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WEB DRAWS CLOSE AROUND CLOTH THIEVES

Clock from Stolen American Car on Church St. Recovered in Toronto Following Arrest of Two Suspects

Thieves Offered Stolen Cloth to Toronto Buyer, Samples are Identified by Mr. Monkhouse

Last week Mr. John Monkhouse was shown a bunch of cloth samples in Toronto, that he was able to identify as taken from the bolts of goods stolen from his tailoring establishment the week previously. These samples police said, had been obtained from a prospective buyer to whom the thieves that robbed Monkhouse's place of between \$3,500 and \$4,000 worth of cloth, hoped to make a sale. However, they never turned up with the actual goods to this man, and so were not caught "redhanded."

Nevertheless, two men suspected of being implicated in the cloth robbery are today behind the bars as a result of another robbery carried out in still another village a few nights after the local breakin. On these men or in their possession was found the clock that was stolen from the American car taken from Stouffville on the night of the robbery. Still, it is reported that they deny the theft of the cloth.

The robbers approached a certain Toronto dealer offering to sell him 70 bolts of cloth, and they submitted samples of the goods. The prospective buyer promised to consider the purchase and asked for a couple of days to raise the money. In the meantime the police were called in, and were ready to make the arrest should the thieves return to make delivery. They never did return.

During the interval a store at Nobleton was robbed, the thieves were caught, and in their premises in Toronto the stolen clock from the U. S. car at Stouffville was found.

On the night of the robbery in Stouffville, a car bearing a U.S. license plate was stolen from the residence of Mr. W. D. Parker, and which belonged to his son, who has since identified the clock taken from the dash when the thieves abandoned the car in Toronto.

200 PHEASANTS RELEASED IN WHITCHURCH

The Ontario Department of Game and Fisheries have released some 200 pheasants in the Township of Whitchurch, which with the increasing game of this kind now in the township augurs well for a successful shoot this fall. That is, unless the wily birds prove too smart for the hunters.

Local Dancers Win Ex. Prize

The pheasants released recently were brought to the township from Manitowlin Island, and were certainly a healthy lot, according to Clerk John Crawford who viewed the feathered beauties before they were released. They will increase and multiply rapidly.

Local Dancers Win Ex. Prize

A group of dancers from Stouffville district carried off a coveted prize at the exhibition one evening last week, in the keenly contested square dance class, a program that attracted thousands of onlookers on several nights. The home-group under command of Caller Jack Manley captured third prize in an entry list of fifteen groups, and in which Mt. Forest won first, and Camilla second. 3rd prize was \$15. The personnel of the local entry was:

Caller, Jack Manley; violin, Delmer Kidd; pianist, Mrs. J. Evans; dancers in couples, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Foote, Margaret and Hill Topper, Jean Graham and Noel Storry, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Badgero.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. McFarlane, Niagara Falls, N.Y., and Mrs. Erskin of Los Angeles, Cal., were guests of Mr. John Monkhouse over Sunday.

TO MARRY THIS MONTH



Corp. Bob. Abell, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Abell of Ringwood who will be married in Berkeley United Church, on the evening of September 26th, to Mary Elizabeth McGuire, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edw. McGuire, Toronto.

LOCAL LADY HAS KNIT 200 PAIRS OF SOCKS

Miss Allada Russell, dress maker, finds time for other work as well as her regular occupation, for she has knit no less than 200 pairs of socks, all of which have been handed over to the Stouffville War Branch. On the 200th pair Miss Russell worked in a V, which is certainly entitled to be put there. In addition Miss Russell we are told by a member of the branch, has completed two or three quilts for the organization, all of which constitutes a worthy record.

STOUFFVILLE MAN IS WED AT KITCHENER

A wedding of interest in this community was solemnized in Kitchener at 3 o'clock on Tuesday, Sept. 2 at the home of Mrs. Osiah Cressman, when her daughter Miss Elimina Cressman became the bride of Mr. Willis Wideman of Stouffville. Bishop Moses Roth officiated.

The young couple were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Simeon Cressman of Kitchener.

The bride wore a dove-colored sheer gown with corsage of Premier roses. Mrs. Cressman wore navy blue sheer with corsage of Premier roses.

The ceremony was performed in the presence of 55 guests among whom were several from this district. Mr. and Mrs. Wideman will take up residence on the groom's farm just north of Stouffville on the 10th con., where a new dwelling house has just been completed.

OLD TIMER STILL LOVES FRIENDS OF EARLY DAYS

A resident of this district still remembered by the older people is Mrs. M. Troyer now of Fleet, Alberta, and the Tribune is indebted to her for a letter last week, in which she says in part: "With failing eyesight I am scarcely able to read any more and can sew very little. It leaves me with long and lonesome time. I like to read of so many old friends there that I know so well by living in Stouffville. It is 25 years since we left the old farm on the 8th of Pickering. My parents both died in Stouffville, father at the age of 75, and mother in her 89th year. Mrs. James Hamilton who died after passing her 100th year, was my oldest sister, and I in my 83rd year. I was the youngest child of twelve in our family.

OH! BOY! IT'S GOOD TO GET IT."

Writing to Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Degeer from somewhere in England Pte. Price Pugh says in a letter received last week that he receives The Tribune right along and in his own words, Price said, "oh boy it is good to get it." Price passes it on to others and reports that boys from other parts of Ontario read it too, just because it's from their native sod. He reports having spent a couple of days with his brother now Sergt. (Morley) Pugh.

Coming Generation Starts to School

The enrolment at Stouffville public school this term started with 172 scholars, according to information furnished by principal Cedric Watson. While the beginners are encouraged to start school at Easter when sixteen young hopefuls got their baptism of school life, some nine additional kiddies commenced at the first of the month, making a beginners class of 25 youngsters. They are: Easter beginners, Miriam Bonke, George Bowers, Garth Good, Donald Harmon, Margaret Harmon, Joyce Hill, Geraldine Hoover, Ian Lewis, Clifford Madill, Wray Madill, Walter O'Boyle, Helen Paisley, Bruce Russell, Donald Salmon, Lillian Salmon, Helen Snowball, Sept. 2 beginners, Charles Griffiths, George Griffiths, Lorne Lager, Clifton Morris, Billie Murphy, Eddie Murphy, Elaine Spofford, Marie Stover, Bobbie Macgregor.

LATE JANET BRYDGES

The death occurred at Ashdod, Renfrew county, on Tuesday, August 26, 1941, of Mrs. Janet Brydges, mother of Mrs. Richard George 9th concession of Markham. Born at Ashdod 73 years ago, Mrs. Brydges devoted her life to the welfare and christian duties of the neighborhood in which she had faithfully lived as a member of the United Church.

The deceased is survived by six sons, Emerson, Johnny, Clifford, of Ashdod, Carl of Madoc, William, George, Niagara, U.S.A., and two daughters, Marian, Belleville, and Annie, Mrs. Richard George of Markham.

The funeral was held from her late home and was largely attended. Rev. C. Henderson the relieving minister of the Calagogle-Renfrew circuit, conducted the service.

MARKHAM AND CLAREMONT CAPTURE BOWLING PRIZES

Sixteen rinks entered the mixed doubles lawn tournament on the local greens Tuesday evening for a delightful competition with good weather conditions. Three Markham rinks won prizes and one Claremont. The winning rinks were, 1st Archie Empringham and Mrs. R. Clendening, Markham, 2nd Gordon Brown and wife, Markham, 3rd Fred Cowie and wife, Claremont, 4th N. Hisey and wife, Markham.

Local Mail Couriers Receive a Lovely Young Girl Parcel Post

An incident never to be repeated here or any other postal division in Canada probably, happened over in the post office here last week, that resulted in Miss Gwen Tranmer of the local staff receiving a broken rib, and the mail couriers the shock of their lives. Some of the lads on the routes are still shaking. It happened thus, Miss Tranmer was hustling mail down the chute at the post office from the main floor to the couriers who do their sorting down in the basement. In some manner the young postmistress

TOM HASTINGS PULLETS CAN CROW NOW

A pen of pullets belonging to Mr. Thos. Hastings, 7th concession, Markham, leads off with a prize egg for the fall laying season that will take some beating. An egg was laid last week by a pullet just under six months old that weighed 4½ ounces, double yoke, and a beauty to look at, and still a greater treat for the housewife. The pullet responsible for the big omelet is a cross between a Leghorn and Hampshire. One dozen grade A large eggs must weigh 24 ounces, thus the brand that Mr. Hastings pullet laid would require less than six eggs to meet the requirements of a standard dozen of the best eggs on the market.

LEARNS OF FATHER'S DEATH IN NORTHERN IRELAND

Word has just been received by Mrs. Walter Davis of Glasgow announcing the death of her aged father in Northern Ireland. The late Robert Higginson was 82 years of age, and had not seen his daughter since she left the Old Country 17 years ago. A family of seven children survive together with Mrs. Higginson. All live in Ireland excepting Mrs. Davis.

Society to Stage Flower Show Today

On Thursday evening, Sept. 11th, the public school pupils are to bring their flowers (from the seeds given by the Horticultural Society) to the United Church basement between 4.30 and 7.30 after which Mr. Leon VanCleave of the University of Toronto will judge them. He will also have some slides to show and an interesting talk to give. The flowers to be shown are annual phlox, red pom pom zinnia, French marigold, dianthus or pinks, annual larkspur and calendula, and the prizes are 1st, 40c, 2nd, 25c, 3rd 15c. There will also be in competition diningroom and livingroom bouquets by flowers from your garden to be arranged after coming to the show. The prizes for this later exhibit is 60, 40, 25c and 15c. There will be no admission charge.

TAX RECEIPTS REACH UP TO LAST YEAR

K. R. Davis, collector of taxes for the village of Stouffville reports that receipts to the first of the month on the current tax roll almost reached \$13,000. This is a good average when compared with recent years. The total amount on the roll is little more than \$22,000 with half or about \$11,000 due Sept 1st, hence there are a good many people who pay all their taxes with the first instalment and by so doing obtain the discount on the second half due in December. Of course some people fail to pay either instalment, but notwithstanding, the figures indicate many people pay the second half with the first.

RECEPTION

Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Atkinson of Uxbridge, Ontario, will be at home to their relatives and friends from three to five-thirty and eight to eleven, on Friday, September 19th, on the occasion of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.

Heise Hill Congregation Hear Missionary's Story of the Zam Zam Sinking

NEW ADJUTANT GENERAL



Major H. A. Bruels, North York, who has been promoted to the post of Assistant Adjutant General in the Department of the Adjutant General at Ottawa, according to recent announcement.

John W. Taur Passes Suddenly

One of our Oldest Residents Stricken Suddenly on Friday after Brief Illness. Was in 83rd Year Remains Interred at Stouffville Cemetery.

One of the oldest residents of Stouffville passed away suddenly on Friday in the person of John William Taur, whose death occurred at his home on Albert Street following a brief illness of only a week.

The late Mr. Taur who was 82, was born in the south part of Pickering Township, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Taur. As a young farmer he moved to Reach Township, near Utica, where he met his bride, the late Miss Allin. The couple marked their golden wedding anniversary here in February 1935. The late Mrs. Taur predeceased her husband in March 1940. In 1908 the Taurs moved to Bethesda in Whitchurch Township where they farmed until retiring to the village, seventeen years ago.

The deceased has been for many years, a faithful member of the United Church, and up until just ten days ago he was still quite active about his garden and home.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Roy Grove, Ringwood, and Mrs. Dave Crosier, Altona; two sons, Harvey and Bert of Bethesda, and one son Percy died in 1937. The funeral took place on Monday with service being held at his late home. Rev. Levi Atkinson of Uxbridge, and former pastor here conducted the service, assisted by Rev. Douglas Davis of Stouffville United Church. A large assembly of sorrowing friends gathered at both the home and the graveside to pay a last tribute to one whom they held in high esteem. Interment was made in Stouffville Cemetery. The Gormley male trio, (A. S. Farmer, Charles Atkinson, Frank Harvey) sang twice during the service.

The pall-bearers were, Messrs. Edw. Davey, Geo. Dowswell, Wm. Riseborough, Clarence Atkinson, John Brillinger, and Fred March.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Bolender of Bethesda, wish to announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Velma Frances to Mr. Cecil Ambrose Banks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Banks of Markham. The wedding to take place the end of September.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Franklin Curl, Zephyr, announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Marjorie Edith, to Jonas E. C. Shepherd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Charles Shepherd, Portsmouth, England, the marriage to take place Sept. 16th.

A large crowd gathered at Heise Hill Mennonite church last Sunday evening to hear Rev. David and Mrs. Hall tell their thrilling and touching story of being aboard the ill-fated Egyptian steamer Zam Zam torpedoed enroute to Africa not many months ago.

With Mr. and Mrs. Hall, missionaries, were their two children, Barbara 9 years, and John 3 years. All were saved. But let them tell their own story:

Sister Hall spoke to the meeting first stating how she and other missionaries spent their time during their long, anxious days on the ocean. She said there were 100 missionaries and about 35 children from 6 months to 14 years numbering 23 different denominations aboard ship. There were nine doctors, and some of them saved their equipment which was fortunate as they gave aid to the passengers after the disaster. Many lost their bibles, a serious handicap. Sister Hall declared that one promise given her was "Thou will keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee." One night little John asked her to sing "Jesus Never Fails," and as she did so he fell asleep. Before that he could not sleep. After being plunged into the ocean and being picked up by the German ship Dresden they found the food very bad, but thankful it did sustain them. Breakfast food was called bill board paste, and consisted of flour water, and sugar, with a sprinkling of rolled oats. Sick persons were given white bread which was like the Canadian brown loaf in color. A hundred and eleven people were crowded into a cabin ordinarily intended for 18 persons. She said the sad part was parting with those who were British and were sent to concentration camp, while Americans obtained their freedom.

Bro. Hall declared his discourse could be told in a few words, Deut. 33:27, by altering a few phrases, thus, "The eternal God has been our refuge and underneath His everlasting arms." He believed God would have a greater message for the world in sinking the Zam Zam than if they had been permitted to get to Africa coast unscathed. Dr. Newman, an ungodly man, claimed salvation, as did many others during their experience.

The occupants of the Zam Zam could only account for 17 shells, but the Germans declared they had fired 54 shells a distance of six miles at her. As the broadcaster had one finger on the instrument to send a wireless message about the attack taking place, a shell struck him in the abdomen and tore him open. He screamed for help. Then later assisted his helper to rig up a temporary broadcaster, but shells prevented it operating as they crashed on the deck. The Germans told us later that had we been able to broadcast, they would have had to destroy our ship without mercy. Now everyone was busy putting on life belts and grabbing necessary things as we were in night attire when the crash came. Lifeboats were being filled to capacity. One in which Bro. Hall was to enter saw Mrs. Hall get into it, then as Barbara climbed down the rope to enter, it pulled away leaving her dangling. Mr. Hall managed to get her up on deck again, and all they could do was to wave good-bye to mother. The boat was filled with Egyptians. As the last boat was being filled the Captain noticed the missionary standing there with his children, promptly got out, said he would take the sea and gave them place in the boat, then he swam to a raft. Father and two small children again went down the rope.

While in the boat hurrying away from the sinking ship to miss being sucked into the great cavity it might create for a few minutes, they saw the German raider facing them with its big guns. Finally to their delight they heard a voice in clear English cry out to them, "pull alongside and we will take you aboard." Baskets were let down and we were lifted up, he said. To their amazement, the German soldiers hugged and kissed (Continued on page five)