

After reading several articles about the fluoridation of water to prevent tooth decay, an old fellow has been putting fluorine in the glass of water he keeps his false teeth in at night.

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## BYGONE DAYS

From the Files of the Tribune 28 Years Ago

The following young people were in attendance at the annual Baptist Young People's Association meeting held in Toronto last week: Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Gillion, Miss Francis Ratcliff, Miss Violet Phillips, Miss Elva Holden, Miss Mabel Pipher, Miss Olive Turner, Harry Leadbetter and Harry Ratcliff.

Work on laying the brick on the new Baptist Church was commenced this week by contractor Fred Cole. The demonstration in connection with the laying of the corner stone will take place in about two weeks.

Rev. J. B. Moore, pastor of the local congregation when the former church was erected is expected to be present for this occasion.

W. A. Clark, a one-time merchant in Stouffville and now residing in Markham has disposed of his property there consisting of four acres of fruit land for \$4,500. Mr. Clark purchased another home in Markham.

In the 1925 issue of the Tribune there is a picture of the pupils and teacher of Stouffville Public School. The photograph was taken in 1874. Some of the students in it are Adeline Stouffer, Florence Lehman, Laura Leaney, Dr. J. F. Burkholder, James Gibney, Rev. Jas. Daley, Albert Brown, Lyman Dougherty, Josephine Daley, Ed. O'Brien, Amos Yake, Russell George, Chas. McCallum, Herb O'Brien, Frank Baun, Nelson Burkholder, Robt. Bryan, Fred Haigh, John Barkey, Frank O'Brien, Wm. Bryan and Hanna Cook. Adam Ross was the teacher in charge.

Charles Barkey, one of our successful farmers living just east of Altona had fall wheat out in head the early part of last week. Mr. A. E. Booth also reports that his wheat is in head.

Arthur Holden, son of Mr. Truman Holden, was attacked by a bull on Monday of last week and narrowly escaped being killed. The animal pierced his side with its horns and threw him a considerable distance. In the descent, Arthur received a nasty scratch down his back as a result of coming in contact with a long nail partly driven in the wall. The animal became infuriated from the extreme heat, having been driven from the stock yards in Stouffville to the Holden farm on the 9th concession.

It is a most gratifying spectacle for a parent to witness the conferring of a University Degree on one of their children, but last week Dr. D. C. and Mrs. Smith of this town experienced the unusual delight of witnessing degrees conferred on both their son Neil and their daughter Greta. Greta received the degree of B.A. with the rank of honor specialist in modern languages, while Neil had the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery conferred upon him. The standings obtained by both graduates are especially high.

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## Poison Ivy May Get You Yet

Are you immune to poison ivy? Don't be too sure. E.G. Anderson, Division of Botany and Plant Pathology, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, says a person may work in or with poison ivy for years, or even handle the plants, without ill effects. Sooner or later, however, these apparently immune individuals usually become susceptible.

You can safeguard yourself and your family by learning to recognize it and by knowing what to do for anyone who accidentally comes in contact with it.

Mr. Anderson has prepared a circular that tells how to identify the plant—it is the only native Canadian plant with a three-part leaf and white fruit. He tells where it grows, how poisoning occurs, precautions to prevent the poison taking effect, and what to do for a person who has developed a rash from it. For this, he recommends a five-grain tablet of potassium permanganate dissolved in one quart of water. Apply the solution freely to the affected part and cover large areas of rash with gauze or cheesecloth kept moist with the solution. For the face and hands, to avoid staining them with the permanganate solution, he recommends applying calamine lotion with one per cent of phenol added to relieve the itchiness. Oily or greasy substances are likely to dissolve and spread the trouble.

Better than treatment, however, is to get rid of the plants, and methods of doing it are described in detail. Small patches can be dug out. For larger areas, or where digging is not practical, some of the commercial weed sprays are effective. The ester of 2,4-D; Ammate at the rate of one pound per gallon of water for each 100 sq. feet of foliage, or sodium chlorate mixed with a fire retardant, will give control if persistently used.

Send for your copy of "Poison Ivy", publication \$20, to Information Service, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.

There was a near accident with serious results at Milt Harris' gravel pit east of Stouffville on Friday morning in which the men barely escaped injury when an avalanche of gravel mired Clifford Woodcock and Fred Silverthorn in several feet of earth. Three other men, Jac. Reesor, Henry Smith and Byron Williams were working in the pit at the time also.

The municipality of Stouffville which has successfully got along since its incorporation in 1878 without such a thing as a safe in which to keep the records of the town, is to be imperilled no longer. This week the council expects to place a safe in the clerk's office which will accommodate all the important papers in a proper manner.

While driving his automobile out the lane, Lorne Gillion of the 9th concession of Markham received a severe cut on the hand when a horse crashed into the car, doing considerable damage.

The North York Bowling League is well on its way for this season. Both Markham and Unionville played here last week with Stouffville winning both matches. The Markham lineup was as follows: L. Hare, A. King, J. Peich, J. Malcolm (skip), A. Douglas, P. H. Reesor, J. Carroll, F. E. Reesor. Stouffville lineup: O. Lehman, E. A. Gray, Dr. Sangster, S. Armstrong (skip), J. Muston, J. Waddington, Dr. Neil Smith, D. Russell (skip).

Stouffville's Intermediate ball team blanked Aurora 3-0 this week behind the pitching of Bruce Lehman. He was in serious trouble on one occasion when he walked two batters and gave up a single to load the bases, but the next three batters went down swinging.

## Finishing of 2-Year-Old Steers Without Grain

Two-year-old steers can be finished to high market grade on grass without any grain. This has been shown in a two-year experiment conducted by the Animal Husbandry Division, Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, in which an aftermath pasture was compared with a permanent pasture plus grain for finishing two-year-old steers.

During two summers, 24 two-year-old steers were grazed on a permanent pasture until the end of August. At that time they were divided into two uniform groups. One group was placed on an aftermath of timothy, Kentucky blue grass, wild vetch, alsike and white clover; the other group remained on the permanent pasture but was fed six pounds of grain per head per day to supplement it. The animals were in good fleshing condition. Had they been slaughtered at that time, reports P.E. Sylvestre, about half of them would have graded "B" the remainder "C". The test lasted fifty days, following which all steers were weighed and slaughtered.

Over the two years, the steers on the aftermath made an average daily gain of 2.17 pounds compared to 2.16 pounds for those grain-fed on the permanent pasture. The steers from the aftermath group produced 24 "A" and "B" carcasses.

Based on carcass quality and at the prevailing price at the time, the average value of the steers from the aftermath was \$301.86 per head compared to \$296.41 for the group on permanent pasture. The latter steers consumed 307 pounds of grain per head at a cost \$11.20. This extra expense and the slightly lower value of the grain-fed steers was responsible for the difference of \$16.44 in return per head in favour of the aftermath group.

With the recent decline in beef cattle prices, it is important that production costs be kept as low as possible without lowering the quality of the animals. From the above, it appears that a good pasture during the summer and an aftermath for the finishing period will help to reduce the cost of production.

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