



The Stouffville Tribune



Town Services Buffeted by Icy Storm



The village of Markham was one of the hardest hit communities in the district. The Main Street was cut off to

through traffic early Monday crashed down dangerously morning when trees and broken branches toppled across i home in Mount Joy. Telephone the highway. Shown here, one large tree was uprooted and

close to the Orville Heisey and hydro wires were twisted and tangled. -Staff Photo



Jungle

Local hydro and telephone wires and restore communilinemen endured the hazards cations to both townsfolk and of ice, snow and falling debris rural residents. Pictured here, in a round-the-clock effort to two spare workmen. Noel untangle a web of broken Storry and Clifford Lynde, em-

ployed by the Stouffville-Bethesda Telephone Company, cut away broken tree branches on the ninth con., Whitchurch, near Bloomington.

Valuable Dog Strays In Storm

"Kim", a female German Shepherd pup, the property of Mr. Jack Garrett, Albert Street, has strayed from its home and its owner believes it may have bestorm. It was spotted by Stouff-

choke collar. It comes from purebred champion stock. reward has been offered for the animal's safe return. Anyone seeing the dog is asked to phone Stouff. 265 or 247.

Routine Business Occupies Council

Markham Township council meeting for one last time in 1959, dealt almost entirely with routine business on Monday afternoon. Due to the hydro failure, the council chambers was without either light or heat. The meeting was held on the first floor which has an emergency generating plant which supplies power to the police office.

noted that the following industries had either located or enlarged in the year 1959: The and Ratcliff Bros.

that it would not be in their jurisdiction to continue to operate the Yonge St. bus line after Dec. 31st unless a bylaw was passed by each council, Vaughan and Markham and Richmond Hill. Markham council passed the bylaw Monday giving it the necessary three readings.

In the recent election for school trustees for Area No. 1, which had been delayed due to the death of one of the candidates, the members elected were -Messrs. McKay, Clarke and Paraforementioned polled the high- ped the one million dollar mark. teen of these were on Glad Park. est number of votes. Messrs. The figures just compiled for Most expensive home was val-Honsberger and Frost were each | 1959 are very close to those of ued at \$16,500 with a number for Smith's Radio & TV. elected for one year. Mrs. Alex. last year, showing a total of ranging from \$14,000 to \$15,000. son only lost out by two votes. \$1,201,600, as compared with The vote brought out a consid- \$1,233,476 in the preceding year. and public properties were not and twenty-four house permits division will also contain considcrable turnout at the polls and Of this amount approximately many in number but were of were issued in these 2 months. erable commercial property. The rivalled many municipal elec. \$750,000 was for new homes, considerable value. The addition Total building permit fees cold i tions for interest in that Yonge and the balance for commercial to the local post office, the Bank lected in the year amounted to littles Building at Blake and Main

Local Hydro Men Worked Round the Clock Trying to Keep Service Operating One of the most destructive | pletely buried by ice, snow and

ice storms in more than half a century lashed Stouffville and district over the past weekend, and damage is expected to run into thousands of dollars: Tele be fully restored until Saturday. phone and hydro communications were hardest hit. Fallen also brought many hardships tree branches and broken poles transformed local lines into a chaotic web of twisted wire. A: number of district farmers. On two-inch snowfall on Monday one farm, twenty cows which night worsened the situation.

pared with the discomforts en- for thousands of baby chicks. folk in Claremont and Mark- off work for a few days this ham Village. Claremont inhab- week. Both Stouffville Machine itants were without hydro from & Tool Works and Sarco Co. at Sunday midnight until late Tue- | Claremont, were without their sday afternoon. A number of 550 volt power and unable to residents were forced to seek warmer quarters. The damage The Township Municipal Build through the kitchen window of ing at Buttonville had to resort the Chewins home on Clark St

to their emergency unit. . . A In Claremont, a falling limb regular meeting of Council on crashed down on the tops of a Monday was held in a warmer downstairs section. A number of employees worked in their win-

Stouffville told the Tribune that | calls, and endeavoring to keep come lost in the recent ice he was the recipient of dozens the current flowing. Gordon of telephone calls throughout ville officer, P.C. VanKoughnet the night when worried resi- tenance men and their assiston Monday night but has not dents saw the ground showered ant Ross Hetherington were on been seen since. It had been with sparks and fire balls caused the go continually from early kept at Garrett's Main Street by falling branches on hydro Sunday evening all through the while driving home from a visit garage and was being trained as lines. The brigade answered one night and the next day into the with friends. Their car went out alarm at Goodwood, when a evening. Longest breakdown of control on the icy surface of The dog is black in colour and short circuit threatened the resi- was for some residents on north Highway 41 north of Napanee, dence of Mr. Claude Watson. Church St. while the balance of and struck a tree. Mrs. Coulter The blaze was extinguished by town was shut down for about who was seriously injured, was local firemen working in co- eight hours at the most, princi- removed to Kingston Hospital operation with the Uxbridge pally from the C.N.R. east. where she died on Sunday. Trinunit. Since the electric alarm would not function, the members had to be summoned by telephone. Two minor hockey games, one at Port Hope and one at Whitby had to be cancelled on Monday night when driving conditions became too. hazardous.

Local and district hydro crews worked round-the-clock in an effort to repair the damage. A number of relief workmen were employed by the Stouffville-Bethesda Telephone Co. One of their most difficult routes extended for a distance of seven miles between Stouffville and Musselman's Lake. The County road at the intersection of the Markham - Pickering townline was cut off to all traffic for a In the final report tabled number of hours on Monday from the Planning Board, it was when wires dropped to the ground. One huge cable was literally torn apart by the weight of ice. It was the same story Richvale Block Work Centre, at Goodwood. The temperature Assinck Bros., Nordin Building in oil-heated homes dropped to tias and candles, as Helen Leone | sley. Products, J. Kittank, Onway a mere forty degrees. Extensive Paisley, daughter of Mr. and Constr. Co., Boosey & Hawks, pole damage was reported on Mrs. T. H. Paisley, Stouffville, Mr. Norman Tyndall of Vic. brown suit, fur spacket and the Uxbridge townline road, became the bride of William toria Square and the ushers belge accessories. On their re-The T.T.C. has been advised south of Lincolnville. At Clare Bruce Clark, son of Mr. and were Eldred King, George Fel- turn they will reside on Don by the Commission's solicitors mont, one car was almost com. Mrs. Wm. L. Clark, Unionville gate, and two brothers of the Mills Rd.

fallen tree branches. Authorities believe that all hydro and telephone communications may not

The shortage of power has and possible financial loss-to a had never been milked by hand Although Stouffville residents are having their first experience suffered some inconvenience due without a machine. At the Pugh to intermittent power failures, farm east of Claremont, there their plight could not be com- is great difficulty in providing dured by neighbouring towns- A number of men have been

operate.

While there have been no realong Markham's main street ports of direct injury to anyone resembled the destruction in town due to the storm, a wrought by Hurricane Hazel. large tree branch did crash number of new automobiles at the Chas. Cooper-establishment.

By Monday night, local hydro workers were nearly exhausted, Fire Chief Wm. Malloy of trying to keep up with the Brown and Chas. Lintner, main-

Stouffville Couple Rescued When Schooner Wrecked

cued from a desolate island Point Island, Bahamas. beach where their 20 ft. schoon- He reported that the five perer. Lady, was shipwrecked en route from Miami to Nassau. house Saturday where they were Three Americans travelling with. fed, given clothes and shelter. them were also rescued.

a reef Christmas Day, and broke discovered the marooned party into two pieces. Three of the Saturday while fishing, and he passengers rode part of the took them to Mr. Parker's house. wreckage to one island, beach, The Forfar family in Stouffville, two others to another. Here they said they had not heard from spent two days before being res- the couple since they left for cued.

were reported by Roy Utter, a hamas.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie F. For- radio operator and employee far of Stouffville have been res- of Kenneth Parker of Master

sons were taken to Mr. Parker's

Rev. Wellington Hannah, a The schooner was wrecked on native of South Mystic Point, Florida, Dec. 5th. They planned The shipwreck and rescue to spend Christmas in the Ba-

Christmas Day Accident Kills Minister and Wife

Coulter, formerly of Stouffville, both died last week as the result of a motor accident on Christmas Day. Rev. Geo. Coulter was a minister of the United Church here thirty years ago.

Mr. Coulter, who was in his 81st year, was killed instantly

Rev. George Coulter and Mrs. lity United Church, Napanee, was Mr. Coulter's last charge, and the couple had been living retired there.

> Surviving the couple is one daughter, Mrs. R. C. Jackson (Isobelle) of Madoc. Mrs. Coulter who was the former Annie H. Bower, is also survived by one sister, Mrs. A. M. Partridge. She was in her 78th year.

> Funeral for Mr. Coulter was conducted on Monday, Dec. 28th, and for Mrs. Coulter, this Wednesday, Dec. 30th. Public services were held in Trinity United Church and interment was made in Riverview Cemetery.

Unique Conveyance For Wedding Party

were married on Dec. 23rd; in the Stouffville United Church, were escorted through town following the ceremony in a unique horse-drawn conveyance. The "glass house" mounted on farm wagon was drawn through town by a team of horses, much to the delight of the newlyweds, their attendants and onlookers.

Much of the material for the glassed-in wagon, was provided by Mr. Jerry Brillinger, and construction work was done at Les Wilson Motors. The horses belonged to Mr. Percy McKay and James McKean was the

Nearly 200 Attend Ceremony Stouffville United Church was

fittingly decorated with poinset-

neckline and matching brocade head:band trimmed with pearls. Mrs. James Brown, and Mrs.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Clark who Rev. Douglas Davis officiated. | bride, Bruce and Earl Paisley. The bride, given in marriage The wedding music was played by her father, wore white bro- by Mrs. Chas. Nolan and "The cade with chapel train, calla lily Lord's Prayer" and "Because" were sung; by Mr. Ronald Mer-

> Following the ceremony, a She wore a fingertip veil and wedding breakfast was served her flowers were white roses and in the church hall, Mrs. Paisley stephanotis. Her matrons of and Mrs. Clark receiving the honour, Mrs. Donald Sneddon many guests. Mrs. Paisley was and Mrs. Paul Cummings were dressed in Receda green silk gowned in red velvet with sab satin with matching beige acrina neckline, full length sleeves, cessories and corsage of bronze bouffant skirt and matching flat mums and yellow, roses, Mrs. bows for head-bands. They car | Clark wore winter white, tworied a white fur muff with red | piece brocade with jade blue poinsettia. The bridesmaids, accessories and corsage of plnk roses.

> Charles Livingston were simi- The couple will spend their larly gowned, as was the Junior | honeymoon trip travelling bridesmaid, Miss Jacqueline Pai: through the southern States by motor. The bride chose as her The groom was supported by travelling costume, a mink

Value of New Building in Town Over Millicn Dollar Mark Again This Year

cession, the total value of new homes was just five less than for about \$125,000. Stiver Bros. number of new homes can be ker, all for two years. The building in Stouffville, has top- in 1958, being forty-eight. Six- also made a considerable change looked for in 1960, most of these .. additions and alterations.

For the second year in suc- The total number of new | new municipal offices accounted | The forecast is that an equal

Permits issued for commercial greatest home building activity 1 of Commerce building and the \$851.00.

and a new store was erected

being on the Watson Heights sub-division, with some start April and October saw the possible on the Boraven Development property. This later suberection of the new Public Util-Sts. will also add to the total.