

Local and Personal Happenings



F. O. Bertram Taylor
F. O. Bertram Taylor, son of Mrs. Roy Grasby, Cando, Sask., and the late Robert Taylor of Goodwood, has recently returned from overseas. F. O. Taylor, a navigator, completed 31 tours over enemy territory, and was awarded the D.F.C. He graduated from Saskatoon University, he specialized in geology. Bert is a nephew of Mrs. Geo. Stewart and Mrs. Russel Downswell, Goodwood. His mother was the former Ethel Jones of Glasgow.

Have your Red Cross subscription ready when the canvassers call.

Mr. Delbert Holden is gradually getting around after being confined to his home for some weeks through illness, friends will be glad to know.

Mrs. Mary Quibell of Mount Albert was 93 years of age this month. A remarkable age that few are spared to celebrate.

Butter in Berlin is \$50 a pound but we bet no such fancy price will be paid for it by the Russians when they reach the Capital.

We witnessed a girl not a day over 20 years but as drunk as an old buzzard on the street in Toronto last week. She was being helped along by a youthful sailor and another young man. Something we often read about, but it is more impressive to see such an exhibition really enacted.

Mrs. J. C. Paxton, who is very well known in Stouffville, fell into an open trap door in the Presbyterian Church at Uxbridge last week, receiving severe bruises which confined her to the house for several days. Mrs. Paxton is particularly well known at Musselman's Lake where the family had

Farmers may well be expected to become aroused about the prospects of closing out egg grading stations in the rural districts because of the stringent restrictions of the Dominion Dept. of Agriculture. Station owners complain of the great cost they are being put to to comply with the regulations regarding refrigeration, while others say the demands are unnecessary and do not make sense. However, if the farmers prove to be right, it should be no trouble for them to put a stop to what is being attempted. No government would attempt to enforce such regulations on the farmer if it can be shown that it is unnecessary. Perhaps the Dept. would have done well to carry on an educational campaign in order to educate egg producers to what they think should be done in this matter. The idea that the small grading station is being squeezed in favor of the big city station is a factor the farmers are putting forward, rightly or wrongly.

Mrs. E.J. Hill of Newmarket has been visiting at the home of her brother Mr. E.J. Davey in town.

E. A. Grubin, R.O., optometrist, will be at his office in Stouffville on Monday, March 19th.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Nesbitt and family of Claremont, Pte. Jack Harding of Toronto, Mr. Orlando Forsyth of Parry Sound, visited last week with Gnr. John Lager of Newfoundland who was home on furlough visiting his parents on Church street.

Mr. and Mrs. Wes. Schell were in Toronto for several days this week for the annual convention of the Ontario Retail Lumbermen at the Royal York. The local lumber dealer predicts that there will be quite a spurt in building in evidence here this spring and summer. Certainly there is a great demand for houses.

Flying Instructor Bruce Stover is expected home from Western Canada in a few days accompanied by his wife, since Bruce has received his discharge from the R.C.A.F. Mr. and Mrs. Stover will take up residence in town and he will resume his old position in the employment of his father, Mr. Ambrose Stover, at the Stouffville Bakery. Everybody will be glad to welcome the young couple as residents of the town once again.

Nephew of Local Seed Merchant Killed in Action

P.O. "Bill" Aldred, nephew of Mr. Ira Aldred, and who was reported missing some time ago while serving with the R.C.A.F. overseas has now been reported killed in action and buried at Quarstedt in Germany. William Aldred was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Aldred of Port Perry. He enlisted in March 1942, and he received his commission in June of last year. Surviving him are his parents, two brothers, Ft-Lieut. Joel Aldred overseas, Norman at home, and one sister, Kay, at home.

Two weeks from Friday is Good Friday and a public holiday, sort of a spring opener.

Many local people reported last week of seeing their first robin of the spring. These tuneful red-breasts are the unfailing harbingers of spring, an early break-up following the severe winter.

A Claremont farmer who had never tried The Tribune's Classified columns before, reports having seven replies to a small ad for pigs in last week's issue. These ads are read by over 7,000 people each week, and can be of real value to you. Try them and see.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reynolds are arranging to move from Victoria street since the house they occupy is wanted by the owner Mr. Jos. Grose who is holding an auction sale at his Ringwood farm, and will retire in town again. Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds have occupied the place for nine years.

The death of Arthur Roy Mustard at Barrie last week removes an old Markham boy from this sphere of activity. Mr. Mustard was 53 years of age and was born in Markham, his father being the late James Mustard farmer on the 9th concession. Temporary embalming at Barrie until a date later when the remains will be brought to Markham for burial.

Banquet Room Crowded to Hear Chicago Speaker

The basement of the Christian Church was filled to capacity on Wednesday at the regular meeting of the Stouffville Men's Fellowship to hear Mr. Reamer Loomis of Chicago. Mr. Loomis is manager of a real estate business in that city, and is a member of the executive of the Christian Men's International. He brought a forceful evangelistic message and illustrated in a most compelling manner of his faith in God, by incidents encountered in his own business life.

The passing of Henry Talbot, 87-year-old resident of the 6th concession of Whitchurch makes the third long-time resident of that concession line to have been removed by death in less than two years. The late John Nicely, the late Pat Murphy, and the late Mr. Talbot had all resided there the greater part of their lives and their removal in a comparatively short space of time further emphasizes the ever changing personnel of the district by the sure and certain hand of death.

TOWNSHIP BORROWS AT NEW LOW RATE

Interest rate for township borrowing has been reduced to 4 per cent from 4½ per cent. Mr. A. G. Thompson, manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Stouffville, told Whitchurch Township council in session at Vandorf on Saturday. The rate was 5 per cent a few years ago, and was recently cut to 4½.

Reeve Leary expressed the council's appreciation for the new low rate. Interest charges at the bank are now the lowest in years. Answering an enquiry by the reeve, Road Superintendent Widdifield said there are still a few roads to open, three in number remaining east-west, and these are being worked on.

Road accounts for shovelling snow and maintenance of machinery were passed totalling \$2,463.

Police will be asked to investigate the dumping of rotten turnips on the roadside between concessions 4 and 5 near the Clark bush.

The annual by-law providing for road expenditures for the current year was passed. It provides for an estimated expenditure of \$20,000. In 1944 \$18,000 was spent under this account.

It was pointed out that it was not necessary to spend the total appropriation.

Reeve Leary said that if \$20,000 was provided, council was likely to spend that amount. Present expenditure has run \$7,000, but Mr. Widdifield thought expenses would lighten up considerably.

Councillor Harper declared that ratepayers complained of past neglect of roads, and last year a good start was made in improving them, and they should be maintained and not allowed to be torn to pieces again.

CAMPAIGN RETURNS IN ONTARIO

Killaloe Branch was the first in Ontario to go over the top in the Canadian Red Cross Society's National Campaign for funds, it was announced by the Ontario Commissioner, Mr. Stafford Roberts. Returns of \$589,136 were reported to date in Ontario's quota of \$5,000,000, but it is pointed out that in many branches, such as the large and active Border Branch at Windsor, the campaign does not begin until March 12th. Vaughan Township, of which Mr. W. B. Hanna is president, had achieved over fifty per cent of its objective by the second day of the campaign. At Divisional headquarters a cheque for \$24,000 was received from the County of York. This is a sum which, for many years past, the county annually allocates to Red Cross.



At a leave centre in Holland, visiting delegates to the world trade union conference, which was held in London, met a number of Canadian soldiers who were coming out of the fighting lines, for a brief rest.

Here, C.S. Jackson, of Toronto, president of the United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers of America, chats with Sgt. Ralph Forfar, of Stouffville, a former local school boy.

FOUND BRANDED STARLING

Mr. C. H. Hicks of Bethesda picked up a dead starling a few days ago on the Steckley farm in his neighborhood that had a band on one leg, and bearing the information, "Dept. Biological Survey, Wash., D.C." Evidently a tag is being made on this kind of bird for some reason or other, and Mr. Hicks intends to communicate with the department on the matter.

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A. S. Farmer, auctioneer



Mr. J.A. Leslie who was recently promoted to the position of assistant manager for Superstite Petroleum Products for the Toronto district was in town on Tuesday. Well known throughout East York, Mr. Leslie carried the Conservative banner in the last Provincial election for this riding.

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