

UXBRIDGE TWP. REEVE CHARGES FORMER ASSESSOR WITH ASSAULT; CLAIMS KNOCKED UNCONSCIOUS

Fracas Occurs During Assessment Hearing

A fracas outside the township hall in Goodwood near the end of a two-day hearing of assessment appeals before Judge Alex C. Hall, has led to a charge of assault causing bodily harm against former assessor, Robt. F. Clarke, conc. 5, Uxbridge Twp.

Reeve Alvin Redshaw filed the charge on Saturday before Justice of the Peace Lorne Andrews of Uxbridge. The alleged attack occurred on Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Clarke served the township as assessor for one year but vacated the post in a storm of protest last November. His verbal resignation was later accepted by the 1963 council. Mr. Clarke then proceeded to appeal his own assessment to the County Court and, on Thursday Judge Hall allowed him a reduction.

Asked Outside
As the final cases on the afternoon's agenda were nearing completion, Mr. Clarke left the chambers but motioned to Reeve Redshaw that he wished to see him in private.

The reeve told the police that he was hit on the side of the face by Clarke and knocked down a flight of cement steps. He returned to the hall where

court was still in session with blood streaming from a gash in his forehead. The hearing was adjourned almost immediately.

Mr. Redshaw was later treated by Dr. John Button at the Stouffville Medical Centre.

Mrs. Redshaw who had no knowledge of the incident until her husband returned home, said she at first thought he had been involved in a car accident.



A charge of assault causing bodily harm has been laid by Reeve Alvin Redshaw of Uxbridge Twp. against Robt. F. Clarke former Assessor of the municipality. Mr. Clarke is alleged to have struck the reeve on the steps of the township hall at Goodwood last week near the conclusion of a County Court assessment hearing. — Staff Photo.

Cottagers Petition To Stall Third Reading Of Twp. Zoning Bylaw

Opposition against a proposed Whitchurch Twp. zoning bylaw in its present form, that would place certain restrictions on properties around the resort centre of Musselman's Lake, continues to mount, as feelings of resentment were voiced at a public meeting held on Sunday afternoon. A petition, asking that the bylaw be set aside and re-written was circulated through an audience of about 100 persons gathered in the Community Hall on Hillsdale Drive.

Mr. Wm. Snider, a member of the newly-formed Musselman's Lake Ratepayer's Association, said he feared the Council might give the bylaw its third reading before the majority of cottagers would have an opportunity to study it carefully and present recommendations for changes.

Only 14 Days
President Delvin Danford informed the meeting that following a third reading, the residents only had 14 days in which to file notice of appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board.

"This bylaw is an insult to the people of the Lake," charged one ratepayer.

"It looks like a crooked game to me," said another.

"This is the bylaw they (the Council) want, but not the one we want," said Mr. Snider.

Ernest Stanton advised the audience that the executive only wished the Council to postpone further action on it until the people had more time to study its content. Mr. Stanton suggested further that he would like to check into the legal aspects of holding municipal elections in the summer when more cottagers would have an opportunity to vote. "I have been after this for years but have been ignored," he said.

Mr. Snider charged that half the lake property-owners had never seen a copy of the proposed bylaw. "What the Council wants is larger lots for more taxes and no extra services," he said. "They are trying to freeze us out."

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held in Toronto on Sunday, April 12th to proceed further on the problem.

Commercial Sand & Gravel Relieved Of Business Tax

The Commercial Sand & Gravel Co. was relieved of business assessment proportioned on the amount of gravel it processed when represented by counsel at a hearing before Judge Alex Hall last week at Goodwood in Uxbridge Twp.

Solicitor David Coon, appearing for H. E. Cook on behalf of Commercial Sand & Gravel, told the Judge that no appeal was being made as to the rates of assessment, but as the company buys gravel from different sources and trucks it to a central local, he requested to know who should be assessed for the business assessment. In many cases the amount taken was small but the firm was assessed for a business tax on the acreage in several locations.

Produced Agreement
Solicitor Coon contended his client should only be liable for the gravel actually processed at the central location to which the gravel was taken by truck.

Assessor Hepditch stated the amount taken was at the discretion of the firm and in his opinion the firm had exclusive rights. However, Solicitor Coon produced an agreement to the contrary.

Judge Hall ruled that Commercial Sand & Gravel was not liable for business tax on the acreage where the gravel was taken.

In the second similar case where the property was owned by St. Lawrence Cement Co., but operated by Allenco Co., he ruled that Allenco was responsible for the tax.

BIRTH

SHADLOCK — Glen and Joyce are happy to announce the arrival of their daughter, Gwen Marie on Thursday, March 19 at the York County Hospital, Newmarket. A baby sister for Sheila.

Hire Police Chief To Head New Force In Whitchurch Township

Mr. Fred Mason of Southampton, Ontario has verbally agreed to accept the position of Police Chief in the Twp. of Whitchurch. This information was confirmed at a regular meeting of council on Monday evening although a written acceptance of the post had not yet arrived.

Mr. Mason is the current Chief of Police in Southampton.

The new chief will receive a salary of \$6,000 and his duties will commence on April 15th. It is expected that he will work along with the council to finalize the selection of other officers to complete the force.

Ratepayers At Lake Wilcox Would Resent Concession To Farmers

Mr. Hanson from Lake Wilcox appeared before Whitchurch Township council on Monday night and stated that he represented a number of ratepayers at the lake who objected to the request by the Federation of Agriculture to have farm land exempt for police costs.

Mr. Hanson was advised by the council that no consent had been given to the request and so far as council knew, it had no authority to do so.

Mr. Hanson requested assurance that before any such action was even contemplated, he would be advised as a deputation from the lake area would oppose the move. He said he was in favour of paying his share but he objected to carrying the load for someone else.

To support his contention, he said it would be as reasonable for a householder to offer to pay tax on his home but request exemption for his lot.

FIRE AT GREENHOUSE

A lull in fire calls to the Stouffville brigade was broken on Tuesday when the truck was called out on two occasions. The first alarm was sounded at 4 a.m. when a blaze threatened a greenhouse building on the property of Vic's Nursery, conc. 9, Whitchurch. In spite of dense smoke in the structure, firemen were able to find the source of the trouble and put it out with little damage.

Later, the brigade was called to the first grass fire of the season on property across from the Stouffville Floral Co. conc. 9, south. It was extinguished in a matter of minutes.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Mowat and family of Seaford spent the Easter Holiday with Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Mowat.

"Bunny" Morganson Was Well-Known In Stouffville

The late "Bunny" Morganson, sports writer for many years for the Toronto Telegram, was well-known in Stouffville, Goodwood and district, being connected with the Morganson families in the area. His column covered much of the small time hockey and baseball of all the communities surrounding Metro and he began in 1923.

Deceased was 61 and became seriously ill for the first time in 1962. He not only wrote about minor sports but served on committees and executives. In addition to his column of local

sports he also covered some major leagues in his day and umpired as well.

He was born in Toronto's east end and was active in United Church work in that part of the city. "Bunny" was a past master of Birch Cliff Masonic Lodge, was a keen follower of Freemasonry and often attended functions at Richardson Lodge here in Stouffville.

"Bunny" leaves to mourn his loss, his wife Della and a host of friends. The funeral was conducted on Saturday with interment in Pine Hills Cemetery.



Half A Load Is Better Than None

It may be the half-load season for gravel trucks but on Thursday morning of last week, Bernard Cooper of Oshawa ended up in the ditch with no load at all. The accident occurred on a curve of No. 7 Hwy. west of Green River. The trailer tipped over but fortunately for the driver, the cab remained upright and damage to the transport was not heavy. One hydro pole was sheared off in the impact. — Staff Photo.

Drop Charges In Markham Fatal To Hold Inquest

A charge of careless driving laid by Markham Village police against a Willowdale man following the death of Mr. Ira Shank on Main St., Jan. 30th, has been withdrawn.

An inquest into the fatality will be held, however, on April 22nd in Markham.

Mr. Shank was killed instantly near his home in North Markham while crossing the highway after stepping off the bus. John Russell Rogers, 34, was subsequently charged.

The charge was dropped following a discussion of the case by Markham officers with the Crown Attorney.

Ex-Millionaires In Training To Meet N.H.L. "Old-Timers" April 10



Three former "Millionaires", once the pride and joy of all Markham hockey fans and still remembered for their defensive efforts, will return to Markham on April 10th. (Left to right) — Geo. Scott, Bert Baker and Fred Scott will perform against the N.H.L. "Oldtimers" along with many of their old team-mates. The rearguard trio were among fifteen players who joined in a pre-game practice session on Monday night. — Staff Photo.

Their hair is a little greyer. Their weight is a little heavier. They puff when they pull their skates on and they puff when they take them off. The ends of the arena seem farther apart and the goal posts appear closer together but the "boys" who will don the green and white regalia of the Markham "Millionaires" on Friday night, April 10th are the same stars who burned up the ice lanes in that community over 15 years ago.

Fifteen players took part in a one-hour workout at Markham on Monday night prior to their exhibition match with the NHL "Oldtimers". Admission tickets

are currently on sale and a sell-out crowd is expected.

On hand for Monday's practice session included such well-known names as — Bruce Harper, Norm Stunden, Geo. Stark, Ken Brennan, Bert Baker, Jack Rummy, Vic Melharg, Fred and Geo. Scott, Jack Watson, Nick Bangay, Hal Gibson, Harry Milroy and Ronnie Bell. At 45 Harry Milroy is the veteran of this group although Charlie Nesbitt who is also expected out, could better that mark by a couple of years. It is hoped that the line of Watson, Milroy and Bob Lawrie may be re-united, also the trio of Nick and Bob Bangay and

Charlie Nesbitt. Norm Stunden and Jack Harper will share the goaltending chores. Players from the farthest distance will be Bruce Forgie of Orillia and Dick Perry of Cookstown.

Turk Broda, goaltender with the Leafs for 14 years will officiate for perhaps one period. He will be spelled off by Polly Minton. Mort Selyk of Markham, former speed skating and barrel-jumping champion will drop the first puck. He is 86. The entire event has been arranged by Markham's John Lunan, now the Trainer of the N.H.L. "Oldtimers" team and an ardent worker with "Millionaire" clubs of the past.

Erected in 1881, Franklin House To Be Razed

The Franklin House, an 83 year old landmark on Main St. in Markham Village will bow to time and tide this summer when the structure is removed to make way for a new I.G.A. Supermarket Store on that site.

The hotel, considered at one time to be the finest of its kind in the area, was erected in 1881 by Wm. Hamilton Hall and operated under the Hall family name for 50 years.

The brick for the building was hauled by farm teams and wagons from the Snowball Brick Yard on conc. 7, Markham, south of No. 7 Hwy. The master bricklayer was Joseph Sampson of Markham.

Wm. Hall was a great sports promoter in Markham and both hockey and lacrosse teams from all parts of Ontario often spent the night at his hotel premises. He was the President of the Markham lacrosse club.

In 1890, a Mr. John Kennedy took over the establishment and he was followed by James Torrance, Robt. Andrews, Chas. Zugbrigg, Dinty Ross and the present owners, Ken and Clark Prentice. The licence to serve beer was dropped in 1936.

The new store will be situated well back on the lot with room for customer parking at the front.

Benefit Game For Injured Girl On April 9th

Don Mills and West Hill will compete for the Junior girls Canadian Hockey Championship in the Stouffville Arena on Thursday, April 9th at 8:30 p.m. Don Mills are the current Ontario Junior Champs.

Proceeds from this game will go to the "Joyce Nesbitt Fund." Joyce, a resident of Ballantrae and a regular player with Stouffville girls, suffered an injured back during an exhibition game two weeks ago and was confined to hospital for several days.

The Junior Canadian Championship is sponsored by the Jr. Girls' Hockey Association, and is open to any junior girl entries in Canada. The Alberto-Culver VO5 Trophy goes to the winner.

Ajax are the current Canadian title-holders.

No Move To Protect Pine Orchard Level Crossing

With three level crossing projects scheduled for this year, Whitchurch Twp. Council will take no action to install protective warning signals at the CNR line near Pine Orchard. This decision was revealed on Monday night following the receipt of a letter from the Board of Transport. A Vivian district couple were killed at this crossing site in December when their westbound car was struck by a diesel freight train.

The estimated cost of the improvement was listed as \$11,000 for the installation of a warning signal plus \$650 annually for maintenance.

The Council suggested that there was ample view of the crossing at this location and other sites in the township that posed a much greater hazard.

Aurora Ups Rate For Fire-fighting

Whitchurch Township Council was advised on Monday night that henceforth the charge for fighting fires in the township for the Aurora Fire Brigade would be \$115 a fire. This is a \$15 increase and amount to \$1 per man. There will be no change in the standby time.

SALE OF OFFICE SUPPLIES
Tribune Office Supplies is offering a host of real bargains this week in a big sale display on page 11. Read this ad and have a look at the sale items in our window.

Clippers vs. Wellington In Ontario Semi-Finals

Wellington is the current opposition for the Stouffville "Clippers" in the O.H.A. Junior "D" playoff semi-finals. The series opener was played in Stouffville on Wednesday (last night) with the return match tentatively scheduled for Wellington on Monday. A third game will likely swing the two clubs back here next Wednesday April 8th although final arrangements are still to be completed. The series must be completed by April 14th.

Doug St. John of Uxbridge has been added to the Stouffville lineup and will likely hold down a spot on defence. The "Clippers" came out of the Sutton-Cannington series with nothing worse than a few bumps and bruises and expect to face a healthy squad against Wellington.

Present Minor Hockey Awards On April 6th

The Stouffville Minor Hockey Association will wind up its season's activities in the Stouffville Arena on Monday evening April 6th.

Four championship games are scheduled — (Atom), 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.; (Squirt), 7:15 to 7:45 p.m.; (Pewee), 8:00 to 8:45 p.m. and (Bantam), 9:00 to 9:45 p.m.

Door prizes will be given away during the night's program and trophies will be presented to the winning clubs.

The regular admission is 50c with students at 25c and children under 12 years, admitted free.

Cedar Beach To Begin 35th Season

Although a thick layer of ice still covers much of Musselman's Lake, work is already well underway towards the opening of a 35th season at Cedar Beach Park.

The first public dance is scheduled for Saturday evening, April 11th in the pavilion that has been completely renovated and winterized for year-round use.

Ball-room dancing that has been featured at Cedar Beach in the past, will be replaced by country and western type dance music with Don Celsie and his Rhythm Boys.