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## Jack Spang Acquires Extra Land

Mr. Jack Spang, trucker, has purchased the 18½ acres of land on the Uxbridge townline immediately east of Stouffville from William Griffiths. Purchase price was \$2150, and the deal was negotiated by W. J. Warren Real Estate Agency through their agent Ken Campbell.

The property is located on the east side of the townline between the Leslie Wideman farm and the St. John property, and is close to Mr. Spang's present place, the former O'Boyle property.

## An Important Message To The General Public

The Stouffville Arena is open on Sundays for commercialized sport. That is, a number of hockey teams pay to use the rink each Sunday. Is this what Stouffville wants? The ministers of the district have been asked to state their attitude towards this action on part of the directors and shareholders in voting to use the Arena on Sundays. The undersigned ministers clarify their stand in this matter in the following letter to the public:

We, the undersigned, wish the public to know that we have sought earnestly and kindly to persuade the directors and shareholders to keep the Arena closed for all purposes on the Lord's Day. They have refused to do so. Because we have sounded out our protests and warnings regarding this thing we believe, before God, that we have delivered our souls, and are free from the blood of all men.

We would further remind those who have broken the commandments of God in abusing the sanctity of the Lord's Day, that there is a message for you in Ezekiel Ch. 5:7-9, "Therefore thus saith the Lord God; because ye multiplied more than the nations that are round about you, and have not walked in my statutes, neither have kept my judgments, neither have done according to the judgments of the nations that are round about you; Therefore thus saith the Lord; Behold, I, even I, am against thee, and will execute judgments in the midst of thee in the sight of the nations. And I will do in thee that which I have not done, and where unto I will not do any more the like, because of all thine abominations."

And we would further remind you that in refusing to close the Arena on the Lord's Day you have worked not only against the ministers of the community, but you have fought against God. We therefore believe that all men must stand before the judgment seat of God, that you will be requested to give an account some day to the Judge of all the earth for this action which you have taken.

We are aware, also, that keeping the rink open on Sundays is not merely for the love of sports, but that dividends might be forthcoming. Once again we bring you face to face with the Word of God, which says, "Beware of covetousness, for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth."

"Be not deceived, God is not mocked, for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." After all, what is the real issue of Sunday sports? To state the matter simply the Sunday sports issue is a subtle effort on the part of the forces of evil, and those associated with them, to destroy the foundations upon which our Christian civilization and culture rests. As Rev. Mr. Cowan, Moderator of the Presbyterian Church, said recently in the Toronto Telegram, "Who gave us sanction to vote on God's law as to which commandments we shall observe?"

We do not kill because the Ten Commandments demand that we do not kill. Nor do we steal or bear false witness against our neighbour because the same commandments forbid us to do so. But the Ten Commandments also tell us, "Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work" Exodus 20:8-9. And we are told in the New Testament, "He that offendeth in one point is guilty of all." Sunday sports, therefore, is a violation of the Word of God.

Signed:—

- Rev. Douglas Davis.
- Rev. Norman Rowan.
- Rev. Gibson W. Brown.
- Rev. F. Herman.
- Rev. H. S. Hallman.
- Rev. Fred Gould.
- Rev. R. T. Chapin.
- Rev. Cyril Berry.
- Rev. H. H. Lackey.
- Rev. L. K. Slider.

Hockey fans are reminded that all Saturday night games in the local Arena commence at 9 p.m.

## Veterans Ask for Action In Repairing of Gates at Memorial Park Entrance

Stouffville municipal council meeting for their inaugural session on Monday evening appointed the following Standing Committees for 1950:

**Water & Hydro**  
Councillors Clayt. Baker and G. Ratcliff.

**Streets, Roads & Walks**  
Councillors Henry Ogden and H. Ratcliff.

**Property**  
G. Ratcliff and H. Ogden

Bert Lickorish, representing the veterans of World War I waited on council and asked if the Memorial Gates at the entrance to the town park could not be repaired or rebuilt this year.

"The gates are in a terrible state, and we're getting in early in the year to see if they can't be fixed," said Mr. Lickorish.

Reeve Nolan agreed that the pillars were very bad, and stated that the job should have been done last year, but for various reasons, a contract was not completed.

Council agreed that they would look over the job along with the veterans themselves early in the spring.

Plans are also going to be drawn for two bronze plaques on which will be engraved the names of those boys from Stouffville who paid the supreme sacrifice in the second war placed in the Veterans' Memorial Hall.

Councillor Harry Ratcliff brought up the question of speeding and truck over-loading, and it was agreed that Constable Russell should have the trap put in operation as soon as possible and a check made on over-loading.

"The biggest percentage of cars and trucks that go out through the westend, and I suppose it's the same at the eastend, are going over the limit," Councillor Ratcliff contended.

"There were twenty-five fines registered to truckers for over-loading in town last year," said the Reeve.

The Road Committee will take steps to have a new top placed on the bridge just east of the Stouffville Cleaners on Summerhill Ave., and notice will be posted regarding loads, if the bridge is not deemed safe for heavy traffic.

Mr. A. G. Thompson was returned to the Stouffville-Markham High School Area Board for another term as an appointment by the town council.

Del. Jennings was re-appointed Fire Chief for 1950 at an annual salary of \$100.

### ENGAGEMENT

The engagement is announced of Dorothy Frances Fuller, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fuller, to Joseph James Meldrew, son of Mr. J. Meldrew and the late Mrs. Meldrew of Toronto; marriage to take place January 21st, 1950.

## Born at Altona 77 Years Ago

Mrs. Irwin, 77, who was formerly Mary Ann Johnson, died in Winnipeg on Friday, following a prolonged illness. Mrs. Irwin was the widow of Adam Irwin, who died in 1948. Born in Altona, Mrs. Irwin has lived in Winnipeg since 1913. Surviving are one son, Stan L. of Winnipeg; one sister, Mrs. Dan O'Boyle of Islington, and one granddaughter. A brother, Fred Johnson, east of Stouffville, predeceased her in 1936.

Funeral service was held Saturday at the A. B. Gardner Funeral Home with Rev. G. McMillan officiating. Burial was made in the family plot in Elmwood cemetery. Pallbearers are H. L. Scarth, R. S. Aitken, F. W. Martin, R. W. Taylor, R. L. Smith and G. R. Jones.

## Esteemed Markham Couple To Mark Diamond Wedding Day

Mr. and Mrs. Peter H. Reesor, Markham, will be at home to their relatives, friends and neighbors on Sunday, January 22, afternoon and evening, the occasion being their 60th wedding day.

Mr. Reesor is 82 and was born on the farm adjoining the village where he has spent all his long life, and hopes to enjoy many more years of happiness there. Mrs. Reesor is 79, and enjoys a good measure of real health. Their three sons are Max on the homestead with them, Lloyd and Percy of Toronto.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Reesor are looking forward to their diamond wedding day with more than passing interest.

### A SMALL MATTER NEGLECTED

It is not necessary to wait for a notice telling you that your subscription to The Tribune has expired. The expiry date is printed on the yellow address label on your paper each week. Thirty names were struck from the mailing list last week because the subscription expired in November and was not renewed. Half of these will be back after one paper is missed but why put yourself to the trouble of being without a copy, and the newspaper to the extra work involved in striking off and putting on names.

The Tribune subscription is as low today as it sold for 20 years ago, only \$2 a year. Renew promptly and help keep down costs.

## Whitchurch Council Face Business of Another Year

Clerk John Crawford of Whitchurch was authorized at the inaugural meeting of the township council Monday to contact the authorities in the town of Aurora, to challenge the fairness of an Aurora bylaw whereby plumbers entering Aurora to do work are forced to take out a license costing \$25. At the same time plumbers living in Aurora are licensed only \$5.

The bylaw was described as discriminatory and somebody said that it was in restraint of trade and probably "would not hold water." In any event Whitchurch Council will let it be known that if plumbers in the township are not accorded equal treatment with those in Aurora steps would be taken to assess Aurora plumbers coming into the township.

Owing to numerous complaints Police Chief Mulholland will be instructed to clean up the stray dog situation around Musselman's Lake with the aid of Humane Society officers. Summer campers, it was said had left for the city leaving behind their pets in too many cases.

The Vandorf Hall Board was re-appointed as follows: Reeve E. Logan, Councillor Sid Legge, Mrs. H. Dewsbury, Mrs. A. H. Van Nostrand, Mrs. John Petch, George E. Richardson and J. A. Clark.

Mr. L. P. Evans was appointed township representative on the Humber Valley Conservation Authority, and standing committees for 1950 were set up as follows:

Finance — Logan, McLaughlin; Roads and Bridges — Timbers, Legge; Property and Police — Legge and Logan; Planning and Welfare — McLaughlin, Baycroft; Permits and Sanitation — Baycroft, Timbers.

Council decided against the purchase of power sprayer after hearing County Weed Inspector Frank Marriott speak on the advantages of one as he saw it. Cost would be around \$1600, but Reeve Logan said the township was able to rent a machine when they wanted one. In view of needing one only a couple or three days a year, Mr. Logan said it would wear out standing around.

Councillor Legge noted the advantage of spraying over in Markham Township and Councillor Timbers suggested considering mounting a sprayer on the township tractor.

J. A. Clarke and Edward Leary, two township sheep valuers each had a visit from dogs during December, and each had a claim for "sheep killed by dogs" for \$20. Equal treatment was meted out to the flocks by the roaming canines, hence both sheep owners were compensated \$20.

East Gwillimbury Township advised council they considered favorably a request from ratepayers to open the townline between the 7th and 8th concessions. Councillor Legge and Deputy-Reeve McLaughlin introduced a

## Township of Pickering Stunned by Sudden Death of Deputy-Reeve

The entire Township of Pickering was stunned this week, when Frank Disney, deputy-reeve, died suddenly just prior to attending the inaugural meeting of township council. Other members of the 1950 council were at the municipal building, Brougham, preparing to proceed with the meeting when word arrived of his death.

Mr. Disney, who was returned for his second term as deputy-reeve by acclamation, served Pickering Township as a councillor for four years, and was a popular member of Ontario County Council.

Born in Pickering Township, Mr. Disney farmed all his life, retiring only last year. He served for a number of years as a trustee of the Mt. Zion school section, and was a member of the Mt. Zion Union Church.

Left to mourn his loss are his wife, the former Alma Maynard of Uxbridge Township, and four children, two sons, Cecil, Pickering Twp.; Earl, at home; Marion, Cedar Grove; Evelyn, at home. There also survive two sisters, Lena (Mrs. Al Rumball) of Vancouver and Rose (Mrs. Sam Waddell) of Alberta.

Funeral service will be held at the late home on Thursday afternoon with interment at Salem cemetery.

## Green River Man Electrocuted by Fallen Wire

A motorist was killed instantly Tuesday when he picked up a hydro wire which had broken and fallen across the highway south of Markham.

He was identified as Michael Januszewski, 25, of Green River. He is a painter by trade.

Constable Clarence Wideman of Markham said several motorists who had stopped their cars near the wire warned the man to leave it alone.

Instead, Januszewski picked up a board and put it under the wire. He was lifting the board when the wire slipped and touched his hand.

Coroner Dr. R. P. Johns of Willowdale, pronounced the man dead.

95 on Tuesday

Mrs. Thos. Klinck on Tuesday reached her 95th birthday. It was spent quietly at the home of her daughter in Peterboro.

resolution calling for a special meeting on Jan. 23 to open school tender debentures for S.S. No. 6 and for setting the regular council meetings on the second Saturday of the month throughout the year.

G. Sim, Wilcox Lake, filed a letter of complaint about the alleged deep ruts on south lake road, which he held were responsible for car damage of \$10 or \$12.

Reeve Logan presided over the meeting, and all members were present namely Deputy-Reeve McLaughlin, Councillors Richard Baycroft, Fred Timbers and S. P. (Sid) Legge.



Late Frank Disney

## LIBBIE LEEK, MOUNT ALBERT BURIED TUESDAY

Miss Libbie Leek died at the Stouffville Brierbush Hospital on Sunday, where she had been a patient for some months. Former music teacher and resident of Mount Albert all her life the funeral was held from the Chapel there on Tuesday with interment in Mount Albert cemetery. Obituary notice later.

## Markham Township S.S. Convention

The Markham Township Sunday School Association will hold its annual convention on Thursday, January 19th, in Stouffville. Morning session will be held in the United Missionary Church. Afternoon and night sessions will be held in the United Church.

A hearty invitation to all Sunday School workers.

The speaker in the morning will be Mr. Arthur Rouse, while in the afternoon Rev. Oscar Burkholder will speak on "Intermediate Recruiting for the Kingdom." Mrs. J. H. Peacock of the W.C.T.U. will also address the convention. Rev. Oscar Burkholder will speak again in the evening along with Rev. Frank Wellington.

## Markham Twp. Building Permits, \$1,368,000

Value of building permits issued in Markham Township during 1949 were \$1,368,000.

Ross Norton, building inspector, said plans for new subdivisions are under way with one project in the southern section of the township being the site of 90 homes.

In 1948, value of permits issued for construction totalled \$879,435. Records for last year nearly triple the value of permits issued in 1947.

William M. Kirton died at the home of his son Frank at Mount Albert on Friday last. He was in his 91st year.

## First Baby of New Decade Signally Remembered

Surrounded by nurses, hospital superintendent, and doctor, Reeve A. V. Nolan on Tuesday afternoon formally presented Mrs. Jack Flewell of Uxbridge with a lovely gift on behalf of the hospital for her new baby daughter designated the first babe born in the Brierbush Hospital here to signal in the new decade as well as the first New Year arrival in the institution.

Perceiving a rather bewildered look on the face of the young mother who was taken by complete surprise, the local Reeve assured her this was no formal inspection nor anything to become alarmed over. He hurried on to explain the purpose of the visit was to recognize the honor due mother and child on this occasion. The reeve said he was not chosen to make the presentation because he himself was born in Uxbridge where the young child will be reared, but because of his official position in the community.

Mrs. Flewell has two young sons, Ronald and Reginald both of whom were born at the Brierbush, and she warmly thanked Matron Malcolm, and all concerned with the "little party" for their kindly thoughts.

### VETERAN ENGLISHMAN DIES AT VIVIAN

John Banks, farmer in the Ballantrae-Vivian district died on Friday following a long period of declining health. Born in England, he came to this country a young man. His wife predeceased him some years, and they had no children. Mr. Banks was a veteran of the first war. He was 71 years old. Funeral service this Monday afternoon was conducted by Rev. N. Rowan who has taken more than a passing interest in the sick man over recent years.

### HOBBY CLUB

Some of the classes of the local Hobby Club are continuing for eight weeks commencing Jan. 17th. Classes in art and sewing are already filled.

Something quite new will be introduced in the leatherwork class—this is leather carving and will be instructed by Mrs. Harry Brillinger. Persons wishing to register in this class should phone 85w1 Stouffville.

## Worked as Slave Laborer, Now in Markham Twp.



Not knowing the war was over, Gregory Burak, 21-year-old Polish D.P., worked 18 months more as a slave

laborer. He is seen with his cousins, Stanley Burak, eight, and Marion Kamerec, six, after recent arrival in Toronto. He

was reunited with a brother, and will work on a Markham farm near Steele's Corners.