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PARLIAMENT VOTES

\$20,000 FOR P. O.

The appropriation of \$20,000 for a new post office building in Stouffville has been granted by parliament, it passing the house in the supplementary estimates last Thursday. Next day two government officials from the post office Department were in town taking the record of the necessary boxes and other equipment required to accommodate the business transacted here. The next step will be to secure a site, and this should not cause any delay. The greatest difficulty in an undertaking of this nature is to provide the necessary funds and now that this point is passed we may expect matters to move lively. Now watch Stouffville forge ahead.

VACANCIES FILLED

The Board of Education held a lengthy session on Friday evening, opening and considering applications for two new teachers to fill the two vacancies in our public school staff, caused by the resignations of Miss Martin and Miss Gibson. In all thirty-seven applied for the position vacated by Miss Gibson alone, and the successful applicant is Miss Ethel Raymer of Markham, at a salary of \$1000. As vice-principal Miss Mabel Ramer of Locust Hill, was the successful applicant at a salary of \$1050. Miss Ramer has had five years experience as a teacher with a successful record. Miss Barber, Miss VarSickle and Miss Logan, were on motion, each sent a letter of appreciation on their successful career last term, and renewing the understanding that they would remain with this school next term. They are each receiving a salary of \$1000.

The matter of engaging a teacher for the Continuation School had to be laid over owing to a new regulation just issued by the Department. This provides that in a three-roomed Continuation School such as Stouffville will have after Sept. 1st, the principal shall have the qualification of B. A. Under this order Mr. Stouffer, who is receiving a salary of \$1900 would immediately be ineligible.

The Board are asking the department for a permit to allow Mr. Stouffer to retain his position, having been told that such permit may be secured for one year.

For the position of a third teacher in the Continuation school there were twenty-one applicants, several of whom were University graduates seeking positions at from \$1200 to \$1650. The matter of engaging this third teacher was left in abeyance until the Board consult Mr. Stouffer and until they see what disposition is made of their request to retain Mr. Stouffer as principal.

Rev. Mr. McLeod presided over the meeting, the members present being: Messrs. D. J. Atchison, T. Holden, E. Lloyd, F. C. Rowbotham and A. E. Booth.

HERB'S SALARY BOOSTED

Never Lost a Case

The salary of Mr. Stoddard, keeper of the Industrial Home was increased to \$1500 during the York County Council last week, and that of Col. T. H. Lennox, K.C., the County Solicitor to \$2500. He previously received \$1500. Before the solicitor's increase was granted, a little discussion took place; Reeve Graham, of York, although stating he was not against the solicitors, wanted to know why such a large increase was recommended and what was involved in the Solicitor's work, and thought it would have been better if Col. Lennox had sent a request for an increase to the Council, before the Finance Committee dealt with it.

"All I want to do is to find out the method the grant was put through and for what reason," said Mr. Graham.

Reeve Baker, Whitchurch, stated that the solicitor saved the County considerable money in defending suits, etc. R.H. McGregor of East York and Ray Price of Etobicoke, contended that he was worth the \$1000 increase.

C. A. Thompson, partner of Col. Lennox, outlined the work done. He stated numerous bylaws were prepared and suits defended, and informed council that Mr. Lennox had not lost one case for the County in 24 years.

John Galbraith gave notice of motion that he would at the November session, move to discuss ways and means of getting the electors out to vote.

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ELOQUENT TALKS

BY LOCAL CLERGY

Although local lodges or societies of Stouffville have from time to time decorated graves at the local cemetery, the first decoration day services of the Cemetery Commissioners, was held on Sunday evening, when nearly a thousand people assembled, and heard the eloquent discourses and participated in the divine service.

At 6.30 o'clock the children of the Sunday Schools assembled down town and headed by the band, the members of the Loyal Orange lodge, and citizens in general, paraded to the little "City of the Dead" in the extreme east end. On the platform were three ministers, a layman and a professional man, each taking some part in the divine service. Mr. F. L. Button made a capable chairman, and Mr. A. J. Ward represented the layman, Rev. R. Young and Rev. G. E. Coulter assisted, while the chief speakers were Rev. E. Morton of the Christian church and Rev. W. W. Fleischer of the Baptist church. Both these ministers struck a responsive cord in the hearts of the big congregation assembled, and were listened to with earnest attention, and therefore with profit to each one.

The service was held in what is known as the old cemetery grounds which as the chairman stated, had been established 73 years, the grounds being donated for the purpose by Rev. Ludwig Kribbs, who ministered to the first Congregationalist body in Stouffville, a denomination which is now extinct here. The first trustees were Henry Wideman, Timothy Miller, Caleb Spragg, David Cash and Arthur Wickson. The records also show that the first burial there was that of Miss Ann Barnes. Many of these names were connected with the early history of Stouffville, and are familiar to many of the older residents.

While the cemetery has been considerably enlarged and the newer ground better cared for, it is desirable to improve the older section and a collection was taken up at the gates to assist the commissioners in this matter. This amounted to \$74.00.

Next year it may be advisable to hold this service in the afternoon and thus eliminate the necessity of interfering with the regular church services.

COUNTY TAX RATE

At the final session of the June meeting of the York County Council last week, the tax rate for the year was struck, being 6.6 mills, which is one fifth of a mill advance over last year's rate, the increase being for road expenditure. The amount to be raised by Stouffville for county purposes this year is \$3,161, and other municipalities will raise the following sums: Etobicoke \$36,288; Georgina \$6,322; East Gwillimbury \$14,090; North Gwillimbury \$11,794; King \$27,378; Markham \$31,548; Scarborough \$42,742; Vaughan \$16,746; York Township \$121,065; East York \$57,238; North York \$50,647; Aurora \$9,055; Forest Hill \$21,453; Holland Landing \$681; Leaside \$7,116; Markham village \$2,994; Mimico \$15,464; Newmarket \$12,105; New Toronto \$15,876; Richmond Hill \$4,355; Sutton \$2,908; Weston \$17,823; Woodbridge \$1,927

JUDGE MCGILLIVRAY

Theodore Augustus McGillivray, Senior Judge of the County of Ontario, died at his late residence, Whitby, on Sunday last in his 63rd year after a short illness. He is survived by his widow, two sons, Donald and Neil, and one daughter, Marjorie, at home; four brothers, Rev. Norman H. McGillivray of Orillia, Dr. Donald McGillivray of Toronto, Dr. Chas. S. McGillivray of Whitby, Dr. Geo. McGillivray of Minnesota, and three sisters, Mrs. D. McLaren, Mrs. Gamble and Miss Florence McGillivray, all of Ottawa. One son, Allister, a member of the Royal Air Force, was killed overseas in the Great War.

The late Judge McGillivray, who had many friends in this locality, was a son of the late George and Caroline Amelia McGillivray of Inverlyne, Whitby, where he was born and received his early education. He was married to Helen McLaren at Ottawa in 1895. He held the position of Registrar of the Surrogate Court of Ontario county for some time prior to his appointment to the Bench in October, 1912. He was a Presbyterian in religion and a Conservative. He was prominent in Masonic circles, being past master of Composite Lodge, A.F. and A.M., Whitby.

PERSONAL NOTES

Miss Mildred Pugh was home from Toronto, for a few days last week. Mr. and Mrs. Hughes and Mrs. E. C. Cliff of Toronto, were visiting Mrs. Boothby last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Urquhart and babe of Owen Sound have been spending a few days with his father here.

Mrs. D. A. Galloway and family of Niagara Falls, N.Y., are spending a week with her mother, Mrs. J. B. Wurts.

Mr. and Mrs. Dorian Woodburn, of Toronto, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Gower, O'Brien Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. U.C. Hamilton, former residents, now living in Toronto, made one of their usual visits to the old town last Saturday afternoon.

Miss Winnie Silvester, Miss Bennie and Miss Ada McCarty, all of Toronto were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Silvester, Church street, last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Winterstein of Detroit, were week-end visitors here. They made the trip by automobile, it being a distance of about 250 miles.

Mrs. W. T. Shattuck of Berkeley, California, left for her home on Saturday after spending three weeks with her sister, Mrs. W. Williams, Albert street.

Dr. F. A. Dales is attending the Ontario Medical Council in Toronto this week, as representative of this district. The doctor expects to be home each evening.

Mr. Bernard Ward, late science master of Monteith High school, and a veteran of the Great War, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ward, The Briarbusch, east Main street.

Rev. Dr. S. G. Clarkson of Rochester, N.Y., visited his sister Mrs. D. Cook in town a few days ago. Dr. Clarkson was enroute to take the boat on a trip to England, and is now out on the broad Atlantic.

Mr. Frank Clendenning of Galt, spent from Saturday to Wednesday with his father, Mr. Darius Clendenning, who is still in quite feeble health. Dr. and Mrs. Campbell, also of Galt, motored to Stouffville on Tuesday, returning with Mr. Clendenning.

Mrs. Brown and family of North Dakota, visited the former's niece, Mrs. Isaac Barkey recently. Also Mrs. Barkey's sisters, Miss Irma Porteous and Mrs. Ed. Lyle and their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Porteous all of Port Perry, were recent guests here.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mitchell and daughter, Margaret, arrived from Vancouver, B.C., on Wednesday of last week, spent a couple of days at the home of her mother, Mrs. Ella Stewart, Mill street, before leaving for Tarbert, Scotland, where they will visit Mr. Mitchell's home.

THE UNION PICNIC

The spacious picnic park and base-Baptist basket-picnic at Ratcliff's are fairly alive with people last Saturday for the annual school picnic which is a union affair of all the rural schools in this section. In fact they came from farther north than Uxbridge and south of Markham village to participate. The gate receipts were over \$200 and the admission price was only 25c while every school child was admitted free. The receipts were mostly all absorbed in prize money, so that it was virtually all given back to the children.

Besides a score of minor races for the youngsters for which prizes were given, Stouffville girls defeated Uxbridge in baseball in a lively game which provided much entertainment for the onlookers. The football tournament was won by Clarendon, with Ballantrae coming second and Bloomington third.

Many hundreds of people brought their lunch baskets and enjoyed their evening meal in the open, but the threatening rain hurried many away early in the evening. Two policemen handled the crowd and protected the fence line. The result of their services netted the organization \$48 from those who endeavored to come in by other than the "straight gate."

DEATHS

Gilmore—in Toronto, June 28th, 1925. Elizabeth Lee, beloved wife of the late Alfred Gilmore, Baker Hill, Whitchurch Tp. in her 82nd year.

A pig with eight legs was born on an Illinois farm the other day. This is the type of pork breeders have long been anxious to develop. Four hind legs instead of two, double ham production.

400 RAYMER CLAN

PICNIC TOGETHER

The third annual Raymer re-union was held in Exhibition Park, Toronto, on Saturday, June 27th, 1925, under very favorable weather conditions. Many of the family connections in and about Stouffville were in attendance, and enjoyed the afternoon immensely. There were four hundred of the clan on the grounds.

The afternoon was filled with sports, and amusements of all kinds. While here and there little groups were gathered and earnestly discussed family history and traditions. The baseball match between the married and single men engaged the attention of all, the benedicts finally winning by 14-11. Later in the afternoon the gathering assembled on the steps of the Transportation building where a group photograph was taken. In looking over the attendance it is said that there was a feeling of pride on the part of each one to know that they belonged to so fine a body of people whose early history closely relates to the pioneer life of this part of Ontario.

Overcourt Salvation Army Boys' Band greatly brightened the whole affair by their splendid music. A bountiful supply of eatables were supplied by the many present, and after this had been disposed of, a few speeches were in order. President O. L. Raymer of Toronto, expressed his gratitude to the committees and others who made the re-union such a success, not forgetting to mention those who came from long distances by train or automobile. It was decided to meet again next year in Markham, probably on the fair grounds there. The election of officers resulted in Mr. D. M. Raymer of Markham, being elected president and Mr. George Hoover of Markham, as secretary-treasurer.

The retiring president, O. L. Raymer of Toronto, was tendered a vote of thanks for his excellent services during his tenure of office. This was also extended to A. Sider, the retiring secretary, Mrs. Jas. Cook, convenor of the table committee, and to the other committees.

CLAREMONT
Miss Doris McCullough has returned home for the holidays.

Mrs. Albert Rawson of Toronto, spent over the week end with relatives here. Miss Myrtle Thompson of Toronto, spent Sunday at her home here. Sherman and Mrs. Rumbor are spending a few days with their son, Ray at Hickson.

Miss Mabel McLellan of Toronto, visited over the week end at the manse.

A number from here attended the picnic at Musselman's Lake on Saturday. Two of our football teams won.

Miss Clara Underhill left Friday on an extended trip through Europe. Miss Myrtle Stephenson, teacher in the Continuation school, left on Monday for a trip through California.

A number of the ladies of the Missionary society of the Union Church, attended the Assembly at Oshawa last Thursday. Mrs. McCallum, who has been carrying on the millinery business for the past few months, has vacated the store in the Bundy block and intends going on a holiday.

EMPRINGHAM—SIBLEY
The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Sibley of the Sixth concession, Whitchurch Township was the scene of a pretty and interesting event on Wednesday evening, the 24th June, when their eldest daughter Lillian Winnifred was united in marriage with William Melville Empringham also of Whitchurch. The bride who was given away by her father, was most becomingly gowned in Canton crepe with bridal veil of orange blossoms, carried a bouquet of Ophelia roses, and wore a beautiful pennant, the gift of the bridegroom. While Miss L. Atkinson played the wedding march, the bride and groom took their places under an arch of evergreens banked with flowers. The ceremony was conducted by Rev. E. M. Burgess of Lemonville, in the presence of about 50 guests. During the signing of the register Mrs. R. Morley sang, "Because". After the ceremony, a wedding breakfast was served in the dining-room, the guests including friends of the bride and groom from Stouffville, Unionville, Aurora, Newmarket and Zephyr. Following the breakfast, Mr. and Mrs. Empringham left amid showers of confetti, on a wedding tour for Toronto and Park Hill, near Sarnia. The bride travelled in a suit of navy, with large sand hat to match. On their return Mr. and Mrs. Empringham will reside at Bethesda.

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