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TOWN EXCEEDS \$200,000 IN LOAN DRIVE

Three Teachers Resign from School Staffs, Fourteen New Applications Received

"I realize that it is not fair to experienced public school teachers if we start inexperienced girls from Normal School at \$1200 a year, the same salary as the experienced teachers are getting," said Chairman A.G. Thompson at the meeting of the Board of Education Monday evening. Then he asked the members where the thing would lead to; if \$1200 is to be the basis for beginners and all experienced help had to be advanced above this figure. It was apparent to all that a sharp increase in school costs would again be the result.

It was said that Normal graduates are being told (presumably by the Teachers' Federation) to stick out for \$1,200 an all-time top for beginners.

The Chairman pointed to 14 applications for positions in Stouffville public school, and some members said that supply and demand would adjust the salary matter in due course.

High School salaries were increased all along the line in accordance with a salary increase schedule set up two years ago.

Two teachers have resigned from the public school. Mrs. Cunningham (Margaret Forsyth) who intends to locate on a farm near Mount Albert, and Mrs. Hazel Booth whose husband is farming in the Newcastle district.

One resignation from the High School staff came from Miss Mary L. Johnson who is seeking a school nearer her home town. All resignations were accepted with regrets, the resolution of acceptance said.

There was some pointed discussion on the attitude of high school teachers to the community at large in that some teachers jump the first bus out of town every Friday afternoon and return just in time to resume classes on Monday morning. One member said that a teacher's duties extended beyond the nine and four o'clock periods if they were to make a success of their job, and it was apparent that a feeling was abroad that teachers who take no interest in community life were not giving of their best to the job.

Principal Murphy was directed to draft an advertisement to fill the position of Miss Johnson. Applications for positions on the P.S. staff will be viewed by Principal Watson and the Management Committee at once.

Mr. Don Chadwick reported that the architect's plans for the heating plant at the school were expected daily, and it was agreed that a special meeting would be held to consider them and possibly to proceed calling for tenders for the work.

Monday's Board meeting was attended by Chairman Thompson, and every other member excepting J.W. McMullen, they being D. Free, F. Riches, Dawson Hare, D. Chadwick, A.E. Booth, Lloyd Turner, I.A. Aldred.

TAKES TORONTO BRIDE

Another of our young townsmen was quietly married when on Friday, May 4. Morley A. Brown, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Ross E. Brown was united in wedlock with Audrey Bernice Williams of Toronto. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Curtis at Hope United Church, and after a short honeymoon the young couple are locating in Stouffville.

Wounded



Agnes Macphail Suffers Stroke

According to information published in the Walkerton Herald and Times Miss Agnes MacPhail, C.C.F. candidate in York East, which includes Stouffville and Markham, in the forthcoming provincial election, suffered a stroke at her home in Toronto early Friday morning. It is understood, says the Walkerton despatch, that the stroke affected her right side; but her physician states that if she remains quiet and with care she will probably recover.

Miss MacPhail was only recently nominated to again contest East York, and speculation is now rife as to her ability to enter the contest. It may be that her followers consider she is sufficiently strong enough in the riding to win the election without taking any personal part in the campaign.

Miss MacPhail has been visited by her sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Bailey of Dundalk, while another sister Mrs. Reany resides in Palmerston.

The news of Miss MacPhail's illness was received with general regret in the Owen Sound district and throughout Grey county where she represented south-east Grey in parliament before she entered the Ontario legislature for York east.

DEATHS

GRIFFIN, Mildred—On Friday, May 11th, 1945, at Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, formerly of Lemonville, Mildred Griffin, wife of Norman Griffin and youngest daughter of Mrs. Robert W. Lemon and the late Robert W. Lemon. Funeral at Moose Jaw, Monday on May 14th, 1945.

Death Separates Old School Mates

One of the town's eldest women, Mrs. Joseph McMullen died at the Brierbush Hospital on Thursday, May 10th, following a period of declining health due to her great age.

Mrs. McMullen was 87 last December 24. The funeral on Saturday afternoon from the residence of her son Jacob proceeded to the M.B.C. church where Rev. E. Moyer conducted the service. Interment was made at Stouffville cemetery, for which the pall bearers were all relatives.

Mrs. McMullen was born near Claremont on the present John Scott farm. Her parents died when she was young and she went to make her home with the Ramer family at Ringwood. She attended Ringwood school and it is an interesting fact that one of her class mates and the only one living as far as is known, John Hare, was a neighbor and friend in the east end of Stouffville at time of her death.

Mrs. McMullen was the former Margaret E. Pipher, and after her marriage to Jos. McMullen nearly 70 years ago the couple took up farming on the 10th of Markham just below the cemetery where she last lived.

Jos. McMullen died in 1943 and surviving are two sons Jacob and Otto both of Stouffville. Another son Robert is dead. There are 13 grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren.

GRADUATES FROM ONTARIO BIBLE COLLEGE

Congratulations are due Mrs. Floyd McReynolds (former Hazel Brander) who is one of the graduates of the Toronto Bible College this spring. Mrs. McReynolds was the co-president of her class, indicating that her ability was outstanding and the esteem in which she was held is also high. Mrs. McReynolds' husband is in the R.C.A.F. Last weekend in company with Elsie Ferris Mrs. McReynolds visited her mother in town at the old home on Church Street.

BUS MAN ENTERS HOSPITAL

The popular driver of the Gray Coach Stouffville-Toronto bus, Mr. Harry Bridges, is a patient in the Wellesley hospital where he underwent an operation for hernia. Harry looked the picture of health and few people suspected that he would ever need to enter a hospital for repairs. We hear he is progressing fine.

COUNCILLOR UNDERGOES OPERATION

Last Friday Mr. R. E. Brown underwent a surgical operation at the Toronto General Hospital, and on Tuesday his condition was said to be not quite so good as it should be under the circumstances. Mr. Brown is a member of the municipal council, and widely known wholesale vegetable dealer.

In Bermuda



Every Centre in North York Goes Over the Top, the Greatest Total on Record

Now Five Candidates in East York

Liberal: Morrison, Flt.-Lieut. Donald, 84 Cherrywood Ave., Toronto, R.C.A.F.

Progressive Conservative: McGregor, R.H., 726 O'Connor Drive, Toronto, contractor.

C.C.F.: Madill, Fred C., 81 Springdale Ave., Toronto, lithographer.

Social Credit: Pinkney, Carl Clarke, 74 Robinson Ave., Toronto, pattern maker.

Labor: Progressive: White, John Francis, R.R. 1, Stouffville, farmer.

Another Former Resident Dead

The district of York North in the current 8th Victory Loan has gone over the top to pass its objective of two and a half million dollars and to reach the largest total of all the loans yet floated. "I never saw anything like it," said J. L. Trapp, district organizer to the Tribune on Wednesday, speaking of the manner in which the sales flooded in the last four days.

Stouffville had reached a total of \$209,500 Wednesday morning with a possible few thousand more to be reported. This is the largest subscription of any loan raised here, surpassing the 7th loan of \$170,000 which was the highest up to that time. When one considers that was only six months ago, the manner in which the money comes in is amazing to say the least.

The objective for Stouffville of \$120,000 thus came close to being doubled, and may place us in first position throughout the county in this regard, but that will not be known for some days.

Markham village with an objective of \$100,000 has subscribed \$106,000, while Markham township sales total \$344,700 up to Wednesday morning, passing their objective by over \$44,000.

Whitchurch township has an objective of \$165,000, which will be reached or passed since \$159,750 was reported at time of going to press.

The grand total for York North being larger than any previous loan, is a matter for the people of the district to be proud of.

Park Improvements are Discussed

Definite improvements in Stouffville Memorial Park are in the offing if plans discussed at the inaugural meeting on Tuesday evening are put into effect.

It is hoped to have the grand stand given a brighter appearance with a new paint job, the tending of the grounds to be better supervised, and possibly a hardtop for the tennis court.

Destruction by young people both inside and outside of town has run into hundreds of dollars over the past years, but it is believed that the fact the park has been allowed to fall into disrepair during the war years has been a big factor in this attitude on the part of local youth.

At Tuesday's meeting the following officers were elected for the year: chairman, Norman MacLean; sec-treas., Chas. Nolan; grounds committee, E. A. Button, John Smits, and Dr. S. S. Ball.

BIRTH

ELLICOTT—At the Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville, on Thursday, May 10, 1945, to Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Ellicot (nee Phyllis Redshaw), a daughter.

Former Son Safe After Missing for Nine Months

Pilot Officer Ralph Stevens, son of Rev and Mrs. H. Stevens, formerly of Stouffville and Claremont, is safe in allied hands after being listed as "missing" for nine months.

P.O. Stevens failed to return from a bombing mission over Bermuda last August, and it was a joyous V-E Day when Mr. and Mrs. Stevens, now of Windsor received the news of his deliverance.

According to information from London, two R.A.F. men were given refuge after a parachute landing in a Burmese village. Later the Japs overran the village, and these two men were made prisoners of war. When the British recently arrived, one of the natives in the village gave the commanding officer a handkerchief left by one of the men, bearing a number which was traced and found to be that of a Flight-Sergt. in Ralph's crew. This incident was revealed to the Stevens family here in Canada and at once raised their hopes that the other man might be their son. Then on V-E Day the news arrived which confirmed their fondest hopes.

Rev. Stevens was a former pastor of Claremont Baptist Church, and the couple resided in Stouffville where Ralph attended school. A brother, Gordon is overseas, now in Germany, while a sister, Muriel who went through the blitz as a nurse in a London Hospital, is now with her parents in Windsor.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. A.P. Graham of Markham announce the engagement of their daughter, Lillian Margaret to Gordon Leslie Gauslin son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Gauslin of Claremont. The marriage will take place Saturday, June 9th, 1945, in Markham.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lilley of Agincourt, formerly of Gormley, wish to announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Dorothy Elizabeth Lorene, to Mr. Garfield Roy Bennett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie G. Bennett of Agincourt. The marriage to take place the ninth of June.

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MRS. BURNS IN HOSPITAL

Mrs. J.C. Burns, wife of our engineer on the Markham Rural Hydro, was removed to hospital in Toronto a few days ago, suffering from a nervous condition. Mr. and Mrs. Burns had two sons overseas, one a prisoner of war whose whereabouts is still in doubt.



This is the scene when Germany's three representatives, backs to camera, signed peace terms before an array of the Allied high command, including representatives of Britain, France, the U.S. and Russia. Lieut.-Gen. Smith is fourth from left.