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### SHOCKING NEWS BROTHER'S DEATH

Mrs. S. M. Chambers just north of town received the shocking news on Sunday, announcing the sudden death of her brother, Mr. Harry Cornish who was spending the winter at Victoria. He had not been enjoying the best of health, although his condition was not regarded as serious. The late Mr. Cornish was manager of the Lake of the Woods Milling Co. for thirty-five years, and was one of Kenora's prominent business men. He is survived by his wife, an only daughter having predeceased him.

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North York Girls Camp Committee annual meeting January 18 at two o'clock, Richmond Hill United Church. Senior girls, leaders, Sunday school teachers, welcome.

The Women's Institute will meet in the Municipal Hall (this Thursday) Jan. 16, at 8 p.m. Moving pictures will be given by Mr. and Mrs. Don Ratcliff. The titles "King Cotton", "Coffee for Canadians" in technicolor and the new film for this month "Listen to the Prairies" a setting in Manitoba.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Rowbotham from out of town on the occasion of the 92nd birthday of Mrs. T. W. Klinck were Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Klinck, Victoria Square, Mrs. George DeWitt and baby Joyce, Gormley, Mrs. Walter Kent, Toronto, and Mrs. Milton Clark of Peterborough.

Trust funds in the hands of the village of Stouffville are available for investment in first mortgages to an amount of \$7,000. The funds have accumulated by a sum of old mortgages being paid off, and the municipality must reinvest when they can in some approved investment such as first mortgages, which in this case, would be preferable to government bonds, which draw such low rate of interest.

### Other Needs for the Milkman

Local dairyman Charlie Webster denies that his delivermen for the Maple Leaf have received anything like the requests made in some places, as reported in the weekly press. Here are a couple of samples:

"When you leave the milk, please put a shovel of coal on the fire, and let my dog out."

Another customer in a town up north asked of the milkman:

"When you place the milk bottle at the door be good enough to rap on my window on Sunday mornings. I would like you to help me turn over the mattress."

We trust that in divulging these "oddities in the news," we will not be putting any notions in the heads of local milk patrons.

The first directors meeting of the Stouffville Horticultural Society was held on Tuesday evening, Jan. 7th, at the home of the president, E.R. Good. After the regular routine of business and plans for the coming summer were discussed, five delegates were elected to attend the Ontario Horticultural Society Convention to be held at Niagara Falls, Ont., on Mar. 6 and 7th, 1947. The delegates elected are Messrs. E. R. Good and A. E. Millar, Miss M. Mertens, Mrs. H. Dixon and Mrs. L. Turner. It was also decided to have an open meeting of the society on Tuesday evening, Feb. 4th, in the United Church basement. Please reserve this date for our meeting. A special speaker with other entertainment will be the features of the evening. The drive for 1947 members will be made after the Niagara Falls convention.

### Timely Advice by Better Business Bureau

Mr. H. L. Haskel representing the Better Business Bureau told the Lions Club on Monday evening that his organization was ready at all times to report on the worthiness of canvassers and door-to-door agents making doubtful claims and offering doubtful goods. Further, the Better Business Bureau was at the disposal of anyone seeking advice before they enter into business, especially persons who attempt to enter a line of business of which they know little about. Beware magazine canvassers, picture frame artists, salesmen for fertilizers, etc., who spring up every season to prey on gullible householders. Mr. Haskel warned against signing contracts before they are carefully read and understood which is good advice. Lion Bruce Winterstein ably thanked the speaker of the evening. Following the address, a hasty consideration was given a sports project the club have under consideration. The executive recommended the payment of \$100 to assist a pee wee hockey team, for benefit of the younger fry. Lion vice president, Lou Murphy presided in the absence of the president.

### HORSE SHOW DONATIONS

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Soc. donation, Art Baker.



On Thursday evening last Mr. Earl Toole, a former reeve of Whitchurch township and warden of the County of York in 1945, was elevated to the position of Worshipful Master of Tuscan Lodge, A.F. & A.M. No. 99, at Newmarket.

One weekly editor in Ontario must have had a red face last week. Here is what his paper printed in error: "The song fest was held at the United Church concert Wednesday evening." Brother, you have our sympathy for we know how easy the linotype machine can produce just one wrong letter as it did in this instance.

Aurora town council did a thing last week which rather shocked many people, and no wonder. Council passed a resolution permitting free skating on Sunday afternoons in Aurora. Councillors pointed out that older people went skiing and in the summer played golf, and so— Just what power a local council has in the matter is not known, but one would imagine the right a Sunday is covered in the Statutes of Ontario. If the town owned the rink and the statutes permit, then the council are within their jurisdiction.

### Water Shortage Seems General

Richmond Hill is seeking more water to augment the town supply for the Yonge street centre. The International Water Co. has been invited to drill test holes in search of another well. It is a noticeable fact that so many domestic water systems report shortages this winter, and it causes us to consider how fortunate we are in Stouffville where, when the old wells failed to maintain the supply, we were able to pump all the additional water that has been required. It costs more money to keep the reservoirs filled when pumping, but nothing like what it would cost if we had been in the position of Richmond Hill and other places where experts had to be brought in to find a new source of water.

After enjoying a pot luck supper in the United Church parlors, the Garrett Evening Auxiliary members and friends held the January meeting. The president Mrs. J. M. Storey presided. The third chapter of the study book on India was in charge of Mrs. Reg. Button, assisted by three C.G.I.T. members. Misses Carol Weldon, Audrey Bell and Kathleen Williamson. The theme, "Meet the Youth of India," was interesting, stressing the progress and loyalty of those who had become Christians. Miss Myrtle Watson lead the worship service with thoughts for the New Year, to forgive the wrong, to leave behind the past, and help your brother lift his load. Assisting in the worship service were Misses Edna Hoover, Bertha Winn, and Ida Lehman, prayer by Mrs. Robt. Young. Annual reports were given by the officers with a pledge to stand behind the work. The meeting closed with prayer by Rev. D. Davis.

### FORMER MINISTER BEREAVED

The New Year quickly brought sorrow to the Rev. T. DeCourcy Rayner, former minister of St. James Presbyterian Church, when his mother, Mrs. Walter Rayner, passed away on Sunday morning, Jan. 5th, at Mitchell, Ontario. Rev. Mr. Rayner had only just returned to New Carlisle, Quebec, down on the Gaspe coast, on Saturday evening after spending the Christmas holidays with his daughter at Markham, and it was impossible for him to return for the funeral.

The late Mrs. Walter Rayner, who was quite well known to the members of St. James Church, Stouffville, was in her 90th year and had been in poor health for some time. Her only two children survive here: Rev. W. J. Rayner, minister of Lyons Memorial United Church, Gore Bay, Manitoulin Island, Ontario, and Rev. T. DeCourcy Rayner, minister of Knox Presbyterian Church, New Carlisle, Quebec. She also leaves five grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. The funeral was on Wednesday, Jan. 8th, at Listowel, Ont., where she was laid beside her husband who passed away in 1940.

Dawson Hare has been re-appointed a member of Stouffville High School Board, by Markham Township Council. The other Markham representative on the board is Mr. A. E. Booth.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Good, Mrs. Levi Forsyth, Miss Alice Forsyth and Miss Marjorie Mertens were guests at the banquet and annual meeting of the Pickering Horticultural Society held at the Pickering United Church last Wednesday evening, Jan. 8th.

A town hydrant located on College street, south of the school building, sprung a leak during Saturday night and was reported early Sunday morning running a stream of water sufficient to fight a full-scale fire. Fortunately, this stream had a shut-off and the wastage of water was promptly stopped. On Monday workmen dug the hydrant out, and took it away for repairs.

Isaac Burkholder of Didsbury, Alta., encloses a brief yet welcome note to The Tribune in remitting his subscription for 1947. This old resident of this district forty years ago, reports a fine winter around Didsbury with some snow. Lots of coal and there is plenty to eat. "We are quite happy and contented," Mr. Burkholder cheerily observes.

### Car Accessories New Store

Hamilton's Automotive Supply Store, just west of the Mansion House, is surprising new customers every day with the splendid variety of accessories that are available, at attractive prices. From spark plugs to rubber mats, batteries to car wrenches, spot lights, fittings of all kinds, at prices as low as the lowest. Drop in and meet the new store proprietor and his helper. You will be pleased with just looking around, and your call will be appreciated.

Miss A. B. Clark has taken an apartment in the city for the winter season.

W. O. Webster has sold his store business at Uxbridge north of Uxbridge on the 7th concession of Scott township. The business has been in the family name since 1869.

All lost keys recently left at the office of this paper have been claimed by their owners. Last two keys to be claimed went to a man at Gormley.

### Jiggs Would Have Admired This

An 18-pound cabbage was taken from the pit on the farm of Ross Winterstein last week. This is a whopper for size, others in the pit running 12 pounds. The Tribune displayed a 20-pound cabbage right from the field last fall, grown by a local farmer. Jiggs, of corn beef and cabbage fame, would have blinked at this one.

Guests over recent holidays with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Bartholomew were Mr. and Mrs. Bert Boyd of Queensville, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Bartholomew and baby Bruce of Oakville, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bartholomew of Uxbridge, and Mr. and Mrs. George Bartholomew and baby Janet.

### Talks to Nephew in Florida

Record long distance telephone call received through Stouffville in many a day was received by Mrs. Malcolm, superintendent of the Brierbush Hospital, when she heard a cheery "hello," as New Years greetings from her young nephew away down in Tampa, Florida. Mrs. Malcolm said his voice sounded as clear and distinct as though he was calling from somewhere in town. Mrs. Malcolm now has the distinction of claiming that her voice has been in Florida this winter, even though she has not been absent from her duties here for a day.



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