

Local and Personal Happenings

J. F. Thomas Was Noted Soccer Star

On Monday, Oct. 10th, John Francis Thomas, a former resident at the home of his son, at Milliken, passed away at the Green-acres Rest Home, Newmarket, in his 57th year. He had been in falling health for some time.

Born in Scarborough on the present Elliott Harrington farm, the deceased later resided on the Pickering townline on property now owned by Mr. Arthur Wideman. He also lived on conc. 7, Markham. While a young man, he performed as a player in the well-known Box Grove "Dauntless" football team that captured the Provincial Championship in 1890. Mr. Geo. Freeman of Cedar Grove is the only surviving member of that club. The late Mr. Thomas was the last surviving member of a family of seven. Four sisters and two brothers predeceased him. He has one son, Harvey, of Milliken. Two other sons, Ivan and Harold have passed on.

The funeral service, conducted by Rev. Butt, formerly of Unionville, United Church and now in Toronto, was held from the Dixon Chapel, Markham, on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock. Interment was made in Pine Hills Cemetery. The pallbearers were—Messrs. Norman Thomas, Donald Penrose, John Thomas, Leslie Andrews, James Turner and Roy Penrose.

Missionary Guests Here

On Sunday morning, Oct. 16, The United Missionary S.S. was pleased to welcome Dr. John Erb and Dr. Jean Erb and their four children, and have them take part in the Sunday School hour. Dr. John Erb is a son of Dr. I. H. Erb of Thornhill, many years a pathologist of Toronto and well known in Stouffville. He and his wife, also a doctor, are on the staff of the United Missionary hospital at Tungan Magajoya, Nigeria, West Africa, and with their family are on furlough, at present living in Toronto. The family appeared in African costume and gave a little skit, depicting an African family and a sick child, who later was taken to hospital and after treatment recovered from his illness. The children and parents all took part, as well as Miss Nancy Stover, who had the part of a nurse. The scene and the conversation, partly in the Hausa language, will long be remembered by the S.S. scholars, as also the short address by Dr. Erb.

York-Simcoe Home & School Council

The first general meeting of the York-Simcoe Home & School Council was held at the Charles Howitt Public School in Richvale. Representatives from associations in Schomberg, Holland Landing, Gormley, Unionville, Markham, Newmarket, Richmond Hill, Thornhill and Richvale attended. An address by Miss Barbara Smith, librarian in charge of children's library service for the Department of Education in Ontario, was heard.

Miss Smith spoke of what the Home and School could do in this year when the National Federation is studying children's library service. A survey of children's recreational reading, made by a committee composed of librarians, teachers,

Women's Missionary Meeting

Miss Velma Brillinger of Gormley, a returned missionary from Southern Rhodesia, was guest speaker at the United Missionary W.M.S. meeting held at the home of Mrs. Reg. Stouffer Thursday evening, Oct. 13th. The devotional was conducted by the president, Mrs. E. Herbert; and the ladies all enjoyed hearing of Miss Brillinger's work in Africa, where she was secretary to the Supt. of the Brethren in Christ Mission in Rhodesia. She also showed her interesting pictures. Many in this country are watching developments in Africa in these troubled days. There has been some rioting in Bulawayo, capital of Rhodesia, where the speaker has spent several years. The prayers of Christians are being offered for a peaceful solution to the many problems, and a continued freedom for missionary work to be carried forward.

Ringwood Store Sold

The Ringwood store and restaurant, formerly owned by Archie and Irene Reid, has been sold to the Mehaffey family of Ringwood. The transaction was completed this week. Mr. and Mrs. Reid would ask that the same customer patronage be extended to the new owners as they have enjoyed in the past. Mr. and Mrs. Reid will reside in Stouffville for the winter months. They plan to take up permanent residence at Ringwood in the Spring.

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Lucky Draw Winners

Mr. Keith Sutherland, principal of Orchard Pk. Public School, was the winner of the large ice cooler, given away by Giles Chev-Olds on the occasion of their recent new car show. Other local winners of door prizes were, Earl Anderson, George Timbers and Carl Timbers.

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Mr. and Mrs. Morley Barker of Toronto were in town on Tuesday.

Dr. and Mrs. T. McDowell of Toronto were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Telf Rennie, Stouffville. Mrs. McDowell is a sister of Mr. Rennie.

Santa Claus paid an early visit to a small community in Grand Bay, Newfoundland recently in the person of "Sunshine", well-known knight of the road. He was the centre of attention for 40 children at a gala party.

The Rieser family, O'Brien Ave., suffered severe injuries when their station wagon was involved in a serious accident near Perth on Thanksgiving Day. Mrs. Rieser suffered a broken ankle, cuts and bruises. She will be confined to the Perth Hospital for a period of two weeks. Their 2-year-old son, Peter, was not injured. The auto was badly damaged.

Mrs. John Pollard of Lincolnville entertained a few of her relatives to afternoon tea on Wednesday. This included her great-grandmother, Mrs. Egbert Hunter, her grandmother, Mrs. Harold Hunter and her mother, Mrs. Don H. Hunter of Melville. Three of her aunts, Mrs. Ken. Neil and Gerald Hunter, and Mrs. Coatsup and Mrs. S. D. Pollard were also present.

Mrs. Wm. Brown, the former Ida Troxel, passed away on Friday morning, at the home of her son, J. Elmore Brown at Stayner in her 87th year. She was the wife of the late Rev. Wm. Brown, a former Mennonite Minister here. Surviving are 3 sons, Rev. Cecil Brown, Vineland, Irvin of Toronto and Elmore of Stayner and a sister, Mrs. Isaac Erb of Thornhill. Funeral service was on Monday in the United Missionary Church at Stayner. Interment was in Thornbury Cemetery.

Debbie Garrett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Garrett, Albert St. N., picked a huge maple leaf from a tree in the Parry Sound district over the weekend that measured 19 inches from the tip to the bottom of the stem. It was more than 12 inches in width. The family brought a few samples home.

The balmy days of Indian Summer that we have been experiencing during the past few weeks have produced some oddities in nature. On Saturday, Mr. Andrew Hutchinson of Queensville brought a branch of mature raspberries into the Tribune. Within the past four weeks they have picked no less than 75 pints in their garden.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence McDowell and family are moving this week to the farm they purchased from Mrs. Bacon on No. 47 Highway west of Goodwood. Mr. McDowell sold his dairy farm on concession 10 south of Mongolia to Mr. and Mrs. B. Schalklock of Toronto, who plan to build a home on the farm next year. The present farm houses will be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. John Brink and family and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gilham and family.

Horticultural Meeting—Several from the local Horticultural Society attended a meeting on Monday evening, as guests of the Agincourt Society, in the Knox Church Hall. Dr. Bryce Kendrick of Toronto, and a past President of the Ont. Hort. Association, gave a Travogue and showed pictures on his recent trip to Russia. That country has some of the most beautiful and largest buildings in the world and many are surrounded by beautiful flower-beds which are tended by women workers. The grass on the lawns is usually cut when about four inches tall, as scythes are used for cutting instead of lawn mowers.

DEATH

FRID RATCLIFF

The death occurred, October 13th, 1960 in the Col. Belcher Military Hospital, Calgary, Alberta, of Fred Ratcliff, son of the late John W. and Mrs. Ratcliff of Stouffville.

Mr. Ratcliff leaves to mourn his loss, his wife the former Muriel Archer, son John and daughter Margaret, also two sisters, Mrs. John Morton of Hamilton, and Mrs. George Storey of Stouffville. Two sisters have predeceased Mr. Ratcliff, Mrs. C. J. Honey (Catherine), and Mrs. H. O. Kilnck, (Isabel).

Garrett Evening Auxiliary

The Thank-Offering meeting of the Garrett Evening Auxiliary was held in the United Church Parlours on Wednesday evening, Oct. 12th. Quiet music by Miss Watson called the meeting to order and Vice-President Miss Eva Hoover was in the Chair.

The Devotional was given by Miss Ida Lehman for Miss Gladys Brooks who had prepared same, but was unable to attend. The theme was "The Flagship of the Fleet," and Bible reading given was Matthew 25:14-29. Miss Lehman said that the reason once given for the failure of The Spanish Armada was the lack of three ships, marksmanship, seamanship and leadership. We should make room for these, and many other ships mentioned, in the harbour of our lives.

Mrs. W. Duxbury favoured with two vocal numbers, "Thy Will Be Done," and "I Look to Thee," which were much enjoyed. Miss Anne Lehman was accompanist. Miss Winnie Hutchinson read a poem "When I Whine" which gave us many reasons for thankfulness.

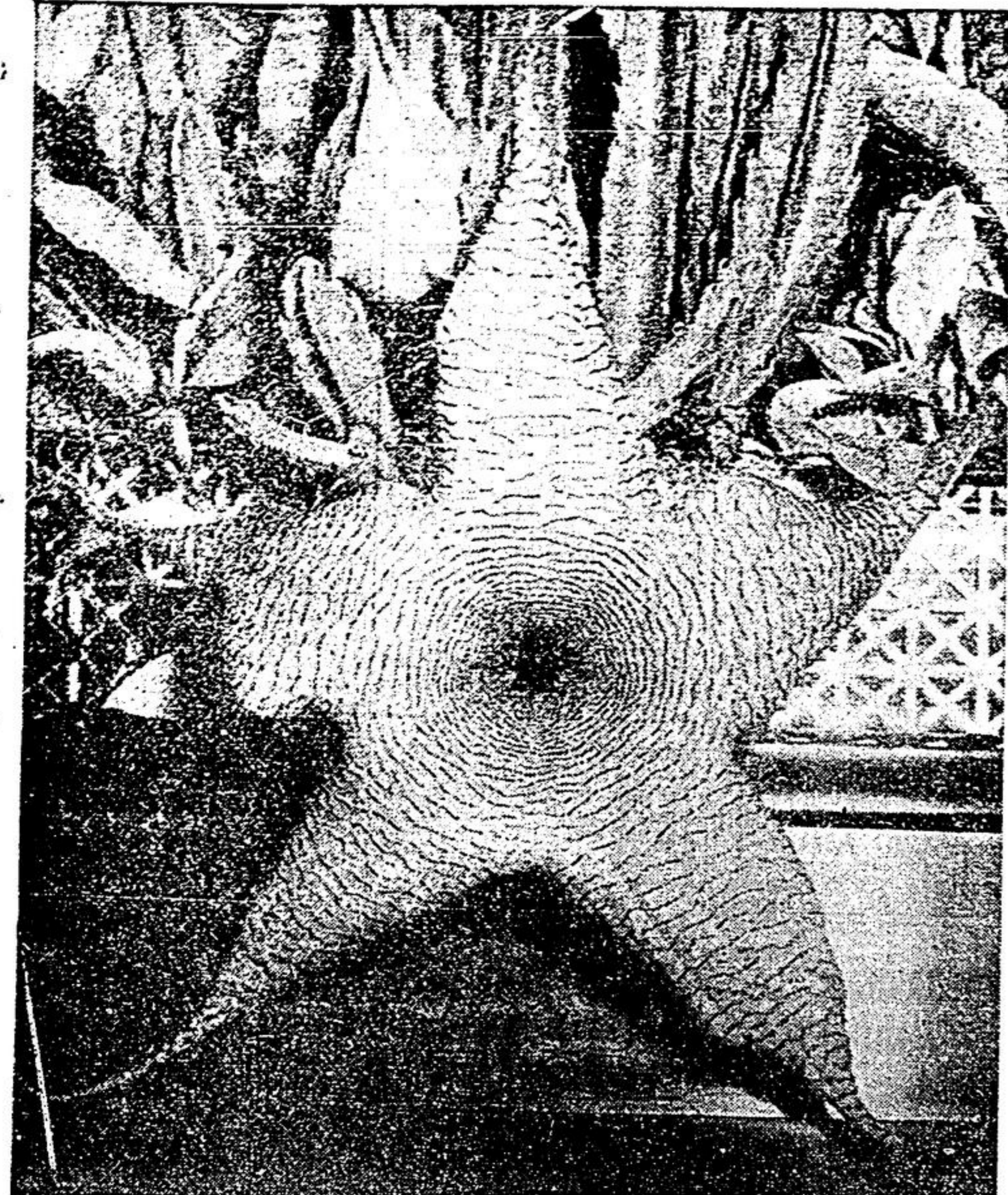
Mrs. Hastings reviewed the second chapter from "The Ship Under the Cross" entitled "The Vision Lost." This chapter was very interesting and started out by telling us that the early church was conscious of three things: Unity of Purpose, Unity of Mission and Dependence of all its members upon one another under Christ. Mrs. Hastings said this was the most important and was where the church has failed.

Miss G. Todd and Miss M. Watson were program conveners. A social half-hour was enjoyed.

publishers, Home and School members, etc., found two significant facts. First, that 50% of the children in Ontario are without library services; and secondly, that if parents are not interested in reading, themselves, and if they do not read to their children from the time they are tiny, the children will not have much interest in learning to read and often have difficulty.

There is a great deal of criticism by parents of the school's failure to teach reading, yet this report proved the fault lies more with the parents than with the school. If a child is to enjoy reading, continued Miss Smith, he must have attractive reading material or he will never read anything else than the reader from which he learned. Unfortunately most

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Weird, But Beautiful

A rather weird but beautiful bloom has been produced from a star-fish cactus plant in the home of Mrs. J. C. Steckley, Burkholder St., Stouffville. The flower, which measured 15 inches from point to point, is pale yellow in colour with a dark brown centre. Three more blooms are expected to burst forth shortly.



Banner Entry

George Roman (right), of the Romandale Farms, Unionville, is receiving from D. S. Dunton on the left, 2nd vice president of the Holstein-Friesian Assoc. of Canada, the Premier Breeder Exhibitor banners won by Romandale Holsteins at the Peterborough Championship Show.

WEDDING

WHITE — BISSETT

North Hill United Church, Calgary, Alta., was the setting for the marriage of Lorraine Patricia Bissett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Bissett of Calgary to George Henry White, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rolph White, Stouffville, Ont. For the ceremony at 5 p.m. the church decorations were candelabras and baskets of mixed flowers and Rev. Pottruff was the officiating minister.

Given in marriage by her father, Mr. Laurence Bissett, the bride wore a gown of white organza with a chapel train and featuring a shawl collar, lily point sleeves and a panel of iridescent sequines on Chantilly lace down the front of her dress. Her full length veil was highlighted by a crown of rhinestones and was worn over her face until lifted by the groom. She carried white rubrum lilies with pink roses and stephanotis placed on a white Job's Daughter Bible with Lily of the Valley.

The bride's attendants were, Miss Beverley Thorell as maid of Honor, Mrs. Bernice Toomer as Matron of Honor, Miss Pat White of Stouffville, Ont., as bridesmaid and Miss Patty Lynn Toomer as flower girl. The attendants' dresses were of silk organza in Romance Blue and shrimp pink and they wore matching net picture hats and carried bouquets of mixed flowers with the alternate colour of their dress predominating.

The flower girl's dress was in Romance Blue and exactly like the other attendants'. Mr. Griff. Griffith was the best man and the ushers were Mr. John Lane and Mr. Charles Livingstone.

Mrs. Mae Brown, as soloist, sang "O Promise Me" as the mother of the bride was seated; "The Wedding Prayer" during the ceremony, and "I Love You Truly" while the register was being signed.

Baskets of flowers decorated the Lions Club Senior Citizens Hall, where the wedding reception was held. The wedding cake was in the shape of a church with bride and groom coming down the steps.

A toast, given to the bride by Mr. C. E. Landymore, a long-time friend of the bride, was responded to by the groom. For travelling through Glacier National Park, Seattle and Van-

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