

Public Expression of Gratitude

Completing fifty years of business, means that the years have taken toll of the strength and energy of those who have labored to complete this long term, building up a successful and ever-growing business, by courtesy, integrity and faithfulness by those engaged, coupled with the generous continued and loyal support of our large list of customers.

Many who started with us, have continued through the years, with loyal and pleasing business relations, and the younger generation have followed.

We take this opportunity of expressing as far as words may do so, our heartfelt and sincere gratitude, to those who have given us these years of pleasing relationship. We trust that years yet may be given to us to further enjoy happy and pleasing fellowship and intercourse.

The firm of Ratcliff & Co., will be continued by Glenn Ratcliff, who has grown up with the business, and whose experience so gained, will enable him to continue to give the same quality of service, and we bespeak for him the same kindly and generous support, for which in return, he will give of his best.

James H. Ratcliff
Jno. W. Ratcliff

Victoria Square

A social evening under the Y.P.U. will be held in the Sunday School room on Monday evening, March 24. Carrville Y.P.U. will be present.

Mr. and Mrs. John Leée and daughter of Maple visited with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Beatty on Sunday.

Miss Verna Taun had tea at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Gee on Sunday evening.

The community was pleased that Mr. Avison had such a nice day for his sale on Thursday last, and also that it was so well attended.

The many friends of Boyd Mount, R.C.A.S.C., will be pleased to hear he has recently been moved back to Toronto from Camp Borden.

Owing to the condition of the roads the W.A. St. Patrick's Supper planned for March 17th had to be postponed to Wednesday, when they intend having the supper and regular meeting combined.

Owing to last Tuesday being about the worst day of the winter, the Anthony Nigh auction sale was postponed until Saturday of this week. There were times during the storm that large barns were scarcely visible from the farm house windows.

The Mission Circle held an interesting meeting last Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Millicent Avison. Mrs. J. Paul led in a discussion on the Study Book and a solo by Miss Dorothy Oliver was much enjoyed.

Mr. Norman Martin, formerly employed with Mr. John Snider of the 5th line has joined the R.C.A.F. and left on Thursday of last week. He will be missed by many friends at Victoria Square who wish him every success in his new work.

The Jr. Farmers are holding a social evening of croquinoles, euchre and dance in the Community Hall on Friday evening, March 21. Every one please provide. Anyone having a croquinoles board please bring it along.

With so much snow still on our country roads, it is hard to realize that Friday is the first day of spring. These past warm, sunny days have certainly been welcomed by many people, especially the shut-ins. This of course is the situation prior to the storm this week.

The J.W.I. had a booth at Mr. Avison's sale at which they cleared over \$12 to be used for war work in our community. This is the third booth they have had for this purpose and we are certainly indebted to the president, Mrs. Marcus Jarvis for the interest she has taken in this work.

Miss Annie Avison really sprung a surprise on her many friends at the Square, when she left last weekend for New Brunswick to become the bride of Mr. Frank Alan Collins of the Queen's Own Rifles, N.B., son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Collins, Alameda, Sask. Frank is a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Wilmot Brumwell of this place and having been here from time to time has made many local friends.

The J.F.A. and J.W.I. held their monthly meeting last Tuesday evening, but owing to blocked roads there was a small attendance. The J.W.I. held their election of officers which resulted in the following being elected: Hon. Pres., Mrs. P. Willows; Pres., Mrs. Martin Styrmo; 1st Vice, Mrs. W. Trussell; 2nd Vice, Doris Knapp; Sec., Mabel Casely; Assist., Marion Boston; Treas., Marion Smith; Pianist, Marjorie Hart; Assist., Mabel Sanderson; Song Leader, Marion Boston; Press Sec., Mabel Casely; Dist. Dir., Mrs. M. Jarvis; Br. Dir., Mrs. Martin Styrmo; Mabel Casely and Mrs. John Snider; Con. of Red Cross Knitting, Mabel Sanderson; Auditors, Mrs. D. Gee and Annie Avison.

The Y.P.U. opened their meeting on Sunday evening with Mr. Harold Klinck, Citizenship Con. in the chair. The scripture was read by Miss G. Boynton. The topic was ably handled by Mr. Fraser Gee and two lovely solos were rendered by Mrs. M. Avison. Next Sunday evening will be in charge of Miss Irene Beatty, and her group with the topic on, "The Art of Photography", to be taken by Mr. Frank Brumwell.

The Y.P.U. will lift an offering on Sunday evening, March 30th, to buy War Saving Certificates payable to the United Church. Please keep this in mind and any of the older folk who would like to give in this way are welcome to do so at this meeting.

COMING OF SPRING
Spring will soon be here again,
The grass will turn to green,
The robin and the lively wren
Will then again be seen;
They will sing, and cheer the world anew,
With their loud and cheery chatter.
The sparrows too, a merry crew,

Cream Shippers Have Edge on Milk Shippers

According to the present price paid for butter fat, milk shippers are doing some figuring as to how they stand in respect to their surplus milk.

According to Mr. Jos. Borinsky whom we contacted, the cream from 100 pounds of milk testing 3.5 is worth around \$1.35 at the creamery, or \$1.31 if gathered by creamery truck at the farm, plus 90 lbs. of skim milk the farmer has left and which is generally reckoned to be worth 20c per 100 lbs.

The conclusion is that by keeping as much milk out of the city supply as possible, farmers gain a two-fold objective. They stimulate the fluid milk market by not burdening it with over-supply, and they help the butter shortage by sending to the creamery, which seems all to the advantage of the producer.

HAS LIVED 83 YEARS IN THE SAME HOUSE

We were impressed with the admission made in the office of this paper a few days ago by Mr. W. A. Cook of Lemonville when he told us that he had lived all his long life in the very house where he now resides just north of the Lemonville hamlet. Mr. Cook is 83, but he possesses all his faculties and is able to do a day's work right along. In fact he has been a plowman since he was a lad of twelve years and he has never missed a summer from between the plow handles since that time. "I hope to plow again next spring," said this veteran yeoman.

Mr. Cook said that when he was a young man he plowed all day, then walked to Stouffville and back in the evening to do some shopping, and they thought nothing of it in those times.

Bride Carried Heather from Scotland

A beautiful wedding was solemnized on Friday evening last at Silverthorn Baptist church, Toronto, when Edna Millicent Smith of Toronto, was united in marriage to L.A.C. Albert Whittingstall, R.C.A.R., Camp Borden, grandson of Mr. Alfred Whittingstall of Stouffville.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was gowned in white lace over taffeta with finger tip veil with pearl coronet, and carried deep red roses and white heather from Scotland. Her only ornament was an old gold locket belonging to the groom's grandmother. Rev. E. R. Breckon assisted by Dr. Scutt, officiated.

Mrs. Gilmour played the wedding music. Mrs. Douglas Courage rendered a solo, "Love's Perfection." Miss Nellie Smith was maid-of-honor, and Miss Joan Nullmeyer bridesmaid. Little Dorothy Smith and Margaret Jean Whittingstall were junior bridesmaids attired in full length gowns. Messrs. John McIntyre and Fred Smith were ushers.

Pte. Wm. Whittingstall of the Irish Regiment of Canada, was his brother's best man.

The bride's mother wore pale blue crepe street length dress with black accessories and wore a corsage of Talsman roses. The groom's mother received in a floor length gown of dusty rose sheer over taffeta with rose accessories and wore a corsage of pink roses and green peas.

The reception was held in the church Sunday School room. The affair was attended by four grandmothers, being Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Harmon, grandmother of the bride, and Mrs. McIntyre and Mrs. Whittingstall, on the groom's side. The happy couple will reside in Toronto, while the groom resumes his duties at Camp Borden.

Will hunt the seeds that scatter,
The farmer will get out his team,
And plow the long, black furrows.
The cows, they will increase their cream,
And woodchucks leave their burrows,
From out the trees, both far and near,
Come buds and leaves in masses,
The sap will run so fresh and clear,
And men will boil molasses.
—By W. V. Glebe

Farm Harness

Now is the time to check over your team harness in readiness for spring work. We can supply you with any parts needed, also collars, sweat pads, etc.

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Miss Lois Hoover is staying in Stouffville for a few days.

Rev. Arthur Greer, Mrs. Greer and son, Newmarket, were at the Carruthers home here on Friday.

Miss Isabel Tran was home on Sunday.

Chas. Gostick has invested in a new tractor.
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tran were guests at H. St. John's, Stouffville, on Sunday.

Albert Draper and Fred were in the city one day last week.

Glad to note that the measles are disappearing around here.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Lehman visited in Altona Monday.

Bill Dike and lady friend were entertained at the D. J. Tran home on Sunday.

The big event here last week was the barn raising on Saturday afternoon at Roy Seebeck's when a big

truss frame was put up on the old foundation where the super-structure was destroyed by fire a few months ago.

Mongolia

We wonder how many schools enjoy the benefits of a radio crystal set. Mr. Fairles, our teacher has installed one in the school room. The pupils in turn listen to the 3 o'clock news broadcast and record main events each day in a large current event scrap book.

Mrs. B. Reesor and Blake also Mrs. A. Carruthers were helping Mrs. W. Wideman to get ready to move one day last week. Tuesday was the day they expected to move from their home on the 10th Con., where they lived nearly fifty years to the townline on the east end of their farm, but the weatherman ruled otherwise.

Church Announcements

STOUFFVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

R. K. Vickers, Pastor

Sunday, March 23rd, 1941

10:00 a.m.—Sunday School
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
7:00 p.m.—Gospel Service.
Tuesday 8 p.m.—Christian Endeavour

CHURCH HILL

Thursday—Christian Endeavour

Sunday, March 23rd, 1941

2:00 p.m.—Sunday School
3:00 p.m.—Worship Service.

BLOOMINGTON, RINGWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCHES

Sunday, March 23rd, 1941

Rev. E. Morton will preach at all services.
Come and Worship With Us.

STOUFFVILLE BAPTIST

Rev. Duncan, Macgregor, Pastor

Friday 8 p.m.—The Young People's Bible Class

Sunday, March 23rd, 1941

10:00 a.m.—Bible School
Classes for all ages

11:00 a.m.—Worship
7:00 p.m.—Gospel Service

Subject—"It Must Be A Total Effort Now!"

Tuesday 8 p.m.—Prayer Meeting
You are cordially invited to worship with us

SECOND MARKHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, March 23rd, 1941

9:45 a.m.—Bible School

11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship

Wednesday 8 p.m.—Prayer Meeting

"Flee from the wrath to come."
WE WELCOME YOU!

DICKSON HILL and MT. JOY MENNONITE CHURCHES

Rev. P. G. Lehman, Pastor

DICKSON'S HILL

Standard Time

Sunday, March 23rd, 1941

9:45 a.m.—Bible School

10:45 a.m.—Quarterly Ordinance and Communion Service. Rev. M. Bricker, of Toronto, in charge.

7:30 p.m.—Gospel Service

Subject—"The Devil's Partners"

This stirring message will reveal the strategy of Satan for this age. You will be helped and instructed by hearing it. Mr. Lehman will preach.

MOUNT JOY

Daylight Saving Time

10:30 a.m.—Bible School

This congregation will worship at Dickson's Hill, at 8 p.m. s.t.

this church is withdrawn.

8 p.m.—Rev. M. Bricker will preach.

Note—Business Meeting Friday, at Dickson's Hill, at 8 p.m. s.t.

We Welcome You.

CHRIST CHURCH, ANGLICAN

Rev. F. Herman, Rector

March 23, 1941.

Fourth Sunday in Lent

2:00 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.

The Rector will be in charge

ST JAMES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, STOUFFVILLE

Rev. T. De Courcy Rayner, Minister

Sunday, March 23rd, 1941

9:45 a.m.—Divine Worship

"A Matchless Threefold Invitation"

Which invitation of Jesus touches the deepest need of human life in every part?

Come to Church this Sunday

LEMONVILLE, BALLANTRAE

Rev. W. S. Irwin, Pastor

Thursday, March 20, 8 p.m. Prayer Meeting at the home of Mr. John Paisley, Ballantrae.

Sunday, March 23rd, 1941

10-11—Ballantrae S.S. and Worship.

2-3—Lemonville S. S. and Worship

"They Know not what they do."

—Luke 23:34

STOUFFVILLE MENNONITE CHURCH

Rev. H. Shantz, Pastor

Sunday, March 23rd, 1941

10:00 a.m.—Sunday School

11:00 a.m.—Divine Worship

Offering taken for Camp Meeting Fund.

2:30 p.m.—Mongolia S. S.

7:00 p.m.—Evangelistic

Mr. Clarence Hunking will preach.

7:00 p.m.—Altona—Offering for Camp Meeting Fund.

Monday 8 p.m.—Young People's Meeting at Altona. Mr. Geo. Byer is convener of the group arranging the program.

Tuesday 8 p.m.—Mongolia Meeting

Wednesday 8 p.m.—Altona Prayer Meeting

Young People's Prayer Meeting

Thursday 7:30 p.m.—Prayer Meeting and Business Meeting.

Friday evening 8—Atha Prayer

You are welcome to all services.

STOUFFVILLE UNITED CHURCH

L. E. Atkinson, Minister

Sunday, March 23rd, 1941

A Day of National Prayer

11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship

Rev. T. V. Hart, B.A., of Camilla, will be in charge of the service.

Subject: "Mistaken Tears"

Monday, 8 p.m.—Young People's Fireside Service.

Wednesday, 8 p.m.—Prayer and Fellowship Hour.

His Majesty requests all to make this a day of National Prayer. Strangers and visitors are warmly welcomed to worship with us.

The W. A. will meet at the home of Mrs. Amos Lehman next Tuesday, March 25th.

A Unique Event

A special feature at Emmanuel Bible School, Stouffville, was enjoyed last Monday, when two veteran ministers of the M.B.C. Church were in attendance.

Rev. Samuel Goudie, with fifty years of work in the ministry behind him, twenty-eight of these as residing Elder, addressed the Missions Class and gave an interesting account of the development of foreign Missions in this church.

At the devotional period of the morning, Rev. Henry Goudie, 90 years of age, the only living charter member of this church, addressed the student body. He reviewed his life in ministry, and the listeners were made to catch the vision still apparent in this man of God. Rev. Henry Goudie also served as pastor and Presiding Elder in Ontario and Alberta.

Red Cross Notes

Major E. H. A. Watson of the Red Cross Provincial Headquarters Staff, Toronto, will be in Stouffville, on Thursday, March 20th, to meet the members of the executive, and other committees of the Local

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BEEF STEW - 2 tins 25c

Hillcrest Golden Wax Beans 16 oz. tins 9c

Niblet Corn (Del Maiz) 2 tins 25c

Coffee deal, 1 lb. coffee and 1 bottle flavouring

NABOB COFFEE both 55c

Aylmer Tomato Catsup (12 oz. bottle) 2 for 25c

Moonlight Cheese (pimiento or plain) 1/2 lb. 10c

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