

## Passes at age 90

ALTONA — Rev. James Carder, Stouffville United Church, conducted the funeral service, April 7 for Mr. James Leslie Hodgson, long-time area resident who passed away in the Stouffville Nursing Home, April 5. Mr. Hodgson was 90.

Born at Whitevale, the son of Henry and Matilda Hodgson, he came to the community at the age of 7 and resided here ever since.

On Dec. 28, 1904, he married Matilda Irwin him who predeceased him, June 2, 1954.

One son, Charles, lives near Altona. There are two grand-children, Jean (Mrs. Ernie Smith) and Harold and four great-grand-children, Charlene and Blair Smith; Christine and Patti Hodgson.

Pall-bearers were — Fred McNair, Millard Reeser, James Harris, Howard St. John, Victor Little and George Harvie.

Interment was in Stouffville Cemetery.

After 44 years, John Whetter, co-publisher of the Markham Economist and Sun, has retired. In honor of his contribution, to both the paper and the community it serves, an 'open house' was held at the Economist office, Friday afternoon. Many long-time friends dropped in to wish him well, including Tribune editor, Jim Thomas.



## Pastor elected district superintendent

MARKHAM — This past week the pastors and lay delegates of the Missionary Church elected the Rev. Grant Sloss, District Superintendent of the Ontario District. He succeeds the Rev. Ward Shantz who has held this administrative position for the past seventeen years. Mr. Shantz is moving to the office of the Department of Overseas Missions in Fort Wayne, Indiana.