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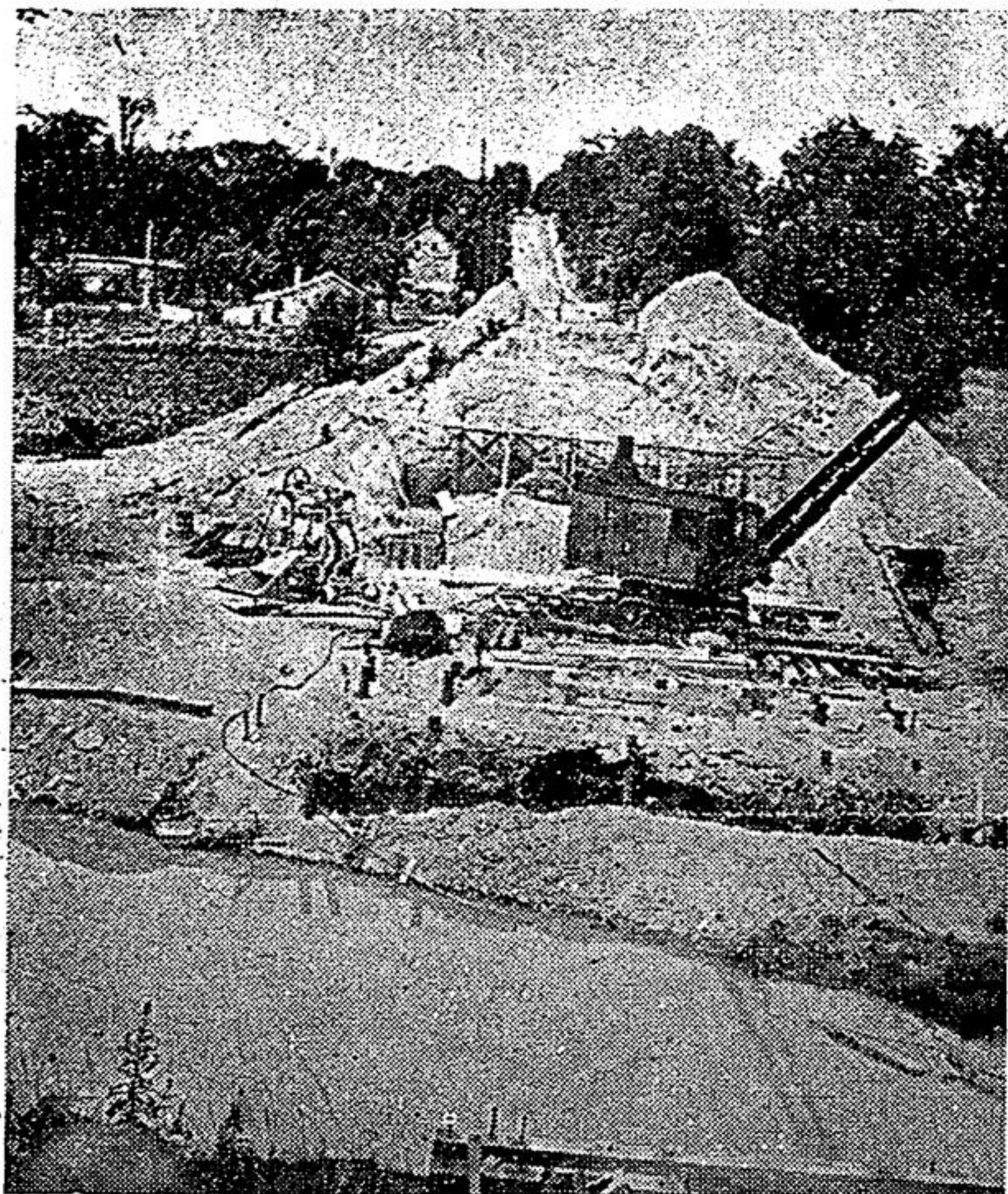
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## Steel Shortage Halts Construction Work on Big Bridge at Markham



The huge cement and concrete bridge under construction at the south end of Markham village spanning the Rouge river crossing the 8th concession at a point known as "Vinegar Hill" will be delayed at least six weeks, because of a shortage of steel, it was learned this week. Looking north the picture shows progress of the work and in the distance the grade at intersection of No. 7 highway at the foot of Markham's main street.

The bridge structure, when completed, will have an over-all floor length of 180 feet. One hundred and sixty tons of vital steel will enter

the job. Cement, while in short supply, has not been lacking on the job although thousands of bags will be consumed. The John Patterson Construction Co. have the work under contract for the Toronto and York Road Commission. Estimated cost of the bridge according to figures placed before York County Council in June was \$135,000 plus another \$35,000 for fill that will be put in later. It is understood the county of York will bear 25% of the total cost and the Ontario Dept. of Highways 75 per cent. The local municipality bears no direct part of the expenditure.

(Tribune Staff Photo)

## Distinguished Son of Unionville District Honored in Death

Dr. Lisgar R. Eckardt who died recently in the States, was the only son of the late Joseph and Joanna Thomson Eckardt, and was a descendant of the original Eckardt family entering Canada in 1794 with the first settlers in Markham Township. He was born on one of the pioneer holdings taken up by the Eckardt family situated to the east of Unionville, attended Unionville public school, Markham high school and graduated from Victoria University in Toronto. He taught the school in his home village for a time after which he went to Boston and attended the Boston school of Theology from which school he received his appointment to DePauw University. He is survived by his widow, two sons and two daughters, also two sisters, Mrs. Laura Sabiston, Unionville and Mrs. Ella Mitchell, Toronto.

In an editorial in the Indianapolis Star says: "A great teacher, minister and humanitarian was lost in the recent death at Camden, N.J., of Dr. Lisgar R. Eckardt. He was professor emeritus of philosophy at DePauw University, former head of the department and an outstanding Methodist minister.

Dr. Eckardt was one of those rare men who give tone and stature to an institution. Besides stimulating an unusual degree of devotion among his students, he worked the marvel of making philosophy one of the popular subjects on the campus. This profound teacher hated sham, hypocrisy and evasiveness. He had the humanity of the true scholar. His desire was to get men to look upward in aspiration and reverence. His labors have been laid aside forever but the memory of his personality will inspire former students long after the soul-searching truths he expounded have been dimmed by the years. DePauw was enriched by his presence in classroom and pulpit.

**ZEPHYR CITIZEN DEAD**  
After a brief illness at Toronto General Hospital, Thomas Murray of Zephyr died suddenly on Friday last in his 72nd year. Surviving is an only sister, Jean. The funeral service was held in Zephyr United Church on Monday, and interment was made at Zephyr cemetery.

**FRANK BASSETT DEAD**  
The sudden death of Frank Bassett of Dunbarton, in his 61st year was announced on Friday last. The funeral on Sunday afternoon from Toronto proceeded to Dunbarton cemetery.

**FORMER PASTOR TO PREACH**  
Rev. Walter Fleisher of Uxbridge, former pastor at Stouffville, will occupy the pulpit in the Baptist church for the next two Sundays, during the absence of the pastor Rev. Duncan Macgregor.

## Potato Crop Light

Local potato growers are having their troubles this fall. Just now so many tubers are being thrown on the Toronto market, that prices are away below the ceiling which has recently been raised.

Growers in the Ballantrae district also are dubious about the way the present crop is turning out. One and two potatoes in a hill is the poor record for some diggings that were well fertilized. The early dry weather may be the cause of the results being reported.

## Local Lad on the Job at Steel Plant

At least one Stouffville lad will be able to tell the inside story about life within the big steel works at Hamilton, while strikers mill about outside attempting to stop people



from carrying on their duties at the plant. Ken Klinck, son of Mr. H.O. Klinck, is one of the army quartered in the building turning out what steel they can that is so sorely needed by industry, by farmers and the nation in general.

Last week Ken's cousin, Fred Ratcliff of Midnapore, Alta., visited the steel works and after interviewing some of the striking officials, was permitted to pass inside to see Ken.

## Eighty Percent are Successful in Upper School Results

Audrey Baker—Eng. Comp. C; Eng. Lit. C; Hist. C; Alg. I; Geom. I; Trig. I; Phys. I; Chem. I; Fr. Au II; Fr. Comp. II.  
Norma Barkey—Eng. Lit. C; Hist. II; Trig. II; Phys. II.  
Margaret Brown—Eng. Comp. I; Eng. Lit. C; Hist. C; Geom. C; Bot. C; Fr. Au II; Fr. Comp. II.  
Betty Jean Freel—Eng. Comp. II; Eng. Lit. I; Hist. I; Bot. I; Zool II; Lat. Au. I; Lat. Comp. I; Fr. Au. II; Fr. Comp. II.  
Eleanor Goudie—Eng. Comp. C; Eng. Lit. C; Geom. C; Trig. C; Fr. Au. C; Fr. Comp. II.  
Kathleen Green—Eng. Comp. III; Eng. Lit. C; Fr. Au. C; Fr. Comp. II.  
Kenneth Green—Eng. Comp. III; Eng. Lit. III; Alg. I; Geom. I; Trig. I; Phys. I; Chem. I; Fr. Au. II; Fr. Comp. I.  
Kenneth Jennings—Eng. Lit. C; Alg. C; Trig. C; Phys. I; Chem. I; Vera King—Eng. Comp. III; Eng. Lit. II; Hist. III; Geom. I; Trig. I; Phys. I; Chem. I; Fr. Au. III; Fr. Comp. I.  
Warren Moyer—Eng. Comp. C; Eng. Lit. C; Geom. C; Phys. III; Chem. I; Fr. Au. C; Fr. Comp. III.  
Robert Schell—Eng. Lit. C; Hist. II; Geom. II; Trig. C; Phys. III; Chem. C.  
Audrey Slack—Eng. Comp. II; Eng. Lit. I; Hist. C; Alg. I; Geom. C; Trig. C; Bot. II; Zool II; Fr. Au. II; Fr. Comp. II.  
Duncan Smith—Eng. Comp. C; Eng. Lit. C; Hist. C; Trig. C; Phys. C; Chem. C.  
L.C. Murphy B.A., Principal

## GOOD YIELD PER LOAD

School principal Cedric Watson is not only a good teacher, but a real down-to-earth farmer, with the aid of his brother Carl. Their mixed grain ran 51 bushels to the load.

## AURORA TROUNCES MARKHAM 15-5

Markham Midget O.B.A. entry proved no match for Aurora, as they met in the first of a home and home playdown series in Morgan Park on Tuesday evening, and downed the eastern group representatives 15-4.

Stouffville had two members on the Markham squad, Ward, who handled the pitching duties for the first four innings, and Timbers in the outfield.

Markham's big bid came in the 7th innings, when they loaded the bases with none out, and pushed over four runs before the side was retired.

## O'Brien Avenue Residence Sold

The Rolph-Hamilton house on O'Brien Avenue was sold on Monday to Rev. Wm. F. Rae, returned missionary, who intends to locate in Stouffville, just as soon as he can arrange to move in. The sale price is reported to be \$5,500.

The house, red brick with all conveniences, was built by Jacob Heise, and has an attractive appearance being well located and on a nice lot with double garage. The house has hot air heating, fire place, and three-piece bath. It is tenanted at present by Mr. Paul Sherk and arrangements are expected to be made so that both families may occupy the place for the present.

## Find Missing Girl at Burk's Falls

Located at Burk's Falls near North Bay, Joyce Noble, 15, of Sherbourne St., Toronto, was identified by police through a photograph and story that appeared in The Star. The girl was reported missing by her father, Bert Noble, following her disappearance last Thursday.

At Burk's Falls it was learned the girl had entered the police station seeking a job and had been referred to a nearby summer resort.

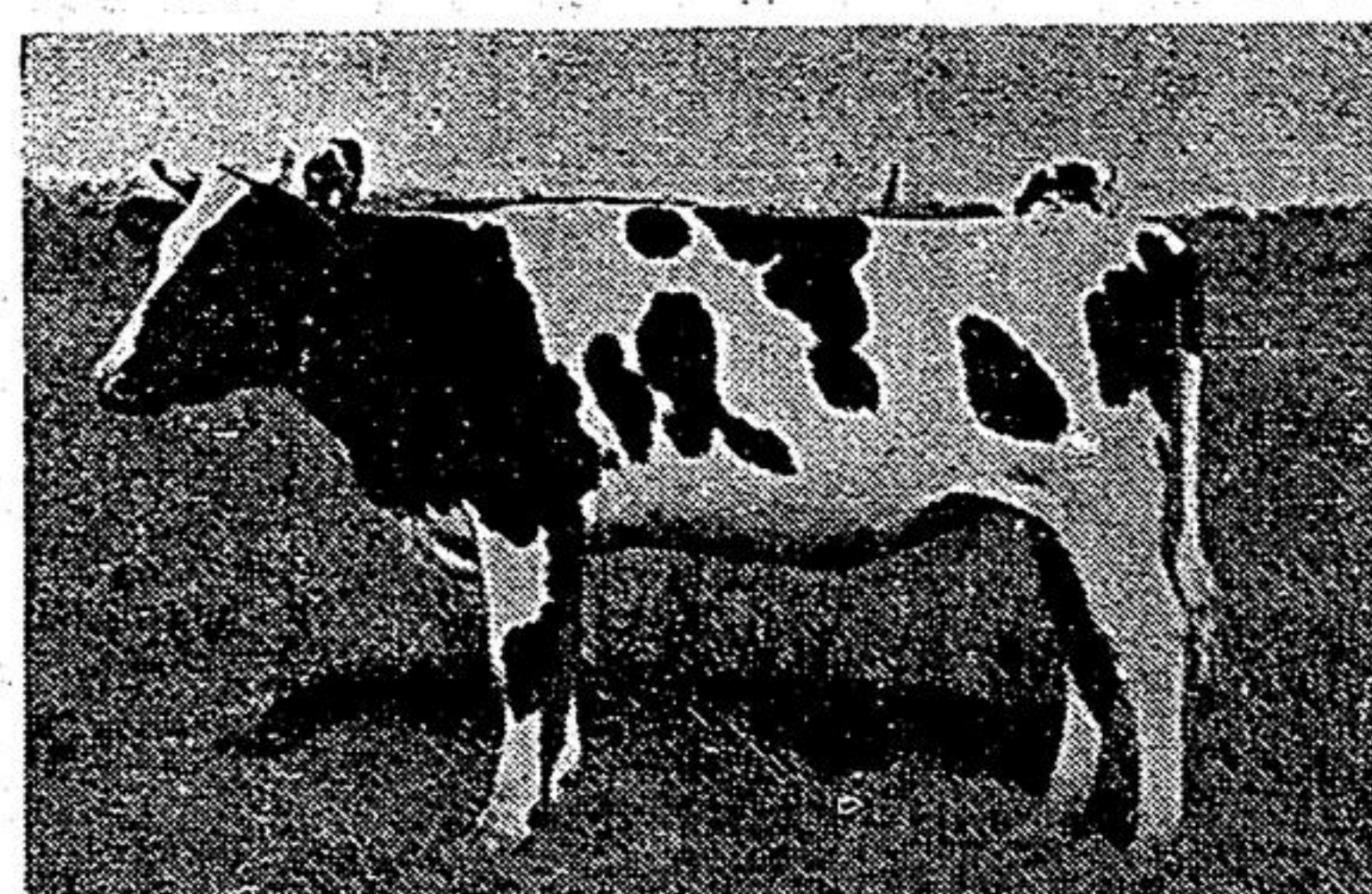
## Lands Two Big Muskies in 30 Mins.

The Picton Gazette tells its readers of the wonderful fishing prowess of an old Stouffville boy Earl Grubin in the following article:

"To land two big maskinonge in a half hour period, was the unusual feat of Earl Grubin, Wednesday evening. The fish were caught in the bay along the Adolphustown shore, not far from the Glenora ferry.

The largest fish weighed 29 pounds and measured 44 inches in length. The other weighed 20 pounds. Both were firmly hooked and Mr. Grubin required only a minute or two to get them in the boat. He was using a double buffalo."

## Local Holstein Sold to Britain



E. David and H. Sauer, Stouffville, (10th con., Markham) have sold this high-class Holstein heifer to go to Great Britain. Named Homey Empress Dalraune, she is one of the top-notchers in a shipment of 220 head that will cost the purchasers the unprecedented price of over half a million dollars, or an average of over \$2,000 each.

## Markham Township Delays Striking the Tax Rate

Farm Lands in Concession One to Benefit from Railway Rebate for First Time.

Markham Township Council struggled for two hours or more Monday evening—in an effort to strike the tax rate for 1946, after they had cleared the docket of other business, but it was all to no avail.

Members could not reach a decision on the general township rate, at 11 o'clock and adjournment was made.

## DEER ON OUTSKIRTS OF STOUFFVILLE

Not all deer are in the north country, as Arthur Baker can testify. On Tuesday morning as Mr. Baker was working on his farm just south of town, two fully grown deer, a buck and doe, ambled across the fields in full view, and not far from his barns. They were not excited and took their time in passing by.

## WINDSOR MAN BUYS SHETLANDS

A Windsor fancier called at the Wm. Morris farm east of town last week and purchased a team of black Shetland ponies, well broken. He also purchased a buggy and harness, loaded everything into a trailer and started out for Windsor. This is the farm where the famous Little Happy was born and raised, the smallest pony ever born in Ontario in recent years. Little Happy, champion of the show ring, is now owned by a Peterboro man.

## APPALLING CONDITIONS IN WAR TORN FRANCE RECALLED BY EYE WITNESS

Rev. Robert Dubarry, pastor of the church at Mines, France, for forty-five years, and President of the French Bible Mission, spoke on Sunday morning in the Baptist church to an interested audience who caught a glimpse of conditions as experienced by those who lived in occupied France during the war years.

Mr. Dubarry described the appalling lack of necessities and how it gradually took its toll of lives; but with profound gratitude he expressed the thanks of his people who received help from this country and to Almighty God for His deliverance.

## Softball Final at Claremont Thursday

Claremont will clash with Dunbarton on their home grounds in the second game of their best-of-three finals in the Pickering Twp. Softball League, on Thursday night of this week. Claremont took the first game, trouncing Dunbarton on the Pickering grounds by the score of 8 to 3.

Claremont eliminated Audley in the semi-finals, over-running the southern team with eighteen hits in their final game last week.

If a third game should be necessary in the Claremont-Dunbarton final, it will be played at Pickering on Saturday.

## Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Harper of Unionville announce the engagement of their younger daughter Ruth Vera to Albert Tasker (Porky) Carr, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Carr of Unionville. The marriage to take place Saturday, September 14th, at 3 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. John Elmer Hicks of Mount Albert announce the engagements of their daughters, Jean Evelyn to Ross Thomas Burns, and Lillian Elizabeth to George Martin Burns, sons of Mr. Ross Burns of Pickering and the late Mrs. Burns. The marriage to take place at their home on August 31, at 3 p.m.

subdivisions are often sold without adequate roads, and when the plans reach council, it is difficult to deal with the situation. Land vendors in future must provide and build roads before they sell property from a subdivision.

## Locals Triumph Handily in First O.B.A. Playoff Game

Stouffville Juniors played almost faultless ball on Saturday night, to take the first game of the O.B.A. playdowns with Newmarket by a score of 11 to 1. Spellman, pitching for the locals, was only robbed of a shutout by a narrow margin, Newmarket banging out one of their four hits in the first of the ninth, catcher Doolittle doing the slugging, a double which drove in Dales. Spellman struck out 12 of the opposing batters, and allowed only four hits against his team-mates 13 safe blows.

Sellers teed off with a double in the first innings, to be followed by catcher Jewett and third baseman Ken Schell, each with two baggers. Stouffville collected two runs in their first trip to the plate, and three more in the second innings.

The fourth innings saw the home team add three more to make it 8-0. Sellers, the first man up went down swinging, Jewett singled, and Schell was hit by the pitcher to put two on. Miller, followed with a smashing triple deep into right field to score two runs, and then came home on Forgie's single. Wilson and Spellman grounded out.

Newmarket only found the mark once in the first five innings, "Red" Palmateer doubling in the first innings.

Probably the best play of the game was a double by Stouffville. There was one out at the time, and a man on third. Doolittle grounded to Spellman on the mound, who threw to Miller for the putout at first, Miller whipping it home to catch McTavish streaking for the plate and retire the side.

Coach Haskett of Newmarket pulled Gibson in the seventh, replacing him with Broughton, who allowed three hits in two innings on the mound.

The second and what should be the deciding game for the series will be played at Newmarket this Saturday at 5:30 p.m., and quite a contingent of local fans is expected to follow the team.

## Family Rally for Father's Birthday

On Sunday, August 18th, the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Storey, Main St. west, was the scene of a happy family re-union in honor of Mr. John W. Ratcliff who on that day entered upon his 89th year.

Present were his three daughters: Hattie (Mrs. Storey), Bessie (Mrs. Loney) of Hamilton, and Margaret (Mrs. Morton) of Winona, also his son Fred of Midnapore, Alberta,



who with his two-year-old son John flew to Stouffville for the occasion. Mrs. George Matthews, only sister of Mr. Ratcliff, accompanied by Miss Frances Ratcliff motored over from Brantford; Mrs. Delos Matheson (Kathleen Loney) and her husband, also Mrs. J. C. Loney and children, Elizabeth and Donald, came in from Hamilton.

From nearer home were his granddaughter, Miss Phyllis Klinck of Toronto; Mrs. Jas. H. Ratcliff and Glenn and Mr. and Mrs. H.O. Klinck of Stouffville.

At the dinner table a toast to Mr. Ratcliff, the esteemed guest of the day, was proposed by his son-in-law Rev. C. J. Loney and responded to in fitting fashion by Phyllis Klinck. Mr. Ratcliff is enjoying reasonably good health. It was an occasion of particular satisfaction to him to be able to greet his sturdy little namesake from Alberta at the Malton airport, to which place he again motored to give the lad and his father a farewell when they left for the West on the following Monday night.

Mr. Ratcliff's many friends wish him other happy birthdays and continued strength to fully enjoy the years ahead.