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Tremendous Crowd at Ralph Baker Sale

Late Ralph Baker was the 4th Generation to Have Worked the Place Operated this Summer by Mrs. Baker on the 8th of Whitchurch.

Liberal advertising combined with wonderful weather last Saturday brought one of the largest crowds seen at a public auction for a long time to the farm of the late Ralph Baker on the eighth of Whitchurch. There was live interest shown in this sale which is probably the first ever held on the place for it has been in the family for four generations of Bakers. Mr. Sylvanus Baker now in his 78th year was born on the place and was stepping about sale day, greeting old friends whom he had not seen in a long time. Ill health has prevented him from leading his accustomed active life. He recalled that as a boy he had worked oxen on these very fields.

Ken Prentice and his Uncle John were on the auction block and for a time conducted two rings, one at the barns selling implements and stock, and the other was at the house where furniture was being offered. Incidentally it was interesting to note that John Prentice, the veteran salesman was selling a public auction in this very township on the same day 45 years ago.

Saturday's auction ran beyond expectations for the total sale. The International Tractor, 11 years old brought \$330, going to H. R. Burkholder, Markham Township. The tractor plow sold for \$70, cultivator \$49. Most implements were old, but found ready sale.

A beautiful 2-year-old filly went for \$125, and a sucking colt brought \$70. The best cow went at \$61, another \$58. Buyers were demanding fresh cows which probably held back many would-be bidders.

Swine sold at high prices, 60 pound hogs bringing \$8.50.

A feature of the sale was the price bid for grain, oats sold in the bin at 41c per bus., which is 6 or 8c over the market. Barley bid to 42c.

The hundred acre farm on which the sale was held sits back well in the centre of the concession between the 7th and 8th and when once at the buildings there is a grand view to the south for the place is situated well up, with a nice roll of land.

The farm must have been in the family now for 130 years it is estimated. Jonathan Baker, grandfather of the late Ralph Baker was born there in 1829. He is well remembered by many of our readers. He died in 1911 at the age of 82 years, and is buried in the little cemetery on the farm where so many of the Bakers have found their last resting place.

Jonathan's father came here right after the American Independence was signed.

Since the death of her husband the farm has been operated by Mrs. Ralph Baker who may carry on the place if other arrangements are not made. However nothing is settled in this respect so far.

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REMANDED ON FOUR CHARGES

Percy Henley, Markham, was remanded for another week when he appeared in County Court on Monday morning. Following a raid on his home on October 2, Henley now faces four charges, two violations of the Liquor Act, Assault, and being in possession of an unregistered revolver.

Markham Rural Church Holds Special Services

"Watch ye, stand fast in the faith," was the theme of the anniversary message brought to a packed congregation in Peachs' United Church last Sunday evening. Speaking from this Corinthian passage Rev. W. H. Woodhouse of Markham, stressed the need for to-day's Christians to show the same steadfastness and alertness in the "front-line" of Christianity as they recently displayed in facing the tense national crisis.

"It is too late for action after the attack has been made," said Mr. Woodhouse, "people to-day are too ready to compromise with evil." The speaker went on to say that during the recent European crisis we felt that our only hope rested in the preservation of our democratic freedom, and we were ready to lay down our lives for that cause, how much more so then, should we be ready to risk in the cause of Christ, on whom rests the hope of the world.

"Belief in their own power, has brought the peoples of the world to the brink of disaster to-day," he said. "Even our Sabbath day is doomed if more people who profess Christianity are not ready to sacrifice at least two hours of this seventh day in worship."

Mr. Woodhouse was assisted in the service by the Markham quartette composed of Mrs. L. Brown, Mrs. Jermain, A. J. Woods and Stanley Pipher with Miss Innis Williamson at the organ.

In the morning Rev. D. H. Burgess, former Lemonville pastor brought the message, and was assisted with special musical numbers by the Ratcliff Male quartette.

Peachs Church which is on the 7th of Markham has probably been in operation 80 years.

Bigger Entry List Despite Wet Day

Notwithstanding the weeks of fine warm sunshine, Wednesday saw the spell broken just on the eve of the annual plowing match of the North York Association held on farms of Elmer Wells and John Gibbons, Lemonville. Despite the foggy, wet weather there were sixty-six teams and tractors in competition at 11 o'clock. Every class was filled with exception of two and eleven

In the three tractor classes there were fourteen machines humming away. The interest in these classes seemed very keen. However, the most competitive class was No. seven, boys 18 and under. The entry was eleven. It is a noticeable fact that despite rain falling more or less all morning nearly every class had a fuller entry list than the previous year.

The Stouffville Sr. Institute had a nice booth set up, prepared for a big crowd.

LOCAL FIELD DAY CHAMPIONS



Above are the champions and runners-up in last week's local High School Field Day. Front row-Cameron Aldred, Junior Boy Champion, Francis Forfar, Beth Kellington, Junior Girl Champion, Fred Williams. 2nd row-Isobel Fleming, Intermediate Girl Champion, Ted Cadieux, Intermediate Boy Champion, Harold Boadway, Gladys Stover. Top row-Gordon Kerswell, Dorothy Moyer, Senior Girl Champion, Jean Murchison and Robt. Abell, Senior Boy Champion.

—Photo by W. R. Sanders

TIE WITH MARKHAM STANLEY THEATRE TO ASSIST BAND FUND

Stouffville High School were deadlocked 6-6 at the end of seven innings of softball with Markham High on Monday night. It is expected the Stouffville team will play off the tie at Markham on Wednesday.

The Stanley Theatre have made arrangements with the committee of the Junior Band to present a special program on Thursday, November 3. The entire proceeds will be added to the subscription list which has received such a fairly hearty response from our citizens. Members of the Band will appeal to you, by the sale of tickets to support this worthwhile project.

A lucky number draw will take place at the Stanley Theatre on Thursday night, Nov. 3. The prize is being donated by Maple Leaf Dairy. When purchasing your ticket please specify first or second performance in order to secure a seat.

The Management:
Syd. G. Schmidt
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Bible School is Dedicated

(Special to the Tribune)
Fort Erie, Oct. 17-The Ontario Bible School, formerly located at Gormley was greeted with the largest crowd in her history on Sunday for the Dedication Ceremony. Approximately one thousand people were present. The large auditorium with seating capacity for four hundred was filled to overflowing. There must have been a hundred standing in the main room, while approximately three hundred were seated or standing in the adjoining reception room. Beside this a large group stood outside, the side doors all being opened for the occasion.

Mr. Bert Climenhaga of Stevensville, provided for the convenience of the audience, a microphone and two amplifiers. This made it possible for the whole group to hear the program.

The five bishops of the Ontario Brethren in Christ Church were all present, viz., Bert Sherk of Stevensville, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Alvin Winger, Gormley, L. Shoats of Wellandport, E. J. Swalm, Duntroon, and Jonathan Lyons of Welland. After the invocation by Bishop L. Shoats, the program was rendered which consisted of special numbers in song by the Wainfleet Male Quartette, the Henderson Sisters Trio from Gormley and a Men's Quartette from Gormley. Orla Heise, and J. R. Steckley both sang on the latter as substitutes. The bishops present gave expression to their emotions in relation to the Bible School project. The Dedication Address was given by Bishop Swalm in his very forceful way, after which Bishop Sherk read the Ceremony and Bishop Winger offered the Dedication prayer.

An offering of more than \$300 was lifted for the benefit of the new school project, after which Bishop S. F. Cauffman of the Mennonite Church, who was present, expressed a few words of appreciation for the Bible School. The benediction was pronounced by Bishop Lyons.

The large crowd present at this service is an indication of a warm spirit of friendliness on the part of the Brethren in Christ Church as well as of the immediate community. This is heartily appreciated by the officials.

Man Killed in Barn is Laid to Rest

STOUFFVILLE WILL PLAY IN S.P.A. SERIES

Fourteen recruits for this year's Junior hockey squad turned out for the first pre-season work-out in the Arena on Monday night. At a re-organization meeting held last week Coach Eddie Crouch appeared very optimistic over the prospects of a good season. It is not known as yet if it will be necessary to bolster the local Club with the services of any outside talent. However under the O.H.A. regulations, two imports are allowed providing they obtain the necessary release. Stouffville will enter a team this year in the S.P.A. series.

Carlton Baker Buried Tuesday

A former farmer of this locality and one time resident of Stouffville Carlton Baker died at his home 100 Summerhill Avenue, Toronto, on Saturday last. The funeral on Tuesday afternoon took place to Stouffville cemetery.

Carlton Baker farmed the property now owned by Oliver Harding at Baker Hill, but later in life he retired to Stouffville where he resided for some years in the west end of the village. He is survived by his wife Emma Brillinger, who was a sister of the late Henry Brillinger, and by one son Bud Baker. Two brothers John and Lemon Baker predeceased him.

A number of old friends of the family and also numerous relatives gathered at the cemetery for the last sad rites on arrival of the funeral from Toronto.

There was an immense crowd in attendance at the funeral of the late Wesley Dix on Monday afternoon, which left his late home on the 8th of Markham south of Wideman's to Markham Cemetery for interment. Rev. W. H. Woodhouse of Markham Village conducted the service and the pall bearers were, Messrs. Gordon Lunau, Reuben Moyer, Arthur Snowball, Andy McFrederick, James Robb and Thos. Libby. Mr. Dix was well-known in his locality for about 15 years, having prior to that lived in Scarborough Township.

The incident in connection with his tragic death last Thursday is shrouded in sadness. Mr. Dix had been hauling in corn with the assistance of others. He was standing on the wagon in the barn when some 500 pounds of corn just lifted by the carrier dropped on top of him. In some manner the carrier had been tripped. The unfortunate man was so seriously injured that he passed away a few hours later. He was in his 65th year. Only last spring Mr. Dix received a broken ankle and was just recovering from its effect.

The late Mr. Dix whose wife predeceased him 12 years, is survived by one son John, at home, and five daughters: Mrs. Wilfred Coathup of Sask., Mrs. Percy Wilson, Locust Hill, Mrs. Leonard Cox, Armadale, Mrs. Gordon Reesor, Locust Hill, and Mrs. Robt. Snowball Stouffville.

Shot Hits Plowman's Horse

Hunters shooting in Burnett's bush at Bloomington on Saturday were responsible for a stray bullet skimming the face of one of Lou Tindall's geldings working in a field just west of the bush.

Mr. Tindall was plowing and heard the guns cracking away over in the bush, but was not alarmed until suddenly one animal reared and plunged about, pawing the ground in a frightened manner. The bullet had struck the horse between the nose and eye, but glanced off without serious damage. It cut the hide and drew blood however.

When Tindall yelled at the hunters they fled, and left the place. It is not known yet whether they were township boys or outside hunters, although it is believed their identity will be learned. Mr. Tindall thinks they should have come forward and faced any damage they might have caused, which under the circumstances proved trivial.

Reeves who have Served

From 1877 to 1937 Stouffville had changed Reeves twenty-five times, occasionally going back to pick up a man who had served in the office before, still that is the record—25 changes in sixty years, and nineteen new faces. The present incumbent of the office is Arthur E. Weldon who succeeded H. W. Sanders in January 1937. Mr. Weldon had served six years as a councilman, and it was realized soon after he stepped into public office that here was a man who would shape up for the highest gift in possession of the ratepayers. He was accorded an acclamation for the second time last January, and is not saying what his future plans are.



Arthur E. Weldon
—Photo by W. R. Sanders

Arthur E. Weldon was born in Lindsay, and joined the Toronto police force where he served for three years. He also lived in Western Canada, but like others he became attached to Stouffville through driving this way and becoming enamoured over the attractive appearance of our village, consequently back in 1924 he opened a business here dealing in men's wear, boots and shoes. At that time he was west of the Mansion house but business demanded he come down street farther and he purchased premises next Bert Wilkinson's Superior Store from Mrs. Shankel and built a modern store with living quarters. He has enjoyed a splendid trade ever since.

Mr. Weldon is a family man, besides his wife he has one son and one daughter both of whom were born in Stouffville. Mrs. Weldon like her husband comes from Lindsay district.

As reeve Mr. Weldon is careful in all he undertakes. He looks after the pennies as well

as the dollars, and in all transactions the town's business as if it were his very own. His first council consisted of Ira Rusnell, Walter Brillinger, R. E. Brown and Arthur Swift. Last year Mr. Swift and Mr. Brillinger dropped out and now Mr. Weldon has Jack Silverthorn, Martin Tait, Ross E. Brown and Ira D. Rusnell.

The municipal hall has been improved under Mr. Weldon with a much needed vault, hot water heating and public lavatories, while a request from the school board for power to borrow \$12,500 for an extension to the school was accepted by this council without reference to the ratepayers.

Mr. Weldon has carried out the splendid tradition of his predecessors in office which has brought the village through the sixty years with an enviable tax rate as compared with that of the average municipality.

Concert and Supper at Anniversary

At the United Church anniversary supper on Monday, November 7, in Stouffville there will be a concert of more than passing interest. The Bethesda Concert Party from east of Uxbridge will present a drama entitled "The Last Rehearsal," and later a play, "In May with June." These special numbers will leave a lasting memory of a great time, we are told. In the concert caste is Noreen Croxall, soprano, and other outstanding talent.

Aside from the supper served by the ladies of the church, this concert should draw a capacity attendance. The drama and the play have been given as repeat performances in Port Perry, without the added attraction of a supper. Needless to say this event of the fall season will be awaited with more than ordinary eagerness.