

Team Queen



Sixteen year old Marlene Malloy has been elected "Queen" of the Stouffville girls' hockey team, in a ballot vote taken by the club at the conclusion of a scheduled game last week. The selection was based on ability, co-operation and good sportsmanship. An ardent athlete, she is an avid supporter of the

Town Council Holds Line on Salaries

There will be no salary increases for town employees in 1963 according to a report aired before the town council at a regular meeting on Thursday night. The decision, reached earlier at a closed committee meeting, was announced by the Finance Chairman, councillor, Wm. Parsons. "We have decided that we will hold the line this year," he said. He also stated that the retirement age of all employees would be made compulsory at 70 years. "I don't know who has been appointed to accept resignations," he said.

The no-raise policy has aroused some resentment among individual employee personnel. The strongest protest has come from the police department and a special committee meeting was held this week in an effort to re-open negotiations. It is understood that no new agreement was reached.

Ratepayers Ask Halt On Water Flow to Whitchurch Duck Co.

A group of Whitchurch Twp. ratepayers are unyielding in their demands to have a six inch pipe removed from Bogart's Creek north of the Aurora s.d.road. The line carries a flow of water to the premises of King Cole Duck Farm, a distance of about one-half mile. Rural residents in the area claim that the pipe constitutes a serious drain on the stream that also serves other properties in the district.

On Wednesday evening of last week, the organization, headed by President D. M. McMillen held a public meeting with representatives of both the Ontario and York County Federation of Agriculture. They elected to stick by their original plan to (1) have the water pipe removed, (2) assess the duck farm as an industry, (3) that waste from the property should not be permitted to flow back into the stream and contaminate the water.

Douglas McClure, a farmer, informed the gathering that he took his cattle down to water on Jan. 2nd and found the creek dry. Later in the day, the Ontario Water Resources Commission visited the site and discovered an adequate flow.

Mr. Jas. Murby, operator of the duck farm, said that considerable money had been spent and at the present time the water intake had been reduced to 75 gallons per minute. The O.W.R.C. had previously allowed Mr. Murby to take 200 gallons per minute from the stream.

Mr. Fred Wicks, Secretary of the York County Federation of Agriculture, suggested that the present system might be more satisfactory than supplying the farm's water requirements by heavy tank truck.

One lady in the audience noted that it would be a regrettable thing if a firm was forced to shut down, especially since it employed about 35 persons during peak periods.

Mr. Donald Middleton, a representative of the Ontario Federation, suggested that an amiable settlement would be preferred. He suggested that the duck farm owner had presented the case in a straightforward manner. The delegation, however, agreed by a show of hands not to alter their original demands.

CADETS SELL TICKETS ... TO FINANCE SQUADRON

Stouffville Air Cadets are currently selling tickets on an RCA Victor Hi-Fi Combination, valued at \$279, the gift of Canadian Nutria Limited, Ballantrae. In addition there will be a second prize of an FM radio.

The lucky tickets will be drawn at a St. Patrick's Dance to be held in the Legion Hall, Stouffville, on Friday, March 8th.

Whitchurch Assess. Now \$9,620,860

The assessment in the Township of Whitchurch as of Dec. 31st, 1962, had reached the sum of \$9,620,860, according to Assessment Commissioner Robt. Kennedy who submitted his annual report to council this week.

Mr. Kennedy said that the assessment total showed a small increase of \$16,555 over 1961. In addition there was a supplementary amount of \$19,600 which provides for buildings under construction.

There was some assessment loss in 1962 due to the expropriation of lands for the new 404 highway. The Commissioner also stated that many farm buildings were down due to depreciation and obsolescence. Small buildings in the township were deteriorating rapidly, he said, and some had fallen in disuse.

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Amazing Charges

Owing to the amazing charges and alleged facts of "mis-administration, fraud and township skulduggery," which we feel to be scandalous, "The Tribune" does not wish to be implicated in publicity.

The Pickering Ratepayers organization will publish these charges and ask the Minister of Municipal Affairs to judge as to the facts.

Mr. R. G. Roy, R.R.2, Claremont, organizer of the Pickering Rural Ratepayers, advises that copies of this pamphlet may be obtained by contacting the above address.

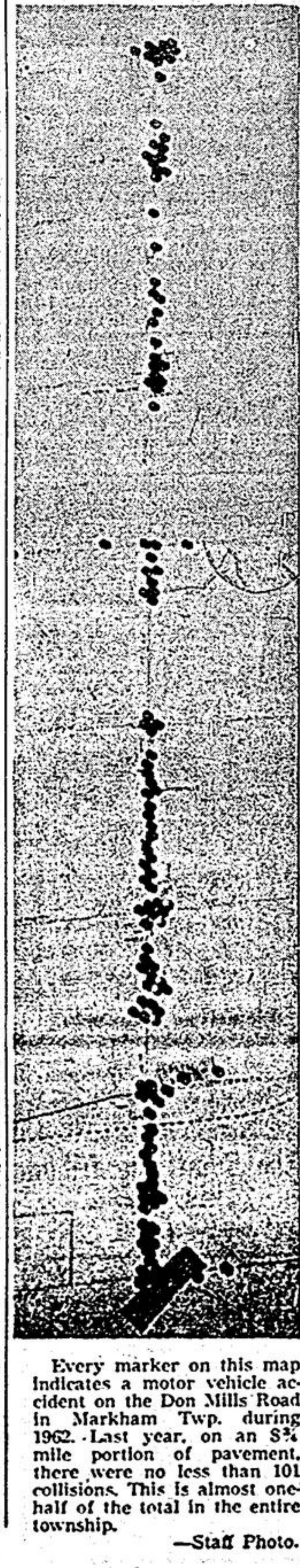
Local Driver Still Unconscious After Crash

David Prentice, 26, Fairview Ave., Stouffville, remains unconscious in the Scarborough General Hospital almost two weeks after his northbound 1951 model car went out of control on conc. 6, Markham and rained into a bridge abutment near Cashel. The auto was demolished in the crash and the driver was thrown an estimated 50 feet from the point of impact.

Doctors, working almost round-the-clock, have reset his jaw and collarbone and have performed an operation to relieve pressure on the victim's brain. The patient's eyes are open but to date, he has shown no signs of recognizing his surroundings.

The accident occurred during the early hours of Friday morning, Jan. 11th.

Accident Route



Every marker on this map indicates a motor vehicle accident on the Don Mills Road in Markham Twp. during 1962. Last year, on an 8 1/2 mile portion of pavement, there were no less than 101 collisions. This is almost one-half of the total in the entire township.

—Staff Photo.

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Force Entry Into Local Home, Cause Nearly \$500 Damage

Damage estimated at close to \$500 was caused to the home of Mr. Geo. Prue, Glad Park Ave., Stouffville, during the early hours of Friday morning after a man attempted to force his way into the premises. Five police officers, three from Stouffville and two from Markham Twp., were directly involved in the case that required one of a trio to be hospitalized. A Whitey man suffered a fracture of left arm in the melee and more than twenty stitches were needed to close gashes in his wrist and hand. Charges will be laid against at least two of the parties involved.

All the front windows were smashed out of the Prue residence and the windshield of the owner's Cadillac was broken. An expensive living room stereo combination was badly disfigured by glass splinters. One of the rooms was smeared with blood, on the floor, walls and ceiling.

Dr. Donald Petrie stitched up the multiple lacerations at the Stouffville Medical Centre and the injured man was later transferred to the Ajax-Pickering Hospital.

Constables Hugh Vankoughnet, Harry Heatherington and Dennis Davies of Stouffville were summoned to the scene. Their ranks were further strengthened by P.C. Evan Kelley and P.C. Donald Dukes of Markham Twp. Officers of the Ontario Provincial Police also assisted. Mrs. Prue and her family were terrified by the fracas that occurred at about 3 a.m. The matter is still under investigation and the facts surrounding the case are still not clear.

Bell Phone Co. To Establish New Bethesda Exchange

Expanded local calling arrangements for all Gormley telephone customers were announced by W. C. Barnes, Bell Telephone manager for this region, this week.

"In November of this year, Gormley will be split into two exchanges," Mr. Barnes said. "Those customers north of the Gormley town line will form the new exchange of Bethesda. Those south of the line, including customers on the town line itself, will remain in Gormley."

Mr. Barnes said that the split resulted from widely expressed demand for widened local calling by subscribers in the district. However, the desired scope of this additional calling differs between the two sections of the present Gormley exchange.

Customers to be included in the Bethesda exchange will continue to pay present rates. Mr. Barnes said that some of these customers will pay less in mileage charges than they do now.

When the change is made in November, new telephone numbers will be assigned to Bethesda customers. These will be listed in the 1963 edition of the Aurora - Newmarket - Richmond Hill directory which will be distributed at that time.

Customers of the Bethesda exchange will have toll-free calling with Aurora, Oak Ridge, Richmond Hill, Stouffville and Gormley. This will increase the present local calling area by more than 2,000 telephones.

That part of the Gormley exchange south of the Gormley town line will remain as Gormley and will be joined in November by the northern section of the present Unionville exchange. The Unionville exchange will disappear when the southern section becomes part of Agincourt in June, 1964.

In November, Gormley's local calling area will consist of: Stouffville, Claremont, Markham, Richmond Hill, Oak Ridge, Agincourt, Unionville, Thornhill and Bethesda. This includes 20,000 telephones more than are now in the Gormley local calling area.

As announced this week, two-way, toll-free calling with Toronto and Willowdale-Don Mills could be introduced for Gormley customers after 1966 if a substantial majority of customers indicate they wish this service.

Mr. Lorne Schell is presently confined to the Uxbridge Cottage Hospital following an operation on Wednesday morning.

Accident Every 475 Ft. On Busy Don Mills Road During 1962

The Don Mills Road in Markham Township, one of the busiest two-lane highways in Ontario established an unenviable record of 101 accidents over a distance of 8 1/2 miles during 1962. This figure has been tabulated by Markham police and extends from Steeles Avenue on the south to Gormley on the north. Close to one-half of the motor vehicle collisions in the township occurred on this highway last year. There were 42 accidents on Bayview; 38 on conc. six; 4 on conc. 7; six on conc. 9 and two on conc. 10.

The accident rate on Don Mills Road can be broken down into one collision every 475 feet. In spite of this toll of denied fingers and broken bones there was not a single fatal accident on this pavement in '62.

Only the section between 17th and 18th Avenues escaped the ravages of motor vehicle accidents. There were 16 collisions between Steeles and 16th Ave. and 31 between Victoria Square and Gormley. At the Gormley intersection alone, there were 9 mishaps.

The cause of the high collision rate on Don Mills can possibly be attributed mainly to the amount of traffic handled on the road. This includes not only cars but also hundreds of gravel trucks that frequent the many pits in the area.

Markham police keep a close eye on this section of highway and their radar unit is more on Don Mills than any other road in the municipality. In spite of this, the accident rate continues to climb.

Whitchurch Twp. Population Is Up 45% in Ten Years

The population of Whitchurch Township has increased 45.4% in the last ten years, Assessment Commissioner Robt. Kennedy reported to council this week. The present figure is 7,445.

In making his annual report he stated that there were 349 property changes registered in the township in 1962, about fifty less than the year previous. Of these sales, 65 were ten-acre parcels of land.

192 building permits were issued during the year just ended, compared with 210 for 1961. Forty-two of these were for private dwellings, and 14 for summer cottages.

Youths Convicted On Attempted Armed Robbery

Two youths pleaded guilty and were convicted of attempted armed robbery when they appeared before Magistrate O. S. Hollimake in Richmond Hill Court on Tuesday. Leo McDonald, 21, and Wayne Craig, 17, were remanded in custody one week for a presentence report.

The youths were arrested by Markham Twp. police on Thursday night following an attempted hold-up of Donnelly's grocery and post office on No. 7 Hwy., west of Bayview Ave. The would-be thieves also face a second charge of having an unregistered revolver in a vehicle. McDonald resides in Downsview. Craig lives at Orillia.

Whitchurch Council Makes Revisions In Pay Plan

A special meeting held last week by Whitchurch Township Council, made certain revisions in the current salary bylaw of the municipality. The various clauses were as follows: (1) The Township to pay the unemployment insurance for two years and obtain a resolution to permanent employment. (2) In regard to hospitalization, the township will pay 50% of standard rates on permanent employees only. (3) Statutory holidays are to be granted to permanent employees but not temporary ones. (4) In regard to a pension plan, the township will pay for permanent employees only. (5) To delete hourly wage increases for road employees commencing Jan. 1st, 1964.

JR. FARMERS' ANNUAL MEETING

Donna Johnson, Uxbridge, R.R.4, was elected President of the Ontario County Junior Farmers at their annual meeting held in the Township Hall, Brooklin, on Saturday, Jan. 19. Also serving on the executive for the coming year will be Vice-president, Neil Raines, R.R.2, Blackwater, Secretary-treasurer Bruce McMillan, R.R. 1, Blackwater and past president, Ted Lamb, R.R.4, Port Perry. Ted Gordon, R.R.1, Cannington, will again represent the Association as Provincial Director.

Eight Bids For School

Eight tenders were received and opened by the Stouffville District High School Board this week, for the new addition to the school which is to be ready for occupancy by next September.

There was a \$36,000 spread between the high and low tenders which was not considered unusual for the amount of the contract. The tenders will be studied by the architects prior to the Board making a final decision for awarding the contract.

To All Players In Stouffville Minor Hockey

Lucky draw admission tickets have been distributed among the players in the varied house leagues and all star teams. All monies or unsold tickets must be turned in at the arena office on Thursday night (to-night).

Minor Hockey Week will be marked across the Province and local activities will begin in Stouffville on Monday evening.

Named to Advisory Board

Three leading business and professional men, one of them from Stouffville, form the advisory board for the new branch of the British Mortgage & Trust Co. at Richmond Hill. The men are J. E. Smith, publisher of the Richmond Hill Liberal, H. R. Button, Q.C. of Stouffville, and Stuart P. Parker, Q.C., Richmond Hill.

Police Recover Gun In Get-Away Car After Hold-up Attempt

A loaded .32 semi-automatic revolver has been removed by Markham Twp. police in the rear of a car alleged to have been used in the hold-up of a small post office and store west of Bayview on No. 7 Hwy., Thursday night. Arrested minutes after the report was received at the Buttonville office were Leo McDonald, 21, of Downsview and Wayne Craig, 17, of Orillia. They have been charged with attempted armed robbery.

The two youths, one masked and brandishing a pistol walked into the premises owned by Clifford Donnelly and ordered Mrs. Donnelly back into the adjoining living quarters. Her screams brought the family pet boxer dog "Wacky" to the rescue and the two would-be thieves ran out of the store empty-handed. One of the men had attempted to open the cash register containing the day's postal receipts but without success.

In addition to Constables Tribbling and McCague, Sgt. Harvey Cox aided in the investigation along with officers from Vaughan Twp. and Richmond Hill.

The Donnelly's have operated the post office-store east of Langstaff for the past ten years. Her husband was curling over at Orillia where he was told of the robbery attempt.

No Site Selected For East End Park

A delegation of residents from the east end section of Stouffville attended a regular meeting of town council on Thursday night to add support to a petition submitted earlier, requesting action on establishing a park in their area. The spokesman for the group was Mrs. Bernard McGinty, Stouffville Street.

Mrs. McGinty suggested that a playground was necessary to keep the children off the streets and out of restaurants. She noted that the Memorial Park was too far from their homes to be of much benefit. She contended that the admission fee at the arena was too high for most families.

Councillor Wm. Parsons said that the council had obligation to the voters to secure land for industrial development and would not likely have sufficient funds to purchase playground property. He charged that it would be council's duty to maintain the tax rate at its present level. He suggested that children in the habit of visiting restaurants were not looking for playgrounds.

Deputy Reeve Kenneth Laushway noted that the council might acquire a site on a rental basis if the delegation had a piece of property in mind. He said that the town might also assist in providing a sheet of ice for a skating rink.

Some members of the deputa-tion pointed out that it was impossible to flood an outside rink because the water pressure in the east end of town was too low. Mrs. McGinty said that there were two outdoor rinks in the area.

Reeve Wm. Timbers said he hoped that such a site might be made available to the town through the development of future subdivisions.

Library Circulation Up In All Departments

The circulation at Stouffville Public Library during 1962, advanced in all departments, non-fiction, fiction and juvenile, with even the magazines showing an increase. The total circulation for the year was 16,628 with magazines being 213 and books 16,415.

Schools have been encouraging their students to use the library facilities and for this the library board is most thankful. The students do a great deal of research work in the building the librarian reports and many essays have been written there.

The magazines available are Popular Mechanics, National Geographic, Saturday Evening Post, Ladies Home Journal, Homes and Living, Canadian Commentator and Foreign Affairs. The Stouffville Tribune and a large variety of government circulars are also well read.

More than five hundred new books were added to the Library during 1962, and the Board uses the services of the Book-of-the-Month Club, Dollar Mystery, Junior Literary Guild, Senior Literary Guild and the Travelling Library.

The annual report stated that the recent numbering of the homes in town has been most helpful in locating those persons the library is trying to serve. The facilities are open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 2 to 5:30 p.m. and 9 to 9 in the evening. On Saturday the library is open from 10 to 12 noon and from 2 to 5:30 p.m.

The librarian is Mrs. T. Wedsell and the library board for 1963 is comprised of the following: George Foord, chairman; Miss Anne Lehman, secretary-treas.; Mrs. Sisco, Miss Lehman and Mrs. Stapley, book committee; and Rev. Douglas Davis, Mr. Elmer Daniels and Mr. Foord, the property committee.

Make-Shift Mask



P.C. John McCague of men who entered a small Markham Twp. police holds post office and grocery store No. 7 Hwy. near Bayview Ave., Thursday night. Both the mask and a loaded revolver (page 3) were, later recovered in the get-away car. —Staff Photo.