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## No Clues are Found to Latest Robberies

Late Thursday night or early Friday morning thieves stole the motor car belonging to Mr. Paul Boadway, and up to the present no trace of the car is reported. At the same time about \$70 worth of clothing was removed from the car of Blake Yake parked in the same section of the town. A bicycle stolen from Markham village was found in the neighborhood of the Boadway home in the north-west section on the morning of the robbery, but even this gave no clue to the identity of the robbers. The bicycle was found by Mr. Truman Baxter.

On the evening in question Mr. Boadway left his car outside his home, and expecting to return to it, never removed the keys, which made the getaway easy for the thief or thieves. Evidently they drove down the street to where Yake's car was parked, forced the door of his new Hudson and removed a large quantity of clothing, mostly overalls and socks. Yake, who is a son of Mr. Austin Yake of Whitchurch, sells clothing from his car over the district. It is believed an effort was made to take his car, but the engine was locked.

Constables Quibell and Barraclough immediately started on the hunt when they were notified next morning of what had taken place. It was some time before Mr. Boadway realized that his car had been stolen for when he first missed it, he presumed the garageman had called and taken it away to be greased which he had wanted done the night before. Later he called at the garage expecting to pick up the vehicle, when the full meaning of the missing car dawned on him.

Following close on the robbery of Red Forsyth's barber shop when a large quantity of tobacco and chocolate bars were stolen, some merchants are advocating the appointment of a night watchman, the cost of which would be borne by the business section. However, even with a watchman, a crime such as was committed on a residential street where Mr. Boadway lives, could readily go on without easily being detected.

## Honey Crop Below Normal

Byer & Sons' Bees Buzz From Hamilton to Lorneville Junction

Mr. J. L. Byer, the bee king of the local district, estimates that the honey crop this year will be about half of the unusually large crop of 1938 and two-thirds of a normal crop. However, he is also of the opinion that prices will remain much the same as a year ago which is something to sweeten the honey a little.

Those who have tried the new crop can testify to the excellent quality of the home product at least. It is particularly good.

"Don't say anything about our business," said Mr. Byer, who seemed reluctant to tout his own horn in this way. However, readers will be amazed to learn that the Byer apiaries number 22, and are located over a wide area of the province. Some are in the Hamilton district while the most northerly apiaries are up around Lorneville Junction. Besides the tonnage supplied the local market, J. L. Byer & Sons honey is exported in considerable quantity. Now, having regard for J. L.'s "don't say anything," and the fact that we do not know anything more about the business, this item is signed off.

## STOUFFVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL RESULTS

Robert Abell, CH c, Alg. c; Thelma Atkinson: AH 2, Alg. c, Phys c, L.A. 3, L.C. 3, F.A. 2, F.C. 2; Geo. Austin: A.H. c, Lat. A. c, Lat. Comp. c, Fr. C. c; Harold Boadway: C.H. c, Lat. Auth. c, Fr. Auth. 3, Fr. Comp. 3; Irwin Borinsky: Eng. Lit. c, A. H. c, Geom. c; Eric Cutler: E. C. c, E. L. 1, A. H. 2, Alg. 3, Geom. c, Phys. c; Mary Davis: Geom. c, Phys. c, F. C. c; Erma Dowswell; Can. Hist. c, Alg. 1, Phys. c, Lat. Comp. c, Fr. Auth. 3, Fr. Comp. c; Leland Emmerston: Eng. Lit. c, Isobel Fleming: A. H. 1, Alg. 1, Phys. 3, Lat. Auth. 1, Lat. Comp. 3, Fr. Auth. 1, Fr. Comp. 2; Bobbie Fong: Alg. c; Leona Forsythe: A. H. c, Geom. c; Dorothy Fuller: Alg. 2, Phys. 3, Fr. Comp. c; Harold Good, phys. c; Mary Graham: A. H. c, Alg. 1, Phys. 2, Lat. Auth. 2, Lat. Comp. c, Fr. Auth. 2, Fr. Comp. 2; Marguerite Jack: A. H. 1; Olive Johnson: Alg. c, Fr. Auth. c, Fr. Comp. c, Muriel Jones: Eng. Comp. 2, Eng. Lit. 1, A. H. 2, Phys. c; Lois Kester: A. H. 1, Alg. 1, Phys. 1, Lat. Auth. 1, Lat. Comp. 2, Fr. Auth. 1, Fr. Comp. 1; Phyllis Klinck: Eng. Comp. 2, Eng. Lit. 2; Robert McConnochie: Eng. Comp. 2, Eng. Lit. c, Dorothy Moyer: Eng. Comp. c, Can. Hist. c, Phys. c; Erma Paisley: Eng. Lit. 3; Jean Pugh: A. H. c, Phys. 3; Norma Rae: Eng. Lit. c; Irwin Raxlin: Eng. Lit. 2, A. H. 1, Alg. c, Geom. c, Phys. 3, Donald Rowbotham: Alg. 2, Geom. c; Arthur Rusnell: Alg. 2, Phys. c, Fr. Auth. c; Fr. Comp. c; Betty Sanderson: Can. Hist. 2, Alg. 3, Phys. 2; Bud Sanderson: Eng. Lit. c, A. H. 2, Alg. 2, Geom. 2, Phys. 2; Bruce Stover: Anc. Hist. 1, Alg. c, Fr.

## HO FOR THE WEST

On Tuesday three young farmers from Garibaldi, just north-east of town, struck out by motor car for the prairie provinces. They are Willis Taylor, George Taylor and Ralph Cooper. It is their hope to be able to help with the Western harvest, and later to proceed to the Pacific Coast. If work is found the boys may remain there for the winter, otherwise they will return this fall.

## PLANS COMPLETED FOR NEW BARN

The contract for the new barn on the Walter Davis farm at Glasgow given this week to Tom Wilson, contractor of Cannington. The new structure will be 46x80 feet, extending west 20 feet beyond the original barn wall on this end. The original walls were not damaged seriously by the recent fire Mr. Davis states.

The barn will be a plank truss frame with metal roof and the interior will be modern with first class stabling and fittings. Work will start next week. The crop on the farm is being put in stacks for the present.

## PROMINENT RESIDENCE SOLD

Rev. E. Morton this week purchased from E. R. Sinclair the Joel Baker brick residence on Main street west, one door east of Mrs. Jake Hisey's. Mr. Morton intends to move in just as soon as Dint Law, tenant, gets another house.

Comp. c; Jean Talbot: English Comp. c, Eng. Lit. 3, Alg. c; Ellie Thompson: Phys. 2, Lat. Auth. c, Lat. Comp. c, Fr. Auth. c, Fr. Comp. 2; Gwen Tramer: Alg. c, Phys. c, Lat. Auth. c, Lat. Comp. c; Kathleen Turner: Alg. 3, Fr. Auth. c, Fr. Comp. 3; Phyllis Winn: A. H. 3, Alg. 1, Phys. 2, Lat. Auth. 2, Lat. Comp. 2, Fr. Auth. 1, Fr. Comp. 2.

## Whitchurch Taxes on Downward Trend

Heavy Grader Purchased and Better Roads to Travel on Also Accomplished by Council

Despite the fact the Township of Whitchurch added to its equipment this year a heavy road grader costing \$5,500, and placed the roads in better condition than for some years, the tax rate struck at the regular meeting on Saturday is still on the down trend, the total rate being half a mill less than last year when a marked reduction was made over the 1937 rate.

Reeve Toole and his council expressed great satisfaction when the final figures were compiled, showing that expenditures were being kept within the budget despite the unusual outlay fully paid up for new road machinery. The government subsidy of one and a half mill was an appreciable factor in the happy outcome, for it amounts to \$2,600.

The matter of collecting taxes through the treasurer's office introduced at the last meeting and left over for consideration will not be settled until September. R. E. Ratcliff told council that if he were reappointed collector and permitted to send his tax bills by mail instead of driving the township roads to make personal delivery, the labor would cost the township \$200 instead of \$300 under the personal delivery plan. "Our township is now in excellent shape, and it is my opinion, that you have not the facilities to handle taxes at Vandorf," said Mr. Ratcliff. Owing to the lateness of the hour council did not enter into discussion on the matter

## Lived in Stouffville Thirty-Six Years

The death on Wednesday last week of Mrs. Eli Raymer came as a real shock to all the friends of the family, and to the numerous acquaintances in town. Mrs. Raymer had been ill only ten days, and had been about as usual right up to that time. The funeral on Saturday proceeded from the late home on Main street west to Dickson Hill cemetery. Service was in charge of her pastor Rev. L. E. Atkinson of the United church, assisted by Rev. G. C. Raymer, president of the London Conference. The pall bearers were: Messrs. Isaac Barkey, Roy Grove, Walter Brillinger, Leslie Rowbotham, Jos Hoover, David Stouffer.

Married 36 years ago, Meretta Stiles was a daughter of the late David Stiles, and was born in North Gwillimbury 65 years ago. At that time Mr. Raymer was employed as a young carpenter on the recently burned annex to Lakeview House, Jackson's Point. After their marriage the couple immediately took up residence in Stouffville. To them were born two daughters Misses Lorna and Elma, who with the father survive.

Mr. Gunner Knudsen, Swedish Tenor Soloist from Toronto, will be the guest soloist at the Stouffville Christian Church this Sunday night. Pastor Vickers invites the public to come and hear this noted gospel singer.

## "Keep on Barking" Says Deputy Reeve

"Keep on barking," said Deputy Reeve Jess Cook when Reeve Earl Earl Toole of Whitchurch asked what council was to do about three or four people who had been fined last week for non-payment of dog tax, yet had not procured tags. Council in session Saturday seemed determined that everybody be treated alike, and the constables will again demand of the few delinquents the dog license, which if not forth-coming may result in a second and more serious fine.

Over \$1,000 for dog license was collected by F. C. Cummings, assessor, who was ordered paid \$85 for his services. It was predicted that the tax would be more readily paid next year, since everyone has been made to realize that all must pay alike according to the law governing dog tax.

Council agreed to instruct constables to enforce Lord's Day Act at the lakes, respecting dancing on the Sabbath. Musselman's Lake Ratepayers Association through their president S. R. Proctor, wrote council alleging dance halls were operated, wrongfully on the Sabbath, and claimed the Association and others strongly objected. A complaint from Wilcox Lake will also be looked into where it is alleged motor boats are operated in a dangerous manner when Sunday crowds are at this lake.

The Bell Telephone Co., asked permission to erect certain poles in the vicinity of Newmarket on highway No. 11. Auditor Roy Andrew presented a report indicating the looks of the treasurer to be in splendid shape, and in proper balance.

Road accounts were scrutinized and ordered paid as follows:

W. Beach, weeks \$4.40; Div. 20 \$17.75; Div. 12 \$8.65; T. L. E. \$7.45; Div. 10, \$9.20; T. L. S. \$6.25; Div. 8 \$39.10; General Supply Co. \$190.90; T. L. S. \$22.45; Div. 18, \$15.22; Div. 26, \$17.25; W. McLean, weeds, \$10.75; G. W. Williams, \$20.67; Div. 25 \$33.45; Div. 21 \$19.40 G. W. Baker, S. T. L. \$3.90; Div. 11, \$2.60; Div. 27, \$5.50; Div. 16, \$22.80; Div. 24, \$43.90; D. Baker, weeds, \$14.75; Div. 14, \$9; G. Smalley, weeds \$4.25; Weeds on roads 2, 13, 15, 16, \$91.25; H. Pegg \$4.25; T. L. E. \$9; J. H. Widdifield, salary \$118.50; Storage Tank and supplies \$123.00.

## Grace Bradley Bride of Harry Holden

The home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Bradley, Oshawa, was the scene of a pretty summer wedding on Wednesday, August 16, when their niece Grace Ada Bradley, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Bradley, Port Perry, became the bride of Mr. Harry Whitmore Holden, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert F. Holden of Stouffville. Rev. W. R. Tanton officiated.

The ceremony was performed in the spacious drawing-room where an alcove was banked with palms, ferns and gladioli. To the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march played by Mr. John Todds, Markham, the bride entered the room, and was given in marriage by her father. She was lovely in her bridal gown of shell pink silk net over taffeta, with bouffant double skirt, and tiny matching lace jacket caught with pink velvet bows. Her shoulder length veil of blush pink tulle was caught with roses, and she was wearing an engraved gold locket, the gift of the groom. The shower bouquet was of pink and white (Continued on page 8)

## Uxbridge Farmer Wins Handsomely

Tom Machesney living on the third concession south of Goodwood had the thrilling experience last Saturday of winning a \$70 studio set for 25 cts. He held the lucky admission ticket to the baseball game in Stouffville, where the club was giving a fine prize to the fortunate one which proved to be a farmer who says he has nothing in his home to equal the set-up.

Tom lives on the former Rodanz farm and works hard to make ends meet for himself and his little family. Viewing with his wife his prize in the window of O'Neill's furniture store on Saturday evening, Mrs. Machesney said she thought such finery would look out of place in their home, and the couple weighed the question of selling the handsome three pieces, while friends advised them to take the enjoyment of it themselves.

The lucky ticket was sold by Price Pugh. As a result of the sale of tickets in this manner two hundred cheered at the double header games which provided snappy ball all the time.

undertook to catch the trouble maker, by laying out for him one night with a gun. Along came sly old fox, but Herb, either got too shaky or shut the wrong eye, for he missed the mark and there was nothing to be seen but a red streak as the animal escaped. Other farmers have sighted the maurader.

More losses are reported between Church Hill and Mount Albert where foxes seem to be quite in evidence this summer.

## ACCIDENTS PREVALENT

Accidents to local persons over the week included Murray Hopkins receiving a serious cut over the forehead and one eye when a car in which he was being driven by Bert Pollard went into the ditch. Murray bounced up against the car top. It required 17 stitches to close the wound. Another accident requiring medical attention overtook George Wilkinson, one of the Junior Band boys. George fell on a broken bottle and cut an artery in his knee. Blood spurting two feet, but it was promptly stopped and the lad taken to the doctor.

## "Reddy" Fox Turns Chicken Thief

It seems as if when wolves are not killing sheep, then the foxes are destroying poultry in a section of Whitchurch Township. For some time now farmers have been silently smarting under a suspicion that something either on two or four legs was carrying off their birds up in the Church Hill district. Last week the suspicion was confirmed when Charles McLean, town-line farmer, lost no less than 39 chickens. There was no guess work this time. There were the chickens killed, and strewn all over the barn yard, and the marks of Reddy Fox everywhere.

Herb Pegg also lost four, and

## Municipal Farm Pays Markham \$1350 a Year

City of Toronto Offer Grant on Tax Exempt Property at Langstaff

Reeve James Rennie was wearing the look of complete contentment last weekend. He had just emerged from a final settlement between the City of Toronto and the Township of Markham over the matter of taxes to be paid by the city on the Municipal Farm and jail property at Langstaff which is situated in the township. Under the terms of the agreement the city will pay the township annually \$1350 as a grant as the property is really exempt from taxation under the statutes as a philanthropic institution, just as the Kingsley farms at Vandorf was exempt from taxes in Whitchurch.

At one time the city gave Markham a grant of \$400, but have paid more than that. Last year the question came up and a battle royal was on the horizon. However, Reeve Rennie and Solicitor Lucas made personal contact with the city officials and finally secured an agreement ensuring the township of a grant as stated above.

The annual payment is based on the assessment for the land only, totalling 730 acres, assessed normally for \$55,000. Reeve Rennie paid tribute to the fairness of the city officials and solicitors in arriving at a settlement. The city refused to recognize any liability to pay taxes, but were disposed to aid the township to some extent by way of a grant in lieu of a land tax which the township is losing because of the city occupying the area.

The fact that the question has a lasting settlement for some years without recourse to law, will be welcomed by the ratepayers in general.

## GRAIN YIELDS GOOD

Checking up on a few farmers along the 6th concession of Markham this week, we learn that grain crops were very good in the locality. One Cashel farmer placed the average for wheat at 40 bushels to the acre, where no fertilizer was used, and where it was used the return is higher; he said. Oats are particularly good running on the Archie Fleming farm, around 74 bushels to the acre, and 37 pounds to the bushel, it was discovered from a plot set aside for exhibition use, but on which ground there had been no fertilizer added.

## Pretty Wedding in the Baptist Church

Morris Hornsby Takes Blanche Slack as Bride

Stouffville Baptist Church was the background for the marriage, Saturday, of Emma Blanche Slack, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis E. Slack, Stouffville, to Morris Charles Hornsby, son of Thomas C. and the late Mrs. Hornsby of Toronto. Rev. D. Macgregor officiated. Banks of ferns, gladioli and delphinium were used to decorate the church. Mr. Glenn Ratcliff presided at the organ. The bride given in marriage by her father wore a gown of white marquisette swiss tulle over satin made on princess lines with fitted jacket. Her finger tip veil of silk net fell from a coronet of white roses and she carried a shower of pink roses and stocks. Miss Ella Slack sister of the bride was maid of honor attired in pale pink (Continued on page five)