

Jewellery is missing

STOUFFVILLE — Jewellery, said to be worth \$2,800, has been reported missing from the Bank of Nova Scotia in Stouffville.

Herb Kring, Main Street East, told police he opened his safety deposit box there on Nov. 30 and removed a portion of the contents. The jewellery, he said, was left in the vault but not put back in the box.

On Dec. 22, he discovered the valuables gone. The investigation continues.

Stouffville skaters

Reach finals

STOUFFVILLE — Sixteen year old Cindy Wilson of Stouffville and partner Glenn Buddingh, have advanced to the Canadian Figure Skating Championships at Thunder Bay.

The talented twosome accomplished this feat by placing first in the Eastern Canada Divisionals at St. Laurent, Quebec, last weekend.

Cindy, a Grade 11 student at Stouffville Dist. Secondary School, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson, Rose Avenue. Glenn is from King City but skates out of Stouffville. They've been together only seven months.

Date of the Canadian Championships is Jan. 29. Peter Mellon, Stouffville's other entry in Divisional competition, scored a fifth.

Rock concert is planned

STOUFFVILLE — The rock and roll era will be re-lived, Jan. 26, when the group called "Mirage" comes to Latcham Hall in Stouffville.

The concert, sponsored by the Whitechurch-Stouffville Public Library, will begin at 8 p.m., with doors open at 7:30. Admission is \$1.

Lead vocalists are Lynda Addison, RR 4, Stouffville and Steve Heyd, RR 1, Gormley. Other performers are Eric Winter, Rob Krause, Don Popovich, Rich Bojakra, Scott Campbell, and Ken Vanderkleyn.



Matthew John is No. 1

Jack and Sherry Woodbine, RR 2, Stouffville, welcomed the New Year right with a bouncing baby boy, Matthew John, 7 lbs., 10 ounces. Arrival time was 4:45 a.m., Jan. 3 at York County

Hospital, Newmarket. Proud grandparents are John and Margaret Woodbine, RR 2, Markham and Garfield and Violet Jones of Uxbridge. — Jim Thomas

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Six percent wage hike for teachers

YORK REGION — York County Board of Education has ratified a new salary schedule for its elementary teachers.

The agreement, approved Monday, is retroactive to Sept. 1, 1978 and carries through to Aug. 31, 1979.

Excluding increments, the teachers' pay hike is six per cent. The wage scale ranges from a low of \$9,990 per year (no degree and less than one year's experience) to \$24,408 per year (fully qualified with 12 years or more experience).

Board chairman Don Cousens commended the negotiating teams for their work.

Arena users to pay more

STOUFFVILLE — The Stouffville Arena has now gone a full year under Town management and Mayor Eldred King, for one, is satisfied with the result. However, he's far from satisfied with the subsidization required to cover ice rental costs.

Had he had his way, the rate charged to users of the facility would have gone up in 1978, he told The Tribune. It'll certainly increase this year, he vowed.

Mayor King said the Minor Hockey Association is subsidized by something like \$21,000; the Figure Skating Club

by \$6,000 and the Girls' Hockey by \$1,000.

He takes the stand that users must pay more. "There's a limit to what non-users can pay," he said.

The mayor estimated that at the present time, about 1,000 young people utilize the facility. This, he pointed out, is a rather small percentage compared to the total number of families in Town.

"My real concern," he said, "is for the lady on the back street who's trying desperately to maintain her home and never goes near the rink. She must be shown some consideration too."

Mayor King said the municipality had been saddled with two major expenditures, one being full insurance coverage costing \$19,000 and a \$10,500 debenture. In spite of this, he considers the purchase (\$125,000), "a good deal".

The mayor said the municipality was more or less forced into buying the building because the Board had decided to put it up for sale. "Our concern was who might purchase it," he said.

Pointing to the indebtedness incurred by some municipalities, Mayor King said Whitechurch-Stouffville should count itself lucky. He noted that as a private enterprise, the company had made very little money over the last six or seven years.

Claremont area farmer pinned under tractor

CLAREMONT — Claremont farmer Hugh Miller is recovering from an accident that could have cost him his life.

He was run over by his own tractor in a freak mishap that put him in hospital with a broken pelvis and several fractured ribs.

The way it happened, Mr. Miller was standing off to one side of the machine when he saw it start to roll forward. In at-

tempting to climb on and apply the brakes, a tire lug somehow caught his clothing, throwing him to the ground. The rear wheel passed across his chest and shoulder, missing his head by inches.

Despite the seriousness of his injuries, the farmer picked himself up and drove the tractor back to the barn. His wife rushed him by car to the Ajax-

Pickering Hospital where he was confined 12 days.

Throughout the ordeal, he remained conscious, in fact, he recalls looking up at several attending nurses and commenting, "with all you beautiful angels around, I must be in heaven".

They quickly assured him he wasn't.

Although able to get out to the barn twice a day by using a 'walker', he's in no shape yet to do any chores, nor does he have to. Russ Gostick is handling any work that must be done.

"There's not a better man around," said Hugh.

The local farmer tends to joke about his inability to move around as quickly as before. "More rust than anything," he said.

Fear deterioration in water quality

STOUFFVILLE — Some deterioration in the quality of water in wells adjacent to the York Sanitation landfill site, has prompted Town Council to hold a special (in camera) discussion on the problem, Jan. 15.

Professor R.W. Gillham of the Dept. of Earth Science, University of Waterloo will attend along with a representative from the Provincial Environment Ministry.

Mayor Eldred King cautioned against over-reacting on the matter. "The reading could be within the guidelines as permitted, we just want to know," he said.

The best way to find out, the mayor explained, was to bring spokesmen from the two sides together. He suggested that the press should not sit in on this portion of the meeting as it might hinder the informality of the talks. He said The Tribune could contact both representatives later.

Professor Gillham is retained by the Town to provide water test reports four times a year. Because Stouffville's reservoirs are located within a mile of the landfill property, the municipality is concerned over any underground seepage that might occur.

Position changes in Town Office

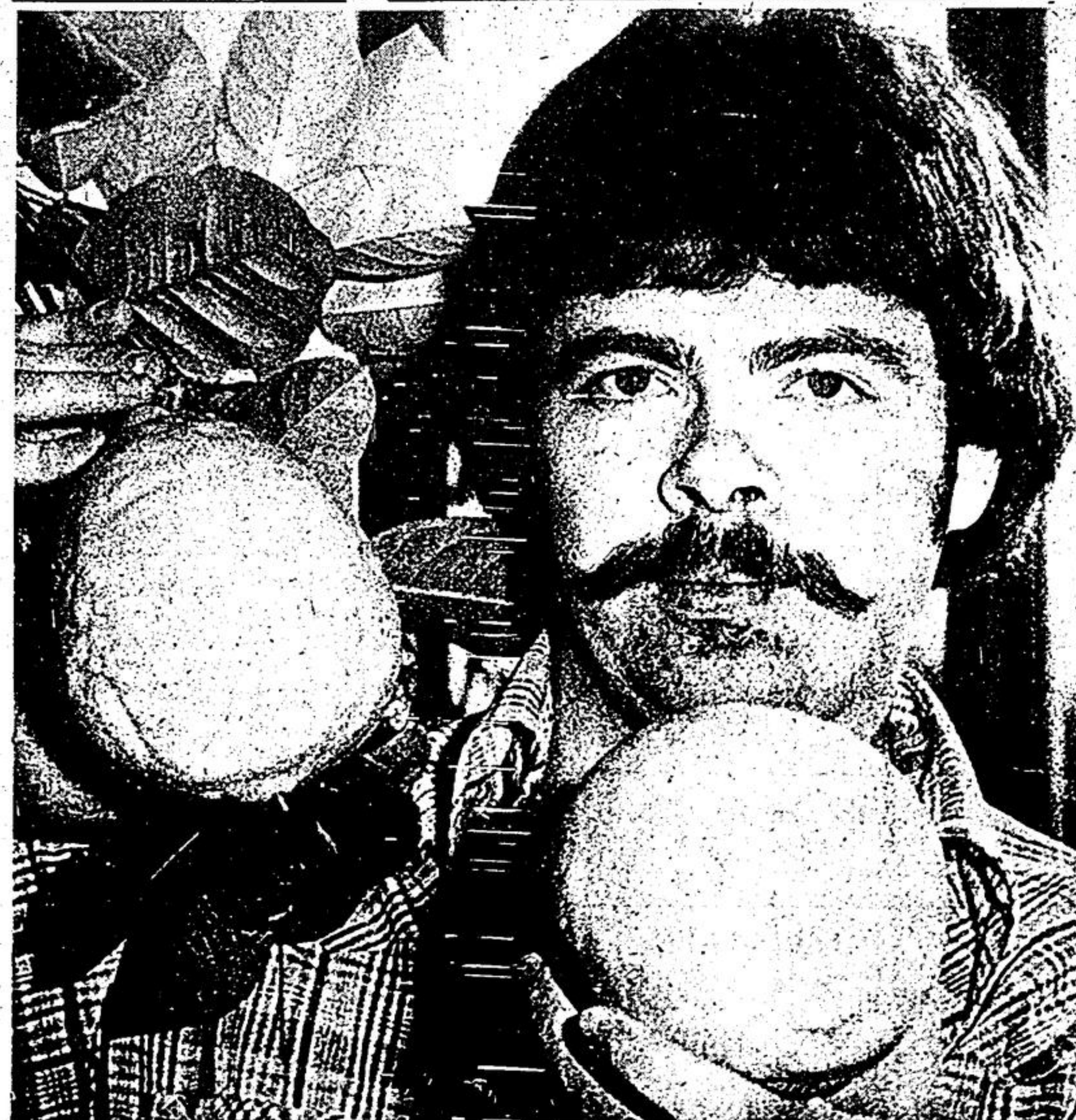
STOUFFVILLE — The faces are the same but the positions they hold are different following a staff shuffle at the Town Municipal Office.

As of Jan. 1, here's how they

stand. Ralph Corner, former administrator, clerk and treasurer, retains the clerk-administrator's post. Pat Muir, former secretary to the clerk, has been promoted to deputy-clerk. Elwood Foskett, former deputy-clerk and deputy-treasurer, is now the Town's treasurer. Edward Blackburn, former accountant, moves up to deputy-treasurer.

Mayor Eldred King, commenting on the changes, said the moves had been made at his insistence in '79 rather than at the half-way point of a two-year term. He admitted that Mrs. Muir was being groomed for the clerk's job when the present office-holder retires.

Ralph Corner came to Stouffville in 1957 and has headed up the municipal staff here ever since. Before that, he was warden of York County in 1955 and clerk of Georgina Township in 1956. He presently resides



Lemons the size of grapefruit

They're lemons, not grapefruit, but five of over a pound apiece including the two held here by them on a tree in a greenhouse at the home of Wesley Winfred Timbers, RR 2, Stouffville. Booth at Cedar Grove. — Jim Thomas

Betz Pools Ltd.

Nine awards

STOUFFVILLE — Betz Pools Ltd., of Stouffville was the recipient of two gold awards; three silver awards and four awards of merit for exhibits in a Canada-wide contest sponsored by the Canadian Pool Distributors Association.

Nine engraved plaques and shields were presented to company representatives, Mrs. Marvin Betz and Tim Kedy at a banquet, last month, in the ballroom of the Skyline Hotel, Toronto. Photo-Page 6.

The Stouffville firm was successful in the following categories: Gold - Classical

Residential and Concrete Shape, 551 square feet and over; Silver - Classical Residential; Concrete Shape, 551 square feet and over; Concrete Rectangular, 250 to 550 square feet. Awards of Merit - Concrete Rectangular, 250 to 550 square feet; Commercial Outdoor; Concrete Shape, 250 to 550 square feet and Concrete Rectangular, 551 square feet and over.

Betz Pools Ltd., is one of Ontario's foremost pool-builders with models in use both locally and all parts of the province.

Lift expropriation from historic farm

CLAREMONT — Thistle Ha Farm, an historic property retained through several family generations, has been released from all expropriation ties by the federal government.

The decision, revealed this week by the property's owner, Hugh Miller, concludes a long and trying ordeal that began when Ottawa announced plans to build an International Airport in Pickering Township, March 2, 1972.

Mr. Miller, one of the area's most influential and respected residents, fought the take-over bid from the start and never lost hope that some day he'd win.

That day is now. He told The Tribune, a statement had been received in writing, nullifying further expropriation procedures. For Hugh Miller, it's undoubtedly the best news he's heard in seven years.

Late Win Timbers

Plowman-politician - a leader in both

STOUFFVILLE — On the surface, at least, politics and plowing would seem to have little in common. Win Timbers of Stouffville, linked the two and was a leader in both.

Wesley Winfred Timbers died Saturday in Scarborough Centenary Hospital, concluding a career in public life that spanned more than 75 years.

Establishing a priority on his achievements is difficult. As a politician, he served two municipalities and the County of York. In the Twp. of Markham, he was a member of council nine years including four years as reeve. Here in Stouffville, he served on council five years, four years as reeve. Through political connections, he was a member of countless committees, all related to municipal work.

His "first love" however, was plowing. His skill, first as a match competitor and later as a coach and judge, earned him respect across Ontario. He was the recipient of dozens of awards including a Royal Bank Shield that contained his own name and that of his grandson, Barry. In 1955, he was the chairman of the International, held on Massey-Ferguson Farms near Milliken.

Win Timbers was born south of Markham Village, the son of Matthew and Sarah Timbers. As a young man, he lived for a time near Mongolia and later on the Sixth Line of Whitechurch. Following his marriage, he resided on the Ninth Line of

Markham and later in a house across from the Ringwood Christian Church. With considerable foresight, he purchased two farms, one on each side of Main Street West at the entrance to Stouffville. The north property now contains a residential subdivision and Parkview Home. A street in the development bears his name.

Hundreds of people, including many political and plowing associates, visited the O'Neill Funeral Home to pay their respects and attended the service, Tuesday in the Stouffville Missionary Church. Rev. John Hamilton was in charge, with interment, Dickson's Hill Cemetery.

Surviving, besides his wife, the former Mabel Sider, are two daughters, Irene of Willowdale and Dorothy (Mrs. Lloyd Doner) of Gormley; two sons, Bob of Sandford and Bruce of Gormley; one brother, Fred of Stouffville; eight grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.



WIN TIMBERS



PAT MUIR