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New Canadian Tops In Oratory



Born in Glasgow and a resident of Canada for only one year, 13-year-old Murray Coulter took first prize in the York County, Ontario, children's public-speaking contest recently when he entertained York council members with a travelogue. In a rich Scottish

accent, the youngster carried his audience to Rawalpindi, where he spent six of his 13 years, described his plane trip from India to England, and his boat trip from the United Kingdom to his new home in Canada. The young orator is seen at right with second and third-place winners.

Markham Housewife Is Council Candidate

The election pot is coming to a boil in Markham Township where Mrs. Norman James, Highland Park housewife, has definitely stated her intention to stand as a candidate for council in the forthcoming municipal elections. Mrs. James who has resided at Grandview Ave. for the past three years has displayed a marked interest in township affairs. Her one daughter is a student at the Richmond Hill District High School, while Mr. James is a photographer with a Toronto daily. Prior to their moving to Highland Park, the James family resided in North York Township for 14 years.

This will likely mark the first time a member of the "so called weaker sex" has sought a council seat in Markham Township.

Reeve Timbers has declared that he is standing for re-election although there is a possibility that he may have opposition. So far as can be ascertained all members of the 1952 council will seek to return to office. Several newcomers are named as likely to enter the ring and former office holders, Robt. Rae, William Clark, and Vern Griffith are mentioned as possible candidates so that an election is almost assured.

Queen's Own Band will Welcome Santa, Dec. 6th

The following list of contributors has brought the Santa Claus Parade fund to a total of \$292.50 to date. Last year the expenses amounted to over \$400.00. This year they are expected to be much larger. Over 2,000 gift bags must be filled plus prize money, and a dozen miscellaneous expenses. Here is the news you have been waiting for— to lead the parade the Chamber of Commerce has engaged the Queen's Own Bugle Band and Drum Band from Toronto, 45 musicians in full regalia. Thanks is extended to the following who have so far contributed to make this parade pos-

sible. Stouffville Senior Women's Institute, Business & Professional Women's Club, Mrs. Heaton, Don Ferguson, Spofford & Co. Ltd., Brierbush Hospital, Ben Raxlin, Gar Lehman, Chas. Nolan, Miss Bannerman, Harold's Grill, Robert Hall, Ted Cadieux, Roy Ward, George Baker, Lorne Heise, Neil Smith, Ken Wagg, Norm Farr, Stouffville Cleaners, A. Harding, Walt Smith, Bill Malloy, Lorne White, Ratcliff & Co., Dr. Barker, Mrs. Dickson, Elmer Daniels, Ross Winterstein, Alf Mole, Fred Byer, Les Wilson Motors, Gordon Birckett, Hamilton Automotive Parts, Charles McDonald, D. Holden &

Sons, C. Meabry, Garrett & Sons, Silver Bros., Stouffville Planing Mill, Stouffville Co-Op., Gordon Brown, Percy Tarr, Dr. Freer, Maple Leaf Auto Sales, Herb Wagg, John Mathewson. Now if you have not contributed will you do your part to make this a real Christmas highlight for our girls and boys. Contributions may be left with the following members of the Chamber of Commerce: Ken Wagg, Lloyd Weldon, Erle Lehman, Alf Mole, Danny O'Boyle, John Mathewson, Cec Hendricks, Kay Williamson, Mrs. Malcolm, Harold Dixon, Ross Winterstein or Walter Pipher.

Local Entries Stood Well in Royal Goat Classes

Local entries in the Royal Winter Fair goat show which were judged on Saturday captured a large number of the prizes in the 46 animals entered. Twenty-five of the goats shown were Toggenburgs, the popular breed. Local entries also competed in the Saanen and Nubian classes. The show was handled by MacStroud of Agincourt and organization work was done by Russell Wilby of Locust Hill who was also chairman of the show committee. The following were local ribbon winners: Allen Michell, for Toggenburg doe in milk and Mrs. Joan Durant, Markham, second; Mrs. John Kitchen, Unionville, for Toggenburg doe; 1 yr. and under; A. Michell, Locust Hill, second for doe under one year, and Mrs. Joan Durant, third; Allen Michell champion doe in Toggenburg section and John Kitchen, reserve champion.

Hearing on New Markham Municipal Building Today

Today (Thursday) the Ontario Municipal Board will hold the second public hearing on the issuing of debentures for the new Markham Township Municipal Building at Buttonville. A crowded hall is again expected at Unionville as this question of new accommodation for Markham has been repeatedly vexed both by Unionville residents and subdivision ratepayers on Markham's so-called "front."

All Quiet in Whitchurch Twp.

With nomination day fast approaching there is little election stir in Whitchurch Township. Reeve Ivan McLaughlin has stated his intention to remain in office for another term, and Councillors E. L. McCarron and P. S. Legge seek re-election to council. Councillor R. C. Baycott is anxious to be relieved of office this year and Deputy Reeve Fred Timbers has not indicated his intentions. No new ratepayers have definitely declared themselves ready to seek office, but the name of Delos Graham is prominently mentioned as a possible candidate.

Local Staff Member Appointed Vice Pres. Of O.E.A.

Mr. W. F. Sherwood, a member of the Stouffville High School staff has been appointed vice president of the Ontario Educational Association. He held the office of secretary last year. The aims of the association are to further the study of English and History in the province. A three day convention in the spring is held in Toronto in which the highlights of the year's activities are discussed. Mr. Sherwood, aside from holding the vice presidency is also one of two members appointed to choose the type of English books believed suitable for Grade 13 students.

Celebrated 92nd Birthday

On Sunday, Nov. 16th, Mr. W. A. Noble of Unionville celebrated his 92nd birthday. In spite of his age, Mr. Noble is very active and enjoys the best of health. A resident of Unionville for the past forty-three years, he very rarely misses attending Sunday School and worship at the Unionville United Church. Mr. Noble has one daughter, Mrs. A. Empringham of Markham.

Pay Final Tribute to Frank Turner, Green River Football Star

On Saturday afternoon, Nov. 15th, hundreds of friends and relatives thronged the Green River Baptist Church to pay their last tribute to Frank Turner, a member of the famous Green River Shamrocks who walked off with the Ontario Championship over forty years ago. Mr. Turner was stricken ill some four years ago and has been in declining health ever since. Two weeks previous to his death he was forced to remain in bed.

Born on the 7th concession of Pickering on the farm of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Turner, the deceased moved to Green River where he has resided for the past two years. A member of the Green River Baptist Church, the late Mr. Turner held the office of deacon for a number of years.

Besides his wife, Mr. Turner leaves to mourn his passing four sons, Ross of Port Credit, Owen of Green River, Duncan of Toronto, Willis of Green River and one daughter, Lois (Mrs. Chas. Hann) of Whitevale. There are also two brothers, William in Markham, Orvis of Michigan and three sisters, Mrs. John Michell of Green River, Mrs. J. Coyne and Mrs. R. Scott of Toronto. Four grandchildren also survive.

Rev. A. J. Heal of Green River Baptist Church conducted the funeral service with interment in Whitevale Union Cemetery. Six members of the Shamrock football team acted as pallbearers, Mr. Winton White, Mr. Charles White, Mr. Walter Booth, Mr. Frank Booth, Mr. Hugh Percy and Mr. Jack Nighswander. Four other members on the famous group, Gardham Tran, Peter Stewart, James Routley and Blake Annis were flower bearers.

Thirty-Third Birthday

The thirty-third birthday meeting of the Garrett Evening Auxiliary of the Stouffville, United Church was held on Wednesday evening, Nov. 12th, in the church parlours, with Miss Eva Hoover, first vice-president, in the chair.

The second chapter of the study book "Along African Trails" by Dr. David Gallagher was reviewed by Mrs. Norman Baker. Africa, the second largest continent, is called the "land of tomorrow" and is rich in ivory, gems, rubber, minerals and many edible foods. Over 800 languages and dialects are spoken, and the Congregational Church in Angola is working in co-operation with the United Church of Canada. The future of this country depends on the principles laid down today and what better basis is there for a sound to-morrow than the religion of Jesus Christ?

Rev. Geo. Robins, pastor of Melville United Church, gave the devotional, and the unique treatment of his timely theme Remembrance brought to mind the many men and women down through the ages who deserve to be included with the heroic dead of two wars on "Remembrance Day."

Rev. D. Davis, dedicated the birthday offering, and the meeting closed with the Hebrew Benediction. A highlight of the social half hour that followed was the cutting of the beautifully decorated birthday cake by Mrs. D. Davis.

LOCAL GOAT MAN HEADS ASSOCIATION

Mr. M. P. Durant, 8th con. of Markham has been elected president of the Ontario Dairy Goat Society which boasts 180 members. R. Wilby of Locust Hill is vice president, Mr. A. Michell of Locust Hill has been named a director and chairman of the 1953 show at the Royal, also the shows at Aurora and the C.N.E.

Mrs. Herbert Lee Buried Here Tuesday

Funeral service was conducted on Tuesday afternoon for the late Mrs. Herbert Lee, widow of the late Rev. Herbert Lee and a resident of Stouffville for more than twenty years. Mrs. Lee passed away quietly in Toronto on Saturday, Nov. 15th, after a period of declining illness. She was in her 78th year.

The late Mrs. Lee was the former Maud Beynon, youngest and last member of the Beynon family born at Temperanceville. She taught school for a time and in 1898 married Rev. Herbert Lee who predeceased her nine years ago. During their married life together the couple resided on ministerial charges at Pary Sound, Woodbridge, Unionville, Dundalk, New Liskeard and Stouffville. Her late husband retired to Stouffville in 1930 and here she has resided since that time.

Mrs. Lee was a constant worker in the United Church, in all its organizations. She was particularly interested in the Garrett Evening Auxiliary which she was instrumental in founding here. The late Mrs. Lee was of a reserved nature, interested in home, family and church. During the period in which the late minister and his wife resided on north Church St., their home was always open to their many church friends, and many can attest to the warm fellowship which they have enjoyed in the former Lee home.

Surviving their mother is one son Walter Lee, and one daughter Mrs. Lester Locke, both of Toronto. The funeral on Tuesday afternoon was conducted by Rev. Douglas Davis from the L. E. O'Neill Funeral Chapel. Pallbearers were, Dr. Hugh Coulthard, Frank Wellwood, Morley Beynon, Clayton Beynon, Dennis Beynon, Maurice Beynon. Interment was made in the Stouffville Cemetery.

Dutch Reformed Church Organized Near Here

An appeal was recently made to the Reformed Church of America by Dutch-speaking citizens in this country for help in organizing a Dutch-speaking Protestant Church. As a result Mr. Tinklenberg was sent to Canada and has been instrumental in organizing Dutch-speaking colonies in Second Markham Church, Whitby, Dixie and Toronto.

Mr. Tinklenberg is a former pastor of churches in Iowa and Illinois and a chaplain in the U.S. Navy in World War II.

Many of the 15,000 to 20,000 Dutch citizens have come to Canada during the last six years and many of them can't speak English too well. A church-conscious people, they yearned for religious services where they could hear the gospel message in their own tongue.

Uxbridge Nomination On Monday, Nov. 24

The Uxbridge Twp. nomination meeting will be held in the township hall, Goodwood on Monday afternoon, Nov. 24th at one o'clock. At the present time there is no report concerning any changes in council. It is expected that Reeve Isaac Catherwood and Deputy Reeve Stuart Ball will seek re-election along with Councillors Clarence Bunker, Earl Dowswell and John Ball.

One member of the Uxbridge School Board will definitely not be in the field. Mr. Lemuel Pickett will not stand for re-election. Other members of the Board who will seek nomination will be Mr. Wm. Hewlett and Mr. Walter Davis. Mr. Eldred Catherwood and Mr. Walter Beach were returned for a two year term by acclamation last year.

Assessment of Hockey Mogul Sustained by Markham Court

Markham Township Court of Revision sitting last week on the 1953 assessment roll heard only ten appeals against a roll totalling approximately \$8,000,000. Major appeals were those of Murray Associates, a cement firm on Yonge St., and Connie Smythe, gravel and sand washing plant. Both assessments were sustained. The Murray appeal was against an assessment of \$96,000, while Smythe appealed a figure of \$12,750. It is rumored that the

Smythe appeal will go to a judge. Solicitor for the famous hockey magnate claims that his client's establishment comes under the category of a manufacturer and the township he claims, cannot assess the equipment on those grounds. Only one minor change was made to a dwelling in Highland Park in the amount of \$200. Members of the court were Wm. Spears, chairman, W. Dean, Albert Reesor, Frank Brumwell, and Dr. D. Tanner.

Ringwood Church Dedicates New Basement Facilities

A congregation which filled to capacity the Ringwood Christian Church on Sunday night, joined in dedicating the new basement facilities recently completed in the church. A year and a half ago this work on the basement was begun after the church was moved back thirty feet from the road. Concrete steps at the entrance of the church were also built, and the interior newly decorated. Much of the work was done voluntarily by members of the church and friends in the community.

In his remarks, the pastor, Rev. Gibson Brown, thanked all who gave so generously of their time and money and thus making it possible to completely pay for the project. After this Mr. Brown led in the dedicatory prayer.

Mr. Oliver Raymer, the special speaker for the occasion, spoke from the text found in 1 Cor. 3:11, "For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ." Music by the Dixie-men Quartette, and Mr. Dixie Dean, noted piano accordionist, was greatly appreciated.

Ringwood Christian Church was founded 128 years ago, the Charter having been drawn up and signed by thirteen men and fifteen women, on October 2nd, 1824, in a school house at the townline between Whitchurch and Markham.

This original Charter is in the hands of church officials, along with other authentic papers. Possibly divine services were held for forty-four years in the school house as no record has been found of a church being built until the present structure was erected in 1868, and dedicated on Sunday, Dec. 24th of that year, followed on Christmas Day by an old-fashioned Christmas dinner served to several hundred people in a shed 22x100 feet erected for the purpose.

Through the years this church has witnessed consistently, and now during the past eighteen months facilities for worship have been increased by moving the church back 30 feet from the highway, and building a fine basement under it, also improving the outdoor appearance with new lawn, parking space, and wide cement walk and steps.

Hallow'een Arson Brings Six Months

Ronald Moore, 18, of St. John's, N.B., on Tuesday was given six months, definite and six months indefinite in the Ontario Reformatory when he appeared for sentence before Magistrate Frank S. Ebbs on an arson charge. The charge was laid following a Hallow'een fire which destroyed a large barn near the Village of Brougham. Damage was estimated at \$4,000. Moore admitted lighting a cigarette and flicking the match into a straw stack. The flames soon spread to the barn.

The library board would like to call attention to three new books just received, all of which have been on request lists. The revised standard version of the Holy Bible, Amy Vanderbilt's complete book of Etiquette, and Practical Wood-Carving Projects by Enid Bell.

Receives Bursary



Erla Holden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Holden, Stouffville, and a student at the University of Western Ontario, has been awarded the University Women's Club Bursary. It is to provide financial assistance to a student, with good academic standing, in the graduating year of any course. The award is made by a committee consisting of The Registrar, the Dean of Women and a member of the staff.

Election Here Looks Sure As Nominations Approach

With the annual nomination meeting for Stouffville municipal council, commissions and school board coming up this Friday night, an election looks almost a certainty with numerous changes forecast. Both Councillors Reg Stouffer and Harry Ratcliff have indicated their intention not to seek re-election. Councillor Glenn Ratcliff is also reluctant, but is expected to remain. Councillor Harold Murphy is expected back and there are rumors that Reeve Ogden might find opposition from this quarter.

A number of newcomers have declared themselves available for office and one of these, Len Buckland, has stated to the press that he definitely intends to stand for office. Most prominently mentioned of the other likely candidates is Mr. Cec Hendricks who it is believed would receive strong support from the Chamber of Commerce organization. Art Bur-

gin and Mrs. Ella Malcolm who were unsuccessful candidates in last year's election, are expected to enter the ring again. The names of Lloyd Weldon and Ken Wagg have also been mentioned.

Interest is mounting in the election of public utility commissioners and the two commissioners' seats are presently expected to be contested by at least three candidates. A. E. Weldon, a former reeve, present councillor Reg Stouffer, and Horace Walsh, one-time hydro maintenance man here. Ken Laushway whose name was mentioned earlier as a possible candidate for this office is not expected to seek office.

There is no indication of any new personnel on the Public School Board. The terms of Mrs. Mary Smith, Robt. Bone and Len Wilkes expire this year but no changes are forecast, although we understand Mr. Bone is not anxious to return to office.

Escape Through Windshield of Wrecked Transport at Gormley

Driver Ronnie Comer and passenger Irvin Taylor of Sutton, luckily escaped serious injury on Friday when their loaded sod truck plowed into a stock truck owned by Maurice Pike of Bethesda. The accident took place 1 1/2 miles north of Gormley on the 4th concession of Whitchurch. The loaded transport owned by Bill Williams of Cedar Brae was proceeding south along the highway

and the force of the impact flipped it over on its roof scattering the sod some four hundred feet along the thoroughfare. The two occupants smashed their way out of the overturned vehicle through the windshield. The driver was taken to Newmarket hospital to be treated for cuts and bruises. The passenger was uninjured. The driver of the Pike truck escaped injury although the front of his vehicle was badly wrecked.