

Bell rates may increase 35¢ a month by 1974

STOUFFVILLE Commission approves basic residence telephone rates in the Stouffville and Claremont exchanges will go up five cents in 1973 and 30 cents a month in 1974 if the Canadian Transport

Commission approves increases asked by Bell Canada. The 1973 application asked for increases in basic rates, service charges, long distance and pay phone rates, extensions, and a new 25 cent charge for some calls to directory assistance.

F.A. De La Plante, Bell manager in this area, said increases allowed Bell by the CTC last May are being largely offset by increased operating costs beyond its control.

Service charges would double in two stages, with a 50 percent increase in 1973 and a further one-third increase in 1974. Present rate for a new residence phone installation is \$11. This would go to \$16.50 next year and \$22 in 1974.

Increases proposed for 1973 for long distance would apply only to the initial charge period and only on calls within Bell territory: two cents for customer-dialed; five cents for operator-handled station-to-station; and 10 cents for person-to-person.

The 1974 proposed increase is one cent on each overtime minute for all long distance calls.

General increases proposed for 1973 include five cents a month for residence and hotel extensions and 1.5 percent with a five-cent minimum for most other services.

Pay phone rates for local calls, which haven't changed in 20 years, would double to 20 cents over a 15-month conversion period, beginning in 1974.

New vandal-proof phones with a dial-tone first feature would be provided. This would permit a caller to reach an operator in an emergency without depositing money.

General increases proposed for 1974 in addition to basic rate boosts include an additional five cents a month for residence and hotel extensions, and 6.25 percent for most other services.

As part of its application to the CTC, Bell is asking approval of a five-year plan to go into effect in 1974 to make four-party service the new



Award spans period of twenty years

For the past 20 years, the Stouffville High School graduation class of '52, has honored the current Student Council President with an engraved bronze bar. The presentation, at

Commencement Exercises, Friday, was made by Marion (Atkinson) Wells (left) to Rita Prospero, 19th Avenue, Markham, R.R. 2. —Jim Thomas.

Must halt anti-farm policy

By John Medcof
It's time to stop our anti-farm policy. About 100,000 farmers remain in Ontario. About 60 percent are on subsistence farms while 20 percent of the farms produce about 80 percent of the marketable products. Many suffer financial distress, not through their own fault, but through rapid agricultural changes.

In 1900, 100 to 200 acres supported a reasonable standard of living. Today, general farms need 300 to 1,000 acres to justify the equipment required but the province is still divided into 100 and 200 acre parcels as it was settled, not the 300 to 1,000 acre parcels a family needs today. The family farm is still the most effective and efficient means of agriculture, as the experience of Russian collectives, Chinese communes and the sad story of some of our

own corporate farm ventures show. The thousands of Ontario farm families existing on parcels too small for profitable agriculture lack the money to expand their holdings. Thirty thousand farm families could produce more and have a higher standard of living than the 100,000 farmers now active.

The problem is the surplus farmers. Bureaucrats would move them off their land as painlessly as possible, with the farms purchased by government and sold or leased to farmers who will make them into large economic units. This makes business sense but is narrowminded, shortsighted and in the present unemployment situation, the surplus rural people are forced into the cities and welfare. It is equally shortsighted to subsidize existing farms, giving artificially protected markets, which by manipulation, subsidies and tax incentives, encourage uneconomic use of land. This harms the country as a whole and merely postpones eventual financial disaster and prolongs farm poverty.

Governments miss the true situation. Schemes to resettle the farmer ignore his love of his land and the present dispersion of population across the province can provide a

suitable framework for successful rural living. The corporate, amalgamated or full-time farm is not the only answer. As cities expand, farmers will decline to about 5 percent of the population.

Forgetting the past is alright, but don't forget the future.

NOTICE

Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville
That portion of the former Township of Whitchurch and former Village of Stouffville

RE LIQUOR LICENCE ACT VOTE

Public Notice is hereby given that a vote will be held under the Liquor Licence Act on the following question:

Are you in favour of the sale of liquor under a dining lounge licence for consumption on licensed premises with food available? at the same time and on the same dates set for holding the Municipal Election in this Municipality namely—

December 4th, 1972 with advance polls being held on November 27th and December 2nd.

The qualifications for voting at this plebiscite are as follows: Canadian Citizen or other British subject, 18 years old on polling day and ordinarily resident in the municipality for two months up to and including polling day. All qualified voters should check the Preliminary Lists posted. Preliminary Lists for this vote are posted in the Municipal Office and in Post Offices located in the Municipality. A special revision for registration of qualified voters under the Liquor Licence Act will be held.

Tuesday, November 21st, 1972 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Standard Time. Only those person whose names are on the certified voters list after revisions will be eligible to vote on this question.

R. E. Corner, Returning Officer



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Approve highway signs

YORK REGION Regional Council agreed, Nov. 9, that the Ministry of Transport be informed it has no objections to trail blazer signs erected on Highways 48 and 47, indicating a cross-connection on the Bloomington Road. Another request, by Whitchurch-Stouffville, that signs be erected at Ringwood, to indicate a bypass of Stouffville along Bloomington Road, was refused because it was felt they would cause too much confusion.

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NOTICE TO ELECTORS Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville

List of Candidates who have qualified to be elected at Elections to be Held **DECEMBER 4th., 1972**

Polls Will Be Open From the hour of eleven o'clock a.m. till eight p.m., Standard Time and no longer.

- For Mayor :-**
- ONE TO BE ELECTED AT LARGE
Gordon Ratcliff (acclamation)
- For Members of Council :-**
- ONE TO BE ELECTED FROM EACH WARD
 - Ward One**
Arthur E. Starr (acclamation)
 - Ward Two**
Herbert Peach, Herbert Simpson, Jim Wong, Jack Wylie
 - Ward Three**
Merilyn Baker (acclamation)
 - Ward Four**
R. F. "Tommy" Farr, Catherine P. Joice
 - Ward Five**
June Button, Clara Harman
 - Ward Six**
Eldred King, Thomas Lonergan

FOR YORK COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

One member to be elected at large
Michael Durnan, John C. McMurray

FOR THE YORK COUNTY ROMAN CATHOLIC SEPARATE SCHOOL BOARD

One Trustee to be elected at large from combined area municipalities of the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville and the Township of East Gwillimbury.
John McDermott (acclamation)

FOR MEMBER TO BE ELECTED BY SEPARATE SCHOOL SUPPORTERS

to serve on the YORK COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

One to be elected from seven municipalities
Willis Newton, John Rantowski

SEE PROCLAMATION RE LIQUOR LICENCE ACT VOTE FOR DESCRIPTION OF POLLING SUBDIVISIONS AND POLLING PLACES.

ADVANCE POLL

There shall be an advance poll on November 27th and December 2nd, 1972, which shall be open from the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon and shall remain open until eight o'clock in the evening on each day. That I expect to be unable to vote on polling day in the said polling subdivision for which my name appears on the polling list or for which I have been issued, by the Clerk of the Municipality or by the Deputy Returning Officer of this polling subdivision, a certificate permitting me to vote. That I have not voted at any other advance poll at this election in this Municipality.

ADVANCE POLL LOCATIONS :

For Ward 1, Ward 2 and Ward 3 -
Municipal Office, Stouffville.

For Ward 4, Ward 5 and Ward 6 -
Vandorf Hall, Vandorf

R. E. Corner,
Returning Officer.