

Whitchurch Orders \$5,500 Power Grader

Whitchurch Council Obtains Department O.K.—No Extra Taxes Required.

The Department of Highways has approved of the purchase by the Whitchurch Township council of a large power grader equipped with Diesel engine made by the Caterpillar Mfg. Co., through their agents General Supply Co. The cost of the outfit is \$5,500 half of which is paid by the government, and half by the township. The council made their choice over a week ago, but the Department only announced their decision to approve of the purchase on Saturday. It is expected the machine will be at work on township roads in a week or ten days.

Provincial Engineer Peter Higgins congratulated the council on their choice of grader, stating that the Department at first hesitated to give their approval until careful consideration had been made of the merits of the \$5,500 grader as compared with the purchase of a general motor driven type of grader, costing \$1050 less.

Addressing council Mr. Higgins said, "we took the average operating cost of three lower cost machines running 1410 hours and found it to be 35 1/2¢ per hour for fuel, oil and grease. Three Diesel machines operating 1867 hours showed an average cost for fuel, oil and grease of only 21.1¢ per hour, a saving in operating cost on the more expensive machine of 14.4¢ per hour. On the assumption that you operate your machine 1500 hours in the year, there would be an annual saving of \$216." Continuing, Mr. Higgins said, "the difference between the low gas and low diesel engine would thus be overcome in three years. After that the saving would be gravy. Your machine has a normal life of seven years" or said Mr. Higgins, "so far as we are concerned if you buy the diesel we will recommend it to the Dept.

The new machine has a capacity weight of 19,000 pounds and will do any ditching, scarifying, grading, and road making demand in the municipality.

Reeve Toole and members of the council had spent days travelling about, inspecting the various types of machines, but finally decided on a Diesel engine because of its low cost operating expense.

It was only after careful consideration that the council decided in favor of making the purchase this year, and when they were satisfied it could be done without increased taxes. Reclaimed gravel now on the roads it's said will be enough to save half the cost of the township's share of the grader and many farmers have urged council to procure this grader in view of the fact that it will not mean any additional taxes. Roads now almost impossible to maintain will be kept in good condition, it is believed with this power equipment.

BIRTHS

Harper — At Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville, on May 31, 1939, to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Harper, a daughter.

Wideman—At O'Brien Avenue Maternity Home, on Monday, June 5, 1939, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wideman (Beatrice Carter) a son (Stephen Arthur)

Grove—At The Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville, on Tuesday, June 6th, 1939, to Mr. and Mrs. William Grove, 8th Con., Markham, Township, a daughter.

"Sunny of Sunnyside," Public School operetta, in the Stouffville Arena to-night, (Thursday)



Wins Faculty Silver Medal

Isabel Booth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Booth who graduated in medicine with honors from the Medical Faculty, University of Toronto.

Physician Expires Aiding Patient at the Royal Train

Called to attend William Hill of Bloomington when the aged man was overcome in the crowd at Zephyr on Monday attempting to see the King and Queen pass by, Dr. H. E. Johnston 53, fell over himself and died on the spot. The tragedy shocked everybody present. A car load of people from Stouffville were eye witnesses, being Mrs. McGrogan and Dorothy, Mrs. Levi Hoover, Mrs. Geo. Saunders, Mrs. Clark, (Mary Doten.) Dr. Johnston was right in the act of administering a drug to his 99-year-old patient at the moment he succumbed himself.

NEW DAIRY BUILDING

Baker's Maple Leaf Dairy is open for business in their new premises, formerly occupied by Turner's Dairy, second door west of the post office. Patrons will now get their extra supplies here.

TAKES POSITION AT EXPERIMENTAL FARM

Don Moyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Moyer who completed his final year at McMaster University this term, has secured a position at the Dominion Experimental Farm, Vineland, and has entered upon his new duties. He will be doing laboratory work there.

Councillor's Home Destroyed

While the family were all absent, the brick residence on the farm home on the second concession of Whitchurch tenanted by Herbert Wells, township councillor was destroyed by fire of unknown origin on Tuesday evening. Only a small amount of furniture was saved. The fire was first seen by a neighbor around 11 p.m.

ENGAGEMENTS

The engagement is announced of Olive Dorothy Stonehouse, daughter of Mrs. Edith Stonehouse and the late Mr. E. A. Stonehouse of Markham, to Duard Rose, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Rose of North Markham, the marriage to take place quietly the end of June.

Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Hogg, of Drumbo announce the engagement of their daughter Ethel Isobel to Mr. Gordon Hutchens Bailey, son of Rev. and Mrs. C. J. Bailey of Kleinburg. The marriage will take place June 30th, at Southampton, at the summer cottage of the bride's father.

Council Pledge \$100 to Junior Band

The village council met on Monday evening and signified their willingness to grant the Junior Band of Stouffville the sum of \$100, as a donation toward helping purchase uniforms for this organization of which the town is so proud. Reeve Weldon pointed out that funds were low until tax collections in the fall, at which time the grant would be forthcoming. The deputation composed of Mrs. Ball, Mrs. Schmidt and Mrs. Wilkinson who waited on the council, stated that this was the first bit of help asked through municipal channels, although the band had an investment in instruments of nearly \$2,000.

The new uniforms, it was said, would be capes and caps, a real swanky outfit. All the council and Reeve Weldon spoke highly of the value of a band, and the headway of our own junior group.

A bylaw was introduced providing for holding a tax sale to collect \$671 tax arrears and \$98 penalties. Only four properties are slated for sale, and it was hoped that payments might be made before the law was invoked to hold the tax sale.

A number of items came up for attention but were of no public interest. Only a few small accounts for routine work were passed for payment.

Markham Farmer Supplies Order of 2000 Lilac Blooms

From his 3 acres of lilac bushes on his farm on the 8th of Markham, Mr. H. M. Rolph recently supplied a Toronto wedding with 2,000 blooms of 150 distinct varieties.

Mr. Rolph began his lilac hobby 15 years ago and most of the blooms he cultivates came originally from France. He has about 2000 seedlings planted this year, but their varieties will not be known until they bloom.

On his farm Mr. Rolph has the descendant of the granddaddy of all lilac bushes. It is the Persian lilac which came from Persia where the lilac was first extensively developed.

Some of the flowers are large enough to cover a 50-cent piece

A meeting of the Stouffville Tennis Club is called for this Friday night, at 7.15 p.m.

New Teachers Are Engaged Here

During the past week Stouffville School Board engaged two new teachers. Miss A. Pearl Wilson on the Marmora High School staff, will fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Ethel Hogg on the Continuation School Staff, while Miss Leta Bunker will replace Miss Muriel Hostrosser on the public school staff. Miss Hostrosser resigned a week ago.

Miss Wilson met members of the Board in person last week-end and appealed to them as a most capable looking teacher. She is a specialist in physical training, and oral French, and has an elementary certificate in music, which qualification the Board were anxious to get. Miss Wilson has been teaching six years, and this is her first move. She is a Port Hope girl.

Miss Bunker is qualified to teach home economics, and has nine years' experience. She will have the senior third class.

Assessment Cut by Only \$650

Only four appeals were filed against the village assessment, coming before the court of appeal Monday evening. Three were successful, and one assessment was sustained.

C. Baker, assessed \$1,500 on brick property to be used as dairy building and formerly the Turner dairy. Assessment sustained. One business assessment cut off since the amalgamation of the two Stouffville dairies.

Mrs. Carrie Turner's residence on O'Brien Ave., assessed \$2550, reduced \$200.

Norman McLean, O'Brien Ave., house, assessed \$1150, reduced \$150.

E. R. Sinclair, house on north side of Main street west, assessed for \$1500 reduced to \$1200.

Total reductions were \$650. The personnel of the court was Reeve Weldon, Councillors Silverthorn, Rusnell, Brown and Tait.

ENJOYED MOTOR TRIP

Clarence Lageer, Mrs. Brander, Hazel and Clayton, and Mrs. Elijah Lageer motored to Williamsport and spent a day there with Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Neal. Herb Degeer of Toronto also took in the trip with his mother, brother and sister.

CELEBRATED GOLDEN WEDDING DAY



Mr. and Mrs. John E. Weatherill celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Friday at their home, Jane St., Toronto. Mrs. Weatherill wore a navy sheer gown with a corsage of roses. Decorations were in gold throughout the house, with old gold candles on the tea table centred with roses. Mr. and Mrs. Weatherill, both of whom were born in Unionville, Ont., have lived in Toronto 45 years. They have seven children, Mrs. F. C. Mason, Mrs. R. J. Hallawell, Mrs. F. W. Doner, Miss Dorothy Weatherill, Miss Ruth Weatherill, George L. Weatherill and Dr. J. F. Weatherill, all of Toronto. There are five grandchildren.

King's Dog Killed by Local Automobile

WINS NURSING HONORS



Pictured here is Aileen Hilda Cutler daughter, of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cutler of Ballantrae, who was one of the graduating nurses at Women's College Hospital of the School of Nursing, winning the prize for obstetrical technique.

HORTICULTURISTS EXHIBIT

There was a good attendance at the spring flower show in the United Church basement Tuesday evening. The display was described as wonderful, with plenty of competition, single tulips alone having ten entries and Iris fourteen. Mrs. Ed. Dixon of Unionville led quartette numbers, and showed slides on bulb growing in Holland. The judges Messrs. Wells and Grubb announced the following names as winners: Emma Winn, Mrs. Farthing, Mrs. O. Lehman, M. Mertens, Mrs. R. Leslie, Eva Hoover, Mrs. Borinsky, Mrs. F. Fairies, Thos. Rae, Eva Hoover, Mrs. L. Slack.

BRILLIANT STUDENT

Miss Jean Lennox, O'Brien Ave., completed her 3rd year, Victoria College, in Modern Languages, carrying off honors and scholarship.

Glasgow Church Sees First Wedding

An interesting church wedding was solemnized in the Glasgow Church on Saturday afternoon, said to be the first ever performed in that edifice, that is older than anyone living. The bride was Miss Bertha Joyce Cleare, daughter of Mr. John Cleare, and the late Mrs. Cleare of England, and the bridegroom, Lorne John Byer, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Byer Markham. Rev. Oscar Burkholder of Breslau tied the nuptial knot.

The bride was beautifully gowned in a dress of ivory satin on princess lines, and carrying red roses and lily-of-the-valley, was given away by Mr. W. L. Smith. The bridesmaid was Miss Evelyn Byer, niece of the groom, attired in orchid crepe, carrying a garden bouquet of tulips and roses. Mr. Edward Yousey of Akron, N.Y. supported the groom. Miss Anna Houser dressed in coral satin and carrying roses and carnations was maid of honor.

Music was supplied by a quartette composed of Messrs. Leonard Burkholder, Lorne Wideman, Roy and Lewis Smith.

The wedding reception was at the home of Mr. W. I. Smith, and attended by 80 guests.

The home was beautifully decorated with spring flowers, presenting a lovely setting. The happy couple left on a trip to the U.S.A., the bride travelling in a blue coat with navy accessories. They will reside on the 8th concession of Markham.

Rev. J. A. Orr has been appointed to the pastorate of the Melville circuit.

Since his arrival on Canadian soil His Majesty King George was presented with a couple of Russian wolf hounds by Vicount Laselle, but a few days ago one animal was killed by a motor car on the streets of Toronto. Mr. Jerry Sibley was proceeding along Gerrard street enroute home to Stouffville, when one of these hounds suddenly bounded in front of his car, was struck and killed. It was learned on police investigation that there were parties in charge of the dogs, but one of them either got away or they were being counted on to follow without a lease. Anyway, one animal made for the opposite side of the street and in full view of several onlookers, smashed into the motor car.

Mr. Sibley was said to be travelling at a low rate of speed, but the driver did not see the dog until he was upon it. The animal apparently had an eye on something on the opposite side of the road. In fact, it is said that someone whistled, and the dog recognized the call. The hound is reported valued at \$700.

Being the only man in Canada to kill a dog from the Royal Kennels, should add a mark of distinction to our Whitchurch farmer, who is a real dog lover himself, and who feels quite bad over the unfortunate incident.

Young Actors Give Star Performance

Probably the first operetta ever attempted by the Stouffville public school caught the public like magic last Friday evening when pupils, 40 in number, presented "Sunny of Sunnyside," a delightful little setting of orphanage life from the standpoint of children. All the pupils did so well that we would hesitate to select the stars. A second performance Saturday night had to be postponed until this Thursday evening owing to rain.

The operetta opened with a full chorus of all the children on the lawn of the orphanage. The singing by Marguerite Grubin, Margaret Stover, Joyce Swift, Donna Tait was outstanding, while the chorus selections were above average. Eileen Thorne and Lillian Pipher made a big hit as the Quinn twins singing, "It's Terrible to be Twins." Alan Sanderson one of Reddy's gang, led a chorus number in good form.

Another feature of the program was the circus with Gordon Forsyth as ringmaster, and he made a good job of it too.

The spacious stage was attractively set up with liberal scenery all the product of the school, and which fitted into the orphanage setting ideally.

The Junior Band just one year old at this time filled in nicely during intermission time, and rendered several popular numbers under the direction of Bandmaster Shenhall. This band, 28 in number, are all pupils of the school, so that the entire program was purely school talent.

Principal Watson who worked very hard in taking care of hundreds of details during the preparation for weeks, also Miss Anne Lindsay, musical director, and Miss Winnifred McDonald, dramatics director, may all feel justly proud of their efforts, which received such high acclaim by the fathers and mothers, and citizens in general.

Junior Band Benefit Show at the Stanley Theatre, next Wednesday, June 14th, afternoon and evening. Matinee at 4 p.m., children 15c.