

Business Outlook

Bank Sees "Warning Signs"

Although Canada's economic conditions are continuing buoyant and future prospects are good, some warning signs can already be seen in the business outlook, according to the Bank of Montreal in its Business Review for July.

The B of M notes that in both Canada and the United States, the strength of last year's business activity has "continued at a good pace" into this year and industrial production, already 35 per cent higher than in 1961, is still expanding.

But the bank warns of uncertainty in the future of external trade, a major source of strength during the current business expansion, with the gap between imports and exports widening unfavorably.

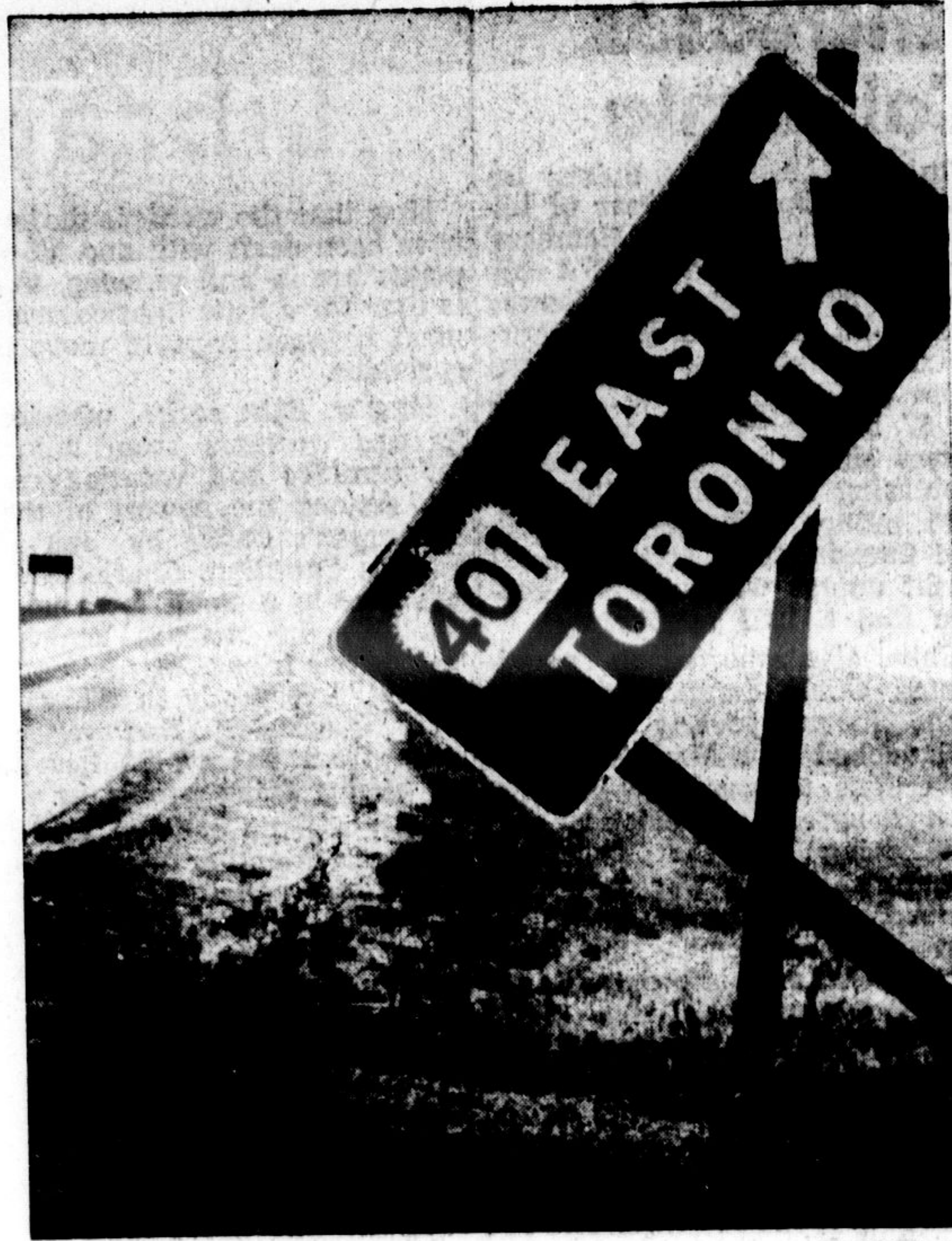
Prices Rise

"Further uncertainty, both for Canada's external trade and for general economic conditions in this country, could arise from a continuation of price increases such as have taken place in wholesale prices recently," the B of M states.

The first signs of "strong upward pressure on prices" appeared in late 1964 and, between October, 1964 and June, 1965, wholesale prices in Canada rose by over three per cent.

"Certainly these increases as yet indicate only mild inflationary pressure compared with the record in most countries," the bank says.

"However, they do pose, especially for Canada, a somewhat greater danger of spiralling prices than has been experienced in recent years, since they come at a time when the economy is operating much closer to capacity, when substantial wage increases are being gained and when there is an increasing incidence of labor disputes resulting in work stoppages."



—Staff Photo

THOSE TORONTO FOLKS getting uppity? It would appear that Toronto is just a little distance this side of Heaven, if you took this sign at the 401-25 Highways cloverleaf seriously. Actually, the sign resulted from a minor collision with a vehicle recently.

Need Only Four More Volunteers To Start Milton St. John Brigade

Only four more volunteers are needed for the formation of a St. John Ambulance Brigade Division in Milton.

Fourteen people have already volunteered to sign a charter which requires 18 signatures of qualified persons to begin a Division. Three Milton men who are members of the Acton Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, have been working for the past two months attempting to form the Milton Division.

Any person who holds a fundamental or senior first aid certificate of either the St. John Ambulance or the Red Cross is qualified to become a member of the Division. The minimum age for members is 16. Although only four more people are needed for the formation of the Division the three men are interested in signing anyone who volunteers to help.

For Information

Volunteers are asked to call Stan Callard at 878-6665, Frank Lawson at 878-2903 or Don Miller at 878-3259 for further information. There are five Milton men who are members of the Acton Division who will transfer to the Milton Division as soon as a charter is filled.

Members of the Division will support Milton with first aid at sporting events such as Junior 'C' hockey games, the fall fair, the Steam Era, picnics and anywhere

else that they are requested to attend. These "voluntary professionals" from the Acton Division have already supplied Milton with first aid at these events and at such events as the Ox-bow Rodeo held in the area recently.

The men and women who join the Division will attend 12 instructional meetings a year, an annual inspection and an annual first aid re-examination. Women who join must hold or agree to obtain within the first year, a home nursing certificate. Two women have signed up as members.

After Charter

After the 18 member charter is filled the members of the Milton Division will ask local service clubs for sponsorship for first aid supplies and upkeep of the Division. In return members of the Division will supply Milton with necessary first aid in all emergencies.

When a charter and sponsorship for the Division are completed the members will need a Branch Committee to conduct publicity, financial campaigns,

the organization of first aid and home nursing classes and to supply the public with any information pertaining to St. John Ambulance Brigade or the Division. Five or 10 Milton doctors, nurses and business men are needed for this Branch committee. Volunteers should contact Mr. Callard, Mr. Lawson or Mr. Miller.

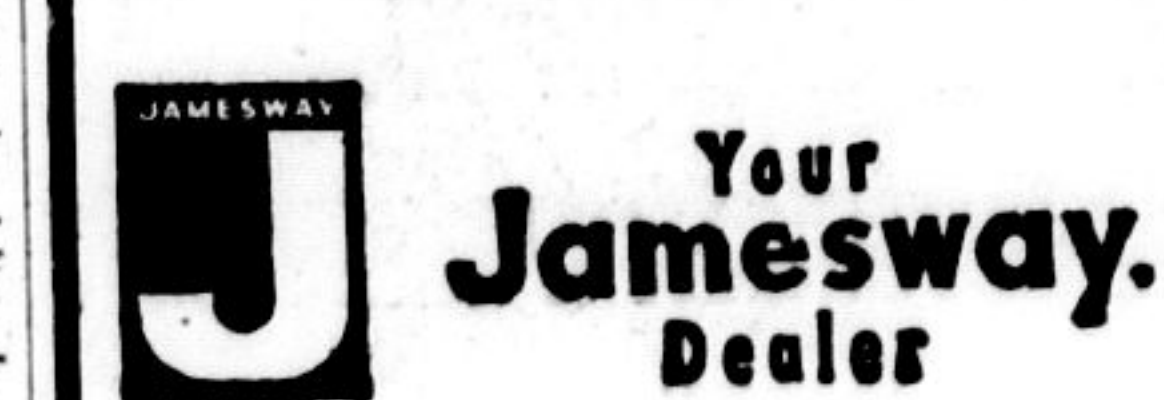
If you are qualified to become a St. John Ambulance Brigade member why don't you join the Milton Division and help give Milton the first aid corps it needs?

Include Dependents In Hospital Premium

Beginning September 1st, dependent children will be covered by Ontario Hospital Insurance under the "family" premium until they reach their 21st birthday. An official announcement of the change, which was first mentioned by Dr. M. B. Dymond, Minister of Health, in the Legislature on June 7, will be published by the Ontario Hospital Services Commission this week.

The age change will also apply to the Blue Cross and CUMBA semi-private coverage for which about one-third of the insured residents remit additional premiums through the Commission.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir:

Cries of gerrymandering, charges of redrawing electoral boundaries by politicians for their own benefits, have thundered from the lips of disgruntled party officials for years. Now that an independent commission has submitted a preliminary report on the revision of Canada's federal ridings, complaints of a much more emotional and deep seated nature have been raised. A few charges of political intrigue were levelled at the advent of the published maps but they died away as even the Prime Minister lost his seat.

The dominant theme of the regional forum to be held in September will probably be the ruthless dissection of communities. Halton County is a good example of the mathematical split.

I reside in Guelph, the present centre of Wellington South. Under the redistribution commission's recommendations it will be part of the new riding of Wellington, embracing Nassagaweya, Paris and Beverley townships. We feel no close ties with Campbellville, or Paris but this can easily be corrected.

If each township body and local newspaper wishes to criticize and attempt to impede the redistribution recommendations, it is not just their concern. Fiery editorials and municipal bickering can only build emotion and resentment. Are you as Canadian citizens afraid to enlarge your horizon by a mere thirty miles? Are the political "bosses" and citizens of this area afraid to en-

counter the NDP vote of the Paris area? Will this shatter your sheltered little world?

Common Heritage

Of course many areas have a common heritage and relationship. By largely ignoring county boundaries to achieve equitable representations the commission no doubt felt they were not the most important thing. Are we going to follow the decisions of these distinguished men or ask the party in power to decide in their favor what our ridings will be?

As a member of a political organization I realize much new organization is required. New, ambitious men will be required and recognized. The political bosses who know all the influential men in their riding will be caught off balance and those with real ability be accepted. A sweeping renovation of riding associations will be the last beneficial aspect of this redistribution. This alone will make it worthwhile.

Allan Ricketts.

Weekly Convention Greet 300 Editors

Canada's biggest newspaper convention, the annual assembly of the Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association opens Wednesday, August 18 at the Macdonald Hotel in Edmonton.

More than 300 weekly newspaper editors and publishers, many with their wives and families along, are expected to attend the three-day convention. Managing Editor Jim Dills with Mrs. Dills and Steven will be representing the Milton paper and David Dills will represent the Acton paper.

The convention will have a Klondike Days theme and non-business items on the agenda include a Klondike party and an outdoor barbeque.

Premier to Speak
Major speakers at the convention will be Alberta's Premier E. C. Manning who will be speaker at an opening-day luncheon sponsored by the province; Robert Shaw, deputy commissioner for Expo '67, who will speak at a luncheon on closing day. Main business item will be the proposed joining of Canadian Community Newspapers Representatives, the weekly advertising sales organization with the CWNA.

Chairman for this, the 46th annual convention, is Jack Parry of the Rimbey Record, assisted by Tom Ford of the Lacombe Globe and Fred Johns, former publisher of the Leduc Representative.

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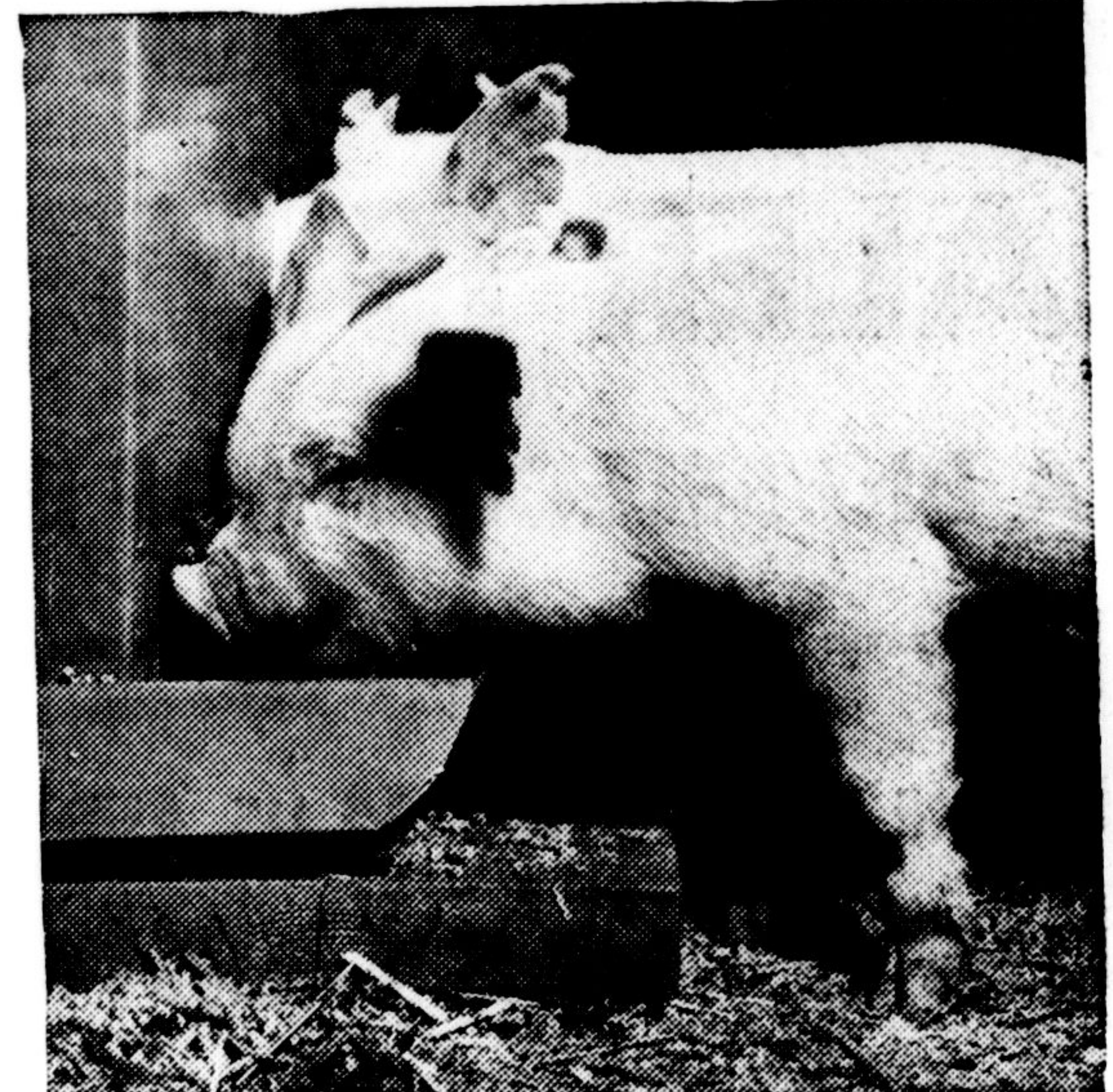
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