

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

George Cower's auction sale in Markham Township today.

FOR SALE—Large comfortable robe Mrs. J. McKinnon, Phone 6613.

Send in your personal items and local news early as possible in the week. There is always a big rush for this paper on Wednesday and we appreciate getting the news before Tuesday when possible.

The Tribune is special agent for all Toronto daily papers. If your subscription is about to expire before you can come in to renew it, just phone The Tribune and we will renew the paper promptly so no copies will be missed. This will often save inconvenience.

An early Easter, it has been said, means an early spring. It is some years now since Easter fell on as early a date as it will fall in 1929. Palm Sunday is March 24, Good Friday the 29th, and Easter Sunday on March 31. February 13, being Ash Wednesday, ushered in Lent. Let us hope that the old saying is correct and that the spring of 1929 may be early and pleasant.

AUDITORIUM THEATRE STOUFFVILLE
FRIDAY and SATURDAY
 Feb. 22 and 23
"WHITE PANTS WILLIE"
 (Johnny Hines)
 Hodge Podge Comedy
FRIDAY and SATURDAY
 March 1 and 2nd
"AMERICAN BEAUTY"
 (Billie Dove)
 Charlie Chaplin in
"EASY STREET"
TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY
 March 5th and 6th
"LONE EAGLES"
 (A Universal Special)
 S. G. Schmidt, Prop.

Messrs. Greig & Littlejohn, barristers at Uxbridge, have opened a branch office at Claremont.

Winston Booth, formerly of Stouffville was transferred to the Saskatoon branch of the Manufacturers Life Insurance Co. just recently.

The council of the Township of Whitechurch has granted permission for stone pillars to be erected at the road entrance to Vancort station, which has been requested by Mr. Ledson.

Strawberries are selling on the Toronto Market for 65c. a quart box. If city folk would pay that price for the first picking of the local crop, the growers would feel overjoyed in the work of picking.

Mr. Jess Cober of Gormley who is shortly to retire from farm life, has purchased the frame house on the corner of Main street and Baker Avenue from Frank Baker who recently purchased it from the Isaac Reaman estate. The sale price is reported at \$2900.

Choral Class practice for the old time concert of one hundred years ago will be held in the basement of the United Church, Thursday, Feb'y 28th, at 8 p.m. Fee 50c. music included. Hand your name to the Sec'y Mrs. Davey. Fifty members are required.

Thieving is again complained of by those who use the United Church sheds for their horses. Last Thursday evening someone stole a pair of chime bells from off a horse, but fortunately the guilty party is strongly suspected, and we may have something further to report if the musical instrument is not left at the Tribune office before the next issue of this paper.

Mr. J. W. McFadden, the President of The Dickens Fellowship of Toronto, will be in Stouffville, on Monday evening, Feb'y 25th to deliver an address on "The Life of Charles Dickens" before the Swastikas of the United Church. The meeting which will be held in the Sunday School auditorium will be an open one and all who are interested are cordially invited to attend. A silver collection will be taken to defray expenses.

The Stouffville Choral Class is shortly to put on a concert in Claremont.

Miss Susan Daley has been spending a week in Toronto with relatives and friends.

Mr. Jacob Bowdway contemplates installing a new store front in his newly acquired building now occupied as a Chinese safe, and next his drug store. Poor and out-of-date business fronts are now becoming scarce on Main street, which all adds to the attractiveness of the town as a business centre.

Potatoes are only bringing 30c. per bag at Uxbridge, and thousands of bags are stored in the town and vicinity. The Toronto market quotes them at 90c. bag, which seems quite a spread from the meagre price received by the farmer, many of whom will find it more profitable to feed the tubers to their hogs than to draw them to market.

Shaw's big anniversary sale is attracting buyers from long distances from town, and opened on Monday morning with several customers who had driven horse and cutter for an hour, over the heavy roads in order to be here for the opening day. The sale will continue until closing time Saturday night, and the bargains in every department will be maintained or replaced until the last day.

A break in the small water pipe leading from the mains to the post office, necessitated a couple of men digging up the earth in front of the government building on Monday, and putting in a new pipe. The break was discovered because the water leaked into the basement of the office. The piping had been put down to serve the old town hall building which once stood on this site.

Rev. D. L. Gordon, chairman of the Toronto East Presbytery of the United Church, and quite well known in Stouffville, has stated his intention to resign the pastorate of the Agincourt United Church on June 1st unless the Board of Managers of the church make further financial inducement for him to stay. Mr. Gordon has been pastor there for ten years, coming from Cobalt, and the many duties and increased congregation is the cause of his seeking more pay.

Mrs. Hary Marsh, mother of Mrs. W. W. Fleischer, died on Friday at her home, 13 Adams Ave., Toronto. She had been in ill-health since last fall, when she was taken seriously ill while on a visit to her son-in-law, Mrs. Fanny Marsh of London, Ont., mother of Kearney Marsh, pro champion of the London Golf and Hunt Club. She was a member of Christie Street Baptist Church. Surviving are Lou E. Marsh, of the Toronto Daily Star; Garnet Marsh, now in New Orleans; Harold E. Marsh, of Toronto; and Mrs. Fleischer, wife of Rev. Walter Fleischer of the Baptist church, Stouffville.

In the Whitechurch Council report last week the salary of the Collector was given as \$120; when it should have been \$320. Collector Frank Steckley thinks the last figure is plenty low enough, and at no time was the salary down to \$120, since he took over the appointment quite a few years ago. The low figure was printed in error. The amount of work to be performed by the clerk, treasurer, collector and most of the other officials is steadily growing in Whitechurch, due chiefly to so many intricate government reports demanded, and to the growing sub-divisions at the summer resorts, which do not add much to the coffers of the municipality.

Now that the local councils in this locality have taken a hand in helping the Dominion authorities at Ottawa to do the right thing in regard to the curtailment of rum running, it might also be in order for them to pass a resolution to be sent to Premier Ferguson, protesting against any part of the proposed Old Age Pension Bill being saddled on the municipalities. We would strongly urge that Stouffville, Whitechurch, Markham and Uxbridge councils get such a protest in to the government AT ONCE. Pickering township has already taken such action, and if a united front is shown throughout the province there is little danger of Mr. Ferguson moving against such manifest opposition.

The carnival held in the Arena on Thursday night by Jubilee Chapter of the Eastern Star, proved a big success. There was a large crowd of skaters and a goodly number in costume, for which the prizes were well distributed by impartial judges, the pair of them acting being from Markham, and therefore were strangers to all in the contest. Some of the prizes went as far as Uxbridge town, for that place sent down several competitors. The total proceeds amounted to \$92.15, leaving the organization a net profit of around \$50. The prize winners were: Best valentine, Miss Helen Todd; Men's fancy dress, Middlebrook; best clown Byron Willis, Uxbridge; best dress under 14 years, Nelda Lehman; best fancy dress, Miss Brownscombe, Uxbridge; largest family, C. Bunker, Mongolia.

March 1st is just around the corner.

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On Friday evening Stouffville and district were well represented at Markham when the Victoria hockey team won the second game of the round from Markham Juniors by 5 to 1, thereby putting the former out of the league honors. Markham has a splendid team, but the city players were too much for them when it came to shooting.

Seven-Doukhobors, men and women are on trial at Nelson, B.C., two of them, man and woman, were arrested in the snow after having left their clothing at home. These poor people are merely following their religious beliefs, for which they will have to pay the penalty of the law. But what of present day flappers who commit an infraction of the same law when they are merely following out fashion beliefs?

The North York Veterans for the federal riding met at Aurora last week, and after hearing Wesley W. Brooks address them, unanimously endorsed him for the position of postmaster at Newmarket. Mr. Brooks is a native of the county, being born in Newmarket, and had a proud war record. Under the civil service act the position must be filled by a returned soldier, if one qualified to act is available.

We doubt if there has been a winter in the last seven when less wood was being hauled into town at this time of the year than there is at present. Time is not far past when one could scarcely look out of the window without seeing a nice load of body hardwood on the sleighs, but now we can count more loads of coal being hauled by the farmers to their homes. It is a sane prediction that there will be no wood available for fuel purposes in this locality in another ten years.

While driving over the cork-screw road from Unionville to Markham on Monday morning last, Mr. F. W. Silversides was unfortunate enough to run into the ditch, bending the radius rod on his car. The road at this point is very slippery and only moderate speed may be held or one can scarcely make the sharp curves. A passing truck assisted Mr. Silversides to get his car on to the road again, when he was under the impression that no damage was done. After starting up again he landed in the opposite ditch, when the condition of the radius rods was discovered. Cober Bros. of Markham were sent for to tow in the crippled car.

During the course of his sermon in the Baptist church on Sunday evening the pastor recalled the changing conditions here in this section, where at one time the people were served with eight hotels in town and the immediate section as compared with today when they are served with some eight ministers. He was quite safe in his opinion that the ministers do not do as much harm as the barrooms. The passing remark emphasized the fact of the changing conditions of but a few years. Quite a number of our citizens remember six hotels running in town and two more at Ringwood, but who of them ever thought forty years ago that such a change would be wrought in their day and generation.

At the first council meeting in Stouffville this year, Councillor Russell mooted something about introducing a bylaw forbidding dogs running at large on streets without being on a leash. If Councillor Russell attempts to bring in such a bylaw he will have the hearty support of the majority of citizens, but will bring into his disfavor some of the dog owners, no doubt. In any event, such a bylaw should be made effective for the summer months only. A dog bylaw would be intended to restrain the liberty of dogs when gardens and flower beds are freshly put in. Dogs are so apt to select the loose earth as a convenient place to bury bones, to be later dug up and gnawed at when they get home late for dinner. Last week in Lucknow, five citizens were fined for infraction of the dog bylaw which they held should only operate in summer season. The magistrate agreed with them, but the bylaw provided for all dogs to be twelve months of the year on the leash.

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 THE GROCER

The Oratorical Contest conducted by Stouffville Continuation School to be held on Friday Feb'y 22nd, will be held in the Assembly Rooms at the school, and not in Ratcliff's Hall as previously announced. All parents and the general public are asked to patronize this very worthy event.

Mr. Thos. Birkett has added a new Chevrolet coach car to his insurance service, disposing of the roadster car. Just why the insurance man is adding to the seating capacity of his car, his friends are hard pressed to figure out, and we confess we are unable to assist them.

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