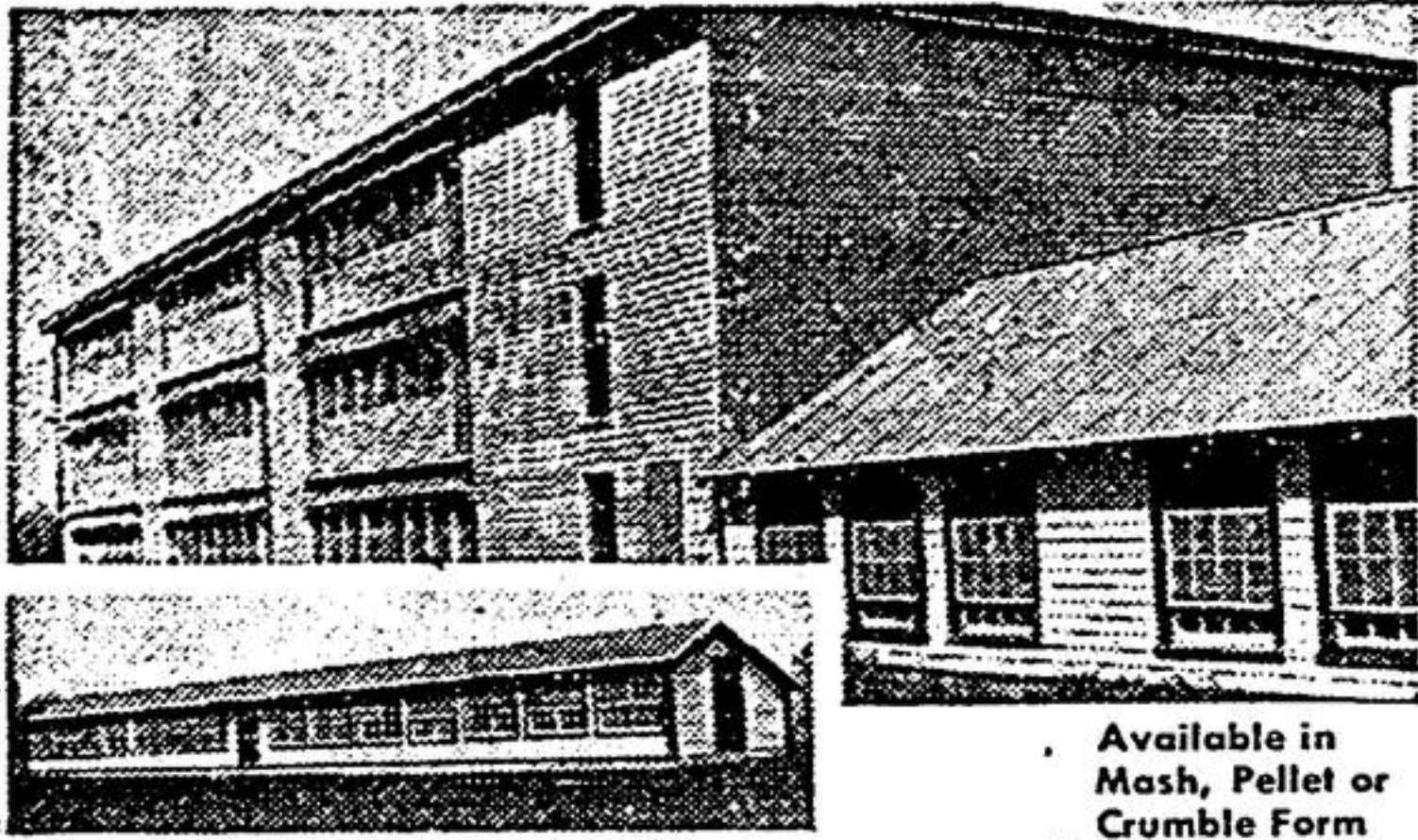


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Mr. and Mrs. Don Brown of Woodstock, the former Norma Stover, R.N., of Stouffville, are visiting his parents at their home in Florida for a few weeks.

Mrs. Delos Brown and Susan of Colborne have returned home after spending a couple of weeks with her father, Mr. Ambrose Stover.

The new year's meeting of the Garrett Evening Auxiliary of the Stouffville United Church was held in the church parlours on Wednesday evening, Jan. 9. Mrs. J. M. Storey, president, presided. The meeting opened with a hymn followed by the Lord's Prayer. The worship service under the theme "working together" was conducted by Miss Eva Hoover, assisted by Miss Gladys Brooks. The scripture reading was taken from Romans 12:4-10.

Chapters 4 and 5 of the study book "From Lakes to Northern Lights" were reviewed by Mrs. S. Hastings. These chapters deal with the influence the rural church has on the nation as a whole, and as the farm is the backbone of the nation, its importance must be emphasized and the call of the soil should be recognized as a call of God. Student missionaries play a large part in bringing church services to the outlying areas of Canada during summer vacations. The pay is small and the work is hard and widespread. Miss Claudia Brillinger, Stouffville, and Miss Barbara Hastings, Melville, rendered instrumental numbers and two poems suited to the New Year were read by Miss Kay Williamson.

Rev. D. Davis conducted the installation of officers for 1952, and a social half-hour followed the close of the meeting.

The January meeting of the W.A. of the Stouffville United Church will take place January 21st when the installation of officers will be conducted. Rev. Claude Brethen will be the speaker and Mrs. Allan McConochie will sing.

Despite a mixup which occurred at the beginning of winter, former arrangements with the County concerning the snow-plowing of our Main St. have been renewed, and Rennie's big plow will do the job. There is always some confusion over the maintenance of the street due to the fact that the Provincial Highway ends at the C.N.R. crossing, west of which, the County takes over. However, since the county plow is stationed here, it is only sensible to have that outfit look after the job, and be reimbursed by the province.

Big Store Laying Unique New Floor  
The Spofford & Co. big store on the corner of Main and Mill Sts. in town will go through quite a face-lifting experience this week, when an entire new floor will be laid covering an area in the main portion of the store of 1800 sq. ft. The new floor covering will be Flor-Ever Vinylite Plastic, the newest type of floor covering, and one which is being advertised by Spofford & Co. in this week's issue of The Tribune. The job in the store will require eight men who will work a night and a day to complete the job. According to the company, this new plastic covering is guaranteed to wear longer, to cut cleaning up to 40 per cent and comes well recommended by local customers. The public is invited to visit the Spofford store to inspect this new covering in use.

Remember that big sale at the Harry Golden Clothing Store is continuing this week.

E. A. Grubin, R.O., Optometrist, will be at his office in Stouffville on Monday, Jan. 21st.

Mr. Ault, Burkitt of Oakville, and a local son, has been hospitalized due to a heart ailment, friends will regret to learn.

That long-awaited feature presentation "Showboat" starring Kathryn Grayson, Ava Gardner and Howard Keel will be showing at the Stanley Theatre on Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 21 and 22.

On Friday, Dec. 28th, Mr. Walter E. Briard who, with his wife, resides on Market Street, celebrated his eighty-first birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Briard both enjoy good health. They have seven children, fifteen grandchildren and fourteen great grandchildren.

As if in answer to an editorial which appeared in The Tribune recently concerning the absence of the old-fashioned sleighing party, the girls of the local C.G.I.T. group held a modern version on Thursday evening. It was a gay party with a fully loaded sleigh and a modern tractor to provide the power, replacing old -dobbins. Following the outing, the girls returned to the United Church to enjoy a tasty snack.

The new executive of the Woman's Missionary Society of the United Church was installed in office by Rev. Douglas Davis at the January meeting of the organization.

The society reports a very successful year in all departments with an increased membership and attendance. The allocation of five hundred dollars was reached and passed. The Community Friendship secretary, Mrs. D. Davis and her assistant, Miss Bannerman, reported 270 calls made during the year on the sick, shut-ins, and newcomers in the community. Mrs. A. H. Williams replaces Mrs. F. L. Button who has retired after fourteen years of efficient service as treasurer of the organization. During the year 1951, two bales of new and used clothing valued at \$1371.75 were packed and shipped, one to Korea and one to Ossington Ave. Depot for redistribution.

Executive for 1951 is as follows: Honorary Presidents, Mrs. D. Davis, Mrs. H. Sanders; President, Mrs. W. F. Riches; 1st Vice President, Mrs. S. S. Ball; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. Ross Winterstein; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Floyd Fairles; Assistant, Mrs. Herbert Lee; Treasurer, Mrs. A. H. Williams; Assistant, Mrs. F. L. Button; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Albert King; Department Secretaries — Christian Stewardship, Mrs. Milton Harris, Christian Citizenship and Temperance, Mrs. S. Hastings, Literature, Mrs. Gayman, Mrs. F. Button, Mrs. Stewart Stouffer, Associate Helpers, Mrs. K. Campbell, Mrs. E. A. Button, Mrs. Gayman, Community Friendship, Mrs. D. Davis, Miss Bannerman, Supply, Mrs. A. Dowswell, Mrs. W. Atkinson, Mrs. P. Stover, Press Secretary, Mrs. Fred Brown, Mrs. D. Holden; Pianists, Mrs. B. Sanders, Mrs. Gayman, Miss Bannerman; Nomination Committee, Mrs. F. L. Button, Mrs. S. Hastings; Group Leaders, Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Winterstein; Mrs. King and Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Ball.

Patrons of the Stanley Theatre will kindly note that there is a change of program for Wednesday and Thursday, January 23rd and 24th. "That's My Boy" starring Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis will be playing instead of "Rhubarb" as was previously announced.

Be sure and attend the first of a series of euches to be held in the I.O.O.F. Hall on Friday, Jan. 18th. A prize will be given at the end of the season to the lady and gentleman obtaining the most points throughout the season.

Mrs. Christie Armstrong has returned home after spending two weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Nendick in Toronto where she was convalescing after her recent sojourn in hospital.

Steve Thomson and lady friend also Mrs. Pree and Miss Pree motored from Owen Sound last week to Stouffville where they called at the Gold Fish Plant and to Sutton where Mrs. Pree visited her sister.

Life Membership Presented  
The W.M.S. of St. James Presbyterian Church met at the home of Miss A. Duncan for their January meeting, with the president, Mrs. Stevens, presiding.

An interesting event of the afternoon was the presentation of a life membership by Mrs. A. G. Thompson. The third chapter of the study book on South America was reviewed by group 2 led by Mrs. C. Morris.

The meeting closed with a social half hour.

Friends will regret to learn of the death of Nelson Aldred, brother of Ira Aldred, formerly of Stouffville and now a resident in Port Perry. The late Nelson Aldred passed away at his home in Toronto on Friday. He was a widower and leaves to mourn his loss one son Russell of Washington, D.C., three sisters, all of Toronto, three brothers in Port Perry and one at Brooklin. The funeral on Monday was conducted from the Trull Funeral Home, Danforth Ave., with interment in Port Perry.

So far this month, Stouffville like the rest of the province, has had an exceptionally generous share of snow, as well as cold weather, handed down from the skies. However, twenty years ago, January in Stouffville was like January in Florida. This fact was revealed with a perusal through our Tribune files. At that time it was recorded that not within the memory of the oldest resident, had so mild a brand of weather been passed out for January. So balmy was the weather that there was a suggestion that even the bowling greens might be used. Flies were common, and groundhogs were out. In a neighboring municipality, the golf links were in use, a real midwinter novelty. The open season not only cut down on the fuel bills, but stimulated business by making it possible for shoppers to come to town as in midsummer.

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Friday, January 18th

Prizes — Refreshments

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Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bagg of Toronto spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lageer.

"We are having a very long, cold winter here, much different to the one we spent in Stouffville last year. I would like very much to be there to enjoy the curling that I experienced with the 'boys'." So writes A. J. "Ace" Davis from LeRoy, Sask., when renewing his Tribune last week. The Davis family, it will be recalled, occupied a home on Church St. north for a time recently, Mr. Davis coming originally from Stouffville, and returning to the West where he had established business.

## EDITOR'S MAIL

The Editor,

Stouffville Tribune,

Dear Sir:

At the end of this month a considerable number of the readers of your paper will receive a historic document—a cheque representing the first instalment of the old age pension to be given to all Canadians who are 70 years of age or over and who have lived in this country for 20 years.

Some people and some newspapers, not many I am glad to say, have suggested that self-respecting people ought to be reluctant to accept this "hand-out" from the public treasury and that any industrious, self-reliant citizen should have been able to put by enough by the time he, or she, was 70 years of age to live in comfort for the rest of his or her life.

I hope, however, that if anyone has red cheeks on coming from the post office with his first old age pension cheque, it will not be a blush of shame but rather a flush of pride that he lives in a country that has done at least something towards recognizing its obligations to its older citizens.

The idea that everyone should be able to provide for old age is a perfectly natural one—to a young man. Most of us when we were young and ambitious and just beginning to have a little success in our chosen occupations, were quite sure that by the time we were 50 we should be independently rich. And then, after a while things began to happen. In some cases it was sickness, in others unemployment (remember the 1930's). Some people made investments that went wrong or engaged in a business that did not succeed. Some used the money that they might have put by for old age to give their children a good start in life through a better education than they had themselves.

But even supposing nothing of this kind happened. Suppose a man did save his money and put it away safely in government bonds, annuities or life insurance. What is his position now? He finds that the income which by thrift and industry he has provided for himself and his partner in life is worth less than half what he expected.

We say that the cost of living has gone up, but it would be more correct to say that the value of money has gone down. If the people who are now over 70 started saving in their early adult life, they saved dollars that the government undertook to redeem in gold and which were worth a great deal more in exchange for the necessities of life than the dollars they are now getting. The value of money saved later in life has also depreciated, to a somewhat lesser degree, but still to such an extent that the cost of living index compiled by the dominion bureau of statistics shows that it now takes something like \$1.90 to buy the consumers' goods and services that cost \$1.00 before 1939.

To those who are still earning their living this does not make very much difference because as prices have gone up wages, farm prices and business profits have risen correspondingly, more or less. But to the retired man, living on his savings it means that a half or more of his income has virtually been taken away from him.

And who took it away? Who abolished the gold standard and decreed that Canadian dollar bills were no longer redeemable in gold? Who put the printing press to work to turn out more and

Norm Farr, local businessman, has been away from his store, Stouffville Radio Electric, for some days, suffering a bout with the flu.

"Reading maketh a man full"—but if he doesn't exercise considerable discrimination in selecting his reading matter these days, all he will be full of is baloney.

A surprise house-warming party was tendered Mrs. Les. Wilson last Thursday evening when she received gifts for their new home on Lloyd Avenue.

Ladies Wear Ltd., local clothing manufacturing concern, opened their factory this week after a seasonal layoff of several weeks.

The members of the Woman's Missionary Society of the United Church will hold a sewing meeting at the home of Mrs. A. M. Wood on Tuesday, Jan. 22nd, at 10 a.m. Members are reminded there is a pot luck luncheon at noon.

W. H. Conner of Stouffville was removed to the Wellesley Hospital, Toronto, this week where he will remain for a time under observation. Mr. Conner has not enjoyed the best of health for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Irwin and boys, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Irwin of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mitchell of Atha, and Eldon Dixon, Agincourt, also Messrs. Ed and Bruce Lewis spent Sunday with Mrs. Sam Irwin.

Mr. Art Kneeshaw, Deputy District Governor from Bradford, was the guest speaker at the Stouffville Lions Club meeting on Monday night. Accompanying Mr. Kneeshaw were four other members of the Bradford Club.

Dr. Jack Cote of Stouffville who is associated here with Dr. Ron Smith in the veterinarian profession, was bereaved this week in the death of his father, Dr. Frank J. Cote of Guelph. The late Dr. Cote was head of the small animals department at the Ontario Veterinary College. He was in his 52nd year and died Saturday night. Surviving besides his widow, the former Isabel Sheridan, are six sons, Dr. Jack Cote of Stouffville, Ronald at St. Augustine's seminary in Toronto, Paul with the RCAF at Centralia, Ont.; Joseph, Peter and David of Guelph; three daughters, Rita Mary, Helen and Mary Ann of Guelph; his mother, Mrs. Frank Cote, Guelph; two sisters, Mrs. Helen Gonter, Detroit, and Mother Clara of Toronto; two brothers, Edward and Gerald of Guelph.

more paper money and so decreased its value? The government and parliament of Canada and the Bank of Canada owned by the government. These things no doubt were done in the public interest, for the good of the country. A certain degree of inflation may be good public policy. It is true at any rate that the dominion treasury for some years now has been full to overflowing. But as a result of that policy, many a thrifty, industrious, self-reliant citizen who during his working years made what appeared to be reasonable provision for his old age is now eking out a bare existence.

So I submit, Mr. Editor, apart from all humanitarian or sentimental consideration, that for the dominion government to give our older citizens a small pension of \$40.00 a month, without asking them to show that they would starve without it, is not charity or generosity but only simple justice.

Those who are still earning and who through taxes are helping to pay the pensions will not suffer very much. If they take care of their health they will be old age pensioners themselves some day.

Then think what the pension scheme will do for trade! In the great majority of cases those pension cheques, or the proceeds of them, will soon find their way into the stores and other places of business to help in promoting the prosperity of the community as well as to bring to the old folks a little more of the necessities and comforts of life.

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