

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

The Presbyterian Sunday School will hold their annual excursion to Fusselman's Lake a week from next Sunday, the 14th of July.

The Bowling Club of Stouffville is looking forward to a big day on Wednesday, July 16th, when their tournament takes place.

In last week's school board report which stated that Miss Card had offered to teach the third room at \$1000, this should have read \$1100.

A large number from town and district attended the Mezonite camp meetings on Sunday last. They report very good services throughout the day.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. D. Smith has been confined to her bed through sickness for over a week. We hope she may soon regain her health again.

A most terrific downpour of rain, accompanied by thunder and lightning, visited Stouffville last Friday afternoon. Apparently the storm was for the most part local, as very little rain is reported around Markham or Unionville.

The Annual School Picnic comprising all the rural schools in Whitchurch Township, was held in Cedar Glen Park, Lake Musselman on Saturday June 28th. There were in attendance only about half the usual crowd although it was counted a good turn out considering the rain which fell heavily during the afternoon. Several teams entered the senior Football Tournament, Bloomington and Claremont finally winning out and instead of playing off they divided the first and second prizes. In the Public School Football Hartman School won first prize with Goodwood coming second. Stouffville girls entered a team in the Ladies baseball and succeeded in winning their first game. Uxbridge also won their first game from Hartman. It was then a play off between Uxbridge and Stouffville with the former team winning out. Stouffville band was in attendance and with their selections enlivened the afternoon's proceedings.

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Sutton Summer Fair and Horse Show will be held on Friday and Sat. August 8th and 9th. This is considered one of the finest horse shows in Ontario. No expense or effort is being spared to make this year the greatest in the history of the fair.

The Mission Band of the Presbyterian church held their monthly meeting in Memorial Park last Thursday afternoon. This was followed by games and their annual picnic. From all reports the thirty-five present had a most enjoyable time.

By having her house newly painted, Mrs. Shankel has greatly improved her property on Main street. Several others in town have trimmed their boulevards and planted flower beds, which is appreciated by the local Horticultural Society and the citizens of the town in general.

In the district around Unionville and Markham recently O.T.A. officers have been active in an effort to round up a gang of bootleggers, known to be operating somewhere in the neighborhood. Advance word was sent twice of the contemplated visit of the law breakers, but although the officers were alert, there were no developments.

While motoring home from Toronto last Wednesday afternoon, Mr. Lloyd Turner had the misfortune to have a blow out. Now, this has been the experience of many an autoist, but very few have found two bladed jack knives to be the cause of their trouble. Mr. Turner found the knife and one through the outer tire and one of the blades breaking off had entered the inner tube. As this was Mr. Turner's first blow out in three years, he must believe in having a first-class one while he's about it.

While attending a dance at Bond Lake on Yonge street last Wednesday night, Mr. Waddell, teller in the Standard bank, had the misfortune to have his Ford touring car stolen. Having notified the police, the car was located the following day about three miles west of Richmond Hill by Constable Thompson of that village. Mr. Waddell had four good tires on his car, two being practically new and evidently these had been what the thieves were after, as when found, the car was minus tires and rims. As there was no insurance carried, it will mean an outlay for new wheels.

Mrs. Ludwick Vanzant The death occurred last Wednesday, June 25th, of a life-long resident of Markham township, Mrs. Ludwick Vanzant, was the daughter of the late John and Mrs. Lehman, and was born on the 8th. She spent the greater part of her eighty-one years upon the death of her husband about ten years ago she removed to the 10th. where she had made her home with her son Edwin, at whose residence she died. Surviving are two sons, Will of Stouffville and Edwin, of the 10th. com. Markham, besides several grand children. Mrs. Wm. Cook of Lemonville is a sister, and she also leaves two brothers, one in Tennessee and one in British Columbia. The funeral took place last Friday afternoon June 27th, for interment in the Wideman cemetery. Mr. Morton of the Christian church had charge of the service at the house at 1:30.

On Monday last, the council started work at the reservoir which has been in need of repair for some time.

Miss Helen Gibson of Gorrie has been engaged by the Local School Board to teach the third book work in the public school, which completes the staff for the term beginning next September.

On Sunday afternoon at the Mezonite camp meeting the high wind blew one of the trees down, causing it to fall across the large meeting tent. Fortunately no one was injured as it occurred just before the children's session in the afternoon and the tent was empty.

The Goodwood Methodist S. School will hold their annual Strawberry festival on the church lawn on Friday July 4th. Following the tea served from 6 to 8 o'clock, the program which consists of a play, entitled: "I Can't Afford It" will be given by the young people of Mount Albert Methodist Church.

At the Uxbridge Bowling Tournament held last week, Almira succeeded in carrying home the first prizes. Stouffville had entered some rinks but were not among the fortunate ones, although W. R. Sanders brought home a lame knee, which has caused him to use a cane for a few days.

At the home of her brother, Dr. F. A. Dales at Stouffville, June 26th, Sarah Levinah Kirkland, beloved wife of Archie Kirkland, died suddenly in her sixty-ninth year. The late Mrs. Kirkland had been in poor health for some time, but came to Stouffville in the early part of June. The funeral was held from her late residence, 85 Gladstone Ave., Toronto, at 2 p.m. Monday, June 30th to Park Lawn cemetery.

William Stronach, a new postal carrier, while on Church street, Toronto on Friday afternoon is reported to have been assaulted by strike sympathizers, and following information given the police, the arrest of Albert Dowie, one of the striking postal men, was made. Mr. Stronach is known by residents of Stouffville having resided here with his mother at one time.

There was a mild collision on Saturday evening, in front of F. L. Button's residence. Miss Gerlie Todd and Mrs. Button were sitting in Mr. Todd's car when Ralph Davis of Glasgow, came along with his Ford. The brakes would not work, with the result that it crashed into the rear of Mr. Todd's car, doing it no harm, but put the radiator of the Ford out of commission.

What might have resulted in a very serious ending, happened on Sunday afternoon, when a Toronto car turned completely over on the Uxbridge road just a mile this side of Goodwood. Evidently the driver had been running at too high a rate of speed when the accident occurred. Fortunately only one lady occupant received a slight arm cut, although the car was damaged.

The local lodge of the I.O.O.F. accompanied by the Stouffville band went to Markham on Sunday last to join that lodge in their services, which were held in the rink. Capt. Little of Toronto gave the address, which he delivered in a forceful manner to a large gathering. The Markham Rebecca joined in the parade at the station, and there was also a large turnout of the brethren from outside points.

Fifteen people including the bride and groom were taken seriously ill last Wednesday afternoon, following a marriage feast near Shannonville, just east of Belleville. Rev. John B. Totten, the Methodist clergyman who officiated, and Mrs. Totten were reported ill during Wednesday night, but were considerably improved the following day. Mrs. Totten is a daughter of Mrs. S. M. Warriner, Church street and is well known here. A mystery seems to surround the cause of the sickness.

On Thursday, June 26th, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Armstrong celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of their wedding day. Being pioneers of Scarborough Township, they were the recipients of many congratulations from scores of intimate friends and relatives at the old homestead on the border line between Scarborough and Markham townships. A feature of the occasion was the fact that the diamond anniversary was held in the old Armstrong homestead in which Mr. Armstrong was born 86 years ago and just across the fields from the home of Mrs. Armstrong, now in her 78th year.

The changes in the system of apportioning the legislative grants for rural schools, which were provided for in an amendment to the education act passed at the last session of the legislature are not to be put into effect this year. Bulletins carrying notification to this effect are being sent out to all school inspectors, as follows: The Minister of Education has decided to retain for another year the present method of apportioning the legislative grants to rural schools. In view of the fact that the current notice of the intention of the department to alter the bases of apportionment, the minister would be pleased if you will be good enough to give publicity to the fact that no change will be made in the method of distribution for the year 1924-25. The new system of grants is to be based on the three factors of attendance, expenditures and the ability of each section to pay. It was put into force with a view to increasing the efficiency of the distribution in such a way that the poorer and more deserving schools would be helped to the greatest extent.

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Following the custom of last summer, the first of the Union church services will be held next Sunday evening, July 6th, in Memorial Park.

Follow the brown arrows to the camp meeting which is being held in Wm. Shank's woods, about two and a half miles north of Markham on the eighth concession.

Mrs. Chas. Neal has sold her property here in Stouffville to Mr. John Cleaver and a lady from Newmarket who will divide it. The deal was put through by Jacob Yake, real estate agency.

Stouffville is already becoming an attractive place for summer motorists. On Saturday night three cars arrived at Memorial Park from Toronto and the occupants pitched their tents and spent the week end.

A reunion of the Grove family was held on Tuesday, July 1st. About forty-five gathered at the home of Abraham M. Grove, one mile south of Kingwood in the afternoon, where a most enjoyable time was spent.

At Cedar Glen Park, Musselman's Lake there will be a Farmer's dance every Tuesday night with Queensville orchestra. On Wednesday and Saturday nights, Power's orchestra from Toronto will provide the music.

Mrs. Widdifield, wife of Judge C. H. Widdifield, of Toronto, died in Indianapolis recently while on a visit with her daughter. Judge Widdifield is a brother of Mrs. F. H. Sangster and is well known in Stouffville.

Stouffville Baseball team accompanied by a few fans motored to Richmond Hill on Saturday last for the game which was scheduled for that day. Owing to the rain the game had to be postponed and weather permitting, will be played this Thursday, July 3rd.

The members of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association, who are visiting Britain, were entertained last Monday, June 30th, by Lord Riddell, the noted British publicist. Later they met the British weekly journalists at Kensington Palace. The remainder of the week will be taken up with a variety of functions in their honor, and next Sunday they will be the guests of Lieut. Col. Walter Grant Morden, M.P. at his country house "Heatherden Hall" Buckinghamshire.

At a reunion of the Raymer family, held on the farm of C. D. Reesor at Cedar Grove on Saturday afternoon last, more than 200 of the pioneers and their descendants were present, despite the unfavorable weather. While the program was to some extent interrupted with there were short addresses by Gordon Raymer, chairman of the committee; Rev. Mr. Miller, of Alberta; Rev. Mr. Gundy of Hillsburg; A. B. Pike of Markham and resident ministers. The Raymer family were among the first settlers in Markham Township, and in point of numbers second only to the Reesor family.

Rev. W. L. Smith, of Toronto Representative of the Ontario Prohibition Union, an amalgamation of all the former temperance forces in Ontario spoke at both services in the Stouffville Methodist Church on Sunday last, also speaking at Bloomington in the afternoon. At the morning service he read for a Scripture Lesson a chapter from the Gospel by St. John in his address which he delivered in a very intellectual manner he met the criticism and objections which are put forth against the Ontario Temperance Act. By both facts and figures he proved that such statements as "The Act hurts Business" and the Act aids boot-legging and many others are false and misleading. At the meeting on Sunday evening, Rev. Smith dealt with the condition in the Provinces of Quebec and British Columbia, which are under government control and which the speaker deemed, had proven most unsatisfactory. The proceeds for the day from the Bloomington and Stouffville congregations amounted to \$117, which goes to help forward the work of the Prohibition Union.

Group of C.G.I.T. Formed Under the leadership of Miss Luella Bruce, a group of the Canadian Girls in Training has been recently formed in Stouffville. The club is meeting weekly on a Friday evening in the Council Chamber and although only lately organized a number of good times are reported. The C.G.I.T. comes under the Ontario Religious Education Board and is somewhat similar to the Girl Guides. Their aim is four-fold, namely, physical, intellectual, social and spiritual. Each meeting is also divided under four headings, business, devotional, talk and activity, each night some given point being specialized. It is regretted that there are not more young ladies of Stouffville who are willing to undertake the work of leadership, as there are a number of girls anxious to join but one group is only supposed to take in ten. The Officers of the group already formed are: Leader, Miss Luella Bruce; President, Miss Alice Lebrun; Secretary, Miss Alice Lebrun; Treasurer, Miss Rena Hare.

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DOMINION DAY CELEBRATION

The celebration on July 1st in Memorial Park under the auspices of the Baseball Club may be counted one of the Big Days in Stouffville in recent years. On account of so much rain falling the days preceding the holiday there was a great deal of misgiving in the hearts of the officials as to the outcome of the undertaking. However the clouds did clear on Tuesday and in the early morning the cars started to come in. Junior baseball was the first feature of the day and quite a large number gathered at Memorial Park to see the game between Victoria Square and Stouffville. As this was the first game for our junior boys every one was anxious to see what account they could give of themselves and Tuesday's morning playing surely disclosed the fact that there is some real baseball material among the players. Victoria Square got away with a good start in their first innings by making two runs. No scoring was done in the second and in the third Fred Thompson who was pitching for Stouffville had the misfortune to get hit in the arm which forced him to retire for that innings. The boys then seemed to get a little excited and allowed Victoria Square to secure five more runs, making it 7-0. No one was allowed over the plate for either side then until the eighth and ninth innings when the juniors for Stouffville made a run in each and the game ended 7-2 for Victoria Square.

At one o'clock the weather did not look nearly as promising as it had in the morning and all during the afternoon it was "Helter, skelter, fly for shelter" till the clouds rolled by. The first game as announced on the bill was the girls ball between Uxbridge and Victoria Square. As a curtain raiser at the commencement Victoria Square shoved 6 runners over the pan which made it look bad for Uxbridge. Still they soon recovered as the final result showed, which was 12-9 in favor of the girls from Uxbridge, while there were errors on both sides, many amusing incidents occurred which proved a treat, both for players and fans alike. The next on the program was a football game and by this time it was estimated that there were between five and six hundred people on the grounds, while many more were on the grand stand and seated in the cars which were parked along the west side. The football games between Goodwood and the Simmons Bedding Co. of Toronto proved to be a very interesting event and was a close game as the score indicates, which was 2-2 in favor of Goodwood. The winners expect to play Green

River at an early date and should draw a large crowd.

Intermediate Baseball As Stouffville has been making such a good name for themselves and Uxbridge the leaders in their Tri-County league, a sparkling game was looked for between these two teams at 3:30. The score result was 3-0 in favor of Stouffville, but from a spectator's view point the game did not prove a very interesting one. Many favorable comments were heard regarding our local band during the afternoon as they played different selections, which added to the enjoyment of the crowd. There was also a noted improvement since the bandstand was raised up several feet a few days ago, which allows the band to be heard to better advantage. One of the popular places for the small boy at the Park was around a pony, which E. Kirby brought down from Ballantrae and upon which the children could have a ride for five cents. The Women's Institute had the booth privileges at the grounds and also at Ratcliff's hall in the evening, for the Baseball Club. They were a busy crowd of women as they served refreshments and other cool dishes. Owing to the uncertainty of the weather it was decided to hold the concert at night in the hall. This was under the direction of the Eaton Girls Club and they played before a crowded house. The program consisted of National and interpretive dances in costume, monologue, burlesque and Hawaiian music. Mr. Miller from Toronto who led the band for the day also delighted the audience with cornet solos. It was found impossible to get total proceeds, so these will be announced later.

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