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## Touched Rim of Arctic Circle on 10,000 Mile Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Baker of Whitechurch Township are home again after 10,000 mile motor trip which they commenced on July 6, in company with Mr. and Mrs. Ed. C. Way. The two women in the party are sisters.

They motored as far north as Whitehorse in the Yukon, which 20 years ago had a population of only 300, but today is quite a sized town. It is the home of the Whitehorse Star, weekly newspaper with the distinction of being published farther north than any other newspaper in the British Empire. Route followed to this northern outpost was via North Bay to Winnipeg, Edmonton then due north-west, 1100 miles above Vancouver. Gasoline sells for 67c a gallon in the Yukon, roads are gravel but very good, yet hard on tires, and the car required three new ones on the trip.

The famous Alaska highway proved interesting, and like most other roads is a gravel road with plenty of stopping places, converted mostly out of buildings erected during the course of road construction for use of the workmen. Meals, says Mr. Baker, are served "thresher style." No menus, but heaping plates of everything, and excellent vegetables, seem available everywhere. Travelling over this famous road Mr. Baker said they noted only one Ontario car license, but many United States cars were travelling that way. Flowers in Alaska were magnificent, and of such great dimensions as to completely outdo those grown in Ontario. They must necessarily grow fast, since the season is very short. In fact in the Yukon there is frost in the ground all year round, and only gets out about three feet in depth.

In the far north the party were within fifty miles of the Arctic Circle, and found that there was no night there. One could read a newspaper outside at midnight.

The Peace River district proved a revelation with its excellent crops. Dawson Creek is the end of the rail system, and the Alaska trail is 1523 miles long. While flowers in Alaska were beyond imagination, so was the excellent alfalfa crop seen in Peace River country. Mr. Baker thought this may be at least one of the main crops, and is above average this year, he was informed.

Homeward bound the party drove through Montana, North Dakota, International Falls, etc., and reached home without an accident or serious car trouble, to complete one of the longest motor trip ever taken by a local party.

## Isaac Burkholder Buried At Didsbury, Alberta

A resident of Western Canada since 1906 Isaac Burkholder of Didsbury, Alberta, died on August 6, following a serious illness. He was 77 years of age, and was born in Markham Township on October 23, 1872.

The late Mr. Burkholder migrated to Western Canada to take up homesteading and followed this life for 11 years, and after some time in Maton he located in Didsbury in 1922 where he made his home until a year ago when through ill health both he and Mrs. Burkholder were forced to give up the home. Mrs. Burkholder became a total invalid and was afflicted with blindness as well. However she survives her husband.

Prominent in the life of the United Missionary Church in Alberta, Mr. Burkholder became travelling representative for the Bible Society and for 25 years covered a wide territory in this work.

Mrs. Burkholder was the former Ida Heisey, and the couple were frequently back to the home district, their last visit having been made in 1940. Besides his wife four daughters survive, while two sons who grew to maturity are dead. A brother, Jos. Burkholder, in Western Canada, also survives.

## Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Preston wish to announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Thelma Irene, to Cecil Ernest Kent, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kent, Sundridge; marriage to take place the latter part of September.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Wagg of Goodwood wish to announce the engagement of their only daughter, Grace Evelyn, to Ronald Lloyd James, son of Mrs. Nettie James of Stouffville. The marriage will take place on Saturday, Sept. 24, at 3 o'clock in the Goodwood Baptist Church.

## This Miami Home Withstood This Blow



When hurricane winds of 150 miles an hour roared through sections of West Palm Beach and parts of Miami, Florida, the substantial cottage of Mr. Bert Pitman on 36th Street, Miami, withstood a stiff hurricane undamaged. Mr. and Mrs. Pitman are spending the summer in Ontario and are, now up on the lakes with Mr. Thos. Birkett of Stouffville who has

frequently visited the Pitman home in Miami. Mr. Bill Pitman, former merchant butcher in Stouffville and now of Miami is engaged in business by his brother Bert. While the Pitman home was undamaged, others did not fare so well, as indicated in this picture. The storm was called a multi-million-blow, and marched through the Georginas and Carolinas before it petered out.

## LEMONVILLE COWS SOLD FAIRLY STIFF PRICES

The farm stock sale on the Nieghorn farm at Lemonville last week attracted a good crowd and prices were well up, with cows averaging \$175 and some heifers sold at \$130. The milking machine went for \$210 and hay in the mow \$23.50 ton while mixed grain was bought for \$2.50 cwt. The Nieghorn farm has been sold to Mr. Chas. Ratcliff who resides across the road from the property. There were no implements offered in the sale. Auctioneer Farmer told the press.

## Square Girls Win Softball Trophy

Victoria Square softball team won the girls championship for centre York County, and carried off the silver cup on Tuesday night when they eliminated their nearest opponent and final contender for the honor by defeating Elgin Mills in the second of home-and-home games by a score of 13-14. In the first game last week the Square girls defeated Elgin Mills by 10-7. Coach Ran Musselman is naturally a bit "puffed up" over the success of his girls. Victoria Square team: Pitcher Kathleen McArthur, catcher June Collard, 1st base Marie Musselman, 2nd base Polly Eade, 3rd base Joy Mortson, short stop Edna Sanderson, right fielder Marg. Sanderson, centre fielder Marion Reid, left fielder Eleanor Reid; subs. Marion Hood, Edna Steckley, Jean Brumwell.

## Arrival of Header Pipes Holding Up Artificial Ice

In conversation with the Linde Refrigeration engineer in charge of the artificial ice job in the Stouffville Arena, we were informed on Tuesday, that the reason for the delay in starting work, was lack of larger header pipes into which the vast network of ice piping must be joined at the east end of the arena. The small piping arrived a week ago direct from the manufacturers at Welland, Ont.

The largest of two electric motors, a 75 horsepower giant arrived by railway this week, and a large brine tank was also delivered. The Linde representative informed your writer that there would be no delay in getting the job done, immediately the header pipes arrive, even if night work was required to complete the job by Oct. 1st.

Malloy's Plumbing Service, Stouffville, was awarded the plumbing sub-contract by the arena builders, and this work got underway this week. The Campbellford electricians who are doing the electrical work are expected back this weekend to wind up the rough work and install the fixtures.

Miss Audrey Jennings who has been engaged in Dr. Neil Smith's dental office for the past three years, is about to join the hospital staff at Orillia in training as a nurse.

Fred Cole's Markham goats won top honors at the C.N.E. last week.

## Markham Engages Architect To Plot Out Township's "World of Tomorrow"

With Deputy-Reeve Win Timbers objecting, Markham Township Council in special session last Thursday, agreed to engage Mr. Gordon Culham as a planning consultant. He will be expected to draw a detailed plan of Markham Township, marking every building.

Mr. Culham will also provide a plan to divide the lands of Markham into restricted areas. One area for instance may be designated farming lands, another industrial, and still others into degrees of residential localities. When such a plan is approved by the council, it can readily be enforced under the new land restriction bylaw now passing into the final stage of becoming law.

The council offered Mr. Culham this job he is now appointed to two months ago and later received a communication stating that as Mr. Culham had not had his appointment confirmed by letter he was not open for the position. Mr. Culham was to receive \$1600 per annum for a two year period which length of time it is estimated will be required to produce the necessary maps and specifications. Deputy-Reeve Timbers opposed the appointment now because Cul-

ham, he considered, had turned the council down, and Mr. Timbers in any case wasn't too enthusiastic in spending this amount of money.

Reeve Griffin urged council to have this work done. He pointed out, as on other occasions, that Markham is a fast growing municipality, and unless building was restricted and regimented the municipality would grow up like Topsy, sort of in a hit-and-miss form.

Councillors Rae, Barber, and Wicks agreed to overlook the suggestion that Culham was now willing to come back and draft these plans after having sort of tossed the municipal offer overboard.

Mr. Timbers agreed in talking to the press later that if there was any value at all in what Mr. Culham hopes to produce, it would be a peep at "the township of tomorrow," rather than a mere record of the township as it stands today. If his plans are acceptable and become approved, it will be the duty of future councils to enforce according to the layout so that this planned "township of tomorrow" for Markham might gradually take form.

## Local High School Enrolment Reaches All-Time High

Stouffville High School opened on Tuesday morning to record an enrolment of 190 students, highest in the history of the school. First form, according to Principal L. C. Murphy, will have over 60 pupils and grade 10 or second form has 56 students.

Another record made at the opening this year is in the number of teachers. There are eight instructors, and six of them are men, which constitutes the largest staff in the history of the school. In addition to Principal Murphy, only Miss B. Goodyear was a member of last year's staff, signifying a real upheaval in staff personnel. In addition to Miss Goodyear, Miss S. Reeves will be the only lady, while the half dozen men teachers are Douglas Bacon, Donald Davis, F. W. Sherwood, George A. Pearce and Lloyd Oliver.

Principal Murphy is looking forward to another year of distinguished record since the school last term showed one of the best percentages of passing of any school in the province.

The Markham-Stouffville school area combines the schools in the two villages, and the Markham school is specializing in commercial work, while the Stouffville school specializes in domestic science and shop work for which the equipment and layout of the school is particularly adapted.

## Fraser's Guerneys Top at Ottawa Show

Jack Fraser, Concord, was the major winner at the Ottawa Exhibition. His herd won thirteen firsts and one grand championship. Winner of the other Grand Champion was the Ron-AL-Lex herd of H. J. Clark, Ottawa, who was particularly strong in the mature female classes. Other exhibitors were Janet Currier, Billings Bridge and Keith W. Davidson, Billings Bridge.

Senior and Grand Champion bull was the two-year-old Franchester Free Leader owned by Fraser with the Reserve Senior and Reserve Grand also going to Fraser on his three year old, Hornby Hill Admiral. Both these bulls were imported. The Junior Championship was also taken by Fraserdale by their senior calf, Fraserdale Emperaldus, who is a son of Diamond Nancy who holds the Canadian record for fat production with 20,631 lbs of milk and 1,010 lbs. of fat. Reserve Junior Champion owned by H. J. Clark, was Tarbell Romulus Major, an imported son of Coldspring's Romulus Anchor, formerly herd sire at Brookhill Farms, Paris.

H. J. Clark took the Senior and Grand Championship in the female classes with Willow Nonparell's Mabel, a mature cow in milk bred by Frank McCutcheon, Kleinburg. Fraser took the Reserve Senior and Reserve Grand on Kelmar Priscilla's Doris, a dry cow bred by Irven Kelley and Son, Vinemount.

Junior Champion female was Fraserdale Admiral's Helen, first prize junior yearling. The Reserve Junior Champion female was Ron-Al-da F. H. Daisy, a senior yearling.

## Main St. Business Block, Stores, Apartments Sold

An important business transaction in real estate is now quite completed on Main Street, embodying the largest real estate transaction here for some years. The widely known Silvester block has changed hands, and for the first time in over fifty years the Silvester name is no longer part of the ownership name plate.

Mr. John Mathewson, proprietor of Carload Groceria, has purchased that part of the business block which his grocery business occupies, together with the apartments above of which there are two.

The large part of the block forming the Agnew Hardware has been sold to Mr. Reg. Stouffer who is identified with the hardware business that has been carried on in the block for many years. Prior to the turn of the 19th century the

hardware store there was owned by Silvester & Dougherty, and later it became the hardware of Silvester Bros. After the death of William Silvester the real estate has lacked anyone to personally supervise the undertaking as a member of this long established family, and now the owner Fred Silvester, Toronto, and the heir of William Silvester and his wife, decided to sell.

The accommodation over the hardware provides three or four living apartments which are heated for tenants as have been the two apartments over the grocery now taken over by Mr. Mathewson. Both new owners are young, energetic men who will undoubtedly maintain modern properties in keeping with the prominent business site the block occupies on Main Street almost opposite the clock tower.

## Noted Dutch Artist Staying on Farm Here

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Nesbitt, Gravel Hill, are entertaining her brother and his wife and child who arrived from Holland a few days ago. They are Mr. and Mrs. Albert Oudandag and young son from Amsterdam. An artist of outstanding note, Oudandag jumped into public prominence when the daily press got him on the front pages this week as a pupil of Van Meegeren, who hoaxed the art world in his time, and was discredited by the big wigs. One fooled was the eminent Hermann Goering who bought pictures supposed to be old masters but actually painted by Audandag's teacher.

Seeking a fresh start in life this 35 year-old artist from Amsterdam hopes to get it in Canada, and will probably find something in his line in Toronto. For a time the visitors are staying on the farm just north of Stouffville.

The Mothercraft Advice room will be open in the United Church basement from 11.30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 13. All mothers and babies welcome.

## Markham Buys Another Grader

This week the Township of Markham through its council has placed into operation a second road maintainer machine, one of the big Caterpillar Grader type, same as was bought recently by the Township of Whitechurch.

Reeve Vern Griffin told the press that the latest addition to the family of township machines cost very close to \$20,000 with snow removal equipment. "This is the last word in efficiency," said Mr. Griffin, "and the council look forward almost with eagerness to next winter because there will be four pieces of township equipment on the township roads ready to battle the snow." The latest grader has a hundred horse power engine.

Funeral for the late James S. Cook who died in Weston on Saturday, took place to Stouffville cemetery on Monday afternoon. Deceased was a former resident here, his father being a farmer residing on the sideroad north of town. The late James Cook married Ida Stouffer who survives him.

## Sutton Lady Winner of Athletic Club Car

The new Ford sedan given away as a lucky draw prize at the annual carnival and street dance of the Stouffville Athletic Club was won on Wednesday evening by Mrs. Elsie Laye of Sutton West. President Bert Bell of the Club officiated at the draw, and was assisted by little Donna Ferguson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfrid Ferguson, who pulled out the winning ticket.

"You'll never know what a thrill this really is, when you haven't got a car," Mr. Laye told a representative of the Athletic Club. Mr. Laye is a driver for a local bread company, and the couple with their three children were preparing to enjoy a brief holiday this week at some nearby resort. Now with their new car they're off to Ottawa to visit relatives they haven't seen since they were married, and that

was over thirteen years ago. The affair postponed from August 17th on account of rain, nearly came to grief again on Wednesday night, when rain began to fall around ten o'clock. However, a quick decision was made to move the entire show to the Veterans' Hall where the dance and games carried on until the wee small hours.

The net proceeds from the affair will be used for the promotion of sports here, and for the purchase of shares in the new Stouffville Arena.

The Arena will certainly be an asset to such organizations, particularly when it is once floored, since such functions as the annual carnival can be held there on the spacious ice area, regardless of the weather.

## Grain That Won Top Honors At C.N.E. Farm Show



This fine display of grain, being admired by Margaret Hill of Mimico, Ont., won top honors at the grain show at

Canadian National Exhibition, currently being held in Toronto. Barley was grown by Alphonse Schmidt of Mildmay,

Ont., and the wheat was raised by Norman Schmidt, also of Mildmay. Despite the drought this year, judges said entries in grain show were of finest.