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## Charlie Lintner retiring

poles, no more work in a repair a busted transfreezing ice storm, and no former for Charlie Litner. There will be no more more all night efforts to Charlie, who for the

Charlie Lintner takes it easy on the back of his truck as he relates some incidents about his 20 years on the job with the Stouffville PUC. Charlie is retiring from the hydro business next month after his years as meter reader and general lineman. He plans to do some gardening and hopes to dravel.



#### Farmer Jack's Market

Stouffville customers who have been patronizing Farmer Jack's fruit and vegetable stand at the 6th and 19th will be pleased to learn that he will shortly open at a second location closer to town. Jack Burrows has rented Chris Bonchef's premises on the Stouffville Rd. at the 7th.

"We're just trying to get set up — this week we'll be busy stocking shelves," said Jack, "but we should be open by the weekend."

Along with fruits and vegetables Jack will also carry a large selection of bedding plants and of course, Mother's Day baskets.

"I don't know how having two locations so close together is going to work," said Jack, "but it'll mean better service for our Stouffville 1- customers."

#### Ruvons ladies wear

STOUFFVILLE - Ruvon's moved to the sunny side of Main St. last weekend. The owners, Vonnie Lauder, Denise Stephenson and Ruth Whitmore, with the aid of an army of friends carted everything out of their old store on the south side and straight across the street.

The present quarters (formerly Stouffville Surplus) are twice the size of the old store and permit Ruvon's to carry a greater variety of merchandise. Along with the usual ladies wear, the store will now also feature tennis clothes, lingerie, maternity clothes, umbrellas and hats, socks and purses. The Grand Opening Sale is scheduled for Thursday (today) Friday and Saturday.

Ruvon's old quarters will soon house Barthau's Jewelry.

### Collision injures five liquor charges laid

appear at Newmarket cession and collided with Provincial Court May 16 charged with impaired driving, blowing over 80 mgs., and driving a motor eastbound on vehicle with liquor readily available, after five persons were injured in a collision at the 6th concession and Bloomington Sideroad at 5:33 p.m. Friday, April

cident occurred when Hugh Bingham's car Hugh Bingham, 36, of Lot 20, Conc. 7, R.R. 3, minimal injuries. All Stouffville was nor- were taken to York

a car driven by Jeoffrey Duffield, 31, R.R. 4,

Bloomington Road. Mr. Duffield's wife Beatrice, 29, received major injuries. Both drivers and Douglas Bingham, 69 and Mary Bingham, 69, both of 1169 Danforth Road, Toronto Police said the ac- who were passengers in received minor or

#### Pinball bylaw finally passed

to the bitter end Uxbridge council was confused and hesitant about the town's pinball bylaw.

However, they finally made it to the third reading of the bylaw last Thursday night at their regular meeting, thereby making the restrictions of places of amusement in

the township law. The bylaw has been held up by council for a lew months as council could not decide just how make it. They first intough crackdown on such places, then seemed to to their original wishes expressed in the bylaw expansion.

passed on Thursday. The bylaw will now regulate and licence such places and will prohibit land abutting on any

highway or part of a highway in the township. There is presently one such place of amusement on Brock St. and it was concern over this establishment that led to the bylaw.

The township will now be able to regulate the hours, age of players, size of the building and number of machines.

Regional councillor Gary Herrima was concerned that "the present pinball shop restrictive they wanted to might be able to expand the adjacent dicated they wanted building", but councillor John Paxton assured him that the bylaw restricted back down, only to revert the operation to their present location, with no

Afterward, Mr. Paxton commented that the shop will now have to apply for a licence and them from locating on meet all regulations in the bylaw.

past 20 years has worked for Stouffville PUC, is retiring next month and will be saying goodbye to those less than savoury aspects of the job.

However, the job hasn't been all bad for him, as he has made countless friends over the years and has become a familiar face to those with hydro trouble.

As Charlie, who was born and raised in Stouffville, said, "it's been a great job, I like working outdoors and meeting people, although it isn't that great in the winter."

Ice storms are the most dangerous aspect of his job, working on hydro lines in cold, wet and slippery conditions is quite hazardous. Luckily, he has never been hurt in his work.

Besides the ice storms, repairing broken poles is next in line in keeping everyone hop-

general lineman and meter reader, commented that broken poles occur with alarming reularity, usually the result of a misguided car or truck.

The last time a pole broke. Charlie remembered, it was an all night affair.

"I was called out of bed, along with a number of other workers. It took us about 12 hours to replace it and the transformer, but there's not

much we can do about it. When something like that happens you just have to get it done."

However, things are a lot easier and safer nowadays, as compared to when he first started.

"When I first began," Charlie related, "we. didn't have any equipment like we do now. We had to dig the poles by hand, not machine, and to get the transformer up we used a block and tackle. Now it's all done by a couple of trucks, not much to it realiy."

And now all new hydro wiring goes underground, which, according to Charlie is a lot safer and requires less maintenance than the above ground type.

Eventually, Charlie expects all of Stouffville hydro to be underground, "although it probably won't happen in my lifetime," he said.

As for his retirement, Charlie said he's just going to "take it easy for a while, I'll probably do a bit of work on my garden." He said he also hopes to travel, with several places on his visiting list.

One thing he might miss, is his numberous rescues of a certain stubborn feline.

"Yeah, one cat in particular, was stuck up on a pole at least four or five times. But I haven't seen her in the last few weeks, so maybe she finally figured out it wasn't worth going up anymore."



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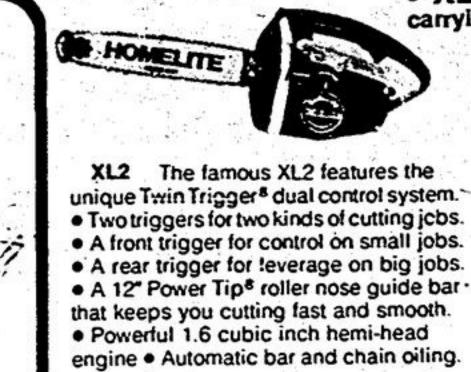
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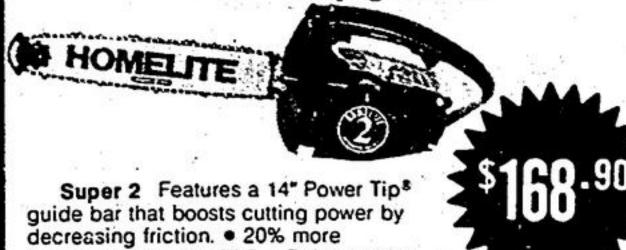
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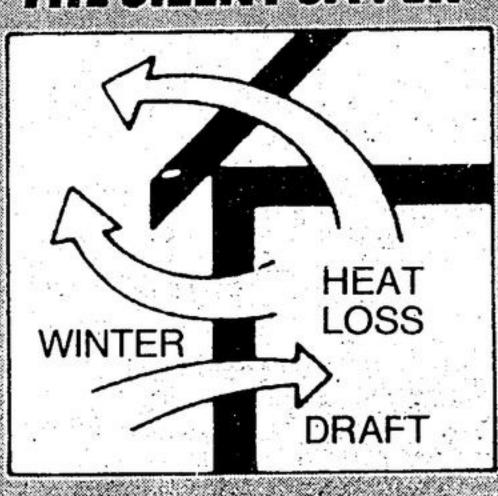
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