

KING CITY, OAK RIDGES LAKE WILCOX

"The Liberal" is always pleased to publish items of interest regarding people and events in the Oak Ridges - Lake Wilcox and King City districts. Our news correspondent in Oak Ridges - Lake Wilcox is Mrs. Carol Daines, 23 Willowbank Avenue, 773-4589, in King City Mary Dawson, 884-1105.

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Church News
From Gormley Missionary Church comes a reminder that the Missionary Men International, Ontario District Winter Retreat will be held February 16 at 7:30 pm at Banfield Memorial Church, Centre Street, Willowdale. Contact Philip Crouse or Ronald Elliott for reservations.
The winter retreat of the youth fellowship will be held February 20-22 at Cedar Glen, Bolton.
The annual missionary convention will be held April 15-17. St. Paul's United Church held

a successful eucharist night February 2. Thirty-one people attended and winners were: Mrs. Dot Wayne, Mrs. Helen Shaw, Mrs. Isobel Plews, Craig Laing, Charles Strang and Fred Oxley.
The UCW members are starting to make Easter eggs this week. Orders can be given by phoning Mrs. Craig Laing at 773-3493.
The women are starting a study group and will begin with a booklet on "Reconciliation in a Broken World". Dates will be announced later and all women of the community are urged

to participate.
The Ladies Sewing Group of the Brethren in Christ Church met at the parsonage February 11 and sewed for needy families.
The people of St. John's Anglican Church rejoiced as they used their new pews February 8. The new carpet, floor and lights provide a lovely and reverent atmosphere for worship.
Saturday the intermediate young people will hold a skating party, gathering at St. John's Anglican Church.
The Ladies' Guild of Our Lady of the Annunciation Separate School met February 2. Opening with a pot luck supper, business was dealt with and vacant positions filled. A rummage sale will be held February 28 from 12 noon to 3 pm at the school.
Mrs. Harry Brown will convene the rummage sale and will pick up contributed items. Please phone 773-4009. Bake

Whitchurch Looks For Dump Law Loopholes Feb. 13

Whitchurch Township Councillor Merlyn Baker last week failed in a determined bid to have council call an emergency public meeting over the resumption of industrial waste dumping near Stouffville. He did succeed in having a bylaws committee meeting called February 13 at 10:30 am to review the township's regulations regarding dumping.
"The people of the east side of this township aren't going to have any more patience with Whitchurch Council. They want action," said Councillor Baker.
He forced the first recorded vote of the 1970 administration on the public meeting issue. Those opposing the public meeting motion, Reeve Stewart Burnett, Deputy-revee Norman Barnard and Councillor Betty van Nostrand, said they were only against the early February 17 date proposed by Mr. Baker. "It might have been all right in March," said the right.
Councillor Gordon Ratcliff, a new member of council this year along with Mr. Baker, voted for the February 17 meeting.
Councillor Baker wanted all the relevant employees of provincial departments and

the employees of provincial departments and the Ontario Water Resources Commission to attend the proposed public meeting. He said the dumping of industrial wastes was continuing again as hard as ever.
Mr. Baker said he wasn't satisfied with the drilling tests conducted at the dump site. The drilling of the holes was only a pretence, he said, because they only went down 20 feet.
"Those juices are down at least 60 feet. The hole they are putting them in is that deep," he said.
Councillor Baker brought up the name of John Heaman, director of the Waste Management Branch, Department of Energy and Resources. "I talked to him three years ago and he told me then this dumping was only going to be a temporary measure. I wonder what he means by temporary. I don't have very much faith in what Mr. Heaman says. He never signs anything and is always talking on the telephone," said Councillor Baker.
Mr. Baker listed other officials who recently made statements about the dangers of pollution at the dumping site. He referred to a

recent meeting of the Stouffville Public Utilities Commission where members expressed concern and shock over the provincial government's announced decision to re-open the disposal site.
Councillor Baker wanted to know why a previous council (the agreement was signed April 1, 1969) signed an agreement with the R.W. Bremner Company for a waste disposal site. "In my opinion that agreement is one of the most iniquitous things ever signed," he said. "Why can't he be brought in by the province?" he asked.
Deputy-revee Barnard said the agreement was only to provide for dumping for residents of Whitchurch. Reeve Burnett added.
"It'll only take two minutes. Let's have it now," said Councillor Ratcliff.
"Sorry Mr. Reeve, I want to hear it now," said Councillor van Nostrand. This made a majority and Clerk Thomas Kerr read parts of the agreement considered pertinent.
At this point there came an exchange between Deputy-revee Barnard and Councillor Baker.
Mr. Barnard took exception to Mr. Baker's remarks about the previous council's signing of the agreement. "You practically called us stupid. You're trying to make us look like damn fools, and we're not," he said.
"I didn't say that. You did," countered Mr. Baker.
Continuing his pursuit of the dump question, Mr. Baker said he was disgusted with the insidious way the dump developed there.
Councillor Ratcliff remarked "I'd rather see it zoned for housing and have some residential estate development there, instead of having three million people to the south of us dumping there. Why can't each municipality be responsible for disposing of their own wastes?" he asked.
Reeve Burnett said he did not see anything wrong with filling up the holes there. He asked what was to be done with Whitchurch Township garbage if there was no agreement for a dump site.
The township's Bylaw Enforcement Officer and Building Inspector Marshall Miller then said he had some information on the waste disposal question which might be useful to council and asked to speak. He said he attended meetings of provincial and industrial corporations officials and had dumping officials and had spoken to the dump owner and numbers of others. There were two waste disposal firms preparing to open up plants to dispose of waste, one in June and one in September or so. One plant will be on the Toronto waterfront and one 25 miles west of Toronto; he said.
Mr. Miller said Mrs. Bremner right now was considering whether to close the industrial waste disposal business up or to invest with others in a \$1,000,000 waste disposal operation. He said it was his firm opinion the existing industrial waste disposal operation carried out by R. W. Bremner Co. was indeed temporary and would very soon end.
"She'd better get out, and get out quick. There never was an insult such as this against Whitchurch. I want results," said Councillor Baker, ending debate on the dump question.

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Bookkeeping Mistakes In Whitchurch To Stop

Whitchurch Township's new Councillor Gordon Ratcliff last week came out loud and clear with his opinion that unresolved bookkeeping errors in a municipal corporation were not to be countenanced.
His remarks came as Councillor Mrs. Betty van Nostrand introduced a motion about the township accounting system.
Council unanimously supported her motion that the Department of Municipal Affairs be invited to review Whitchurch's accounting system. The department would report whether or not the system was satisfactory, or whether it needed to be modernized, she said.
Mr. Ratcliff asked the reeve if there was a missing amount of funds and if it was in 1968.
Deputy-revee Norman Barnard said it was a question of how one defined missing funds, and the situation was better described as a \$900 bookkeeping error in the 1968 books.
Councillor Ratcliff said that in this day and age

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there are bookkeeping systems that work. "There should be no errors. I'm definite on that. There should be means to find any error. They're available in this day and age."
Mr. Ratcliff said it was the responsibility of the auditors and the bookkeeper to find any error. "They should be locked in a room and stay there until they find it," he said.
The existence of a bookkeeping error of about \$1,000 was revealed in November when the then Deputy-revee Lawrence Dennessy, during the election campaign, charged there was a shortage in township funds.
Mrs. van Nostrand also gave notice of motion during the February 2 meeting that at the next meeting she would again bring up the question of appointing a deputy-clerk.
Last December the council passed a motion to advertise for an assistant to Clerk Thomas Keer, but this resolution was rescinded later in the same meeting.

Neighborhood Notes

The cancer society meeting will be held February 17. Any interested ladies will be welcome to join the group.
The senior citizens will meet at St. Mark's Chapel on Yonge Street February 12.
A speedy recovery is wished for Don Ash and his wife Runi, who are in York County Hospital following a serious accident when their skidoo was involved in a crash with an automobile. Mr. Ash is suffering from several broken ribs and fractured legs and Mrs. Ash suffered head injuries, lacerations and a broken jaw.
A Valentine Dance will be held by Oak Ridges Lions in the hall at the Oak Ridges Plaza. Dancing will be to records with refreshments served.
Mr. and Mrs. Dave Penley and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Adams visited the Chuck Case family in Orangeville on the weekend. The Cases are former residents of this area.
Get well wishes are sent to Mrs. Betty Samson who is recuperating at home following surgery, to Mrs. Doris Evans who is confined to bed with a back ailment, to Doug Martin and Rev. Earl Gerber and family who have been hit by the flu bug.
NEWMARKET — A former secretary of a Keswick lawyer, Mrs. Mary Geraldine Veer, of Newmarket, has been charged with theft of more than \$13,000 from an estate handled by the lawyer. Trial date is February 26. The thefts were allegedly from the office of lawyer Clare Green.

New King Planner Vince Duggan Favors Industrial Development

King Township Planning Board during the next three years will have at least one member pushing to open up the municipality for development, and especially for industrial development.
Vince Duggan of Castlewood Street, Schomberg, the township planning board's new appointee, says the biggest problem in King is to get some industry. Mr. Duggan replaces Stan Metcalfe of Maple Grove, Oak Ridges, on the board.
"You need industry so you don't have everybody driving out of the township to work. Let's open the township up, let industry in, and start growing," he told "The Liberal" in a telephone interview following his appointment by township council.
Mr. Duggan says 80% of King Township's industry is in the Police Village of Schomberg. He wants to build industrial parks, attract industry, and provide jobs for people moving into new residential development.
Industrial parks, he says, can be quite pleasant scenic places, with landscaping and proper planning.
He doesn't see the lack of sewer and water services as being a problem. The cost of sewers is not out of reason. There are locations with lots of water. The pipes can be put in, he says.
Mr. Duggan is a federal civil servant employed by the Department of National Defence at

1969 Building In Whitchurch Up 102%

The value of construction authorized in Whitchurch Township during 1969 was slightly more than double the totals for each of the past two years, Building Inspector Marshall Miller reported to council last week. The value of 1969 permits totalled \$4,843,385.
And pressure on the township subdivisions approval of residential lots has been growing during past months.
The number of subdivision applications before planning board is now reported at 18.
All such applications are being held up while township officials work to get some development planning done with the help of consultants and the Department of Municipal Affairs.
There were building permits issued last year for only 66 new single family dwellings in the township, valued at \$1,714,710.
Councillor Mrs. Betty van Nostrand urged at a recent meeting that council talk with one anxious developer. A joint meeting of council and planning board was held to review the situation. Another joint meeting is being arranged to hear a Department of Municipal Affairs official.
The township's Official Plan for development was approved by the province at the end of last year. Zoning must now be laid down under the Official Plan on areas of the township before subdivision can be considered on a planned basis.
The township's consultants are to bring in their zoning by-law recommendations this month. These require approval of township planning board, council and Department of Municipal Affairs.
After the recent joint meeting of planning board and council, Reeve Stewart Burnett said the planning board was going back into the matter of the backlog of subdivision applications. The board had these plans in, and council didn't know too much about them, he said.
Reeve Burnett said it was hoped two or three small plans could be brought forward this month so something could get underway.
The reeve said there was concern about all these applications hanging fire and that another year would slide by if something wasn't done.
A lot of property owners in Whitchurch Township started construction without building permits in 1969. Building Inspector Miller said that just from his own observation he found 65 buildings erected without permits during the year. This involved \$754 in fees and construction valued at \$1,100,000, he told council.
There were three major projects in the 1969 building total, two industrial developments near Stouffville and the new \$630,000 Whitchurch Highlands Public School on Church Street.
Consolidated Sand and Gravel built a \$1,000,000 concrete materials processing plant on Bloomington Sideroad north of Stouffville. Jepsersen-Kay Systems Ltd. took out a permit for a \$398,000 plant for modular precast apartment buildings.
During 1969 there were permits for eight commercial buildings valued at \$253,500 and 15 additions to commercial buildings valued at \$227,800. There were 20 industrial building additions valued at \$142,750.
Additions to 81 dwellings were valued at \$326,350 and 65 accessory building permits were valued at \$126,775.

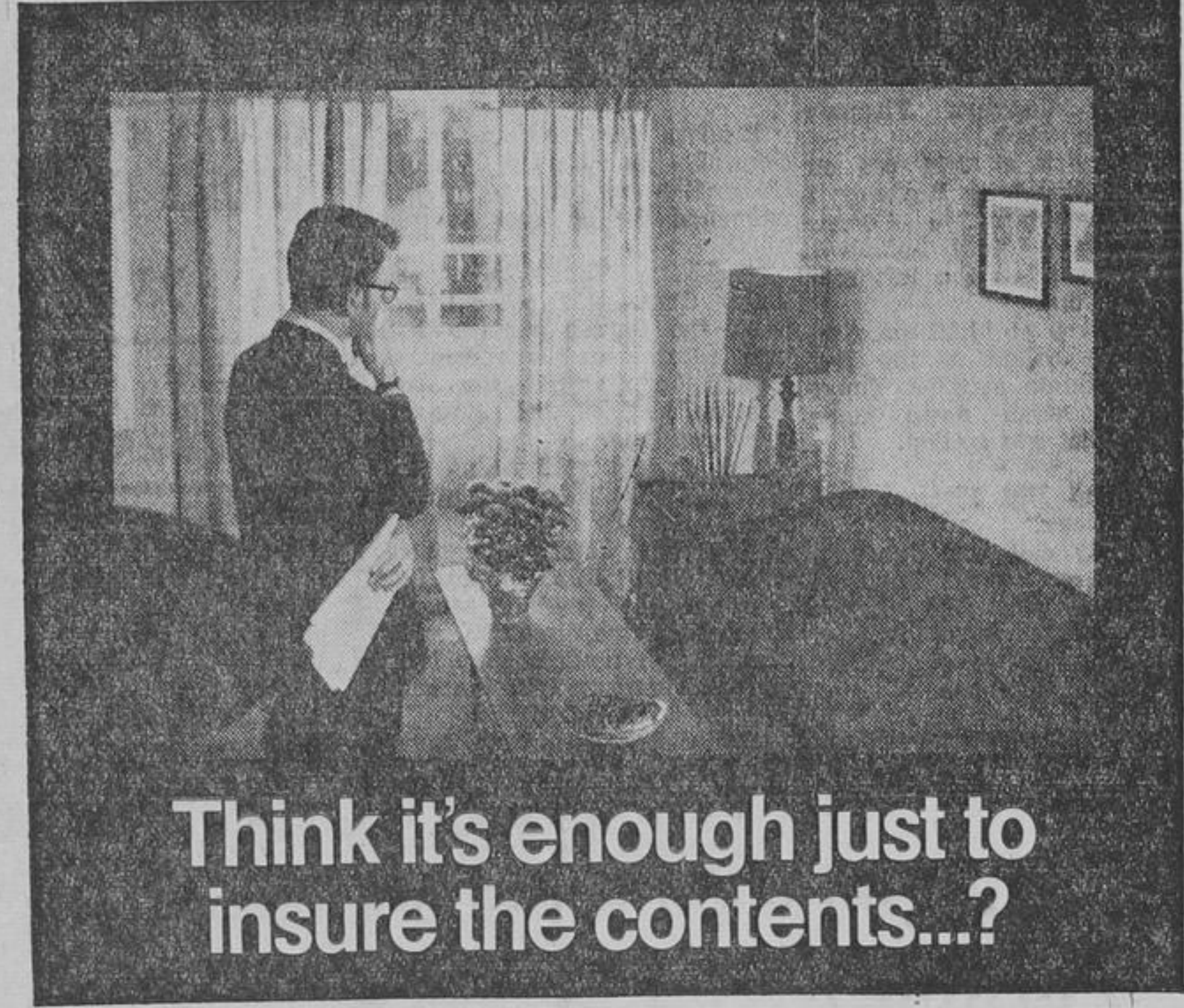
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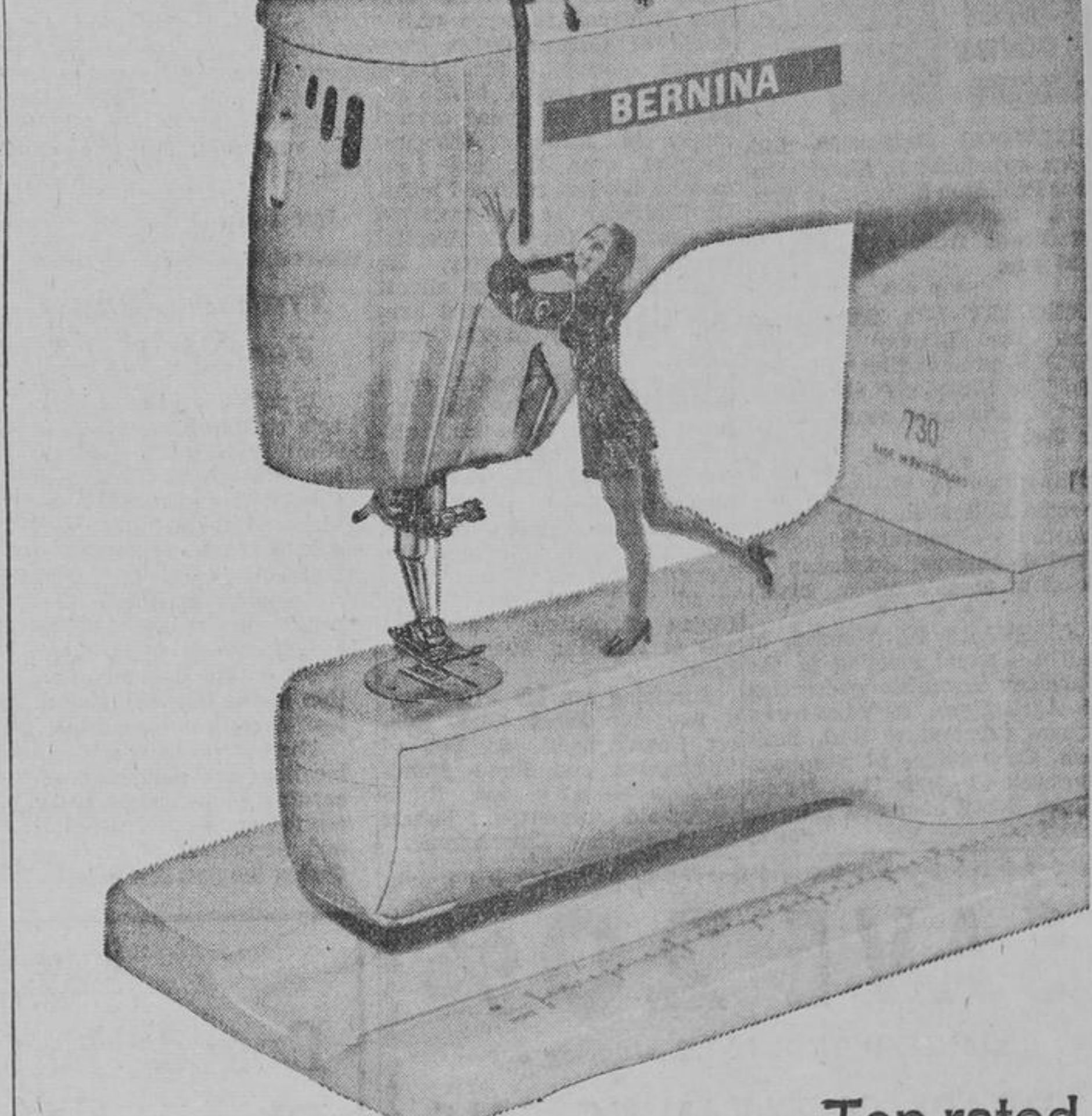
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