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Six Year Old Glasgow Boy Bobby Stuart, Rescues Sister from Swollen Creek

Six-year-old Bobby Stuart, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Stuart of Glasgow, is a real hero as the result of rescuing his five year old sister Susan from a swollen creek located about one-half mile from the Stuart home at the rear of the William Oaks property.

The two Stuart children accompanied by other playmates wandered down to the familiar Glasgow pond on Sunday afternoon and were playing around the edge of the creek near the dam when Susan suddenly slipped over the bank and into the river. The other children became terrified but Bobby heedless for his own safety climbed down the embankment and

waded into the creek after his sister who had disappeared from sight. Grasping her by the hand he dragged her to the surface and back onto dry land. Bruised, dirty and covered with blood the two youngsters stumbled home. Mr. and Mrs. Stuart were shocked when they learned of the narrow escape.

"We have warned our children not to go near that pond on numerous occasions," said Mrs. Stuart, "perhaps the scare they both received will make them stay away from the water."

Bobby is none the worse for his experience but Susan is still in bed recovering from shock and a couple of nasty gashes on her leg.

Eldred King New Vice President of County Jr. Farmers

At the annual meeting of York County Junior Farmers' Association held at the Department of Agriculture, Newmarket, Miss Jeanette Harrison of Mt. Albert was elected president for 1953. Jeanette, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Angus Harrison, has been an active leader in the Sharon Junior Farmers' Club and is past president of the County Association last year. Eldred King of Markham was elected vice president and Dorothy Miles of Milliken, secretary-treasurer.

Following the noon lunch, David Pelletier of Milton, R.R.6, and President of the Ontario Junior Farmers' Association, was introduced by Carl Boynton, as guest speaker.

Mr. T. I. Hilliard, Associate Director of the Agricultural Representatives Branch and General Secretary of the Ontario Junior Farmers' Association, took charge of the next section of the programme.

A surprise celebration party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tindall on the occasion of their 15th wedding anniversary. The family presented the couple with a new electric range.

ENGAGEMENT
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph White of Stouffville wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Joyce Eleanor, to Donald G. Dean, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Dean of Markham; marriage to take place April 18th, 1953.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bryant Hodgson of Scarborough announce the engagement of their daughter, Barbara Ann, to Thomas Arthur Burton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Burton of Stouffville. The wedding will take place on Saturday, April 18, at 3 o'clock in Washington United Church, Scarborough.

Addresses Newly Formed Markham Twp. Property Owners Association

Mr. Oliver Crookford, Reeve of Scarborough Township, was the guest speaker at the organization meeting of the Markham Township Property Owners Association held at Cherry Hill farm on Friday night. The Chairman of the meeting, Mr. Bill Champion, called on Mr. Jack Smith, M.P. for York North for a few words. Mr. Smith called on the ratepayers to support and cooperate with those who hold public office in the township so that the municipality might continue to grow and prosper.

"Too often we elect men to public office, then forget about them," claimed the Federal Member of Parliament.

Mr. Win Timbers, Reeve of Markham Township, introduced the special speaker of the evening. Before doing so, however, Reeve Timbers stated that such organizations as the newly formed Property Owners' Association could be a great assistance to the township if conducted rightly.

"Sometimes such groups go off the deep end" with the result that they prove more of a hindrance than a help," pointed out Mr. Timbers.

Mr. Crookford expressed the

belief that the problems that Scarborough Township have dealt with and are dealing with at the present time will be the problems of Markham Township in the near future. The Scarborough Township Reeve pointed out that the greatest danger confronted by suburban areas was the increased taxation which was literally driving the farmer from the land.

In commenting on industrial expansion, the speaker felt that many municipalities were begging for industry and yet had nothing to attract the big business firms. Such important items as labor, water, sewers and transportation must be provided in order that industry will develop.

"Municipalities must inconvenience themselves in order to obtain industry but should not grant concession to the big business firms in order to get them established in their township."

Deputy-Reeve Alf. LeMasurier thanked Reeve Crookford for his timely message.

Stouffville Municipal Council will meet in regular session next Monday evening, April 6th.

SPRING - IT'S GLORIOUS SPRING



Stouffville Public School children gather in droves outside the school during recess hours to enjoy the

glorious spring sunshine which was so prevalent all last week and in fact gave us a record seven hours

sunlight in one day. Skipping ropes and "dibs" are all the rage everywhere.

Town Clerk Resigns Position

In a rather unexpected move last mid-week, Mr. Garfield Brown, Stouffville clerk-treasurer, resigned his position and will take a position with the Department of Municipal Affairs in Toronto. Mr. Brown is comparatively new in the clerk's position here, and was only recently granted an increase in salary amounting to several hundred dollars. However, his position with the government will be a more lucrative one and he believes it will be a step forward in his municipal career.

Stouffville municipal council met in special session on Saturday morning and accepted Mr. Brown's resignation by resolution. The position is now open and an advertisement appears in this news paper for applications which are called for April 4th. Mr. Brown will continue as clerk until the third week in April.

Local Young Man Appears on TV

Harvey Bellman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cy Bellman of Stouffville appeared on Television on Tuesday night over CBLT on the Toronto program "Tabloid." Harvey was chosen "Timmy" in 1950 symbolizing the Crippled Children's Fund in Ontario, and along with Freddie Atkins who is Timmy this year, the two appeared on TV.

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Constable's Damage Action Settled

A damage action involving Constable Ira Rusnell of Stouffville, was settled in County Court this week before Judge Forsyth. Fred Wilcox of Wilcox Trucking, Markham, was assessed \$366 damage costs as well as court costs.

The action arose out of an accident last fall at which time Constable Rusnell had commandeered the car of Herb Ferrier, Lincolnville, to give chase to the Wilcox truck. In attempting to stop Wilcox, the crackup had occurred, and an involved legal tanglement has followed, with the final result in court this week.

Ringwood Native Was Railway Man

The death occurred in Milwaukee on March 14th, of Alfred Pipher, native of Ringwood, and a frequent visitor to Stouffville. The late Alfred Pipher who has passed his 70th birthday, was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Abe Pipher of Ringwood, and he worked at various jobs in this community before making his home across the line.

In Milwaukee, Alf. Pipher as he was familiarly known, was employed for many years on the North Western Railway and only retired a few years back. He made almost annual visits to this locality where he had many friends and relatives. Surviving are his wife, the

John Kasper Byer Dies at Markham

On Thursday, March 19th, Mr. John Kasper Byer, a well-known resident of Markham, passed away at the home of his daughter in his 79th year. Born near Stayner in 1875, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Byer, the deceased moved to Markham at an early age where he has resided until his recent death. His wife, the former Alice Stover, predeceased him twenty-five years ago. Although suffering a heart condition, the late Mr. Byer has been in reasonably good health. He was stricken last week and four days later he passed away. He was identified with St. Andrew's United Church, Markham.

He leaves to mourn his passing, one daughter Mary (Mrs. Allan Raymer) of Markham. There are two surviving sisters, Mrs. James McFadyen of Burlington, Mrs. Hannah Neidrauer of Buffalo and one brother, Benjamin of Copper Mountain, B.C. Another brother, David, passed away recently.

Funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Dixon Funeral Chapel, Markham, conducted by Rev. Chas. Fockler with interment in Elmwood Cemetery. The pallbearers were Mr. Milton Graham, Mr. Carman Lewis, Mr. Murray Wilson, Mr. Bert Petty, Mr. Chas. Hill and Mr. C. E. Hunt.

former Ada Lemon of Baker Hill, and one son Harold; also a brother Frank and sister Nettie (Mrs. Robt. McConochie), both of Toronto.

Harry Holden Wins Lions Club Car

Mr. Harry Holden of Stouffville was the winner on Friday evening of the new Pontiac car being given away by the Stouffville Lions Club in a lucky ticket sale (\$10 each), which began last fall. The lucky ticket was pulled from the drum by little Carol Insley at exactly midnight.

The Lions Club staged a dance at the Legion Hall at which to make the draw and the affair was extremely well attended, much to the satisfaction of the Club which will profit to quite an extent by the venture.

The name of Harry Holden as a lucky car winner harkens back in many minds to the several popular car draws which were made by the late D. F. Holden, father of Harry Holden, when he operated one of the largest Ford car agencies in the district.

Lion President Neil Smith was Master of Ceremonies at the dance on Friday night, and thanked the large gathering for their support of the work of the club.

Mr. Fred Woodward, Church St., is leaving this week for the Old Country where he will visit with his mother who is over ninety years of age.

Expires Suddenly

Mrs. Eli Lehman, who moved here only a short time ago from Atha to take up residence on Burkholder St., passed away at noon on Wednesday.

North York Conservatives Name Wm. Case, Pres. Of Federal Organization

With the Scout Hall at Newmarket packed to the doors, the new Conservative Association for North York (Federal) came into existence last Friday night. Reason for formation of the new association is the splitting up of the old North York Federal riding, following redistribution of seats last year, and formation of additional ridings in the county.

With Floyd Corner of Aurora in the chair, and Richard Edmonds of Richmond Hill acting as secretary, the first business of the meeting was the adoption of a new constitution.

Election of officers was conducted by Frank Reeves of Woodbridge, William Case, Aurora, was given an acclamation for the presidency. Donald Lewis, of Stouffville withdrew in favour of Mrs. Frank Hope, of Newmarket, who was also acclaimed.

Frank Beatty, Kettleby, was given an acclamation for the vice-president-at-large for the men, and the same honour was accorded to Mrs. Fred Moffat of Aurora for the women's vice-presidency. Chosen as vice-president-at-large representing the younger Conservatives was Vern Sheldrake of Oak Ridges, who was also given an acclamation.

A contest between R.H. Edmonds of Richmond Hill and Art Wells, Maple, for the chairmanship of organization and membership saw the latter elected. Bill Parks of Sutton was given chairmanship of the pub-

lic relations committee. J. Otton Newmarket barrister, was elected to the secretaryship, while John Perry of Maple was given an acclamation as assistant secretary, and Ed Little, Richmond Hill as treasurer.

Taking the chair after his election, Mr. Case forecast that if the same spirit of enthusiasm and co-operation was put into the forthcoming election campaign the party could look forward to sending a member to Ottawa. His remarks were reiterated by Major A.A. (Lex) Mackenzie, M.P., member of the Ontario Legislature for North York, who spoke briefly.

Date and place of the meeting to choose a candidate for the forthcoming Federal election had been set tentatively as April 22 at Newmarket. A suggestion that meetings be rotated, advanced by Jas. Murray at Aurora, led to a decision to hold the meeting at Aurora, on the same date. Place will be either the Graystones or the High School auditorium. She had hopes of being able to secure the latter place. Mrs. Fred Moffat said. Exact time and place are to be announced later.

All four of those who have declared their intention of seeking the Federal nomination were present at the meeting, including Mr. A.G. Walwyn, who contested the seat in the last election. The others were C.A. (Tiny) Cathers of Newmarket; Chas. Hooper of Buttonville and Col. R.C. Blue of Aurora.

Wm. A. Rich Gets Markham High School Contract, Eleven Tender for The Job

William A. Rich of Islington, contractor, was the successful tenderer for the new Markham High School and members of the Board appeared before Markham Township Council on Monday evening concerning the issuing of 20-year debentures to cover this cost. Chairman of the Board, Mr. Frank Burkholder, told the council that eleven tenders had been received for the contract with Mr. Rich being the lowest, and \$100,000 below the highest tender. The original estimate on the Markham job was \$25,000. The contract covers the building, grading, etc. and the debenture price also includes \$23,000 for architect's fees. The total cost will be \$48,000, which is \$37,000 less than estimated price.

Unionville Police Village Trustees headed by Mr. A. K. Harrington discussed with council the advisability of moving the Unionville fire trucks from their present location opposite the Crosby Arena, to the temporary garage which the township erected following the fire on their property. Rent of \$50 a month is presently being paid for storage and caretaking. Council is considering selling the garage preparatory to moving

into their new premises at Buttonville but would make the place available to Unionville if the village trustees considered it a good plan to move their equipment.

Following considerable discussion, it was agreed that the township fire committee and the trustees should meet on Saturday afternoon and look over the premises.

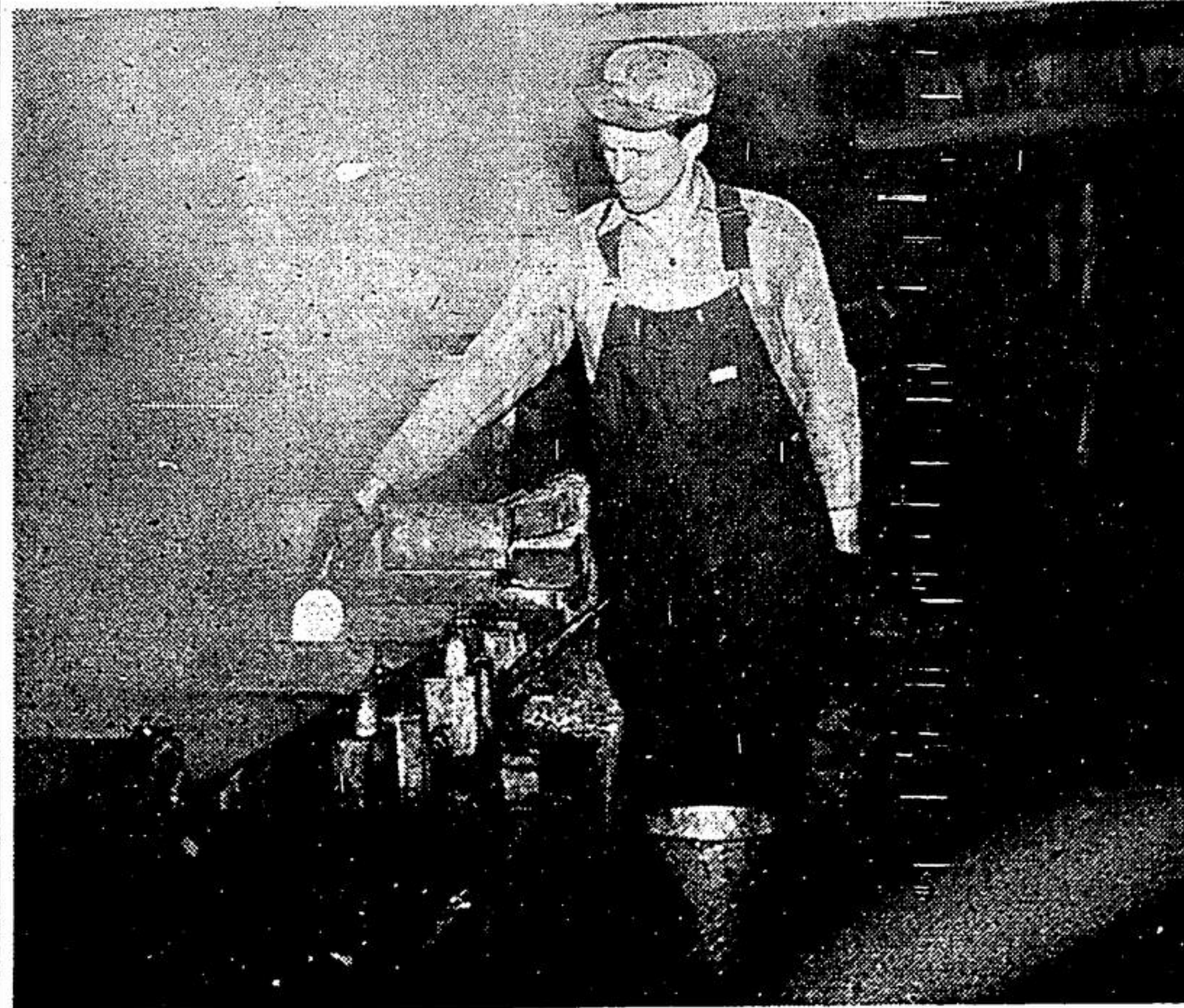
Had Surplus in '52

The much-publicized matter of the Markham Township budget and whether or not the municipality finished last year "in the red" or with a surplus, was aired once more on Monday night in the presence of the township auditor and it was revealed that the municipality had closed the year with a surplus of more than \$20,000.

92 on Saturday

Mary Ellen Cook, lifelong resident of Lemonville, and a patient in the Heaton Rest Home, Church St., for some five years, marked her 92nd birthday on Saturday, March 21st. Mary Cook is a sister of George Cook of Lemonville and a retired school teacher, having taught in this Whitechurch hamlet for a number of years.

MAPLE SYRUP TIME AGAIN



Although the weather conditions have not been very favorable for the production of maple syrup, Ratcliff Bros. report an average yield from their one hundred acre bush located near Vivian in Whitechurch Township. While the sap run is expected to continue until the middle of April the business is largely dependent on cool, frosty nights and bright, sunny days. Two hundred gallons of syrup per season is considered an average yield.

The sap is gathered in a large steel barrel pulled by either a team of horses or a tractor and is poured into an underground vat and piped into the large evaporators. The sap then goes through a considerable boiling process and

the syrup is drained off, strained and made ready for shipment to local and Toronto buyers. It takes fifty gallons of sap to make one gallon of syrup. Mr. Howard Ratcliff, pictured above has been in the maple syrup business for the past fifteen years. He is assisted this year by Garnet Rae, Roy Fockler, Harry Lewis and Harry Dzavala.

Former Planning Board Member Urges More Action By Markham Twp. Board

In a letter from Mr. R. Shorten, a member of last year's Markham Township Planning Board in which he expressed disappointment in the progress made by the Board was read at Monday's Markham Township Council meeting by Deputy-Reeve A. LeMasurier. The full text of the letter is published in this issue of The Tribune.

In his ten-page letter Mr. Shorten, a resident of Harding Park subdivision, referring to his own term of office stated, "I venture to predict that the Planning Board will not have completed its master zoning plan for the whole township before the end of 1954. I say this not because of any lack of effort on the part of the Board, but by reason of the fact that during my tenure of office at least 90 per cent of the Board's time was occupied in dealing with subdivision applications and isolated minor real estate transactions which of necessity must come before the Board for its consideration. I fear that 1953 and subsequent years will bring even more such problems before the Board and that even less time can be devoted to active

development of the master plan."

In presenting the letter, Mr. LeMasurier said he felt "the contents of this excellent letter can be of invaluable assistance to this Council. I am particularly concerned with our future plans, and I feel we should discuss the letter and pass its contents on to the Planning Board," he continued.

Reeve W. Timbers contended that many of the recommendations contained in the letter were already under consideration by the Planning Board.

Councillor C. Hooper: "I don't agree with a lot that is contained in that letter. All it's going to do is create disagreement."

Mr. Timbers, who is Council's representative on the Planning Board: "We must have confidence in the Planning Board and its members. I think it's a shame that this Board should be criticized this way after the work they've done," he said.

Councillor LeMasurier: "Council should be able to take some constructive advice." No action was taken.