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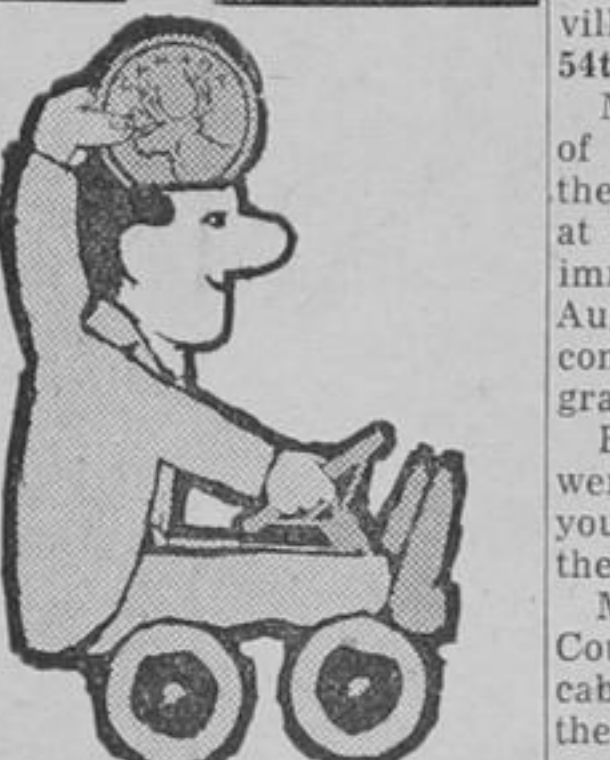
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OWRC Exhibit To Have Testing For Hard Water

The exhibit of the Ontario Water Resources Commission at the 1962 Canadian Exhibition, in a new and larger location, will feature an analytical laboratory at work. On-the-spot testing of water samples for hardness will be carried on for visitors to the building who submit water for such tests. There will be demonstrations of other laboratory work and a display of lab equipment. The OWRC exhibit also will house technated versions of a water filtration plant and a water pollution control plant. A display of aquatic life in clean water, as opposed to conditions found in polluted water, will be another feature, along with a biology exhibit of aquatic nuisances. The water theme also will be carried out in an attractive waterfall backdrop.

May Extend Service To Naughton Dr. Area

Extension of water service to Naughton Drive in Vaughan Township should come in the not-too-distant future. Two residents of the street, A. Warman and Mrs. R. Greenwood, appeared before the township's waterworks committee last Wednesday asking for the extension of the watermain from Elgin Mills, or the location and establishment of a well in the area. Council Monday night authorized the committee to meet the property owners to discuss the problem.



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Not Happy With Cash Settlement From Metro Act

At least one municipality in York County is not satisfied with a recent cash settlement paid them by Metropolitan Toronto.

Newmarket Council has asked Reeve Sid Legge and Deputy-Reeve Caroline Ion, its representatives on county council, to raise the issue at its next meeting.

Municipal officials in the Richmond Hill area expressed satisfaction with the cash settlement of \$153,067 when interviewed by "The Liberal" last week. The settlement was to compensate the county for its loss of assessment and increased responsibility for roads.

Under the terms of the Metro Act, York lost 93 per cent of its assessment but assumed responsibility for 43 per cent of its roads. Councillor Ed Wrightman raised the matter, protesting that \$153,000 was not anywhere near what the county should have received.

Award Road Tender To Pave Elder Mills

A Hillsburgh firm has won the tender to extend the Elder's Mills Sideroad from Highway 27 to Con. 10. Vaughan Township Council Monday night approved a bid from David Barbour Construction Ltd., of \$72,166.50, subject to approval of the township engineer. The Barbour bid was the lowest of four. Highest tender was \$82,099.

BUTTONVILLE NEWS

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Maple Explosion Buttonville people worried along with those in neighbouring communities when the Superior tanks exploded in Maple last Saturday night. Lights burned well into the morning hours, and few eyes were shut until friends and relatives in that village were accounted for. The first blast was felt here at 11.15 and, since it had rained heavily a short time before, was attributed to thunder. However, several short succeeding bursts shook houses and rattled windows around, and many residents saw the angry red glow in the western sky, and later the awesome fireballs as flames shot hundreds of feet in the air when heavier explosions occurred. Even this far away — ten miles as the crow flies — the rotten egg odour denoting propane gas could be detected.

Allen Snider was driving in the vicinity of the blast, and had reached the point on the Maple Road where the cemetery is situated, when the first one occurred. There was the only car near, and he and his two companions ran toward the blaze, only to be thrown back by the force of the explosion. Charles and Howard Allen, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Allen, arrived at the scene in time to see a house near the cemetery with its roof off and windows blown out and the people inside trying to get their children to safety. The boys helped them to the shelter of the cemetery vault, but shortly after the roof was blown off this structure as well, and the walls began to crumble.

John and Gordon Brumwell, both pipeline employees, feared the gas pipeline which lies just north of 18th Avenue had exploded, and they were ready for action. Many local residents tried to reach the scene, but were turned back. Markham Township Police Headquarters at Buttonville was a hive of activity, as off-duty men were recalled, and every man who could possibly be released from local duty was sent to aid Vaughan Township Police, but no firemen from Unionville or Markham were called.

54th Wedding Anniversary Mr. and Mrs. Harold Baldwin of this community celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary at home with members of their immediate family on Sunday, August 5th, and friends in this community join in offering congratulations. Both Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin were active in lived most of their lives in that township.

Mrs. Baldwin formerly Miss Coulson, was born in the log cabin once familiar to many in the district which was located on the west side of Dawes Road (Victoria Park) close to the highway 401 cut. The cabin was believed to be over 200 years old, and York County historians had hoped to remove it to Pioneer Village on Jane Street, but its condition did not permit, and it was torn down a few years ago.

Mr. Baldwin retired last fall after spending many years as a landscape gardener with the Toronto Cemetery Board. He is presently an elder of the Brown's Corners United Church congregation. The Baldwins have two children: Mrs. John Green of Toronto, and Mr. Archie Baldwin of Stouffville.

Plan Bake Sale Mrs. John Brumwell, leader of Brown's Corners United Church Women's Unit No. 1, tells us the group plans to hold a bake sale at the W.L. Hall

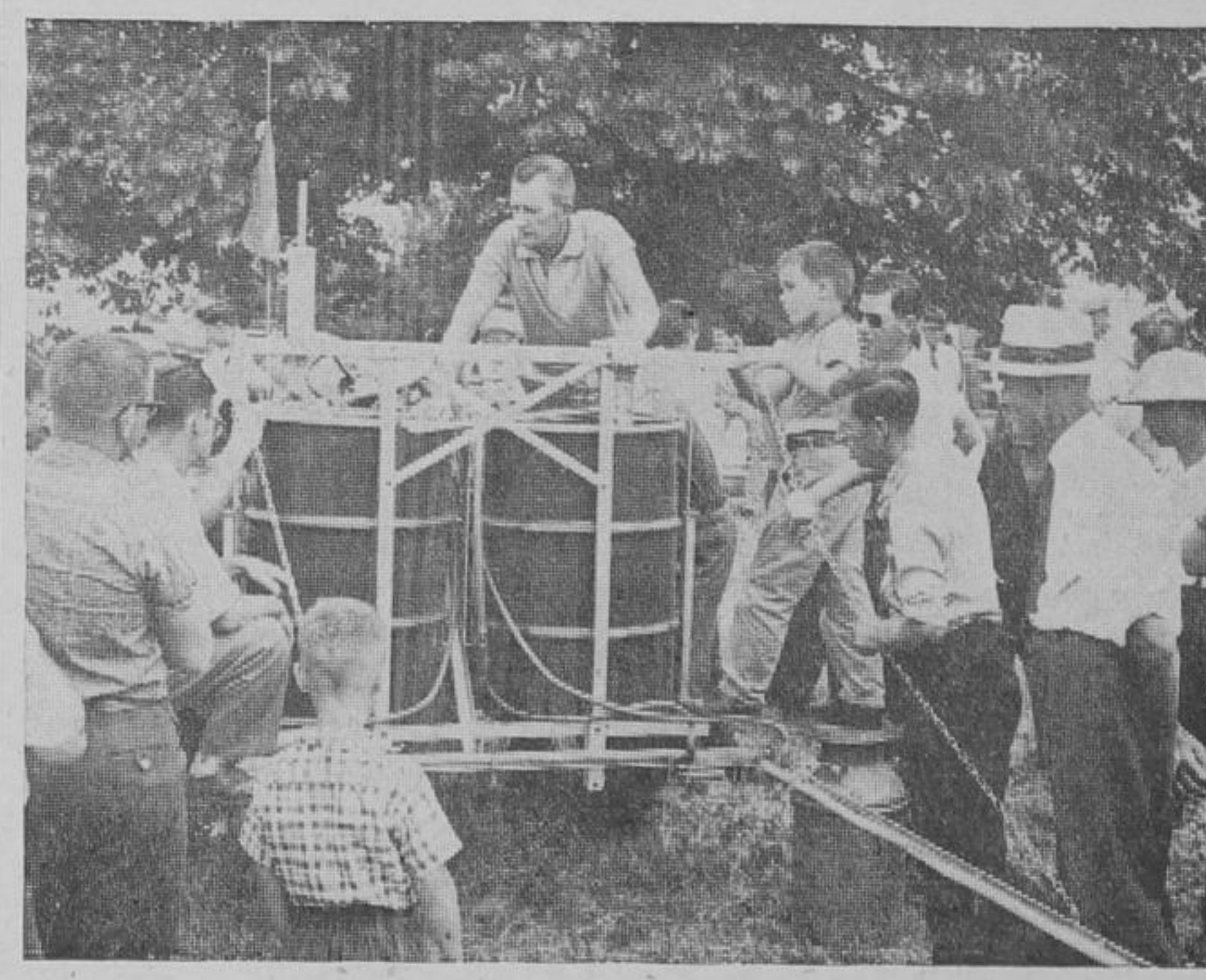
grounds on Friday afternoon, August 24, from 3:30 p.m. until sunset. Mrs. Allan Strike is convening the event, and contributions from women of the church will be gratefully received. Funds are to assist church youth groups this autumn.

Neighborhood Notes Comings and goings are difficult to keep track of these days, so if your jauntings have not appeared in print do let us know about them. Your friends and neighbours would enjoy hearing of them. Mrs. Tom Clausman of New York City, with her children Debbie and Chuckie, has been here to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pratt, and her sister and family — the Charles Hoopers. Last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Hooper took their guests to visit another sister and her family — Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Allen. Susan and Heather Wright of The Queensway, New Toronto, are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Hooper this week.

Last week Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Clark visited relatives in Chatham, Ontario. Mr. Clark reports hail has caused heavy damage to crops in that area. Speaking of crops, this year's harvest is earlier than in many seasons. Most fields of oats and barley were standing Wednesday of last week, but by Saturday they were nearly all cleared. So much was done in so short a time that there was severe congestion at grain elevators, and trucks for transporting grain were in short supply. Some local farmers report waiting for service at the mill until the wee sma' hours.

Mr. Alex Young and Mr. John Brown, who have been convalescing from recent illnesses, are both leading more active lives these days. Mr. Young has been berrypicking, and Mr. Brown was seen in his fields. Mrs. George Felgate, Sr., is recovering nicely from her heart attack, but the doctor thought she would rest better in hospital, so she is presently at Branson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill McNeish have returned from a trip west singing the praises of the new trans-Canada highway. Mr. and Mrs. McNeish visited friends at Fisdale and Porcupine Plains in Saskatchewan, 40 miles north of Prince Albert — the land of the midnight sun. They also visited Regina, and south of the border motored through Montana, the Dakotas, Wisconsin, and returned by Sault Ste. Marie and Manitowish Island. No accident or sight of one marred their 4300 mile trip, but arriving home they were just in time for the Maple holocaust. Mr. and Mrs. E. Crisp are due back this week from their cottage at Crystal Lake, Haliburton. Gruffy, the John Wilkins' 10-year-old spaniel, was killed in a road accident last week. He was a friendly little fellow, and we will also miss him. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Snider were in Ottawa last week-end where Sam was stock-car racing. Mrs. Beth Laing of Winnipeg is a guest at the home of her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. George Oakes, during August.



This Is How It's Done

Stuart Watson, son of Stanley B. Watson, former Ward 3 Markham Township Councillor, explains the workings of their farm's newly-acquired weed-sprayer to a group of farmers at the recent annual sunrise tour, sponsored by the York County Soil and Crop Improvement Association. This year's tour concentrated on Markham Township farms. (Photo by Huntley)

Former County Warden Dies In Toronto At 95

John Orr Little, Newmarket, and York County's "grand old man" died July 24 at Toronto Western Hospital at the age of 95.

"J. O." as he was affectionately known by many generations of York County people, was warden of the county in 1936 and deputy-reeve of Newmarket.

Fred Gardiner, Q.C., former chairman of Metropolitan Toronto once remarked that he considered it "one of the most fortunate things that ever happened to me, to have been associated with J. O. Little."

Mr. Little made his first bid for council in Newmarket in 1929 and was elected deputy-reeve in which capacity he served until 1936.

A county commissioner in 1934, the popular "J. O." was elected warden of York County in 1936, the first deputy-reeve of any municipality in the county to be accorded the honor.

Mr. Little, originally from Peel County, opened a coal and wood business in Newmarket in 1924. He has been retired since 1932. Previous to that he had farmed in Peel.

In Newmarket, he was known as the "father of the town band", which he founded. He personally provided funds for instruments on many occasions.

Until recently, he attended many council sessions, county picnics and tours. For years he was an annual guest at the warden's banquet.

His other big interest was fishing. Only a few weeks before his death he caught the largest trout ever taken from Franklin Pond near Mount Albert.

Although he was a devoted member of St. Paul's Anglican Church, he found time to spearhead the fund drives of the Salvation Army, serving as chairman several times.

Mr. Little was predeceased by his first wife, Ida Nelson in 1924. He is survived by his second wife, the former Flossie Moore.

Services were held last Thursday at Roadhouse and Rose Funeral Home, Newmarket. Burial was in Providence Cemetery, Mono Road.

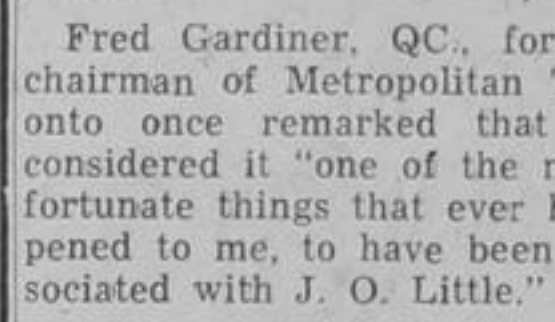
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