

Gormley

# Publication Honours Late Victoria Sq. Garage Operator

Mrs. C. Millsted  
 Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. George French who celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary on Saturday.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Fred Doust and Miss Dorothy Doust attended the funeral of their uncle, Mr. Wm. Joseph Leese, on Saturday at Richmond Hill. Mr. Leese was a brother of the late Mrs. Jas. Doust, and the last member of the family.  
 Miss Mildred Brillinger commenced nursing at Sick Children's Hospital on Feb. 1.  
 The Girl Guides enjoyed a skating party on Saturday night at Unionville rink.  
 Mr. Clarence Elliott, who is in the Canadian Air Force, has been transferred from Quebec to Saskatoon.  
 Mrs. Tom Christlaw, Heather, Jan and Jill of Blind River spent Thursday night with the Millstedts. The members of the Gooding family had dinner on Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Gooding at Richmond Hill. All were present except Mrs. Allan Doner of Ilorin, Africa, and Mr. Vernon Gooding of Dundalk. Vernon had an operation on Friday in Centre Grey Memorial Hospital, Markdale.

Mrs. Clifford Winger entertained a number of ladies at a quilting on Wednesday.  
 At the all-day Sewing Circle at the United Missionary Church on Wednesday, Mrs. Ida Cook was guest of honour at a turkey dinner. Mrs. Cook just recently retired after serving very faithfully for nearly forty years as church caretaker. Mrs. Cook had previously been presented with a refrigerator from the church as a tangible token of her faithfulness. On Wednesday she was given a lovely plant by the Sewing Circle. Among the thirty-five ladies who were present were Mrs. Cook's two daughters, Mrs. Delbert Baker of Gormley, and Mrs. May Spence of Stouffville. During the devotional service, conducted by the president, Mrs. Fred Doust, Miss Edith Raymer spoke very fittingly of Mrs. Cook's work through the years.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Empringham entertained the members of the chivari gang for Mr. and Mrs. Ray Winger at a turkey dinner on Thursday evening.  
 Student teachers from Toronto Teachers' College were at S.S. No. 7, Markham, and at Lloyd School for the past week.  
 In the January issue of the "BP Symbol" is a write-up on

the late Mr. Louis Stoutenburg, which we felt would be of interest to many of our readers. We quote:  
 "Today's service station operator has a pretty soft job, compared to the dealer who ran a filling station forty years ago. Lack of gasoline pumps, hoists and vehicle testing equipment was just one of the inconveniences old-time dealers had to put up with.  
 This was the opinion of 86-year-old Louis Stoutenburg, BP Canada's oldest dealer and one of the oldest active service station operators in the world. Regarded as a pioneer of the service station business in Canada, Louis will soon complete 60 years as a mechanic in Victoria Square, a small community 20 miles north of Toronto.  
 "There were no gasoline pumps when I opened my first station more than thirty years ago. At that time gasoline came in five-gallon drums and was poured directly from the drum into the car. Drums were usually lent by the oil company or distributor and were refilled at the station by tank wagon."  
 Gasoline cost about 14 cents a gallon then.  
 Louis, who looks twenty years younger than he actually is, does not miss the old days. Owner of a BP outlet, he feels that the dealer of today is able to handle much more business with less effort, in less time and

with greater success than could his predecessors.  
 "Back in the twenties," said Louis, "a garage operator had to be an expert in many fields. He couldn't turn to a fellow dealer for advice. There usually wasn't one around. In fact, in my case, the nearest station to mine was 17 miles away and the closest car dealership was 25 miles away."  
 Louis' liking for engines first became apparent when he was a youngster. Every free moment was spent tinkering with the family threshing machine. "My ambition," Louis recalls, "was to own a horseless carriage—not to drive necessarily—but to tinker with."  
 At the turn of the century there were few cars in or around Victoria Square. Skilled mechanics were even scarcer. When word got around that there was a young man in the village who was handy at fixing cars, motorists came to see him. Operating from a barn on his father's farm, Louis soon had a large clientele. Gradually his repair business grew until, in 1933 he built a service station in the heart of Victoria Square. What had started as a hobby became a livelihood.  
 Today Louis is one of Victoria Square's best known, and most loved, citizens. A widower, he lives in a neat red brick cottage just a few yards from his sta-

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The hours will be as follows:

Monday	.....	Closed all day
Tuesday	.....	8.30 a.m. until 8 p.m.
Wednesday	.....	8.30 a.m. until 6 p.m.
Thursday	.....	8.30 a.m. until 8 p.m.
Friday	.....	8.30 a.m. until 9 p.m.
Saturday	.....	8.30 a.m. until 6 p.m.

tion. He owns a 1958 automobile but seldom drives, because of the growing number of highway accidents.  
 Louis' station is the gathering spot for many of the village's senior folk. Here, friends gather most evenings around an oil stove to talk about the old days. Popular with the young set, too, Louis often acts as barber to children of the village whose parents are poor. His "trims" are free.  
 Asked whether he planned to retire from work soon, Louis scowled slightly and said:  
 "Young man,—as long as I'm needed and as long as God lets me enjoy good health, this station will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. every day except Sunday."  
 As our readers know, Mr. Stoutenburg passed away before the above article was printed. We felt you might wish all the more to have this account for your scrap-books.  
 A number of people are attending the Sunday School Teacher Training Course which is being presented every Monday night in February at the United Missionary Church at Dickson Hill.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brillinger and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wideman visited Rev. and Mrs. E. Steckley at Fort Erie on Sunday. Rev. Steckley is convalescing at his home but is still not very well.  
 Mrs. Bruce and Genevieve had supper on Saturday with Miss Ruth Hoover.  
 Mr. Harry Kruse spent the weekend in Toronto.  
 Mr. Jos. Jones is laid up with his back.  
 Mrs. Alvin Farmer entertained a number of ladies at a quilting on Friday.  
 Gormley Home and School Association will meet on Monday night, Feb. 8, at 8 o'clock at S.S. 7, Markham. Open House will be observed, and the children's work will be on display. Please bring the proceeds of your Talent money. Everyone is heartily invited to attend.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Landon Steckley visited Mr. and Mrs. George French on Tuesday.  
 Miss Helen Nigh spent the weekend with her friend, Miss Anne Millen at Willowdale.  
 Miss Audrey Miller of the North York Teaching Staff spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Allan Pope and Mrs. Fennell.  
 Miss Sheila Henderson spent the weekend with Miss Carol Nigh.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Brown and Melody Ann of Welland spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Nigh.  
 Dinner guests of Mrs. Allan Pope on Saturday evening were Mrs. Rhodes, Miss Sprague and Miss E. Barnes of Newmarket, and Miss Jean Muirhead of Unionville.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thompson of Toronto had dinner on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. French.

Longstreth, Atoll Holiday by Nan Thelan, The Scarlet Lily by Shipley, The Calendar Girl, The Case of Daring Decay and several books of Earl Stanley Gardner's. The next library night is Feb. 9th, when all interested persons are asked to stay for a meeting which will be called to order at 9 p.m.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Jones and girls and Mr. G. Jones had supper with Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin on Saturday.  
 A speedy recovery is wished for Mrs. D. Wagg who is not enjoying the best of health.  
 Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at Mrs. C. Jones'.  
 Mrs. R. Faulkner and Mrs. P. Pugh spent a day with Mrs. Clare McGuckin last week.  
 Mrs. Gladys Norton visited on

Thursday with her sister, Mrs. Harold Norton and family.  
**BAIL REFUSED IN ASSAULT CASE**  
 A 22-year-old Holland Landing mother was criminally assaulted at gunpoint in her own home during the early hours of Tuesday morning. Shortly after the incident, her husband returned home and called East Gwillimbury Police. The young woman was taken to York County Hospital.  
 Remanded in Newmarket Magistrate's Court without bail, Donnell is slated to appear before Magistrate Hollinrake this week. Police have recovered a gun.

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**GOODWOOD**  
 Mr. George Jones spent several days last week with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Hockley.  
 The Goodwood Friendship Group met at the E. Hockley home on Tuesday, Jan. 26. This was the annual business meeting and a new slate of officers was elected. After a devotional period, pictures of Holland in tulip time were shown and a delicious lunch brought the evening to a close. Any married couples are very welcome the fourth Tuesday of each month.  
 Some new books in Goodwood Library are: St. Lawrence Seaway by Chevrolet, Scarlet Force and The Force Carries On by