

Christmas Services in the Churches

CHRIST CHURCH, ANGLICAN
 Rev. F. Herman, Rector
 Sunday, December 23rd
 Sunday School 2.00 p.m.
 Evensong 2.30 p.m.
 Visitors Always Welcome.

SECOND MARKHAM BAPTIST CHURCH
 Rev. Norman Rowan, Pastor
 Sunday, December 23rd
 9.55 a.m.—Sunday School
 11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship
 "Christmas 1945"
 Thou shalt call his name Jesus for he shall save His people from their sins. Matthew 1:21
 The Seasons Greetings to All

GORMLEY and BETHESDA MENNONITE BRETHREN IN CHRIST CHURCH.
 Rev. F. Huson, Pastor
BETHESDA
 Sunday, December 23rd
 Preaching service 7.30 p.m.
GORMLEY
 Sunday, December 23rd
 2 p.m.—Sunday School
 Young Peoples' service 7.30.

STOUFFVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH
 Rev. D. Macgregor, Pastor
 Sunday, December 23rd
 10.00 a.m.—Bible School
 Classes for all ages.
 11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
 7.30—Evening Worship.
 Christmas Messages and Music at both services.
 Come and Worship.

LEADS ARCTIC EXPEDITION



Col. P. D. Baird of Montreal, is leader of the army's Arctic exercise "Muskox." Preliminary training of the joint army-air force expedition has reached the final stages at Shiloh, Man. Final training will take place at Churchill.

MENNONITE CHURCHES
DICKSON HILL and MT JOY
 Rev. S. Hantz, Minister
 Sunday, December 23rd
MOUNT JOY
 10.00 a.m.—Sunday School
 Junior Christmas Programme
 11.00 a.m.—Christmas Message
 7.30 p.m.—Young Peoples' Christmas Programme
 Monday, 6.45 p.m.—Sunshine Gospel Band

DICKSON'S HILL
 Sunday, December 23rd
 10.00 a.m.—Christmas Message
 11.00 a.m.—Sunday School

MELVILLE, BETHESDA AND PEACH'S CHURCHES.
 Rev. R. T. Chaplin, Minister
 Sunday, December 23rd
 Christmas Messages at all services. Special joint service Sunday evening, in the Melville church, at 7.30. The pageant, "The Crusade at Christmas-time", will be presented by the three churches.

ST. JAMES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, STOUFFVILLE
 Rev. T. DeCourcy Rayner, Minister
 Sunday, December 23rd
SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SERVICES
 1.30 p.m.—Sabbath School and Bible Class, also Young People's Bible Class with the Minister.
 2.30 p.m.—Divine Worship.
 The Minister will preach: "THE MISTLETOE OF BETHLEHEM"
 Ever heard of the Mistletoe of Bethlehem? Did you know there was any? Come and learn, also enjoy singing Christmas carols. Worship Christ the New Born King!

Scott Farmer Assessed for Car Collision

Judgment for \$663.79 and costs has been handed down by His Honor Judge J.C.M. German of Cobourg in the damage action brought by Dennis Duncan Stiver and Letitia Stiver against Webster Fawns and Neil Fawns. The defendants' counter-claim was dismissed with costs. The case was heard at Whitby. The action, which was heard at the session of the County Court in Whitby last week, arose out of the collision of two automobiles at the intersection of the Ashworth Road and the 7th concession of Scott Township on August 29, 1944, as reported in our issue of last week. "I will have to give", His Honor comments in this judgment, "judgment for the plaintiffs against both of the defendants." The damages sustained by the plaintiff, Dennis Duncan Stiver's motor car and the hire of a vehicle so he could carry on his work, and towing, came to \$363.79, and there will be judgment for the said plaintiff for this sum. Insofar as Letitia Stiver is concerned, she is claiming \$300 for her personal injury, including a doctor's bill, and there will be judgment in her favor for this amount. Judge German in the text of his judgment commented that he was convinced the plaintiffs' car never got into the county road and that it was the defendant's car which ran into the plaintiffs' car. It was held, on all the evidence, that the defendant, Neal Fawns, was negligent and that he was driving too fast.

ALMIRA
 Mr. and Mrs. Herb Spofford entertained some of their Toronto friends on Saturday evening for supper. The occasion being Ethel's birthday.
 Mr. and Mrs. Geo. French are spending some time at Hespeler with Mr. and Mrs. Ern Lucas and family.
 Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Eby had supper Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Timbers.
 Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Cober, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Stewart, all of Toronto, had supper Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Conner.

PEACHES
 We wish the Editor, Staff, and Readers of the Tribune a very Merry Christmas.
 Mr. Albert Hosking is spending several weeks with relatives in Buffalo.
 Miss Gloria Cleverdon of Toronto spent the weekend at her home.
 The Hoover family were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. J. Painter.
 Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gilmore were callers at the Smith home on Friday.
 Mr. Wilmot Warriner is spending the winter months with relatives in Florida and Los Angeles.
 The Y.P.U. held their meeting last Thursday evening at the Warriner home. This was their annual election of officers.
 Mrs. Dave Graham of Markham spent Sunday with her daughter Mrs. W. Brignall.
 Miss Dorothy Hoover is spending some time with her aunt, Mrs. Willis Reesor, Cedar Grove.

LEMONVILLE
 A very enjoyable evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E.A. Story last Wednesday night when the neighbors and friends gathered in honor of the newly weds, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lemon, and presented them with a wool blanket.
 Mrs. Hastings and the school children are busy getting ready for the concert which takes place on Friday night, Dec. 21st.

STOUFFVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 Charles Montgomery, Pastor
 Miss Nora Stapleton, Organist
 Sunday, December 23rd
 10.00 a.m.—Sunday School
 11.00 a.m.—Christmas Message
 Special Christmas music and singing
 7.30 p.m.—Rev. C. Cardin of Toronto will give a special Christmas message. Mrs. Jas. Oldham will sing at this service.
 Come and hear more about the Christ of Christmas at these services.

CHURCH HILL
 Sunday, December 23rd
 2.00 p.m.—Bible School.
 3.00 p.m.—Divine Worship.
 Special Christmas Music
 Don't forget the Christmas concert Friday, Dec. 21st, at 8 o'clock. Parents and friends invited.

STOUFFVILLE UNITED CHURCH
 Rev. Douglas Davis, Minister.
 Sunday, December 23rd
 10.00 a.m.—Sunday School
 11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship
 7.30 p.m.—Choral Service of Christmas Carols. Special music by the choir.
 "May the Spirit of the Prince of Peace dwell in your hearts and minds, filling your homes with a radiant joy and gladness."
 "For unto us is born this day..... A Saviour, which is Christ the Lord"

STOUFFVILLE MENNONITE CHURCH
 Rev. E. Moyer, Pastor
 Sunday, December 23rd
 10.00 a.m.—Sunday School
 11.00 a.m.—Divine Worship
 7.00 p.m.—Evangelistic
 Thursday Eve—Prayer Meeting
 Next Week
 Monday Eve—Young Peoples Meeting
 Wednesday Eve—Altona Prayer Meeting
 Sunday Eve, Dec. 23rd.—A Christmas Missionary Program will be given by the Sunday School. Special offering for European Relief.

BLOOMINGTON, RINGWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCHES
 Rev. G. W. Brown, Pastor
 Sunday, December 23rd
CHRISTMAS SERVICES
 11 a.m.—Bloomington.
 7.30 p.m.—Ringwood.
 Christmas messages and music at both services.
 Fireside service in Bloomington church, Sunday, Dec. 23rd, at 9.00 p.m. Vivian young people in charge.
 The annual supper and Christmas program in Bloomington church, Friday, Dec. 21st, at 6.30 p.m. People in the community heartily invited.
 Sunday School at 10 a.m. Classes for all ages.
 Plan to attend the above services.
 "Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift". 2 Cor. 9: 15.

Turkey Talk

The recent fear expressed that black head, a turkey disease, might rob many a man before Christmas is not believed to be more serious this year than in former years, one turkey raiser told the newspaper. The disease is difficult to combat, but there is little reported in Markham township, while the situation is not so good around Locust Hill and Green River.

Turkey raisers who keep their birds right off the ground are seldom ever troubled, and the fact is they are raised on wire floors off the ground for this very purpose. Even in this very cold weather the birds remain perched up on wire floors with the cold sweeping all around them. However, this is not detrimental to the turkeys who seem to thrive, warm or cold. One grower went out a few nights ago in Markham and picked up a couple of birds to find that their frames or bodies were delightfully warm, although the night was a bitter one. It seems that wind and cold are kept off by the heavy feathers and the down next the skin.

One of Markham's large raisers is Mr. Lorne Wideman on the 8th concession, where 450 birds are now being killed for the Christmas trade. Said one observer who was privileged to see the flock, every bird was running 15 pounds and more, thus they will sell for upwards of \$7 each. In fact a proportion of this flock will run 20 pounds, at which weight the ceiling will bring the farmer \$9.40.

Such quotations for a Christmas fowl may seem pretty fancy to the average working man, but it is not by any means all profit to Mr. Wideman or any other raiser. To begin with, the young puts a few days old are bought at 75c each, then there are the dead birds to account for, besides disease to combat which frequently wipes out a flock when half or more matured. The feed bill for a flock is enormous for healthy turkeys have ravenous appetites. All in all there is a lot of hard work raising turkeys, and one really has to know the job, and the experience is dearly bought.

Explosion of 1878 Recalled by Residents

Three or four of the older men in town gave The Tribune an eye-witness picture of a great catastrophe that occurred here on Dec. 24, 1878, just 72 years ago next Monday. It was the big explosion when an old wood-burning engine blew up at the station, killing three men and doing considerable damage to buildings in the vicinity. People drove for miles to see the breakage.

Wellington Lehman, Edward Lloyd, Edward Davey, and Albert Davis, now all in the 80 year old class, were just lads then, but the picture is vivid in their memories. Wellington Lehman recalled that he was living at Altona, and walked to town on the Sunday, the day following the explosion, to see the wreckage, while Albert Davis, 83, recalls that pieces off the engine were picked up as far away as the 9th concession.

In referring to the event, Mr. Lehman said, "it was the day before Christmas, and while I was a very small boy I shall never forget the sight. There was a big hole right through the station building. Not the present station, but one that stood on the same site, and was later destroyed by fire. The wrecked engine had two fronts on it or two stacks, and it burned cordwood, the supply being replenished at various stations, but the engine carried a nice jag of wood. I could recall ten and twenty teams lined up at the station delivering wood to the railway in those days. Besides the big hole in the station, I remember also a hole blown in a house which stood on the vacant lot immediately west of the monument works," he concluded.

The whole thing is most clear to the veteran railway man E.J. Davey. Three men were killed in the explosion which happened at 11 o'clock in the morning as the engine stood on the tracks here. It was a double gage track in those days, Mr. Davey doesn't forget for he worked on it.

VANDORF
 The thermometer dipped down to below zero over the weekend, most of the church-goers had difficulty in starting their cars Sunday morning. In spite of that a good attendance met for worship. Many were the White Gifts presented Sunday morning to be forwarded to Fred Victor Mission. Glad to see Delbert Dike, R.C.A.F. back from Labrador. The S.S. concert will be given in our hall.

THURSDAY NIGHT IS FOTO NITE Offer - \$285

NEW YEAR'S EVE MID-NITE SHOW STANLEY THEATRE



Christmas Feast!

- Prior's Pineapple Marmalade 24 oz. jar (2 coupons) 35c.
- Royal York Plain Cheese half lb. pkg. 19c.
- Royal Manor Plain Olives, 6 oz. jar 19c.
- Royal Manor Stuffed Olives 9 oz. jar 39c.
- Christmas Party Crackers, 1 doz. 49c.
- Crosse & Blackwell Mint Sauce, 6 oz. 19c.
- Aristocrat Horseradish 9 oz. 19c.
- Clark's Sandwich Spread 2-3 oz. tins 19c.
- ry's Pure Breakfast Cocoa, half's 19c. 1's 31c.
- avis Gelatine, 2 oz. pkg. 19c.
- alifornia Oranges all sizes
- Varieties of Nuts - Cranberries



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Pre-Christmas Fruit Specials
ORANGES
 New Crop California Navels, dozen 20c. Even better value by the crate, size 392's \$6.00
TANGERINES
 Peel like a glove and a wonderful flavour, 2 doz. 29c. buy them by the crate, size 242's \$2.75
 Don't fail to take advantage of these exceptionally good values and give your family plenty of these delicious and healthful fruits. Much better for the kiddies than candy—and cheaper too.

CHRISTMAS NUTS
 Walnuts — Almonds — Filberts — Pecans
Ratchiff & Co.
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We are sorry to lose Mr. and Mrs. Houslander and family and Mr. and Mrs. Tate and family from our community during the Christmas holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Houslander are moving to the Hamilton district, their former home while Mr. and Mrs. Tate are moving to Newmarket where they are building a new home. We are glad to see Captain Rob-

ESTATE PURCHASED FOR STAFF COLLEGE, R.C.A.F.



The A. L. Ellsworth estate in Toronto, Ont., is being purchased by the Dominion government for use as a permanent R.C.A.F. staff college. For several years the place has been rented by the R.C.A.F. and used as a staff college for senior force officers. Purchase of the property means that it will continue to be utilized in the same way on a permanent force basis. The Duke of Windsor, when he was Prince of Wales, was a guest at this estate.