

## Catches Rare Florida Fish

Mr. Milton Forfar, a former Stouffville resident and now living at Belle Ewart, 18 miles south of Barrie, holds a multi-colored "Trigger Queen", a rare fish that he pulled recently out of the waters of the Gulf Stream near Miami Beach, Florida. Mr. Forfar claims that, to his knowledge, only two other similar specimens have ever been caught. He has had the fish mounted and framed. The fish measured 18 inches in length. The tail spines are six and one half inches long. He caught it among rocks with a 120-foot line. It was some time before the fish was finally hauled safely into the boat. Mr. Forfar brought his prize catch in to the Tribune on Friday. —Staff Photo.

## Markham Expects Some Conservation Work

Markham Township levy for Metro conservation authority in 1959 will be \$5,353.31, two thousand dollars higher than in 1958. Reeve Clark said that council was quite interested in the Authority's plans for this year, as it was expected they would include several projects in the township.

He told council on Monday that he understood the Bruce property would be taken over this year and the Harry Kennedy farm on the north town line. The increased levy, he said, would amount to about one third of a mill on the tax rate.

**Meet on New R.R. Line**

A special meeting has been announced for the Thornhill High School on Tuesday, March 24th in connection with the proposed route of the new C.N.R. line to the "Hump" being built in Vaughan Twp.

Reeve Clark stated that quite a number of persons had visited the township office recently to learn of the exact route. The new line cuts across Markham Twp. just south of No. 7 Highway.

He pointed out that the present line might not be as objectionable as many persons believe, since all engines would be diesel, thus eliminating the smoke nuisance. In addition, all cars would be stunted by electronic devices, eliminating noise.

**Turn Back Gravel Tender**

A motion to accept a gravel tender from the Boantra Aggregates Ltd., Toronto, was rescinded on Monday. The company advised that they were not in business to supply at the present time but their pit would be open by April 1st. The pit is located just north of Gormley sidersoad on the 5th concession. Reeve Clark explained that the township required a supply of gravel in small amounts at present and in his opinion it was not fair to request other companies to give this service during half load periods and then receive the main supply from a company who only offered service at certain periods of the year.

The new resolution gave the tender for Area No. 1 to Gormley Sand & Gravel and F. H. Roberts, Area No. 2, unanimously to the change, considering it better business to give the work to firms who would give service when required.

## Fined \$50 and Costs For Skipping Red Light

A. Harding of Markham, charged with driving a truck through a red light on the 4th concession of Markham, was fined \$30 and costs or six days when he appeared in traffic court at Vanderport on Tuesday. Officer Hollidge stated that accused had driven through the red light with a truck load weighing 46,000 pounds, at an estimated speed of 45 miles an hour. Police gave chase and laid the charge. The accused pleaded not guilty.

Harding admitted going through the light, but said that it was amber when he approached. He said that his brakes were "hard" meaning the air did not respond. He said he sounded his horn and drove on through.

Officer Robb said that as accused had driven for seven years, he should have been familiar with the required distance in which to stop. Harding said he could stop in 20 feet, but Officer Robb replied that it would be nearer to 150 feet with the load he was carrying.

Magistrate Kelly, in addressing Harding, said that this was a very dangerous experiment. "You were operating without regard to the rights or welfare of others" on the highway," said the Magistrate.

**Orates on Point System**

Floyd Kite of Tillsonburg, charged with travelling 42 miles an hour in a 30-mile zone, received a suspended sentence when he appeared in Vanderport Court.

Kite said he was pleased to be in court as he wished an opportunity of bringing before the Magistrate the inequality of the point system soon to be in operation. He said that he travelled all over Ontario and had driven some 2,000,000 miles in his lifetime. He contended that an operator of such mileage should not be limited to 12 demerit marks the same as an operator who drove only 5,000 miles a year.

He contended that it was folly to enter charges for minor offenses and quoted passages from the Scriptures as he continued.

Mr. Kite said he was a married man with a family of eight children and he wished to see laws passed that his family might observe.

He said that in regard to stopping at a Stop street with no traffic—he obeyed the spirit of the law while the officers followed the letter of the law.

## Mrs. Barkis Reesor, Lifelong Resident of Altona District

Following a little over two months illness, Mrs. Barkis Reesor passed away at the Brierbush Hospital on Monday, March 16th. She was in her 83rd year and a lifelong resident of the Altona district.

Mrs. Reesor was born on the Markham Pickering townline and had lived on the home farm just east of Altona for fifty-nine years. Her husband Barkis Reesor predeceased her twenty years ago.

Deceased was identified with the United Missionary Church at Altona where she had taught Sunday School for many years. Mrs. Reesor established a record of having missed the Pickering Township Sunday School Convention only once in fifty years. She was an ardent worker in the Altona Women's Institute where she was a charter member and was a keen historian. Deceased was a daughter of the late Christian Wideman and Hannah Pugh.

Surviving are three sons, Blake, Ken and Stanley, also one daughter Blaine (Mrs. E. Lackey) of Fraserville. There are also three grandchildren.

The funeral on Wednesday afternoon was conducted from the Altona Church by Rev. D. Sargent, with interment in the Dickson's Hill Cemetery. The pallbearers were, Ed. Wideman, Fred McNair, Art Wideman, Millard Reesor, Percy Wideman and Walter Carter.

It isn't any wonder that health leaves you when you neglect it year after year.

## Hold U. M. Church Conference In Ohio

Ninety-six delegates from throughout the United States and Canada convened the 18th General Conference of the United Missionary Church at New Carlisle, Ohio, on Feb. 5. The conference continued through March 2nd.

Men from the Stouffville district attending the sessions were Rev. Arthur Walsh, Rev. C. E. Hunking, Reg. Stouffer and Charles Hoover, all representing the Ontario District of the U.M. Church.

Rev. K. E. Geiger and Rev. Ward M. Shantz were re-elected General Supt. and Vice General Supt., respectively. Mr. Shantz is also Dist. Supt. for Ontario. For the first time in the history of the denomination, a General Sunday School Director was appointed, in the person of Rev. W. K. Burgess who is at present the pastor of Dakota Ave. Church in Detroit.

A new district was established in California, and appropriately is to be named the California District. Among the resolutions adopted during the Conference was one commending President Eisenhower and Secretary of State Dulles for their stand against recognition of Red China.

It was announced that the per capita giving for all purposes in the denomination is \$161.00. The present per capita giving to the work of foreign missions is \$33.21. In 1951 total givings to missions reached the \$100,000 mark for the first time. Last May the total reported for the past year (missions) was \$268,061.32. The F.M. Board points out that \$300,000 must be the goal this year if the Church is to meet its present obligations to missions. The Conference was informed that 27 missionaries were serving under the Church in 1943. The number of missionaries on foreign service today is 102. Five new missionary applicants are under appointment.

Among the speakers addressing evening rallies during the conference were Rev. J. H. Kimball, church building consultant of Christian Life magazine; the Rev. Donald M. Taylor, president of Mountain View Bible College, Didsbury, Alberta, and the Rev. Q. J. Everest, president of the church's foreign board.

It will be of interest to know that the last General Conference held in the New Carlisle Church was in 1916, and Mr. Abraham Stouffer was a delegate from this district. Reg. Stouffer, a son of Abraham Stouffer, represented the local church this year on the return of the conference to New Carlisle.

## PUC Budget To Include Plans For Servicing 60 New Homes

Stouffville Public Utilities hydro department has set a budget figure for 1959 at \$43,500. A special meeting was held last week with hydro representatives to deal with the figures, and discuss the work of the coming summer.

Included in this year's work will be \$27,000 for the servicing of new sub-divisions. Of this amount \$200 for each of sixty new homes will be required; \$10,000 for a new line north and south of Main St.; rebuilding to cost \$4,000 and a power bank at \$1,000.

In addition, the budget will include \$2300 for new street lighting and \$2,200 for hydro equipment.

Up to the present, the new subdivision development has been financed out of current revenues, but debentures will now be issued to carry on with the development. The municipal council has presently been asked to sanction an issue of \$50,000.

Like other businesses which find revenues rising but profits shrinking, it is interesting to note that in 1958 the surplus of revenues over expenditures in the hydro department was \$8,297. In 1959 it is estimated that this surplus will drop to \$7,616; in 1960 it will be further down to \$5,389. In this latter year, revenues are estimated to have risen to \$131,150, but at the same time expenditures will have climbed to \$125,488.

The hydro officials told the local Commissioners that the 4.3% surplus anticipated in 1961, was about the most that could be hoped for. It was pointed out that the City of Toronto works on revenue of less than 2%, although admittedly they have a much greater turnover to work with.

# Planning Board Asks Metro To Help With East End Development

### Plans Being Prepared Could Accommodate 300 New Homes

Stouffville Planning Board now has a complete subdivision plan of the forty acres of farm land on the south side of Main St., including the Cain property and the A. E. Booth farm. At the regular meeting of the Board on Thursday evening, Metro Planning Board which has been most helpful in assisting our local planners, was asked to proceed with a complete plan of the agricultural land on the north side of Main St. and along in all the remaining open land on both sides of Stouffer Street. It is estimated that some three hundred homes could be accommodated on these two planned areas.

In the case of the Cain property, ten lots near the highway have been reserved for commercial and commercial non-shopping.

Stouffville Planning Board previously recommended that a percentage of industrial development be provided along with the residential building. However, it has been considered unwise to have this industry located in the midst of the new homes being planned. It is apparent that additional land must be brought into the town limits for sub-dividers to use for industrial purposes.

Reg. MacKay, planning Bd. member, asked reeve Lehman what steps council had taken towards annexation. The reeve, who is also a member of the planning board, replied that action would begin as soon as the present water problem had been solved. He also pointed out that it would be necessary to have definite plans of what Stouffville intended to do with the land which it was proposed to request from the townships.

Several firms of Consulting Engineers have offered their services to town for the planning of the proposed annexation area, but to date there has been no action in this connection.

## Barns Badly Damaged In Weekend Wind Storm

Near hurricane-force winds caused heavy damage to buildings, trees, hydro and telephone communications throughout the district on Sunday. Some local areas were without electricity and telephone lines were damaged in the Musselman's Lake district when trees were toppled across the wires.

A barn on the property of Mr. Edward Carnegie, southeast of Stouffville was shorn of its roof. A gust of wind carried it fifty feet from the main structure and dropped it near the laneway. On the 8th concession of Pickering, near Altona, the wind put the finishing touches to the Ross Colwell barn. It had previously collapsed under the extreme depth of snow on the roof. One remaining wall was toppled on Sunday.

Mr. Colwell told the Tribune that he had three hours warning of the expected collapse. He was able to get his stock out in time. The owner may rebuild on a smaller scale.

On Sunday evening the Stouffville fire brigade was summoned to the home of Mr. Chas. Farrow, west of Goodwood when a chimney fire threatened the house. The shower of sparks rising from the roof was noticed by passing employees of the Dept. of Highways. Mrs. Farrow discovered the outbreak at almost the same time in an upstairs bedroom.

Stouffville firemen braved 60 mile per hour wind gusts as they doused the sparks from on top of the roof.

East of Clarendon, a shed roof on the farm of Mr. Ralph Jones was lifted from its moorings and hurled against the house. Some damage was also caused to the Clarendon United Church.

## Markham Twp. Agrees To New Bayview School

Markham Township council, meeting on Monday afternoon, agreed by resolution to accept their share of a \$160,000 debenture issue for a new 8-room school to be built on an eleven-acre site known as the Clark Elgin property. The approval was given, subject to approval by Vaughan Twp. of their share of the cost.

## John Sider Passes After Long Illness

John Sider, who has been ill for an extended period, passed away on Friday, March 13th in Scarborough Hospital. He was in his 70th year and the eldest of the family.

Deceased had lived at Gormley. He plied his trade as a carpenter and worked on the railroad as well.

Besides his wife, the former Pearl Hunt, Mr. Sider is survived by four daughters, Reta (Mrs. N. Carrington), Muriel (Mrs. A. Carrington) Oshawa; Jean (Mrs. J. Griffiths) of Los Angeles, and Norma (Mrs. I. Livelyn) of Toronto; also two sons, Harold of Fenelon Falls and Allan of Peterborough. There also survive three brothers, Jos. Sider, Stouffville, Peter of Toronto and Levi of Vancouver; and four sisters, Mrs. Dewsbury, Richmond Hill; Mrs. Fred Hill, Toronto; Mrs. Dent Law and Mrs. Win Timmers, Stouffville.

The funeral on Tuesday afternoon was conducted from the Gormley United Missionary Church by Rev. Mr. Hunking, with interment in the Stouffville Cemetery. The pallbearers were, Clarence Doner, Clarence Steckley, Frank Harvey, Ernest Hunt, Gordon Cullen and Roy Brilling.

## Remanded in Assault Case

Two Stouffville Youths, charged with robbery, have been remanded until April 23 for trial in the Ontario County Criminal Court. Ronald Charles Baker, RR 2, Stouffville, and Arthur Harold Mitchell, RR 1, Stouffville, appeared before Judge J. Pritchard last week.

Baker and Mitchell were charged on February 20 of last year with assaulting Warren Beach, of Uxbridge Twp., with intent to steal. On May 21, they were committed for trial before a judge and jury. In November, they re-elected trial before a judge without a jury and March 12 was set as the date for their trial.

Speaking to Judge Pritchard on Thursday, Crown Attorney Alex. C. Hall, QC, said that he had received communications from one of the defence counsel asking for an adjournment since he would be unable to attend court because of illness.

His Honor then adjourned the trial until April 23. Bail of \$1,000 was renewed.

Baker is also charged with stealing eight head of cattle, on June 6 of last year. He was committed for trial on July 10 and held in custody until the following month when Judge Pritchard set bail at \$5,000. His trial had been set for

## Ladies, Housecleaning?

You're sure to find a great number of useful articles which you'd like to dispose of. Items that are continually gathering dust, and have to be moved about every housecleaning time.

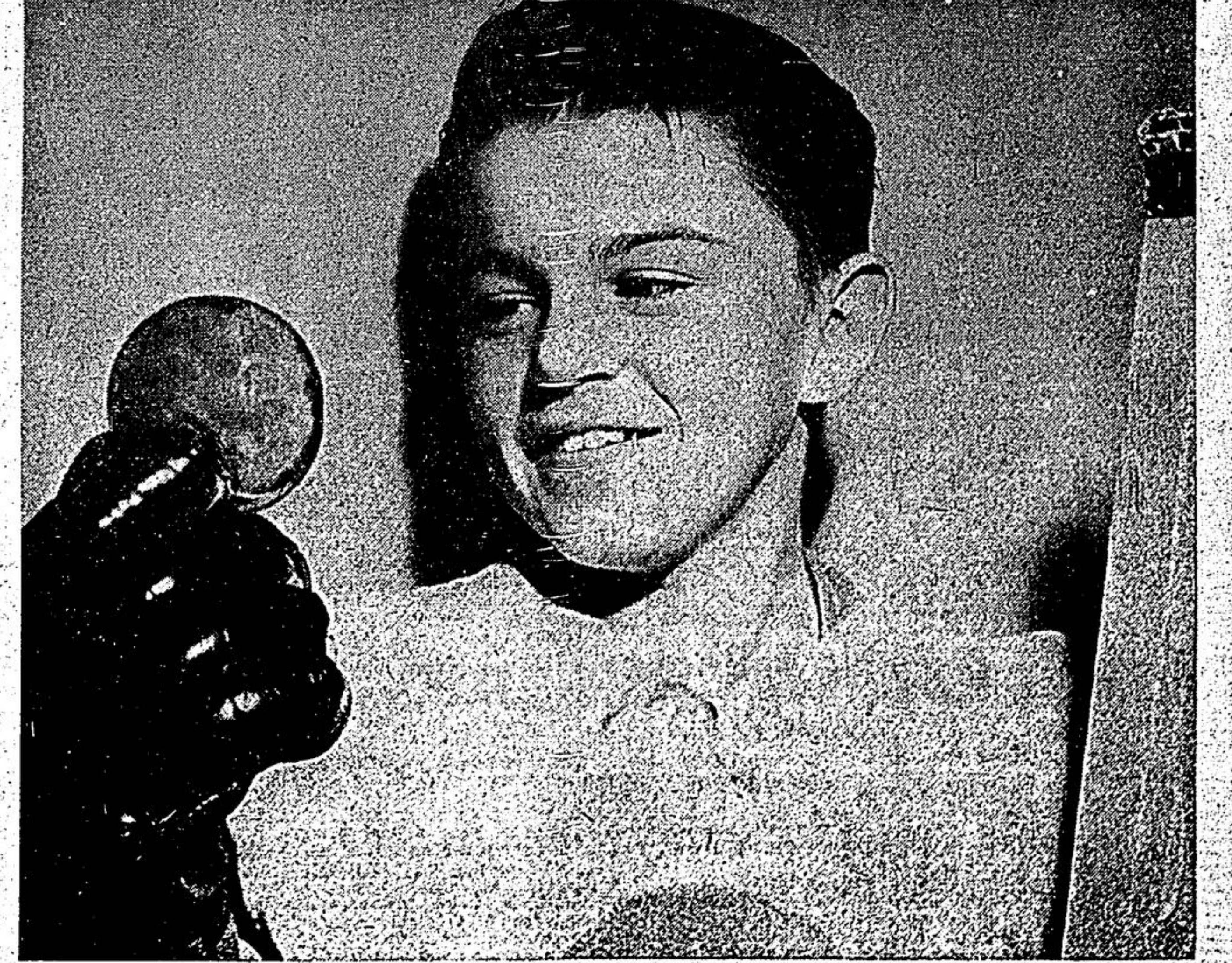
The Stouffville Lions Club will take care of this problem by disposing of them at their annual White Elephant Auction. You'll be helping yourself and at the same time assisting the local service club in their many welfare projects. Nothing too big or too small. Simply telephone Stouffville 152, 2TW2, 98W1 or 35 for pickup.

March 26, but following application by defence counsel for an adjournment, trial date has now been set for April 30 and bail renewed.

## Debentures For Sale

The Village of Stouffville has asked Bell, Gouinlock & Co. to assist in marketing \$170,000 in 5 1/2% debentures of one to 20 years duration. The bonds to be sold are for hydro and sewage projects.

This company has set aside a small amount of the total issue for local residents. Should one have an interest in these bonds, they can be purchased from either of the two local banks or from Bell, Gouinlock & Co. Local bonds have always sold well when they have been offered on the home market, and it is expected that the few thousand dollars which has been set aside for Stouffville residents will be soon subscribed for.



## Scores First Playoff Goal

Twelve year old Billy Payne of Clarendon scored his first goal in O.M.H.A. playoff competition on Thursday night against Marmora. His timely tally aided the Lions' Bantam entry to square their semifinal series and force a third and deciding game. The two teams play at Marmora on Saturday night. —Staff Photo.