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## HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS CROWN MAY QUEEN



Stouffville High School students crowned their May Queen on Friday evening at a school dance and Joanne Bodendistel is the pretty young lady

receiving the honours. Her attendants on the left and right are Marilyn Pearce and Marie Schell.

## Planning Now for Big Horse Show Here July 1st.

Plans are well under way for the big third annual Horse Show under the auspices of the Stouffville Legion. Dr. S. S. Ball is chairman of this year's show. The prize list has been increased and announcement of the new additional classes will appear shortly.

Mrs. Agnes Fuller, wife of the newly appointed Master of the Fox Hounds of the London Hunt Club and Mr. Robert Hollingsworth, manager of Eaton Hall, the estate of Lady Eaton, have been secured as judges for the show.

Work is proceeding at the local park grounds to enlarge the south field where the show is held. The town owns considerably more property in this area than is being utilized and the local Legion members are providing the labour to extend the field boundaries.

## Rev. P. G. Lehman Presents Diplomas At Bible School

Eight students were graduated last week from Emmanuel Bible College at the 14th annual commencement exercises in Zion Evangelical Church. A total of 116 graduates are now serving in at least part-time Christian service in five countries.

Two students graduated from the 3-year theological course: Douglas Blundell, Hespeler, and Edwin Prosser, Toronto. Both expect to enter the ministry next month.

Graduating from the three-year missionary course was Lois Gilchrist of Calgary, Alta. Miss Gilchrist expects to take further training as a nurse.

Two students graduated from the two-year Christian education course, Marilyn Rosenberger, Bloomingdale, and Ruby Srigley, Gorie.

Three students received certificates for completing twelve courses in the evening classes: Violet Boettger of Waterloo; Florence Hachborn, Breslau; and Alka Stauffer, Kitchener.

Candidates for graduation were presented by the registrar, Prof. L. L. Wark, to Rev. P. G. Lehman, chairman of the board of directors, who presented the diplomas. The prayer of dedication, with the graduates kneeling at the altar, was offered by Prof. Wark.

A former graduate, Rev. W. J. Hunking, now on furlough from Africa, brought greetings from the ten graduates of the college now serving in Nigeria. He told how the influence of the school was constantly being extended in an ever widening sphere.

Chairman was Rev. Ward M. Shantz, principal of the college. Scripture reading and prayer was given by Rev. H. B. Wideman of Evangelical United Missionary Church.

## Mr. James Gleason, 91, Saw First Train Enter Markham

Markham lost one of its veteran residents on Friday, May 8th, in the passing of Mr. James Gleason at the age of 91. Born south of Markham, the late Mr. Gleason attended a private school for a number of years and later Markham Public School. Over fifty years ago he took up farming in North Markham and has remained there with his wife, the former Elizabeth Connor, until his recent death.

Mr. Gleason could clearly recall seeing the first train pull out of Markham in 1872 and also the introduction of the first automobile which at that time was a slower means of transportation than the horse and buggy.

Besides his wife, the late Mr. Gleason leaves to mourn his passing two daughters, Betty of the Loreto Community and Shellih of Markham. His one brother Joe predeceased him five years ago at the age of 86.

Funeral services were held at the Dixon Funeral Chapel Markham, on Monday morning at 9.30 a.m. and later in St. Patrick's Church for requiem mass at 10 o'clock. Interment was made in the adjoining cemetery.

## Fined \$10 and Costs

Theodore Scharkov, 114 Seton St., Toronto, was fined \$10 and costs in Newmarket court on Tuesday following an accident at the corner of the 10th concession and no. 47 highway at the east end of Stouffville on April 18th. The driver could not produce an operator's or chauffeur's license but was driving only on a temporary permit. Prov. Police Constables Hilliard and Van DerKool of Stouffville laid the charges.

## Set Up Committee for the Coronation Holiday Program

Stouffville will mark the Coronation Holiday, June 2nd, with a special program in the town park. At a public meeting called by Reeve Henry Ogden on Friday evening, a committee was named to line up a program for the day, having in mind special attention to the children. Representing the town council on the committee will be Elmer Daniels, Miss K. Williamson for the Business and Professional Women, Ken Wagg for the Chamber of Commerce, Mrs. W. G. Sanderson, Women's Institute, Mrs. Walt Smith the Women's Auxiliary, and the Lions and Legion representatives to be named this week. Rev. Douglas Davis stated that he would act as chairman for the first meeting of the committee until a head could be named.

While the program is only in the suggestion stage as yet, the group which met last week proposed that races be held in the park in the afternoon and the citizens join in a picnic lunch with possibly free ice cream and pop for the kiddies. A fireworks display was suggested for the evening and it is likely that there will be a regularly scheduled softball game.

The financing of the program is expected to be handled chiefly by the town organizations and the citizenry. Contributions from citizens and any help in a financial way will be most thankfully received and may be left at the Tribune Office.

June 2nd will be a public holiday in honour of the Coronation of our Queen Elizabeth II, and while a good many will enjoy viewing the proceedings from London on TV, it is hoped that all will join in this community effort to give some community recognition of the occasion.

## Plan To Open New Whitchurch Park, June 2nd

An extensive Coronation Day program is being arranged in Whitchurch Township which will include the opening of the new township park ground at Vandorf opposite the municipal building. A King City contractor has been engaged to complete the work of finishing the pond which is to be part of the park, to level and grade the land and have completed by May 23rd.

Commencing at 12 noon on June 2nd, there will be races for all the public school children who were first prize winners at their various school field days. Chairman of the affair is Mr. Patchell of Wilcox Lake, sec'y-treas., Mr. Crowhurst and games convener and starter Mr. Jorgenson, Mt. Albert.

The celebration will also include tree-planting ceremonies at the township schools and an essay contest. In the evening a concert is being put on in the Vandorf Community Hall by the women of the various township Women's Institutes.

## Unionville Vets To Beautify War Memorial Site

Messrs. Cribbett and Gimmell appeared before Markham Township Council on Monday night requesting a grant of \$150 and authorization for perpetual care of the war memorial in front of the Unionville Arena. The grant is to be used to beautify the site with shrubs a white gravel cross, new chain fence and flag pole. Council granted the request.

Following an interview with several residents of Box Grove township police were to be instructed to inspect several junk yards which were reported to be flourishing there against bylaw regulations.

Clerk Chas Hoover read a communication which asked what inducement Markham Township would give to a factory to come from New Toronto and locate on the Selkirk sub-division, Yonge St. The writer suggested a tax free period but council were emphatically against any free taxes.

"We can provide highway and rail facilities and will help them get located in any way we can, but we can not give any free taxes," said Reeve Timbers.

K. J. Beamish Co. and Miller Paving Co. were each given a portion of Markham's road oil requirements for the year, both firms giving the same tender price of 28c per gallon.

## Tribune Day Later

Owing to the May 18th falling on Monday of next week, the Tribune will be published one day later than usual.

We trust that subscribers will bear with us for the extra day in order that our staff may enjoy the first annual holiday of the summer.

## Local Girl Injured in Traffic Mishap

On Monday evening, nine year old Lynda Phillips, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Phillips of Stouffville was injured when she darted from behind the parked fire truck into the path of an auto driven by Chas. Bell also of Stouffville. The girl was knocked unconscious to the pavement. She suffered a fractured right leg, slight concussion and abrasions. Dr. F.J. Button arrived quickly on the scene and rushed the girl to the Stouffville Brierbush Hospital for treatment. Prov. Police Constable W.S. Hilliard investigated but no charges have been laid.

## HOLIDAY MONDAY

Next Monday, May 18th is the annual (May 24th) holiday and places of business will be closed in town. Uxbridge and Richmond Hill will mark the holiday with their usual spring fairs and here in Stouffville sport fans can enjoy a hardball tournament with Stouffville Fenelon Falls, Lindsay and Little Britain competing.

## Local Beautification Campaign Part of Canadian Program

Stouffville's Beautification Campaign which was launched last week by the local Chamber of Commerce and Horticultural Society is part of a nationwide program of beautification. Last weekend there suddenly appeared on almost every available pole in town, placards advising the townsfolk that the campaign covering a two weeks' period is officially on. This is a beauty and clean-up campaign. Certainly one cannot help but notice the pleasant atmosphere coming into a town of well-kept lawns and flower beds, clean streets and tidy hedge rows.

There's a huge sign in front of our town's municipal building advising of the campaign. On Monday evening, the local Fire Brigade put both trucks into service and flushed down the streets from the hydrants. As if in keeping with the movement, Mother Nature aided by as balmy a bit of weather as one could wish for, turned on all her charms and as if by magic, all the fine rows of trees in town blossomed at once along with the daffodils and tulips. Residents are being urged to get into the spirit of the campaign by using the paint brush and rake around their home premises.

What better way to aid the campaign and especially in this, our Coronation year, than by the planting of a tree around the house? It will add value to your home and pleasure to your life that cannot be measured in dollars and cents.

## Markham Twp. Urbanites Declare Opposition to Introduction of Wards

Spokesmen for all urban areas of Markham Township in the "front" declared themselves as unfavorable to a Ward system being established in the township when a special council meeting was called on Monday evening to hear various groups on the subject. Clerk Chas. Hoover at the outset of the meeting informed the gathering that he had been advised by the township solicitor that at least three wards would be required and if a five-man council was maintained as at present, the matter would have to go before the people at a municipal vote. Should a seven-man council be desired, such could be established by bylaw without the consent of the electors.

Reeve Timbers declared that in his opinion Markham was not sufficiently large to require a seven-man council. Councillor Lennie stated that in general, he was opposed to the change to a Ward system since he believed it tended to the separation of the township. Reeve Timbers reminded council that the general administration would be the same and the only benefit would be to ensure equal representation on council from all areas of the township.

Frank Brumwell, representing the Markham Federation

of Agriculture, spoke at some length in favor of the Ward system which was previously covered in these news columns. It was Mr. Brumwell's opinion that at present the rural possessed about 60% of the assessment and 25% of the population. The wards he outlined conformed, he said, as nearly as possible to electoral districts, endeavoring to keep all urban sections together and all rural areas together.

Councillor Lennie stated that he hoped the urban dweller would not get the idea that were being "ganged up on". Fred Wicks, also of the Federation of Agriculture, said that at the present time many candidates could seek office whom "we know little about". He said this fact was evident in the unfilled ballots at election time.

W. Masters, speaking for the Elgin St. Ratepayers, said that it looked to him as if everyone was trying to be independent. "The Planning Board is supposed to be bringing out a master plan for zoning the township and I think it would be better to wait. We're definitely opposed."

The Thornlea representative wanted to know why the matter was being brought up (continued on page 6)

## "Dogs Like Wolves" At Wilcox Lake

Council had Difficult Job To Engage Catcher

Mr. Stewart, a Wilcox Lake property owner appeared before Whitchurch Township Council on Saturday and asked if something was being done to round up the dogs at Wilcox Lake. "The dogs are running there like wolves and some of them are vicious," he told council. Mr. Stewart said that his own dog was tied up winter and summer and he didn't see why other people's should be allowed to run. Mr. Stewart told of one animal belonging to a ratepayer there which frightened ladies off the road when they went to shop.

Clerk Jack Crawford explained that the Township had been in a predicament lately since the dog catcher whom they had engaged had thrown up the job and the local constable who looked after such matters was laid up with a broken leg. "Our big problem is to get a

dog-catcher." Reeve Ivan McLaughlin told Mr. Stewart. He stated that council would make some effort to take care of the situation.

Mr. Stewart stated that if something wasn't done, some of the dogs would be shot. "That would be a good thing," commented councillor Graham Armitage School Addition

Clerk Crawford advised council that council was invited to attend a school meeting on May 14th, to discuss with the trustees of this Union School, the need for an additional room.

The clerk was instructed to advertise for garbage collector tenders for the three local lakes, Musselman's, Wilcox and Preston's.

Council discussed at some length the advisability and process of taking Cherry St. into the township road system. It was stated that no official request had come for taking the road in and there was no association there to handle the matter. It was finally agreed by resolution that a questionnaire should be sent to all the property owners on the street (continued on page 7)

## ENGAGEMENT

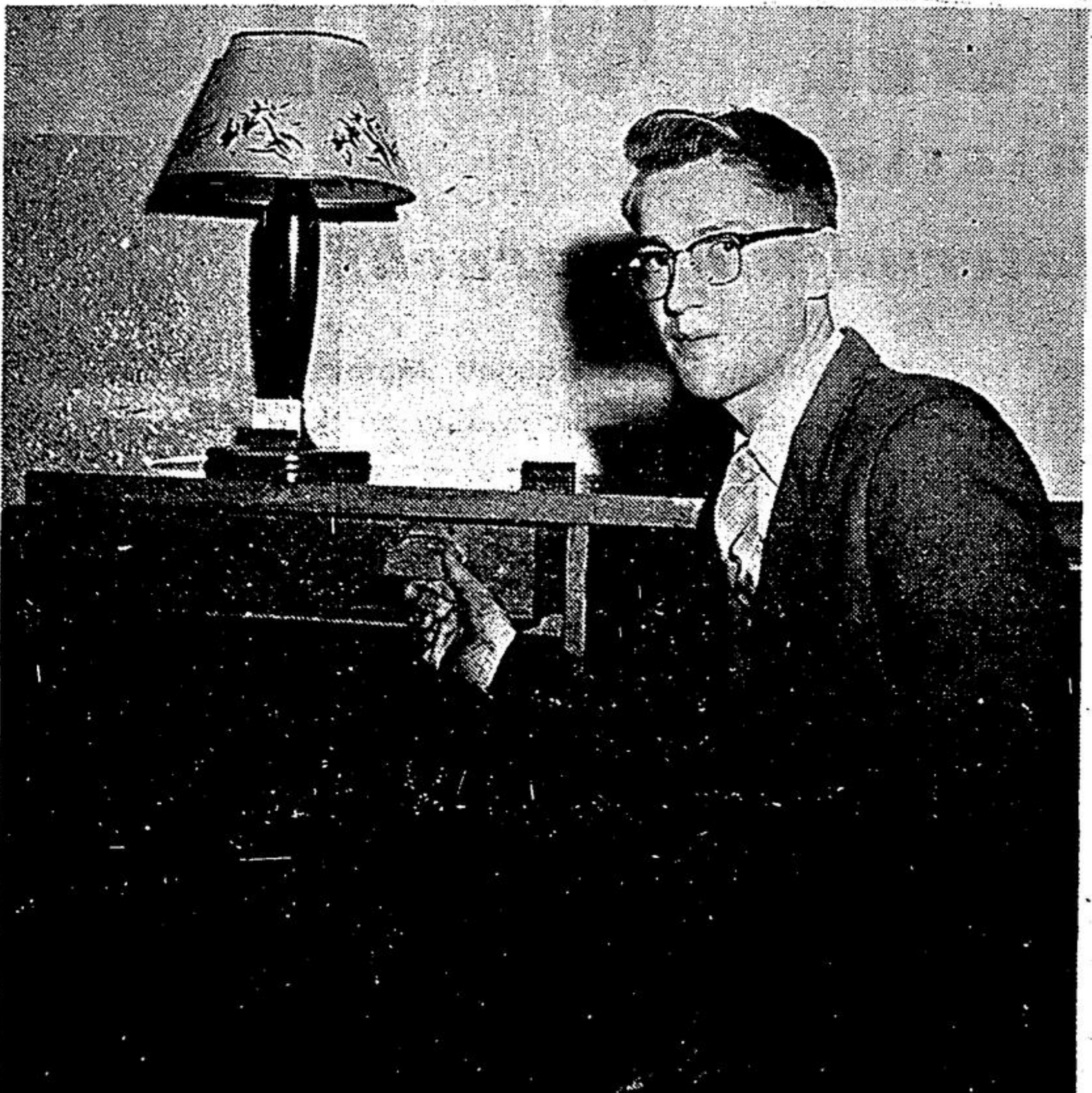
The engagement is announced of Velma Grace, daughter of Mrs. Cober and the late Mr. Percy Cober, Gormley, to Mr. Henry Koop, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Koop of Blythwood, Ontario. The marriage will take place on Saturday, May 23, 1953, at 2 o'clock, in the United Missionary Church, Gormley.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas Hodgson announce the engagement of their daughter Jean Matilda to Ernest Fredrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Smith, Ringwood. The marriage will take place on Wednesday, May 27th at 7 p.m. in the Stouffville Memorial Church.

## Lorenzo Banks 95 This Saturday

Lifelong resident of Pickering Township, Lorenzo Banks will mark his 95th birthday this Saturday, May 16th. Mr. Banks enjoys fair health, although his eyesight has failed. Mr. Banks farmed in the township for 40 years and he is recalled as an implement dealer for some time.

## HANDIWORK DISPLAYED AT SCHOOL "OPEN NIGHT"



Arnold Boyd, grade 12 student of Stouffville High School proudly displays

his handiwork at the recent Open Night held in the school. He is the son

of Mr. and Mrs. H.A. Boyd 6th concession, Markham.