

Nothing settled

# Esquising council, committee of adjustment discuss thorny issue of land separations

Esquising council and the township committee of adjustment found they could come to no agreement with each other because there was disagreement among themselves concerning the direction Esquising should take on land separations for building houses in the township.

Asked to appear before the regular meeting of the township council Monday night following a recommendation they made to slow down separations from one to four years, the committee of adjustment and council could come to no conclusions.

There were differences of opinion on almost all matters up for discussion on changing the present legislation which allows one separation at a time to a total of four from each 100 acres.

Councillor C. F. (Pat) Patterson listened to two suggestions for cutting down separations before he told the meeting the township could not continue to go the way they were going.

reed on what they want to do. Mr. Harrop said Council was not 100 percent either.

Mr. Patterson persisted in his demand for two lot separations instead of four but he lost a motion.

The reeve said he'd like to wait for councillor Goodlet to come back. "We must co-operate with the committee of adjustment," he stated.

"I brought up the matter of 1200 sq. ft. for a house and 20,000 sq. ft. for a lot and I still stick with it," said the reeve.

"That's less than the other townships," said committee member Don Matthews. "We'll get what they don't want."

"I think Caledon is 1600 sq. ft.," said the clerk.

The Delaware River, rising in New York's Catskill Mountains and flowing to the Delaware Bay, is 315 miles long and drains 12,800 square miles.

The thieves also ransacked the school office.

## Rob school

Vandals smashed a window to gain entry to Fairview Public School on No. Five Sideroad over Easter weekend. A tape recorder and film projector, valued at an estimated \$800, are missing from the school.

Councillor Tom Hill thought an extra 400 sq. ft. would be a hardship for older people. "Leave it the way it is," he advised.

"Look at the tax bill over the last five years," Pat Patterson said. "Basic taxes are down — education tax is up! My taxes went from \$165 to \$437 because of education."



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More discussion and councillor Hill asked the committee of adjustment to come back when they're 100 percent ag-

## Church sewing unit makes bandages, slings for lepers

By Mrs. James Hamilton

St. Stephen's Anglican Church Women met at the home of Mrs. Carl Saunders on Tuesday afternoon, April 4. Mrs. Frank Weller, the president opened the meeting with the usual opening prayers. The Scripture reading taken from St. John, chapter 14, was read by Mrs. Saunders. Minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. Mrs. Weller read the monthly bulletin. Two quilts were bound for the bale. The meeting closed with prayer and lunch was served by the hostess.

The North Trafalgar Community Club held their monthly euchre party on Thursday night, April 6, at the Percy Merry School. There were 15 tables of euchre in play with prizes going to the following winners, Mrs. Ken Giles, Mrs. Wes Durie, George Ennis and Floyd Hamilton. The lucky draws were won by Mrs. Fred Near, Mrs. C. Stewart, Norman Sparling and Mrs. Marjorie Harris. Lunch was served by the Triangle Group.

The afternoon sewing unit of the Hornby United Church Women met at the home of Mrs. Gear Sinclair on Thursday afternoon, April 6. The Easter meditation and Scripture reading was given by Mrs. Lew Sampson. The roll call was answered by each member giving an inspiration of Easter. Bandages and slings were made for the lepers, and wool was handed out for knitting infant refugee shirts. The next meeting will be held on April 18, at the home of Mrs. Sampson when a quilting will be held. Lunch was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Lew Sampson and Mrs. Harold Reed.

The North Trafalgar Euchre Club held their weekly euchre on Saturday night, April 8. There were ten tables of euchre in play with the prizes going to the following winners: Mrs. Jim Hamilton, Mrs. Fred Workman, Mrs. Frank Hadley Cliff Norton, Jim Hamilton and Walter Barnard. Lunch was served by the hostess, Mrs. Elmer May. The next euchre will be Saturday night, April 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Break, Clifford, Donna and Dianne returned home on Friday evening from a pleasant holiday in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul May visited on Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Barry Little of Markham.

The Young Folk met recently at Bethel United Church with 30 members attending. Louise Pickett was in charge of the discussion period on machines and gadgets and how they affect our lives. Two games were played during the program period. It was decided that the dance which was to be held in April would be postponed until the fall. A car wash will be held with the date to be decided at the meeting of the executive. A Fashion Show will be held in May. Lunch was served by Darlene Wood, Rosalind Merry and Grant Gooding. Anniversary greetings to Mr.

and Mrs. Jack Loos, who will be celebrating their wedding anniversary on Sunday, April 16.

The Eden Young People's Society met recently at the home of Jane and Catherine Hall with ten members attending. Wilma Mason, the president presided for the meeting which opened with a hymn and prayer. A Bible quiz was held and a social evening was planned. Lunch was served by the hostess.

The evening group of the Hornby United Church Women met at the home of Mrs. Thomas Howden, on Monday night, April 3. Mrs. Thomas Bousfield presided for the meeting, and welcomed the 13 ladies attending. Mrs. Bousfield was in charge of the devotions which was on "If a man die, shall he live again?" Mrs. Keith Hawkes gave a talk on "Situation Ethics". Following the business part of the evening, a baby stroller was presented to Mrs. Hawkes from the members of the evening group. Lunch was served by Mrs. Ed. Oldford and Mrs. Bousfield. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Brock MacPherson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Ramsay and family of Guelph, were dinner guests on Sunday evening of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Howden and family.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Loos (nee Jean Peterson) on the birth of their son on Saturday, April 8. A brother for Scott.

Birthday greetings to Christopher Durante and Anderson May on April 14, to Earl McDowell on April 15, to Mrs. George Hamilton on April 17. Mrs. John Bradley and Geoffrey Drew-Brook on April 18.

The Hornby Actionettes met on Saturday morning, April 8, at 9:00 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Roy Wilson. The president, Cathy Neelands opened the meeting with the 4H Pledge. The roll call "One thing I already know about Scandinavia and Finland," was answered by the 15 members present. Mrs. James McKay read an article on Guide to first Canadian made cheese, and girls took notes on this. Mrs. Wilson gave notes on different kinds of foods of Scandinavia, Finland, Sweden Norway and Denmark.

They discussed the Achievement Day skit, A Stew is Stew in any language, and also rehearsed it once. In the kitchen Carol Petch and Laurie Maxwell made Rhubarb Soup, prior to the meeting Mrs. McKay made Cabbage Rolls, Karen Bradley and Barbara Leriche made sour red cabbage, apple cake was made by Linda Andrews and Elizabeth Dahmert. Carol and Darlene Leslie were the kitchen help. The next meeting will be on April 15, at the home of Mrs. James McKay.

Birthday greetings to Mrs. Henry Arnold, who will celebrate her birthday on April 16.

"Let's look ahead to the future," he said. "We could have an education tax rate that will put the farmer out of business. It's not the farmer's business to sell off lots. There's got to be a brake put on it somewhere. If we on council don't do it, somebody's going to tell us to do it," he continued.

"Mr. Plunkett may be right," he said, referring to the Plunkett report which recommended the northern part of Halton be kept rural. "The education tax is higher than I ever thought it could be."

Councillor George Currie disagreed. "If you never sell another lot we're still going to have to pay for high schools in Milton, Georgetown etc."

"The additional cost could break us," interjected Reeve George Leslie.

"We're not going to stop the towns from growing," opined Mr. Currie.

Edwin Harrop, chairman of the committee of adjustment, told the meeting that allowing new houses in the township, was only making conditions worse.

"Good quality homes never hurt anybody," retorted councillor Currie.

"We should decide whether Esquising is an urban or a rural area," said councillor Patterson. "If it's urban, throw it wide open. If it's rural — put the brakes on. I'm a guy who says we should be farming the country. We're heading for chaos as long as we leave it open."

"We can't blame people for taking advantage of the situation. We need intestinal fortitude to close it off," continued Mr. Patterson.

Clerk K. C. Lindsay when questioned on the number of lots sold said 1913 were sold in the 10 years from 1953 to 1963. Last year there were 102 separations.

"A lot of 10 acre lots sold before the by-law was put through," said the clerk. "You can sell 10 acre lots to your heart's content — they're considered farms."

"Just in one area of the township, though," said councillor Patterson.

"No, all over," said the clerk.

"We need intestinal fortitude to close it off," continued Mr. Patterson.

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**Mrs. W. A. Devlin**

A resident of Omagh for 46 years, Mrs. W. A. Devlin died at Milton District Hospital, March 21 after an illness of four months.

Born Noma Irene Irwin, March 21, 1900, she was one of the family of five of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph K. Irwin of Feversham, Gray County.

She received her education in Feversham.

In 1916 she moved with her parents to Milton, and was employed as a night operator with the Bell and Halton Telephone Company.

She married W. A. Devlin in June 1921, and they moved to Omagh where she lived until her death.

She was a member of Grace Anglican Church, Milton.

Mrs. Devlin is survived by her husband and five sons, Donald, Kenneth, Jimmie, Grant and Henry.

Survivors also include sisters Mrs. J. A. Willmott (Muriel) of Milton, and Mrs. Bob Allan (Blanche) of Hamilton; and brothers Frank of Toronto and Alfred of Oakville.

She was pre-deceased by a brother Ken.

Funeral service was conducted March 23 from Grace Anglican Church by Dr. T. M. Duttan. Interment was in Evergreen Cemetery.

Pallbearers included Clifford Beatty, Cecil McCann, Elmer McDowell, Robert Brownridge, Homer McCann and Clarence Ford.

—Halton West N.D.P. candidate Ted MacDonald of Burlington was out touring "the hustings" last week.

Estimates were it would take a year. Cost? \$10,000.

The discussion terminated with a view to further meetings. Mr. Harrop was accompanied by Denny Charles, James McPhail, Bob McMaster and Don Matthews, all members of the Committee of Adjustment.

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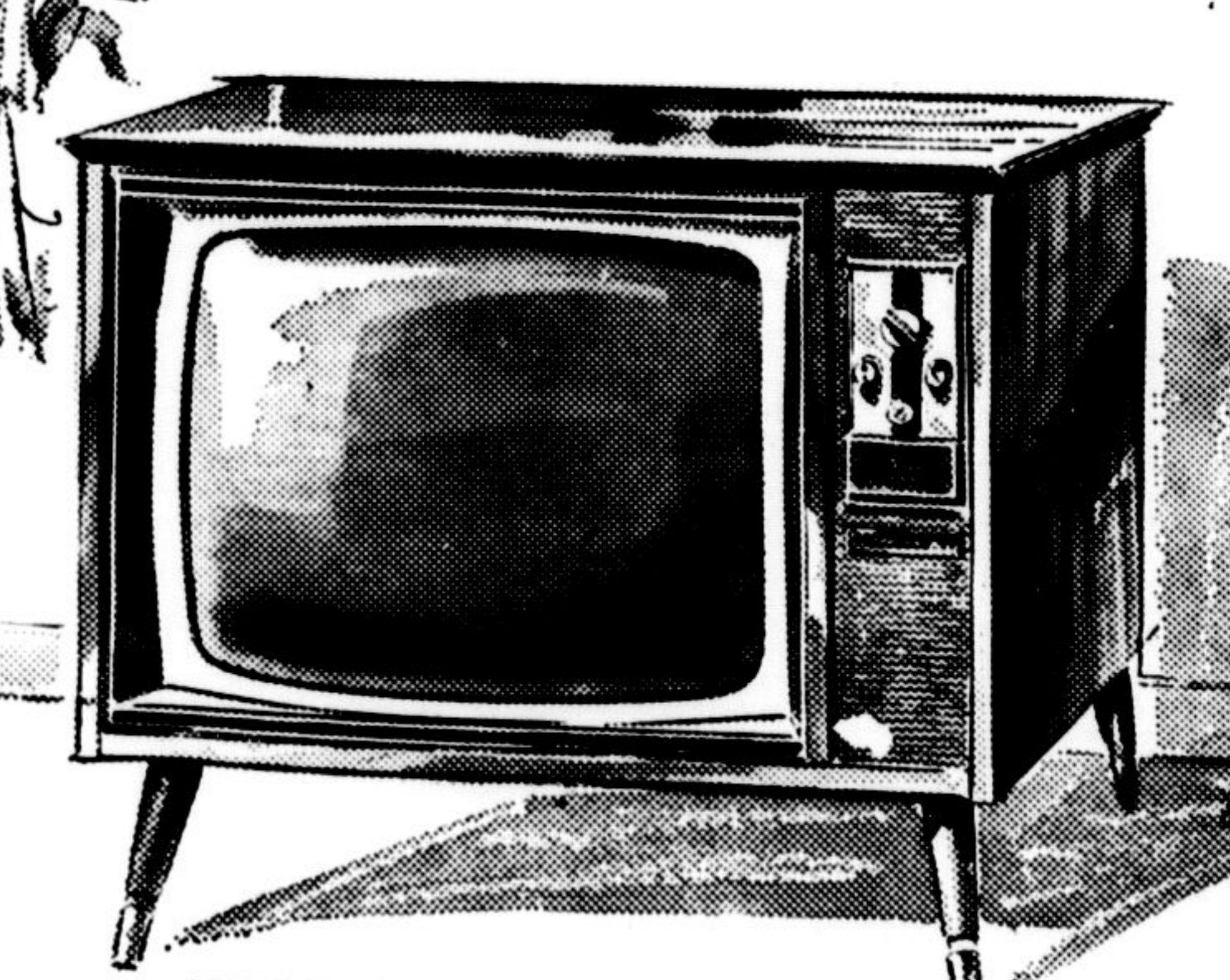
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