

Local and Personal Happenings



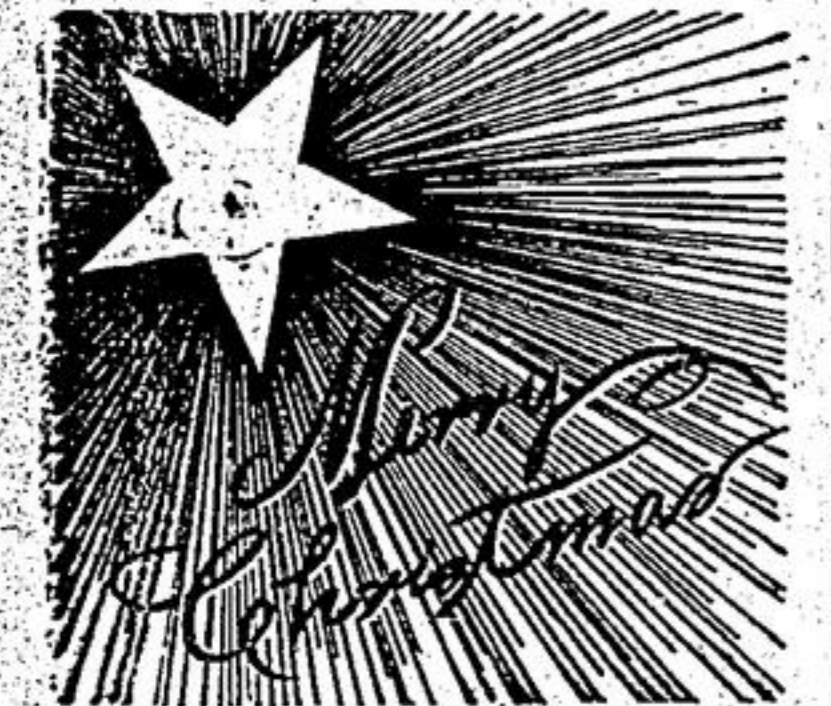
We greet you at this season with a spirit of thankfulness, and extend to you all the Season's best Greetings. May the home folks and the lads "over there" enjoy the Merry Christmas we all so love to look forward to.

STIVER BROS.

Mrs. Nancy Hamilton who formerly resided on south Church street, was brought home in an ambulance to the Brierbush hospital, suffering from a heart attack. Mrs. Hamilton had been visiting for a few months at the home of her grandson in the city.

Rev. Levi Atkinson Goes Down With Flu

Dr. Thos. Mitchell received a hasty call from Uxbridge on Saturday to take the preaching services there at the United Church on Sunday for our former minister Rev. L. E. Atkinson who was overtaken by General Flu, and was forced to retire for a few days from the active front. Dr. Mitchell filled the breach, and was the guest of Mr. T. G. Gould while in the northern town. Dr. Mitchell tells us that while the big church at Uxbridge with its capacity to take in some 1600 to 1800 people, is easier to speak in than many churches half the size.



A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A SINCERE HOPE THAT BLESSED PEACE MAY REIGN AGAIN IN THE NEW YEAR.

BETTY BEAUTY SALON

Mrs. Wm. Cook and daughter, Mrs. Miriam Coon of Toronto, were visitors one day last week with Mrs. S. Shankel, Church St.

Harness Maker for Famous Stables

"Tailor to the Hepburn stables" near St. Thomas, the Markham harness maker Mr. Chas. Todds, is reported to have received an order recently from Franceschini, who no doubt has admired some of the Todds handcraft at the farm of the former premier. However, it is difficult these days to manufacture those fancy sets since there is a ban on the brass buttons, buckles — and other mountings that we all admire at the fall fairs. Harness makers are almost a thing of the past in Ontario towns, and the demand for them is growing less as well, but if you have special talent to produce something out of the ordinary, then there's a place for you, and that about explains the continuance of the Todds shop.

ITALY, LAND OF MULES AND DONKEYS

Writing to Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Degeer, Price Pugh recently arrived in Italy with the Canadians, says "this is a land of mules and donkeys." Canadian goods are scarce, but fruits and oranges are to be had for the picking. His brother Morley Pugh is also in Italy, but the brothers had not met at time of writing. Gen. Charlie Davis writes home to his dad Dawson Davis to announce his arrival in Italy, after a quiet trip across the Mediterranean. Greetings have also been received from Ken May, popular bank teller here several years ago. Ken who is stationed in Sicily, writes in part, "Everything is continuing the best. Working fairly hard, on twelve hour shifts. Hope we are fulfilling our mission to this desolate isle. Our hospital is of modern design. The oranges are ripening fast and nuts are plentiful, so we won't starve."

Reg. Perkins of Unionville, who recently received his wings with the R.C.A.F. has been commissioned in the field in Canada, along with a number of other airmen.

Norman Baker, R.C.N.V.R. stationed at Cornwallis, N.S. has been in the hospital suffering from the Flu which has also been sweeping this section of the country. He is now on the road to recovery, according to latest word received at his home here.

Mr. John Phillips has made sufficient recovery as to be able to leave the hospital in Toronto, and he is now at the home of his daughter on Dupont street. Although very weak, it is expected that he will rapidly gain strength and return to Stouffville.

Little Carol Cadieux, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Cadieux, met with a nasty accident at the school here one day last week, when someone accidentally closed one of the heavy school-room doors while her finger was in the door jam. The finger was crushed so badly that it may be permanently disfigured.

One of our elder citizens, Mrs. Thos. Klinck, was unfortunate in falling on the sidewalk a few days ago, sustaining a nasty bump on the head. Fortunately she was not cut, although the wound indicates a nasty injury.

Still in the Hospital

Well known and popular farmer of Whitechurch township, Mr. Pat. Murphy is still confined to St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto, suffering from an accident that overtook him on October 1st, when one arm was broken, and one leg broken in two places, when he fell from a tree in the orchard. Mr. Murphy, who is 73 years of age, is not progressing as favorably as he might, according to information we received from his sister, Mrs. Canning who also lives at the Murphy homestead on the 6th concession. Old friends will hope for a more speedy improvement in the condition of this old friend.

More About Lighting

No Christmas tree lights are permitted in stores, while at private homes lights must not be displayed outside on Christmas trees. This does not mean that merchants are not permitted to properly light their premises so that people are able to move in and out with safety. Some stores have gone too far in cutting down on front lights, which might lead to accidents that could involve the merchant. Public doorways should be sufficiently lighted that people can see steps, and move with safety.

UNBRIDGE MARKET REPORTED THROUGH CEILING PRICES

Although a number of inspectors from the Wartime Prices and Trade Board converged on Uxbridge last Thursday, the occasion of their Christmas market, it was reported that prices went through the ceiling just the same. Turkeys had a ceiling of 39c. and sold up to 50 cents. Geese with a ceiling of 28c. sold for 35 cents.

The Inspectors popped about and questioned sellers and buyers, but they could not prevent sales being made "on the side" as higher than ceiling prices. Of course you couldn't nail down the specific sales, yet everybody could tell you that they couldn't get the poultry unless they broke the ceiling.

The fair was well attended and the prize list offered proved a popular drawing card.

BANK NOTE IN TUB "ALMOST DOUBLED"



Visions of possessing a money-doubling washing machine were short-lived for Mrs. J. Farquharson, Victoria Square. Looking for a \$2 bill dropped in the tub, she found what appeared to be a pair of the bank notes. A moment later she found that layers of the one bill had become separated.

Mike: Did you protest against the movie that represented we Irish as disorderly?" Pat: "Did we? We wrecked the place."

Mr. Cecil Davis, brother of Rev. D. Davis and a recent newcomer to Stouffville, was removed to a Toronto hospital on Monday suffering from some internal trouble.

Mrs. Marjorie Cook who recently took a business college course in Toronto has accepted a position with the Toronto East General Hospital, as stenographer in the operating room. Already a professional nurse Mrs. Cook will be especially valuable in her new position.

Stores open this Thursday and Friday evenings. Come out and take advantage of this added service. When they close Friday night they stay closed until Tuesday morning, so you need to stock up.

Commissioned

Ted Cadieux, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Cadieux of Stouffville, and who received his pilot's wings at the Hagersville R.C.A.F. station last week has been granted a commission.

Miss Isobel Collard, Toronto, was in town over the weekend the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brillinger and Ethel. Isobel makes her home with a former resident of the town Mrs. Laidlaw, wife of the late Rev. Thos. Laidlaw.

Among the visitors in town on Friday evening for the special Masonic function was Dr. Jos. Oliver of Sunderland, veteran medical practitioner of some 74 years of age, and still partially active in the work. No man stands in higher esteem in the Township of Brock and village of Sunderland than their native son and lifelong resident.

"One can't stop work for a little thing like a birthday," said Rev. C. W. Watch who has just celebrated his 93rd. One-time minister at Uxbridge United Church, he is quite well known in Stouffville and Uxbridge township. He still preaches and is assistant pastor of Danforth United Church.

"Sweep!" will soon be the cry echoing from the local curling rink where caretaker Cliff. Pipher has the ice sheet almost ready to go. The membership committee are anxious to get all the names of the members and would-be members so that they may be forwarded to headquarters immediately for the Curlers' Annual. Call M. E. Watts or Chas. Nolan if you are interested. Skating commenced at the rink here on Thursday.

"WE Miss The Tribune"

A caller at the office of this paper last week was an old friend, Mr. Fred F. Feasby who lives at lot 36, con. 3, Uxbridge, and a member of a widely known family in Uxbridge. Fred was the youngest of nine children and is the sole survivor. The late Thos. Feasby, township, treasurer, was a brother. Mr. Feasby will reach his 79th birthday next February, but his health is anything but good, we regret to say. "We miss The Tribune," said Mr. Feasby, whose paper stopped some time ago, although he resides only a couple of miles from Resseville in the northern part of the township. He said that one of his main things to get done was to place a renewal for the paper.

If you have never attended church during the past, and plenty of families in Stouffville are in this class, change the Sunday program next Sabbath, and let everyone attend worship on Christmas Sunday. There will be a pew in one of the churches to which you will be welcome. The spirit of thankfulness should everywhere prevail on this occasion, and no people on earth have more or as much to be thankful for as the folks on the American continent. If you appreciate your good fortune, it is not too much to suggest that you show your appreciation before God on this momentous occasion of Christmas Sunday.

Anxious for Second Tour

Flight Lieut. John Gellner, D.F.C., of Toronto, who completed a tour of operations over enemy territory as navigator of a Wellington bomber, is anxiously awaiting a chance to make his second tour—this time as pilot. Flt. Lieut. Gellner addressed Air Cadets and general public at an "At Home," held at the school here in the spring. He was stationed at Oshawa at the time. The big Czechoslovakia-born airman received his pilot's wings at Brantford some months ago and has since ferried three bombers across the Atlantic for the RAF Transport Command. After his third trip he remained in England for operational training. He escaped his native land shortly before the outbreak of war and came to Canada to join the RCAF. He graduated as a navigator at Malton with one of the highest marks ever recorded in the school's history. It was the first class of navigators to graduate under the British Commonwealth Air Training plan. He was also one of the first graduates to be decorated. His wife, also a Czech, narrowly escaped the Gestapo after her country was taken over by the Nazis. She is now living in Toronto.

Put in enough provisions to carry over from Friday night until Tuesday, since the stores in town will be closed for a long weekend.

COMFORT FUND RECEIVES GREETINGS FROM OVERSEAS

A host of letters and cards have been received during the past couple of weeks by Bert Lickorish, sec'y of the Soldiers' Comfort Fund bringing Christmas and New Year greetings from our boys overseas!

Dear Sir,

Just a line to thank you for the smokes which I received yesterday. I hope to spend Christmas with my people in Tonbridge, England. I have kept well and my wife and I send you best wishes at this season. It is getting quite cold over here now and a bit of snow has been flying around. However the country looks very beautiful with green holly.

Oliver Larkin.

Dear Friends,

Just a note to acknowledge your gift which I received today. Was sure glad to get them. We certainly appreciate the trouble you go to for us. Things are looking considerably brighter, and let's hope it continues that way.

R. E. Cooper.

Hello Bert,

A few lines to let you know I still think about you even though I don't get much time to write any more. They keep us pretty busy day and night. But it's my night off tonight. Sure glad to get your parcel again. Suppose there have been quite a lot of changes in town since I left and a lot of new people have moved in. One more Christmas will soon be here, but by the time the next one rolls around I hope we're all be together again.

Harold Lewis.

Dear Sir,

Thanks veterans and friends at Stouffville. Your gift of smokes have been arriving regularly and are more than appreciated. Armistice Day was hardly noticed over here, but a few of we old soldiers are still left and we got together for a little party and a talk about the day 25 years ago. Seasons greetings to all at home.

Percy Pipher.

Dear Bert,

Thanks a million for the smokes. I like it fine over here and next week I expect to see Scotland on a five day leave. I had a letter from Geo. Williams and am hoping to see him and some of the other Stouffville boys. A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Chuck Lintner.

Dear Bert,

Had the never declining pleasure of receiving another parcel from you today, mailed in May and reaching me in Italy. Have seen a lot more of the world and like Europe, as old as it is. It is quite an improvement over the desert. Am still with the 5th army and slowly moving toward the main goal. Thanks again,

Jack Sanders.

Dear Bert,

Received another parcel today. This was a lucky day for me and I had ten letters from Stouffville. I never had that many letters before at one time. I was up to see my brother last week and saw Peck Lewis. He is at the same town as Harold and they are about 20 miles from me. It is good to see someone from home. Thanks again, hope to see you soon.

Louie Morden.

Cards were also received from Jim Smith, George Stewart, George Abell, J. Cawthorn, Mike Brown, Bruce Lintner, Fred Castle, Grace Bell, Gordon Lehman.

There is still an urgent demand in Stouffville for a dozen medium built homes, which could be readily sold or rented, if only they were available.

Tuesday this week was the shortest day of the year. Since it was Christmas market day in Stouffville, and a heavy day for the shop owners, the clerks behind the counter didn't note any difference.

The Wartime Prices and Trade Board have asked Reeve Chas. Hooper of Markham Township to submit a specific case of black market in the hog business, a charge recently made in public by the Markham reeve.

Mrs. James Mowat has made a splendid recovery from her recent severe illness, and is able to be about her home again. Mrs. Mowat is not the type of person who gives up easily.

Charles Lauder, 75 year-old confectioner manufacturer, died in Toronto last week. He was well known at Musselman's Lake where he spent his holidays each summer, and was active in promoting the United Church services for the summer campers.

Friends were grieved this week to learn that Mrs. James McCullough suffered a severe weak spell on Sunday. However, she is resting nicely at her home on O'Brien avenue, and all her friends will join the Christmas wish for her that she may speedily be returned to better health again.

The Tribune received as many as six new subscriptions in one day last week of copies to be sent as Christmas gifts for 1944. In such cases the paper sends a Christmas card announcing the gift and the name of the donor. The suggestion may help many a puzzled person.

With only the Brown Betty Tea Rooms to serve the travelling public this Christmas season, Mrs. Simpson and her staff have rendered a splendid service to the town. Stouffville would be hard hit without a lunch counter for the travelling public and many local people too who require meal service. Sleeping accommodation, of course, is available at the Village Inn.

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Harry Golden