



## Charged after truck flipped on turn

Traffic was rerouted for several hours last Wednesday after a propane gas tanker truck flipped on its side after rounding the

turn at Keele Street onto Highway 7. It took two hours to pump the propane gas into another truck while firemen stood by and

the highway was closed. Truck driver Barry Giles, 52, of Markham, was charged with careless driving.

(Photo by Hogg)

# Davis pulling region strings

KING — The province, not the region of York, sets the growth rate in the area, King Township, Mayor Margaret Britnell said this week.

"We don't really have any choice," Mrs. Britnell said, after a presentation by regional planning staff and consultants on nine growth options available to York.

She said a letter from Premier William Davis to Regional Chairman Garfield Wright, showed there had been mutual agreement on an eventual population of 557,000, up almost 300,000

from the projected figure of 258,000 in 1971.

Murray Pound, former planning director for the region and now a consultant for the formation of the region official plan, outlined the nine options for growth in the region.

These were presented to regional council last year.

In them, population ranges from 457,000 to 600,000. The York-Durham servicing plan has been designed for 457,000.

# Smash windows

MARKHAM — Windows were the targets in Markham last week.

Trillium Recreational Vehicles Ltd., Heritage Rd., which has seen a couple of its trailers go up in smoke lately as a result of vandalism, had 60 windows broken on trailers in a field on the corner of Con. 7 and Bullock Rd. Damage was estimated at \$1,500.

The Bank of Nova Scotia at 101 Main St., only lost two windows, but they were six feet by 12 feet, with tinted, double glass. Damage amounted to \$3,000.

Also on Main St., North Markham Motors at 348, had \$500 damage done to the rear windows on five new Hondas on the lot.

Newkirk Rd., reported \$700 worth of windows broken.

### Holiday visitor

A break-in at the home of John Vanderval, Laureleaf Rd., Thornhill, while the owner was on holiday the week of Mar. 12-19, resulted in the loss of \$3,500 in jewelry and china antiques.

### Scared thief

Another Laureleaf visitor, apparently hoping to find an empty house, was scared off by the temporary tenant.

Police said a woman staying at the home of Joe Granicz, while he was away, told them she was startled by a noise in the house about 1:30 p.m.

She said she saw a man climbing through a window, so she let out a yell and he fled.

In Richmond Hill, Ferritronics Ltd.,

## Dr. George Kelly, 88, buried

RICHMOND HILL — Funeral services were held in Richmond Hill for Dr. George Kelly, 88, who died March 10 in hospital in Newmarket.

Dr. Kelly was a retired veterinarian who worked with his father following his graduation in 1910.

He was known as "young Doc" to distinguish him from his father, "old Doc" in an area spanning the townships of Pickering, Markham, Whit-

church, Vaughan, York, Scarborough and King.

He was a life member of the Ontario Veterinary Association.

Dr. Kelly lived within a few hundred yards of his birthplace in Buttonville until 1971, when he and his wife moved to Newmarket.

He was instrumental in establishing the Buttonville WI Hall as a community meeting place and was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Richmond Hill.

Surviving, besides his wife, the former Hilda Risebrough, is one son, Dr. George Kelly of Newmarket and two grandchildren.

## Hockey fight

CONCORD — A Mississauga man has been charged with common assault as the result of a fight in a hockey game at Double Rinks Arena, Feb. 6.

Police said Enrico Poretta of Rexdale told them another player hit him in the face with his fist.

Charged is Phillip Jestin, 24.

# 800-acre Hill industrial plan

RICHMOND HILL — This community may be without an industrial commission, but municipal planners are developing a secondary plan for the southeast corner of the town.

The plan includes a proposed 800-acre industrial development.

According to Richmond Hill planning director William Power, the first draft of the plan will be submitted at a public

meeting April 27. A second meeting is to follow at a later date.

The lands in question are bordered by Highway 7 to the south, the proposed Highway 404 to the east, and a spot midway between Bayview and Leslie Streets to the west.

The current thinking is the land west to Bayview will be used for housing developments.

Power said in an interview last week that "if the town is to have industrial development (that location) is logical because of servicing and access."

"It would tie into the York-Durham sanitary sewer (scheduled for completion by early 1981) and to the Metro Toronto water system which will be available to South York by late 1978."

He said the industries to locate there will likely be of a "prestige" type, particularly along Highway 7, single-occupant developments with no outside facilities, as opposed to industrial malls or multiple-occupancy premises.

Most of the land in Richmond Hill — including that slated for industrial development — is class one or two farm land.

But Power said that "if the municipality is to have industrial land, first, to provide jobs, and second, to provide an assessment base, then agricultural lands will have to provide the area."

And he added that he guessed "there will always be a conflict between the economics of urban development and

infringement of agricultural land."

Power noted that with controversy surrounding the Toronto-Centred Region Plan, "there is a void as far as any provincial strategy is concerned."

But he said the York-Durham urban scheme "stretches all the way to Newmarket to serve a population of 400,000 by the year 2000 or later."

"The best agricultural land is often the most buildable," he stated, "and marginal lands are often limited by topography or wetness."

In an earlier interview, Mayor David Schiller said he has "reluctantly accepted" a population figure for Richmond Hill of 105,000 by the turn of the century, citing "tremendous" development pressure.

Much of the town's vacant land — often leased back to farmers — is owned by major development firms.

But the mayor noted that "the general economy is holding up a lot of things already approved," and that "I've been a supporter of farming — which hasn't made me a great favorite of developers."

## Blood donors wanted

KING CITY — Two hundred pints of blood is the target for the Canadian Red Cross Society when it holds its semi-annual blood donor clinic here on Wednesday, April 13.

King City United Church on Elizabeth Grove will be the site for the clinic, with the aim to

draw people from Maple, Oak Ridges, Nobleton, Schomberg, Kettleby and this community.

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