

Special presentation

# TOPS honors losers

STOUFFVILLE — They say misery loves company, but for the ladies who are in TOPS (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly) the recognition of fellow weight-watchers is used as an incentive.

Monday night some of the big losers were honored. Highest loser was Marg Perron, who was also a graduate KOPS (Keeping Off Pounds Sensible). Diane Cottage is also a KOPS graduate.

Those who have kept weight off for two years included Gladys Hutchinson and Ruby Williams and one-year KOPS went to Sandra Fifield.

Ribbons and corsages were also awarded in various weight divisions — Div. 3, 1st, Donna Collins, 2nd, Gayle Dunford; Div. 4, 1st, Diane Cottage, 2nd, Thelma Preston, 3rd, Debbie Stiles; Div. 5, 1st, Marg Perron, 2nd, Marie Nesbitt, 3rd, Barb Hie.

Stork Club winners were Carol Miles and Donna Woolford and Bonnie Satinton was named Miss Congeniality.



## Stouffville Dist. Secondary School band

Stouffville Dist. Secondary School band is going into the recording field in May when the group will make a longplay record for Fantasy Records. The taping will be done at the

high school. The band is also entered in the Newmarket Lions Music Festival and took a second place in the Kiwanis Festival in Toronto in February. —Svend De Bruyn

## Milton Storey

### Retired pharmacist in his 84th year

STOUFFVILLE — Well-known Stouffville pharmacist and former athlete, Mill Storey died suddenly Friday at his Main St. West home. He was in his 84th year.

Funeral service was held Monday from O'Neill's Funeral Home with spring interment in Stouffville Cemetery.

memorable baseball teams of the 20's.

He received his degree in Pharmacy, but always maintained a keen interest in animals. While in school, he assisted his father in doctoring sick animals.

He opened his drug store in 1922 and retired in 1960. On Nov. 11, 1926, he married Sanny E. Morgason and lived at the Morgason residence until the couple moved to the Main St. house.

Milton Storey was born in Stouffville on March 22, 1891 — the youngest son of the late veterinarian, Dr. John Storey. In his youth, Mr. Storey was active in all community sports and played in the Claremont Band. He was a member of some of Stouffville's



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# Letters to the Editor

### Postal worker reacts

Dear Sir: This letter is in reply to Bill Smiley's "Postal strike draw Bill's ire". Apparently he isn't aware of the fact that there are not "postal strikes" taking place now or in the past month and a half. It happens to be government maintenance workers who have been on strike. I had to phone the editor of the Toronto Sun and have them stop using their headlines, "postal strikes" just recently.

make \$183 weekly, but your government allows me to take home all of \$130 weekly for a married man with a family to support and live on. Maybe if I brought home more of what I earn, I wouldn't be underpaid. I have been delivering mail as a letter carrier through all kinds of weather, imaginable carrying many times, 35 pounds, for 10 years now and I am still waiting for the government to pay me a decent livable salary.

When you say nobody forces us to do these "monstrous" jobs which I have pride in doing the best job I possibly can over these 10 years, it sounds like you want all these people to quit. Well, if they do are you prepared to fill the tens of thousands of vacant post office employee's jobs?

Let it be known by you and the public that we, the postal employees, feel that if the post office was made into a private business, we are for it because it would give us better jobs with a decent livable wage. With the postal workers facing these conditions, is it any wonder that there is discontent which naturally leads to inefficiency and poorer service.

The inefficient government as an employer is only attributable to the voters like you that put them in power.

While you're splashing around in your pond, Mr. Smiley, just remember that it was your government that cost you your anxiety and cash and not what you keep incorrectly referring to as "postal strikes".

It sounds like you

never have belonged to a union Mr. Smiley or you wouldn't make a comment like — "because they won't cross the picket lines of another comparatively small union that is on strike."

Our union, the Letter Carrier Union of Canada, is only asking for its members what they are told to because their rate of pay in the last two years has fallen so far behind all others that we can from employers, necessitating a large increase only for us to partially try and catch up with the rest of the spiralling economy.

If the gutless politicians in Ottawa legislate from the postal worker his right to strike after collective bargaining has failed, then he might also legislate from you your right to freedom of speech and freedom of the press.

O.P. MUCKLE, R.R.3, Stouffville.

Editor's Note: Mr. Muckle is president of Local 194 of the LCUC, representing carriers in Markham.

### Garbage pick-up opposed

Dear Sir: The residents of the township were informed only of the amount of money to be spent on garbage pick up service but not on how each one of us would pay for it. Of

course it is through taxes, but how many of us know that it will be based on our assessment.

Apparently the computer is programmed to make this the easiest way of collecting our money. Are we enslaved to a machine? Will we allow ourselves to be unfairly taxed because of a computer? Other collection methods are not as "safe and secure" for Mr. Spademan. The higher the assessment the more you will pay whether or not you produce any garbage?

Why weren't we, the people (whom the council and mayor supposedly serve) given a choice as to whether we want this so-called "service" or not. I want a free choice in this matter.

MRS. MARY ROBERTSON, R.R.3, Stouffville.

### Ministry statement disturbing

Dear Sir: I was disturbed by the article based on a Ministry of Transport news release in the Tribune last week. It states that the town of Stouffville will not be affected by the proposed Pickering airport, and showed a map indicating that the 25 NEF noise contour would be south of town. The government's own Airport Review Commission said the following about the level of precision of the NEF contours:

"Greater uncertainty exists as the NEF contour is projected into the future as it involves a subjective estimate. This could result in as much as 100 per cent difference in the total area in a NEF contour."

It is dangerous to regard the fine line of an NEF contour as the absolute limit of noise represented by that contour. The line of a contour would be more realistically drawn by a paint brush or by a paint spray gun.

It is obvious why the M.O.T. must claim that noise from the proposed airport will miss Stouffville. The M.O.T. itself has stated that any potential site which would adversely affect more than 5,000 people would be automatically eliminated from consideration. At present, at least 4,000 people are affected.

While reassuring us with press releases, the Ministry is ignoring one of the major recommendations of the Airport Inquiry Commission. Namely, that the government acquire all the land of the persons within the town of Stouffville as the noise will be intolerable.

Any future M.O.T. supplied information should be read with a grain — or perhaps, a bushel — of salt.

CHUCK TAYLOR, Stouffville.

### Tax rate precludes farming

Dear Sir: Hon. Jean Marchand, Minister of Transport, stated in the House of Commons that, of the 18,000 acres expropriated for the Pickering airport, 12,000 acres will remain in agriculture. Yet the farmers within the site are being denied the Ontario farm tax rebate because the assessed owner, the federal government, will not apply for it on the grounds that the use of the land is going to be changed.

There is some indication that the assessment department of Durham Region will now look on this land as commercial property to be taxed on a square foot basis. If this is done, none of the 12,000 acres will be farmed because of astronomical land taxes — and no rebate.

HUGH MILLER, R.R.2, Claremont.

### Natives also care

Dear Sir: As Canada is largely a nation of immigrants, it is not surprising that many of the issues of the day are imported.

We are told that "captive nations" is a European Canadian issue. Surely, native born Canadians should also value freedom.

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