

Local Syrup \$4 and \$4.50 a Galc. Fair Run So Far

Maple syrup from Ratcliff's big evaporator on the 6th concession of Whitechurch is selling for \$4 per gallon, Mr. Robert Ratcliff announced last week. Makers in the Stouffville-Bethesda area have more or less settled on the price, Mr. Ratcliff said. We might expect a higher price but we want our customers to come back in less favorable years.

Ratcliff's have orders for something like 200 gallons, which if filled will come from the 100 acre bush in Whitechurch that has been in the family for a century or thereabout. A tractor drawn outfit gathers the sap, and a fair road is cut through the bush but it is boggy and difficult to travel just now.

The price of \$4 at Ratcliff's and \$4.50 at some other places is regarded as highly satisfactory in view of what some makers are asking, ranging up to \$10 a gallon.

It takes a lot of wood, and then there are heart-breaking things happen to make gathering sap difficult. When the big storm at the end of March came the pails filled with snow, some of them froze and burst. The bush was not possible to reach and nothing could be done. About 600 to 1000 trees are tapped in this bush, and when they have to be dumped on the ground it means a lot of work and loss otherwise.

In 1945 Ratcliff's put out about 1200 pails and the year before that 1800.

The run this year on odd days has been very good, and a fair run may be expected again this week. Mr. Sam Fretz west of town has a lot of city customers, and gets a higher price when he makes delivery in Toronto.

Atkinson's bush in Whitechurch is expected to turn out a number of gallons. Mr. Atkinson had hoped to use an oil burning outfit this year, but couldn't get the parts, so secured a quantity of wood.

UXBRIDGE SETS 39-MILL RATE

The general mill rate for the town of Uxbridge for 1947 has been struck at 39 mills less one mill subsidy from the provincial government. The amount of the tax levy is \$39,501.97, on a total assessment of \$1,012,871. Tax levy for last year was \$35,126.83.

Reports to council showed that the assessment completed last fall under the direction of the county assessor, had increased from \$675,516 to the present \$1,012,871.

The mill rate of 39 mills is based on an assessment of 100 per cent values on the old system of values on 50 per cent basis the rate would have been over 60 mills.

GORMLEY

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Heise, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Steckley attended Bible Conference at the Houton Mission near Tilsonburg.

Miss Pearl Bond, Toronto, spent the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bond.

Miss Velma Brillinger, student at Grantham Bible College was home here for Easter holidays.

Miss Carrie Epp of Toronto spent Easter with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Doner and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Castle and family spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Henderson.

Mrs. B. Jones, Betty Ann and Lynda had supper Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Doner.

We welcome the return of the Wilson's who spent the winter in Toronto.

Attend the Youth Revival this week any night in the M.B.C. church. Mrs. Edgar Stickley gave a surprise birthday party for her aunt, Mrs. George Hiltz and her cousin, Mrs. George French. Some 25 or 30 guests gathered.

Mr. and Mrs. Warwick and Mrs. Anne Shell had Sunday dinner with Mrs. George Hiltz and Vera.

James Stephens had Sunday dinner at the Doust home.

Marion Hunt, nurse in training who will shortly graduate has been home here on holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Mal. Ramer 45 Yrs. Wed

Good Friday was the occasion of a happy surprise celebration of the forty-fifth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm A. Ramer. The guests gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Lemon, Bloomington, where a delicious dinner, complete with three-tiered wedding cake was served. After dinner, appropriate speeches were made by Messrs. Fred Ramer, Will Reesor and Gordon Ramer before the presentation of a number of beautiful anniversary gifts.

An interesting feature was the presence of three of the original wedding party, Mr. Fred Ramer and Mr. Will Reesor who supported the groom, and Mrs. Reesor who was one of the bridesmaids.

Besides Mr. and Mrs. Reesor and Mr. and Mrs. F. Ramer, others present were Mr. and Mrs. Murray Ramer, Bloomington; Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Ramer and son Alvin, Colborne; Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Warner and son Evan, London; and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Reichard, of Toronto.

Horticultural members who have not sent in their choice of premiums yet are asked to let the secretary, M. Mertens know as soon as possible.

Youth for Christ

IN STOUFFVILLE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
SATURDAY EVENING

'THE CHILDHOOD OF CHRIST'

Portrayed on the screen in the unparalleled film—'CHILD OF BETHLEHAM!' This picture will thrill you with anticipation to see more like it.

MUSIC

- ALICE plays her Coronet
- CHORUSES tempored for you.
- GOSPEL Recordings.
- Oh, Yes! The Mike Walks Again

'Come and bring a friend with you'

Director FOR YOUTH BY YOUTH
N. Rowan

NO LIBRARY GRANTS

A grant was refused to the Richmond Hill library and one was granted to the Richmond Hill fair board last Monday by Markham Township council. Council saw similar requests from Markham and Stouffville libraries that are available to farmers in the areas of those places. So far as the fair is concerned it is very much a farm project.

SERVICE STOOD UP WELL UNDER HEAVY GALE

Brief though frequent interruptions in the local hydro service last Saturday evening were accounted for by the 70-mile gale around Toronto. Just as fast as short circuits blew out fuses in the big plant that supplies this district, new ones were put in and the service renewed.

M.B.C. HEAR EASTER CANTATA

The Easter Cantata rendered in the Stouffville Mennonite church on Sunday evening, was well received by a large congregation. The musical rendition was under the direction of Mr. Lambert Stouffer.

Lions Entertain Farmer Friends

Stouffville Lions Club banqueted a number of local farmers on Monday evening, at their annual farmers' night meeting held in the High School. Mr. Bert Kennedy who recently toured England with our champion plowmen, was the guest speaker, and described in an interesting manner what he saw on his first trip to the old land. Mr. Gartshore of the Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. entertained the gathering following the address, with some excellent colored films.

A toast to the farmer guests was proposed by Lion Ed. Logan and responded to by Wm. Reesor. Lion Jas. Porter tendered a vote of thanks to the speaker, Mr. Kennedy, while Lion Fred Campbell expressed the appreciation of the club to the Firestone representative. The Altoia's Women's Institute catered for the affair.

ALTONA

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Davis of Bloomington were guests at the home of Mr. A. E. Davis and Esther on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl McNair and little daughter of Oshawa were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McNair.

A number of our local sports attended the hockey games at Stratford and Oshawa recently.

Harold and Bob Lewis and Misses Luella Harper and Margaret Wideman spent Sunday at Niagara Falls, New York.

Altona was well represented at the Lions club banquet at Stouffville on Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. David Crosier were guests at the Clark Harding wedding held in Seagrave United Church on Saturday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Wilson entertained her sister from Montreal over the Easter weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. D. Malloy and Marlene had dinner with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Crosier on Sunday.

Mrs. Conby and little daughter, and her sister-in-law, Miss Conby from the West were guests at Vincent Baker's at the weekend.

VANDORF

Miss Marion VanNostrand of Sudbury is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur VanNostrand for the Easter holidays.

Mr. Harry Guthrie spent Easter Sunday in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Ewart of Sutton spent Easter weekend with Mr. and Mrs. E. Ewart.

We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Foster of Toronto who are living on the Gincotti farm.

There was a good congregation to hear the Easter message delivered by the minister Rev. E. Moddle on Sunday morning. Five Boy Scouts from Toronto camping on Mr. Miller's property for the weekend were present in uniform. The choir sang a lovely anthem "Hosanna." Mrs. Herbert Oliver and Mr. George E. Richardson sang "He Did Not Die in Vain."

Wesley choir are planning a croquinoile party.

Mr. and Mrs. Switzer received a generous box of beautiful daffodils, hyacinths, japonica and purple heather for Easter. They were from their daughter's garden in Vancouver and coming air express they were as fresh as though just taken from the garden.

Mr. and Mrs. H.A. White and Miss Ruth White were guests with Mr. and Mrs. Grant Morley on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Morley had supper with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Brillinger on Saturday.

The March meeting of the Vandorf Women's Institute will be at the home of Mrs. Fred VanNostrand. Miss Merle Stevenson will speak on an agricultural subject. The Roll Call will be answered by a cooking hint. There will be election of officers. Hostesses Mrs. E. Foster and Mrs. A. Pattenden.

BLOOMINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Ramer and son of Colbourne, Mr. and Mrs. T. Wander and Evan of London, Mr. and Mrs. Richard of Toronto were guests with Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Ramer.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Young and daughter were Toronto visitors for Easter.

Mr. and Mrs. Beebly of Lemonville have moved into the E. A. Story farm lately vacated by Mr. R. Mills. Mr. and Mrs. Mills are living temporarily in Mr. R. Burnett's house until they get possession of their own farm.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Shantz of Port Credit were holiday visitors at O. H. Tranmer's.

Mr. G. Vaughan of Toronto was home for Easter.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Story and Mrs. Jarvis Story entertained Mr. and Mrs. M. Rose of Ballantrae, Mr. and Mrs. W. Topper and Mr. and Mrs. N. Story for Easter Sunday. Also a special is due in the way of birthday congratulations for Mrs. Rose and Mrs. A. W. Story.

Miss M. Topper and Mr. Garlick of Toronto spent the weekend with her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. Topper.

Mr. and Mrs. Canning of Toronto spent Good Friday at Mr. A. Cowie's.

ENGAGEMENT

The engagement is announced of Elizabeth Anne (Betty) daughter of Mrs. R. Leslie and the late Robert Leslie of Stouffville and Owen Sound to Victor Edward Baker, son of the late Mrs. S.W. Hughson of Toronto. The marriage will take place in Eglington United Church on April 19th.

Oil Heating Very Popular Here

"I believe there are more oil burning furnaces in the homes of Stouffville people than any other town in Ontario," so stated Mr. R.C. Blewett of Agincourt on Thursday in an interview with The Tribune. Mr. Blewett is well qualified to speak on the matter, since he has installed no less than twenty-one to date, and has more orders booking.

Just getting into action again after a critical auto accident which rendered Mr. Blewett inactive for some months, he named the installation in surrounding towns, and there is nothing to compare with the number of oil furnaces in this place. Mr. Blewett said that so far as his furnaces are concerned, purchasers are assured of oil since he undertakes to have their tank or tanks filled, and thereby gives the owners a direct connection with the oil company as a regular customer. Incidentally fuel oil jumped a full cent a gallon last week, and is selling in Stouffville and district for 12 3/4 cents a gallon.

It is estimated that forty homes in town are heated with oil furnaces and must make a noticeable drop in the demand for coal.

2nd LINE UXBRIDGE

Spring must be here. At last our roads are again open and once again we can enjoy seeing the mail man making his daily rounds which makes the people of Second Line feel we are still in the land of the living which for sometime was only a trail in Uxbridge township.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Mitchell of Toronto spent the weekend recently at the Leslie Mitchell home.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Taylor of Birchcliffe spent the weekend at the Bruce Taylor home.

We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Willis Taylor of Bloomington on the birth of their son on Easter Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Forsyth moved last week to their new home on the tenth north of Stouffville. We wish this young couple every success in their new home.

Mr. Carl Miller of Oshawa is holidaying at the home of his sister Mrs. Bruce Taylor.

Master Wayne Taylor is spending a few days with his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Albert Taylor.

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GEO. BUTTERFIELD
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Sat., April 19

- Heintzman Player Piano & bench, good;
- 270 Music Rolls
- 2 Grandfather Clocks, antique
- Floor Lamp
- Music Stand
- Drop-head Sewing Machine, Eaton
- 2 Upholstered Chairs and Seat
- 2 Small Round Tables; Table
- Corner Whatnot, Walnut
- Wall Mirror, fancy;
- Chesterfield Number Jardinieres;
- Small Rug
- Spindle Armchair and Rocker
- 2 Dinner Sets
- Antique Cabinet
- Quantity Odd Dishes; Mantel clock
- General Electric Fan
- Horn Wall Hat Rack
- 10 Kitchen Chairs;
- Aneroid Barometer; Tycoos Stormo-
- guide; Electric Percolator
- 2 8-day Walnut Round Wall clocks
- 2 Mantel Clocks, marble
- Goldie and McCulloch Safe
- Treasure Cook Stove
- Wall Clock, Walnut, 8-day
- Walnut Sideboard
- 2 leather-seated Chairs and Love
- Seat;
- 2 Oak Dining Tables
- Long Heavy Plate Glass Mirror
- Antique Kitchen Cupboard
- Leather-covered Couch; Leather-
- covered Chair; 2-burner Electric
- Stove;
- 2 Chest Drawers
- Walnut Clock, 8-day Westminster
- Chimes
- Cupboard
- Number Pint and Quart Sealers
- Pots, Pans and Silverware
- Quantity Glassware; 2 Toilet Sets
- Brass Bed and springs; Blanket box
- 4 assorted size Tables; 2 Dressers
- 2 Washstands;
- Record Stand
- 2 Wooden Beds and Mattress
- Cecilian Victrola and quantity of
- Records and Linoleum
- Antique Wooden Lemon Squeezer
- River Sewing Machine, good
- Edison Cylinder Victrola; Trunk
- Kneehole Desk;
- Long Mirror
- Large Plate Glass Mirror
- Ice Box;
- 2 Bed Lamps
- Cataract Washing Machine, Elec.
- Coal Oil Stove, 3-burner and oven
- 3 Pair Skates
- 2 Bed Lamps
- Switch Maker Hair Carding Outfit
- Waste Paper Basket; 2 Tea Trays
- Desk Lamp;
- Kneehole Desk
- 2 Metal Tool Boxes;
- 2 Club Bags
- Light Oak Music Cabinet
- Antique Walnut Roll-top Lett
- Cabinet;
- Letter Writing Base
- Tropical Electric Heater; Mandrel
- 2 Coleman Lamps;
- 4" Vise, good
- Milland Electric Cigar Lighter
- Leco Box Camera and Brownie
- 3 Wooden Tool Boxes
- Century 1-4 h.p. Electric Motor
- Steel Lathe and Chucks
- Numerous Emery Stones
- Drive Shaft and Pulleys
- Battery Charger; Pr. Snowshoes
- Straw Baskets and Pads
- Oil Burner for Cook Stove
- Quantity Tools and a lot of other
- useful articles.

Terms, cash. Sale at 1 p.m.
J. R. Smith, clerk.
Ken. & Clarke Practice, auctioneers

TREES

A. W. GALBRAITH will give illustrated lecture on TREES in the

Basement, United Church, on

TUES., 'APRIL 15

at 8 o'clock

Sale of Books — Cultural Flowers

by H. J. MOORE

Program—Reading by Miss Jean Hosie; Paper on Pruning of Shrubs by Mrs. F. Fairles, under auspices Stouffville Horticultural Society.

MISS WINNIPEG



Marjorie Graham, 18, seen here, queen of Greater Winnipeg community clubs, was chosen Miss Winnipeg of 1947 in final selections of the city-wide competition. A crowd of 4,000 witnessed her coronation.

GLASGOW

Mrs. W.I. Smith is spending a few days in Toronto with her son Louis. Miss M. Lee and Morley Davis spent Easter Sunday with his parents.

Mrs. S. Perrin, Lynda and Teddy of Weston are spending a few days with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. Davis.

We welcome Mr. and Mrs. M. Brethour who are moving into their new home on the W. Eckardt farm recently vacated by the J. McGillvray family.

We are pleased to hear of Lena White's return home from the hospital, and hope she is much improved.

Mrs. Godfrey spent a few days in Toronto the past week.

Mr. Jack Brisbin of Toronto formerly of Isabella, Manitoba, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Archie Stewart on Thursday of last week.

Roy Ebby and Kenneth Gidlow from the W. Davis home are spending a few days in the city.

Miss Betty Godfrey is spending a few days at her home.

Merilyn and Marie Wainmsley have returned to live in Toronto having lived at the H. Slack home for four years.

Miss Marie Pike is spending the Easter holidays at her home in Sundridge.

A very pleasant evening was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Davis last Thursday night, where a few neighbors gathered to bid adieu to two families, the T. Evans and J. McGillvray's who are leaving the district. They were presented with a vex and flameware. The address was read by Mr. W. I. Smith and the presentation was made by Mrs. H. Slack and Mrs. R. Davis. All wishing them the very best in their new homes, after which a dainty lunch was served.

Births

PAULSON—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Paulson (nee Audrey Anderson) are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Dierdra Ann at St. Joseph Hospital, Reading, Pennsylvania, on April 4th, 1947.

BEACH—To Mr. and Mrs. David Beach (nee Reba Cutting) at Oshawa General Hospital, Monday, April 7, 1947, a daughter.

ROBINSON—At the Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville, on Wednesday, April 2, 1947, to Mr. and Mrs. Graham Robinson (nee Ruth Wagg) Toronto, a son.

ANDERSON—At the Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville, on Thursday, April 3, 1947, to Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Anderson, Stouffville, a daughter (stillborn).

DUNN—At the Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville, on Thursday, April 3, 1947, to Mr. and Mrs. David Dunn, Stouffville, a son.

FERGUSON—At the Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville, on Friday, April 4, 1947, to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ferguson, (nee Margaret Lewis) Brentwood Farm, Markham R.R.2, a son James Donald.

CARRUTHERS—At the Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville, on Saturday, April 5, 1947, to Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Carruthers, (nee Evelyn Tweedie) Claremont, a daughter.

NORTON—At the Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville, on Sunday, April 6, 1947, to Mr. and Mrs. William (Bud) Norton, (nee Edna Taylor) a daughter, Beverley Ann.

TAYLOR—At the Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville, on Sunday, April 6, 1947, to Mr. and Mrs. Willis Taylor, (nee Blanche Morton) R.R.2, Stouffville, a son, a brother for Wayne.

BURNETT—At the Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville, on Wednesday, April 9, 1947, to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Burnett, R.R.2, Stouffville, a daughter.



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