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STOUFFVILLE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL FOR 1953



Councillor Elmer Daniels



Councillor Glenn Ratcliff



Councillor Delbert Booth



Councillor Milt. Burk

Reeve Ogden Returned with Nearly 300 Majority; Daniels Heads Polls, Over-600 Votes

With seventy per cent of the electorate turning out at the polls on Monday, a record, Reeve Henry Ogden swept back into office in Stouffville with almost three hundred of a majority over Harold Murphy who aspired to the office this year after serving on council in 1952.

Topping the polls was Elmer Daniels who resigned from a post on the school board to seek a council seat. Mr. Daniels polled a record 638 votes. In second and third spots were Councillor Glenn Ratcliff and Delbert Booth who each scored more than 550 votes and were only ten votes apart. Milton Burk, former deputy-reeve of Pickering Township, polled a good vote for a newcomer to take the fourth council seat with 479 votes.

HOW THEY VOTED -

	FOR REEVE	FOR COUNCIL	FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
	North	South	Total	
Ogden	273	256	529	
Murphy	127	116	243	
Daniels	333	305	638	
Ratcliff	306	281	587	
Booth	291	283	577	
Burk	250	229	479	
Buckland	99	77	176	
Malcolm	89	83	172	
Wilkes	276	231	507	
Smith	222	219	441	
Malloy	214	198	412	
Sanders	158	135	293	
McCraith	123	101	224	
Weldon	298	258	556	
Stouffer	242	220	462	
Walsh	134	135	269	
MacKay	53	50	103	

The other two contestants were well back in the running, Len Buckland and Mrs. Ella Malcolm with 176 and 172 votes respectively.

Seven hundred and seventy-two voters cast ballots out of a possible eleven hundred. Each candidate showed only a slight variance in his vote from the north side poll to the south side poll.

School Trustees

Len Wilkes, last year chairman of the Public School Board and up for re-election, topped the polls in this department with 507 votes. Another of the 1952 Board, Mrs. Mary Smith, stood second with 441, and Wm. Malloy, a newcomer to the municipal field, was third with 412. The vote of Len Wilkes was almost double that polled by the two bottom contestants, Wm. Sanders with 293 and Mrs. Viola McCraith with 224. The unexpired term created by the resignation of Elmer Daniels will be filled by an appointment to be made by the Board at their first regular meeting.

Public Utilities Commission

A. E. Weldon, former Stouffville reeve, ran a strong race for the newly-created public utilities commission and polled a 556 vote. Former Councillor Reg Stouffer took the other seat with 462 votes. Horace Walsh, former town electrician, was third with 269 votes, somewhat less than his supporters had anticipated. Reg MacKay was in fourth place with 103.

The more than fifteen hundred ballots created almost an all-night job for the election officers and it was close to midnight when the final returns were available. Groups gathered here and there to await the outcome at various points throughout town grew weary as the hours dragged on. There is the possibility that a third poll will be instituted before another election is held. Interest was very high in town for this latest contest of municipal politics as was evidenced by the tremendous turnout at the polls. Voters lined up to commence casting their ballots when the polls opened at 10 a.m. and some reported waiting some time in line at other hours during the day. The lengthening of the polling hours until 8 p.m. it was thought, aided in getting out the vote.

On Wednesday afternoon while proceeding along the townline west of Stouffville Eldon Brillinger skidded on the slippery road and rolled his car into the ditch. The vehicle hit a culvert and snapped off a telephone pole. The driver crawled out through the open door and luckily escaped injury. Eldon was driving to the High School in Stouffville to write one of his Christmas exams when the accident occurred. The car was quite badly damaged.



Reeve Henry Ogden

Trustees To Meet Protest Public School Teachers' Demands

A meeting has been called at the Whitchurch Township Municipal office, Vandorf, on Thursday night of this week, of the township public school trustees and those of Stouffville, in protest over the recently published salary demands of the teachers' federation.

Protests at the recent Whitchurch Township nomination meeting touched off the move for a meeting of the various section boards. One board member from Ballantrae told the gathering that in his own section ratepayers were nearly "at the end of their rope" in paying. He stated he did not believe that Boards had the power to sign any blanket contracts as asked for by the teachers.

Dr. F. VanNostrand said that the Department of Education was short-sighted in arbitrarily only paying grants on certain estimates in school buildings, when costs were going up all the time. Dr. VanNostrand, as chairman of the Whitchurch Planning Board, stated that it was felt that the grants should definitely be higher, particularly on public schools.

CHRISTMAS SALE!

All goods in store reduced from December 11th to 20th inclusive, at Mrs. M. Watts.

Santa Took Over Town on Sat., in Largest Parade Ever

Headed by the Queen's Own Rifles' Band in their smart uniforms, Santa paid his annual pre-Christmas visit to Stouffville on Saturday as part of the largest parade yet staged for the occasion. More than fifteen floats participated in a riot of colour and Christmas gaiety that thrilled the huge crowd of onlookers who crowded the sidelines.

Several of the local merchants reported a record day for business and this was evidenced by the fact that Santa distributed more than eighteen hundred gift candy bags in the afternoon.

While the weather had anything but a Christmas touch, the sun shone and the rain clouds of the previous day cleared away. The parade proceeded from the west to the east end of town and Santa Claus took up his position on a specially constructed ramp in front of the municipal building to distribute the gifts. The bewhiskered gentleman in red also visited the nursing homes and the hospital, bringing a cheery note to the sick and shut-ins.

Prizes in the various classes for floats were awarded as follows: best Christmas float, Henry Ogden & Son, Murphy Motors, Mole Motors; best commercial float, Fred Byers, Lions Club, Athletic Club; best bicycle, Margaret Curtis, Jeffrey Burkholder, Warren Hendricks; best carriage, Carol Kennedy, Carol Pearce, Pam Yearsley; best school float, Nursery School, Atha School.

The Chamber of Commerce who sponsor this annual Santa Claus Parade are most appreciative of the response which the public extended to their efforts and displayed great community spirit.

A Leaders and Girls Council Meeting for Canadian Girls in Training in the North York District was held in Newtonbrook United Church on Dec. 1st. Irene Crowhurst and Lynne Ford from the Stouffville United Church C.G.I.T. group attended this meeting along with their leaders, Mrs. R. L. Mercer and Miss R. Roberts. Mrs. D. Booth who so kindly provided transportation also attended the meeting.

Sordid Case Revealed

In a front page story for several days, a Toronto newspaper tells an amazing story of three little girls, ages six, five and three who were found last summer living like animals in a home 50 miles from Toronto. Residents in the Uxbridge area are familiar with the case and it has been thoroughly investigated by the Ontario County Children's Aid Society. Jim Thomas, local reporter with The Tribune, was the first to uncover the case some months ago.

Home conditions of these children are said to have been so bad that they developed serious personality disturbances and would not speak, although psychiatrists have discovered they know the English language. Living with the animals on the farm, they developed a language of their own and communicated to each other by means of grunts and groans.

For some weeks in the early fall, the children were hospitalized in Toronto and their condition has shown improvement.

At home the children would not come near strangers. They were clothed in flour sacks. Now, the girls are being looked after by county authorities and other welfare agencies.

\$10,000 Bail for Dr. Clouse Until Appeal

Dr. Earl B. Clouse, 59, general practitioner, from Box Grove, in Markham Twp., was released on \$10,000 bail pending his appeal of a 10-year prison sentence for manslaughter.

The doctor was found guilty in the death of a Toronto girl following an attempted abortion. He was lodged in the Don Jail until the \$10,000 property bail was raised by friends.

Court officials said the appeal may not be heard for two months.

Asks Damages of Whitchurch Township

A letter from Gordon Stephenson dated November 10 was the cause of a long discussion by Whitchurch Township council re stop signs on township roads. Mr. Stephenson enclosed a bill for damages to his car of \$310 and personal injury to passengers estimated at \$1200 caused from an accident at the corner of the north Whitchurch townline, where he was struck by a car travelling north on the Uxbridge road.

He claimed the township was liable as the stop sign was down and had been for some time. P. S. Legge said that if the township was liable it was covered by insurance. A copy of Mr. Stephenson's letter will be sent to the adjoining townships.

Pickering Twp. Man Injured in Crash

Thrown out of his auto on No. 7 Highway Saturday night David Tran, 60, of the 8th concession of Pickering, suffered a possible concussion. Police said Tran's car collided head-on with an auto driven by Lynn Reesor of Markham Village, near the 8th concession.

Riding in the front seat beside his father, Laurie Tran was not injured. Mr. Tran Sr. was given emergency treatment by Dr. R.M. Pilkey of Markham.

June Smith Candidate For Overseas Trip

June Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Smith of Stouffville, has been selected as the candidate from the local High School with the possible chance of being chosen by the Department of Education for a sponsored trip to the British Isles and Europe next spring.

These girls picked from Ontario High Schools will appear before a number of principals and educational department representatives and from the group a select number will be chosen to make this coveted trip.

June stands high in her academic achievements in the local school and her many friends are trusting that she may be one of the fortunate few to be selected.

Strike Water at Record Depth on Markham Farm

After drilling over 240 feet on the farm of Mr. Allan Lewis, 7th concession of Markham, the pipe finally pierced a strong spring and no letup in the flow of water is in sight. Over 300 gallons were pumped from the excavation per hour and the water is becoming clearer each day. The well is one of the deepest around the district.

Mr. Bert Roffey of Box Grove and Fred Reid of Markham began their drilling operations early in November and it wasn't until Saturday that their efforts proved successful. Mr. Lewis has one other well at the barn but the supply of water from it was not sufficient to last the summer.

We regret that several budgets of news as well as advertisements arriving on Wednesday had to be omitted from this issue because of lack of space. They will appear next week. Correspondents and advertisers are urgently requested to have their copy into this office not later than Monday for the issue of Dec. 17th. The Christmas week issue will be on Tuesday, Dec. 23rd, and all copy must be in by Saturday night.

Markham Stenographer At Chicago Congress

On Saturday, Dec. 6th, Miss Aileen Easton, a resident of Buttonville and stenographer at the Markham Township Municipal Office, returned home from the Chicago Congress, one of 1400 delegates who completed the one week tour. Miss Easton was selected to represent York County 4-H Club, a division of the Junior Farmers. Mr. Norman Lyons of R.R.2 Uxbridge was the appointed delegate from Ontario County.

The local representative arrived in Chicago by train on Saturday night, Nov. 29th, and attended the National Barn-Dance program which is broadcast over the Chicago network. The delegates attended church on Sunday morning and held daily meetings throughout the week in which many items of club interest were discussed. The tourists were royally entertained during their weeks' stay in the Windy City. Miss Easton along with the other delegates were taken on a tour of the city, a visit to the International livestock show and many other points of interest.

It is not the first trip to Chicago for the Markham Township employee although it was the first time she had ever been appointed as a delegate to the Congress. Miss Easton has been a member of the York County 4-H Club for the past five years. The organization has a total enrollment of over 60,000 members.

Sentenced for Arson Youth Freed on Appeal

Sentenced by Magistrate Ebbs at Oshawa last September to six months definite and six months indeterminate on a charge of arson, 17-year-old Garry Evans of Claremont won an acquittal this week in an appeal before the Ontario Supreme Court.

"All the evidence of the Crown witnesses showed that the fire was caused accidentally," Chief Justice Pickup said in announcing the appeal court's decision to quash the conviction.

The chief justice said that it was evident that the magistrate had based his decision on a statement written and signed by the youth. Evans took the stand in his own defense, said he made the statement "in order to get home."

Veterans!

Your Children's Annual Christmas Party will be held on Dec. 15, at the Veterans' Memorial Hall. Santa will present a gift to all the children present. Children's entertainment will be provided. Refreshments served.

THE COMMITTEE URGES ALL LOCAL VETERANS to bring the children and enjoy the evening as only your attendance makes it a success. For free transportation, call Stouffville 3632 not later than 6 p.m.

BIRTHS

BUNKER—Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bunker Goodwood, are happy to announce the birth of their daughter on Saturday, Dec. 6, 1952, at the Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville.

GROVE—Mr. and Mrs. Walter Grove, Markham R.R.2, are happy to announce the birth of their son, Richard William Anthony, on Wednesday, Dec. 3, 1952, at the Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville.

NOBLE—Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Noble (nee Doreen Jones) are happy to announce the birth of a son on Friday, Dec. 5, 1952, at the Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville. Mother and baby doing well.

Local Farmer Well Up in Ont. Fifty Bus. Wheat Club

Eugene Lemon, well-known Whitchurch farmer, stood well up in the standing of farmers in this year's Ontario Fifty Bushel Winter Wheat Club.

Charles E. Osborne, R.R.2 Bowmanville, Durham County, carried off the Championship honors.

The competition, sponsored by the Maple Leaf Milling Company in co-operation with the Ontario Department of Agriculture, saw sixteen clubs, comprising a membership of 250, participate.

Three top contestants in each club were eligible to enter the championship competition. Other winners in the championship contest were: Donald Metcalfe, Bowmanville R.R.2, Durham;

Ross Segsworth, Burlington, Halton; E. Lemon, Stouffville R.R.2, York; Roy Turnbull, Paris R.R.3, Brant; R. K. Squair, Bowmanville R.R.4, Durham; John Charlton, Paris R.R.1, Brant; Rankin Kellam, Brampton, Peel; J. A. Armstrong & Son, Union R.R.1, Elgin; E. Crossland, Newmarket R.R.2, York.

Standing in the Provincial contest is determined on the basis of appearance, weight per bushel and milling quality.

Variety in all cases was Cornell 595. Estimated yield of the ten prize winners ranged from 59 to 68 bushels per acre. Prizes ranged from \$75.00 for the winner to \$10.00 for tenth place.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSIONERS



A. E. Weldon

Stouffville's first Public Utility Commissioners elected on Monday will be former reeve



Reg. Stouffer

A. E. Weldon and former Councillor Reg. Stouffer.