

Granddad, Mother Save Boy, Two



Dragged unconscious from six feet of icy water in a farm cistern, two-year-old Larry Patton, King, Ont., was rescued by his grandfather, William Carson, 70, and his mother, Mrs. William Patton. "It was a miracle he didn't drown," said his mother. Five minutes after he fell in, a playmate of Larry's ran to the house, yelled that Larry was in the water. Mrs. Patton and her father dragged the boy up from where he was floating, five feet from surface.

Adeline Hoover Dead Lived 83 Years on Same Farm

In the death of Adeline Hoover, widow of the late Christian Hoover, on Sunday, February 26, 1950, it was as though a link that connected the first pioneers with the present had broken. Mrs. Hoover who was in her 83rd year, was a daughter of pioneer parents who came from Pennsylvania early in the last century. It will be noted that unlike most brides, Mrs. Hoover did not change her name. Her father was Christian Hoover and her husband bore the same name. She was married on Dec. 21, 1889.

Born in Markham Township at lot 34, con. 7, this farm was the homestead and here she spent all her long life, or right up until her final illness, when she was nursed at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Willis Reesor, R.R. 2, Pickering.

Despite her advanced age she had been housekeeper on the home farm for her son Norman, almost right up to a year or two ago. It was here her husband died in 1923. Mrs. Hoover was faithful to her home and possessed sterling character. She was a member of the Old Order of Mennonites.

Surviving are two sons and two daughters. Norman on the homestead and George also living in Markham in the Peaches district, (Fannie) Mrs. Levi Grove and (Annie) Mrs. Willis Reesor. There are 16 grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

The funeral on Wednesday afternoon took place from the funeral home of Thos. J. Wignall, Markham, to Wideman cemetery. Service at the funeral home was conducted by Mr. Thos. Reesor, at the Wideman church by Mr. Fred Nighswander, and the committal service was conducted by Mr. Abram Smith. The pall bearers were Messrs. Albert Hoover, Ezra and Thomas Grove, Frank Burkholder, Arthur Hoover, Wilfred Hoover.

Farmers Favor Dollar Assessment For Promotion Work

On Thursday evening, a Federation of Agriculture meeting was held in Whitchurch Township Hall, Vandonr, for purpose of organizing a Township unit of the Federation. Mr. Melbourne McMillen, a local farmer, gave report of the Ontario and Dominion Federation of Agriculture conventions.

Mr. R. W. Morrison, past president of the Ontario Federation spoke on organization work in the past. He said no matter how efficient the leaders may be they need the support of small organized farm groups. The need of farm forums and township units was stressed. Farmers must be careful to keep their demands reasonable. Our scope must take in labor's ability to purchase our produce.

Provisional officers appointed were: President, Melbourne McMillen, R.R. 3, Newmarket; secretary, Ross Armitage, R.R. 3, Newmarket; treasurer, Edgar Dennis, R.R. 2, Aurora. The meeting went on record as being in favor of an assessment on all producers of farm produce of not less than one dollar per farm or unit for Federation expenses.

It would assist the officers appointed if interested persons or groups in school sections in sub-polling divisions No. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 8 would contact the president, secretary or treasurer. Suggestions are coming to the committee on what a township unit could undertake. The committee would welcome suggestions and opinions from all farm people.

Markham Twp. Council Won't Act on Request From High School Area Bd.

On Monday afternoon Markham Township Council refused to take action on the request of the Markham-Stouffville High School area, to transfer a section of the Richmond Hill area touching a block of land on 2nd, 3rd and 4th concessions near Gormley to the Stouffville area. The formal request came from the Markham-Stouffville area board, while a letter from the Richmond Hill area board opposed the transfer.

The request was backed by a petition signed by the ratepayers in the area, comprising lots 35, con. 2 and 3, and the northwest half of the west half of lot 35, con. 4.

Although it was pointed out that students in this area were now attending Stouffville school, and had always done so over recent years, council couldn't see how they could upset the boundary of Richmond Hill without more information and advice. It was decided to refer the matter to the High School Inspectors for consideration.

Only the township council can change the school boundary, by passing a bylaw, which in turn must be approved by still another bylaw by the County of York. The County Council of course, would accept the advice of the local council in such matters, Reeve Win. Timbers stated.

Deputy Reeve D. Rumney and Councillors W. L. Clark, Charlie Hooper and Al. James all agreed that no action should be taken unless further information was advanced that would warrant them taking action.

Somebody hinted that where students were attending Stouffville school from the Richmond area, trouble had been encountered in collecting from the Hill area. This it was said may have led to attempt to change boundaries.

Mrs. Hamilton 90



Today (Thursday) Mrs. Nancy Hamilton, Edward street, will reach her 90th birthday, enjoying very good health. Born near Goodwood, she was Nancy Stover, daughter of Abram and Catherine Stover, pioneer farmers near Goodwood. There were 12 children and Mrs. Hamilton is the sole survivor. After marriage to Robert Hamilton the couple also followed farm life, living south of Goodwood. He died over a quarter century ago, also their only daughter, a grandson, Earl Ainsworth, Toronto, and two great grandchildren are now nearest relatives.

Mrs. Hamilton has not forgotten the pioneer life, when at this time of year they would be snow-bound for weeks at a time, but they always looked out for that sort of things, and the larder seldom, if ever, failed. Mrs. Hamilton is a member of Stouffville Baptist church.

Eight Townships Enter Hogs for Bacon Show, March 14

As we go to press eight townships are shipping their hogs entered in the Bacon Show to be held at Newmarket on March 14, to one of the plants where they will be killed on Friday and after being processed in Wiltshire sides will be placed in the curing tank for a week. These will be brought to Newmarket the day before the fair and hung up for competition and display. Each township will have a group of three hogs, each producer being allowed only one entry. The township committees of York County Hog Producers' Association are responsible for these entries and very attractive prizes are being provided by the Dominion Live Stock Production Service.

Entries for the Seed Fair do not have to be in until March 10th but the growers are busy now getting their seed cleaned up for the show, the most of it being cleaned in the custom seed cleaning plants.

Skating and Dancing At the Arena Saturday Night

This Saturday night, the Stouffville Arena will stage a big skating party with lots of spot prizes and novelty skates, and to top it off there'll be dancing to the latest tunes, under soft lights, from 10.30 on. An enjoyable evening is yours at the regular prices of 35c and 20c.

Deaths

Mrs. Frances Bennett, beloved wife of the late William James Bennett, died at her home in Agincourt on Saturday, Feb. 18th, in her 74th year. She leaves to mourn her loss one sister, Mrs. W. J. Shaw (Eva) of Toronto, and one brother William John of Alliston. Interment took place in Stouffville cemetery on Feb. 21st, 1950.

DENBY, Robert—At his home, 4th Concession, Markham Township, Friday, Feb. 24, 1950, Robert Denby, beloved husband of Ada Ground, in his 81st year, father of Norman, Mrs. Bradley (Ethel) Marjorie, Arthur, Mrs. Uillicott (Flossie), Gordon, Mrs. Jullcott (Ada), Mrs. McMullen (Audrey), Mrs. Smith (Myrtle), Mrs. Maynard (Helen), Mrs. Maynard (Catherine). Interment Mount Pleasant cemetery, Toronto.

REESOR, Lydia Elizabeth—At Toronto, on Monday, Feb. 27, 1950, Lydia Elizabeth Reesor of 12 Browning Ave., Toronto, aunt of Harry Clendening, Mrs. Ernest Ratcliff and Mrs. Thos. Rae, Stouffville. Interment St. Andrew's cemetery, Markham, on arrival of motor on Thursday afternoon.

Arthur Atkinson Passes in 79th Year

A resident of Aurora for over forty years, Arthur Atkinson passed away at his home, Catharine Ave., on Thursday, February 16, in his 79th year. He had been in ill health for several months. He was born in Whitchurch township the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Atkinson. A blacksmith by trade, he had been retired for several years. He was a member of the Aurora Lawn Bowling Club and was an ardent bowler.

His wife, the former Hannah Williamson, predeceased him three years ago. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Ewart Pinder (Alma) of Toronto and Marjorie at home.

CONGRATULATIONS FROM BUCKINGHAM PALACE FOR LOCAL COUPLE

On the occasion of the 60th wedding day, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Tarr received a cablegram from the King and Queen, offering their congratulations to the venerable couple. While the incident is not without parallel it is nonetheless highly appreciated, and indicates how deeply interested their Majesties are in the well-being of their subjects.

John Phillips Succumbs To Long Illness

In declining health for several years, John Phillips died at his home on Main street last Thursday, Feb. 23rd, in his 73rd year. A native of King Township near Kettleby, Mr. Phillips came to Stouffville about 25 years ago, and was always well employed until his health failed. He was a man of quiet disposition, and a good-living citizen.

Surviving are his wife, the former Mary Miles, a son, Kenneth, (manager of the Dominion Stores Limited, Stouffville), two daughters, Mrs. Walter Thorn, Toronto, and Mrs. E. H. Stoltz, Aurora. Two sisters living are Mrs. Schaaf of Kitchener, and Mrs. Montague, Toronto.

The funeral on Saturday afternoon was held from O'Neill's Chapel, and interment was made in Heise Hill cemetery. The pall bearers were Messrs. Charlie and Clare Atkinson, Clare Bolender, Robert Burnett and Edgerton Clubine, John Brillinger, Rev. H. S. Hallman conducted the service in the chapel and at the graveside.

Rev. J. K. Pequegnat, recent pastor of Stouffville and 9th Line Baptist congregations with his wife and family moved to Toronto this week, vacating the home in the west and that has been the parsonage for some years. Mr. Pequegnat's congregation in the city has purchased a residence there for their minister to occupy, since renting has now become quite an impossibility.

Mrs. Ralph Burkholder who has been undergoing treatment at the again, and much improved in health. Her friends will hope to see Mrs. Burkholder at her accustomed place in the Mayfair shortly.

Markham Deals with Daylight Issue

Markham Township Council in session on Monday, with Reeve Timbers presiding, went on record as approving daylight saving from Sunday, April 11 to Sunday, Sept. 24, as requested by the Association of Mayors.

Deputy Reeve Dalton Rumney and Councillor Hooper indicated they didn't think much of it, but couldn't see how Markham could successfully stop the infernal tampering with the clock. Councillor Hooper added a rider to the resolution agreeing to the daylight time which indicated that it should end when schools open for the fall term. "That would suit better," commented Councillor Clark.

Ramsey Sinclair Buried at Baker Hill

On Friday afternoon, funeral service for the late Ramsey E. Sinclair of Toronto, was held in the Baker Hill Baptist Church, followed by interment in the cemetery nearby where many of the pioneers associated with the life of the district found their last resting place. Ramsey Sinclair died in Toronto, on Tuesday evening, February 21, 1950.

The late Mr. Sinclair was a son of a Baptist minister and as a young man united in marriage with Mary Elizabeth Baker, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joel Baker of Whitchurch and Stouffville. For some time following their marriage the couple lived in Stouffville. Then they moved to Toronto, and Mr. Sinclair was prominent in the real estate business during the Western land boom days. He was a man with an impressive personality.

Mrs. Baker died in 1934, and it is recalled that her sister Edith Baker who married John Bundy, followed her in death the next year, 1935. Her three brothers, Seneca of Baker Hill, Dr. W. A. of Peterboro, and Rev. J. J. of Toronto, all since passed on at greatly advanced age within the last ten years.

Douglas Sinclair of Detroit, is an only surviving son, and Thomas L. Sinclair of Toronto, is a brother of the late Ramsey E. Sinclair.

Another Cow Hits Birth Record, Triplet Calves at Vivian

Close on the heels of the report where a Markham cow gave birth to triplet calves at the Carruthers farm a few weeks ago, a similar event occurred on the farm of Harold Rose at Vivian, Whitchurch Township, when one of his cows became the mother of three calves born within a few minutes of each other last mid-week.

Mr. Rose told The Tribune that the three babies were doing wonders. One of them is red and the other two all black in color, while there is only one heifer.

The farmer just wasn't prepared to say the mother was Durham, Holstein, or something else in breed, but she's a good cow, and just now stands very high in favor by her owner.

The next open meeting of the Horticultural Society will be held on Friday, March 10th, in the United Church basement. Mr. Bunting of Downham Nurseries will be the special speaker.

MARKHAM MANUFACTURER MEETS WITH ACCIDENT

Mr. Chas. Reesor, president of Reesors Marmill, is taking an enforced holiday as the result of a fall of about six feet off a ladder. He sustained a splinter or fracture to the elbow, but hopes to escape the use of a cast since the injury is not as serious as might have been. All in all the ex-reeve of Markham village has been ordered to take things easy for a time at least until he recovers from the shock.

Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moorhead, Toronto, announce the engagement of their daughter, Norma Lorraine to George Arthur Dowdson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dowdson, Stouffville. The marriage will take place March 18th, in Bellfair United Church, Toronto.

Studebaker Sales Agency

The Les Wilson garage, west end of Main Street, newly appointed sales place for the Studebaker cars, received a consignment this week, and Mr. Wilson invites car drivers to drop around and see the latest.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Spofford spent last weekend with his relatives in the Collingwood district.

Miss Joy Wood, Stouffville, pupil of Mrs. Peggy Clarke, Markham, was successful in passing her Grade I Theory with honours at the Royal Conservatory of Music, Toronto.

John Birkett and three daughters Misses Electa and Eileen and Bernice (Mrs. B. Kent) and grandson Richard of Port Perry spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. Birkett.

The March meeting of Stouffville Village Council falls this Thursday evening, and persons having business should make note of tonight'sness to bring before the council assembly.

Mrs. Delos Brown (Margaret Stover) and baby daughter of Colbourne returned home on Sunday with her husband after spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Stover. Mr. and Mrs. Don Brown (Norma Stover) of Hamilton also spent the weekend with her parents here.

Cattle Soar at Auction Cow and Calf Bring \$445

"Stop showing one another around and I'll give you all every chance to bid", ordered Ken Prentice when the bidding was more than brisk, and the auctioneer was capitalizing on the excitement over some very nice looking Holsteins with bags that looked like a whole dairy in themselves.

Scene of the auction was the Howard Ness farm at Thornhill, and the second cow sold was run up to \$360, then in less than no time her two-week-old calf was knocked off at \$85 to total \$445 for mother and daughter.

The 22 head comprising the herd

of registered and grade cows and heifers averaged \$241. The buyers were mostly all local farmers, and the auctioneer smilingly said the high prices were obtained without promising a higher floor for butter. He congratulated Mr. Ness on his fine herd and in his opening talk urged prospective buyers to examine the animals and be convinced that they were going to cost plenty of money. They did.

Implements realized good prices with the manure spreader selling for \$320. It had been worked two years. The whole sale, Prentice & Prentice said ran over \$9,000.

Long-Established Home Closes at Altona

When the household effects in the Ab. Davis home at Altona were finally moved out last Saturday afternoon, following the public auction sale, it was the final scene in closing out a household that had been in existence there for about 45 years. The late Ab. Davis was one-time drayman in Stouffville and shortly after the turn of the century he settled in the house and lot at Altona which he purchased at that time from the late Nelson Mowder. Here Mr. and Mrs. Davis remained until the end of their days.

The family of five girls and three boys had grown up, and long since married. Since the death of Mr. Davis some months ago, the only member of the family left at home was daughter Esther, who now is taking up residence in Stouffville, where she will be engaged as a clerk in the Golden Clothing Store.

Old friends and neighbors stood about at the auction last Saturday, and as is to be expected there is always a note of sadness when a

long-established home is passing from existence. "But," said one of the neighbors, "the Davis place will always be such to we older people, because here we have come for so many years, always assured of a warm welcome and friendly word. We have seen a large family grow to womanhood and manhood and from this single home many more homes have sprung up headed by the children, and so, such is life, such is expansion."

A white-haired old man nodded approval of these sentiments, but nothing more was said, folks stood about as though they were attending a funeral, and somehow there was a similarity.

All unaware of the feelings of the old-timers who had come and gone from that home over nearly half a century, out in the cold Auctioneer Farmer and a lively small crowd were intent on the business before them—the auctioneer urging for bids and the crowd dropping in a quote here and there. The scene soon passed but its memory will never be effaced for some.