

Dominion Racing Car Association Ready to Expend Over \$50,000 on Pickering Property, Representative Tells Council

The Midget Racing Car Association of Canada is ready to spend \$18,000 on a large 40-acre property fronting on No. 2 Highway, which is in the process of being purchased from Dr. N. E. McEwen. This fact was revealed by Mr. Scott, representative of the concern, at the Pickering Township Council meeting on Thursday.

The Racing Car people contemplate erecting a 700 ft. long track, with bleachers seating 9,000 and parking facilities for 4,000 cars. The outlay would be equipped with flood-lights, and public address system. It was suggested by Dr. N. E. McEwen, deputy-reeve, that the council consider giving the Association a fixed assessment for five years, for which they would place an athletic field, lighted, and equipped with sound, and a skating rink in the incircle of the track, for the use of the township's young people.

"This firm is willing to do things the township is unable to do at the present time," said Dr. McEwen. At the present time, the Department of Highways has refused to say "yes" or "no" to allowing an opening onto No. 2 highway.

"I have legal advice, that the Department cannot block the project," the Doctor continued. "We might get a special assessment rate for grandstands," suggested Clerk Johnston.

STOUFFVILLE COUNCILLORS RETURNED FOR 1949



Henry Ogden, councillor



A. V. Nolan, reeve



Glen Ratcliff, councillor

With the exception of Reeve Nolan who will begin his fifth term on the first of January, the members of Stouffville Village council for 1949 will all be starting their second year in office having been returned by acclamation at a well-attended nomination.

There was little or no criticism offered about the work carried on by the council last year, and since the tax rate was lowered instead of following the trend of increasing it as most municipalities had to do, expenditures were not criticised either. The council paid the veterans of Stouffville \$750 as a gift in recognition of their services and this met with general approval.

Notice was also given by the reeve on nomination night that he would support some undertaking that would pay the members for their services and this too brought



John Scott, councillor



Clayt. Baker, councillor

favorable comment, instead of criticism, all of which leaves the 1949 councillors in a happy mood,

Analysis of Canadian And American Prices By Markham Farmer

Mr. Ward Hallman, Markham Township farmer, had both his eyes and ears open on a recent visit to Uncle Sam's domain, where he spent some time at the home of his father, business man in Rochester. Himself a farmer and his father a butcher he could see first hand how prices "over there" correspond to Ontario prices for farm commodities.

"Take cattle on the hoof, if you like," said Mr. Hallman, "I found American farmers receive 30c cwt. for cattle as against 20c in Ontario, yet a T bone steak in Rochester sells for only 65c a lb. while here we pay 69c."

A similar situation exists according to Mr. Hallman in the price of hogs and bacon. The Yankee farmer is receiving 55 to 60c for hogs as compared to 50c in Ontario. Yet, he pointed out bacon over there is selling in the butcher shop from 55 to 57c lb. and here the price is over 60c.

In the dairy industry a similar peculiar situation was found where the American farmer receives \$6.12 against \$4.05 in this province. Yet Mr. Hallman found butter selling

for 65c pound, while here it is 73c. Mr. Hallman further refuted the fallacy that living costs are higher in the States. He believes the fact is just the reverse. A small radio of well known maker sells in the States for \$23.00, in Canada \$39.50. Electro Lux in the States \$23.95 in Canada \$29.75. A pressure cooker over the line sells at \$12, in Canada \$17. Automobile tires in the States \$23, here they are \$39.50 for the same quality and size. A suit of clothes that a city tailor asks \$90 for on Yonge street can be bought for less than \$50 in Rochester.

All this adds up to a need for tariff revision which Canadian buyers are taking advantage of. Mr. Abbott in his Boston speech last week referred to the tariff arrangements from quite another angle however. Mr. Abbott said:

"Too often we find the tariff structure of our country makes it difficult, often impossible, for our goods to flow into the U.S. markets."

"At times this is due to the nature of your customs, administration rather than to the tariff itself, although generally your tariff is much more protective than ours. Those obstacles are particularly evident in regard to our manufactured goods and processed raw materials."

There is no weakness in our economy, nothing wrong with our production either in volume of

output or level of costs. We can supply goods and at a competitive price. We hope you will make it possible for us to sell them and we hope you will be prepared to import on a much larger scale."

The record of administration in Washington during the past 16 years has been relatively favorable to easing tariff restrictions between Canada and the United States. But a greater degree of acceleration is needed if these two countries are to play the effective part expected of them jointly in the defense of the Western democratic world.

Not only are tariff cuts needed, but reform of tariff and customs regulations (quotas, quarantines, evaluation methods, etc.) which so often hobble the free exchange of trade across the border.

The stronger Canada is industrially, the better neighbor she will be to the United States in the battle of defense.

Judging by news pictures, the boys who do the fighting for peace in the U.N. ring, always shake hands between rounds.

All Hallows church, London, which through the voluntary efforts of fire-fighters Samuel Pepys, the diarist, and Sir William Penn, father of the founder of Pennsylvania, survived the Great Fire of London, suffered extensive incendiary bomb damage in the recent war, and will be restored.



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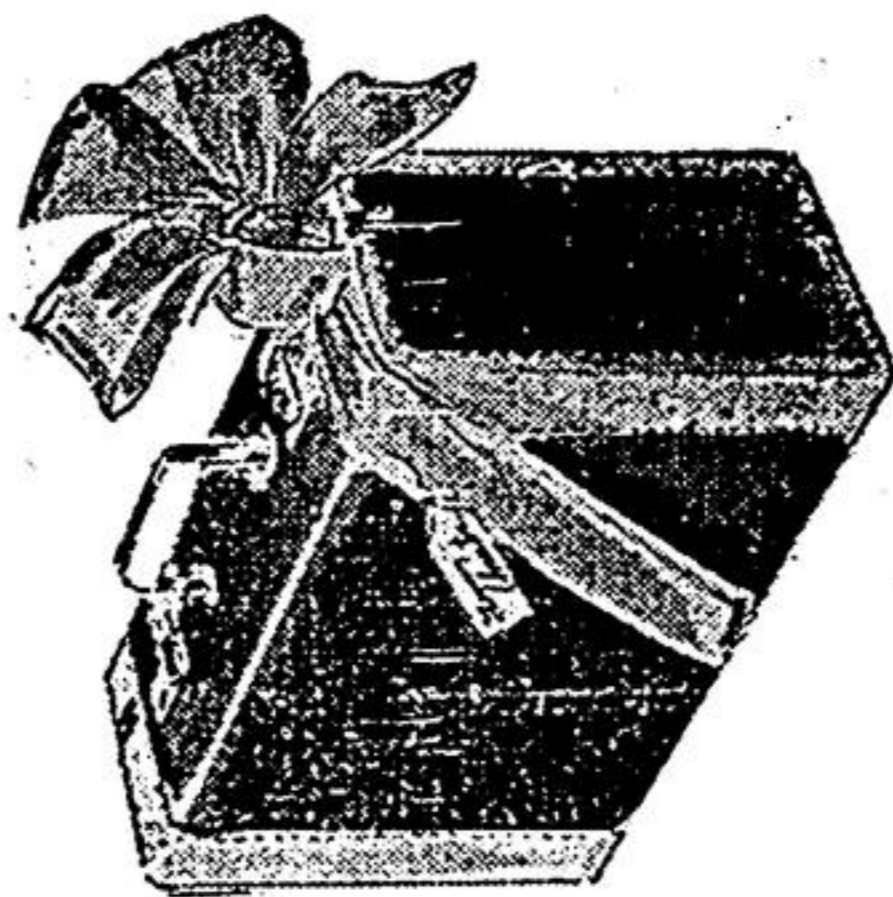
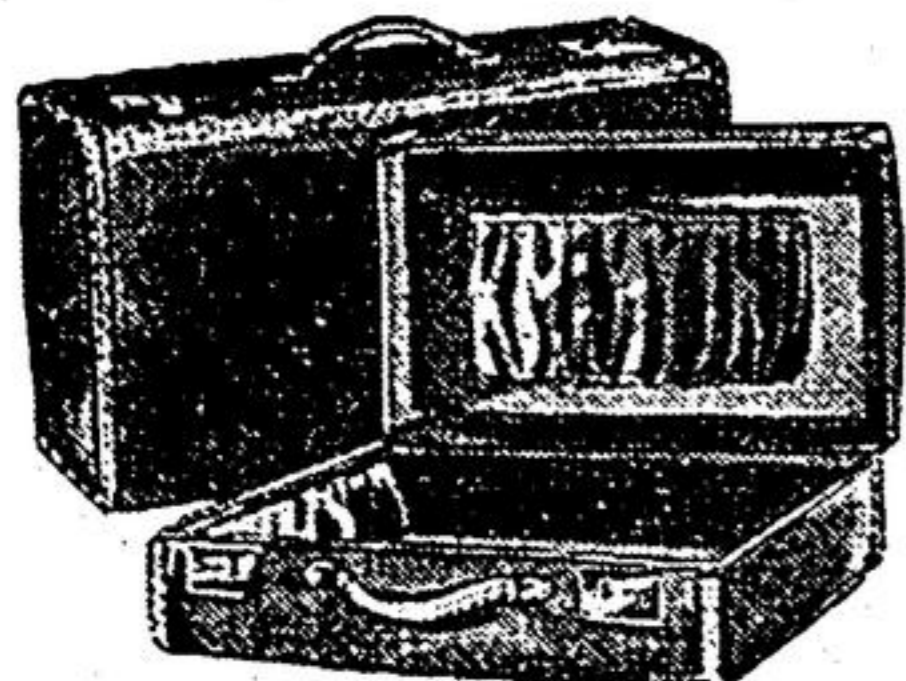


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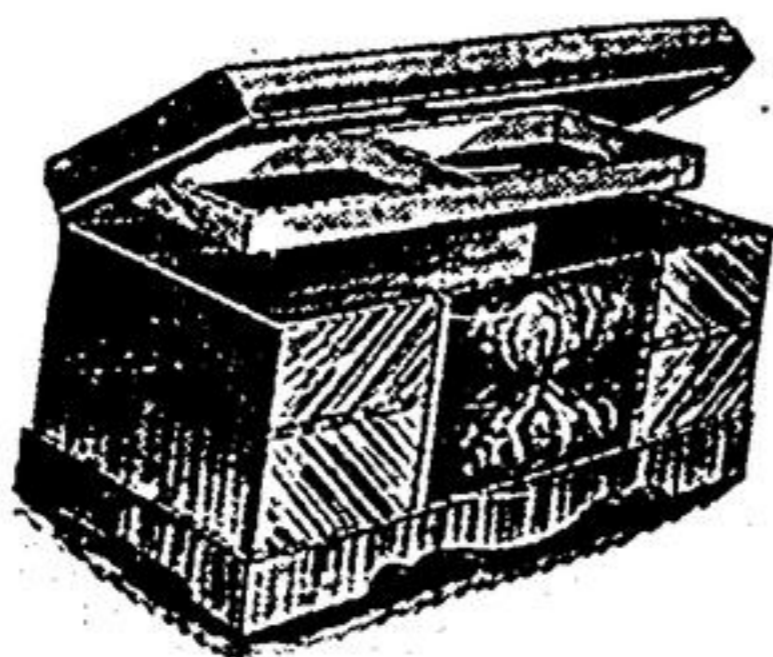
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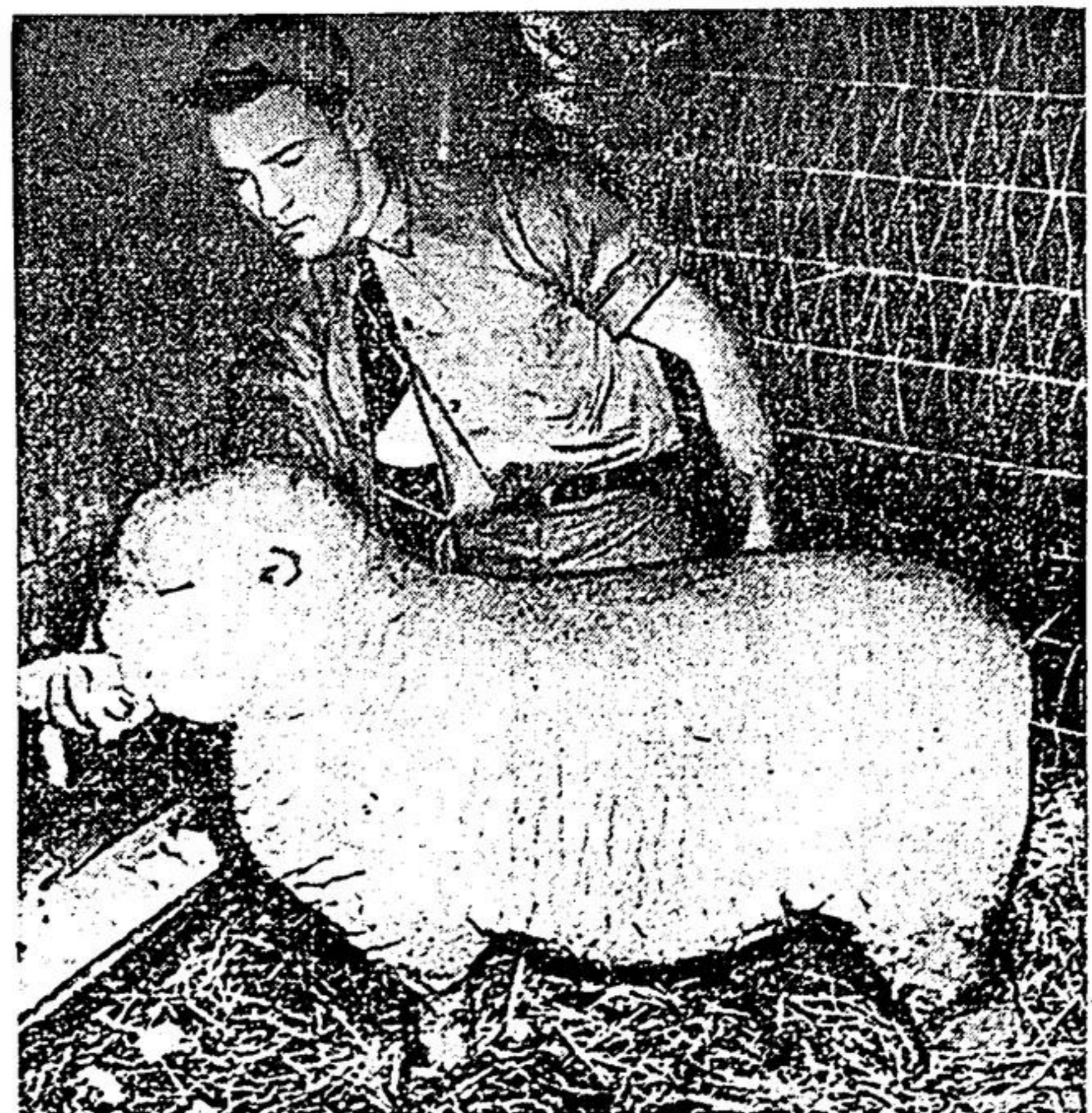
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