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Aurora Growth This Year \$300,000 In Property Sets Building Record

Building permits in Aurora set a new record for the first ten months of the year reaching an all time high for \$324,227. This amount represents 34 new homes, four stores, one factory and 17 garages and sheds. Permits were required this year for the first time on alterations which contributed \$16,950 to the total.

Last year there were several homes with construction permits of over \$20,000. This year home permits ranged from \$4,000 to \$11,000. Four stores averaging \$9,000 are in the process of being built or about to be started, with Simpson's order office already completed. Bodfish's still under construction and two still in the blue print stage.

Wiring, Heating, Pipes Pushed At Aurora Rink

The wiring, heating and plumbing work on the new addition to the Aurora Memorial arena is being pushed forward this week. The oil burner to heat the dressing rooms, lobby and provide hot water for the showers was being installed Tuesday. The partitions separating the lobby or recreation room from the arena proper have been completed and the openings for the windows looking from the lobby onto the ice have been cut.

The work of providing the frame-work for the seats at the west end is being carried out this week. As presently constituted, five rows of seats will be built at the west entrance, providing a further 250 seats. The visitors can now obtain a very good idea of how the arena will look when completed both inside and out.

Tom Dickson, arena manager, indicates public skating will be held as soon as the dressing rooms are available. In the meantime hockey practices for the two junior clubs and intermediates are being held nightly.

Prizewinners Chosen For The Best Costumes At Arena Party Tuesday

Newmarket arena was jammed with school children in costume for the annual Hallowe'en party on Tuesday but their fun was lessened by the innumerable delays, and late starting hour. A greatly reduced number of children waited for the movies and the skating and in one classroom only one of 31 children was present to collect his treat at the end of the evening.

Before every child left, he was given a shell-out by members of the fire brigade. Preliminary judging was done at the schools and the finals were judged at the arena party sponsored by the recreation commission. Final judging was done by Mrs. Dorothy Bowman, Ang West, Lorne Paynter, George McCullough and Jack Struthers with assistance from members of the Home and School club. Mr. Jimmy Walker was master of ceremonies.

The following were prize winners in the pre-school group: 1, Miles, Kaben and Justice Tunney as a Chinese family; 2, Paul Murray, Mickey Mouse; 3, Mary Ann Leader (the youngest in the party), Queen of Hearts.

Kindergarten group: 1, Joan Benville, a gypsy; 2, Tommy Delaine, Superman; 3, Gordon Gladman, Sleepy Head. Grades one and two: 1, Helen Ball, South Sea Islander; 2, John Keeble, Drum Major; 3, Terry Peever, a skeleton.

Grades three and four: 1, Denise Tunney, Snow Queen; Gary Dyer, Indian; 3, Bobby Hunter, a Christmas tree. Grades five and six: 1, Ken Mosey, pirate; Faye

RESERVE SPACE FOR COMMUNITY BAZAAR

All organizations and individuals who are interested in participating in the Community bazaar to be held on Tuesday, December 5, are reminded that they should notify Mrs. George McNelly (phone 652m) of their intentions before the end of the week. Mrs. McNelly is convening the bazaar for the Newmarket Handcraft group, the sponsoring organization.

As soon as everyone is heard from, representatives of all the interested parties will go to the Town hall where the bazaar is to be held and draw for the space they will have.

Rusnell, Spanish girl; 3, Gary Bugler, a farmer.

In grades seven and eight: 1, Raymond Gurr, as Aunt Jemima; 2, John McGuire, hula hula girl; 3, Edna Markham, a Japanese girl.

Mayor Praises Recreation Work At Aurora Commission Meeting

Fifty members and guests of the Aurora recreation commission attended the commission's annual dinner at the Ridge Inn Wednesday evening. A display of handicrafts representing work by the children and adult classes was a point of interest.

Mayor Alex. Bell, representing the citizens and speaking for the guests among whom were the principals of the schools and chairmen of the school boards, ministers, press and council members, praised the commission's efforts and confessed amazement at the rapid progress of recreational activities made in such a brief time since the commission's organization two years ago in Aurora.

Roses were also given to Mrs. Byrtha L. Stavert in recognition of her efforts on behalf of the children in Aurora and in re-

membrance of her birthday. John Ellbeck representing the recreation activities of the provincial government spoke enthusiastically of the splendid work of the commission.

Brief reports were made by Mrs. Stavert and Tom Dixon covering the year's activities. Outstanding statements of both supervisors indicated that large numbers of children have participated in the various facilities provided by the commission.

ARRANGE FOR NOV. 11

Councillors Charles VanZant and Lorne Paynter were appointed by the mayor Monday night to arrange for civic remembrance ceremonies in Newmarket on Saturday, November 11.

Advanced Stage Technique Used For 'Dirty Work'

The stage set for the Newmarket Dramatic club's first production of the season tomorrow and Saturday nights is an indication of a new development in the drama group. The visual effects, as important a contribution to a production as actors themselves, have been particularly well employed by the Dramatic club.

"Dirty Work at the Crossroads", an adaptation of an old gay nineties melodrama, features the familiar villain, a heroine at the villain's mercy, a railroad being built over a family farm, and later, as usual, someone tied to the railway tracks.

Every piece in the set has been painted, yet when viewed by an audience it suggests the reality of three dimensional objects.

Fred Hagan, Court St., who painted the back-drop, has used advanced techniques to make one set serve for the three acts.

The original farm scene is changed by the removal of a tree to the scene when preparations are being made for the building of the railroad. The final scene reveals the completed railway through the farmland, trestle, and even a moving train.

In the cast of "Dirty Work at the Crossroads" are Joe Dalek, Don Cummings, Kay Kudelka, Dorothy Bowman, Audrey Halme, Nick Styke, Vera Brown, Lorna Styke, Kitty Cummings and Arlene Glenocross. The show will be presented Friday and Saturday in the town hall with the usual kids' night on Thursday.

Take Six Months Course For Officer Training

Appointed to the Canadian Officers Training Corps, Robin Rowat and Gerry Barker, Aurora, leave November 11 for a six months course at Camp Borden. They will be stationed with the Royal Canadian Armored Corps and are the only two cadets from the Queens York Rangers on the present course. Both have been members of "C" squadron Aurora for the past three years.

Lt. Barker joined the reserve army in April 1947 at the age of 17. Lt. Rowat was taken on strength in August of the same year. Both boys held the rank of corporal when their appointment as officer cadets was announced. Lt. Rowat has given up studies at the College of Art, Toronto, to take the course. Lt. Barker has been with the Robert Simpson Co. advertising department for the past 18 months.

Home plowing contest Draws heavy entry

With the largest entry in the Home Plowing Competition in several years, the York County Junior Farmers are holding their banquet and presentation of prizes at Buttonville on Thursday, November 9, at 7:00 p.m. This is a change of date owing to several conflicting events on the 10th as originally arranged.

The plowing was scored this week by Mr. Alvin Mark of Cameron who two years ago was one of the overseas trip winners at the International Plowing Match at Lindsay. Indicative of the times, the tractor plows were very much in the majority. It is most encouraging to the sponsors to see the large entry of beginners and the judge was pleased with the work they did.

The York County finals of the public speaking and amateur entertainment will be held at the banquet again as it has proven a popular feature.

Taggers Are Needed For Poppy Day, Nov. 11

Children are wanted to tag for Poppy Day on Saturday, Nov. 11. All interested in tagging please contact the Veterans' Land Act office, 14 Millard Ave., Newmarket, on Friday, Nov. 10, between 7 and 9 p.m. to pick up tags. Mrs. Robt. Bunn, president of the Newmarket Canadian Legion Ladies' Auxiliary, is convening for the tag day.

TO RAISE BALL FUNDS

The Newmarket Optimist club's draw on a mantle radio to offset peevee and bantam baseball expenses will take place on November 8. The draw will be made at the Optimist anniversary dance at the Gray Stones in Aurora. All members of the club, peevees and bantams, are asked to return tickets as soon as possible to Frank Hollingsworth, Jack Hamilton, Joe Dalek or Harley Brennan.



"I am coming, children," says Santa Claus. "I'll be in Newmarket on Saturday, Dec. 2, and I want all of you little ones to welcome me when I come down Main St. with my parade."

Woman Thrown 50 Feet From Car Saves Eleven Of Dozen Eggs

A woman found herself sitting in a field holding a package of eggs at Oak Ridges Saturday night when she was thrown from a car. Mrs. Teresa Chevalier, 23, of Lake Wilcox was thrown from a car driven by a neighbor, J. Sullivan, when it was hit from the rear by a car driven by Richard Henderson, Toronto.

The woman was thrown 50 feet from No. 11 highway. She said she could not imagine at the time how she got there. She had been shopping and groceries were scattered about the car in which she was a passenger. One egg out of the dozen she was holding was broken.

Both cars were travelling south when Henderson's car struck the second vehicle according to P.C.

Clair St. John. The force of the impact spun both vehicles around on the highway landing the first in the ditch.

Sullivan told police he missed the north lake road to the east and had slowed down in his own lane to take the south road to the lake. Henderson said he saw the vehicle too late to avoid hitting it. He was slightly hurt but a passenger, S. J. Tolton of the local Y.M.C.A. suffered injured hands and a cut over the eye. The injured were attended by Dr. Crawford Rose, Aurora.

A former teacher at St. Andrew's College, Henderson is a sports referee and salesman for a sporting goods firm. Hockey equipment in his car was damaged.

Two Deer Spend Morning In Eagle St. Garden

Two deer, a buck and a doe, spent last Monday morning visiting the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Stephens on Eagle St. Several motorists stopped to watch the pair which is believed to have wandered into town from the Glenville direction.

Miss Betty Stephens said that she was preparing to leave the house for work around 7:40 a.m. when she heard automobile brakes on the street. "Three cars had stopped and the drivers were peering into our back yard," she said.

"I looked out the back window and saw the pair of deer, one with fair-sized antlers, standing in a fence corner. They stayed around the house for about an hour and disappeared later," she said.

It has been many years since deer have paid social calls in Newmarket.

Coming Events

Retail Fall Sale at the Best Drug Store, Newmarket, phone 11, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, November 1, 2, 3 and 4. c3w42

Thursday, Nov. 2—Cribbage and euchre in Newmarket Scout hall, due to the legion hall not being completed. Sponsored by the Canadian Legion Ladies' Auxiliary. Time 8:15 p.m. Good prizes. Admission 35c. Six additional door prizes. c3w44

Friday, Nov. 3—Sharon Junior Farmers dance in Mount Albert hall, Norm Burling and his Kingsmen. Prizes, cafeteria lunch. Admission 50c. c3w42

Friday, Nov. 3—Don Douglas, special representative of Firth Bros. will be at Ang West's Store, Newmarket. Have your suit or overcoat tailored-to-measure. c1w44

Friday, Nov. 3—Dance in Mount Albert Community hall, to Norm Burling and his Kingsmen. Prizes, cafeteria lunch. Admission 50c. c1w44

Saturday, Nov. 4—127th battalion association annual dinner, 22 College St., Toronto, at 7 p.m. All former members of the battalion invited. c1w44

Saturday, Nov. 4—Monster coed-casin dance in Newmarket Memorial Arena, sponsored by the Canadian Legion. Skating from 7 to 9 p.m. Car draw. Tickets 25c each or 5 for \$1. Available from members or at the door. c3w42

Saturday, Nov. 4—Aurora Legion bingo in the Legion hall, Jackpot and share-the-wealth. Time 8 p.m. D.S.T. 15 games 35c. c1w44

Sunday, Nov. 5—Anniversary services in Queensville United church, 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Guest speaker Rev. Milton R. Sanderson, of North Parkside United church, Toronto. Special anniversary choral music. Everyone welcome. c2w43

Monday, Nov. 6—Scout-Guide Mothers' Auxiliary will hold court whist party at Scout hall, 8 p.m. All mothers of Scouts, Guides, Brownies and Cubs invited to attend. c2w43

Wednesday, Nov. 8—Bingo in Holland Landing Community hall, at 8 p.m. Jackpot. Admission 35c. c1w44

Friday, Nov. 10—Firemen's euchre, dance and draw. Town hall, Newmarket. Charlie VanZant's orchestra. Time 8 p.m. Admission 25c. c3w43

Friday, Nov. 10—Opening season 1950-51 dancing to Del Kidd and his boys at Mount Albert community hall. Cafeteria lunch and bar. Admission 50 cents. c2w44

Friday, Nov. 10—Bingo in Queensville school. Good prizes, Share-the-wealth, door prize. 2 cards 35c. c2w44

Friday, Nov. 10—Kettleyby Community Club dance to be held in the Parish hall. Lunch counter. Admission 50c. c2w44

Friday, Nov. 10—St. James' W. A. Sharon. Annual bazaar and bake sale 3-5 p.m. Tea, green thumb table, fish pond. c2w43

Friday, Nov. 10—Christmas bazaar and tea, St. Paul's Parochial church, at 8 p.m. each evening. Special speakers and music. All welcome. c3w44

Friday, Dec. 1—Annual N.H.S. Alumni dance in the Newmarket high school auditorium. Don Gilkes' nine piece orchestra. Lunch. Dress optional. \$2.00 per couple. c3w43

Friday, Nov. 17—Bazaar, tea and bake sale at Boy Scout Hall under auspices of Bogartown Institute. c1w44

Sunday, Nov. 19 to Nov. 26—Fall Rally and preaching festival, in Newmarket Christian Baptist church, at 8 p.m. each evening. Special speakers and music. All welcome. c3w44

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Dance to Norm Burling and his Kingsmen at Beeton Memorial auditorium every Friday night. Admission 75c and 50c. c1w40

Dance to Norm Burling and his Kingsmen every Saturday night in Community hall, Belhaven, (standing time). Admission 50c. Cafeteria lunch. c1w41

Dancing at Club 14, every Sunday night. Max Bong and his orchestra. c1w41

Only One Tops 500 Mark In Potato Club

Results of the York County 500 Bushel Potato club, just announced by W. M. Cocksburn, Newmarket, secretary of the County Crop Improvement Ass'n, show the yield to be down somewhat this year with only one grower, Herb Jones, Maple, over the 500 mark, with 559 bushels. It is believed that Mr. Jones has established a record for the province by winning this high yield contest four consecutive years, making a four year average of 600.75 bushels.

Norman Payne of Maple moved up this year to second with 487 bush, and Denzil Oldham of Mount Albert, a new contestant, took third with 457 bush. These three also stood in the same order for yield of marketable tubers. Others over the 400 mark were: Murray Crone, Mount Albert, 443; Wm. Mulholland, Jr., Ballantrae, 442; and Douglas Campbell, Mount Albert, 417. The average of the 19 growers who completed the contest was 384.3 bushels per acre.

The growers are planning to have a banquet as usual later in the fall when the prizes will be presented. In the meantime all those with over 300 bush are eligible to compete in a championship contest at the Royal so it is expected that those over the 400 level will be selecting some choice specimens for this final event.

This has been a most disappointing year for potato growers with truckers and dealers offering such discouraging prices at the farm.

Newmarket's Population Passes 5,000 Mark

Newmarket has passed the 5,000 population mark. Town clerk Wesley Brooks stated at the council meeting Monday night that according to this year's assessment roll the population of Newmarket is 5,036. Last year's assessment roll recorded a population of a little over 4,900.

Santa Claus Coming To Newmarket Dec. 2 Parade Down Main St.

Santa Claus is coming to town. Yes, boys and girls, we've received word that the jolly old fellow is going to make his annual stop here on Saturday, Dec. 2, and he wants all of you to be out to greet him when he comes.

Plans are underway for a parade to greet Santa and while it is not definite yet, the parade will probably follow the same route as last year down Main St.

There will be floats and costumed marchers representing characters in fairy tales, and the comic strips. There will be drum majorettes, bands and music of all sorts and there will be treats for all.

The parade is being organized under the sponsorship of the merchants of Newmarket with the editors of the Era and Express in charge of the details.

So reserve the date, children. Remember, Saturday, Dec. 2, and watch for further details in The Era and Express.

Hallowe'en Damage Slight In Newmarket, Aurora, Credit To Town Parties

No major damage was done on Hallowe'en night in Newmarket. Except for scatterings of waste paper and debris and soap marks on windows the town survived well. Most children of school age were occupied with activities at the arena party and residents report few ghosts and goblins prowling around for shell-outs. The recreation commission supplied the candy at the close of its arena party.

Warn Against Fire Inspection Business Racket

Newmarket residents were warned this week against a new form of "business racket." There have been reports that individuals are posing as fire inspectors and telling householders that they were to inspect the premises for fire hazards.

"This could be an excuse to inspect the premises for possible valuables in preparation for theft," warned Councillor Charles VanZant, chairman of the fire committee.

"The Newmarket Fire Brigade members make regular fire inspections but they wear their uniform hats and carry fire brigade badges," he said. "Unless a householder is absolutely sure of the identity of the visitor, and unless he has definite credentials, he should not be permitted in your house."

There were reports earlier of a roofing company representatives telling householders that they had been sent to fix their chimneys by the fire insurance company. Mr. VanZant warned again that householders should be very sure of the credentials of salesmen and others before paying them any attention.

"If there is the slightest doubt, call Mr. Brooks, the town clerk, or the chief of police," said Mr. VanZant.

PRODUCERS TO MEET

District No. 7 (Newmarket) of the Ontario Milk Producers is meeting in Stroud on Wednesday, Nov. 15, when delegates to the annual meeting of the parent body will be named. It is also proposed to offer five prizes of \$15 in expense money for those attending the short course at Guelph on New Year's

Sacred, Patriotic Concert Planned By Band Nov. 12 To Present Awards

The Newmarket Citizens Band will present a sacred and patriotic concert in the Roxy Theatre on Sunday, Nov. 12, at 8:30 p.m. At the same time, presentations of medals and other awards won by the band members at Waterloo Music Festival will be made by Mayor Joseph Vale.

The band held its annual meeting on Monday when William Andrews was re-elected president. Other officers are: vice pres., Len Little; sec., Austin Brammer; treas., Jack Adams; librarians, C. Burling and H. Hughes; property, A. Kirbyson and W. Young; representative from band sections, Ralph Denne. Bill Grieg is bandmaster, and on Monday, Don Langford was made assistant bandmaster.

Woodbridge Vaughan Co. Purchased By Bell Phone

The Woodbridge and Vaughan Telephone Company Limited has been sold to the Bell Telephone Company, Morley J. Kinnee, Markham, secretary-treasurer of the Woodbridge and Vaughan Telephone Company, announced on Tuesday.

The sale, which had been authorized by the board of directors and confirmed by the shareholders, has been approved by the regulatory body of the province of Ontario, Mr. Kinnee said. The Bell Telephone Company of Canada has owned a controlling interest in the company since January 1, 1928. The company was enlarged January 1, 1940, through the purchase of the former Home Telephone Company Limited and the rural area adjacent to the village of Port Perry.

The transfer of the property will be made at the close of December 31, 1950, Mr. Kinnee said. The Woodbridge and Vaughan Telephone Company Limited serves approximately 7,000 telephones in the area south of Newmarket. There are 11 central offices owned by the company, in addition to which it operates rural telephone lines served through the Bell company's central offices at Port Perry, Aurora and Tottenham. There are 180 full-time employees on the company's staff who will be taken in to the Bell Telephone Company organization.