

**AURORA ANNEXATION**  
Mayor James Murray of Aurora Tuesday night proposed an annexation program to increase the town's present acreage of 1400 to 4,000. Annexation of areas in King and Whitchurch Twp. to make the town two and a half miles square is proposed.

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**TENDERS**

SEALED TENDERS addressed to Secretary, Department of Public Works, Room B-322, Sir Charles Tupper Building, Riverside Drive, Ottawa, and endorsed "TENDER FOR REPAIR TO SOUTH WHARF, JACKSON'S POINT, COUNTY OF YORK, ONT.", will be received until 3:00 P.M. (E.S.T.),  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1960.

Plans, specifications and forms of tender can be seen, or can be obtained through:

Chief Engineer, Room E-443, Sir Charles Tupper Building, Riverside Drive, Ottawa, Ont., District Engineer, 225 Jarvis Street, Toronto 2, Ont., and can be seen at the Post Offices at Jackson's Point, Sutton, Beaverton, Newmarket and Barrie, Ont.

To be considered each tender must —

- (a) be accompanied by one of the alternative securities called for in the tender documents.
- (b) be made up on the printed forms supplied by the Department and in accordance with the conditions set forth therein.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

ROBERT FORTIER,  
Chief of Administrative Services and Secretary

**RE: TWP. OF MARKHAM COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT**

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

OUR FILE CA/60/9

Notice is hereby given of a hearing to be held by the Township of Markham Committee of Adjustment at the Municipal Office, Buttonville, Gormley R. R. 2, Ontario, on Tuesday, the 25th day of October, 1960, at 8 o'clock p.m.

**Nature of Application**

The application to be heard has been submitted by George Thos. Felgate, owner of a parcel of land, part of Lot 10 in Concession 4. The owner wishes to obtain permission to sever a lot with 82' frontage by a depth of 200' notwithstanding the provisions of By-law No. 1442, which requires a frontage of 100'.

Signed written submissions on this application will be received by me, at this office, prior to the hearing.

CHAS. HOOVER,  
Secretary,  
Committee of Adjustment

**RE: TWP. OF MARKHAM COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT**

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

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**Nature of Application**

The application to be heard has been submitted by the solicitors of the Estate of G. C. Leitch, owner of Lot 18, Registered Plan No. 2607. The owner wishes to obtain permission to divide the said parcel into two lots with frontages of 71' and 129' respectively by a depth of 483' notwithstanding that the frontages are less than the 100' as required by By-law No. 1442.

Signed written submissions on this application will be received by me, at this office, prior to the hearing.

CHAS. HOOVER,  
Secretary,  
Committee of Adjustment

**George Robson—Shur-Gain Vellore Senior W.I. Plan Great Man In Agriculture For November Bazaar**

By Alex Sjoberg  
The "Banner" County of York produces many of America's finest livestock and one of Vaughan Township's prominent personalities, George Robson, manager, Shur-Gain demonstration farm, Maple, is vitally responsible for helping maintain York County's enviable reputation in the agriculture world of basic research, practical testing and commercial proving.

Holding a Bachelor of Science of Agriculture degree from the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, and not yet quite 45 years old, George has racked up an imposing list of achievements in his specialized world. One is the fact that already he has been with Canada Packers for 20 years. On a basis of past experience there is no doubt that much more should be heard about him by the time he is ready to retire.

As manager of the 500-acre demonstration farm boasting the largest banked barn of its kind in the British Empire and which could hardly be replaced for less than \$150,000, he supervises a staff of 15 employees who look after the many livestock, poultry and field projects. His supervisory work is concerned with soil and animal nutrition, dairy and beef cattle, swine, laying hens, broiler chicks, turkeys and turkey broilers. The poultry division (7,000 laying hens) produces 75,000 dozen eggs annually and otherwise turns out some 20,000 broiler chicks, 15,000 mated turkeys and 52,000 turkey broilers each year. Add to this

the farm's annual production of 250 breeding swine, 400 market pigs, 820,000 pounds of milk, plus 100 beef steers and 30 baby beef calves and the energy required to oversee a supporting cropping program — it is an understatement to say that he is a busy man. An interesting fact about the farm is that some 300 acres are tile-drained.

**Large Annual Crops**  
The field projects themselves result in an annual hay crop of 17,000 bales. This year 100 acres were seeded with oats, 50 with corn and another fifty acres have been planted with fall wheat. The corn field keeps each of four silos filled with 100 tons of this grain.

George said that the primary purpose of the farm is to improve the quality of feeds, to improve farm, livestock and management procedures, to assess feed, fertilizer, and management programs on their ability to combine top performance with more efficient production.

George got his start the proper way, by being born at Denfield, Ontario, 15 miles north of London where his father, Ernest Robson, now retired, operated a pedigreed livestock farm specializing in beef Shorthorn cattle and the finest Lincoln sheep on the North American continent. The farm imported breeding sheep stock and sold the offspring to ranchers everywhere in Canada and the United States.

**Started Young**  
By 1935 when he enrolled at O.A.C., George had amassed a

wealth of practical experience. He remembers that when he was 14, he took a flock of sheep alone to the C.N.E. in a freight car and that year too he showed the Grand Champ market steer at the Royal Winter Fair. At 16 he made another trip alone with a flock to the Chicago Fair. At 18 he was the official Lincoln sheep judge at the C.N.E., the youngest such judge on record up to that time, if not since.

In 1940 while at O.A.C. he was on the college judging team which competed with similar teams from all the states in the U. S. He took first prize in beef cattle judging and third in horse judging and while he chalked up the greatest aggregate score, lost the competition by one solitary point. "That was a little hard to take," he admits ruefully. The year before he had acted as judge of all classes of livestock at the C.N.E. and was specially honoured by being appointed reserve sheep judge at the World's Fair in San Francisco. A striking coincidence is the fact that at the time of his birth in 1915 his father was acting as official sheep judge at the same fair. Also in 1940, George was judge at the National U.S. sheep show at Columbus, Ohio and since then has had the unique distinction of judging swine in Scotland.

Circumstances caused him to miss one term at college where, while he studied farm economics, bookkeeping and mechanics he specialized in field husbandry. In 1940, once graduated, he accepted a position with the production division of the Ontario Department of Agriculture and spent a year in Toronto as wool and hog grader. In July, 1941 he joined Canada Packers as manager of its Shur-Gain farm near Weston on Lawrence Avenue. In 1953 after that farm had been sold for subdivision purposes, he came to the farm at Maple, purchased that year by the same company.

Since 1950 George has made four trips to Britain for the purchase of pedigreed swine. He said that through a combination of better feeding, breeding and management over 80 per cent of the farm's swine fall into the Grade A category. About one-third the swine are sold for breeding purposes while the rest becomes bacon. Last July a group of farm experts from Russia bought a number of the farm's swine for breeding purposes.

**Sons Follow Dad**  
George's love for his work has carried over to his sons Bob, 17 and Bill, 14, while seven-year-old George Junior seems to be developing his brothers' and father's vocational traits. Bob and Bill are active in 4-H work and as George put it, "Rightly or wrongly, they intend to go to O.A.C. too." Last year Bob took first prize in his 4-H dairy project for York County. Bill is proud owner of a calf which comes from the Massey Ferguson farm at Milliken. The boys also raise Shetland ponies imported for them by their father.

Sharing the men's farm interests is Mrs. Robson, the former Margaret Webb, also born near London.

George pointed out that the farm has accommodation for eight families and that the nine turkey barns, pole barn, implement sheds and office are modern in every sense of the word. "The farm was originally five 100-acre holdings," he added. They were owned by Alf Rumble, Bill Monks, C. Minion, Peter McNaughton and E. W. C. Matheson.

Each year George welcomes thousands of visitors. "They come from every part of the globe," he said. He is happy about visitors. As he said, the visitors not only enable farm staffers to exchange ideas with other sections of the world, but they do a great deal of good in the public relations sense.

Another member of this busy farm is Rover, a black and white collie cow dog who spends most of her time around the stable yards and who, when some of the cattle stray into forbidden territory, is after them like a dark, silent thunderbolt.

When we took our leave George was examining a prize but purchased at the age of two weeks for something in the neighbourhood of \$1,500.00. "It's a great life here," were his parting words. "A wonderful place to bring up children. I tried the city once but don't intend to repeat the experiment."

Two of the original farm employees, Lorne and Ambrose Langley who between them have spent 32 years there, are still around. Valued members of the staff. Assistant manager is J. Smythes. Wally Meyer and Bob Murray are the nutritionists.

**Fine Dog Owners \$20.00**

Two dogs, a dead duck and a fatally injured chicken were involved in an hour-long court debate at Buttonville on Friday morning. Charged with permitting their dogs to run at large were Mr. Maxwell Hinton and Mr. N. G. Gregorash, both of Duncan Road, near Bayview. They were represented by their wives. Evidence was presented to Magistrate N. P. Kelley by a nearby neighbour, John Brash.

Mr. Brash stated that he followed the dogs to the Duncan Road homes after a duck and a chicken had been killed on his property. He described the animals. The charges were laid by Markham Township Dog Control Officer, Ron Herd.

After listening to a lengthy denial of the charge, Magistrate Kelley evicted a fine of \$10.00 and costs against each owner.

The regular meeting of Vellore Senior W.I. Plan My Land and Work It With My Utmost Skill. Mrs. A. Bishop gave an interesting paper speaking on the Industrial Revolution we have passed through during the last 50 years. She said the advances of industry have given us time to enjoy our comforts.

Mrs. J. McIntyre read a humorous poem on a man's views of "The Institute". Mrs. R. Julian gave a paper on The Farm of Long Ago when the reaper was developed and how wonderful it seemed. Now we have much modern equipment.

**Senior Citizens Need Drivers One Day Monthly**

The word has gone out that there is a shortage of "volunteer" drivers — to transport Richmond Hill Senior Citizens to their monthly meeting held in the United Church Hall.

It's just a case of driving 'once in a blue moon,' but Mrs. Helen Fettes, at Turner 4-2872 says, "Our drivers' list is sadly depleted this year and we would appreciate hearing from anyone who could drive some of the members to the hall at 2 o'clock and then take them home again around 4." And remember, they only hold these monthly meetings — to which every member goes if he or she can possibly get there — one Wednesday afternoon a month. Doesn't even make that little spot of public service a chore, does it?

**To Officially Open Pleasantville School**  
The public is invited to attend the official opening of the new Pleasantville Public School — named for the subdivision in which it is located — on Wednesday evening, October 19th, at 8 p.m.

This is Richmond Hill's sixth public school, and its principal is Mr. Duard Ross. Comprised of eight classrooms, a teachers' room, a nurses' room and a gymnasium-auditorium with stage, the school is now accommodating 265 students from kindergarten age to grade 8, and existing services are adequate for a future addition.

Mr. Gordon McIntyre, Superintendent of Richmond Hill Public Schools will introduce the distinguished speaker of the evening, Dr. Helen S. Hogg.

The program topic was agriculture and Canadian industries. Mrs. A. Bishop presided as convener. Mrs. A. Cameron Jr., Mrs. J. Williams, Mrs. N. Kerr, Candy - Junior girls with Miss F. Gooderham as supervisor.

Visitors at the meeting were Mrs. H. Wood and Mrs. E. Roden, district president and secretary, who both left interesting messages.

**Col. G. H. Basher Dies At Whitby**

Col. G. Hedley Basher, for many years governor of a military prison containing 1,000 men. On his return home, he was appointed governor of the Don Jail, then superintendent of the Langstaff Jail Farm.

In 1939 he went overseas as commanding officer of the Royal Regiment, serving in Iceland, England and Italy. He was awarded the Order of the British Empire for his services.

Appointed a special investigator for the Department of Reform after the war, he was superintendent of Guelph Reformatory from 1946 until appointed deputy minister of Reform Institutions in 1952 and retired in 1959.

Col. Basher leaves his wife, Dora, and two daughters, Mrs. J. B. Mitchell of Whitby and Mrs. D. M. Warner of Stoney Creek.

Later, he was sent to France, at 24, as governor of a military prison containing 1,000 men. On his return home, he was appointed governor of the Don Jail, then superintendent of the Langstaff Jail Farm.

**Fined \$60.00 Killed Four Robins**

A Toronto hunter was fined \$60.00 in Magistrate's Court at Buttonville on Friday morning for shooting four robins. Arturo Carlesimo, 40, pleaded guilty to the charge laid by Norman Sitwell, an officer of the Department of Lands and Forests, under the Migratory Birds Act.

The officer stated that he discovered the birds, four robins and two crows in the trunk of the defendant's car. A 12 gauge shotgun was seized.

"It's unbelievable that anyone would kill these birds," said Magistrate N. P. Kelley. He contended that it was regrettable that such persons were granted hunting licenses when they are obviously unfamiliar with the game laws in the Province. The accused said that he had not realized that he had committed an offense. He had resided in Canada for the past nine years.

"Ignorance is no excuse," noted the Magistrate. "This is a very serious offense that could carry a fine as high as \$1,000," he continued. Officer Sitwell informed the Court that a school had been established in Toronto to provide New Canadians with the rules and regulations of Ontario game laws. The Magistrate recommended that the defendant should attend.

**COUNTY PLANNING**

Newmarket Deputy-revee Mrs. Caroline Ion speaking in Aurora Tuesday night predicted that York County will establish a County Planning Board at the November session.

**Cook Wanted - - - -**  
**YORK MANOR HOME FOR THE AGED**  
Applications for a FIRST CLASS MALE COOK for York Manor Home For The Aged will be received by the undersigned up until October 18, 1960.  
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