

## Proud of His Naval Daddy



Four-year old James de Wolf, son of Com. Harry de Wolf of the Canadian tribal destroyer Haida, who directed rescue of many of the sunken destroyer Athabaskan's survivors, is shown with a picture of his father, at his Ottawa home. James is very proud of his father, who has figured in two heavy actions within a few days. "When I grow up" he says "I'm going to be in the navy like my father."

## Sought Arrest of Soldier Holding Discharge Papers

There was no little surprise and dismay when an army officer knocked on the home of Irvine Hawley who lives on Stouffer street in the former Hattie Sanders place, and demanded to see Charlie Hawley last week. The officer stated that he held a warrant for the arrest of the boy charged with deserting the army. He was not at home, and of course, could not be taken.

The lad volunteered last December and was immediately put in uniform, although he was barely 18, but the army didn't know that. He became ill, and was discharged on April 27, according to discharge papers given him, which is backed by a letter from Christie Street hospital and held by his father which says in part: "Since you have been discharged from the army you are still eligible for treatment in this hospital for another 18 months, should your condition require treatment."

Mr. Hawley who is a section man on the C.N.R. says that he went to Exhibition Park last Sunday to investigate the matter and was assured that such investigation would be made. They declared there, says the father, that they had nothing against the son.

Since there is a good deal of talk about the lad who volunteered for service, the father freely volunteered this information to the press.

## Sam McMullen's Death Recalls His Father's Fatality

Samuel McMullen died at St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto, on Thursday, May 4, following quite a severe illness. He was a native of Stouffville having been born on Tenth street on the old homestead that stood just below the cemetery property. Sam, as everybody called him, was in his 52nd year, and had lived in the city since he left Stouffville as a young man more than 25 years ago. He acted as a chauffeur for many years.

The passing of this former citizen recalls the shocking death which befel his father, Sinclair McMullen who was killed by a shot gun while out hunting rabbits down in Yake's bush south of town. The incident is still remembered by many of our elder readers. The unfortunate man and two companions were digging out a rabbit hole when the bunny suddenly emerged from another hole. One of the trio up and fired at it just as Sinclair McMullen raised his head from behind a log just in time to receive the shot which fairly took the top off his head.

The son Sam married a Toronto girl, Maud Moreau, who survives him together with five children, Francis, Doris, Grace, Helen and Jackie, overseas. There also survives the aged mother, Mrs. W. Ginn, one brother, Jack McMullen, Stouffville, and one sister Pearl (Mrs. J. Underhill), Toronto.

10 o'clock mass was celebrated at St. Brigid's Church, on Saturday morning, and interment was made in Mount Hope cemetery.

## CADETS PLAN CHURCH PARADE MAY 21st

Stouffville Air Cadet Squadron No. 94 will hold their first spring Church Parade on Sunday, May 21st. The Cadets and their officers will form up and parade to the United Church for the regular evening service. It is expected that the members of the Canadian Girls in Training group, and the Cubs, junior members of the Boys Scouts will join in the parade.

## Merchants May Reconsider Closing

In view of a growing desire on the part of the farming community for the stores in Stouffville to open one evening a week throughout the summer season, we understand that the merchants will shortly be called together again to reconsider the stand they recently took to remain closed every night but Saturday.

In the event that any change is made it will likely be effective from the first of June. Last year the stores remained open every Tuesday evening, and growing disappointment was evidenced when it was decided to discontinue the courtesy extended the farmers for the summer season.

Maple Leaf Dairy. Since it is so difficult to secure competent men for this work, moving plans may have to be postponed.

# Income Tax Officers Are Interested in Farm Auctions

## VALUED HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER RESIGNS

Stouffville Board of Education met on Monday evening and members made a visit to the school building where they looked over the big knowledge works so that they would be in a better position to consider the needs of the building from first-hand knowledge.

With very sincere regrets the resignation of Mrs. Reg. Button from the High School staff was accepted to become effective in June.

## Barber Forsyth Buys New Premises

Cut Hair in Present Stand Long Before Women Thought of Discarding Knobs for Bobs.

Real estate changes continue to be active on Main street, and last week Harold "Red" Forsyth purchased the building occupied by Hugh Anderson's pool and billiard business, and will move his barbering shop now three doors west to the new location when he gains possession of the premises sometime this summer or early fall.

"Red" Forsyth has been clipping and snipping hair in the present stand next the Baptist church for close to 22 years, and he has witnessed the transition of the long curls, once a mother's pride (because we have known them to have preserved them between leaves of books), being transformed into boyish cuts, and women's knobs into smart bobs. He has seen the price range from 15 cents for a haircut to the present 35c, shaves were 5c when "Red" first munched with a dobber.

Since "Red" started barbering he has seen the coming of the lip stick and has sold enough of the stuff to paint a barn red or set one on fire; he has witnessed the introduction of wisp eyebrows or whatever you call the plucked style, and the strange practice of painting the finger nails, and some who want to go all monkey he admits even paint their toe nails. What a transition in 22 years! If the pace is to be maintained in the matter of adopting the old Indian customs, one may look for rings in the nose and painted bodies, some girls have started painting the calves already.

The present Forsyth barber shop building was recently purchased by Bert Bell the Cockshutt agent who will enlarge his present premises to take in the tonsorial shop.

For the present no plans have been made for the future of the pool room, but Hugh Anderson is looking about sharply in the hope of being able to make a turn that will enable him to carry on.

We understand that the Grubbin estate has also sold the small shop on Mill street to the south of the post office and used by the Massey-Harris to Mr. David Stouffer the tenant.

## Wed in Winnipeg

On Saturday, April 29, 1944, the quiet wedding of Margaret Lavenia Martin, youngest daughter of Mrs. Agnes Martin, of Toronto, to A.C.I. Arthur Rusnell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Rusnell of Stouffville, took place



at Broadway First Baptist Church in Winnipeg, Manitoba, with the Rev. S. A. Westcott officiating. The bride wore a two-piece rose sheer dress with matching half hat of artificial roses and veil and corsage of lavender sweet peas and white narcissus. Miss Eileen Bur of Winnipeg attended the bride, dressed in soldier blue suit and black



Mr. and Mrs. Ross Harper are in receipt of a letter from their son Alen, prisoner of war in Tokyo Camp, Japan, with the very brief announcement that he is alive and apparently well, which is certainly heartening news. The last word received from Alen reached his parents here in Whitchurch last November, a letter that was something like seven months in transit. The present brief message, however, was only five weeks in the mails.

## Top's in Sight

Just another seven thousand dollars is wanted to put the Victory Loan over the top in Stouffville. Up to Tuesday evening \$93,000 of the one hundred thousand was sold, and it is confidently expected that we will go over the top with something to spare. Well done Stouffville!

The Township of Whitchurch has rounded the corner with sales of \$100,000 to reach an objective of \$160,000.

Markham village with an objective of \$85,000 reported in last Saturday night sales totalling \$40,000, and will have to work hard, also Markham township with an objective of \$290,000 had sales totalling \$200,000 up to Monday night.

## Mrs. J. W. Warriner Called by Death

Attesting the love and respect held for a bereaved family and for one who had been called Yonder before her active days had been spent, a large concourse of friends assembled for the funeral of the late Mrs. John Wilmot Warriner at the old farm home at Lot 22, Con. 7, Markham, on Saturday afternoon, Mrs. Warriner passed rather suddenly on Wednesday, May 3rd, from a malicious illness which overtook her only last February. She was in her 69th year.

Born near Keswick, Mrs. Warriner was the former Ina Viola Morten. She united in marriage with J. W. Warriner 42 years ago, and after a few years in the store business in Markham, the couple settled on the 7th of Markham, just below Peach's.

Of a bright and cheery disposition Mrs. Warriner enjoyed a wide circle of friends. She was a member of and active in the organizations of the United Church at Markham, she also belonged to the Women's Institute, and in the Eastern Star at Markham, held the office of Electa at the time of her death.

The spacious family home was filled to capacity for the funeral service, conducted by Rev. E. E. Newnham, assisted by Rev. A. J. Orr. Mrs. I. Walker of Toronto, a cousin, rendered a very beautiful solo, and the pall bearers were all relatives, being Fergus Taylor of Newmarket, Carman Pollock of Island Grove, Harold Pollock, Percy Winch, and Francis Morten, all of Keswick, and Wilbur Watt of Markham.

The bier was banked with lovely wreaths and sprays representing the silent testimony of love from many friends and organizations who mourn the loss of a dear friend and valued worker.

Surviving are the bereaved husband; one daughter (Ella) Mrs. L. A. Brown of Markham, and one son Harry, at home on the farm.

accessories with corsage of pink sweet peas and narcissus. Mr. Bill Ward of Toronto, was best man. The bride and groom have taken up residence in Winnipeg, where the groom is now stationed.

## That Taxes Could Wipe Out Some Estates of Farmers is the Claim of Ottawa Correspondent.

Farmers who are alarmed lest the C.C.F. in power will take their farms may well be more alarmed at the turn of events right under their noses, especially if they are good farmers and prosperous and have not "Rendered unto Caesar." According to J. H. Fisher, Telegram reporter at Ottawa, farmers who have held auction sales and pocketed the money from their accumulation of a lifetime, are receiving unexpected callers in the persons of National Revenue Officials, who frequently accompany their visits with an invitation to pay the government part of the proceeds of the sale as income taxes.

Some of the sales held in Stouffville district we believe represent the savings of a life-time, and are barely enough to maintain the elderly couple in decent comfort.

According to Mr. Fisher this checking up on auction sales which is becoming a regular practice, he says, is part of the National Revenue Department's policy of squeezing the last cent of taxes from everyone.

Farmer Brown, who never made an income tax return because he felt his annual income was so small the government would want none of it, is probably in for a jolt when he holds an auction. If he dies with a substantial bank account or bonds his executors may discover his estate owes heavy income taxes as well as succession duties to the government.

Because people are more prosperous today and the treasury is urgently in need of the money, the National Revenue Department is checking more closely into estates and farm sales than ever before.

Contrary to the general impression that the proceeds from farm auction sales of livestock and produce are a return of capital, the National Revenue Department regards this money as cash income and liable to income tax unless the farmer has kept books and paid income taxes annually on the accrued basis. If he has operated on the alternative cash basis, that is, has listed cash receipts and cash payments and made an income tax return on the net cash income, it is quite possible that he will be assessed on the proceeds of his sale of stock at auction. If the sale took place last year or this the rate of taxation will be very heavy.

Most Ontario farmers who make income tax returns do so on the cash basis. The form they use contains columns for the listing of cash payments and cash income and the tax is paid on the net; but this form does not take into account the natural accretion in the value of herds. Consequently, there is no tax paid on their annual appreciation in value. The day of reckoning on income tax in these cases comes when an auction sale is held and the farmer at one stroke garners in the increased value of his herds over several years. It is income on which tax has not previously been paid and the income tax officials make their levy on it in the year it becomes cash.

An alternative to the cash basis for estimating income tax is the accrual basis, a much more complicated system, which is generally used by large farmers and ranchers. It necessitates the keeping of full and accurate records. What is shown as income is not only the cash received during the year, but the value of all sales and production of the year, whether cash was actually received or not. On the expense side is shown not only the cash he paid out but all costs and expenses applicable to the operations of the year, whether bills have been paid or not. Inventories must be prepared each year and income tax is estimated on the increase.

The best assurance Citizen John Doe can have that income tax inspectors will not paw through the financial records of his estate when he dies are duplicates of his annual returns and, if he owed taxes, receipts for the same from the tax inspector of his district. Otherwise, if he leaves an estate of \$20,000 or \$50,000, the department is likely to ask his executors how he made it and what taxes he paid. If he did not pay taxes, the estate may be assessed right back to 1917, when Canada's first income tax came into force.

Accrued income tax and penalties, plus succession duties, could wipe out an estate entirely. It is said this has happened in a few cases.

## Population Reaches New Peak Assessor Reports

The largest population ever recorded in Stouffville since the village was incorporated just three-quarters of a century ago is shown at the present time, according to the town assessment just completed. There are 1295 people in the community as against 1176 seven years ago. Last year there were 1274, so that we are slowly growing. Total assessment is \$674,735 which is an increase of just \$1,800. No new buildings were added last year, which accounts for the rather stationary assessment returns.

The council accepted the assessor's roll at the regular meeting Thursday evening, and set the date for a court of revision to hear and determine any complaints for the first day of June.

Three members of the Park Committee, Dr. Ball, John Smits and N. M. MacLean appeared as a delegation to make formal request for funds to carry on the park. A new power mower is bought and paid for, which leaves the committee with a bank deficit of \$160. Further funds are required for attending the property this summer, so a grant of \$300 was made by the council.

Boys had destroyed tables and benches in the park which cost considerable to repair. It was decided that this summer a closer watch would be maintained especially at hallowe'en, and the first lads caught destroying property will be severely dealt with as a warning. It seems too bad that youngsters will have no regard for the splendid privileges of the park - other than to destroy that which is put there for their pleasure.

The Lions Club was granted the privilege of conducting a street carnival on the evening of June 28.

It was decided to purchase 2500 gallons of road oil at a cost of 12 and half cents gallon laid on the road. The work will be done under the supervision of the road department headed by Councillors Walter Brillinger and Councillor R. E. Brown. A majority of council favored oil in preference to calcium chloride which was used last year.

Reeve Weldon and Councillor Brown reported having visited the town dump, and found things more or less in a mess. Persons taking the private loads to the grounds unloaded right in the roadway and obstructed others the right of way, so that some men will have to be sent to the place to clean up. The situation was partly due to the delay in holding a tin can clean up, they told the council when one of the members urged that some action be taken to organize a clean up for the town. Councillor Nolan said the clean up is so late it was losing its value.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Mustard and children of Dawes Rd. spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lewis of Glasgow.

## Municipalities Will Combine for Paved Road to Goodwood

A strong movement has been started in Muskoka-Ontario riding designed to impress on the Minister of Highways the desirability and need for five miles of hard-top road between Goodwood and Stouffville. It is the only dirt road owned by the province within many miles, and as a consequence heavy machinery has to be moved here from great distances to maintain the road, since the Department of Highways have no other use for such machinery in the locality. The road bears very heavy truck and passenger traffic, and is seldom in good condition. We know of no other road in the country so much complained against. The five miles from Stouffville was omitted from being paved because of an unfortunate situation when the road from Uxbridge to Goodwood was hard-topped.

Following the lead of a meeting in Beaverton a week ago when a strong resolution was framed for presentation to the Minister of Highways, Stouffville, Whitchurch, and Uxbridge councils are being asked to pass resolutions supporting the demand for some improvement on this short stretch of road that is expensive to maintain by the Dept. since they have nothing like it in the locality, and because a dirt top is not good enough for the traffic it bears.

The Stouffville council on Thursday night passed a resolution setting out the facts and imploring the Minister to make this one of the first pieces of work to be done.

## Seriously Injured in Fall from Tree

Trimming trees, the branches of which were obstructing telephone wires, in front of the United Church parsonage in Goodwood, Mr. Thos. Jennings fell 20 feet to the hard ground beneath. He landed on his back, and was rushed to the hospital in Toronto after receiving first aid by Dr. Ball. Examination reveals a broken bone in the spine and several fractured ribs. Mr. Jennings will be laid up for a long time. The misfortune also presents a serious situation for the Bethesda & Stouffville Telephone Co., of which he was line foreman. The company are preparing to move into their new premises to be vacated by the