

Merry Christmas

Our stock is replete with good things for that last minute touch to the holiday menu.

- ORANGES GRAPES
CANDIES GREEN CELERY
NUTS LETTUCE

RATCLIFF & CO.

STOUFFVILLE, ONT.

6th Line Whitchurch

Mr. and Mrs. Brent, Mr. and Mrs. Hacknor and Mrs. Kennedy visited with Mrs. Robt. Winterstein and Miss Nora Macklem.
Mr. and Mrs. Norman Steckley were in Toronto on Wednesday.
Several from this line were present at the Christmas program presented by the Toronto Bible College students in Stouffville United Church Sunday evening.

BLOOMINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. G. Ramer and son of Colborne visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Ramer on Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Hill were Toronto visitors on Friday.
A group of students from the Toronto Bible College gave good messages in song and sermon here on Sunday morning.
Mrs. Tye of Toronto spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Story.
Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Storry were in Toronto last week.
Miss Lillian Brown is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Clark, Ballantrae.

9th Line Markham

The Farm Forum met on Monday evening of last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herb Thomas. The theme for discussion was "Is There a Farm Housing Problem?" It was decided that there is indeed a farm housing problem but that it is one of repair and improvement rather than shortage. Many improvements, however, have been made to farm houses in recent years such as rural electrification making possible the use of electric conveniences to the farm housewife such as electric washing machines, refrigerators and vacuum cleaners. Hot and cold running water for kitchen and bathroom and laundry is enjoyed in many rural homes today as well as central heating. It was decided by the discussion groups that a definite proportion of the farm income should be devoted to improving the home not only by installing modern conveniences but by painting the farm home and beautifying the farm home by planting shrubs and flowers and by having attractive driveways. After the discussion period a contest was enjoyed after which all those present joined heartily in the singing of Christmas carols and community songs. Refreshments were served by the hostess. A special feature of the evening was a collection taken in aid of the Hospital for Sick Children to which all most generously responded. Thirty dollars was contributed to this worthy cause. The next meeting of the Forum will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Grove on Monday evening, Jan. 9.
Mrs. Fred Wicks Jr. has been quite ill with an attack of mumps. We wish for her a speedy recovery.

MONGOLIA

Miss Elma Brubacher spent a few days at her home in Kitchener last weekend. Her sister returned with her to spend Christmas here at the Brownsberger home.
Lumbering is big business. The crash of falling trees, the whine of the saw, the echo of axes, all conspire to give a busy air in the bush of Allan Wideman, along the Tenth Con., as fallen and condemned trees are removed.
From lumbering to the building trade. Greens carry on in the cycle by building an addition to their piggery. Anyone engaged in agriculture needs plenty of faith and vision to carry on in face of market trends.

ATTEMPT TO IMPROVE COMPENSATION ACT

Mr. Justice W. D. Roach will start public hearing next Tuesday into the 34-year-old Workmen's Compensation Act in an attempt to find ways and means of improving it. Appointed by the Ontario government, Mr. Justice Roach will be the third Supreme Court judge to review the act since it came in effect in 1915.
One of the fairest things that could be done, we think, is to provide a special low rate for persons who have contributed to the fund for say ten years, yet have never drawn a cent from it. Surely these people are entitled to a preferred rate over the list of high paid plasterers, steam fitters and carpenters who draw annually from this compensation. A preferred rate would make people hesitate to collect for a just a few weeks thereby spoiling, perhaps, a long record of steady employment.

VICTORIA SQUARE

A very Merry Christmas to everyone!
Sympathy of the community is extended to Mrs. Robt. Beatty and family in the very sudden passing of Mr. Robt. Beatty last Thursday.
We wish a speedy recovery to everyone in the community who is ill, some with the flu, others the mumps.
Mr. Jim Boynton who is attending Erskine College, South Carolina, arrived home Monday evening for his Christmas vacation.
The regular monthly meeting of the W.A. will be held in the Sunday School room on Wednesday evening, Dec. 28th, at 8 p.m.
The annual Sunday School Christmas tree will be held in the Sunday School room on Friday evening, Dec. 23rd, at 8 p.m. There will be a varied program followed by Santa. Ladies please bring sandwiches.

GOODWOOD

There will be an open session at the Baptist Sunday School on Christmas Sunday. Muriel Hemmings will give an object talk on the Christmas story. Don't forget the Sunday School entertainment on Dec. 23rd.
The Sunday School of the United Church was filled to capacity for the Annual Christmas Concert. At the close of a varied program Santa Claus appeared on the scene, after which refreshments were served. It was announced that on Christmas Sunday, the evening worship will take the form of a candle-light service.
Now is the time for all to wish each other a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year, which is the wish of your correspondent.
Mr. and Mrs. Sam Whittleton are spending the holiday with friends in Regina.
Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Staley spent a few days in Toronto and are now back in Goodwood for the Christmas season.

72-YEAR-OLD WOMAN TOWN'S BEST BARBER

Crook, County Durham, England—"Ma" Nesbitt, a barber 62 years, boasts she gives the "closest shaves" in town.
At 72, she says her hand is as steady as it ever was.
"Most of my customers are old regulars," Mrs. Nesbitt said. "They don't think it unusual to get haircuts or shaves from a woman."

SEASON'S GREETINGS
from
Betty Beauty Salon
Ruth Badgerow — Stouffville, Ont.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
to
MILK PATRONS
There will be no delivery of milk on
SUNDAY & MONDAY
by our dairy over both Christmas & New Year Holidays. It is important to purchase your needs to cover from Saturday to Tuesday.
Your kind co-operation will enable our employees to enjoy Christmas at home. Please help by bearing this arrangement in mind.
The same deliveries will apply over New Years.
MAPLE LEAF DAIRY
Stouffville — Phone 165

The Church Services

UNITED MISSIONARY CHURCH
Rev. Cyril Berry, Minister
MOUNT JOY
Sunday, Dec. 25
10:00 a.m.—Christmas Sunday School Program
11:00 a.m.—Christmas Worship Service
Sunday evening—Joint service at Dickson's Hill at 7:30.
DICKSON HILL
Sunday, Dec. 25
10:00 a.m.—Christmas Worship Service
11:00 a.m.—Sunday School
7:30 p.m.—Special Evening Service
Beautiful coloured slides will be shown entitled "Christmas Blessings." Carol singing. Special number in song. Be with us to see these brand new slides and join in the hearty singing of Christmas carols.
"O Come Let us Adore Him"

STOUFFVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday, Dec. 25
10:00 a.m.—Bible School
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
7:30 p.m.—Evening Service
The services next Sunday will be in charge of Rev. Dixon Burns of Toronto.

STOUFFVILLE UNITED MISSIONARY CHURCH
Rev. H. S. Hallman, Pastor
Wed. 8 p.m.—Altona Prayer Service
Thurs. 8 p.m.—Stouffville Prayer meeting
Sunday, Dec. 25
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School
11:00 a.m.—Christmas Message
7:30 p.m.—Evangelistic
Thursday, Dec. 29, 8 p.m.—Missionary meeting. Rev. Gordon Bolender, returned missionary to Africa, will be guest speaker. May every family be present at the Christmas services Sunday. You will be made welcome.

CHRIST CHURCH, ANGLICAN
Rev. F. Herman, Rector
Sunday, Dec. 25
Christmas Day
1:45 p.m.—Sunday School and Junior Bible Class
2:30 p.m.—Holy Communion
Special Christmas music.
"For unto us a child is born. And His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the Prince of Peace."—Isaiah 9:6
STOUFFVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
MR. FRED GOULD, Minister
Sunday, Dec. 25
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
7:30 p.m.—Carol Service
Rejoice with Us
"Christ the Saviour is Born"
A Joyful Christmas to All

STOUFFVILLE UNITED CHURCH
Rev. Douglas Davis, Minister
Sunday, Dec. 25
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
Choir—"Cherubim Song," "Nazareth." Solo—"Lorne Roadway"
7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship
Organ and piano recital. Choir—"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," "Angels We Have Heard," "Geso Bambino," "And There Were Shepherds." Solo—Mrs. Lewis.
This Christmas Sunday plan as a family to come to church and worship. This is the birthday anniversary of our Lord Jesus Christ. Let us show our love and gratitude.
Thursday, this week, Dec. 22—The Sunday School Christmas Party. 5:30 p.m.—The children's supper party. 7:00 p.m.—Christmas entertainment and bring all the family for this celebration.

SECOND MARKHAM BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Norman Rowan, Pastor
Sunday, Dec. 25
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School
11:00 a.m.—Morning Service
Christmas in story, song, and a Flannelgraph scene.
Tuesday, Dec. 27th—At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Paisley, our Prayer, Praise and Fellowship meeting.
"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men."—Luke 2:14

BLOOMINGTON, RINGWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCHES
Rev. G. W. Brown, Pastor
Sunday, Dec. 25
11:00 a.m.—Bloomington
2:30 p.m.—Ringwood
7:30 p.m.—Altona
Christmas messages and music at each service. Plan to bring the family with you.
Sunday School at 10 a.m.
In Altona Church at 10:30 a.m. Classes for all ages.
Friday, Dec. 23rd, at 6:30 p.m., the Bloomington Church annual Christmas supper and Sunday School program. The people of the community are cordially invited.
Wednesday, 8 p.m.—Altona Prayer Meeting.
Thursday, 8 p.m.—Ringwood C.E. Prayer Meeting.
ALL WELCOME
"Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift."—2 Cor. 9:15

UNITED MISSIONARY CHURCH
REV. L. K. SIDER, Pastor
BETHESDA
Christmas Day Services
Sunday, Dec. 25
10:30 a.m.—Worship
2:00 p.m.—Sunday School
Wed., 8 p.m.—Prayer Meeting
GORMLEY
Sunday, Dec. 25
1:45 p.m.—Sunday School
2:45 p.m.—Worship Service
7:30 p.m.—Evangelistic Service, with carol singing a feature.
Tues., 8 p.m.—Prayer Meeting

SACRED HEART R.C. Church, Uxbridge, Ontario
Rev. Fr. McGivney, Priest
Sunday, Dec. 25
How Christmas without Christ's Mass?
Underground in Russia Catholic priests disguised and in secret, late at night, unite with priests in Japan and China, England and Canada to renew Christ's mass on the Feast. On the altar of every Catholic Church Jesus Christ the Son of God made man, body and blood, soul and divinity under the appearance of bread and wine will be truly and substantially present. Priest and people will offer to God Jesus Christ as an offering and sacrifice to implore peace from a third world war and peace in the home and families. Midnight mass will be celebrated Christmas Eve. We cordially invite our non-Catholic friends who have been so kind to worship with us. Saint Nicholas was a Roman Catholic Bishop of Lycia in Asia Minor. Santa Claus is a corruption of Sancta Niklaus in Latin.

ST. JAMES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, STOUFFVILLE
Donald McKilican, Minister
Sunday, Dec. 25
10:00 a.m.—Service
Come and Worship
MELVILLE, BETHESDA and PEACH'S CHURCHES
Rev. R. T. Chapin, Minister
Sunday, Dec. 25
10:00 a.m.—Peach's
11:30 a.m.—Melville
3:00 p.m.—Bethesda
Christmas Services

Prince Charles Island, just north of Hudson Bay, was discovered only last year.
Many USA farmers buy piglets from a pig farm like chicks from a hatchery.



Small turkey for small families—that sales slogan has brought success to W. Otto Wiggins, veteran farmer of Inglewood. By extensive cross-breeding, Mr. Wiggins has developed gobblers that weigh six to twenty pounds at maturity.

The average weight would be eight pounds—just right for a Yuletide feast when one or two children are involved. Donna Marchment and W. Otto Wiggins hold turkeys in picture above. Small turkey is seen at left, normal one at right.

LEMONTVILLE

The Sunday School of the Lemontville United Church is holding its Christmas entertainment at Cake's Fellowship Hall on Friday, Dec. 23rd, 8 p.m. Parents and friends are invited.
Stouffville Dominion Store announce they will be open next Tuesday.

A Bright and Cheery Holiday to you All
From desert to sea, from earth to heaven, the spirit of Christmas encircles the world. To each and every one of you—we wish all the joys and happiness Christmastide brings. To all our patrons, we thank you sincerely... we look forward to serving you even better in '50.

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Main Street — Stouffville