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PHIL BARTH

The reason I suggest this is that it is impossible to make any sort of a general statement about the cleanability of printed fabrics. Manufacturers have a great many different methods of printing fabrics these days, and fabrics printed by some methods are much harder to clean than those printed by another method. And even fabrics printed by the same method will sometimes vary in their cleanability, so the only way to be sure is to get an expert opinion beforehand. Most women, I'm sure, are anxious to get a readily cleanable garment, and to one and all we extend a cordial invitation to drop into our shop and ask our advice at any time.

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**Community Service**



The neighbours are busy rebuilding following the disastrous fire. and restoring the Slingsby residence — photo by White

Community service at its best, and neighbour helping neighbour is the only way one can describe the wonderful way the people in the 16th Avenue, Duncan Road, Carrville Road area of Markham Township flocked around and helped Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Slingsby following their disastrous fire Thursday evening of last week. The Slingsbys' lost most of their belongings when fire originating in a space heater swept through the frame house on Carrville Road East. Senior citizens, the Slingsby family are well known throughout the district. They first took up residence on Carrville Road in 1932.

Describing the response of the neighbours as "unbelievable" Fred Gerard the first president of the newly organized Richvale East Residents Association told "The Liberal" "everyone has

been just wonderful in pitching in and helping in every way possible." Mr. Walter Doyle was immediately placed in charge of rebuilding the house. All during the week-end from early morning to late at night up to as many as 20 neighbours worked away at restoring the three rooms that were saved by the quick action of the Richmond Hill Fire Brigade. Richvale merchants very generously donated cleaning materials, building supplies and household equipment. The ladies auxiliary of the ratepayers which was only a week old immediately began canvassing the district for furniture and clothing. Representatives of the service clubs in Richmond Hill responded to the call for assistance.

However additional assistance of clothing, household goods and money are still needed. Anyone

wishing to aid this worthy cause is asked to please call Mr. Fred Gerard, president of the Richvale East Residents Association at AV. 5-3904 after four o'clock in the afternoon. Mr. Gerard resides on 16th Avenue.

Mr. Gerard paid special tribute to the Richmond Hill Fire Brigade for the very efficient way in which they responded to the call and saved three of the rooms. Spring road conditions and the frame construction made the task of the firemen a difficult one.

With the very warm hearted spontaneous way in which the community responded to the plight of its friend and neighbour Mr. Gerrard is certain with this spirit the future of the ratepayers organization will be a happy one.

**Markham Township**

**Cheaper To Scrap School Than Build An Addition Council Invites T.S.A. To Discuss This Problem**

The Board of T.S.A. No. 1 Markham will be requested to meet with Council and discuss whether it is more feasible to do away with the portables at Thornlea School and build a two-room addition, or to sell out and build a brand new school instead. The addition, for which the Board sought Council's approval, would cost approximately \$50,000 for two schoolrooms plus a playground.

Deputy-reeve Dean: I think it would be better to sell out and build elsewhere — and not have an addition to it. Reeve Clark: Council never agreed to the (former) school board building there in the first place. They could have had a site, free of charge in the Selkirk subdivision south of Thornlea, Carrville Road is served by the present school — and there is another proposed site on Carrville. Dean: An addition would mean taking the children down there through industrial development. I question the advisability. Reeve: Perhaps they are not aware of the development in that area, they may change their way of thinking when we have discussed the problem with them.

**Appointment**  
Council appointed Mr. R. B. Rae as a member of Markham Township Court of Revision, replacing Frank Robb who retired due to health reasons.

**Hear Delegations**  
Four delegations met with the Markham Township Council at their weekly session Monday night to discuss: Cemeteries, Road Allowances, Access and House Numbering.

A Mr. Robinson represented Messrs. Howard F. and F. D. Clark, Trustees of Toronto General Burial Grounds, who were present regarding an application to purchase land for a new cemetery between Concessions 6 and 7 on Part Lots 14 and 15.

Opposing the application were six ratepayers from the area, including two women. After discussion, the application was held in abeyance for further debate. Reeve William Clark said it was a coincidence that there were three Clarks' present, but that there was no relationship between himself and the other two Clarks.

Mr. F. D. Clark, supervisor for the trustees, was invited to speak on the request and said, "There is a prospect of a cemetery in this area in 15 or 20 years, but in the meantime, if we can purchase the land we will lease it for at least 5 years." He then gave a history of the Toronto General Burial Grounds Corporation which began operations in 1826 with a board of trustees who organized the first Ontario burial ground, "Potter's Field" at the north-west corner of Yonge and Bloor Streets. Mr. Clark said

the trustees had started the company with sixty pounds sterling, and everything the company now has, which includes Pine Hills Cemetery, Scarborough, Mount Pleasant Cemetery, York Cemetery, Willowdale and Prospect Cemetery, came from that initial investment on a non-profit basis. Mr. Clark also said the corporation owns land in Vaughan Township, north of Jane Street and south of Highway No. 7. "This is a public service", Mr. Clark said, "and we are not in this for profit". All profits go towards new land purchases.

In answer to a question from Deputy-reeve Wilfred Dean, who asked if they would assume a small abandoned cemetery in the area proposed, Mr. Clark said they would maintain it, as soon as a permit to take over the land was obtained. At this a Mr. Merchant who was present from the 7th Concession asked, "What about the people living in the area? The value of my property will become slightly lower than zero. In 10 or 20 years there will be a tax free setup for the cemetery and property will be valueless around it."

Mr. Clark assured him that contrary to some public opinion, land in the vicinity of a cemetery does not lose its value, but on the contrary many fine homes are established in the area of cemeteries, he said he didn't know of any property that had decreased in value because of proximity to a cemetery, in fact many homes had been built on the borders of burial grounds, after a cemetery had been established.

A woman ratepayer protesting said, "But they are in the city — we are in the country." Another said, "We will never get facilities in them." Mr. Merchant said he will apply to have his taxes reduced if the cemetery goes in, and another ratepayer asked if the land purchased by the trustees now might not be resold for subdivision purposes, instead of being developed as a cemetery. Mr. Clark said that was not the way his company did things. However he and Mr. Robinson said it might be advantageous to the trustees to buy an adjoining land at a fair price, and then allow the occupants of the present homes and farms in the area to pay rent for five years or so until the cemetery was developed. "We certainly want to deal fairly with

the present property owners", Mr. Robinson stated. Reeve Clark said there will be another meeting with the board of trustees and the ratepayers concerned, before council makes a decision.

**Letter of Maintenance**  
The second delegation represented by Walter McHoull received a letter of maintenance for road allowance north of Clark on Johnson so building in that area can go ahead.

**TSA NO. 1 Markham**  
Trustees J. MacKay and J. Honsberger appeared before Council Monday night to ask that arrangements for an access to Woodland Public School from John to Elgin or Henderson be started so that a pathway at least be in use by September. "The Department of Education has said school boards should not get into problems of roads, so we are bringing this to you to deal with," they told council. They were assured by council this problem would be partly cleared up with the extension of Henderson Ave. and Councillor Lawson Mumberston stated, "This is one of council's number one projects. Henderson will go north to Elgin." And Elgin will eventually be extended from the present end to Johnson St.

Trustee MacKay said this would leave John St. without access, except by going over to Yonge Street, "What is planned for extending Henderson to John Street?" he asked.

Councillor Mumberston: It's too big a problem to undertake in one year. MacKay: Then let us have a pathway from John to Elgin. Reeve Clark said every consideration and study of the problem should be made, and Councillor John MacNeil assured the delegates the pathway would be discussed.

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cussed within two weeks time. Numbering Again Three property owners who complained bitterly about the new numbering system, as it affects them on Ida Street, were told by council that the original numbers put up by land owners were wrong and that the new numbering system was scientifically proven right.

They then discussed the 'boll up' on the surface of their road and asked for immediate attention to pot holes and broken road. Councillor Mumberston, Chairman of Roads, told them work would be done on Ida Street, as well as elsewhere in the township as weather and funds in the road budget permitted. "We have to wait for weather conditions, and until half load restrictions are off. If we take in half loads of gravel now it costs us twice as much money." Councillors Mumberston and Watson drove over 10 miles of township roads early Monday morning determining spring thaw damage.

**York University Site**  
Mr. M. Riley of Elgin Street wrote a letter to council regarding the Langstaff Farm as a site for York University and asked council to explore it more fully. Deputy-reeve Dean heard the letter read then said, "People don't know the Department of Highways has bought 75 acres on the south side of the Jail Farm and that there will be no access except on Bayview or Yonge, because of the through highway which is to be built by the Department. Add the fact that an expensive overpass from Bayview will be needed. That property will not be nearly as desirable for a university site as it appears at the present time", he concluded.

Reeve Clark closed the discussion by saying the property is still under consideration by Toronto and York University.

**First Movers' Permit**  
Markham Township Council issued the first permit to a mover in Unionville following a request received from McMillan & Hinman.

**Stouffville Fire Truck**  
A request by letter from Stouffville Village, asking Markham Township to contribute a share (\$1,500) of the purchase price of a \$15,000 fire truck for use outside the village in surrounding areas, met with full approval of council who commented on the fine service rendered by co-operative fire departments. The deputy-reeve said he could understand the village has been put in a position to purchase (Stouffville will keep its present fire truck for village use only), he then moved the grant be made.

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