

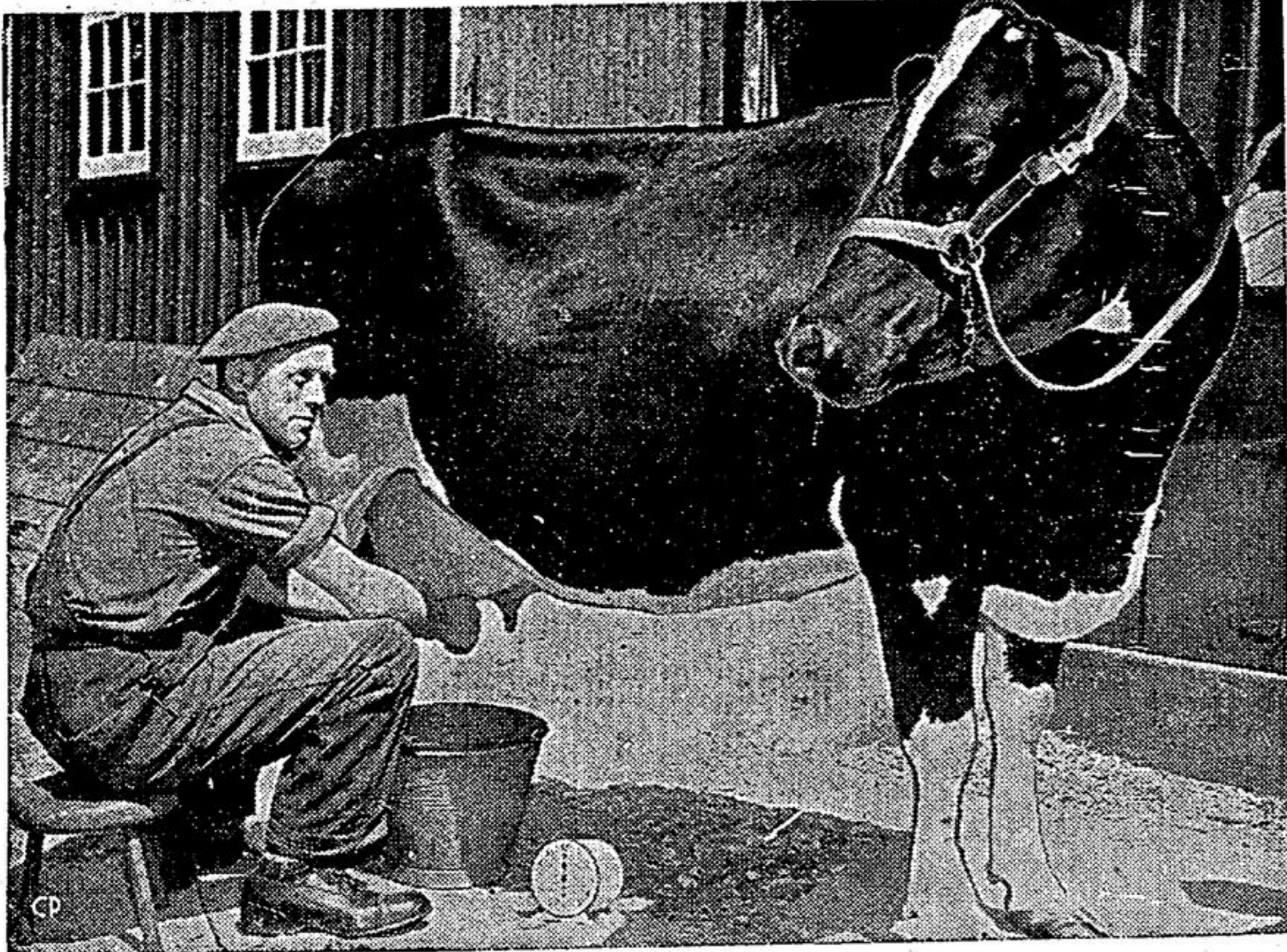
# The Stouffville Tribune

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TWO SECTIONS

## What Do You Mean, Daylight Saving Time?



Bossy says boo, instead of moo, to the farmer when he tries to change her milking time over from standard to daylight one of the main

reasons why farmers are generally not in accord with fast time. It just can't be done on the farm where other conditions besides "stand pat"

attitude are against it. The province of Alberta has outlawed DST. Here in Ontario daylight time begins at midnight this coming Saturday.

## Northern Municipalities Oppose Amalgamation

As this issue of The Tribune goes to press York County Council is convening in Toronto in a special session to consider the proposed application for amalgamation by the city of Toronto of ten or twelve municipalities bordering the city before the Ontario Municipal Board.

So far as this newspaper can learn the remaining municipalities that would be left in the county should the amalgamation move become effective, are solidly opposed to the idea, with the exception of the town of Mimico, whom it is said finds it hard going financially.

The northern municipalities comprise Georgina, East Gwillimbury, Whitechurch, Markham, Vaughan, King Townships, and the towns of Newmarket and Aurora and villages of Sutton, Stouffville, Markham and Richmond Hill.

It is feared that county taxes would double in the event of the southern municipalities were annexed to Toronto, while another grievance is that the city reaches out to grab off the whole industrial area of the county, but have made no offer or proposal of compensation to the county.

Many of the reeves and deputy reeves feel that an amalgamation of services such as water, light, transportation, education and policing, should be operated for Toronto and the suburban area by a commission, but that the county should not be carved up to suit the demands of the City Council.

## Stores Revert to Summer Schedule

While the Business Men's Association were not all favorable to opening their places of business on Tuesday evenings from May 1st to the late fall season, they bowed to the wishes of the small majority who insisted it was the only thing to do if Stouffville wished to enjoy the wide patronage they claimed had been built up on service at a time when the farmers would most appreciate it. Thus, beginning Tuesday, May 2nd, mercantile places will be open until 10 o'clock in the evening.

Stouffville will be on daylight time then, and it is expected the farmers when they become busy with seeding, likewise during the heat of summer, will appreciate driving to town on Tuesday as well as Saturday evening.

## Harold Cowie Answers Council Critics

In reply to the advice of a number of ratepayers, I desire to take this opportunity to present some of the incidents leading up to my resignation as road superintendent in an open letter to the ratepayers of Markham Township.

I wish to correct some rather erroneous statements released by members of Markham Township Council through the press, that the road men working under me averaged \$50. per week. The rate of pay for the men on the road department is 75c per hour, and on a 45-hour week this amounts to \$33.75 per week.

In the winter months with snow plowing and icy conditions the men are on call for nights, Sundays and holidays also and receive the same rate of 75c per hour for their services, hence a lot of overtime is needed to reach \$50. per week. For 12 months no road employee averaged near that figure.

On Feb. 11th, 1950, a resolution was passed moved by W. L. Clark and seconded by Chas. Hooper that no action be taken on salary increases.

Some of the employees, including myself, decided to investigate what our services might be worth elsewhere.

In regard to the road expenditure bylaw number 1240 for 1949, it was for \$73,974, while bylaw 1271 for 1950 is for \$65,000, this being a reduction of \$8,974, and at a time when the county mill rate on your assessment is much lower than last year. It would have been a good time to have done some much needed extra road work as some work had to be sacrificed in order to pay for a new road grader in 1949.

It is the privilege of any ratepayer to see the minutes of any council meeting, amounts of wages or bylaw requisitions filed at the township office.

I wish to thank the ratepayers for their fine co-operation while trying to give them as good service under the various conditions as I could.

Yours truly,  
Harold Cowie.

## Buyers Clamour After Old Chairs, Pay Up to \$27.50 For Walnut Diners

Old chairs that some folk would balk at paying \$5 each for, were coveted offerings at the public auction sale for the estate of the late Philip Fockler, at Ringwood on Saturday. Several plain chairs in walnut were snapped up at the price set for the first one sold, namely \$27.50. After the chairs were carried off by different purchasers, Auctioneer Farmer offered the auctioneer sets or chests of drawers, also in the antique class. A lady from the 7th concession took a look, sniffed, and walked away after the first bid was placed at \$3. Then a lady from Toronto boosted the bid to \$5, a man just behind her made it \$10, and from there the bids popped in until the ancient chest reached \$20 when the auctioneer shouted "sold," and this price set the pattern for a few more chests at \$20. Dishes, figurines, and odd pieces brought high prices and a varied opinion on their value.

"I wouldn't carry some of that stuff home," declared a modest little woman to her neighbor, but the southern buyers and persons who value "something old," as well as things new, thought otherwise. Rapid fire tactics of Auctioneer Farmer accounted for a sale every other minute.

The house and lot sold to Peter Ferguson for \$4,200. The new owner is living in Uxbridge Township as a temporary abode, and this purchase will bring him back to the locality where he longs to live.

After the Fockler sale, Auctioneer Farmer invited the crowd over to the neighboring property of the late Louis Brownsberger. Here a chest of drawers brought \$17, an old bed \$14. The property had previously been sold to Mr. Art Emmerson for \$1200. The house will need extensive repairs.

A piece of vacant land belonging to the Fockler estate but separated from the house property was purchased at the sale by George Rodanz who paid \$350 for the acre of land which had been sliced off the Ringwood Farms estate.

## Aurora Juniors Prolong Series

A six-goal drive in the last two periods netted Aurora Blackhawks a 7-3 victory over Collingwood Greenshirts before a capacity crowd of 1400 in the Yonge St. town Tuesday night. The victory was the first in four games for the Blackhawks. Collingwood leads the O.H.A. Junior 'C' best-of-seven finals 3-1.

Collingwood held a 2-1 lead at the end of the first period and increased it after 48 seconds of the second. They did not get another goal as the desperate Aurora back-checking held in the Greenshirts scoring chances to a minimum.

The fifth game of the series will be in Aurora Thursday night.

Brantford Sr. 'B' Champs Brantford Nationals won the O.H.A. Sr. 'B' crown this week defeating Peterborough Legion in the seventh and final game of the series.

## MRS. W. T. BYAM PASSES IN 86TH YEAR

Mrs. W. T. Byam, one of Stouffville's elderly esteemed ladies, passed away on Wednesday at noon, at her home on Main Street. Mrs. Byam suffered a stroke

## Winners in Youth for Christ Sacred Musical Festival

Saturday night brought to a close the fourth and final session of the Sacred Musical Festival sponsored by Youth for Christ. The leaders and directors were more than gratified with the response of the young folk of the community who showed such interest in the art of music and a marked progress in the standard of their work.

The prize winners in the various classes who received for their efforts, first prize, \$15 over 80 marks; second prize \$10 over 77 marks; third prize, \$5 over 75 marks, all of which was graciously donated by anonymous givers, were as follows:

Piano Solos  
Class 1—Barbara Hastings, Joyce Perkins, Ted Cook.  
Class 2—Jean Paisley, Shirley Spence, Barbara Hastings.  
Class 3—Barbara Cook, Phyllis Paisley, Doris Steckley.  
Class 4—Elizabeth Thomas, Gladys Ratcliff, Grace Lehman.  
Piano Duets—Doris Steckley and

## Sale of Two Farms Reported This Week

Mr. John McGillivray has purchased an additional 300 acres of land adjoining his present farm just east of Mount Albert on the 1st concession of Scott Township. Mr. McGillivray farmed just north of Glasgow a few years ago, leaving the Uxbridge place when he acquired land in the Mount Albert district. He will now have 500 acres of land in one block. The sale was negotiated by George Allison, real estate broker, Stouffville.

Mr. Allison reports the sale of another farm when he sold the 62-acre place at Sharon belonging to Garnet Fairbairn to Mr. Ben Cox.

## Lions Bring Minstrel Show Here Friday

A real old-fashioned minstrel show with all the hilarity the snappy songs and end men gags that make for good entertainment is being brought to Stouffville on Friday night by the local Lions Club. The show will present the North York Lions Club, and the event is in the Veterans' Hall commencing at 8.15.

You'll hear the black-faced chorus do such popular numbers as, "The Coconut Song," "Bibbidi-Bobbidi-Boo," "Hop Scotch Polka," "Bluebird on Your Windowsill," and many others.

Tickets can be procured from any members of the Stouffville Lions Club.

## Tie Up The Dog Police Order Issued

At a special meeting of the municipal council held Thursday, it was agreed to inform Constable Russel to enforce the regulations of the Bylaw respecting dogs running at large. The constable has given or allowed a good deal of laxity during the winter season, and complete advantage of it is still being taken by many owners who seem to think that "everybody loves my dog," and so permits it to run at will. This has resulted in a flood of complaints the past ten days.

Persons owning or harboring dogs will after this week be dealt with should they fail to keep the dog on their own premises, or on a leash.

Such action is certainly going to be hard on the dogs, but then non-dog owners have their rights, and should not be annoyed by wandering dogs tramping and prowling their flower beds and shrubbery.

The dog population has grown in Stouffville along with the general expansion, and this has added to the objections coming in so fast. One west end woman who called on the Reeve said, "you see I wouldn't have my neighbor think I do not like his dog, but really, I do hate to have the animal making use of my property as if it owned it."

several days ago. She was eighty-five years of age. The funeral on Saturday will be conducted from the Funeral Chapel of L. E. O'Neill at 2.30 o'clock.

## Markham Appoints New Road Supt.

Mr. Arthur Buchanan, 5th concession farmer, was appointed road superintendent for Markham Township, at a special meeting held Saturday afternoon. Mr. Buchanan has been working on roads for 15 years, and was regarded as a good man. There were three applications for the position, we understand, made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Harold Cowie.

The new superintendent will receive the same salary as paid heretofore, namely \$2400 per annum.

## York County Forest Planting Commences

Nearly two hundred thousand saplings will be planted this spring on lands purchased by the York County Council, work beginning this week. The new trees will comprise seven or eight varieties, but species of pines will be far greater than any other kind of trees. Experts determine the kind of trees to be planted best suited to the soil.

Mr. Cliff Hollidge, forest manager, told The Tribune this week, that a newspaper announcement calling for workmen to do the planting was well responded to, and ample help is available.

This type of planting must be done in the early spring to be successful. The first lands to be planted this season will be the former J. A. Clark property at corner of the Ballantrae road and the 7th concession of Whitechurch which was taken over by the county two years ago.

It is expected that York County Council will visit the forest at Vivian this summer during their June session.

## Jarvis Farm Auction Marks Up Good Prices

Russel Jarvis, Markham farmer, near Box Grove, has milked his last cow and fed the last pen of hogs. Henceforth he will play about on the big new golf course to be established on his premises, along with a couple of the neighboring farms that have been gathered under the wing of the city golf club establishing the new course in Markham Township.

On Tuesday the farm stock and implements on the Jarvis farm were sold by Sellers & Atkinson, auctioneers, to run a total of \$9,000. The crowd was large and bidding brisk.

Grade cattle went to \$265 and yearling heifers \$243. The tractor realized \$1410.

## Cattle for Movie Star At Ashburn Farm

A number of cattle recently purchased at the annual Scottish sales have arrived from overseas at the John Miller farm east of Claremont where they will be under government quarantine for sixty days before proceeding to their new home, the Texas ranch of film actress, Greer Garson, star of Mrs. Miniver.

It is an interesting fact that Miss Garson's cattle were purchased in the United Kingdom by F. W. Harding, prominent American importer, and a brother-in-law of the late Robt. Miller of Stouffville. All imported cattle are brought to the Miller farm for a period of quarantine rather than being left at the seaboard. Cattle must be rigidly tested for various infections.

Hold everything for May 13th at the Stouffville United Church.

## Markham Tax Rate Slightly Increased

The municipal tax rate in Markham Township will not be much changed for 1950, unless the individual school sections demand more money than they spent in 1949. It is said that only half the schools can get along on the 1949 expenditures, thus it is evident one-half the sections will increase taxes to meet higher salaries and other increasing operating expenses.

The general township tax rate for 1950 was struck by council last week at ten mills, which is only a fraction increase over a year ago. Of the ten mill rate 5.77 will go into the road budget, and 4.33 in general.

The budget prepared by the treasurer showed a need for \$112,000 expenditures, but the council managed to hack off two thousand, and struck the tax rate on that basis of expenditure.

The slight increase in the rate over a year ago, is due to the council deciding to enter the York County Health Unit about to come into existence, and which will cost the municipality annually about a mill on the equalized assessment.

Reeve Timbers said that the many demands for health service warranted council taking immediate steps to enter the county unit now being formed with a full-time medical health officer at the disposal of the district at all times.

## Complete Markham Hydro Changeover Soon

As Hydro's vast frequency standardization program gathers momentum, announcement was made last week by Chairman Robert H. Saunders that the changeover from 25-cycle to 60-cycle power in the south portion of Markham rural operating area would be completed by April 12. A total of 2,860 consumers of all classes would have had their equipment converted and would be receiving power at 60 cycle by that date.

Mr. Saunders stated that there were 2,736 domestic, 106 commercial and 18 industrial consumers being served in the south section of Markham. The frequency standardization activities in this district started on March 13, with an average of three cut-overs per week, the full schedule being 14 "cuts" completed by April 12.

Approximately 370 consumers in Markham South, residing north of Lansing cut-off and west of Kennedy Road, were not included in the "cuts," but will be changed over with the consumers of Agincourt Hydro-Electric Committee, scheduled for November, Chairman Saunders added.

Simultaneously, he announced that the frequency standardization program in East York Township, would be renewed on Thursday, April 13, and is scheduled for completion by July 10. The inauguration of Hydro's frequency standardization program took place in East York in May, 1949. At that time, for trial purposes, the entire section of north-east of the old C.N.R. right-of-way was converted between May and Sept. 15.

Stouffville arena closed on Wednesday night for the season. The new ice palace has completed a full six months service.

## Evangelistic Campaign Planned by Ministerial First in New Arena

A district-wide evangelistic campaign is planned for August 20th to September 3rd, 1950, in the Stouffville Arena. This campaign is being sponsored by the ministers and laymen of the churches, and the Stouffville Christian Men's Fellowship. The speaker for these special meetings is the nationally known Rev. John Linton, B.A., Wheaton, Ill. As pastor, John Linton served several churches including High Park Baptist Church of Toronto, and in more recent years has itinerated coast to coast teaching and preaching the Gospel. A scholarly Scotsman, with traditional ready wit and pleasing accent, his preaching is dynamic and unique. Any man whose schedule is booked nearly 2 years in advance, must have something to say that is worth hearing.

Rev. Linton has been mightily used of God in the fearless and spirit-filled proclamation of His inspired Word. Throughout Canada and the United States he has

gained recognition as an outstanding revival speaker. From a write-up concerning Mr. Linton's visit to Sault Ste. Marie we quote the following.

"This is Mr. Linton's fourth visit to this city, and it is a mark of the growing confidence and esteem in which he is held, as well as a mark of the interest being aroused by the Spirit of God, that the congregations which have heard him are much larger than on any previous occasion. The Wellington Street Church has been filled for afternoon meetings, and the First Church taxed beyond its limit, so that on the Sunday the afternoon and evening meetings had to be carried to the largest local theatre accommodating over 1,000 people, and even this barely sufficed for the congregations that assembled.

The sense of the presence and power of God has been at times almost overwhelming, and a great number strongly moved by the Spirit of God have received the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour."