

Mrs. A. Glenn Thompson

The church - her life

STOUFFVILLE - The congregation of St. James Presbyterian Church in Stouffville and the Presbyterian Church in Canada, has lost its most dedicated Christian servant, in the passing of Mrs. A. Glenn Thompson, Feb. 4, in Scarborough Centenary Hospital.



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Mrs. Thompson's prominence, particularly in the field of missions, was recognized on a national scale. When the new Board of World Missions was established, July 1, 1971, it seemed appropriate that she should be named the vice-chairman.

Of all the positions of importance maintained with such devotion within the Presbyterian Church at large, no office gave her more joy or satisfaction as the election to the office of Elder at St. James, a choice of the congregation last spring. It marked the first time a lady had been so selected.

In spite of her experience and capabilities, she accepted every new responsibility with modesty and restraint. She was the kind of person who

always placed others interests ahead of her own. She was loved and respected by everyone, not only in her church, but in the community.

Mrs. Thompson, the former Nellie Battisby, was born at Warkworth, Ontario. She was an accomplished pianist and it's often been told how she would travel by horse and cutter, and then by train, to Campbellford, for instruction. She later had classes of her own.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Thompson moved to Stouffville, thirty years ago. Her husband, a former bank manager here, survives, along with two sons, William of Trenton; Glenn Ross of Clarkson and six grandchildren, Cathy, Barbara, Paul, Scott, Lisa and Peter.

At the funeral service, held from St. James Church, Monday afternoon, presiding pastors, Rev. Fred Cromey and Rev. Alex Adam spoke in tribute of Mrs. Thompson's contributions within the local congregation and the church at large. Ministers assisting included - Rev. Dr. Louis Fowler, representing the Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Canada; Rev. George Malcolm, Chairman of the Board of World Missions and Rev. Homer McAvoy, Moderator of the East Toronto Presbytery.

In lieu of flowers, donations were accepted in the name of the Women's Missionary Society, a personal wish of the deceased.

Pall bearers were church elders, Bruce Davidson, Clarence Hood, Alan Powell, Jim Thomas, Clifton Morris and Murray Pipher. Interment was made in Campbellford Cemetery.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 10, at St. James Church, 100 Main Street West, Stouffville. Rev. Alex Adam will officiate. Burial will be in Campbellford Cemetery.

Twenty-one skaters enter competition

STOUFFVILLE - Twenty-one skaters from Stouffville, will compete, Feb. 19, against host entries from Richmond Hill as well as Markham and Aurora, in the second annual Inter-Club Competition, to begin at 10 a.m. Carrying the colors for Stouffville in each of the following classes will be: Preliminary Dance - Tanis Topping and Elizabeth Harris; Joanne Rennie and Georgina Kemp; Lynn Roberts and Jane Lewis; Anne-Marie Hetherington and Lisa Daniels. Pre-Juvenile Ladies - Michelle Symes, Joanne Hopper, Mary-Jo Sutherland, Lynn Roberts.

Drug raid

VIC. SQUARE - Three persons have been arrested and a quantity of drugs seized, following a raid conducted by eight detectives, York Regional Police.

Charged with possession of narcotics for the purpose of trafficking are - Norma Fisher, 34, and Ruby Parker, 20, R.R.2, Gormley. A third party, Jed Mathews, 18, of Centre Street, Richmond Hill, has been charged with possession of hashish.

All have been remanded following an initial appearance in Provincial Court, Newmarket.

Member takes 'hot seat'

STOUFFVILLE - John Roberts, M.P., York-Simcoe, will visit Stouffville, Feb. 14, and while the occasion is Valentine's Day, he may receive something other than hearts and flowers.

He has consented to occupy the 'hot seat' in a question and answer forum at Orchard Park Public School. The time of the gathering is 8 p.m.

The session is open to all residents in the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville.

Juvenile Ladies - Judy Ann Hopper, Marlene Boyd, Mary-Lou White, Ginny Hendry. Pre-Novice Ladies - Debbie Ward, Brenda Thompson, Kathy Summerfeldt. Bronze Interpretive - Marlene Boyd, Mary-Lou White, Marion Brodie, Cindy Wilson. Silver Interpretive - Kathy Summerfeldt, Judy Ann Hopper, Ginny Hendry. Bronze Dance - Debbie Ward, Brenda Thompson. Men's Open Interpretive - Peter Mellon. Ladies Open Interpretive - Nancy Yakeley. Both Peter Mellon and Nancy Yakeley are restricted in this competition since they were entries in the more advanced Sectionals, last December in Scarborough.

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Kin race meet

STOUFFVILLE - The 5th annual Kinsmen Club snowmobile races and fun day is Sunday afternoon, north side of Hwy. 47, east of Ringwood. There will be rides for the children and a draw on a 1972 Ski-Doo. Competition begins at 1 p.m.

7-store plaza new restaurant - plan for town

Bank also included

STOUFFVILLE - With Council and Planning Board approval, a 7-store shopping plaza, a bank and a restaurant-apartment complex, could become a reality in Stouffville.

The proposed development, on two separated lots, was outlined at a meeting, Feb. 1.

The initial application, by Gina Testa, contains the shopping area, a bank and possibly a chain store at a site near the intersection of Main Street East and Hwy. 47.

The build-up, Mr. Testa explained, would be completed in stages, with the stores and bank coming first. Eventually, he said, three floors of apartments would be added.

The land in question, formerly owned by Fred Castle, contains about three acres. It is presently zoned industrial.

Mr. Testa urged members to act on his request. "I can't leave the land sitting there", he said, "it represents a lot of money".

Mayor Ken Laushway pointed out that servicing the site could present a problem. Mr. Testa agreed, with respect to sewerage, but anticipated no holdup with regard to water. Members agreed to study the plans.

A second application, involving a site on Main Street West, east of Patrick Motors, was also explained by Mr. Testa. The developer was named only as a Mr. Giofocos.

A combined restaurant-residence would extend over an area of 46,000 square feet, with a wall at the rear to separate the structure from homes fronting

on Rupert Avenue to the north. This area also is zoned industrial.

Board chairman Tom Lonergan described the plan as 'a bit of an oddity' and questioned the wisdom of mixing different types of development.

"I don't think the area will remain industrial", stated Mayor Laushway, "there has to be a change sooner or later". Mr. Lonergan agreed.

The Board will consider sending the plans on to the Region for further comment and recommendations.

Window smashed watches stolen

STOUFFVILLE - Two watches, valued at \$200, were stolen in what police described as a 'smash-and-grab' robbery, Feb. 2, at the premises of Sheridan Jewellers, Main Street East.

Owners, Mr. and Mrs. Don Sheridan, apartment residents above the store, were awakened by the sound of breaking glass around 4:30 a.m. They discovered the theft minutes later, but there was no sign of the culprits.

The incident, Mr. Sheridan said, was the first in his ten years of business at this location. He suggested that more policemen on foot patrol and tighter enforcement of the vagrancy law, could do much to prevent this kind of crime.

Lions' bikeathon - May 6

STOUFFVILLE - Saturday, May 6, is still thirteen weeks away, but for Dr. Bill Murphy and co-chairman Colin Barrett of the Stouffville Lions Club, it's not too early to start planning for the second annual Lions-sponsored bike-a-thon.

Last year, proceeds from the event exceeded \$12,000, fifty percent of which, went to participating organizations.

The route will again cover a distance of 30 miles.

To date, applications have been received from the Stouffville Branch, Canadian Cancer

Society, Stouffville Minor Hockey, Stouffville Figure Skating Club, Stouffville Scouts and Cubs, Lemonville Cubs, Lemonville Girl Guides and the Ballantrae Cubs.

Other groups wishing to be included are asked to contact Dr. Murphy (640-2702) or Mr. Barrett (640-3057) as soon as possible.

The Lions' earnings from the project will be used to pay off the \$6,000 owing on the new intermediate swimming pool in the Town Park.



It's magic

The magic world of puppetry captured the attention of every child, attending the Saturday show in the lower auditorium of the Whitchurch-Stouffville Public Library. Manipulating the 'models' were Gordon and Lorna Ness of

Stouffville. Obtaining a close-up view of Little Red Riding Hood and the big, bad wolf, is 4 year old Shauna Sanders, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sanders, O'Brien Avenue.

-Jas. Thomas.

Town rabies clinic - a record

914 animals vaccinated

Farm land for farming claims Board

GORMLEY - A re-zoning request, to permit residential development on 40 acres of farm land, fronting on Don Mills Road, near Gormley, has been turned down by Whitchurch-Stouffville Planning Board.

The application, from P. J. Ottaway, was related to property, commonly referred to as the Scott farm. Mr. Ottaway's proposal, called for 60 half-acre and 6 three-quarter acre lots.

Councillor Merlyn Baker observed that land was still being farmed. Mayor Ken Laushway said the Town's policy had been opposed to subdivision plans on what he termed 'prime agricultural land'. Councillor Betty van Nostrand said she could see no reason why this policy should change. She recommended the application be rejected. Members agreed.

STOUFFVILLE - The snowiest, blowiest day of the winter failed to deter the enthusiasm of pet-owners, as they flocked to the government-sponsored anti-rabies clinic in Stouffville, Feb. 3.

Intermittent 'woofs' and 'meows' echoed throughout the committee room of the Town firehall all afternoon and into the evening. The final count at closing time - 914 dogs and cats, an all-time high for Stouffville and representative of the campaign's success across the Region.

Although Department figures are not yet complete, an official told The Tribune, Tuesday, that vaccinations would exceed 10,000, also a record.

Robert Cunningham of Barrie, in charge of setting up the clinics, described the response as 'very gratifying'. He said the Department had received excellent co-operation from civic officials and the public. He noted that although hundreds of animals had been brought together 'under one roof', there had been only one major incident. He said that at Markham, a Doberman pinscher was involved in a scrap with a terrier. It was several minutes before they could be pulled apart. The terrier's ear

was badly bitten.

At Stouffville, no unusual animals were brought in - not even a horse, a goat or a skunk.

"We prefer to concentrate on dogs and cats," said Mr. Cunningham, "particularly cats - the barnyard variety, they're the 'roamers'".

"Because of adverse weather conditions, officials expected attendance at Stouffville clinic to be adversely affected. It didn't work out that way, with as many as twenty-five and thirty persons lined up at a single time.

Head-on crash

MARKHAM - A two-car, head-on crash, north of Steeles Avenue on Hwy. 48, sent three persons to hospital and caused property damage estimated at \$6,000.

Most seriously injured was 14 year old Timothy Kent, a passenger in a southbound auto, driven by Donald Kent, 36, of Locust Hill. The younger Kent suffered severe head injuries and a ruptured spleen.

The two drivers, including James Robert Nobie of R.R.2, Sutton West, received head and face cuts.

Conference at ski resort

Strictly business claims Town mayor

YORK REGION - An account, covering expenses incurred by Regional Councillors, attending a two-day Conference, Jan. 30 and 31, at a resort in Muskoka, will be presented for payment, when members meet, Feb. 10 (today).

The bill may be approved without comment, or it could create a storm. It will depend on whether the outing is looked on as 'strictly business' or a holiday at taxpayers' expense.

The amount of the bill varies, also the numbers present. Mayor Ken Laushway said to his knowledge, only two members did not attend.

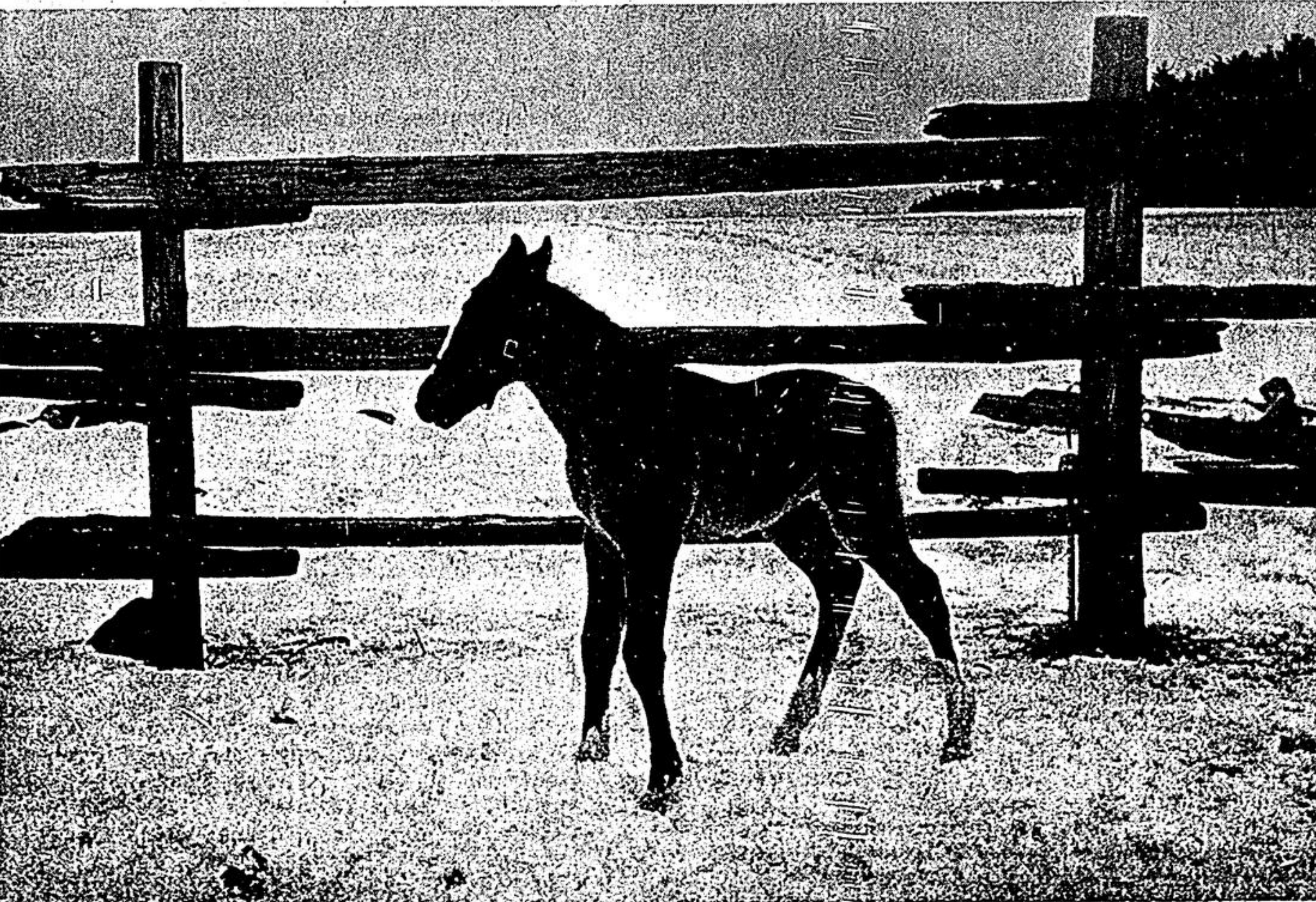
Mr. Laushway said he fully expected to pay all expenses for his wife and his travelling expenses to and from the site. He anticipates, however, that the fee for hotel accommodation would be covered by the Region. "It's not really settled yet," he said. He described the Conference as the most informative session of its kind he had ever attended. He suggested that

such gatherings should be held quarterly. "It's the only time everyone has had a chance to get together and discuss all matters pertaining to regional government. Whether it was held at Muskoka, Brampton or Newmarket isn't really important as long as it serves a worthwhile purpose." He suggested that had the Conference taken place at regional headquarters, it might not have proved so attractive.

The study sessions, that began about 8 p.m., on the Sunday and concluded at 10 p.m., Monday, also included heads of departments.

Heading up the individual discussion groups were - Gladys Rolling, East Gwillimbury; Tony Roman and Jim Jongeneel, Town of Markham; Garnet Williams, Town of Vaughan and George Burrows, Twp. of Georgina.

Regional Chairman, Garfield Wright, in a press conference later, said no formal resolutions or motions had been passed.



A spry little guy at five days old

With temperatures close to zero and snow two feet deep, the world outside must have seemed like a pretty cold place, for 'Chimo', only five days old. But the spry little guy didn't seem to mind it a bit, leading The Tribune cameraman on a merry chase about the corral

and standing still only long enough to capture this photo. 'Chimo' is the foal of 'Muffin', a half-thoroughbred, owned by Mrs. Susan Coutts, conc. 9, Markham, at 18th Avenue.

-Jas. Thomas.