

Cubs and Scouts Hold Father and Son Banquet



The annual Father and Son Banquet for the Stouffville Cubs and Scouts was held in the Veteran's Hall on Friday evening, May 11th. There were 85 in attendance. A dog act from Toronto and a rousing sing-song provided the entertainment. Mr. Lloyd McLean acted as Master of Ceremonies.

Later in the evening the following boys were presented with awards: Gerry Fenwick; Roger Mole, Jim Hill, Eric Bramham and Allan Anderson. Bramham and Allan Anderson. Pictured above are members of the Cub and Scout troop from left to right — front row: Bill Keeping, Darcy Forsyth, Jeffrey Burkholder, Ken

Aida, John Willis, Murray Fenwick, Robt. Smith, Gary Chambers, David Slack, Robt. Kennedy, Mark Bramham, Bill Sandiford.

Second Row — David Winn, Ken Barkey, Jamie Ogilvy, Robt. Cowan, Roger Mole, Laurie Buckland, Douglas DeLaMatter, Donald Smith, Victor Diamond, Robt. Mole, Barry

McLean.

Back Row — Allan Meabry, Michael Cadieux, Jim Goudie, Jim Hill, Brian Wilkes, Wayne Hamilton, Eric Button, Ken Zellers, Jerry Fenwick.

Leaders — Walter Winn, Gordon Smith, Frank Bramham, Dianne Corbett, and Jim Alexander.

Whitchurch Twp. Council Sets Mill Rate Same as '55

The mill rate for the Township of Whitchurch for 1956 will be exactly the same as last year — 30 mills. This is the general township rate. This figure was agreed upon at a special meeting of council on Friday evening when the budget figures for the year were approved. Total budget will amount to \$393,328.59.

The average tax rate over the township, including various school rates, will be \$4 mills. Shrubmount School section at the corner of the 7th con. and the north townline has the highest school rate in the municipality, exactly 100 mills, bringing their tax rate to 130 mills. Development of the township can be recognized in the fact that only a few years ago the school in this section had such a depleted attendance that consideration was given to closing it.

Figures for the budget other than individual school rates are:

County rate	1955	1956
General Purposes	10.7	12.3
Schools, Gen. Twp.	29.5	30.0
Aurora H.S.	5.4	5.7
Stouffville H.S.	10.0	10.2
Newmarket H.S.	6.5	8.7
Local Improvement	21.0	20.0

HORSESHOE CHAMP

Husky Bill Grove of the Stouffville Horseshoe Pitchers' Club, won the championship at Richmond Hill Fair on the holiday, receiving the trophy and some cash as well. Three members of the local club competed and Elmer Orr, another local pitcher, came in second, he and Mr. Grove having to play off to break a tie. Mr. Murray of Maple came in second and veteran Harvey Clendenning of Stouffville fourth.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING SHOW ON MAY 28

The York County Live Stock Judging Competition will be held on Saturday, May 26, with registration at the Dept. of Agriculture, Newmarket, at 8:30 a.m. In this competition, contestants will visit farms in the Newmarket area where they will judge classes of live stock, consisting of three dairy, two beef, two swine and one sheep class. In the afternoon, contestants give reasons for their placing on one class of each type of stock.

The Senior competition is open to all boys who have not reached their 21st birthday by Nov. 1st of this year. The Junior competition is for boys who have not reached their 21st birthday by Nov. 1st of this year. Championship trophies are awarded to both the Senior and Junior Sections and a special trophy is presented to the top standing first year competitor. Trophies are also awarded to the high competitor in each class of stock in the Junior section.

In the evening the boys will be joined by the girls of the Junior Institutes and 4-H Homemaking Clubs for an awards banquet at the King George Hotel. At the banquet, the trophies won during the day will be presented and special prizes will be presented to the girls. The winners of the trip to the National 4-H Congress in Chicago and the Two Nations Tour will be announced.

To complete the day, a dance will be held in the Newmarket Town Hall with Hollingsworth's Orchestra.

The York County Junior Farmers' Association extends a

\$40,000 Suit Over Loss Of Gormley Mink Goes into Fourth Day

A suit for \$40,102 damages brought by A. S. Farmer of Gormley, well-known auctioneer, against Canada Packers Ltd. for allegedly moly meat fed to mink, 324 of which died within a few hours, goes into its fourth day before Chief Justice J. C. McRuer.

The whole meat fed the 324 mink at Gormley was described as "soft, oxidized, moldy and odorous," before it was unloaded from a boat at St. John's, Newfoundland, according to Victor Clouston, described by the plaintiff's counsel as an expert on that meat. He said he examined the meat while it was still aboard the S.S. Devora which had been towed into St. John's following a mechanical breakdown.

Farmer said he tested six mink for two days with unmixed whale meat with no ill effects. Then he mixed whale meat, horse meat, fish liver and tripe and fed it to the 324 mink six hours later. The next morning they were dead.

Russell Payton, counsel for Canada Packers, suggested that the meat had become poisonous because Mr. Farmer left it too long in a warm mixing room.

Fireworks

On Thursday night at nine o'clock, the Stouffville Legion will put on a colourful display of fireworks in the Park for the amusement of the kiddies. There will be no admission charge. Each member of the local Legion chipped in a quantity of money to purchase the fireworks. On Monday evening at both Markham and Clarendon, large crowds attended displays of fireworks.

Truck Wreck

Markham Township Police and wrecking crews worked for more than one-half hour to release driver Alex Cuddy of Toronto from the cab of his gravel truck, late Monday afternoon. The vehicle went out of control on the Kennedy Road, north of Milliken and became wedged between two trees. The truck was loaded with gravel.

When the driver was finally released, he was rushed to the Toronto East General Hospital where his injuries were reported as not serious. He remained conscious throughout the entire operation. Constables Cliff Cox and Gord Heppleston investigated.

Markham Twp. Road Engineer, Simmons Quits

At the regular meeting of Markham Township Council on Tuesday evening of this week, the resignation was received of Engineer Road Supt. Ross Simmons. In a letter, Mr. Simmons said he would be leaving the employ of the municipality at the end of June. No reasons were given for his decision.

"The Engineer has been vague about the whole thing, but he did tell me it is not a matter of money," stated Reeve Alf LeMasurier. "I feel the whole problem stems back to lack of coordination between certain committees of Council and employees," he said. The Reeve mentioned one instance where last year's Road Committee, Dep. Reeve Clark and Councillor Griffin had interfered with the work of the Engineer. The case in question concerned drainage work done by the Massey-Harris Farm at Milliken which affected two Township road allowances.

"You say last year's Road Committee," questioned Councillor Griffin, "it's the first time I ever heard of it."

Dep. Reeve Clark said he had investigated the matter personally at the request of the Massey-Harris people and found the work they were doing would not adversely affect the Township road allowance.

Mr. Simmons joined the Township staff in May, 1955, succeeding Mr. Jack Howard.

Reeve LeMasurier stated that as late as April of this year, Mr. Simmons had requested clarification of his position by the 1955 Road Committee. Dep. Reeve Clark and Councillor Little. The Committee Chairman, Councillor Little, admitted that Mr. Simmons' request had been discussed in committee but was never brought before Council.

In an attempt to clarify its policy as to whether to advertise for another Road Engineer or employ a Firm of Consultants, Council's opinion was divided. Reeve LeMasurier, Dep. Reeve Clark and Councillor Little favoured the Township acquiring its own Engineer. Councillor Griffin favoured a Firm of Consultants. Councillor Deacon was not present at the meeting.

ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Percy D. Brown announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Dorothy Edna Brown to Frederick Jack King, son of Frederick W. King, Oshawa. The marriage will take place on Friday, June 22, at 7 o'clock in Stouffville.

NOTICE

Owing to the Holiday and the late arrival of some country correspondence, several news budgets had to be omitted from this week's issue.

Council Abandons Per Meeting Pay, Set Yearly Salary, Vote Split

At a special meeting of Stouffville town council on Thursday night, it was agreed on a split vote, to pay the members \$300 per year. The bylaw, when passed by the Department of Municipal Affairs, will be retroactive to cover the 1956 term. The motion was opposed by Reeve Elmer Daniels and Councillor Laushway but supported by Councillors Walters and Wagg and Dep. Reeve Burk. Councillor Wagg in the chair, broke the tie vote in the issue.

Council had previously agreed to be paid on a \$7.00 per meeting basis but it was discovered in an old bylaw that such a fee was not permissible. Reeve Daniels and Councillor Laushway contended that for this year it would be best to return to the salary scale of \$150.00. The other members felt that this was not enough for the amount of time they were obliged to spend on municipal business. Reeve Daniels stated that he believed the work would slacken off during the summer months. Councillor Walters and Dep. Reeve Burk did not agree. The Clerk pointed out that to date this year, Council had held a total of 19 meetings in five months, or an average of one meeting per week.

"Let it remain as it is at \$150," stated councillor Laushway.

"The Planning Board gets \$6 per meeting plus mileage," pointed out councillor Wagg, "what better are they than we?"

Councillor Laushway stated that he would be the first to advocate an increase next year but would be satisfied to hold the line at the present time.

Considerable discussion resulted concerning the amount to be deducted for absenteeism from meetings.

"Nothing should be deducted if a member is unable to attend a meeting called at a minute's notice," said councillor Walters.

"The special meetings are important," said councillor Laushway, "we all should attend."

It was agreed that \$5.00 would be deducted for absence of any member at any meetings where 48 hours prior notice is given.

Increase Salary

Mr. Harry VanEeno, town maintenance man, appeared before Council to request an increase in his salary. It was moved by Dep. Reeve Burk and seconded by Councillor Laushway that Mr. VanEeno be given an additional \$300. His salary is now \$2,800 per year. It was agreed that the Public Utilities Commission should pay 50% of both the salary and the cost and operation of the town truck.

Local Farm Work Lags Three Weeks Behind

Farm work in York County is about three weeks behind, according to a report last week from Agriculture Rep. W. M. Cockburn of Newmarket. "The situation is definitely very serious," he said. Mr. Cockburn said that to date there had been very little grain sown except where the soil was light and sandy. "The grain that is in the ground has little growth due to the cold weather," he pointed out.

Mr. Cockburn, in a report to The Tribune, explained that last summer's dry spell was now being felt by many farmers who are running dangerously short of grain and hay. With pasture land not having attained much growth, farmers have been forced to keep their stock in the stable, thus adding to the drain on stored feed.

Only since the weekend has the land dried off enough to allow any spring work to be done. Many fields are being sown in sections with wet spots being left until a later date. Many farmers believe that spring seeding done after May 24th will not reach proper maturity. Mr. Cockburn agrees that it is definitely a gamble although weather conditions during the summer will have a bearing on its growth.

"If the summer is not too warm, the grain may mature," he said. Mr. Cockburn stated that many farmers are replacing oats with corn and buckwheat, causing a considerable drain on the supply of this seed. The York County Agricultural Representative pointed out that the seriousness of the situation has increased due to an expected poor wheat crop. Mr. Cockburn said that much of the wheat has been winter and spring-killed.

In Uxbridge Township where the land is light, much of the spring seeding has been completed. A wet spring doesn't present the problems to the farmers on sandy land that it does on heavier land to the south.

The cold, wet weather is presenting a problem to beekeepers also. Honey-bee colonies are suffering a shortage of pollen, due to the prolonged cool weather, said G. G. Townsend, Guelph Provincial Apiarist. He said that they are six to eight weeks behind most seasons and no brood rearing is in progress. In a word of advice to local apiarists, Mr. Townsend said that beekeepers can help their colonies by feeding pollen substitutes in the form of soybean flour and dried brewers yeast.

Will Hair be Longer ?

Stouffville barbers announced this week a further increase in the price of haircuts, to 75c, moving them up on a par with many Toronto shops where this rate has prevailed for some time. Some city shops charge \$1 a trim. Whether or not the 15c raise locally will see more "long-hairs" on our streets remains to be seen.

The three local shops also announce that they will be open for business until 10 p.m. on Tuesday, Friday and Saturday, closed at 6 p.m. on Monday and Thursday, and closed all day Wednesday.

CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP ELECT NEW OFFICERS

At a recent meeting of the Stouffville Christian Men's Fellowship, the following men were elected to the executive for the 1956-57 season:

President, David Greer; 1st Vice-Pres., Walter Byer; 2nd Vice-Pres., Howard Mills; Treas., Stewart Stouffer, Herb Hisey; Secty., Charles Ratcliff; Song Leaders — Lambert Stouffer, Wm. Barkey; Organists, Fred McCleary, Bert Stouffer; Ushers — John Lehman, Lorne McMullen; Chief welcome, Bert Miller.

Advisory Council — Earl Davis, Charles Atkinson, Elmore Barkey, Mel Johnston, Wellington Yake, Harry Woodland, Evans Ward, Lloyd Grose, Gordon Taber, Mervyn Barkey, Mervin Harper, Larry Higginson, Joe Winterstein, Alvin Farmer, George Yake, John Reesor, Douglas Gee, Fred Steckley, Maurice Farquharson, Warren Moyer, Lloyd Wideman, Wm. Paisley, Fred Yake, Russel Johnson, Claude Kerr, Carl Rose, Nelson Oliver, Dean Alcock.

The Fall meetings begin in October and continue on the first Monday of each month until April 1957.

The Men's Fellowship is happy to be co-operating with the Ministerial Association and the Youth For Christ in another Crusade for Christ Campaign to be held in the Arena from Sunday, August 5, to Sunday, Aug. 19th.

Rev. Grady Wilson, the Associate Evangelist of the World famous Billy Graham, will be the speaker.

Accompanying Rev. Wilson will be Mr. George Erstrom and Mr. Ted Smith.

All Christians in the Stouffville Area should pray much for the revival we need.

This Friday evening there will be another special prayer and preparation meeting in the United Missionary Church at 8 p.m. to which everyone is invited. Rev. Bruce Hisey will be speaking on this occasion.

NEWMARKET ASKS ANNEXATION

Mayor Gladman of Newmarket accompanied by councillor Choppin, waited on Whitchurch Township Council on Friday evening asking that council consider the annexation to Newmarket of approximately 15 acres of the Andrew Watson farm, Davis Dr., for industrial purposes.

Whitchurch council discussed the move at some length and agreed that they would not oppose the annexation request.

Exeter Times-Advocate Wins Nolan Memorial Trophy, The Tribune Takes Third Place Award

The Exeter Times-Advocate has won the A. V. Nolan Memorial Trophy for the best all-round newspaper in Ontario published in towns up to 4,500 population. The Milton Champion was second and The Stouffville Tribune third. The awards were made last week at the annual convention of the Ont. Weekly Newspapers Association held in Windsor.

In the class for papers published in towns of 1,500 population and under, won for a number of years by The Tribune, The Sutton Reporter operated by Col. F. J. Picking, came in first.

The Renslow Advance made the "best use of pictures" during the year and as a result won the Fairchild Trophy. This newspaper also won the special award for "general excellence" in the 4,500 class.

The Chrysler Corporation of Canada played host to the delegates as well as the Ford Motor Company. Some 175 attended.

The local publisher, Chas. H. Nolan, was one of seventeen past presidents of the Association, honoured at a special Past Presidents' Dinner on Friday evening each receiving a fine leather-bound notebook with his name engraved. The association was founded in 1928 with the late

David Williams of Collingwood as president.

T. F. E. Claridge Named Newspaper Man of the Year

"The grand old man of Canadian weekly newspapers," T. F. E. Claridge, a veteran of more than half a century as publisher of the Shelburne Free Press and Economist, was named Weekly Newspaperman of the Year. Starting as a printer's devil in Shelburne in 1891, he became publisher of the Economist in 1903 and bought the Free Press in 1928. The newspaperman was the main figure in his home town's celebration for his newspaper work earlier in the year.

Standing silently as his career as publisher, bandsman, civic and club leader was read by Werden Leavens, secretary-manager of the association, Mr. Claridge later told the large group, "I don't know what to say."

During the Convention, publishers supported a report protesting the \$10 a ton increase in newsprint prices imposed by the Abitibi Power and Paper Co.

The increase excuse has been given as the necessity for packing weekly newspaper sheets in corrugated boxes, which is considered a flimsy excuse and the cartons are not desired by the publishers.



Past President Russell Shearer of Blenheim is seen here presenting the A. V. Nolan Memorial Trophy to Mel Shott of the Exeter Times-Advocate. In the upper photo

W. D. Cotton of the Oakville Trafalgar-Journal which won the award for best general appearance in advertising, is seen with C. H. Nolan, local publisher.

