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Christian Church Conference Reports Ministers are On All Circuits

Vigorous preaching and hearty singing characterized the annual conference of Congregational-Christian Churches in Ontario convening at Ringwood last weekend, and concluding on Sunday evening. President Gibson W. Brown welcomed the delegates on the opening morning, and briefly reviewed the work of the conference, and pointed out that every circuit now had a minister stationed.

Rev. Dr. Robert Bruce, superintendent of the New York Conference of some 350 churches, delivered two sermons on Sunday that struck profoundly at the hearts of the large congregations assembled. He was supported by the Ringwood Male Quartette, the Altona Trio, and Mrs. Dan. Flyer in the service of song.

The church was also packed for an evening service when Miss P.L. Coghill, Christian worker and traveller spoke. At a similar session Dr. Maurice Zeitman delivered an address on his trip to Poland.

One evening was given over to the young people's groups, and were led by the Kingston delegates. The election of officers resulted in the return of Rev. Gibson Brown as president, and of the chief executive officers. They are as follows:

Vice-Pres.—Rev. G. W. Brown, Kingston.

Clerk—Rev. C. H. Way, Toronto.

Treas.—Wm. Reesor, Stouffville.

The ladies of Ringwood who served the meals in the large tent to delegates did a splendid work, and were the subjects of flattering remarks.

According to the press and radio reports as well as our own almost daily observations, we have reason to seek some remedy to counteract the low standards of the social and moral activities that prevail in our midst, said the report on moral reform, submitted by Albert Reesor.

Court records confirm the fact that crime is on the increase and a great percentage of criminals are comparatively young men and women, and in many cases mere boys and girls.

Let us consider just a few of the outstanding factors contributing to the aforesaid conditions.

(1) Sunday is fast becoming a holiday and no longer respected as a Holy Day; we believe we are living in the time referred to by the Apostle Paul, when he said, "men shall be lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God. Without doubt desecration of the Lord's Day and neglect even on the part of many church members to attend and participate in public worship is having a demoralizing effect on the spirit.

(2) Failure to recognize marriage as a hallowed and divine institution resulting in unhappy homes, separation and divorce is becoming entirely too common. Children born under such circumstances seldom receive any spiritual or moral guidance, but are allowed to drift into channels of godlessness and consequently do not develop into desirable citizens.

(3) The use of beverage alcohol, the old enemy of body and soul is almost inseparably associated with all other forms of crime and degradation and we believe it is directly or indirectly responsible for the greater part of the misery and crime of our day. According to statistics, the consumption of alcoholic beverages in Canada is growing year by year.

We therefore recommend that:

(1) That all members of our Conference as well as those of other denominations take a firmer stand against sin in its many forms, ever remembering the power of example

(2) That we utilize every opportunity to lead our community, our nation, and the whole world, that together we may enjoy closer fellowship with God and His Son

Relief Work in Philippines

Rev. Ray Witter of Kansas will speak in the Heise Hill Church next Sunday, June 20, at the 7 o'clock service. He will speak on his experiences in the Philippines while there on relief work.

Recent graduate in chemical engineering from the University of Toronto, Dean Fockler shown here is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Fockler of Whitchurch Township. Dean has taken a position with Colgate Palmolive Co.

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Rev. Gibson W. Brown was accorded a second term as president of the Conference, Congregational Christian churches in Ontario, convening last week at Ringwood.

Mother Stricken in Kitchen, Dies Instantly

Busily engaged in the pursuit of her household duties about 5 p.m. on Thursday afternoon, Mrs. Edward Lintner, resident on Main street for some 30 years, swooned over in the kitchen of her home, and died instantly. Present in the home at the time was a daughter-in-law and two of her sons, Bruce and George. Mrs. Lintner had carried on a normal day's activity, and had not complained of illness. The doctor pronounced death due to a thrombosis.

The body was removed to O'Neill's undertaking establishment, and the funeral on Saturday was held privately from the stricken home in the east end, where the mother, seemingly only hours before, was about her daily task. Rev. J. K. Pequegnat, Baptist church, testified at the service to the loyal qualities of the mother, and to her long years of service as a Sunday School teacher. Only the Sunday before her death she had taught her class of girls, as was her custom down through the years.

Born in Stouffville nearly 53 years ago, Ruth Burkholder was married 36 years ago to Edward Lintner from the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Burkholder. The young couple took up farming near Dunbarton in Pickering, but returned to town in a few years, and Mr. Lintner became the blacksmith at Ringwood, later coming into town to form the business so long known as Lintner & Griffiths, and which was dissolved during war days. Mr. Lintner has been working at Ajax ever since. On the day of his wife's death he reached home very shortly after the tragedy.

Surviving the mother, besides the husband are six sons, Charlie, Edward, Harry, Bruce, Roy and Geo., and one daughter Edna. Four other children died, two in infancy. Mrs. Walter Miller of Stouffville is an only sister, and five surviving brothers are Rev. Oscar Burkholder, and Clarence Burkholder of Breslau, Ont., Orval, Ira and Ralph Burkholder of Stouffville.

Beautiful floral tributes from friends of the family attested the esteem in which the deceased and her family are held in the community. Six sons acted as pall bearers, and interment was made in Stouffville cemetery.

Thirty-six Exhibitors At Flower Show

There were 120 entries for the flower show in town on Tuesday conducted by the local Horticultural Society, coming from some 36 exhibitors. President Good presided over an entertaining program. The winners: house plant bloom, Mrs. O. Lehman, Mrs. Oden, M. Mertens; 5 house plants (bloom), Mrs. M. Storey; house plant (foliage), Mrs. O. Burton, Mrs. O. Lehman, Mrs. O. Lehman; iris, (1 spike), Mrs. W. Timbers, Mrs. O. Burton, M. Mertens; (6 spikes), Jean Pipher, Mrs. Timbers, Ross Vague; basket, Jean Pipher, Mrs. Dixon, Mrs. Ridout; collection, Mrs. Timbers, Mrs. Vague, Mrs. Woodland; peonies, white, Jean Pipher, Mr. Lamb, Mrs. W. Slack; pink, Mrs. H. Wideman, Mr. Lamb, P. Stover; red, Lorne Gillion, Anne Lehman, Jean Pipher any other, P. Stover; miniature bouquet, special prize, P. Stover; 1st, Mrs. Dixon, Mrs. B. Winterstein, Mrs. Timbers; roses, Mrs. Oden, Mrs. Ridout; basket of mixed flowers, special prize, Mrs. Timbers; 1st, Mr. Timbers, Mrs. Fairles, Jean Pipher; basket of any other variety, Mrs. Timbers, Mrs. Wideman, Anne Lehman; lupins, Mr. Timbers, M. Mertens, Mrs. Fairles; shrubs, P. Stover, Mrs. F.W. Osterdahl, Mrs. Fairles; pansies, Mr. C. Lehman, Mrs. Oden, Mrs. Farthing; dining table bouquet, Mrs. L. Forsyth, P. Stover, Jean Pipher; living-room bouquet, Jean Pipher, Mrs. Fairles, Mr. Dixon; (modern), Mrs. C. Pipher, Mrs. Timbers, M. Mertens.

John Hare, Aged 88, Called by Death

Well known figure in the Markham-Stouffville district for three-quarters of a century, John Hare, died suddenly in the Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville, on Friday in his 88th year. He had just been taken to the hospital a day or two, and was about town here a week before his death.

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International Officer Installs Lion Executive

Lion Jack Smits will head the Stouffville Lions Club for the year 1948-49, and he along with other officers was installed on Monday



evening in the regular meeting at the High School by International Counsellor, Lion Reg. Everatt. The newly installed officers are: Pres., Jack Smits; 1st Vice, L. C. Murphy; 2nd Vice, Harold Spofford; 3rd Vice, Ted Edwards; Lion Tamer, Harry Ratchiff; Tail Twister, Norm Farr; Sec'y, Fred Campbell; Treas., Norm Baker; Directors, Bruce Clark, John Scott, Trum Baxter, Reg. Button.

The distinguished visitor, Lion Everatt, was introduced by Lion Ted Edwards. Musical entertainment was provided with Miss Stalwood at the piano.

Visits Brothers and Sisters for First Time In Forty-Five Years

An interesting figure in town this week is Mr. Ab. S. Barkey of San Pedro, Cal., who is visiting his brothers and sisters, Messrs. Isaac and Ed. Barkey, Mrs. Nancy Lee and Mrs. Truman Grove, none of whom he had seen in 45 years.

Mr. Barkey is a bus driver in San Pedro and while he travelled considerably up the west coast he had not contacted any members of his family.

"I just can't connect Stouffville of today with the appearance of the old town as I had it in mind," said Mr. Barkey to The Tribune. "Somehow it is just like a strange town to me so far as the buildings go now," he continued.

A resident of San Pedro for 30 years he has made his main occupation on the buses, but being a natural musician he played in orchestras for years, and his brother Isaac recalls that he was a musician before he left home as a young man. Our guest, married a girl from the State of Maine, and she will be here shortly to see the birthplace of her husband. Just now Mrs. Barkey is visiting her home state.

When Mr. Barkey met his sister, Mrs. Grove he didn't recognize her. In fact he admitted he wouldn't have known Mrs. Lee either had they met on the street.

Win First Home Softball Game

Stouffville defeated Greenbank on Tuesday night in their first home start of the Uxbridge softball circuit. Jack Epworth was on the hill for Stouffville, with Dan Finlayson and Harold Morden, alternating behind the plate. The balance of the local lineup was: 1stb, H. Morden; 2nd, Ted Cadieux; 3rd, Wally Niensolson; ss, Jack Barkey; cf, Bill Nicholson; lf, Lloyd Jennings; Walter Slack; rf, Bill Peacock, Lou Raxlin; Ross and Ward Edwards are also on the local roster. The next home game here will be on June 24th when the team meets Uxbridge.

Engagements

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President Bruce Puts in First Call to The Tribune Over New Telephone System

"CRANK" TELEPHONE PASSES OUT TODAY

For the past several months the Bethesda & Stouffville Telephone Co. have had men engaged along with the local mechanics installing the mechanism for a more modern and speedier telephone system, and this Wednesday afternoon the change-over took place. No longer need one ring for central if you have a town phone. Just lift the receiver and the "hello girl" will respond. When you hang up the receiver, the disconnection is automatic, and you need not ring off.

As quickly as possible workmen will be around to remove the cranks from the phones, and in the meantime be sure not to ring—just lift the receiver. It is injurious to use the crank on town phones, so please remember, a circular letter sent out by the company advises.

If you are on a party line in town, it will be necessary to lift the receiver and contact central to get the other party on your line. You cannot ring them direct any more.

Persons with rural phones will carry on as usual, by using the crank to ring central. New directories will be issued shortly and will contain a series of new numbers for town phones.

Beauty Queen to be Crowned Wednesday

Girls! have you got your entry in yet for the beauty contest being staged as part of the big Stouffville Lions Club carnival and dance next Wednesday night. There's \$35 for the first prize lucky miss and \$10 for second, \$5 for third. All girls 16 and over are eligible. Send your entry in writing or telephone to Bruce Clark, Reg. Button, Chas. Nolan or Ted Edwards, Stouffville. Deadline for entries is Tuesday night at midnight. Al Harvey will be on stage, the VWB orchestra and games galore. Over \$500 in lucky draw prizes are being given away to help boost the Lions welfare funds.

OUT-DOOR CONCERT

Public School Principal C. E. Watson and his staff of teachers, and the scholars too, were being highly commended for their effort in staging the big concert Friday evening which marked the closing of the school term. The scholars acquitted themselves admirably, and the splendid attendance indicated the interest and appreciation of the townspeople. The affair was held on an improvised platform at the front of the school building. The set-up worked very well, in the absence of a proper auditorium in the building.

Councils Unite to Build Asphalt Surface on the 9th

The quarter mile of road on the fifth concession, the east side of which is in the village of Stouffville and the west side in the township of Whitchurch, will have an asphalt top built on it this summer, if the decision of the two councils is carried out. The cost of about \$750 will be shared equally by the two municipalities.

While the township has plowed the snow and did the grading on this bit of townline highway between the two places, Stouffville has applied gravel and did the oiling. Maintenance is almost impossible today with the heavy traffic on a gravel surface, and the village took steps to secure the cost of a heavy treatment of tarvia, and chips double that applied to other streets in town. On Saturday, Reeve Nolan presented the figures to Whitchurch council and it was agreed to proceed with the work when the Beamish Construction Co. are doing Musselman's Lake. Chips (small stone) will be supplied for the work by the Stouffville Sand & Gravel Co. and thereby many dollars will be saved on freight costs which have soared to serious heights.

A class of good buildings are going up on both the Whitchurch and the village side of the ninth, and a dust free road will encourage this kind of construction further, as the dust nuisance is bad there. Further, farmers complain about the constant disrepair of the road, which will also be eliminated.

Total cost of the job will be \$745, or \$372.50 for each municipality, which seems most reasonable considering the fact that the public will be provided with a road surface that will be some pleasure to travel on. This is the only tarvia topping that will be built in town this summer, but many streets are being made ready for the treatment next year or when a future council determines to do the work.

At two o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, Mr. A. D. Bruce, president of the Bethesda & Stouffville Telephone Co., formally opened the new switch-board at the exchange office in Stouffville by calling the reeve of the village. With Reeve Nolan on the receiving end, President Bruce said:

"This is A. D. Bruce talking as president of the Bethesda & Stouffville Telephone Co. I greet you as reeve of the village, and inform you that I am now speaking to you from our new switch board."

"This is, in fact, the first call reported on opening for regular service." The reeve congratulated the president and his company on their progressive policy of improvement in keeping abreast of new mechanism in an effort to meet the stupendous demands of new subscribers and a talking public.

The takeover was in charge of Mr. R. Manswell, connecting Company Supervisor of The Bell Telephone and the operators were trained by Miss Geraldine Stouffer under the supervision of Miss Louise Burton, District Instructor, Toronto.

The new switchboard was constructed and installed by The Northern Electric Co. Limited with foreman G. G. Bell in charge of the installation.

The Company wishes to acknowledge their indebtedness to the officials of The Bell Telephone Co. of Canada who so willingly co-operated by advising and from time to time inspecting the progress of the work.

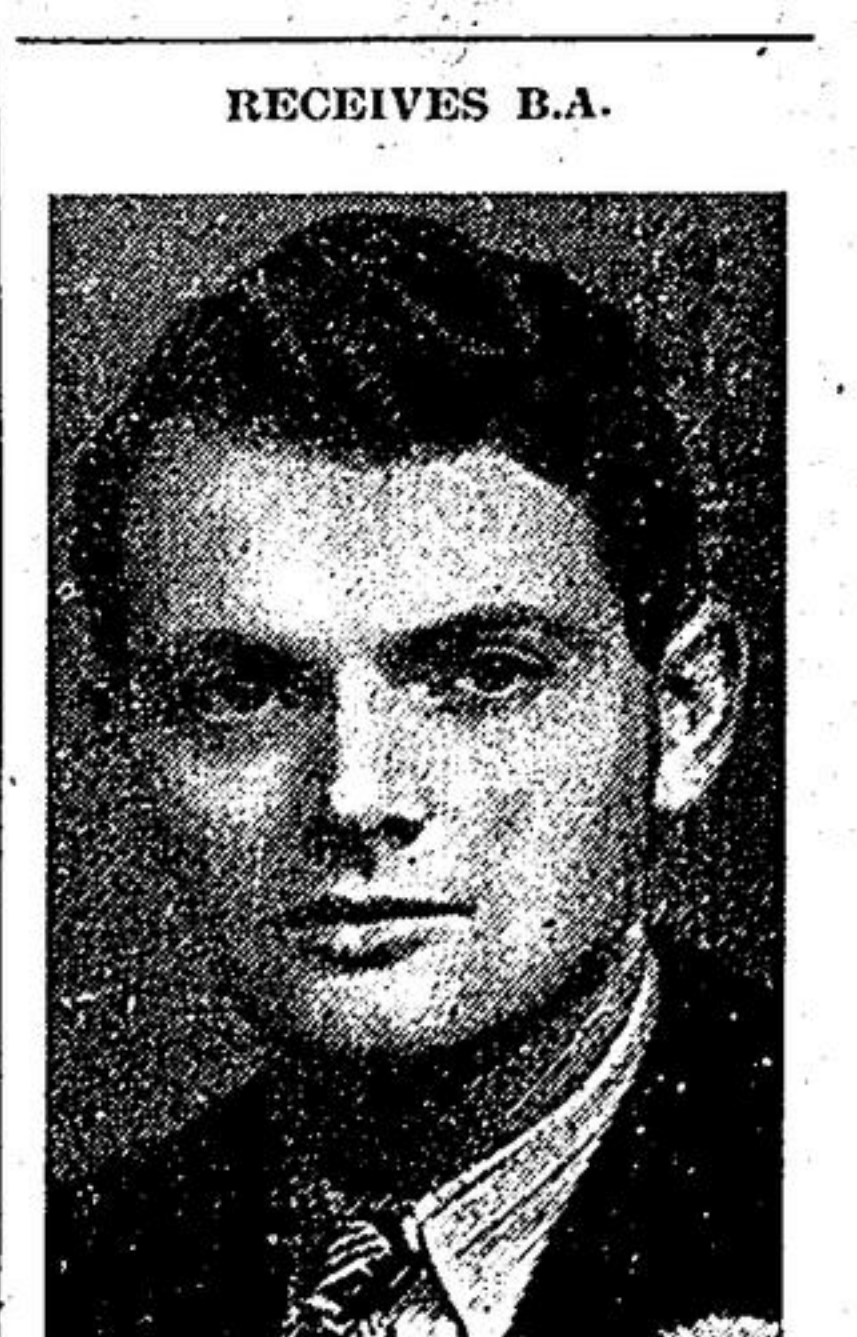
FARMERS GATHERED AT MUSSELMAN'S LAKE

Last Friday, June 11 the York County Junior Farmers held what has been termed their most enjoyable annual picnic and dance yet at Musselman's Lake with the new Schomberg Club very prominent in all the activities. Each of the seven locals was represented in the various athletic events and a group of over 600 danced to the lilting melodies of Glenn Smith's "Merry-makers" in the colourful Cedar Beach Gardens in the evening.

GOING NORTH!

Two members of The Tribune staff, Wilbur Gower, pressman, and Ken Jennings, compositor, are travelling with the Ontario-Quebec press party this week, to Timmins, and other points in Northern Ontario, where they will have a look at some of the big lumber mills and hydro projects there. They were accompanied at the business sessions of the convention in Toronto on Thursday, by Chas. Nolan, assoc. editor, who is a director of the Ont.-Quebec weeklies.

RECEIVES B.A.



Robert McGillivray, second son of Mr. and Mrs. John McGillivray of Mount Albert, and formerly of Glasgow, graduated this year with the degree of Bachelor of Arts from the University of Toronto. Robert is now on the staff of Morse P.S.

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