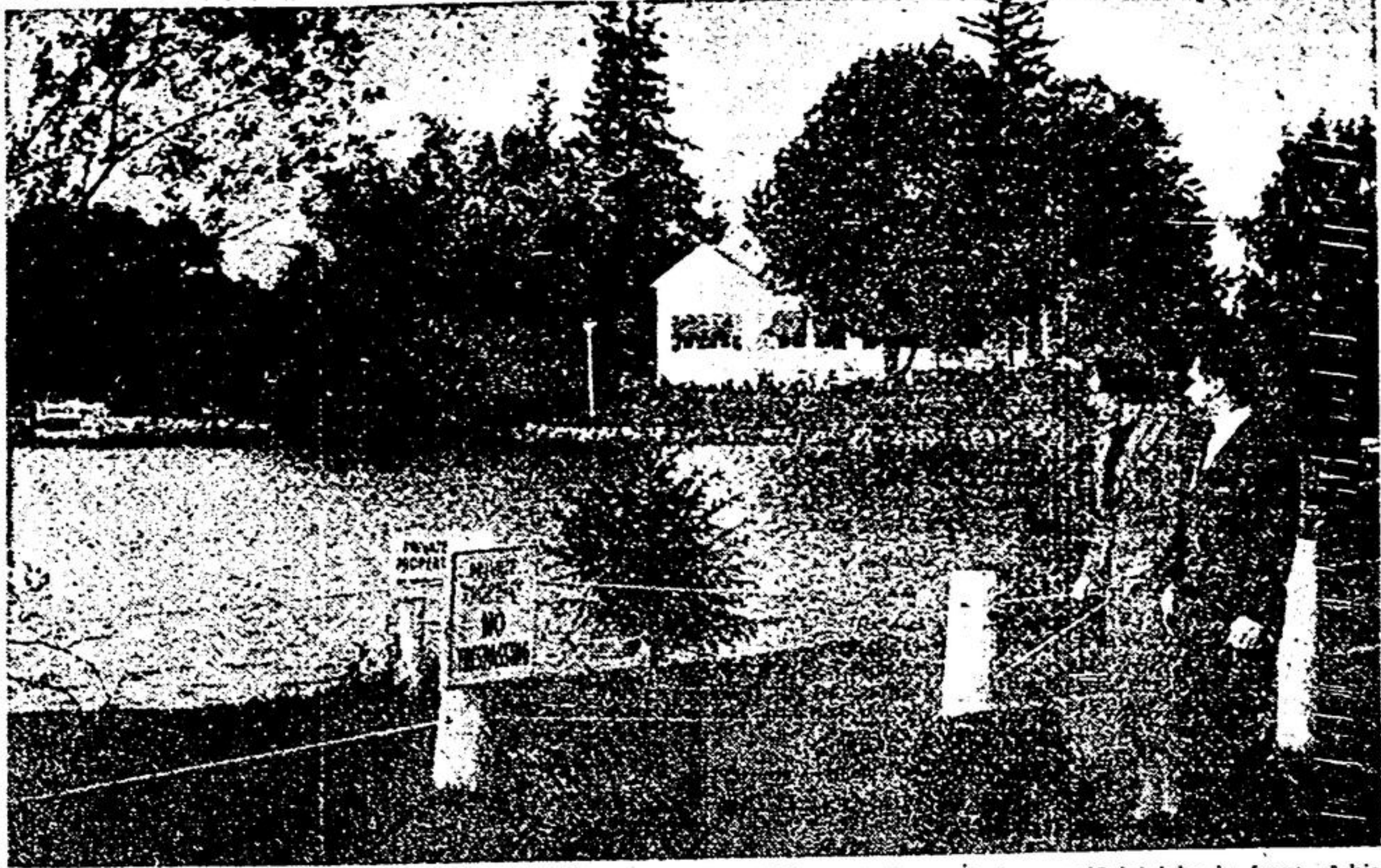
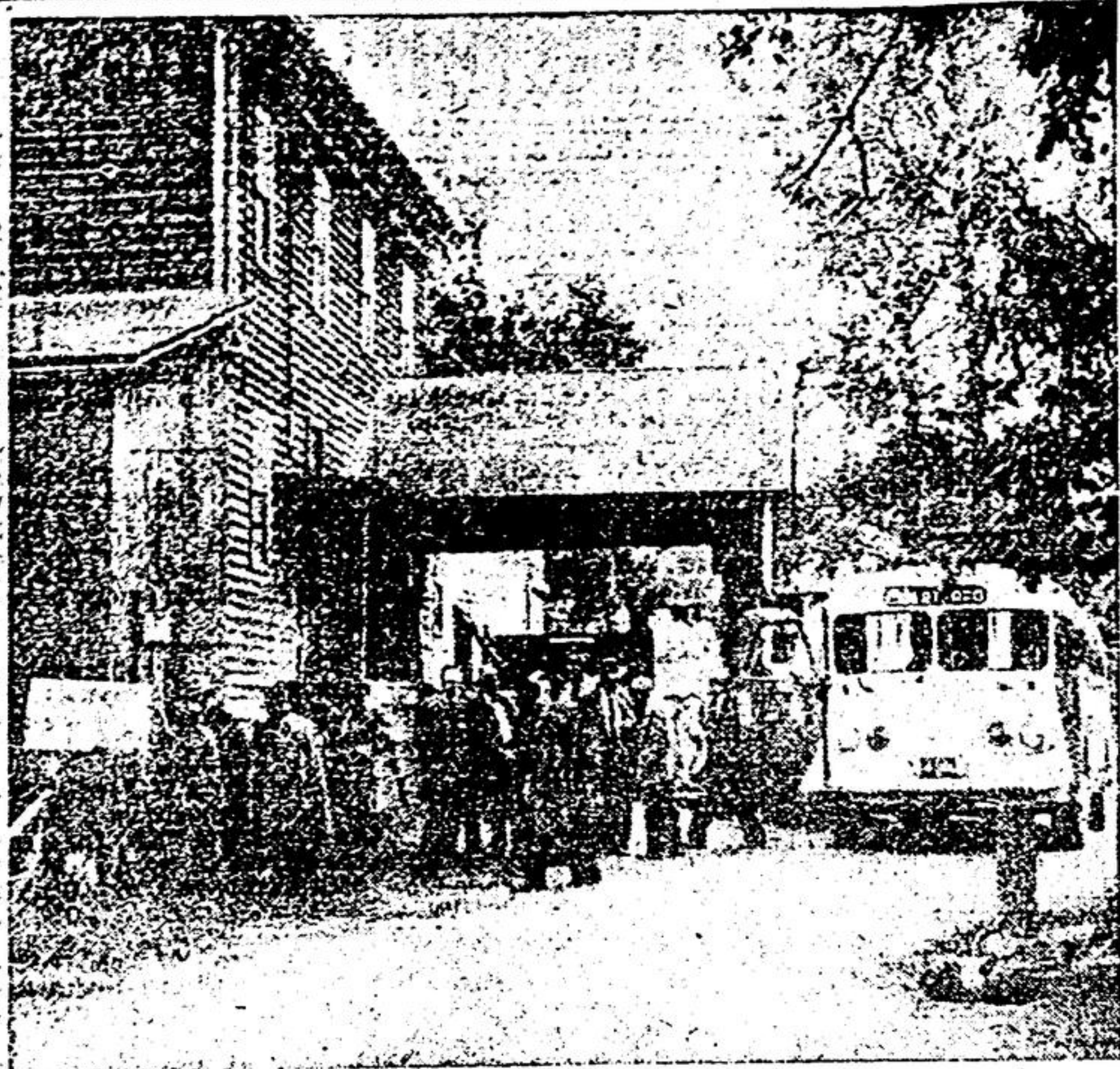


Local Conservation Efforts



Private use of the upper branch of Rouge has been imaginative and successful. Property owner on the Gornley-Stouffville road dammed the stream and established an artificial lake in front of his home.



The past weighs heavily upon Ontario's conservation authorities. Recently the RDHP Conservation Authority held a tour of its watersheds under the leadership of Chairman C. H. Purcell. All of the projects suggested to the authority members were designed to correct mistakes of years ago, or to perpetuate the glories of the past.

The authority is responsible for four streams flowing through 308 square miles of countryside east of Toronto — the Rouge River, Highland, Duffin's and Petticoat Creeks. Of the four, the Rouge is the largest, Duffin's Creek the most annoying.

Major project offered for the authority's consideration was a \$150,000 scheme to curb Duffin's Creek. There are some 60 homes in the flood plain of the river on the west side of Pickering Village. Of these, 30 are endangered to greater or lesser degree by spring floods.

The floods, which spill over No. 2 Highway west of the village, are usually caused by ice jams. For \$70,000, said W. A. Scott of Kilborn Engineering, the authority can straighten

the channel of the river sufficiently to rid it of ice. For \$150,000 a more complete job of channel improvement can be carried out.

Obviously, if Pickering Township Council had had superhuman foresight, years ago, there would have been zoning restrictions against the establishment of permanent residences in the path of Duffin's Creek floods. Successive councils were merely human, and now the problem is in the lap of the authority.

Value of the homes endangered by the creek exceeds the cost of channel improvement. The Province would contribute 37½ percent of channel improvement costs. But the difficult question is: Should the authority spend public funds to protect those who accepted the risk of establishing themselves within reach of the floods?

For \$12,000, the old Milne dam on the Rouge in the southeast corner of Markham Village can be replaced. There is no flood problem on the Rouge. In fact, Conservation Branch officers are somewhat diffident about recommending flood con-

Preservation of the Bruce Bros. mill, west of Stouffville, may become project of RDHP (Rouge, Duffin, Highland, Petticoat) Conservation Authority. Dam was washed out several years ago. Mill (left) is last one in Toronto area with an overshot wheel. For \$18,000, the old Milne dam (right) at Markham Village can be replaced to make a bathing and boating pond.

Control works on any of the streams.

But the Milne dam site could be converted into a pleasant recreation area. The concrete wings of the spillway are still standing. Reconstruction of the dam would be chiefly a matter of moving enough earth to join the spillway to the banks.

From Unionville through Markham to Stouffville, the countryside was settled by the German farmers who came to Canada with William von Moll Berczy. Advisors on history would have authority to buy some of the old homes, and have them preserved in perpetuity as museums. Last week

no price tags could be put on such activities. The authority is only two years old.

Throughout last week's tour of the watershed, there was an occasional mention of soil conservation and reclamation. But such lip service as was paid the basic practices that are needed to preserve the rich soil of the valleys for the future was only incidental. Correction of past errors, and preservation of a century and a half of history were given more attention.

The families who worked the lands along the valleys were conservationists, though they would not have recognized the word. Among themselves they were "good farmers" — their land was productive and they cherished it. Yet the historians who made the tour with the authority had nothing to say of their farming methods.

Mr. Purcell is an energetic and forceful man. As chairman of the newest authority in the Metropolitan Toronto area, he has a fine opportunity. He can persuade the historians to delve a little deeper into the past, and discover how the Berczy settlers and their descendants protected and preserved their land.

Top Holsteins Going to Spain

A shipment of eleven top Holsteins left Malton Airport Oct. 10 for Madrid, Spain. Included were seven bulls and four females, all of them Blue Bloods representing the finest families of the Holstein breed yet developed in Canada.

The cattle were bought by the Spanish Department of Agriculture at Madrid. The bulls are a follow-up to a group sent last year for use in the government's artificial breeding program for the improvement of Spanish dairy cows. The heifers are the first Holstein females ever exported from Canada to Spain.

Contributing to the shipment were: C. J. Cerswell, Beeton; A. Seiling, Elmira; Ashville Farms Milton; Bruce Thornton, Thamesford; Robert M. Perrin, Ayr; Harvey Ackert & Son, Kincardine; C. O. DeLottinville, Brantford; Chas. A. Tomlinson, Hollywood and Hays Farms, Oakville.

FIRST PEANUT HARVEST IN ONT.

Four brothers, Jay, Monte, Archie and Gordon Coyle of Tillsonburg are busy these days harvesting their first crop of peanuts from an experimental plot situated at the rear of their wholesale plant here.

The brothers who purchase and roast several tons of peanuts in their plant have started an experiment that could have far reaching effects in this district if successful.

Although a field of tobacco adjoining the peanut plot was frozen in the first frost, the peanut plants are green and untouched.

The peanuts are well developed, healthy and according to Jay Coyle a far better sample than expected the first year. Canada imports \$60,000,000 worth of peanuts annually.

A writer says that home-grown things are always best. If he's talking about children, who wants to argue with him.

In the past 12 months Americans have purchased enough wallpaper to circle the world 25 times at the Equator.

rates and customs declaration forms.

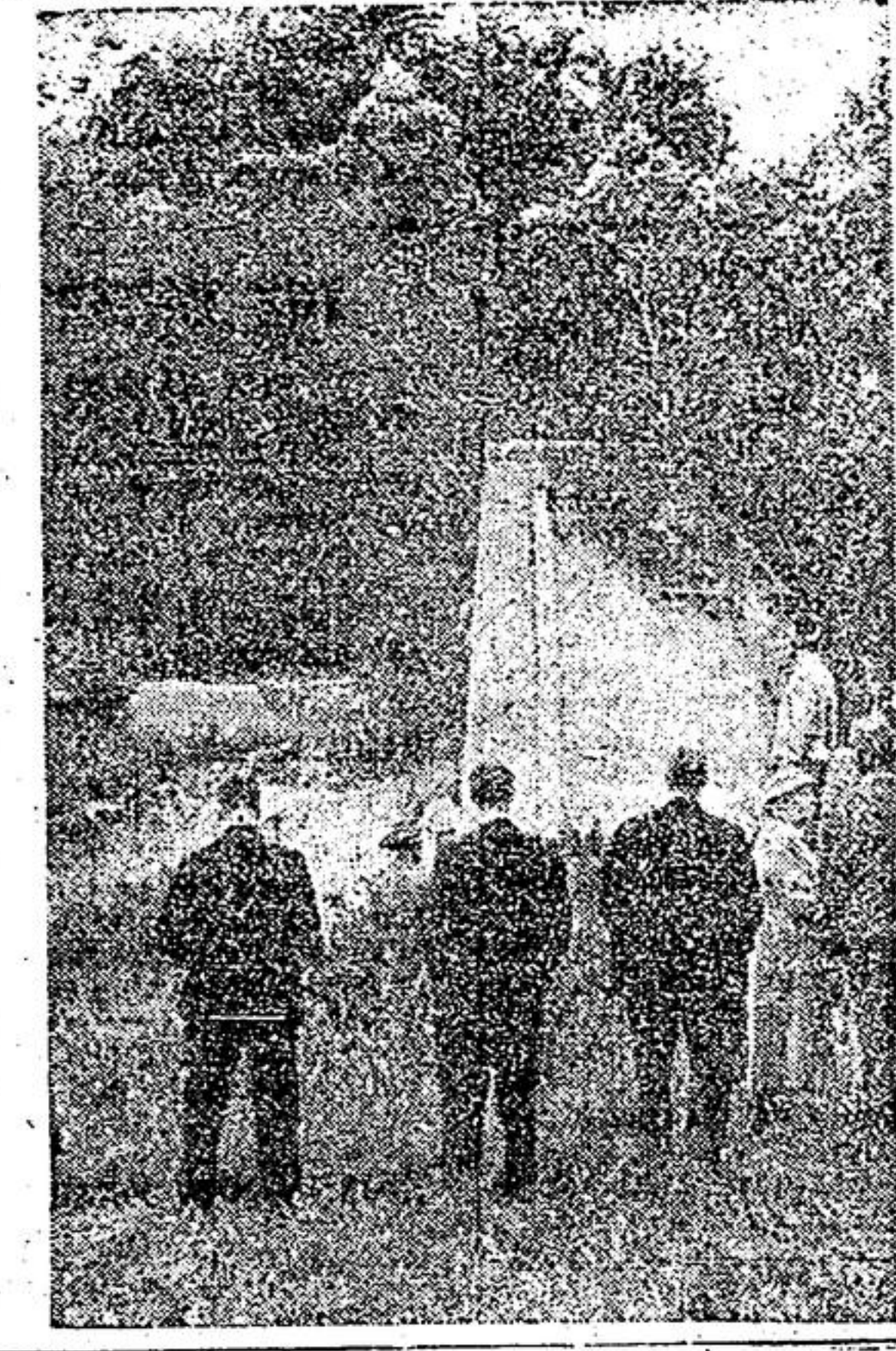
DEADLINE FOR CHRISTMAS MAIL TO SERVICEMEN

Deadline dates for Christmas mail to members of the Canadian Armed Forces serving overseas follow:

Surface letters and parcels destined for servicemen in Japan and Korea should be mailed in time to reach San Francisco, Cal., not later than Nov. 15. Airmail letters and air parcel post must arrive in San Francisco by December 7.

Surface letters and parcels for servicemen in the United Kingdom and continental Europe must reach Montreal not later than Nov. 25. Air parcel post for the United Kingdom and Europe will reach the servicemen in time for Christmas if posted to reach Montreal not later than Dec. 14; air mail letters not later than December 16.

Postal authorities urge Canadian citizens to check with local post offices regarding parcel content regulations, postage



The Sunday School Lesson

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Verse 8—"Bring forth therefore fruits worthy of repentance..." True repentance will be evident in humility and good works rather than in boasting of our religious ancestry.

Verse 15—"... all men mused of John, whether he were the Christ, or not." The profound impression of John's ministry on the populace aroused the Messianic hope and expectancy, and doubtless his rugged and fearless character suggested a national leader equal to the task of national emancipation and recovery.

Verse 16—"John answered, I indeed baptize you with water... he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire." John reduced the identity of Messiah to the type of baptism ministered. Since his baptism was only that of water, symbolic of repentance, he could not be the Christ. The mightier One would bring the mightier baptism, not a symbolic, but an effective baptism—"in the Holy Spirit and fire," as the Greek has it.

Verse 17—"... he will gather the wheat into his garner; but the chaff he will burn with fire unquenchable." Here is a look to the end, Christ is the great separator, the Judge. Compare Christ's own parables of the Wheat and the Tares, and the Dragnet (Matt. 13:24-30, 36-40, 47-50).

Verse 18—"And many other things..." preached he unto the people. "We have only samples of John's preaching."

Verse 19—"But Herodias..." reproved... for Herodias his brother Philip's wife. "John was no respecter of persons. Sin in the king was still sin, and he reproved it as faithfully as he did the sin of the humblest."

Verse 20—"... he shut up John in prison." For the rest of the story—see Mat. 14:1-12.

Verse 21—"... Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened." Jesus came as one of the people, not for sin of His own but because He had come to bear the sins of others. Only Luke mentions Jesus praying at the time of baptism.

Verse 22—"And the Holy Ghost descended upon him, and a voice said, Thou art my beloved Son; in Thee I am well pleased." This was the "anointing" for Ministry, and the sign to John that this was the One of whom he preached.

The Heart of the Lesson

John had a mission, and he knew it, and knew what it was. He knew its importance and its limitations. He was a work of preparation, and therefore did not have that note of finality which characterized Christ. His mission had been foretold in the prophets. He recognized himself there, and so knew his place in the economy of God and the whole scheme of salvation.

Such knowledge of one's calling gives one great confidence and authority. These certainly marked John's ministry. There was no uncertainty, no hesitancy, but a bold and definitive message. He was a messenger of righteousness, calling men to repentance. He would not allow his baptism to degenerate into another religious rite that would aggravate the already too manifest, self-righteousness of the Pharisees, but demanded evidence of repentance in righteous living. Luke gives us some of the ethical content of John's preaching, applicable to various segments of the populace.

He had his Christology, too. His preaching centered upon Christ. All his ethics were but a preparation for Christ. His baptism in water pointed to a greater baptism, not symbolic but effective, which would be the mark of the finality of the ministry of Christ—the baptism in the Holy Spirit and fire. While his was the authority of a herald, Christ's was that of the final Judge. Men's relation to Him would determine final and everlasting destiny.

Such fearless and faithful ministry could not but cut across the deep-seated wickedness of men, especially when this wickedness sat in high places. John would not wink at sin in the royal palace, so he clashed with Herod, who was living in adulterous relationship with his brother's wife Herodias. That meant prison, and finally death.

But before he was imprisoned, John had the rare privilege of baptizing the Lord Jesus Himself, for whom it was no act of repentance, but an act of public commitment to the ministry which would be culminated in the deeper baptism of death. At Jesus, then, committed Himself to that ministry, Heaven itself responded with a threefold witness. The veil between parted, and for Jesus in that hour Heaven and earth became one. The Holy Spirit, who certainly filled Jesus from birth (He so filled John (Luke 1:15), came upon Him in invisible form as a dove, and the Father's good pleasure was audibly expressed. Here was an anointing for service, with renewed assurance of that unique relation with God of which He had spoken even at the age of twelve (2:19). The work of John was finished. From this moment, to use his own words, "He must increase, but I must decrease" (John 3:30) did not have that note of finality.

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