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Community Mourns Popular Businessman, Late L. E. O'Neill

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The Village of Stouffville suffered a distinct loss last week with the passing of L. E. (Tim) O'Neill, popular businessman and a sports leader here for the past thirty years. His illness during recent weeks had been followed with anxiety by his hundreds of friends throughout the town and district and the announcement of his death on Friday was felt most keenly throughout the community.

L. E. (Tim) O'Neill came to Stouffville as a Port Perry boy in 1929 and was employed here for three years by the late_W. J. Mather. In 1932, he purchased the funeral and furniture business on Mr. Mather's retirement. Mr. O'Neill was highly respected in his profession as funeral director and hundreds of families in town and district found him a most sympathetic and trusted friend in time of trouble. Over the years he has enlarged and improved the business block at the Church St. corner and only last year completed a further addition to the building adding greatly to

the funeral chapel facilities. Mr. O'Neill'was a member of Richardson Masonic Lodge and a charter member and past president of the Stouffville Lions Club. Always in the forefront of any worthwhile community project, it was in the field of sport in which he was most prominent. 'He was manager of both intermediate baseball and senior hockey clubs, both of which won provincial honours. In 1958 he was elected to the Executive of the Ontario Hockey Association, an office he still held at the time of his death. He was most active in the Stouffville Arena project of 1950, was one of the original directors and a past president of the Company.

In the field of municipal endeavor Mr. O'Neil headed the Stouffville Cemetery Commission for many years, and his interest and attention to the Cemetery Grounds did much to bring the local burying place up to the splendid condition in which it is kept today.

Lisgar E. (Tim) O'Neill was in his 54th year, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred O'Neill. His wife who survives him was the former Mildred Goode. To the couple were born two daughters, Joy (Mrs. George Ross) of Halifax, and Fay (Mrs. Gordon Minton) of Stouffville. Two brothers, Jack and Alvin also survive.

The public funeral service conducted from the Stouffville United Church on Monday afternoon was most widely attended. Rev. Gordon Cruikshank was assisted in the service by Rev. Douglas Davis, pastoral friend of the deceased for many years. He spoke of reverent consideration which the late Mr. O'Neill had given to so many over the years, and it was with this same sympathetic understanding that they now came to pay their respects to him.

The pallbearers were Messrs. Geo. Stark, Donald Hodgins, Reg. Button, Don Lehman, Elmer Daniels and Murray Daniels, and honorary pallbearers were, Messrs. Telf. Rennie, Harry Stouffer, Dave Stouffer, Don Lewis, Harry Lee, K. R. Davis and Les Wilson. Entombment was made at the Stouffville Cemetery Vault.

In addition to the hundreds of friends who attended the service, there were also many professional associates, and prominent men in the sports field, including W. A. Hewitt, father of Foster Hewitt, and Pat Patterson, prominent referee. Flowers were gratefully declined in favour of contributions to the Cancer Fund.

Gas Leak Causes Concern at

ville fire department, equipped Fire Chief, Walter Smith, aswith oxygen masks entered the sisted by Wm. Malloy and Fred ammonia-filled engine room of Castle, entered the confines of the business. Mr. Schell had the Rolling Hills Curling Rink the freezing unit as the cutting been employed with the Bee at Bethesda on Friday night fumes spread throughout the Supply Company for 3 years versary year from 1922 to 1962, when it was feared that an em- ice area. Curling participants before the partnership was the Schell firm has provided

ployee, Charles Kirk, 21, might the air cleared. Play was re- the Stouffville Planing Mill but vith unique calendars, complete have succumbed to the gas. He sumed later in the evening. this nameplate was altered to with staff photos,

Toronto Train Was Filled Sat. Morning

took advantage of the Saturday morning passenger train service to Toronto and filled the were removed from the local line after Jan. 30th with the exception of an evening unit exception of an evening unit that will some only as far as the state of the charge Markham Village.

Saturday crowd, many passen the accused in a Montreal apart committee room of the Munici- quired most of the day in order comparison with those in the been examined and it was degers had to stand in the aisles ment. and some were accommodated DeLaurier pleaded guilty when In addition to this position, Mrs. tance of some fourteen miles. in the baggage car. The train he appeared before Magistrate Wilson will continue to take was right on time.

promoting special excursion rates. From Stouffville to Toronto and return, one adult fare

Embezzled \$6,000 From Unionville Firm, Man Dozens of adults and children ook advantage of the Saturday Picked Up In Montrea!

Mrs. Hilda Wilson is the new

neth Laushway and Councillor,

Gar Lehman were in attendance.

cing on or about April 15th. The

members praised the efforts of

Mr. Louis Slack, caretaker for

the past nine years. Due to ill

health, he has been forced to

resign. Mr. Slack took over the

post in 1953, replacing Mr. Bert

Five members of the Stouff-

ville Lions Club swimming pool

committee attended the meet-

ing, including Messrs. Neil Pat-

and Jim Ogilvy. The operation

and maintenance of the pool

Careless Hunter

Fined \$100

The Board agreed to advertise

Two Markham Township poweekend southbound unit to ca-pacity. All passenger trains and Sgt. Bob Hood journeyed to Mrs. Hilda Wilson

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was right on time.

O. S. Hollinrake in Richmond charge of picnic reservations in the park during the summer PRESSURE ON buzzing with activity. On recent Thursday, he was sentenced to months. Mr. Jas. Thomas is the weekends, the C.N.R. has been promoting special excursion one year definite and one year McWhinnie is the grounds sup-

The Unionville company discovered the shortage a short time after DeLaurier had left would cost only \$1.33. For many their employ. They notified the of the children, it was their first Markham Township Police and train ride, and possibly their a warrant was issued for his

New Policemen For Markham Township Run Into Opposition

Authorization for the employ- even at the time of the election, ment of two additional police- that the Chief's nephew was to for 1962 was discussed at some men was given at Markham be appointed. He had been told length and a recommendation Township Council meeting this about it on several occasions. pertaining to this project will week, following a recommenda- There was no picking and choos- be presented to Council on tion by the police committee. ing of candidates, asserted the Thursday night. The new men, who will start in Deputy Reeve, and there might March, are Glenn Forrester and well have been because of the Albert Hudson. Employment of 84 applications on hand. the new men will end the paypolice officers. The police com- Deputy Reeve Mumberson. by time off. Eighty-four appli- the relationship. cations for positions on the po- Says Administration Poor

routine arrangement, by which nephew to the force." at present paid for police offi- it. cers might be discontinued.

charge in the absence of the Chief Constable, the report said. how good a man is - it's the Mumberson Objects

The police committee report Councillor Charles Hooper, in was slipped through in my ab-Hoover and Councillor Al. Sum- clared - a statement which was ner. Reeve Wilfred Dean was resented by Councillor Al. Sumabsent through an attack of ner, who again claimed that he pneumonia and Deputy Reeve did not know of the relationship. Lawson Mumberson was at a "Did you see the applications?" county council meeting and did asked Mumberson, forcing other not return until half-way thro- council members to admit that ugh the council meeting. On his they had accepted names prereturn he objected to the ap sented by the Chief constable. pointment of Glenn Forrester, "When do they go for trainwho he claimed was a nephew ing?" he asked. "Now or years of the Chief of Police. Drawing from now?" He claimed that on his long experience as a po- time of training was poorly arlice inspector in Toronto, he de- ranged and slack time was not clared that such an arrange- employed properly. ment, if it did not cause trouble at the present time, would do so in the future. "I am definitely STEAL \$100 not against the man himself," declared the Deputy Reeve, "but containing about \$100 was remy experience shows that there ported on Wednesday morning is a real danger."

tangled with Councillor Hooper, Stouffville. Entry was gained in a continuation of a fight on through a rear door. police matters which flares ev- The thieves carried off the ery now and again in township entire till, but no other stock council meetings on the appoint- was touched. Stouffville police ment. He declared that he knew, are investigating.

"This makes it difficult for ment for overtime to Markham other men on the force," said mittee report, adopted by coun- hope that you realize what this cil. specified that in future any means." Councillor Al. Sumner Man Loses Eyesight cil, specified that in future any means." Councillor Al. Sumner overtime worked by police offi- said that he was sorry about the cers was to be compensated for situation but did not know about

he be given a monthly car al- ten or twelve thousand dollars Williams, 29, underwent an em- to the ground by the blast. lowance of \$50. The report also to costs because of poor adminrecoming dereplacing of two istration," he asserted, "and of the three police cruisers - a now the Chief is adding his

equipment is kept in good shape. "Did Wideman disclose that A new pay schedule is likely to this man was his nephew?" askbe discussed with Markham po- ed other councillors, and was

"It's entirely your responsi-The staff sergeant is to be in bility," he told other members of council. "It isn't a matter of problems you are creating."

"This is the first time I have

The theft of a cash register from the restaurant premises Deputy Reeve Mumberson of Mr. Hal Dafoe, Main Street,

Schell Lumber Co. Completes Forty Yrs. Business Here

firm of Schell Lumber Limited the past decade. has operated from the same site on Edward Street in Stouffville. The thriving business has become a family affair. One son, Harry joined his father, sixteen years ago and the association was enlarged to include another

son, Percy, two years later. The plant was originally known as the Canada Bee and Honey Supply Co. In 1922, Mr. Wesley Schell and the late Clay-Three members of the Stouff- was later found at Oak Ridges. | ton Stouffer entered into a partnership which was dissolved six took over the sole interest in remained in the lounge until formed. The firm was known as their most regular customers

For the past forty years, the Schell Lumber Limited within

The Schell company has enjoyed an enviable relationship between employer and employee -a record that can be certified by the length of service of their staff. The late Arthur Farthing worked with the firm for 28 years and their bookkeeper Mrs. Gladys Badgero was employed in the office for a period of 22 years. Mr. Orville Eurton is the next in line with 15 years to his credit, followed by Muryears later when Mr. Schell Kenneth Smith has been a member of the staff for five years.

To mark their fortieth anni-

Two Suffer Broken Bones

right arm. She was treated by Dr. H. B. Freel.

triple break in one leg.

pal Building on Monday night. to cover the entire town, a dis- farm area to the east.

resentatives, Deputy-Reeve Ken-

Those whose taxes are in arrears in Whitchurch Township, some for several years, are having increased pressure applied pending on others.

Most troublesome has been which is the responsibility of the owner unless prior agree-

reported to council on Monday delinquents.

rick, Tat Aida, Bob Hammond ments, in one case of more ter. than \$1500, the collector report-

> ergency operation in the Scarboro General Hospital but lost the sight in his left eye. Markham Township police

were not called in to investigate the matter until two days after the incident when the accident was reported to their A Toronto hunter was fined department. P.C. Clifford Cox \$100.00 by Magistrate O. S. Hol- pieced the stories of eye-witnesslinrake in Richmond Hill Court es together and Austin was later on Tuesday on a charge of care- charged.

lice department were on file, it | Continuing his attack on po- less hunting while in possession | The victim was in the line of lice administration in Markham of a firearm. Donald R: Austin, fire when the accused attempted The police committee's report Township, Deputy Reeve Mum- Empress Avenue, discharged his to bring down a pheasant in also recommended the conclu- berson declared that "ninety- shotgun in an area south of flight. Although he killed the sion of a long-time arrangement nine and a half percent of the Markham Village on Oct. 18th bird, the area where Williams' with the Chief of Police regard- troubles are due to poor admin- and one of the pellets struck was standing was sprayed with ing mileage and proposed that istration. This is adding another another hunter in the face. Fred pellets. The victim was knocked

lice and, in that event, the report suggested, telephone cost Hooper admitted that he knew MYSTERIOUS EXPOSION

that touched off a fire in a pri-|shall's Dept., sifted through the vate garage in Unionville and ashes in an effort to arrive at according to P.C. Clifford Cox, held. the investigating officer with was handled in council by been away an hour and this Markham Twp. Police. The body of Wm. T. Gundy was released the chair, Councillor Charles sence," the Deputy Reeve de by the Attorney General's Department on Monday following an autopsy. The victim was discovered in the charred remains of the frame structure on Wednesday evening after the blaze had been extinguished by Unionville firemen. The Fire Marshall's Office was informed of ber of the Anglican church, is met together as a United Nathe fatality by Sgt. Harvey Cox survived by his wife, a son, To- tions group. They occupied the

The cause of the explosion spector of the Ontario Fire Mar-

"like a cannon". Two other minor explosions have been attributed possibly to the gas in the victim's car and the anti-freeze in the radiator. The Unionville brigade was summoned by Mrs. Sybil Fisher.

of Markham Township. Allan ny 13, and twins, John and Jan- seats of the Provincial Legisla- Planning Board, at a recent Williams, Assistant Chief In- et, 15.

Whitchurch to Check Two Stouffville residents suffered broken bones through falls which they sustained on the impossible constant and the ice-coated streets here Saturday. Mrs. Jas. Wells, a resident of Albert St. south, fell on the sidewalk suffering a broken

At the east end of town Mr. that the tax arrears should be church side if the residents and Gordon Kennedy, a resident of checked at Oak Ridges before council so desired. Montreal St., tumbled on his any further action should be way out street, and suffered a taken concerning the installation of a domestic water system. ed on the real stumbling block Stouffville Works Dept. sand. It was pointed out that tax ar- to the issue, taxes. She sug-Although additional coaches Co. over a period of 1½ years. Park Board. She accepted the er was on the job for about ten rears on the west side of the gested that no action be taken were acquired to cope with the Sgt. Cox and Sgt. Hood located post at a special meeting in the hours during the day, but it re- township were two to one in by council until the petition had

desirous of the water were crties. found to be heavy in arrears, Mr. Jack Blyth stated that council would hesitate to en- having a water supply had regage an Engineer, but if this duced the fire insurance in King did not prove to be the case, area by forty percent and he more consideration would be doubted if the Whitchurch resi-

Opposing Petitions

A delegation was present at water. Monday's meeting from Oak Mrs. Bunn who had brought Ridges. James Smith presented the opposition petition said, a petition signed by 81 residents "We're not against having water ployed on an hourly wage basis by the tax collector's office. In requesting council to proceed but against any increase in for a six month period commentation of cases the property with obtaining a water supply taxes." She said many were for a six month period commentation of cases the property with obtaining a water supply taxes." She said many were from on or about April 15th. The township, and similar action is Bunn, another member of the ing extended to the limit. Any group presented a petition sign- increase in taxes would mean a ed by 31 ratepayers requesting loss of homes, she said. the collection of business tax that no action be taken in regard to water.

ment is made with the tenant. Ridges will never develop until by the township and the whole Tax Collector Jack Crawford some services are available," project be charged against the said Mr. Smith. He noted that entire township. He noted that that the Court of Revision had the property on the King side the township was putting more taken no action against such was now moving more freely pressure on tax delinquents and since water was available. He thought this was a good thing. The township has a large said that the persons signing Councillor Farquharson took a number of gravel pit businesses the petition were only asking dim view of Mr. Gibbs' suggesoperating and at least two of that council obtain a report on tion, stating that he didn't think these were liable for tax pay- the possibility of obtaining wa- Mr. Gibbs would be in favor of

Whitchurch Township coun-Resources stating the project cil members agreed on Monday could be extended to the Whit-

Taxes Stumbling Block Mrs. Gibbs, councillor, touch-It was thought that if those were outstanding on their prop-

dents could depend on the continuance of the well supply of

Would Charge All Jos. Gibbs said he favored the "The Whitchurch side of Oak area being supplied with water paying for such a water system Clerk Jack Crawford read a if it was located at Ballantrae letter from the Ontario Water | while he lived at Wilcox Lake.

Twelve High School Students Form Part a Model U.N.

Stouffville Dist. High School and human rights were argued formed part of a model United and debated throughout an en-Nations Assembly conducted re- tire day. At the conclusion of cently at the Parliament Build- the eventful gathering, the stuings in Toronto. Altogether, 900 dents had acquired a valuable students-from the Metro region | insight into the problems now took part. The Stouffville group | facing our world leaders. included Dawn Grose, Pat O'-Connor, Susan Ogilvy, David Old Steam Joanne Stouffer, Janis Oster- Engines Expensive Lorne Grove, Ron Patrick and Tim Wees. Local organization was in charge of staff teacher, Mr. H. J. Waite.

killed a 51 year old insurance the cause of the explosion and resent in the Model Assembly. sistance in the project. It was salesman, remains a mystery, ensuing fire. An inquest will be A trip to the United Nations in New York was then arranged Neighbours in the immediate where each delegation met the just for the asking. area described the initial blast country they had chosen. Stouffville High School selected Col- thought Lindsay should have an umbia. They were entertained engine as a historical relic. by the Columbian delegate and "These municipalities have paid provided with information on a lot of money into the railways the country's stand on world in the past years. They should

After months of preparation The deceased, a devout mem- and research, all the students

Twelve students from the armament, the Berlin question

The price of \$57,000 was regarded as too high by the Town of Lindsay, for a discarded CNR steam locomotive. Lindsay has Early in the fall, each high made a request to the Victoria school selected a country to rep- County Council for financial asunderstood that a year ago an engine could have been had

·Warden John Alton said he

give them an engine," he said. The matter of obtaining an engine was suggested by Reg Mackay, chairman of Stouffville



Model U. N. Students

resented a country at a model United Nations Assembly in the Parliament Buildings, To-

ronto. About 900 participants bated throughout the day. A David Stephens, Susan Ogilvy Issue.

Twelve students from Stouff. from the Metro region were portion of the Stouffville group and Sven Christensen. The loville District High School rep- in attendance and current pro- is pictured here. They are- cal delegation represented Coblems now facing world pow- (left to right) Dawn Grose, lumbia. Six other members ers were discussed and de- Jamie Ogilvy, Pat O'Connor, will be pictured in next week's -Staff Photo