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Late Mrs. Geo. Collard Is Mourned by Many

Was Member of Original Stouffer Family That Gave Town Its Name — Sang in Dave Stouffer's Choir Forty Years Ago.

Mrs. George Collard died at the family home here on Thursday morning last week following a period of declining health, during which her happy disposition prevailed until the very last. Mrs. Collard was in her 74th year. The funeral on Saturday at Stouffville cemetery was conducted by her former pastor Rev. Robert Young, assisted by Dr. Thos. Mitchell and Rev. C. E. McLeod.

Mrs. Collard was a daughter of the late Simeon Stouffer who died in 1933. She was born on the old homestead just north of town, and was a descendant of the first Stouffer family after whom the village was named. In 1903 she united in marriage with George Collard, druggist, and to this union four children were born, namely, Mrs. Alex. McLeod (Jean), Mrs. Earl Robertson (Eric), and Miss Isabel Collard, also Mr. Allen Collard, all of whom survive together with the father. There also survives, one brother Fred Stouffer of Tacoma, Wash., and two sisters, Mrs. Alton H. Perkins (Jean), and Mrs. E. Dougherty (Nellie) both residing in Denver, Col. Mrs. Perkins is a member of the legal fraternity.

Mrs. Collard possessed a rare contralto voice and was a member of the old David Stouffer choir famed for its fine singing here 40 years ago, and after her marriage she was for long years in the former Presbyterian church choir. As a girl Mrs. Collard was a school teacher. Her winning personality will live as long as memory lasts.

STATIONED IN B. C.



Pte. Clifford R. Morgason, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Morgason, of Stouffville R.R.3. Clifford is stationed at Nanaimo, Vancouver Is., B.C., with the Sault Ste. Marie and Sudbury Reg.

MRS CHARLES ALSOP LOSES MOTHER

The death occurred at Baldwin, Ontario, on August 1st, of Ida Bowman, wife of Mr. Benjamin Litner of that place. She was in her 57th year and is survived by her husband and by two daughters, Rose (Mrs. Colin Cowley), and Sophie (Mrs. Charles Alsop), and by two sons, David and Harold Litner.

The funeral took place from the Benjamin Funeral Home in Toronto with interment at Lambton cemetery.

Mrs. Alsop is at present visiting the parental home at Baldwin.

WHY DO THEY DO IT?

Most people would mourn the parting of \$15 or \$20 in cash to pay for travelling over the pavement in Stouffville at a greater speed than thirty miles per hour, yet people take a chance every day, and right along they are putting up fines. Last Saturday Constable Rusnell issued five, and if a conviction is registered in all cases, these five individuals will contribute at least \$100. Foolish drivers.

Lived 83 Years on Lemonville Farm

To have lived on the one farm for 83 years in a quiet section of Whitchurch Township just north of Lemonville, was the record established by William Andrew Cook who died on the place where he was born on August 4. Mr. Cook was an industrious farmer, took no active participation in public affairs, but built up a wide circle of life-long friends.

As a young man he married Hannah Lehman of Cashel District, Markham township, who survives him together with two daughters, Mrs. Orval Drewery and Mrs. Clara Ghroy. One brother and one sister also survive Mr. Cook, being George Cook of Lemonville and Miss Mary E. Cook also of that place.

The funeral service was conducted by Mr. Bert Daynard, resident pastor at Lemonville, and was attended by many old friends of the family.

Keep Markham Rate At Low Level

Markham Township tax rate was struck last week at about the same level as a year ago. The general township rate is four mills, which is just half the rate the farmers were paying eleven years ago when Reeve Rennie first entered the council. There was little other business of public interest before the council at the regular meeting at which the rate was struck, which was an evening session. This is in sharp contrast to a few years ago when sittings lasted all day and on into the night were held to clear the slate and listen to complaints and grievances of folks who could not make their way in the world and sought municipal aid. All members were present for striking the rate, namely Reeve Rennie, Deputy Reeve Hooper, and Councillors Albert Reesor, W. L. Clark, and Harry Barber.

Miss Elizabeth Morrison who lives with Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Hastings has gone to Peterboro to spend a few weeks with relatives.

ENROUTE TO ENLIST RECRUIT TAKES STROKE

Motoring to Toronto on Monday of this week where he intended to apply for a uniform in the active army, Wilbert Hopkins was stricken with a stroke, and before reaching the city limits had to return to his mother's home in the east end of town. His one side was paralyzed, but he is said to be somewhat improved since the attack.

Bank Manager Enlists in R.C.A.F.

People in town were surprised last week to learn that Mr. Gordon Spence had resigned his appointment as manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Stouffville, which he has held since Mr. E. M. Still left here four years ago. Mr. Spence, we understand, has a commission in the air force. He was in the air force during the last war, and had taken a keen interest in the present formation, and was instrumental in organizing the Stouffville cadets.

Last week Mr. A. G. Thompson, manager at Campbellford was appointed to the vacancy here and is now in town. He will move his wife and family here just as soon as he can secure a suitable residence. Mr. Thompson has two sons attending Toronto University also one son at home. They will be a welcome addition to the community life of the village.

Death of William Redshaw is Loss To the District

In the death of William Harrison Redshaw, after an illness of two months, the district has lost a valuable farmer. He died on Friday of last week at his farm home at Dickson Hill, where he had operated the Storey farm for ten years. Mr. Redshaw was 65 years of age.

Native of Uxbridge township William Redshaw was born on the 6th concession, son of the late Edward Redshaw. He farmed in the township all his life until he took over the big acreage where he died. He was an outstanding stock and dairyman.

Twice married his first wife was Elizabeth Calder. To this union there survives four daughters and one son, Mrs. John Norton, Mrs. Cecil Redman and Miss Luella Redshaw, all of Claremont, Mrs. Wm. Wager of Newburg, and Ira Redshaw of Claremont. To his second marriage to Mrs. John Walker who survives him were born three daughters and one son, Aldeen, Bernice, Doris, and Murray. There are three step-children, James Walker, Toronto, Mrs. Jos. Brown, Lindsay, and William Walker at home with his mother. Thirteen grandchildren also survive.

Four brothers and two sisters of Mr. Redshaw living are George, Fred, Robert, and Edward Redshaw, Claremont, Mrs. Charles Hardy and Mrs. George Hardy of Claremont and Uxbridge respectively.

The funeral on Monday afternoon to Uxbridge cemetery was attended by a very large concourse of sympathizers, indicating the esteem in which the deceased was held. Rev. P. G. Lehman conducted the service.

Miss Helen Hastings has returned home after spending two weeks at the cottage of Dr. Reg. Morningstar at Beaumaris.

Mrs. Archie Stover and little son Barry are in town from Milverton visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Hoover.

Bed Clothes Ablaze and Farm Home Threatened on A. D. Morris Farm

Early on Civic Holiday evening the Fire Brigade were called to the farm of Mr. A. D. Morris, east of town, where the house was threatened, and where the fighters gave aid in stamping out the smouldering fire. One bed room was damaged and bed clothing burned while smoke emitted from all parts of the dwelling. No one was in the house, and the alarm was given by a neighbor who saw smoke emitting from an upper window and summoned Mr. Morris from a nearby field.

HYDRO USERS HAVE SEVENTY-FIVE RANGES

The Stouffville Hydro System paid out \$1,031 for power consumed during the month of July, which is an increase of about \$80 over the same period a year ago.

Users of hydro current in town are steadily growing and the current consumed is sharply on the increase. There are in the village 78 ranges and 57 raugettes, while consumers have some 151 hot plates. More and more householders are finding the value of hydro which is more convenient for cooking than any other form of heat, and compares favorably in cost.

CAN'T FOOL ASSESSORS ANY LONGER

Under a recent amendment to the statutes, the Department of Municipal Affairs points out, any assessor may require the owner or occupant of property to furnish the necessary information to enable him to make a proper assessment. A form for the owner or occupant to fill in is printed and discloses the price paid for the property, or if newly built the amount of money spent in building, as well as the nature of the construction. This information will be an aid to the assessor in arriving at a proper valuation, be it in town or country.

New Firm Name on Main Street

Not by any means strangers to the business life of Main street, but none-the-less new business owners, Messrs. J. K. Agnew and Reg. Stouffer have taken over the hardware business of F.Y.W. Brathwaite. Since Mr. Brathwaite purchased the business from the Silver Bros. about fourteen years ago, Mr. Agnew had been associated with him, and now become senior partner. Mr. Stouffer is a product of our own community, and a descendant of the first Stouffer family to come here in the early eighties. Reg. has been on the hardware staff for quite a few years, and from this set-up, it will be seen there is a change in name only, since the new owners were the working force for Mr. Brathwaite who is retiring.

The new firm will retain the feature of its predecessor in carrying a heavy stock in its varying lines, anticipating public requirements far in advance, thus being able to service many lines in these days of discontinuing manufacture of so many articles, long after other stores have found themselves "out of stock."

ELI RAYMER SELLS TWO PROPERTIES IN TOWN

Mr. Eli Raymer one of the longest standing residents of the town, but who for a year or two has lived at Drayton where one of his daughters is on the teaching staff, has sold his two properties here, which, added to the sale of household goods made two weeks ago, leaves this old-timer with no financial interest in the community from which he cannot detach his fondest memories however. The Raymer residence on Main street at the extreme west end was purchased by Principal L. C. Murphy who intends to make extensive repairs to the place. The other Raymer house which is located on Victoria street and has been occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Steph. Thompson, was purchased by Rev. I. Brubacher, M.B.C. minister at Gormley and a former pastor in town. This property will also be repaired and brought up to good condition. Some day, we trust, Mr. and Mrs. Brubacher, will locate in our midst again as permanent citizens.

VISITORS FROM U.S.A.

Rev. and Mrs. William Heapps and two sons Paul and William of Binghamton, New York, are visiting at the Ira Rusnell home here for a few days. Rev. Heapps while here will assist at the Crowder-Rusnell wedding ceremony on Saturday.

Whitchurch Buys \$700 Worth of Snow Fence

SERIOUSLY INJURED



The Rev. Dr. Charles Flint, bishop of the Methodist Episcopal area of Syracuse, and former Chancellor of Syracuse University, is recovering from a fall suffered a few days ago in the courtyard of the Morristown Methodist church where his son Rev. George Y. Flint is the pastor.

In some simple manner Dr. Flint lost his balance and fell suffering a fractured vertebra. He will be laid up for eight weeks as a result.

Friends have been looking forward to his presence at the forthcoming anniversary in Stouffville when the United Church will celebrate 50 years in the present building and 100 years of Methodism here. Dr. Flint, as most of our readers know, is a native of this town.

Daughter Contests The Validity of Father's Will

Due notice has been served on the village of Stouffville and on the thirteen other heirs to the \$81,000 estate of the late Thomas Williamson through an order issued by the Surrogate Court Judge J. A. Jackson, that the validity of the said will and codicils has been brought into question by Edith Cook of the city of Toronto, daughter of the late Mr. Williamson.

After gifts to friends and relatives, the residue of the estate estimated at about \$40,000 is left for the benefit of the poor of Stouffville the interest to be distributed annually from the funds in trust.

The heirs are now called upon to defend the will and codicils, otherwise the court, without reference to them, will determine the issue.

Miss Evelyn Heise and Miss K. Jones, Toronto, spent last weekend with Miss Helen Ratcliff west of town.

ARRIVES IN ENGLAND



Pte. Elgin Hisey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herb. Hisey, Ringwood has, according to a cable just received by his parents, arrived safely in England. Elgin is attached to the Tank Corps.

BIRTHS

EVANS—At St. Joseph's Hospital, Peterboro, on Sunday, August 2nd, 1942, to Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Evans, the gift of a son.

LOUGHEED—In Markdale Hospital, on Wednesday, July 29, 1942, to Mr. and Mrs. John Lougheed, (nee Adelaide McCullough), Maxwell, Ont., a daughter, Diane Elaine.

HARDY—At the Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville, to Mr. and Mrs. Percy Hardy, Claremont, on Sunday, August 9, 1942, a son.

Township Makes Large Purchase To Keep Ahead of Price Advance — Special Constable For Duty During Closed Season Suggested by Lake Ratepayers

Whitchurch Township Council on Saturday afternoon decided to complete the deal which has been pending for months for the purchase of 7,000 feet of snow fencing at a cost of nearly \$700 when the price of posts is added. Council was told that the fencing could not be held longer as the price was advancing. Councillor Lorne Evans moved that the deal be completed and Councillor Eugene Baker seconded the motion. Warden Earl Toole presided over the meeting, and Deputy Reeve George Leary was absent through illness.

Councillor Ed Logan said he had been approached by the ratepayers at Musselman's with a proposal to have council appoint a constable to police the cottages after the summer season is over. Councillor Eugene Baker said he had been approached about the same matter. The councillors were advised to inform the ratepayers that they might be able to make such arrangement with the officer at the lake themselves, and that a duly signed petition would have to be submitted before council could take any action to appoint such an officer and charge it to the ratepayers' benefit.

Relief is showing an appreciable decline, and ran only \$30 for the month of July.

"I am ready to sign the warrant for a tax sale whenever the council directs," said Warden Toole. Clerk Crawford said that matters will be ready to set a date for the sale within a few weeks, or less.

It was decided to hold a special meeting next week to set the tax rate for 1942, which it is expected will be held at the low level of last year. The meeting, which convened at one o'clock was completed by five o'clock, indicating that the amount of business was not onerous.

Five Children Will Mourn for Mother

The untimely death of Mrs. Earl Boyer in Toronto last week as a result of an ailment that had kept her in ill health for several years, was a tremendous shock to the scores of friends and relatives in the home district. Her father, the late Alexander Tate of Cashel, Markham Township, died only three years ago.

Surviving with the bereaved husband are five of a family, the eldest being a daughter 18, and the youngest child being under three years. Mrs. Tate is also mourned by four sisters and one brother, namely, Edna and Bertha, Montreal, Mrs. Horace Cole (Mary) of Horne Payne, Mrs. Sidney Robins, (Mildred) Toronto, and Mr. Earl Tate of Baker Hill, Whitchurch.

Mrs. Tate was a kind and lovable mother and enjoyed many warm friends.

About 20 years ago Mr. and Mrs. Boyer left the local district as a bride and groom to live in the city. Mr. Boyer was born in Stouffville, his father the late Jonas Boyer, being the town electrician in the days before hydro made its advent here. The funeral proceeded to Pine Hill cemetery, Scarborough for interment, and was attended by many sympathetic friends and relatives from the home district.

WINS MIRROR

We wish to acknowledge the following donations with thanks: Mrs. Fred Johnson, cash \$1; sale sponsored by Roy Ward, Douglas Barker, Percy Schell and Aubrey Golden \$2.75; Excelsior Class, Ringwood, clothing and quilts; Mr. Crapper, clothing; Willa Forester, sweater; 9th Line Ladies, quilts, dresses, jackets, and other articles; Mrs. McBride draw the lucky number for the mirror. M. Davey, secretary.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Ira D. Rusnell announce the engagement of their daughter Marion Pearl to Mr. Earl Crowder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Crowder, wedding to take place on Saturday afternoon, August 15, at their residence, Stouffville.

Old Friends Say Farewell this Week

Mr. and Mrs. William Quantz left the early part of this week to take up their new home in Toronto. Said Mr. Quantz to The Tribune, "It is 24 years since we left the farm at Church Hill to build a house for ourselves. We have tried since then to make it a home, for there is a lot of difference between just a house and a home." He recalled that Edgar Guest said, "It takes a heap o'livin' to make a house a home." This veteran of the district who could farm, carpenter, or preach a sermon, explained that he and Mrs. Quantz are not young any more and have arranged to be near their sons. Notwithstanding they are leaving Stouffville, he said: "We maintain that Stouffville is one of the best residential towns to be found anywhere, but the effects of old age make us more and more dependent on the boys to do our business." They leave with deep regret, and ask us to pass on their thanks to the members of the Christian Church for the good wishes expressed to them in word and written address on Sunday and for the gift of a lovely motor rug. In conclusion Mr. Quantz on behalf of his wife said that if any friends come to the city they would try and extend to them a country welcome. "Just look for the blue roofed bungalow on Sunny Lea Avenue, Humberdale."

UXBRIDGE STRIKES TAX RATE AT QUIET SESSION

Only business of public interest that passed before Uxbridge Township council at their regular meeting in Goodwood on Saturday was the striking of the tax rate, which shows no material change from last year. Reeve Johnson presided.

The general township rate struck at 7 mills is the same as a year ago, while the general school rate is 5.98 as against 6.2-10 in 1941. There is a new rate this year of 1.75 to meet the first debenture for the new road maintainer.

For county purposes, patriotic, grant and schools a rate of 11.53 to raise \$11,684 was adopted. This rate last year was 11.84.

A request from Quaker Hill district for township to take over the old corner at Quaker Hill since the county road system has assumed new ground to straighten the crook at the top of the hill, was left over until the work is completed.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack O'Neill of Stirling have been holidaying in town this week. Mr. O'Neill is a brother of our local funeral director and Mrs. O'Neill is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Lehman.