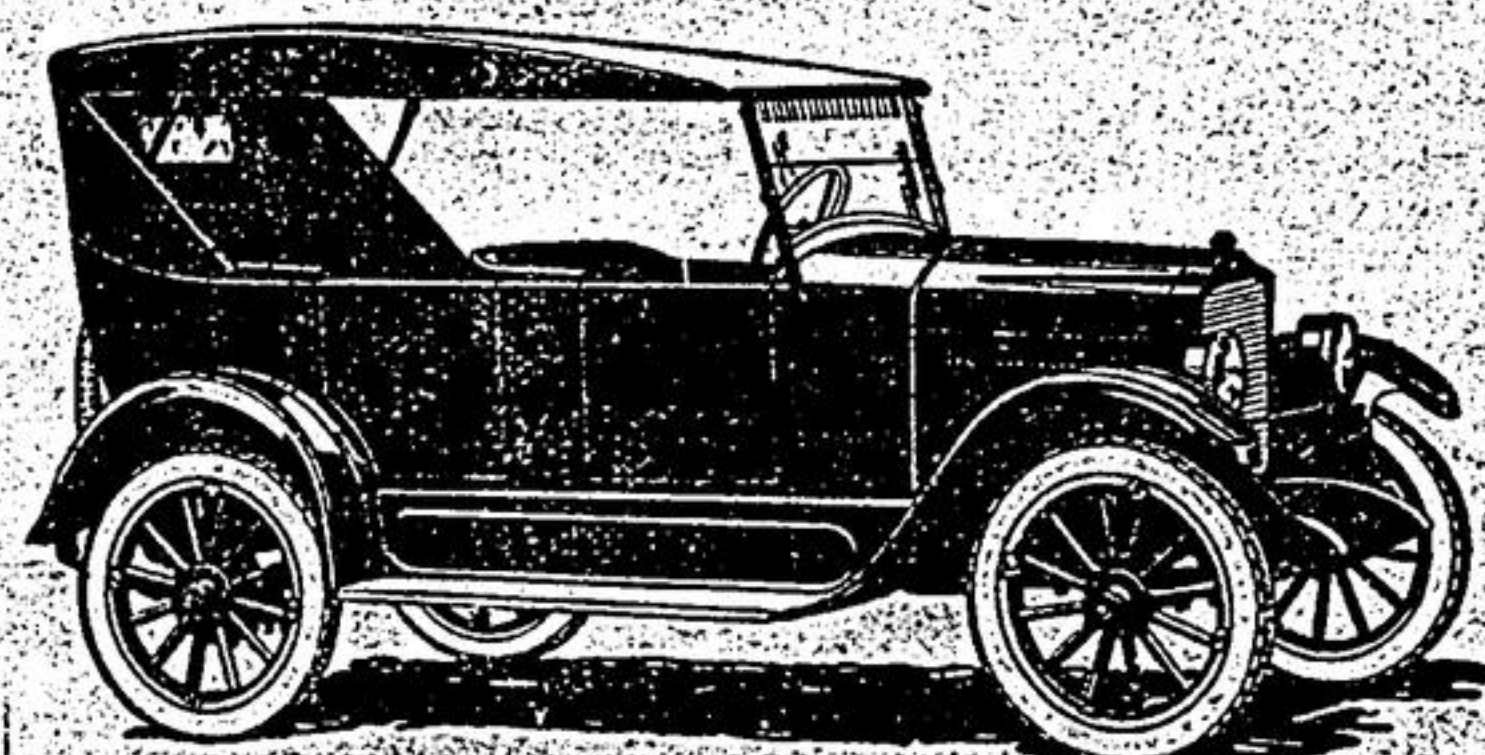
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