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Market for Local Cabbage Takes a Nose Dive

So many farmers have plunged into growing cabbage this year that the market is literally swamped with them, and regular growers on small acreage scarcely can get a bid for the thousands of heads that stand in the fields until they split open and then are classed as cow feed only.

One regular vegetable grower told The Tribune he was getting around 75c a dozen from a rather larger and regular purchaser, but he wasn't sure the price would stand to the end of this week in view of the fact that some farmers can't get any kind of an offer. "You ship them in to the wholesale without a quotation, and they stand around several days, and finally you receive a slip indicating a sale at a sickening price," stated another farmer.

Cauliflower just now are paying well at around \$2 to \$2.50 a dozen or an average of 10c each. Fear here too was expressed lest the market becomes flooded in a couple of weeks. Cauliflower are delicate to handle and cannot stand in the field after they should be cut or the color will be lost, and the vegetable has no market value at all then.

Gave Large Family To Country's Service Mrs. Cutler Dead

Ill only a few weeks a highly esteemed mother of the Vivian-Ballantrae district passed away unexpectedly on Friday in the person of Mrs. Percy Cutler. The funeral on Sunday afternoon proceeded from her home, Forest View Farm, 8th concession of Whitechurch where she died, to Vivian church, where Rev. Norman Rowan conducted the service before a large attendance of friends and sympathizers. Interment was made at Mount Albert cemetery.

The late Mrs. Cutler was in her 69th year, her maiden name being Grace Ida Church. Her husband was a war veteran, and five of her own children served their country in time of great need. A son Eric paid the supreme sacrifice.

Surviving besides the father are four sons and four daughters. The sons are Kingsley of Lanark, Cyril and Wilfred of Toronto, Ronald of Rolphont. The four daughters are Irene Cutler at home, Bernice (Mrs. W. Cummings) Elora, Aileen (Mrs. R. T. Cook) of Dobie, and Helen (Mrs. Bert Paisley) Stouffville.

LEGION HALL SCHEDULED TO OPEN SEPT. 24th

The Stouffville Legion have a big list of lucky draw prizes and dance planned for the opening of their hall on Sept. 24th. The prizes amount to over \$200 in value, and tickets are now on sale.

Wesley Flewell Well Known Farmer Dies In His Sleep

Although warned by his doctor only a few weeks ago that his heart condition was such that he should only "lean on the fence," Wesley Flewell, Whitechurch township farmer south of Ballantrae was scarcely expecting the sudden call that came to him in the early hours of last Saturday morning. He had spent all Friday quietly about the house feeling very good, and early Saturday morning, his son Roy when getting up went to his bedroom and enquired how he was feeling. Mr. Flewell indicated that he felt better. However, an hour and a half later he was found dead in bed. He had passed away in sleep. Mr. Flewell would have been 69 had he lived until October.

Born at Zephyr in the Township of Scott Wesley Flewell was one of a family of eight children born to William and Martha Flewell. Other members of the family are well remembered in Whitechurch or the district west of Uxbridge, his three brothers being Richard, William, Allie, and two sisters Miss Mary Flewell and Mrs. George McCormack.

As a young man Wesley moved into Whitechurch and married Eva Fockler, daughter of the late Sam Fockler. She predeceased him only in July last year. An only daughter now surviving the parents is (Ruth) Mrs. William Spence, and an adopted son Roy Flewell. The family occupied various farms in the district but have lived on the present acreage on the sideroad off the 5th concession for a good many years.

The funeral service on Monday afternoon was conducted at the farm home by Rev. Norman Rowan, who came back from his holidays out of deference for an old friend. The pall bearers were Messrs. Chas. Preston, Robt. Filyer, Harold Jones, Wm. Fockler, George Fockler and Wilmot Brown. Interment was made at Stouffville cemetery.

Stanley G. Moyer, well known artist and teacher at the Ontario College of Art, is spending a few weeks in town visiting relatives here and in the surrounding district. He is at present the guest of his cousin Lloyd Moyer. He feels there are considerable artistic possibilities in Ontario rural communities and incidentally has been doing some sketching in and around Stouffville.

Bantams Still In Playoff Hunt

Stouffville Bantams forced a third game in the current group playoff series, when they defeated Markham in the southern town on Tuesday night 11-2.

The third and deciding game of the group finals will be played in Memorial Park here this Thursday night. The winner will advance against Oakville in the Ontario playdowns at Oakville this Saturday afternoon.

Messrs. Joe Oulette and Jim Austin assisted by Don Davis of the local Midgets are piloting the Stouffville entry in this Minor league baseball. Game called at 6.15.

In Tuesday night's game Macgregor's pitching was a feature, as he struck out 15 Markham batters. His battery mate, Eddie Murphy was equally good behind the plate. Geo. Lintner tripled for the locals' best hit of the game.

Forgie at shortstop turned in some neat fielding for Markham. Both the losers' runs were scored on local errors.

PICKERING TOWNSHIP FARM SOLD

The 150 acre farm on con. 7, belonging to F. C. Rowbotham has been sold to Mr. Morgan Degeer of con. 2 Uxbridge. This farm with its almost new brick house and large bank barn is considered to be one of the choice farms of Pickering Township.

Mr. Degeer and his son with their tractors and other up-to-date equipment should be able to produce some wonderful crops on this fine acreage.

The place was originally known as the John Patterson homestead, and has been owned by Mr. Rowbotham for about fifteen years.

The sale was arranged by Mr. Geo. Allison, Stouffville, Real Estate Broker.

Stouffville at The Exhibition

Visitors to the C.N.E. should not fail to see the backyard garden display in the east wing of the Horticultural building, by the local Horticultural Society. The layout is 18x20 feet, and will be plainly marked. Other plots will be placed by Thornhill and Richmond Hill societies. Since the flowers will be renewed occasionally, persons having blooms to spare will confer a favor by calling the secretary, phone 22W2. The whole undertaking provides a good advertisement for Stouffville, so let all who can cooperate.

Mrs. Arthur Brodie of Meaford has been visiting at the home of her brother, Mr. James Green, just north of town on the 9th. Mrs. Brodie's husband is pastor of Meaford Baptist Church.

Trapper and Guide Nearly Thirty Years

Born 83 years ago at Altona, Wellington Lehman died at the Brierbush Hospital, Stouffville, on Thursday, and was buried Saturday afternoon in the local cemetery.

An orphan at the age of seven years, he worked as a lad on local farms, and at 20 years found him-



self employed in the Woollen Mills at Columbus, in south Pickering, and later with the Markham Carpet Factory. From here he went to the Massey Harris in Toronto, then on to the State of Pennsylvania where he became a trapper for big game. He experienced life on the cattle ranches in Nebraska before he crossed over to Canada again to work as a fire ranger just out of Winnipeg. In all he was nearly 30 years in bush work as a guide, a trapper and a ranger.

Wellington Lehman was a son of Ephraim Lehman and Elizabeth Alsop, his wife. His mother died when he was seven, and he was put out to farmers to earn his own livelihood.

Retiring in Stouffville about 12 years ago, he has been one of the "boys" about town, enjoyed companionship and was well liked. He was active until a couple of weeks before his death.

Decisive Game At Goodwood This Thursday

The championship struggle for the men's softball title in this district is going the limit of games. Greenbank will visit Goodwood this Thursday night for the deciding game of the series.

The game at Greenbank on Monday night ended in 4-4 draw. Goodwood arrived late, but scored three runs in the first innings. A dispute arose at the end of the fourth innings regarding a Greenbank base runner whom the umpire said, failed to tag up for a pop fly. Greenbank supporters crowded the field and ended the game.

"Old Hotel" Corner at Ballantrae is Sold, Sale Price is Reported \$20,000

Recently Remodelled into Apartment Block New Owner may Convert into a Rest Home for Old

One of the best known country corners in the district is at Ballantrae, where last week the brick building on the southeast corner, called "the old hotel," was sold for a reported figure of \$20,000. The property had recently been converted into a five apartment dwelling, plus a tea room for transient visitors. The new owner is Mrs. Harold Leach of Port Credit, who told The Tribune that she intends to press on with further improvements to the property, and to turn it into a rest home for either children or elderly people before her plans are completed. "It won't be for both," Mrs. Leach explained, "but I haven't decided yet which I will provide for, old or young." Mrs. Leach's husband had formerly conducted a cartage and express business at Port Credit.

This old hotel property stood vacant for probably fifteen years. In fact residents could not just recall how long the place was neglected until Mr. Frank Pace of Toronto came along and purchased it a couple of years ago. He announced that he would convert the substantial building into an apartment house at a time when housing needs were worse even than they are today. Almost completed, and fully occupied with tenants, Mr. Pace decided to sell. However, Frank Pace has left his mark on the Ballantrae hamlet for having done something that one wonders was not accomplished long ago by some builder or enthusiastic business person. A really good structure stood there idle over the years with apparent opportunity for someone to step in and make a good business turn. Frank Pace saw the opportunity and at the same time solved the housing problem for at least a few families.

"I found that it was not possible for me to continue driving back and forth from my duties in Toronto," said Mr. Pace and the only thing to do was to sell the place to someone who could live right there and develop what he considers an opportune business.

The old hotel is an historic spot. Seventy-five years ago when the foaming suds were dispensed in tall glasses to quench the thirst of the traveller and local resident. Whitechurch council held many of its meetings in the place. Records indicate that three-quarters of a century ago or thereabout a crowd of haymakers coming in from surrounding fields one evening enroute to play ball against Vivian farther north dropped in twenty strong and before the guzzlers had their thirst quenched they drank a whole barrel of beer. If it proved to be one of the big "tankers" so common in the early days, there must have been a lively ball game played later at Vivian where a good diamond existed immediately north of Geo. McCormack's home. There is nothing to say whether the pitcher from Ballantrae formed part of the gang that lapped up the suds, for if he was then just how he would be able to do the twirling can be left to one's imagination.

Local District Supplying Wood Pulp for Paper

Following the experiment of a year ago when a hundred cords of pine was shipped from the Vivian forest to paper mills at Thorald and Iroquois Falls, the Dept. of Mines and Forest at Queens Park is shipping 140 cords again this week to a couple of paper mills in Ontario for further experiment.

The gang working at the Vivian forest have been taking out trees all spring as a thinning operation, and the wood salvaged will find its way to manufactured newsprint.

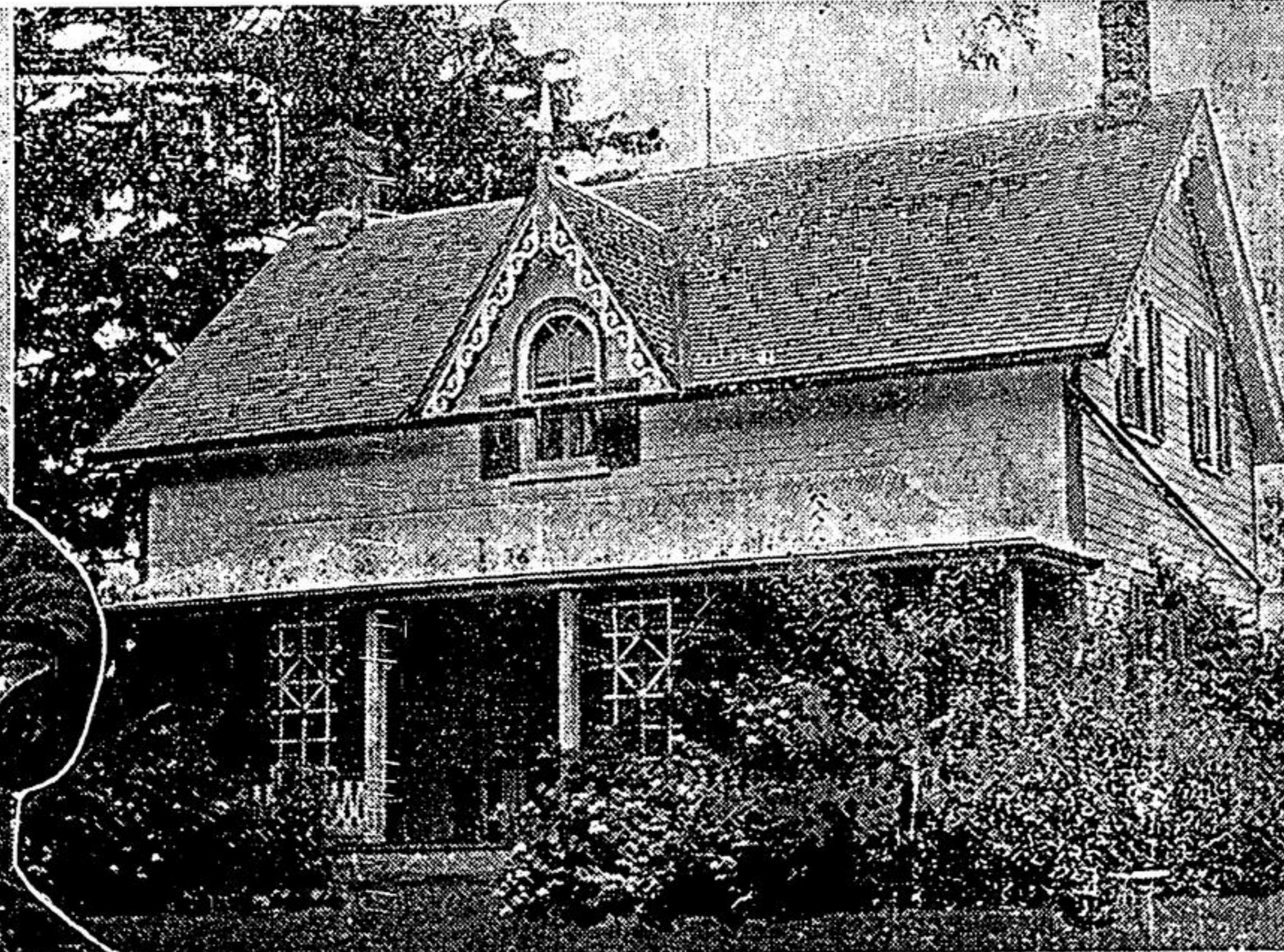
As has been previously pointed out pine logs present a problem for paper making because of its resin content. However, it appears that the chemists are overcoming the difficulty and hope to make use

of pine as well as spruce the standard tree for wood pulp.

Mr. Cliff Hollidge, local manager at the Vivian forest, says there will be a shipment ready of 140 cords this week, that will meet the contract. The logs of course are small, and were formerly sold for pit props to the English government. For props they had to be peeled and this entailed endless labor which the forestry branch found hard to supply. The same small timber going into wood pulp is shipped with the bark on.

If the resin problem is solved eventually there will always be an unlimited market for the surplus trees from the various county reforestation projects over Ontario.

PICKERING TOWNSHIP'S REEVE, W. H. WESTNEY, ABSORBS HIGHER TAXES



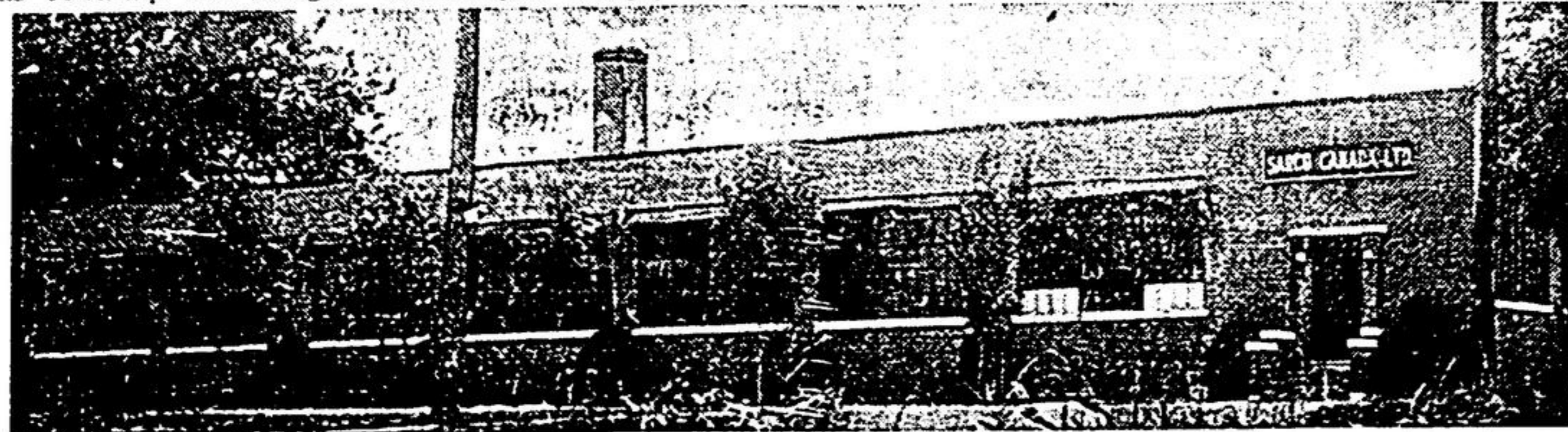
Pickering Township's reeve (left) W. H. Westney, backs the new scientific assessment in his Township even though

he pays more taxes. His farm house pictured, and farm last year were taxed \$164, in 1947 and this year will pay \$194.57.

Lloyd T. Johnston, township clerk, (right) was held close to the telephone for days answering irate tax payers.

Below, the Sarco plant at Claremont saw their modest taxes soar from \$137 last year, to \$736 in 1948. Adjustment has

been made for 1949, which will reduce the Sarco taxes substantially to perhaps \$500.



QUAKER HILL FARM SOLD

Mr. W. G. Cassie, weed inspector for the Township of Uxbridge, and a former reeve of the municipality, has sold his 112 acre farm at Quaker Hill to Mr. Thos. Leadley of Whitechurch Township. The Cassie farm has been in the family for many years, a second generation place, and is well located close to the town of Uxbridge. Mr. and Mrs. Cassie who will give possession this fall will move to their town house in Uxbridge. Sale price of the Cassie acres was \$11,200. The deal was negotiated by the Willoughby Farm Agency.

Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. Berton B. Tindall, Goodwood, announce the engagement of their daughter Mabel Jean to Chesley Forrest Oldham, son of Mrs. Abel Oldham and the late A. Oldham, Oshawa. The marriage will take place on Saturday, September 18th, at 3 o'clock in Goodwood United Church.

The engagement is announced of Elma Yvonne, daughter of Mr. E. B. Raymer, Hamilton, and the late Mrs. Raymer, to George Scott-Rafter, son of Mr. J. J. Scott, Toronto, and the late Mrs. Scott, and adopted son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Rafter, Arthur, Ont; marriage to take place quietly August 28th.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel H. Fretz announce the engagement of their second daughter Lois Marie to Mr. Maurice Edwin Hoover, son of Mrs. Hoover and the late Leonard W. Hoover; marriage to take place at the Wideman Mennonite Church, Markham on September 8.

Native of District Dies in Winnipeg

Mrs. Leslie Hodgson, west of Stouffville, received the news this week announcing the death of her brother Adam Irwin who died in the Grace Memorial Hospital, Winnipeg, in his 78th year. He was buried in Elmwood cemetery, Winnipeg.

The late Adam Irwin was born at Lemonville in Whitechurch township, a son of Joseph and Nancy Irwin. He learned the blacksmithing trade as a young man, and it is recalled that he occupied the smithy shop that stood on the Dickson farm east of the Stouffville school building. However, in 1911 he determined to go to Western Canada, and here he became a commercial traveller.

In 1930 he retired from business. Surviving is his widow Mary Ann Johnson, sister of Mrs. Fred Johnson. There is also one son Stanley and one grandson.

The regular meeting of Stouffville municipal council will be held next Thursday evening, Sept. 2nd.