

Rev. L. E. Atkinson Gets Unanimous Call From Uxbridge

Rev. L. E. Atkinson of Stouffville, has accepted a call from the congregation of the Uxbridge United Church to become their pastor on and after July 1st next.

The call was made at a congregational meeting held last Sunday morning. It was unanimously extended. In the old days of Methodism, Uxbridge was regarded as the "top" church in the district, and the district chairman always resided there.

The big edifice in Uxbridge, built in 1888 by the late Peter Addison, is one of the finest united churches outside of the larger cities, and seats 1800 people. It is the home of the widely known Business Men's Bible Class founded by its present leader Mr. T. G. Gold over thirty years ago.

A successor has not yet been found to replace Mr. Atkinson in Stouffville, who will leave a vacancy not easily filled. At the congregational meeting in January Mr. Atkinson was invited to remain in Stouffville for a sixth year, but we have heard him say that after five years preacher and congregation are better for a change, and so the inevitable move is to be made.

SELLS RANCH FARM ON 9th OF MARKHAM

Mr. Hugh Boyd has sold his 100-acre ranch farm on the 9th concession of Markham, just south of Stouffville, to Mr. George Rodanz, who will operate the place in conjunction with his 950 acres at Ringwood. The 9th concession property is a famous ranch place, well grassed and with plenty of water available in the running creek. Its proximity to the home acres at Ringwood will enable Ringwood Farms Limited, under which Mr. Rodanz's properties are consolidated, to pasture any number of cattle all summer and late fall before moving them into stable.

The Boyd farm originally belonged to the Mainland estate being bought by Hugh Boyd in 1913 just before the outbreak of the last war.

AFRICAN MISSIONARIES AT M.B.C. CHURCH

The missionary convention in the M.B.C. church last weekend attracted very good attendance, especially on the Sunday. Special speakers were Miss Verna Schade who had served in Central Africa and Miss Martha Hood from the Nigeria field.

Miss Schade, daughter of a Baptist minister, claims New Dundee as her home town, while Miss Hood comes from Listowel. Both young ladies are forceful speakers and their interesting and instructive addresses were backed by lantern views taken on the far away fields.

AMERICAN VISITORS

Rev. F. E. and Mrs. Hyde are in town for a few days from their home at West Milton, Ohio. Mr. Hyde was a popular preacher here a few years ago, serving the Congregational-Christian church.

Band Program Interest is Steadily Growing

On Tuesday the fourteenth of April, the Stouffville Junior Band entertained the troops in training at Newmarket. Soloists for the band were Master Earl Lehman and Master George Wilkinson who were very well received.

Feature artist on the programme was Miss Patricia Bailey who has just returned from Hollywood where she was guest artist on Al Pierce's programme. Miss Bailey is a pupil of bandmaster Ridley's. Master Clair Tomser also made a great impression on the troops singing and dancing Irish Eyes are Smiling. Mr. Bob Pogue sang some fine old Irish songs and Miss Jean Innes sang a group of songs especially arranged for her by Mr. Ridley who was at the piano. Miss Dorothy Suzanne Dodgson gave

ANOTHER LOCAL BOY IN UNIFORM

Sam Anderson was in town for a short while over the weekend in the uniform of a member of the Royal Canadian Corps Signallers. Sam, who is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Anderson of Stouffville was recently employed as an assistant linesman of the B. & S. Telephone Co.

Case Dismissed in Motor Accident

The charge against Floyd Forsyth arising out of an accident in Stouffville, on March 18, when Donna Keeping, 8 year-old daughter of Len Keeping, barber, was injured by Mr. Forsyth's car as she crossed the road in front of the school building, was thrown out by Magistrate Keith in county court on Monday.

The driver of the car was charged with careless driving and failure to return to the scene of an accident. The bench scouted any attempt at failure to report the accident, and dismissed the other charge of careless driving without calling the defence to give evidence.

Over Dozen Local Students Prepare for Farm Work

Over a dozen students at the local High School are now available to help on farms according to Principal L. C. Murphy. Several have already secured positions for themselves, while others will no doubt be placed as the spring work begins to break. Farmers who are interested in securing this help might communicate with the principal who will place some young war worker at their disposal.

Those who leave the school now have written their examinations and if successful they will have completed their academic year; if not, they will be required to write the departmental papers at a later date.



J. A. Todd

The arch bridge which caved in over a week ago on Main street running across the street in front of Monkhouses tailor shop, was built in 1902 when Joe Todd was our reeve. Members of the council that year were J. A. Trull, Dr. Sangster, D. Forsyth and Richard Underhill. The bridge cost \$950.

Veteran Campaigners Fight for Deputy-Reeve Position in Whitchurch

Veterans of more than one election campaign Herman Kidd and George Leary, councillors of the township of Whitchurch laid down the gauntlet Monday afternoon, when they both tendered their resignation to the council in session, to contest the vacancy for the chair of the deputy reeveship.

When both councillors offered their withdrawal in writing, Reeve Earl Toole said to the only councillor left, "I guess it is up to you and me Mr. Wells, to accept these resignations," which was done immediately and the meeting was over in a few minutes, (save for the passing of the nomination bylaw) probably the shortest council session ever recorded in the township. Members withdrew without any discussion. It was the breaking up of a council that had been intact for five years, and would be continuing today had it not been for the death of Deputy Reeve Jesse Cook.

Reeve Toole intimated that any member wishing to run for deputy reeve must resign at this time as he intended to issue his warrant so that the clerk could proceed with the nomination to fill any vacancies.

The nomination meeting will be held on Monday, April 28, from one to two p.m., and the election will be held one week later, Monday, May 5th. The polls will be open this time from 9 in the morning until 8 in the evening, instead of closing at five as heretofore.

Contrary to the usual nomination meeting in January this will be a purely formal affair, with no public speaking after the nominations are closed at 2 o'clock.

With George Leary and Herman Kidd contesting the deputy reeveship, two vacancies on the council are to be filled. The names of Ed. Logan, Eugene Baker, Harry Ratcliff and Dan. Hall are prominently mentioned and all may stand.

Vivian Native Died in Vancouver

The death occurred at North Vancouver on Monday morning, April 22, of Edith Millard, widow of the late William Edward Card, sr., formerly of Vivian.

The late Mrs. Card is being brought to her native province for burial. The remains will be resting at the funeral parlors of Theaker & Sons, Mount Albert after the arrival of the Saturday morning train, April 26, until the funeral service on Monday afternoon which will be followed by interment at St. John's Norway, Toronto.

Bowlers' Executive to Stand for 1941

A fair attendance of local bowlers turned out for the annual re-organization meeting on Thursday evening, and the same list of officers carried last year were unanimously returned for another season. They are: Hon. Pres., Blake Sanders; Pres. A. H. Williams; vice Pres., Ross Ratcliff; Sec'y-Treas., Thomas Rae; Grounds Comm., Messrs. M. E. Watts, Jas. Ratcliff, Ira Aldred; Games Committee, Robert Johnston, M. E. Watts and Fred Marshall; membership comm., F. L. Button, Jas. Ratcliff.

It was decided to charge a fee of \$4 this year, in an effort to clear the club of some of its financial burdens. Outsiders and beginners will pay \$3.00. Despite the fact that a number of large repair bills cut into last year's funds, the club showed a slight balance on the current financial sheet, and it is hoped that with these expenses over, and the increase of \$1.00 in the fee, better financial progress can be made. George Saunders was engaged as caretaker at the usual salary of \$150

REMOVED TO HOSPITAL
Miss Violet Hoover, O'Brien Ave., was removed in ambulance to the Women's College Hospital, Toronto, on Tuesday, where she may undergo an operation.

ANOTHER VETERAN CALLED

Offering his services at the very outbreak of war George Saunders, care taker of the post office and veteran of the last war, was ordered to report at Monteith, New Ontario this week where a considerable force is on active service on guard duty.

Township Veterans Earn \$50 for War Victim Fund

The Markham Township Veterans held a euchre and draw in the township hall, on Thursday evening, which was well attended. The prize winners for the euchre were, Ladies, Mrs. Hunt, Miss Olive Martin, Miss E. Empringham, Mrs. W. Boyington, Men, R. Lowrie, R. Brillinger, W. Summerfelt, L. Couperthwaite. For the draw the lucky winners were, O. McQuay, L. Middleton, Mrs. Duffield, Mrs. H. Smith, Charles Maynard, Mrs. Grant and Mrs. R. Brillinger. A handsome cushion donated by Mrs. W. Latimer was auctioned off and helped considerably with the net proceeds of the evening which amounted to \$50.00 This was donated to the Telegram War Victims' Fund.

This euchre brought to a close the course of the Veterans' Activities for the season of 1940-41. For ten years they have held a series of euchres each fall and winter to provide funds to be used for the benefit of the Veterans' families. Each year at the Christmas season a fine entertainment was arranged with pictures, etc, and a large tree containing gifts for each and everyone of the children was provided, causing much enjoyment.

Every summer a picnic and field day is held with games and races for everybody.

During the season just closed the Veterans have put forth every effort to help with patriotic work and the sum of \$440.10 was realised which was spent as follows:

Welfare assistance, coal, clothing, etc	\$ 45 00
Red Cross, Markham Twp. Branch	35 00
War Savings Stamps	40 00
British War Victims' Fund	100 00
One War Bond	100 00
Cost of euchres, prizes	
Christmas concert, etc.	100 00
Cash on hand (to be used for picnic)	20 10
Making a total expenditure of \$440.10.	

The Veterans have proved themselves a power of good in this community in a social way, their euchres bringing people for many miles to enjoy their hospitality and spend evening of friendly good fellowship.

Daughter of Former Farmer Dead

The passing of Mary Rengel in Toronto on Friday recalls the death of her father the late Henry Rengel who was killed by lightning on the farm of Henry Hoover a good many years ago. At that time the family lived on the sixth concession of Markham, but Mary later as a child went to Bethesda to live with the late Mr. and Mrs. David Pretty where she became their adopted daughter.

Deceased was in her 60th year and was buried from Toronto on Monday, Rev. A. C. Hill of Earls-court United Church conducting the service. Mr. and Mrs. Lou Brillinger of Bethesda were in attendance from here.

Miss Rengel is survived by one brother Jacob, while a sister Mrs. Charlie Dennie, Victoria Square, predeceased her.

BEATING THE STORK

Not far north of the Markham-Whitchurch townline early Monday morning stood a prattling farm tractor just beyond a bad bog hole, with draw chain poised ready for action of some kind. If one could have watched the event there would have been seen a car looming up in high speed with Dr. Hore of Markham aboard. Once at the bottomless hole, the tractor went into action, and hauled the car through the mire, so that the physician reached the farm home two minutes ahead of the stork to the delight of a rather worried household.

GOING ON ACTIVE SERVICE



G. R. COVEY

One of 13 Dental Graduates, University of Toronto, who have signed up with the Canadian Army Dental Corps. He is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. William Morley, 6th Concession Whitchurch.

STRANGE, TWO IN ONE

We cannot explain or imagine how it could have happened, but a trap set on Ratcliff's pond west of town in the hope of catching muskrats, actually trapped a weasel and a mouse at the one spring.

The farmer's son brought in the trap to enquire what strange things he had caught, and there hung the weasel and the mouse. How the trap could have sprung on them at the same instance, is a puzzle, but it really did. The theory is advanced that the weasel was chasing the mouse when they were both trapped.

YOUNG MAN PASSES

Clarence Pattenden, son of Alfred Pattenden of Vandorf, died in Newmarket on Tuesday in his 31st year. His death comes as a great shock to a wide circle of friends. For some years he was employed by Dr. Wesley of Newmarket. He leaves a wife, but no family. The funeral on Wednesday was to Queensville cemetery.

MADE AMAZING DISPLAY

Ratcliff's hall fairly bulged with the amazing display of goods made by the Stouffville War Branch placed on display Tuesday afternoon, just before being packed for shipment. Many people called to admire the work, and enjoy afternoon tea.

NEW BARN STARTED

A large new structure was commenced this week on the farm of Arthur Lapp, Cedar Grove, to replace the barn destroyed by fire last fall. G. L. Williamson is the contractor and N. Bunker is in charge of the masonry.

Constable Demands a Showdown with Council

Town Constable Al Greenwood has made a formal request to the reeve for a meeting of council, when he is prepared to stand or fall on a sort of "want of confidence vote." The limb of the law feels that such a "show down" is due, and wants immediate action.

The flare came about when Councillor Ira Rusnell charged the constable with giving unfair testimony or something of the sort down in court last Monday, and Mr. Greenwood deeply resented the attitude of the councillor which he feels tends to obstruct his official duties.

Just what stand council will take has not been decided, but a statement will be forthcoming from the reeve after he has investigated the complaint of his councillor.

Councillor Rusnell's complaint came after the court had dismissed a charge against Floyd Forsyth of failing to report an accident, whereas in court the constable had admitted that Forsyth had driven to his store after the accident.

Stouffville Stands High in War Service Campaign Summary

Most North-York municipalities have far exceeded expectations in contributions to the War Services campaign. Stouffville topped the villages and gave more per capita than Aurora. Final figures from the following centres available show amounts raised as follows: Stouffville, \$1,200; Sutton village, \$384; Mount Albert, \$290; Aurora \$1,898; Richmond Hill, \$1,100; Holland Landing and district, \$350. Other municipalities not yet completed all report a favorable figure. Newmarket, which set a quota of \$4,500, had gone over 90 per cent of the way.

Chairmen in the various divisions include: Newmarket, F. H. Hewson; Aurora, B. E. Hambley; Richmond Hill, Reeve Thomas Trench; Sutton, John Crozier; Schomberg, E. G. Lloyd; Sharon and district, W. Stevens; Pefferlaw and Georgina, Mrs. R. H. Corner; Holland Landing G. D. Thompson; Markham, Reeve O. H. Reise; Mount Albert, J. A. Tilley; Stouffville, J. Borinsky, chairman, M. E. Watts, treasurer; Unionville, Ewart Stiver; Kettleby Ed. Williams; Keswick, N. R. Shortreed; King, Victor Hall; Woodbridge, A. Kearney.

LABOR SHORTAGE FORCES DAIRY STOCK SALE

This week there will be issued a public auction sale bill offering for sale the fine herd of Jersey cattle belonging to Mr. Bert Silverthorn on the 10th concession of Markham, due to the inability of the owner to carry on with the present farm labor shortage.

Mr. Silverthorn has some 21 head of registered and grade cows in pink of condition, chosen for their high-producing qualities, and every last one is going without reserve, according to the owner. The milking machine will also be sold.

Sale day is Friday, May 2nd, at 1.30 standard time.

PROMINENT CITIZEN DEAD

Prominent citizen of Uxbridge, Walter S. Lapp, is dead in his 81st year. He was a native of Scott Township, but for many years lived in Uxbridge and conducted a feed store.

PURE-BRED JERSEYS FOR LOCAL FARM

Reuben Pearce & Sons, Stouffville, (10th con., Markham), have purchased several pure bred Jersey cows from Bokar Farms, Whitby, Ontario. From Glen Alden Jersey Farm, Markham, they have purchased the well-known show bull, Brampton Forward Scorer, whose offspring have won many prizes at the Canadian National Exhibition and local fairs. Scorer has several daughters on test that are making splendid records.

Mrs. S. B. Hoover arrived home from East Orange, N.J., where she spent the winter with her daughter, and may we say it appears to have agreed with her.

HEARD DISTRICT PRESIDENT

Mrs. Maynard, district president, paid an official visit to the Stouffville Women's Institute last week, when she delivered an effective and stirring address on "Democracy." Mrs. E. J. Davey reported on the recent convention in Toronto, and after the program was concluded the members enjoyed a social time. The affair was held at the home of Mrs. George Lee.

SUNDAY EVENING BAND CONCERT

Next Sunday evening, April 27, the Junior Band will render another of their popular sacred programs in the Stanley Theatre, beginning at 8.15. People from town and district are urged to join in this service. There will be special solo, duet, and quartette numbers. No admission charge, but a collection will be lifted in aid of the band.

BIRTHS

Wagg - At Stouffville, on April 10, 1941, to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wagg, a daughter, (Merelyn Mabel).
Wilson - To Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wilson, Claremont R.R. 2, on Monday, April 21, 1941, a son.