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Clifford Barkey Spots Hold-Up Pair in City

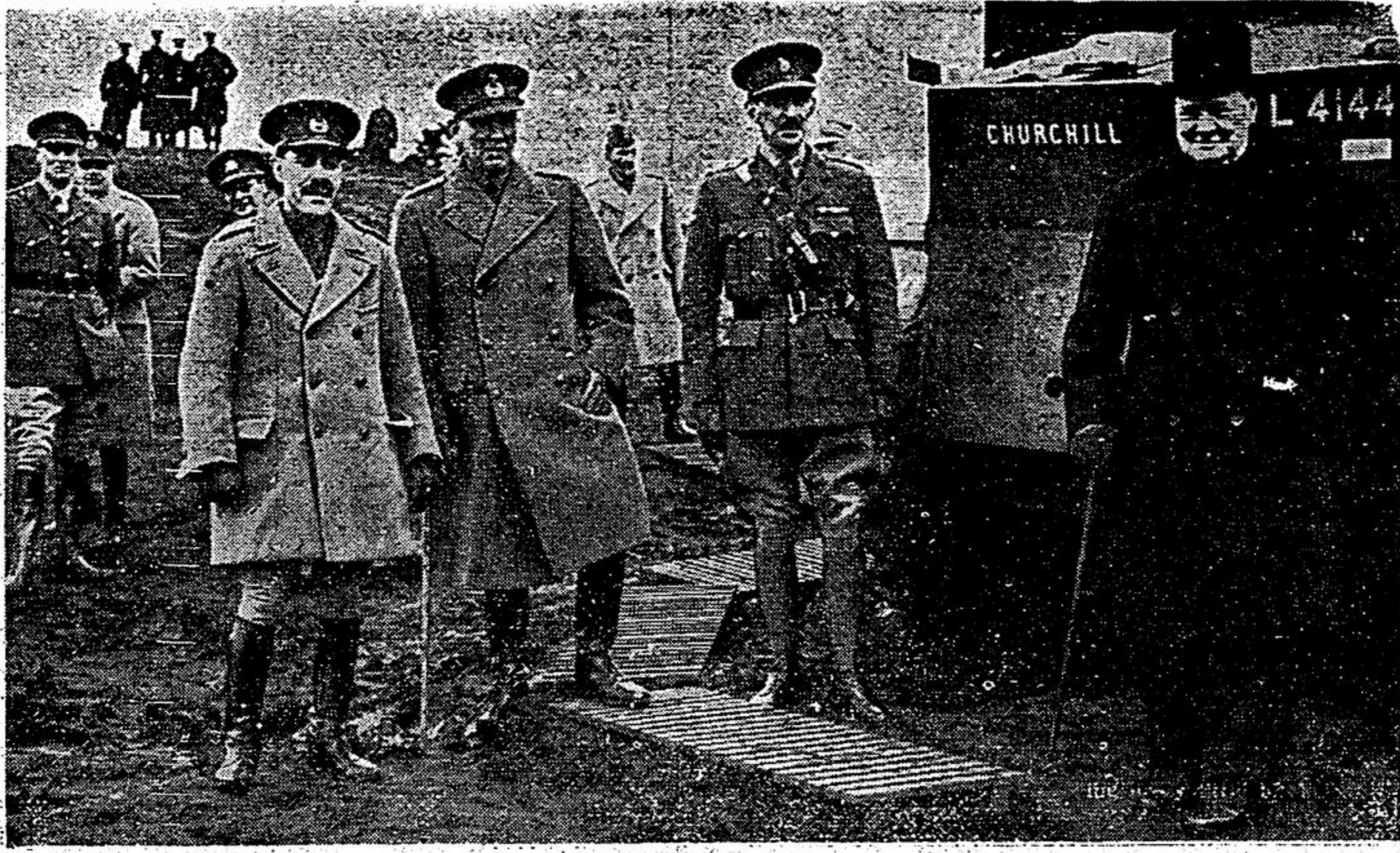
A quick glance by Clifford Barkey, 130 Strachan Avenue, saved him from being slugged with a piece of iron bar in a holdup attempt Monday night in a service station at Front and Bay Streets, Toronto, according to a news despatch. Cliff is a son of Charles Barkey, of Altona.

Aubrey Staley, 27, a soldier from Chippawa, was arrested on a charge of attempted robbery and purse snatching. Staley's 14-year-old brother, who was with him in the service station, was arrested later. He is held jointly with his brother on the purse snatching charge.

Barkey was working in the service station when he noticed the soldier and the boy loitering around the front of the place. He kept a close eye on them and when they entered, Staley was seen by Barkey to raise the piece of iron bar as if to strike him on the head with it. Barkey, without rousing Staley's suspicion, moved away and a second later got to the telephone and notified police.

Staley and the boy are charged with snatching a purse on Beverley Street Sunday night. The soldier is alleged to have snatched a purse containing \$2.19 from Mrs. Bertha Agar, 27 Sullivan Street.

Britain's Man of Steel Reviews His Mechanized Forces



Wearing his customary bulldog smile, Prime Minister Winston Churchill pauses beside a heavily armored car inscribed "Churchill" during a tank demonstration somewhere in England. A symbol of Britain's indomitable courage is this man of iron will and determination.

With him are high army officials, who watched with interest as tanks and mechanized units went to town on an imaginary enemy.

The man of the hour stands ready, match in hand, to light the fuse of the little island's great anti-invasion army if and when the zero hour arrives.

Ballantrae Loses Third Game to Give Reach Uxbridge Cup

In a wide-open hockey spree before 900 fans on Friday night, Reach downed the Ballantrae Shellmen 9-7 for the third straight win, and one which gave them the championship, and Uxbridge Inter-Community League Trophy.

Having won the last two games in the best out of five series, and tied the first, Reach was in the driver's seat on Friday night, and even though Ballantrae managed to pile up seven goals, the smoother combination of the northern club gave them an edge. Goal-getters for Ballantrae were Ken. Reesor, Herb. Simpson and Everett McNelly.

Victoria Square Sale Reaches \$6,300

One of the big sales for this district came off last Thursday on the Edgerton Avison farm on the 4th of Markham, when the gross proceeds of the day's selling totalled \$6,300. A. S. Farmer was the best man of the hour, and did a good job in a hurry, for one has to move lively to knock off that amount of goods between noon and six o'clock.

The auction had several features to the selling. First we mention the sale of the threshing outfit which went to a man from Vaughan township for \$632.50. The big outfit was well sold, onlookers said. Then knocked down was the tractor to Stan Boynton of the Square for the sum of \$375, thus the two items totalled over a thousand dollars.

Top price for cows was \$91, while the farm bull brought an even one hundred dollars. Horses did better than at some sales, the best animal realizing \$120. Grain sold easily, Urban oats at 60c, barley 53c, wheat 81c, and hay \$12 per ton.

The Avisons are moving to Victoria Square the farm being taken over by Reid Brumwell.

War Will Not Be Endless Struggle as Some People Think

Says Noted Newscaster, Only Gives Hitler Year and a Half at Most, Believes the Menace of Invasion Passed

"This war will not go on, and on, and on, as many people think, but I predict that it will be over in a year and a half at the most," stated John Collingwood Reade, authoritative news commentator, in addressing a gathering of two hundred, at the annual York County Holstein Breeders banquet held at Agincourt, on Monday evening. Mr. Reade took for his subject, "Democracy at War."

What Are We Fighting For?

"We are not fighting to preserve the democracy, as we have known it in the past," said the speaker. "Mr. Churchill realizes that, and we must all be struck with the similarity and sincerity of thought between our two great leaders, Churchill and Roosevelt. We are fighting for our right to change our way of life in our own way and in our own time—we are fighting against a perverted morality—against a system which has lost all understanding of what truth means. This latter fact is completely illustrated in the official communiques of the Axis powers."

Mr. Reade continued, that in recent Lease-Lend debate across the border, when members asked, but if Hitler should win, the question was not whether Hitler would make a direct assault upon the United States but that America could never hope to enter into any contract with Hitler, anymore than Hitler could enter into any contract with America.

"It has been more difficult for us to figure out what the enemy will do next, purely because ordinary men could never even contemplate their fellowmen doing such bare-faced, devilish acts as those perpetrated by the Nazis."

"The late Mr. Chamberlain, who was a personal friend of mine," said the speaker, "could never imagine anyone, smiling and shaking hands in such apparent sincerity, and in the next instant committing such callous acts as were committed. Now we have accustomed ourselves to the ruthlessness of the enemy and are better able to deal with him."

How Are We Getting Along
"Hitler is not a great military genius," stated our newscaster, emphasizing (Continued on page 8)

LOCAL RINKS IN BONSPILL

Two home club rinks are representing Stouffville in the Royal Canadian curling bonspiel which opened on Tuesday. Thirty-three rinks are in the contest for the A. E. Walton Trophy. H. W. Sander's rink of Orval Drewery, Harry Brillinger and Chris. Armstrong dropped their first game to Oshawa, 11-7. The second local rink of Ira Aldred, Thos. Birckett, Sam Armstrong and M. E. Watts (8) were scheduled to play on Wednesday.

ELAINE DALE MARRIED TO GEORGE LAWSON

The home of Dr. and Mrs. S. A. Milburn, Toronto, was the setting for a pretty ceremony, when Miss Elaine Dale, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Roberts of Vancouver, was married to Mr. George W. Lawson, Brownsburg, Quebec, son of Mrs. Lawson of Stouffville, and the late George Lawson, Adjutant A. Dale of Windsor, brother of the bride, officiated.

The bride, given in marriage by Dr. Milburn, wore a frock of waterfall blue, with black accessories and corsage of orchids. The wedding music was played by Miss Eva Toloway, and the soloist was Mrs. C. H. McDougall. Mrs. Milburn wore a gown of navy blue and dusky rose, with corsage of Token roses, and Mrs. Lawson was gowned in navy blue, with corsage of pink roses. After the reception the couple left on a short trip, and will live in Lachute.

Goodwood People in Motor Crash

Returning from Uxbridge on Monday evening during the blinding storm Harvey Feasby's car in which with him rode his sister Audrey and two other school students met head-on with Johnston's truck as they neared the Centre road, breaking the Feasby car almost beyond repair.

Harvey and Audrey both received cuts and bruises, the girl's forehead requiring four stitches, while the Brethour lad received a broken arm. They were attended by Dr. McClintock and Dr. Wilson of Uxbridge.

UXBRIDGE TWP. TAX COLLECTOR MARRIED

The marriage was quietly solemnized at the Baptist manse in Uxbridge on Saturday afternoon of Miss Florence Leaf, adopted sister of Mr. Melville Merrick, to Mr. Distin McDonald of Goodwood. Rev. Mr. Ostrum performed the ceremony.

Following a quiet luncheon Mr. and Mrs. McDonald motored to Toronto with Mr. and Mrs. Merrick, and will shortly locate at the groom's cottage in Goodwood.

Mr. McDonald is tax collector for Uxbridge Township, and is widely known in the district.

SECOND ACCIDENT ON 8th OF WHITCHURCH

Run into by a truck as he was making his way in his car along the 8th concession on Monday afternoon during the blinding snow storm, Wm. Sedore of Whitchurch, was severely shaken up. It required 14 stitches to close up his wounds. The accident followed closely on the Ratcliff one the same afternoon on this concession line in the winter's worst storm.

ACCIDENT IN SCHOOL ZONE

Little Donna Keeping was struck by a car driven by Floyd Forsyth as the child 8-year-old crossed the road in front of the school house on Tuesday afternoon. She was severely bruised but at time of going to press no pronouncement had been made regarding what the x-ray plates may reveal.

Son Follows in Father's Steps in Business Established Half Century

Established 50 years ago the personnel of Ratcliff & Co., Stouffville's oldest business concern, is slightly changed. With the retirement of Messrs. Jas. H. Ratcliff and John W. Ratcliff from the firm, Mr. Glenn Ratcliff becomes the new owner, and the town's youngest business proprietor. Supported by such a family background, and a concern of so many years' standing, the youthful owner has an unusual start, and we predict he will continue to hold the big grocery in the very front rank of local business.

To Messrs. John and James Ratcliff we join the business community in extending our best wishes for their continued good health, and may they both enjoy many more years of life, stripped of the business cares that attaches itself to all life business concerns.

In the dissolution of partnership existing for so many years between Messrs. James and John Ratcliff, the latter now become sole owner of the

Markham Holds a Formidable Lead for Second Game

Markham O.H.A. Junior "C" team stepped into a commanding lead over Parry Sound in the first game of their home and home series, Monday night, walking away from the home team in the last period, to win 7-3. The return game in Markham is scheduled for to-night, (Thursday).

A third-period scoring spree on the part of Markham broke up a close, thrilling game of hockey. The northern team led for the first two periods, and had a comfortable margin in the play during this time. The score was 2-0 for Parry Sound at the end of the first period, Waldriff scoring on a pass from Copedog, while Horeck soloed for no.2.

Baker scored the only goal of the second period, taking a neat pass from Lawrie. Two quick goals at the start of the third period started Markham on the winning road. Orr tied it up for the Sound on a pass-out from Waldriff. R. Bangay, who had been held well in check for two periods, came through with two quick goals, the first on a pass from Lawrie and the second from Lawrie and Baker.

The locals played well up for the rest of the period and left themselves open for breakaways. Rowe and Murray each scored in this manner.

TAUGHT AT ALTONA AGED TEACHER DEAD

Robert T. Andrew, former teacher of languages in several Ontario schools died Saturday in his 87th year at 26 Oswald Crescent, Toronto. He had been retired since 1923. Born in Scotland he taught school at several points in Ontario before entering University. One of his places was Altona, and several of our present residents recall going to school to him. Mr. Andrew was a member of the Queens' Own Rifles, and a member of the Masonic Lodge at Richmond Hill.

Sunday, March 23, Day of Prayer.

Prominent Lumberman is Seriously Injured

Struck by His Own Truck, in a
Blinding Snowstorm, on the
8th Concession, Monday

Struck by his own truck loaded with logs as he was helping to push a passenger car out of the snow during a blinding snow storm on Monday afternoon, Mr. William Ratcliff suffered a badly broken leg. In fact his foot was twisted right around, and the nature of the break was such that his doctor ordered him removed to Toronto.

The accident happened in mid-afternoon about opposite the Talbot farm on the 8th concession. Mr. Ratcliff was riding with Walter Vague whose car got stuck. Mr. Ratcliff and Wm. Grove got out to push, when Ratcliff's big truck driven by Philip Fockler loaded with logs overtook them. No one could see in the blinding storm, and just what happened, none of the men can really tell. No blame is attached to anyone.

The injured man was removed to the office of Dr. Ball where x-ray revealed the serious nature of the trouble.

On being removed to the operating room at the hospital, the case coming out was none other than that of Dr. T. T. Shields who had received a broken arm.

BETHESDA SALE RUNS \$1500

Although regarded as one of the smaller sales in the immediate district Gordon Tidsbury's auction last Friday afternoon totalled around \$1500. Top price paid for cows was \$85 and her calf \$8. Grain sold at one cent per pound, with fairly good bidding for implements throughout. Mr. Tidsbury has only been farming a few years, and is forced to give up owing to his health. He will locate in Stouffville.

Richard Taun Buried on Monday

Richard K. Taun who died at his home in Stouffville on Friday of last week, was laid to rest in Stouffville cemetery on Monday, the funeral service being taken by Rev. L.E. Atkinson. Deceased was in his 78th year, and died following a stroke suffered a few weeks ago. Pall bearers were Messrs. James Coates, Morgan Pugh, W. P. Jones, Wm. Wilson, Wm. Waddell and Edw. Walls.

Richard Taun with his brother George and two sisters, Misses Thressa and Bessie, located in Stouffville 15 years ago when they purchased the brick residence in the east end which for some years served as the M.E.C. manse. The family of sisters and brothers at that time left the old Taun homestead now owned by Albert Slack south and east of Claremont where their 50 acre farm was a model of neatness and in a high state of cultivation.

Besides the sisters and brother mentioned above one other sister passed away long years ago. Mr. Taun was highly regarded and enjoyed a wide circle of personal friends. He took no active part in public affairs although he kept himself well informed.

60 TONS A MONTH

Mr. Jim Barry, vegetable dealer, has been delivering about 60 tons a month of mixed vegetables to Camp Borden all winter. Cabbage, carrots, turnips, parsnips, make up the greater part of this monthly consumption, mostly produced in Stouffville area.



big Ratcliff block in which the Bethesda & Stouffville Telephone Co., the Eastern Star and the LeOla Food Shop, are tenants.