



Anglican Parish Preparing To Build New Church

At the Vestry meeting held in Christ Church, Anglican, in Stouffville, on Thursday, members were given the long-awaited good news of plans to erect a new church and parish hall. Plans call for the purchase of property to the rear of the present church which will be dismantled, and an entrance provided into the new buildings. Upon completion of the land transaction, immediate plans for construction of the new church and parish hall will begin.

The local Anglican parish has added greatly to its membership in recent years with the increased population in the town and immediate area, and the need for increased church accommodation has been apparent for some time.

Also dealt with at the Vestry meeting agenda, was the annual Garden Party which heretofore has been sponsored by the Ladies Evening Guild and held at the home of Cmdr. Knox-Leet. Members agreed that this project should be made a parish project and held in the community park in order to handle an enlarged program.

Important Playoff Games to End Hockey Season

Two important playoff games this week will complete the season's hockey programme in the Stouffville Arena. On Friday evening at eight o'clock, Ringwood and Claremont will meet to decide the Community League Championship. Each team has won one game. Claremont took the opener 3-1 but Ringwood bounced back on Tuesday night to eke out a 6-5 win and square the series.

On Saturday night, the Stouffville Bantams will play host to Blenheim to decide the All Ontario "C" title. Blenheim won the first game 3-2. This contest will start at eight o'clock.

Council Roads Comm. Battling Mud Bath; Complaints Coming In

Stouffville municipal council roads committee under chairman deputy-reeve Ken Wagg, and special sewers committee, under chairman councillor Ken Laushway, have been battling a veritable mud bath in the west end of town.

Unlike many surrounding municipalities, Stouffville's big headache has been the installation of sewers, and not floods and bad roads. The council committees and the local works department has been making a valiant effort to at least keep pedestrian traffic moving.

Reeve Gar Lehman has been on top of the situation each day along with his council colleagues, but despite all the efforts, many streets have had to be closed as impassable. Council's main gripe was that the construction company doing the sewer work, advanced too far with their excavating operations before they moved to clean up.

Stouffville, like so many older towns, is plagued with narrow streets, leaving no space to pile the excavated earth. Thus when the clean up was not attempted early, entire streets, sidewalks and all, became a sea of mud, and even pedestrians had a difficult time in making their way to their homes. The town engineers have done everything possible to force the construction firm to abandon digging in favor of clean-up, and while they succeeded in having more men and machines on the latter job, it was too late, and only resulted in stirring up the mud in many cases.

"On the whole, the complaints haven't been too bad," councilor Mumberson stated that this part of the township was frozen pending a decision on the railway line and new No. 7 highway, and he suggested that all these protest meetings were only a delaying action.

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Reeve Lehman agreed that there were a few dozen people who claimed to know more about what should be done than the engineers.

Flooded Basements Fairview Ave. again came in for its spring flooding, and basements on the east side which were built much lower than street level took the brunt. Council pitched in with pumps and the deputy-reeve even took off his coat and waded into the mess with a shovel. The fact did appear that in some cases, council members were more willing to help out residents than the residents were to help themselves.

The works department concentrated on trying to keep the ditches open, and barring a big rainfall, these have been cleared and the worst headache should be over. Deputy-reeve Wagg said that council asked for patience and consideration on the part of the people. He said that he was sure most people realized that everything possible was being done and they should be reasonable and understanding.

It was pointed out that, unlike the former sewer installation two years ago, much of which was in the fall, the weather now can only get one way, and that is better, and each day of warm sun improves the situation.

Markham Twp. Council To Meet Deputation On New R.R. Monday

Markham Township council will meet in special session next Monday evening to meet with the residents of the township who are affected by the new proposed C.N.R. line across the municipality.

Reeve Clarke made it clear that council was not interested in hearing individual complaints. It was believed that the new railway line had to go through, and if residents were not satisfied with the route which the railway people had selected, they should suggest a better alternative.

The reeve said that the deputation should come to council with a prepared brief and appointed speakers. Deputy-reeve Dean stated he understood the residents of Doncaster subdivision would present a petition, as at this point, the railway was to be elevated to a trestle which would create more noise. He said that many suggested the route be further north, so as not to disturb the more consolidated residential areas, and at the same time help to develop the northern part of the area.

Reeve Clarke said that he understood the railway had already purchased a number of properties on the route and he did not foresee any change in the route.

Only Stumbling Blocks Council received a request from Metro Planning Board for a meeting to discuss matters affecting Metro and the southern parts of Markham Township.

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Maple Syrup Supply Cut By High Production Costs

The once-thriving maple syrup industry in the Stouffville district is now, almost non-existent. The high cost of hired help has been blamed for the shut-down. Ratcliff Bros., one of the main syrup producers in this district a number of years ago, informed the Tribune that they will not produce any for market purposes this spring. A similar report was received from Messrs. Leonard Hoover of Dickson Hill, Donald Bacon of Stouffville and Fretz Bros. of Altona.

Mr. Clarence Atkinson of Bethesda is still actively engaged in the syrup trade. He reports that the season has been slow to date but a steady flow is expected if weather conditions are favourable. Frosty nights and sunny days are conducive to a good sap run. Mr. Atkinson told the Tribune that there was still a considerable depth of snow in the bush. The local price is expected to range from \$5.50 to \$6.00 per gallon.

Tapping trees provides much Easter vacation recreation for local boys in Stouffville. In the top photo (left to right) Jack Harper, 10, Bill Farthing, 11, Keith Betz, 11, and Richard Yakeley, 10, all of Stouffville, taste a sample of sap removed from a maple tree on Albert Street. In the lower photo, 10 year old Jack Harper cups his hands under a spile to retrieve a sample.

Work Begins on New Sub-division

Work has commenced on the new Cedar Pines subdivision, the former C. E. Watson property, located immediately east of the 10th concession. April 1st Construction has the contract for preparing the streets, laying water mains, sewers and storm sewers. This will be the first new development provided with storm sewers. More than sixty lots are provided and street entrances on both the 10th and Main St. The subdivision has been held up pending a program to improve the water pressure in the east end of town.

However, the development company is proceeding with other work pending action on the water situation.

Public Meeting For Claremont

A public meeting has been called by the Village Trustees of Claremont. The meeting will be held at the Claremont Community Hall next Tuesday evening, April 7th, at 8 o'clock. Purpose of the meeting is to discuss a proposal to purchase a new and more modern fire truck and the erection of a new and larger fire hall.

John Lehman Dead, R.R. Employee for 24 Years

After a short illness which followed a stroke, John Wesley Lehman passed away in the Brierbush Hospital on Monday of this week. He was 77 and was born on the 6th concession of Whitechurch.

The late John Lehman had been a Stouffville resident for sixty years, and worked for the Canadian National Railway for twenty years. He was identified with the Stouffville United Missionary Church.

Mr. Lehman was a very familiar figure on the streets of town and for some years had served the municipality with the delivery of public utility accounts. Besides his wife, the former Bertie Raymer, he is survived by one son Norman of Stouffville and three daughters, Annie (Mrs. J. M. Young of Vancouver), Clara (Mrs. Wesley Brilinger) of Bethesda, and Margaret (Mrs. Norman Knight) of Ajax. There also survives a brother, George of Toronto, and a sister Stella (Mrs. Herb Reid) of Toronto. There are 12 grandchildren.

The funeral on Thursday afternoon at 3 p.m. will be conducted from the United Missionary Church by Rev. A. Walsh. Interment will be made in Stouffville Cemetery.

Shoot 40 lb. Brush Wolf Near Markham

A 40-pound brush wolf was shot and killed on the farm of Mr. Gordon Cox, conc. 9, Markham, four miles south of Stouffville, on Monday afternoon. The animal's death climaxed a five hour search by two brothers, Neil and Ronald Fincham of North Markham.

The wolf was spotted by Mr. Cox. It was feeding on the carcass of a deer. The two teenage boys accompanied by two dogs took up the chase. Ronald Fincham downed the wolf with one shot from his 12-gauge shotgun. The boys had shot at it on several previous occasions but never at close range. It is the first wolf to be killed in the area in several years.

Service Station Thefts Total \$800

More than \$800.00 worth of mechanic's tools and other articles were stolen from the Pina Service Station, operated by Mr. Dennis Robbins, No. 7 Highway at the 5th concession in Markham Township, on Thursday night.

In addition to tools valued at \$600.00, eight tires, one battery and a custom car radio were taken. The thieves gained entry by breaking the glass in the garage door. The station has been burglarized on several occasions. One man was nabbed recently by Markham Twp. Police as he hid behind the office counter. No suspects have been picked up following last week's break-in.

Markham Twp. Police told the Tribune that the station's location makes it an easy mark for would-be robbers. The operator resides in Markham Villages.

First Aid Classes Moved

The St. John's Ambulance First Aid Course being conducted at the high school each week, will be held next week in the Legion Hall, due to the walking conditions to the school. Entrance at north door.

Easter holiday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Boardway are her mother, Mrs. L. C. Murphy from Cochrane, and Eddie Murphy, brother of Dr. Wm. Murphy, who is in the R.C.A.F.

New Store Owner Has Long Retail Experience

Mr. Harold G. Thurston who, along with his son Don Thurston, operate Thurston Stores Limited, took over operation of the Spofford & Co. store this week. Mr. Thurston has had



store in Richmond Hill. The new proprietor is married, with one son who is associated with his father in the business. Mr. Thurston is a past president of the North York Lions Club and a charter member of that club as well. He also served as deputy-governor of the service club. The family attend the United Church and plan to make their home here as soon as possible. Mr. Thurston has a record of active community work and he is being welcomed this week into the Stouffville business fraternity.

The new owner has advised. The Tribune that the store will continue to be operated with the same good standard of merchandise with the same staff continuing.

COUPLE LOSES INFANT SON

The death occurred very suddenly on Saturday, March 28th, of Keary John Dixon, 10 weeks old infant son of Sgt. and Mrs. M. Dixon of Westbrooke, Ont., and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fleury of Stouffville. The child had been suffering from a cold. The Dixons have three other children, Tommy, Linda and Teddy. Burial was conducted at Kingston on March 30th.

forty years experience in wholesale and retail dry goods, including a period as general manager of Ross Stores Ltd. In addition to the Spofford stores, the new company also operates the Don Thurston Men's Wear

BIRTH

MELTON—Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Melton are happy to announce the arrival of their daughter, Marion Elizabeth, on Thursday, March 19th at Brierbush Hospital; a little sister for Lloyd.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Topping were visitors in New York City over Easter weekend.

Annual Ice Revue An Entertainment Treat

For more than two hours on Saturday night, the local arena was aglow with soft light combinations, dazzling costumes and flashing blades, as the Stouffville Skating Club presented the annual Spring Ice Revue. As always, there were few vacant seats for this popular event.

For the first time this year, the program convenor arranged the entrance with a closed backdrop which did away with the usual congested confusion that existed in the arena lobby. Additional space was afforded for the arranging of the group numbers as one had to either move down the arena or take a seat in the gallery to get a view of the entertainment.

The director, Mrs. Judy Anne McArthur, had a program arrangement which, as usual, gave full scope to the wee members of the club who took part in a great variety of Mother Goose numbers.

The second half of the program brought on the senior groups in a galaxy of colorful routines, each with its own feature soloist. South America Away, Hawaiian Hula, Land

of the Bullfight, Tulip Time, London Ballet, Parce Cafe and RCMP Precision, were all outstanding.

Top Hat Swing, Four of a Kind and Ballet Ruse by two male artists, were features in the opening half of the show. Solo numbers were provided by Jean Winterstein, Louis Stong of the Unionville Club, and Judy Anne McArthur, club professional.

The large crowd was welcomed by president of the club, Bruce Winterstein. Those assisting with the carnival in various capacities were, Judy Anne McArthur, Mrs. F. J. Button, Mrs. H. Shuttleworth, Mrs. John Sanders and Mrs. Belfry Hamilton, Mr. Walter Smith, Mr. Frank Murphy, Mr. Klineck, Mrs. Robt. Stapley, R. E. Corner, Mrs. Helen Hamilton, Mrs. Dixie Sellers, Mrs. Irene Slack, Mrs. Grace Holden, Mrs. Edith Bacon, Mrs. Rog Willis, Mrs. Frank Ford, Mrs. Reta Laushway, Mrs. Dorothy Wagg, Mrs. Ivy Lewis, Mrs. Eleanor Crossen, Mrs. Lorna Button, Mrs. Aurelia Smith, Mrs. Ruth Winterstein, Mrs. Jean O'Neill, Mrs. Evelyn Patrick and Mrs. Neil Smith.

Auction Sales Bring High Cattle Prices

Two farm auctions last week brought high prices for both grade and registered cattle. On the farm of Arthur Bovaird of King, 31 head of Holstein cattle sold for an average of \$276 with a top animal going at \$395. The lot included eleven heifers.

On Thursday, the Jackson sale at Maple found keen interest from an extra large gathering. Top priced registered cow sold for \$420 with the average being \$335. Bred heifers sold for \$295 and averaged \$257.50. The grade herd averaged \$282

and the herd sire brought \$355. A bulk milk cooler went to a bidder from Barrie for \$1,400 and Surge units sold for \$75 each.

The 46 head of cattle passed through the auction ring in less than 90 minutes with W. D. Atkinson calling the bids, assisted by Frank Bennett.

Mrs. K. R. Davis returned home last week after visiting with relatives in Tampa, Florida.



Easter Beauty

A pretty girl and snow-white lilies go hand in hand at Easter time. Twelve year old Gale

Cossey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herb Cossey of Stouffville, fits this picture as she

poses with two giant blooms which have flourished in her father's greenhouse.