

Pitchers Talk Curves Just Before Final



Lorne Schell, righthand hurler with the Stouffville Red Sox, shows Lindsay's Harold Williams (left) his technique for throwing his famous drop curve. The picture was taken prior to Monday night's Tri-County League semi-final contest which was won by Stouffville 2-1. Schell turned in a fine six-hit performance, walked two

Former Resident Passes Away At Bobcaygeon

Funeral services for the late Abraham Albert Kennedy, one-time resident of Stouffville, and in later years of Forest Hill and Toronto, were held at the funeral chapel of Morley S. Bedford in Toronto on Saturday morning, Aug. 20th, followed by interment in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery. Rev. F. Crossman of St. Clair Baptist Church conducted the service, assisted by Rev. H. Wintemute of Fallingbrook Heights Baptist Church of Toronto.

Although Mr. Kennedy had been in failing health for several years, his passing early Thursday morning at his summer home at Bobcaygeon was sudden. His daughter had left him in apparent good health some five days before, when returning to her home in Vancouver after a month's visit here. The deceased was born of Irish ancestors 81 years ago on the Scotch Line near Bobcaygeon. As a young man he was engaged in the lumber business in Stouffville, and liked to recall that the bridge still spanning Main Street near Snowball's Barber Shop (although later widened) was built by him some 50 years ago. While living in Stouffville, he married Mabel Alice Brodie, who survives him. Also surviving are five children; Ross of Locust Hill and Toronto, Byron B. of Forest Hill, Mrs. Edward M. Hill (Helen) of Forest Hill, Donald of Toronto and Mrs. R. Fraser (Frances) of Vancouver, and six grandchildren. Also surviving are a brother Joseph of Lindsay and a sister, Mrs. Alex Robertson (Mollie) of Bobcaygeon.

Mr. Kennedy was a staunch Baptist, a prominent builder and a former councillor of the Village of Forest Hill. He had been a member of College, Century and St. Clair Ave. Baptist churches, and had been on their boards of deacons. He served as Sunday School superintendent of both the College St. and St. Clair Ave. churches. He was a popular man and noted for his Irish wit.

The late Mr. Kennedy was estimated to have built some 500 homes, mostly in the area of Rosedale, Moore Park and Forest Hill in Toronto.

Just two weeks before his death, a family re-union was held at the summer home at Bobcaygeon; and two years ago Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary.

Councillors Not In Accord with Charge on Assessors

An opinion voiced by Deputy Reeve Sid Legge at a recent meeting of Whitchurch Township Council, that the mileage claim for assessors is excessive, is not shared by the balance of council as was stated in this newspaper a week ago.

Mr. Legge expressed his view quite forcibly at the meeting and maintained his opinion at last week's meeting. However, Reeve, McLaughlin and other members of council wish to have their names detached from the statement, as not being their opinion.

Mr. Annan Ironsides, herdsman at the Ringwood Farms, has been confined to the Brierley Hospital in town. Admitted for a rest, he has made good progress and expects to return home by the end of this week.

New 132-Lot Sub-Division Opening in Markham Twp.

The rapidly-expanding development in Markham Township received further impetus this week with the announcement of another large new sub-division in the second concession, forty-eight acres composing the former Lloyd farm. The new development will comprise 132 residential lots. An amount of 2.6 acres is being set aside for commercial purposes.

The sub-dividers, Bayview Estates, will pay to the township \$400 per lot for administration purposes; in addition they will provide paved roads and sanitary and storm sewers.

Pheasant Licenses Up
Everett Harper of the Markham Township Game Preserve appeared before council on Monday evening and after some discussion it was agreed that the number of non-resident pheasant licenses to be sold in Markham this year should be limited to 350 and the price should be \$3 each, up 50c from last year. Clerk Chas. Hoover reported that approximately 340 non-resident licenses were sold last year. The hunt will be limited to two days.

Reeve LeMasurier stated that taking all expenses into account, the municipality does little more than break even with the annual pheasant shoot. New Gas Stations Await Official Plan

A resolution of the Planning Board was endorsed by council which called for the delay of the erection of any further service stations on township highways until the Official Plan of the municipality is finally approved. One station which had asked for permission to build and is being held up, is a new Fina Service Station slated to go up on the townline just west of Stouffville.

Kirk Dr. Deputation
A twelve-man deputation appeared before council from Kirk Dr. in the Selkirk sub-division, requesting that council act to provide them with a better road. Originally paved roads had been planned for the sub-division, to be provided by the sub-dividers. However, the development has since stopped and the final disposition of this area just south of No. 7 highway near Langstaff will be aired before the Municipal Board at a hearing on Sept. 14th.

However, council did agree to take temporary measures to improve the road until the hearing is held.

Council passed a resolution appointing W. L. Clark to the Planning Board for the balance of the year, making it a six-man Board.

A plan to improve the Bayview and Steeles intersection was put before council by the Metro Planning Board, the cost estimated at \$405,810. Council took no action.

Good progress is being made in the extensive alterations at Schell's Meat Market. Much of the exterior work is completed, and the barricades at the front should soon be down. It will still take considerable work inside the premises before the front part can be opened. Earlier this week, a cement sidewalk was poured on Mill St., along the side of the store.

Loot Pay Phone Boxes

Vandals were at work in the district over the past weekend, with reports being received that phone equipment was ripped from pay phone booths in order to remove the coin boxes. A station at Ringwood and two at Musselman's Lake were selected by someone who took a lot of risk for small financial gain. One of the coin boxes was found some distance away, having been battered open to remove the coins. An official of the Bethesda & Stouffville Tel. Co. revealed that there is seldom much money in these machines, as they are emptied regularly.

WHITCHURCH POP. JUMPS TO 6,000

Whitchurch Township Council at its meeting revealed that the population of the township as compiled for the purpose of receiving the unconditional grant from the Provincial Government, had reached the figure of 6,021. This compares with the figure for the year 1954, which was 5,618. The increase is just over 7% above last year's. The unconditional grant amounts to \$10,536.75, based on a rate of \$1.75 per person resident in the township. These figures are now compiled by the township assessors, who have lately taken on this added duty.

Councillors Speak On Conservation

Reeve Alfred LeMasurier of Markham Township recently deplored at a meeting the trend to build on small lots in the township. The occasion was a debate on a water supply system, when some members of council advocated regulations

Lightning Bolt Damages Chapel At Cemetery

A few loud claps of thunder were heard in the district last Monday morning, but no storm materialized. At the time, however, some residents of the 10th line at the east side of town saw a streak of fire start from the top of the chapel at the east end of the cemetery, and follow the side of the building to the ground.

On closer inspection of the building — the Thos. Williamson Memorial Chapel — it was found that the metal louvre at the peak had been twisted and bricks of the front wall damaged. The building was built in 1952, and is of brick and stone construction. No persons were injured by the freak bolt from the blue.

calling for storm sewers on all roads instead of ditches. This in itself met with the approval of Mr. LeMasurier; but he stated that the additional charges might result in building on lots with smaller frontages. He advocated expansion of green grass, and was not adverse to ditches where these were seeded in grass and maintained to look neat.

In the same council chambers, Vern Griffin spoke in favor of halting growth of subdivisions where the initial step was to level off the area with bulldozers, thus destroying valuable stands of trees.

Recently at Pickering township, Councillor Sherman Scott pointedly asked that in the installation of water mains in the township, an effort be made to preserve trees growing along the streets.

At Whitchurch Township, deputy-reeve Sid Legge announced that the township had been accepted as host to a convention of conservation groups from 5 surrounding counties. Date of this meet is Sept. 20. Points of interest, to show the progress made in conservation in York County, will be visited.

Brothers Meet After 35 Years

Two brothers, Bert Lickorish of Stouffville and his brother Wilfred Lickorish from England, were re-united this week after thirty-five years. Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Lickorish arrived in Stouffville on Tuesday from the Old Country, and will spend several months on this side of the ocean. The couple came to Canada on a Greek liner, landing at New York, and travelled overland by motor coach. Nine and a half hours here, Mr. Lickorish stated it was the fastest he had ever travelled. "They won't believe me when I tell them how fast we went," said Mr. Lickorish.

Stone Mason 50 Years Harry Found is Ninety

Mr. Harry Found, Claremont pioneer, now resident at Victoria Square, and an active stone mason for more than half a century, has marked his 90th birthday. He makes his home with his daughter, Mrs. Cecil Story.

Mr. Found was born in Louthorpe, England, and came to this country at the age of 18, to settle in Pickering Township. He was one of a family of thirteen children. He plied his trade as a stone mason for more than fifty years, and has worked on buildings in Pickering, Whitchurch and Scott Town-

PHOTO CONTEST ENDS — MANY ENTRIES MADE

In this issue we publish the last two winning photographs of those submitted for judging and publication in the four August issues of this paper. The response to this contest has been very gratifying, with over 100 pictures sent in by readers during the month.

The winning pictures have been of high calibre making the judging most difficult, and it was found that the great majority of those entered were very commendable.

Our thanks again to those who entered their photos.

Mrs. Reg. MacKay has returned from hospital, but still must keep her leg in a cast for several more weeks.

Friends and customers will be pleased to learn that Miss Alta Zeller is convalescing at her home.

Huge Crowd At Arena Despite Heat

The intense heat of last Sunday was no obstacle to attendance at the Evangelistic Campaign in the Arena in the evening, when a far greater attendance than for the previous Sunday was present to hear the team of evangelists. Close to 2,000 were estimated in attendance the previous Sunday, when the campaign opened, and good attendance has been shown for the week-day meetings.

Evangelist Jimmy Johnson did not arrive in time for the first meeting, but was on hand for the first week-day meeting the next day. Rev. Merrill Dunlop, and Mr. Clyde Taylor, who handle the musical details of the program, were joined by Mr. John Duff, a tenor soloist.

Last Saturday night was also well-attended, when a Youth for Christ night was featured. This program was recorded at the time, and will be broadcast over the regular broadcast this Sunday. The same procedure will be followed this Saturday night, with the broadcast made at the meeting scheduled to be heard on Sunday, Sept. 4.

With cooler weather now here, the team expect that the district will close off the campaign the remainder of this week by attending in even greater numbers.

Mr. Annan Ironsides, herdsman at the Ringwood Farms, has been confined to the Brierley Hospital in town. Admitted for a rest, he has made good progress and expects to return home by the end of this week.

Congregations Make Presentations to the Rev. and Mrs. McKillican

The congregations of St. James Presbyterian Church, Stouffville and St. Andrews, Markham, made presentations to their pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. D. R. McKillican, last week, prior to their departure for Scotland.

The St. James' congregation presented their gift, a sum of money, to Rev. McKillican on Monday evening of last week. Mr. Harold Dixon delivered the presentation address and Mr. Geo. Hood presented the gift. On behalf of the Sunday School, Master Clarion Hood handed Mrs. McKillican a lovely wool blanket. Mrs. Myron Anderson spoke briefly.

On Thursday evening of last week, St. Andrews' congregation of Markham held their farewell get-together. Following the dinner, Mr. Murray Henderson presented Rev. and Mrs. McKillican with a wallet containing a sum of money.

Rev. McKillican has served the two congregations for the past seven years. He is taking a year's leave of absence to pursue further studies at New Col-

lege, Edinburgh, Scotland. Mr. and Mrs. McKillican will sail from Montreal aboard the S.S. Saxonica on Tuesday, Sept. 2; and will arrive in Greenock, Scotland, six days later.

During Mr. McKillican's absence, the pulpit of the two churches will be occupied by the Rev. Harry H. Green, B.A. Mr. Green, a native of Guelph, Ontario, graduated from Knox College in 1933 after successful courses, both in Arts, where he honours in Political Science and Economics, and in theology where he won several scholarships. After graduation, Mr. Green was appointed by the Home Missions Board of the Presbyterian Church to White Rock, British Columbia. He has now returned to Ontario to minister at Stouffville and Markham and also to study toward the degree of Bachelor of Divinity at Knox College.

Mr. Green is married and has one son. They will live in the Manse at Markham and will commence their duties on September 1st.

Thieves Crack Markham Store Safe and Flee

The office of Simpsons-Sears in the village of Markham was entered in the early hours of Monday this week, and a large safe used for the storing of money was removed through the back door.

Later in the day, the safe was discovered in the church yard of the Presbyterian Church. An audit conducted by the victimized firm revealed that the safe contained approximately \$300. The safe was found opened and to date the culprits have not been determined.

An intensive drive is being conducted by police of Markham village and township, N. York township police and the Provincial Police. It is believed that police have knowledge of the members of the gang, and early arrests may be made.

Last Sunday, premises of the Onway Construction Co. on the Don Mills Road were surrounded by police when a report of prowlers was received, but they too were able to make their getaway. An opinion has been expressed that the same gang of men were involved in both cases.

Mr. A. C. Byers, a resident on the 10th concession, south of Stouffville, has been a motorman with the TTC for the past thirty years. During that time he has established an amazing record, having driven a street-car for thousands of miles without an accident. Mr. Byers expects to retire in October. He is pictured above, holding a congratulatory letter from the TTC Superintendent, commending him for his many years of courteous, accident-free service.

Mr. Byers was born on the 8th concession of Markham on the farm now owned by Mr. Oliver Shank. He attended the Dickson Hill public school. Prior to taking a job with the TTC, Mr. Byers was employed with the CPR for ten years.

In the late 1920's he piloted the old TTC radial cars out to West Hill. In 1932 the popularity of the automobile had increased to such an extent that the cars could not be operated on a paying basis and the line was closed. Mr. Byers recalls

that often on an entire run they would not pick up more than two or three passengers. He is now the motorman on the Queen Street route between Neville Ave. and the Humber. Besides establishing an accident-free record, the local resident has never been late for work during the past thirty years. The TTC schedule is operated with such clockwork precision that if a motorman is a few minutes late he is replaced by a substitute operator and the employee loses a full day's pay.

During his many years of service, Mr. Byers has witnessed dozens of accidents, a number of them fatal. One day his street-car was struck by lightning three times. According to Mr. Byers, the traffic congestion in Toronto has continued to worsen and it is especially bad between four and six o'clock in the afternoon. Motorists who invariably drive their cars in front of a street car and delay its progress are subject to a summons if the motorman

To Retire After Thirty Years With T.T.C.



wishes to make a note of the license number. The street-car track is a TTC right-of-way.

Mr. Byers claims that the majority of passengers are quite cooperative. Any undesirable riders who do not wish to pay the regular fare are removed from the car by police officers. The fare over the past years has increased considerably from eight tickets for 25 cents to 10 cents apiece.

Mr. Byers takes great pride in growing flowers, shrubs and vegetables. His garden on the 10th of Markham is a masterpiece. When a resident on Highcroft Road in Toronto, he captured four first prize awards in competition for the finest flower garden in the city. The Toronto Horticultural Society presented him with a Diploma of Merit and the Ont. Agricultural College at Guelph also recognized his floral achievement. Following his retirement in October, Mr. Byers hopes to spend more time in making his 10th concession home a natural beauty spot.



Mr. Harry Found