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Premier Mackenzie King will lead the next Canadian Parliament as a result of Monday's election. Of the 245 seats the Liberals have 118 seats and the Progressive Conservatives 66 with the remainder divided between various smaller groups. The service vote to be announced June 20 may alter several ridings. With eight Independent Liberals in the smaller groups Mr. King will have a working majority provided the soldier vote does not go against the government.

## Toronto Lady Injured in Goodwood Crossing Crash

Serious hip, leg and head injuries were sustained by Mrs. J. F. McConnell of Toronto when the car in which she was a passenger collided with the southbound mail train at the Goodwood crossing on Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. McConnell, the two occupants in the car were proceeding east at the time, and according to Mr. McConnell were very close to the crossing before they saw the train. The car struck the side of the engine.

Dr. S. S. Ball of Stouffville attended Mrs. McConnell, who was removed by ambulance to the Toronto General Hospital. Her husband escaped with minor cuts and a bad shaking up.

It will be recalled that this is the second crash at this crossing in the last six months, Miss Luella Page having received injuries resulting in her death, at the same spot and in somewhat similar circumstances.

## Lions Club Installs Officers

L. E. O'Neill will be the new president of the Stouffville Lions Club and was installed in the office along with the following slate of officers who will enter upon their new duties on July 1st. They are, past pres., A. H. Williams; pres., L. E. O'Neill; 1st vice pres., Chas. Nolan; 2nd vice pres., Don Chadwick; 3rd vice pres., Jack Smits; secretary, Fred Campbell; treasurer, Jas. Porter; tail twister, Ken. Laushway; lion tamer, Harold Spofford; directors, Clayt. Baker, Milt. Smith, Bob Snowball, Elmer Daniels; pianist and chaplain, Rev. Douglas Davis.

The new office holders were installed in a brief ceremony at Shadow Lake on the occasion of the Club's annual June ladies' night.

## Will Repair Fences

The Tribune learned from a member of the Toronto and York Road Commission last week that it is the intention of the Commission to replace or repair the fences damaged by bulldozers when removing snow from the Commission roads last winter.

There has been a delay in getting the work done, because of labor and other conditions, but the assurance was given that the fences would be repaired at the first possible moment, which will be good news to the farmers who suffered a good deal from the tons of snow and ice rolled over the fence lines in the worst winter for snow in many years.

## HEATING CONTRACT OUT

Contract for the new heating plant at Stouffville High and Public schools was authorized to be advertised in this newspaper and in a trade journal this week. It was announced at the meeting of the Board of Education on Friday night. The Board's architect stated that

## Mother Fatally Stricken at Side of Dead Son

Called to the funeral home of R.G. Clendening in Markham to view the remains of her son Earl Chester Goodyear, Mrs. R. G. Goodyear of Unionville, collapsed suddenly and passed away at the funeral home, evidently from grief and shock.

Lydia Lyons was the widow of the late William Goodyear, and was well known in her home district. She had gone to the undertaker's where her late son Earl Chester Goodyear had been brought following his death on June 9th in Montreal Hospital. He was in his 51st year. The late Mrs. Goodyear had been living in Stouffville with Mrs. Sam Hoover, south Church street.

The son's funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon from the Funeral Parlors and the mother will be buried on Thursday from the same parlors at 2.30 o'clock. Both interments in the family plot at Unionville cemetery.

## Musselman's Lake May Get Dust Layer on 50-50 Basis

Musselman's Lake road approximately 2 1/2 miles in length will be oiled for this year if and when two-thirds of the ratepayers (cottagers) sign a petition agreeing to pay one half the cost estimated at \$1 to \$1.25 per cottage. Whitchurch council told Messrs. Daniels and Evans forming a deputation urging the council to do some immediately to allay the dust.

Mr. Daniels said the residents at the lake recognized that the council had a real problem in war years, but with road oil now available, they wanted an intolerable condition ended. "I have lived at the lake 20 years," said Mr. Daniels, and now the traffic has become so heavy and the dust so dense I simply can't eat a meal in my cottage." Dust is everywhere.

Mr. Wm. Evans another veteran of the lakeside said there was a health hazard, and that the cottagers were willing to pay their way if only the council would get on with the work.

A letter from the secretary of the Ratepayers' Association backed up the request. Reeve Leary and Councillors agreed to oil the road just as soon as the petition was filed with the township clerk, duly signed.

The amount of oil will be approximately 6,000 gallons, of a good grade oil, which would undoubtedly do an excellent job in both laying the dust and preserving the road.

The same offer made to Musselman's will be applicable to Wilcox Lake area.

The deputation thanked council for the cordial hearing, and promised to get out the petition without delay. It is expected that cottagers will be eager to sign up regardless of where the cottage is from the main road which everybody makes use of.

## HORSE AND BUGGY DAYS COMING BACK?

The so-called horse and buggy days may be returning, if one is to judge from the keen bidding for a horse blanket witnessed at the Luther Allin estate sale at Bethesda. The blanket sold for \$5.25. Other interesting items of sale included a rocking chair for \$7, which the auctioneers Sellers & Atkinson said might indicate that folks intended to take life a bit easier, which was further borne out when \$17 was paid for a wooden bedstead and \$17 more for a chest of drawers.

The highlight of the sale was the disposal of the property, knocked down to Mr. P. C. Connon who sold his farm equipment in Markham township. The house and lot sold for \$2,600, and the new owner will take immediate possession.

## Funeral for Leonard Hoover, Friday

The death of Mr. Leonard Hoover at his home on the 8th con., Markham, early this Wednesday morning removes a very highly regarded resident of Markham township from our midst. In serious state of health for some time, the end was not entirely unexpected.

The funeral will be held on Friday afternoon, with service at the house at 2 p.m. and at the Wideman church, where he was pastor for nine years, at 2.30 o'clock. Interment in the Wideman cemetery.

## FAREWELL GATHERING

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. White of Melville, were the happy recipients of a chair and lamp from former neighbours and friends in the community at a farewell party tendered them last week. Mr. and Mrs. White will make their new home in Markham, and take with them the best wishes from Melville district.

## McGregor Retains East York Seat, Jack Smith Wins in North Riding

Locally Monday's election results provided but one surprise and that was the defeat of Earl Toole of Whitchurch, Progressive-Conservative, by Jack Smith, Liberal. The editor of the Richmond Hill Liberal romped home a winner with a snug 1200 majority or thereabout. Earl Toole is very popular in his home township of Whitchurch, is an X-Warden of the County of York and was assured even good Liberal support. However, Jack Smith is well thought of too, as may be judged by the returns, and was backed by a strong King following and the surprise may all have been in the Conservative camp.

Many Liberals who voted Conservative in the Provincial election declared their intention of returning to their own party in the Dominion contest, other Liberals refused to support Toole on the ground that he was once a Liberal and turned. This is strange logic, but exerted a real influence with many voters.

The campaign was clean, and both candidates refrained from any mud-slinging. The newspaper editor was the popular man in North York on Monday night.

The return of Bob McGregor in East York where Stouffville voters cast their ballots was rather conceded before hand, since it has such an overwhelming Tory following.

## Stouffville returns:

Morrison, Lib.	382
McGregor, P.C.	223
Madill, C.C.F.	31
White, Labor	5
Pinkney, Soc. C.	113

## East York returns:

McGregor, P.C.	14,400
Morrison, Lib.	9,370
Madill, C.C.F.	6,201
White, Labor	371
Pinkney, Soc. C.	272

## Smith Toole Woods

Aurora	657	728	92
Georgina	341	348	26
Et. Gwillimbury	911	731	112
N. Gwillimbury	476	340	31
King, Twp.	1377	993	149
Newmarket	887	813	192
N. York, ward 2	2076	2025	816
N. York T. ward 3	1102	988	1052
Richmond Hill	520	272	65
Sutton	209	239	27
Vaughan	1458	1083	249
Whitchurch	602	811	83
Woodbridge	218	318	56

## North York summary:

Smith, Lib.	10,930
Toole, P.C.	9,373
Woods, C.C.F.	3,057

## GETS BIG FISH

Ken Reesor well-known local sportsman hooked a 17-pound channel catfish at Zephyr last week. The big fellow measured over 2 ft. in length, and is the largest of this species of mud cat known to have been caught there.

## Board of Education Retains Experienced Teachers

The Board of Education are being forced to increase salaries in Stouffville to new all-time figures because of the shortage of teachers throughout the province and the organizing of the Teachers' Federation who are demanding that teachers be paid adequately. On Monday evening the local Board had the choice of losing two splendid teachers Miss Hosie and Miss Brooks from the public school staff, or grant them increase to \$1400 each. It was pointed out that totally inexperienced teachers were demanding \$1200 and had all been advised to do uns when leaving Normal school, thus the position of the experienced teacher receiving \$1200 became one of dissatisfaction. The board granted the increase to the teachers mentioned, and at the same time increased Principal L.C. Murphy to \$2,900. At the last board meeting Mr. Murphy was given a \$100 increase to make the salary \$2,700, but the principal told the Board Monday night they were too low, and if he was so inclined to move he could obtain a much higher salary, a fact the board conceded when they increased him to \$2,900. High income taxation, it has been pointed out, since the tax is unduly heavy especially on income that ranges around public school salaries. Principal Watson has been increased to a new high also at \$1800 per annum. Miss Swinton of Toronto was engaged to fill a vacancy on the High School staff at a salary of \$1800. She is experienced and has been teaching at Deseronto in Hastings county.

The Board is still advertising for a man, teacher, who can assist with shop work in the manual training room, and a teacher with domestic science experience.

Chairman of the Board Mr. A. G. Thompson presided over the meeting.

## CEMETERY DECORATION DAY

Friends who are interested in the Stouffville Cemetery should keep in mind next Sunday, June 17th is the date of the annual Decoration Day Service at the cemetery grounds at 2.30.

## Farmer Dies Doing Evening Chores

Assisting with the evening chores on the farm a mile and a half west of Ballantrae between the 6th and 7th concessions of Whitchurch, Charles Wright suddenly expired on Sunday afternoon, and was found shortly after by members of the family. Deceased was a bachelor and in his 76th year.

Death was due to natural causes, and the funeral took place on Wednesday afternoon to Pine Orchard cemetery following service at the late home.

Surviving are one sister Frances and one brother Percy living with the deceased, also a brother John residing just across the road, and another brother Medford in Western Canada. The family have been long time residents of the township.

## Council Hopes to do Away with Main Street Poles

At the regular meeting of Stouffville Municipal Council on Tuesday evening, council agreed that steps should be taken to have a number of high hydro poles removed from the north side of the business section on Main street, to be replaced by steel standards holding the newly purchased street lights.

Since the removal some years ago of the many hydro and telephone lines from these big poles they remain only an eyesore on the main thoroughfare.

The matter will be taken up by Reeve Nolan with the hydro engineer so that if possible they may be removed before the installation of the new lights.

Eight of the large new street fixtures have been ordered for fall delivery, several to be placed in the westend business section as well.

It is expected that the town streets will receive their annual application of road oil within the next week, and the travelling and patching will be done immediately in preparation for this work.

Reeve Nolan presided at the meeting with councillors Brown, Smits, Button and Boyd in attendance.

## LOCAL GIRL AMONG GRADUATING NURSES

Miss Joyce Ball, youngest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. S. S. Ball was one of the graduates from the Sick Children's Hospital, Toronto, at Convocation, on Tuesday. Col. George Drew addressed the graduating class, and Dr. and Mrs. Ball and other friends were present from Stouffville to witness the graduation exercises.

## Building Spurt in Town's Westend

With the closing of the war in Europe and the expected easing of the materials and labour supply, a considerable building boom is slated for the westend of Stouffville, including the erection of four houses and a large garage and service station.

Mr. Alf Mole, formerly of Claremont has purchased the corner lot of the Jas. Barry farm with 135 feet frontage on the townline and 125 feet on the 9th concession of Markham and will erect a car show room and service station. Mr. Mole left Claremont where he operated the present Bob McLeod stand to take over a service station business in Brampton, but of late years he has been in business in Toronto.

Two houses to be erected are already started, the one a large modern bungalow to be built by Norman O'Boyle, north of the Truman Baxter residence, and the other by Ken Betz, on a lot purchased from Ira Russell on the corner of Harold and William Sts.

Two other houses in the same area are expected to be built this summer, one by Alfred Thomas and the other by Percy Brown.

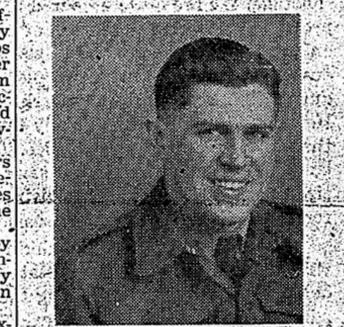
## Dutch Treat Us Like Kings Says Goodwood Boy

Alymer H. Cooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cooper, Goodwood, is with the army of occupation in Holland, and tells of the interesting life in the Dutch country in a recent letter to his parents. Incl-



Delbert Cooper, dently Alymer who is with the Public Relations has a brother Delbert an officer in the Flying Corps also overseas.

The letter from Alymer. The whole thing is over at last as you will have heard on the radio—thank God for that. In this city, which is the oldest city of Holland



Alymer Cooper

and the centre of the country, the people are wild with joy. They treat us like kings and we are living in a lovely little hotel and we have all the usual hotel service such as eight waiters in tails and white shirts, the tables all set, and the food served on plates and in the best orthodox ritzy style. There are maids here and we don't do a thing only our work and pass out the odd smoke to keep the staff happy. Our rooms are cleaned and dusted every day, water is carried up to us by the maids and if we want anything all we do is tell the head porter and we get it almost immediately. What a pleasure it is—almost unbelievable for the army. The bar is open in the cafe section of the hotel and we can bring in anybody we like and sit around until we like to move. Our office is overlooking a huge square in the middle of the city and we have a small balcony where we have a couple of chairs—soft seats—from which we can watch the goings on below when our work is slack. When you go out on the street you get mobbed by everyone—including the city's best looking gals. I went for a walk last evening with two girls and what a time. One of the greatest sights of the war for me was yesterday when thousands of German troops were marched through the city. The whole population was out in all the orange ribbons and paper that they could find. All had flags of every country you can imagine and they were going wild with excitement. They made sure that everyone was out, to see the Germans by going around the city striking gongs and announcing that the Germans were being paraded through the town. Another touching event was when the Princess Irene Brigade passed through. They are the Dutch brigade who have been with the Canadian army since France. The cheers that they got from these people was enough to bring tears to anyone's eyes. Every allied vehicle that stops is filled with flowers and draped with huge flags and the drivers and the riders are decorated with all sorts of orange ribbons, orange pins, and kissed a few hundred times. Am going to try to get either to Amsterdam, Rotterdam or the Hague with some of the correspondents. Every city is the same as far as the celebrations and receptions for the allies is concerned. It is impossible to move sometimes for the crowds. Everyone has writers cramps from signing names and addresses for autograph hunters. In short it is glorious. Another thing is the German troops still walking around

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