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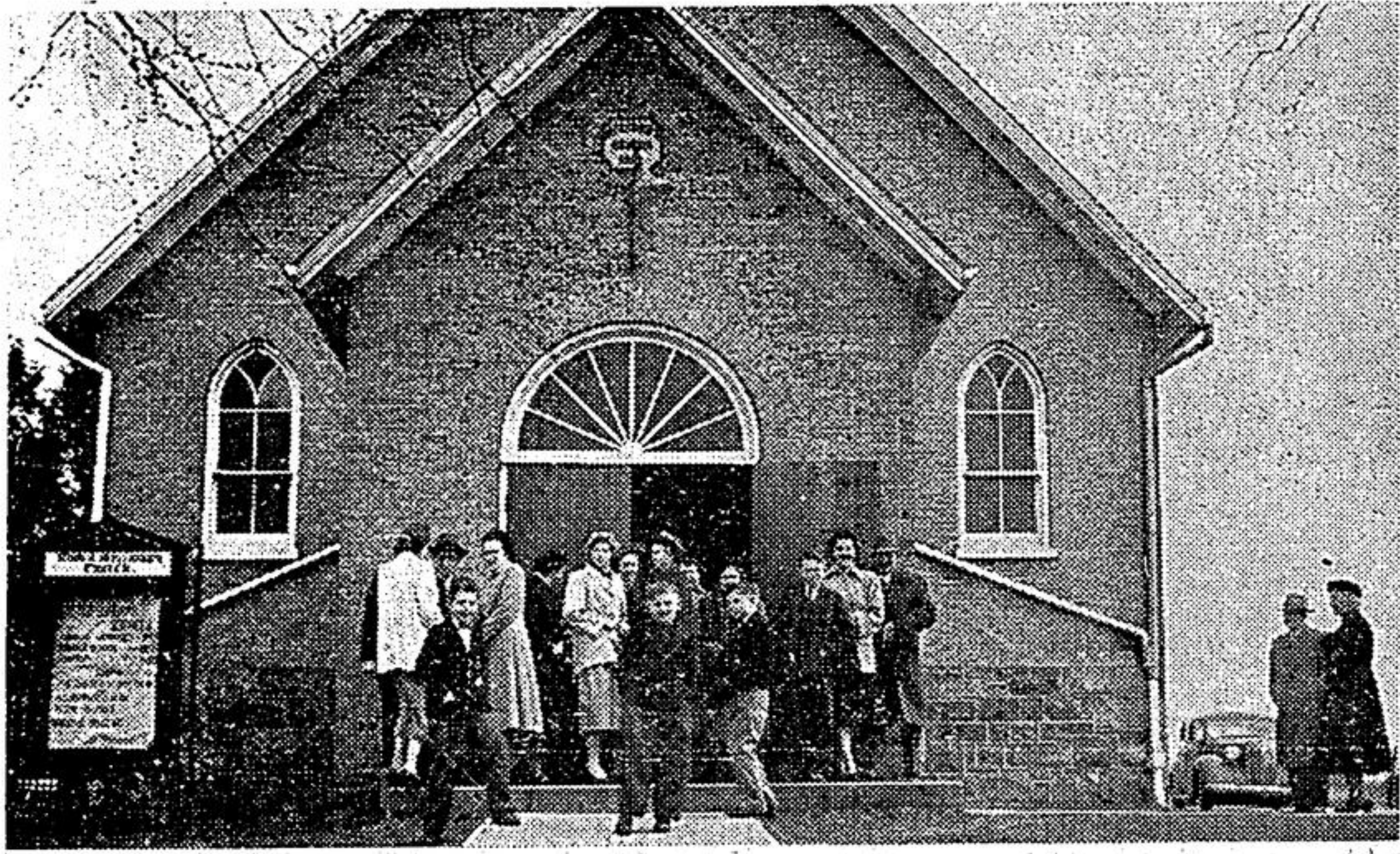
Record Crowds Went To Church Here at Easter



Record crowds attended worship services in Stouffville at Easter time and

above is the choir of the United Church during the rendering of their Good

Friday cantata "Life Eternal," under the direction of Mr. Lorne Boadway.



Here The Tribune camera caught worshippers

just as they began their exit from a Sunrise service

in the Stouffville United Missionary Service.

Twp. Fire Pay too Small—Country Runs Ruining Truck, Council Hears

"The townships are not paying enough standby time for our fire truck, and it's going to ruin it making these calls," stated Councillor Elmer Daniels at the regular meeting of Stouffville Council on Monday night.

The matter of this cost was discussed when a communication was received from the Bickle Co. stating that the cost of installing pumping equipment on the town's second truck would be \$3,500.

Council agreed that the townships were not paying sufficient towards the truck up keep but no action was taken towards a change.

Recorded Vote
The question of whether or not the town should pay retiring Constable Rusnell holiday pay for the year 1952 as well as 1953 brought on quite a furor in council, with councillor Daniels strenuously opposing the request.

"It's not the amount of the money, it's the principal of the thing, going back into another year, as if you were trying to squeeze out the last cent you could get," declared councillor Daniels.

"Well let's just pay it and call it all 1953 pay," suggested councillor Ratcliff.

"If your council last year had looked after it we wouldn't be stuck with it now," returned councillor Daniels. "I'm certainly opposed to it."

"I feel the same way," said councillor Burk.

A resolution calling for the council to pay two years holiday pay amounting to \$36 resulted in a tie vote. Reeve H. Ogden stated that he wouldn't break the tie without a recorded vote and when Clerk Brown called for the yeas and nays, he voted along with councillors Ratcliff and Booth in favour of the resolution.

Truck for Town Use?
Councillor Daniels reported to council that he had received complaints that the town main-

tenance truck was being used for other than town business and he thought the matter should be aired.

"You heard about it at the last nomination meeting and you'll hear about it at the next one," said councillor Daniels.

"Well that shouldn't be very hard to clean up, ask the maintenance man to give an account of his use of the truck," suggested councillor Booth.

Councillor Ratcliff stated the maintenance man was to do town work first, and was at liberty to take private work in his spare time, that was the arrangement.

"Why you haven't even got a contract with him," replied councillor Daniels.

Councillor Daniels pressed his contention that the maintenance man should be under contract and there was considerable discussion on the matter, with no action as the town clock sounded one a.m.

Local Fire Brigade Now Serves in Altona Area

Arrangements were completed with Pickering Township Council and Claremont Fire Brigade last week, whereby the Altona district comprising 2700 acres would be serviced by the Stouffville Fire Brigade. The area served is from the north half of con. 3 and all of concession 9. The section will be released to Stouffville by the Claremont Brigade.

Cost of fighting fires will be \$60 for the first two hours and \$16 for each additional hour. This agreement completes negotiations of long-standing and repeated urgings by farmers in the area that they be serviced from Stouffville.

Greatest Cast Ever Assembled For Ice Revue

For one night only, the local arena will present to the public the Stouffville Figure Skating Club in their annual Easter Ice Revue with the greatest cast of skaters ever to appear here, 150 strong.

A new departure this spring is being attempted by the three skating clubs in this area, Stouffville, Unionville, and Scarborough. Each club will present a number at the other's Ice Revue. Thus one number will appear at the local Revue by the Unionville Club and one by the Scarborough Club. In turn Stouffville skaters will go to the other two centres with one of their numbers.

In addition to the host of local talent, program will have Murray Burbidge, professional skater, and Miss Wendy Taylor, gold medalist from the Granite Club. Extensive decorating preparations are being made and all in all the program appears to be a real highlight.

Reserved seats may still be had at the arena box office, L. E. O'Neill's, and The Tribune office.

Daniel Ramer, 88, Well-Known Apiarist

On Thursday, April 2nd, Mr. Daniel Ramer, noted apiarist on the 10th concession of Markham passed away in the Stouffville Brierbush Hospital in his 88th year. The son of David Ramer and Maria Hoover, the late Mr. Ramer has been a resident of Markham Twp. all his life. He was enjoying comparatively good health until the middle of January when he was stricken and never recovered. The deceased was a member of the Locust Hill United Church and served as elder in the congregation for a number of years.

The late Daniel Ramer was widely known for his honey and obtained many prizes at fall fairs and exhibitions. He was one of the first to exhibit honey at the C.N.E. in Toronto. Mr. Ramer was also very active at sports in his community during his younger years. Baseball and hockey were both greatly enjoyed by the deceased in the days of his youth.

Besides his wife, the former Elizabeth Nutt, Mr. Ramer is survived by two daughters, Mabel (Mrs. A. R. Shirk) of Ridgeway, Blanche on the 10th concession of Markham and one son, Carl, also on the 10th concession.

Funeral service was held at the Locust Hill United Church on Sunday afternoon at 2.30 p.m. conducted by Rev. J. McLachlan with interment in the Locust Hill Cemetery. The pallbearers were Geo. Bennett, Frank Reesor, Gordon Hagerman, Jack Pike, Kenneth Reesor and Lorne Dimma.

Park Board To Demolish Grandstand

The grandstand in the town park which has served the community well for a good many years, is to be demolished according to a decision of the Community Centre Board at their inaugural meeting on Monday. For the present, a temporary tool shed to house the park tractor and other equipment will be erected at the south end of the grounds.

Mrs. Les. Wilson was named chairman of the Board with Keith Middlemiss, secretary, and Glenn Ratcliff, treasurer. Members expressed regret that Bert Batt who has done such an excellent job of caretaking in the park for a number of years, will be unable to resume his duties this spring due to ill health. Mr. Lou Slack has been engaged to fill Mr. Batt's position and work will commence immediately to place the grounds in condition for another season of summer activities.

Presentation to Retiring Constable

At the regular meeting of Stouffville Municipal Council on Monday evening, retiring Constable Ira Rusnell was presented with a pen and pencil set in recognition of his eleven years of service to the community.

Reeve Ogden stated in his brief remarks that Constable Rusnell had served Stouffville well and had been most fair in his dealings with the public at all times and on behalf of the council and the community, this gift was being presented.

There's a white robin making its home on Duchess St.

Council Moving Toward Survey for Sewer System

Rough Estimate of Sewerage System and Disposal Plant for Stouffville Given as \$379,000 Plus Lateral Lines

J. G. Henry and L. McCorkriston, representing R. V. Anderson Associates Ltd., engineers, presented Stouffville town council with a most comprehensive picture of what a local sewerage system would entail, when they visited council on Monday evening. Representatives of the firm were in town a week ago and had made a rough map of the municipality and its needs. They stated that Stouffville would not present any difficult engineering problems for the installing of such a system. The greater part of the system could be operated by gravity, with only one pumping station likely, that in the southwest section of town. Levels were taken at various points to gain the knowledge presented to council. The disposal plant, it was thought, would be best located south of the present park property.

The installation of sewerage in the average Ontario community, is roughly estimated at \$200 per head of population. Such a system would take both toilet waste and cellar drains. The cost of the survey to Stouffville would be \$700, the engineers told council, and should the municipality proceed with the job, this amount would stand as a credit against the engineering fees.

No additional town water would be required to operate the system with the exception of a small pipe to the disposal plant for cleaning purposes.

Such a plant as outlined for Stouffville, would require the services of one man about four hours a day. In the matter of roads, Mr. Henry stated that the Dept. of Highways would pay subsidy on replacing those streets torn up for the installation. The survey would require at least a month to complete.

Anderson Associates have completed sewerage systems in several communities, one of the most recent being Acton. They have also just finished a survey for Markham. It was proposed that council should visit the Acton plant and then make a decision on whether or not to proceed with the survey.

Recorded Vote Over Confidence In Planning Board

A recorded vote was called on Monday in Markham Township Council on an issue of confidence in the Township Planning Board. Deputy-Reeve LeMasurier recorded opposition to the motion of confidence following their presentation of a quarterly report.

Conflict over the work of the Planning Board has arisen since the publishing of a letter written by Mr. Shorten, a former member of the Board. Prior to its publishing, the letter was read in council by the Deputy-Reeve. The letter criticised the Board for inactivity.

"Everyone in public office is open for criticism but not malicious gossip," declared Dr. Tanner, Chairman of the Board.

"I think the Planning Board is doing a good job," said Reeve Timbers.

"The letter was read to you as constructive criticism, but apparently the Board is not gracious enough to accept it," declared Deputy-Reeve LeMasurier.

"We should have been consulted first," declared the Doctor.

"The letter was personal, I was against it being read and objected at the time," agreed Councillor Hooper.

"After a year and three months I think it only right that the Planning Board should show some results," demanded Deputy-Reeve LeMasurier. "This Land Restriction By-Law was prepared in October and in the meantime buildings have sprung up and now look at the mess we're in," continued the Deputy-Reeve. "This is April and we still haven't things settled."

"It all takes time," countered Reeve Timbers. "There have been amendments made to the by-law."

"How do you conduct your Planning Board?" questioned LeMasurier. "don't you split the Board up into separate groups instead of all the members sitting in on petty deleg-

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Local Provincial Police Officers Will Instruct School Children on Safety Rules

Sitting in on Stouffville's municipal council meeting on Monday night, O.P.P. Officer W. S. Hilliard told members that he and his fellow constable J. VanDerKooi would shortly give some instruction to the children at the school regarding safety regulations. Mr. Cec. Hendricks, member of the Stouffville Public School Board was also present at the meeting and stated that the Board would welcome such assistance from the local officers in safe-guarding the lives of our children.

Constable Hilliard also stated that as often as possible, one of the two members of the force would be at the school when the children were arriving and departing to regulate the highway traffic.

Mr. Hendricks said that the

Board was endeavoring to have the Dept. of Highways install a flasher light in front of the school as a warning to motorists. The light would be operated manually from the school. Constable Hilliard commented that while a flasher light had its benefits, he definitely favoured a full stop light. The Board is to meet department officials shortly to discuss the matter and an effort may be made at that time to have a full stop light installed if the cost is not prohibitive.

Council agreed, at the request by the school board to have an additional street light installed on the pole just opposite the east school entrance, and the request will be passed on to the local Hydro Commission.

Decision on Town Clerk's Successor is Delayed

Final decision was not reached at Monday night's record-breaking council session in Stouffville as to the successor to town clerk Garfield Brown. Seven applications were received for the position with more than a thousand dollars difference in the rates of pay asked.

Several applicants received personal interviews but the final decision has been delayed a few days. Mr. Garfield Brown recently resigned to accept a position at Queen's Park.

Messrs. Guy Rutledge and Gar Lehman for the Chamber of Commerce appeared before council in connection with the proposed erection of new St. signs. A price of \$8.85 for a handsome black and white metal sign, was given, standards to be extra. It was suggested that the Main St. intersections only should be equipped with the signs as a beginning in order to spread the cost over several years. Council is expected to make a final decision in this matter at the next meeting.

E. R. Good, local assessor, spoke to council briefly concerning the equalizing of the assessment for the purpose of school tax in the Stouffville Public School section comprising parts of Whitchurch and Markham Township. It appeared that there was a difference of about \$75 between the figure as suggested by Markham Township and that of Stouffville and council left the matter with the assessor to make the best arrangements possible in the interests of the municipality. The assessors of the three municipalities will meet again this Friday night along with the new public school inspector, Mr. Hallman, as arbitrator.

Council agreed by resolution to proclaim daylight saving time on April 26th, and a proclamation will appear in this newspaper to that effect.

Planning Meeting Here Important To Citizenry

The citizens, particularly those who own property in Stouffville, are being urged on every hand to attend the important meeting this Thursday evening in the Veterans' Hall being sponsored by the local Chamber of Commerce and dealing with the matter of town planning, annexation and sewerage.

A panel of experts with some of the most notable figures in the Ontario and York County planning picture, will be on hand to answer your questions. J. E. Turnbull of the Dept. of Planning and Development, Colonel Nash of the Community Planning Board, William Wilson of the Toronto Industrial Commission, W. G. Muir, Canadian National Railways, and Mr. Messer, Canadian Bank of Commerce, Development Branch, will be among those present.

The meeting will commence at 8 o'clock and is open to everyone. Stouffville is on the brink of considerable development with only one municipality now separating the town from the City of Toronto. Questions of vital interest to all, especially taxpayers, are certain to be on the agenda.

The Horticultural Society's premiums are expected to arrive shortly. If you have not as yet joined and ordered your premium it would be advisable to do so immediately.

Council will also advertise for tenders on 1500 yards of grave's more or less for use on town streets. Tenders are to be received by April 25th.

Mennonite Graduation Witnessed by 1,000

Graduation exercises of the Ontario Mennonite Bible School were held last week with a crowd of about 1,000 attending.

Scripture reading was taken by Ruby A. Miller, Morocco, Ind., with prayer led by Lloyd M. Martin, Wallenstein. Music was provided by school chorus the men's chorus and men's quartet all under the direction of Rev. Paul Martin of Hawk-essville.

The valedictory address was given by Elaine Schmucker of Toledo, Ohio. Class reports were given by the class secretary, Verna Horst of St. Jacobs.

The presentation of diplomas was by the principal, Rev. Oscar Burkholder of Breslau.

The 36 students who graduated from the three-year course were: Alma Mary Bast, Millbank; Abner Brubacher, Elmira; Melven Buehler, Wallenstein; Orie Glenn Detweller, Breslau; Milo Douglas Good, New Hamburg; Paul H. Grove, Ringwood; Douglas Lorenz Horst, Elmira; Gertrude Viola Huber, Alma; Grace Elizabeth

Hunsberger, St. Jacobs.

Also: Maurice Hunsberger, New Hamburg; Eva Mae Jantzi, Petersburg; Laura J. Jutzi, Milverton; Ralph Arthur Lebold, Baden; Alma Martin, Zurich; Florence Martin, West Montrose; Leona Martin, Linwood; Lloyd Milton Martin, Wallenstein; Edna (Dike) Miller, Markham; Ruby Arline Miller, Morocco, Ind.; Doris Eleanor Reesor, Markham; Helen Eileen Reesor, Markham; Vernon Glenn Roth, Petersburg; Mavis Betty Schlabach, Jordan; Elaine Marie Schmucker, Toledo, Ohio.

Also: Joanne Elaine Shantz, New Hamburg; Marie Eileen Snider, Elmira; Orval Clemens Snider, Guernsey, Sask.; Myrtle Kathleen Snyder, Baden; Elizabeth Caroline Steckle, Zurich; Mildred Irene Steckle, Zurich; David Edward Steinman, New Hamburg; Elroy Swartzentruber, Petersburg; Nelson W. Swartzentruber, Petersburg; Eileen Wagler, Wellesley; Florence Anna Weber, Guernsey, Sask.; Rod Elmer Weber, Breslau.