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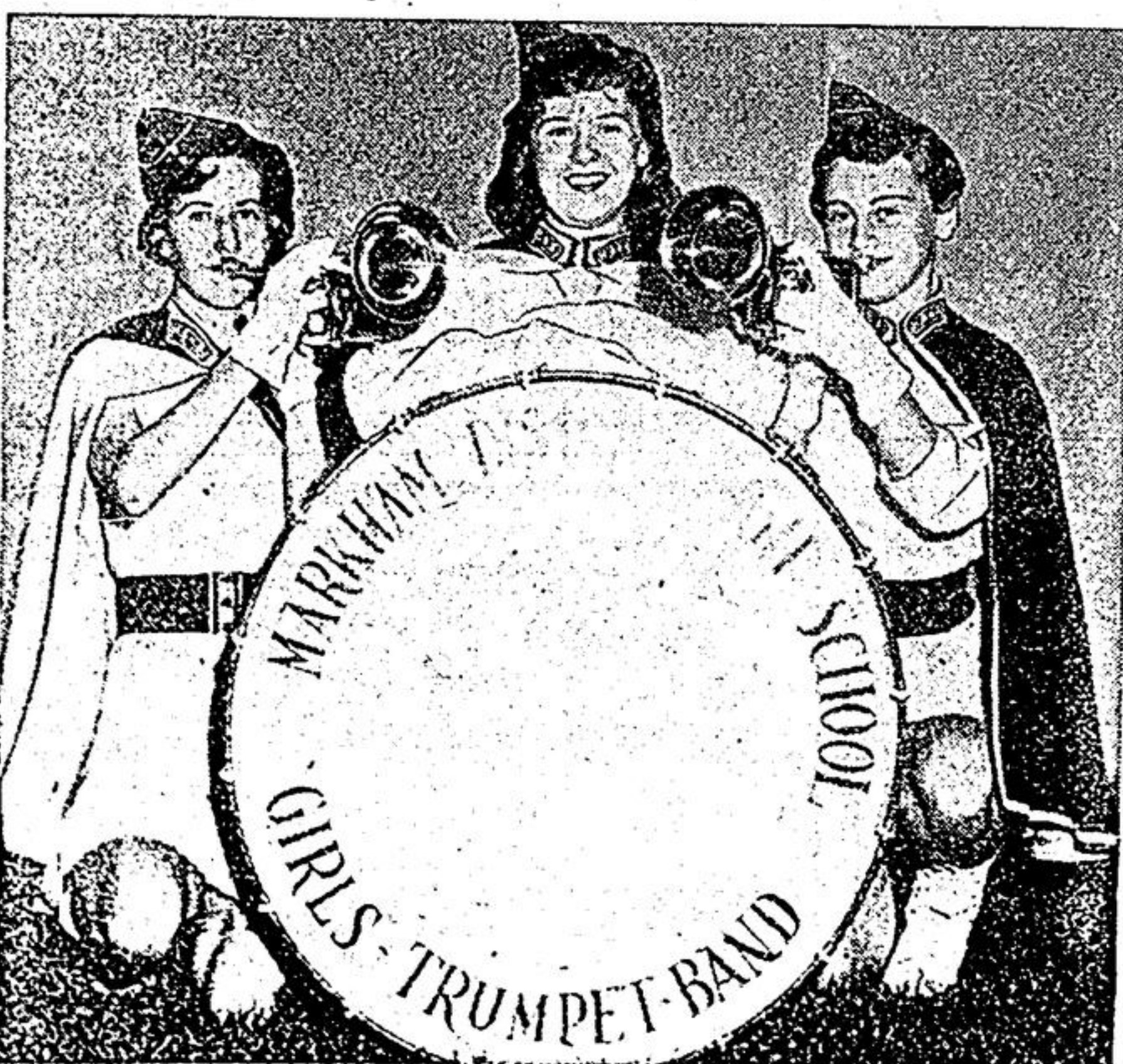
Markham Orangemen Play Host on Centennial



Major Alex McKenzie, MPP for North York, is seen here (left), chatting with Jacob Gould, 79, District, who has been in these parades for the past 60 years (centre), and right, Reeve Jos. Fry of Markham Village.



Wm. Hunt who depicted King Billy on the white horse and headed the Orange Parade on Markham's Main Street. (left) and the Glorious Twelfth along



Ready to blow horns and parade, are members of the band (from left)—Madeleine Hagerman, Carol Campbell and Carole Mears.

Predict Election in Whitchurch Twp.

A nomination meeting will be held in Vandorf Hall this Friday evening to fill the vacancy caused by the death of councilor Deles Graham. The meeting time is 8 p.m.

While in many instances nominations for such by-elections result in an acclamation to fill the vacancy, it is predicted that an election may result from Friday night's meeting. Several names are being mentioned as possible candidates, among them Herb Simpson, John Wylie and Wm. Card, the latter two being candidates at the last December election.

200 Tractors Needed For Big Plowing Match

While most of the people of the province are just beginning to bask in the warmth of summer, one large and energetic group of Ontario citizens is already preparing for the brisk days of autumn.

They are the various committees, both local and provincial, who are charged with the duty of preparing for the 43rd International Plowing Match to be held at Brooklin, Ontario County from October 9 to 12 inclusive.

During the past few weeks the various local committees, as well as the various committees of the Ontario Plowmen's Association, under whose auspices the match is held, have been busy laying the groundwork for the big show.

Some idea of the gigantic task facing them can be gained from the fact that some 200 tractors of various makes have to be provided. Accommodation has to be arranged for hundreds of contestants, to say nothing of the thousands of visitors who annually take in the International.

For the four-day match virtually an entire city must be erected and serviced. This entails the provision of sanitary services and an adequate supply of pure water, electricity, telephones, restaurants and several acres of parking space. In addition, acres of tents and exhibit space must be provided.

Of great importance in certain sections of the province, contour plowing will again be included in this year's competition. This class was eliminated at last year's match at Leamington where it was impossible to find a suitable location adjacent to the match.

In addition, more than usual interest is being evinced in the County Farmstead Improvement competition. Many Ont. County farmers having started to improve their lands and buildings with an eye to the generous prizes allotted in this connection.

On the local level the Ontario County Committee is sparing no effort to provide a County Exhibit worthy of the important part Ontario County plays in Ontario's agricultural scene.

F. A. Lashley, Secretary-Manager of the Ontario Plowmen's Association, stated today that the prize list covering some 40 classes would be available within a few days. Copies of the list may be secured by writing Mr. Lashley, care of the Ont. Dept. of Agriculture, Toronto.

"Even at this early date there has been a large number of applications for exhibit space at the match," said Mr. Lashley. "It would appear that even more exhibitors than in previous years will take advantage of the International to display their products. I am confident that the year will be a banner one in the history of the Association for all committees are working hard at preparing for the best International yet."

Markham Tp. Constable Cheats Death with Fast Run to City Hospital

Markham Township Constable John McGhee is credited with saving the life of an 11 month old baby boy, Brent Wickes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wickes, 74 Steeles Avenue East, on Friday night. Constable McGhee was out on patrol when Mr. Wickes telephoned the station and requested a police escort to hospital. He said his son had suffered a collapsed windpipe. Sgt. Harvey Cox took the message and radioed P. C. McGhee. A few moments later, the cruiser was at the Wickes' door and the child was placed in the waiting car. Twelve minutes later, the cruiser arrived at the Sick Children's Hospital and the baby was immediately placed in an oxygen tent. The doctor in charge said a delay of four or five minutes would have meant death to the infant. The child was suffering from a disease known as trachitis, an ailment common to babies. It is fatal unless immediate treatment is administered.

Mr. and Mrs. Wickes were loud in their praise of the quick response by the Markham police. "I had no sooner hung up the receiver when the cruiser pulled up in front of the door," he said. Mrs. Wickes said the child was suffering from a slight cold when she put him to bed early Friday evening. Around eleven o'clock he started coughing and gasping for breath. By the time they reached the hospital his face was turning blue. Following treatment, doctors said that Brent's chances of recovery were good.

Vivian Bible School Drew Nearly Two Hundred

Much hard work on the part of workers and students, perfect co-operation among workers and parents made the week of Vacation School a resounding success at Vivian church from July 9-13.

The school was under the leadership of the Pastor, Rev. W. S. Whitcombe, who was supported by a fine group of church members, young people, and interested friends from the community. Transportation was made available by the kindness of Mr. George Smalley who put one of his large trucks at the disposal of Mr. Earl Grose, who took holidays so as to help, as did also Mr. Norm Fockler. Mrs. Geo. Baker filled her truck and many other kind friends filled their cars with one or more capacity loads each day.

The school began on Monday with 150 registered, and the attendance mounted steadily each day to 180, 190, 193 and 195. In spite of most inclement weather the parents, children and friends packed the church to overflowing on Friday night for the closing programme.

The theme of the week's studies was "The Life of Christ." To teach as much as possible of the facts and the meaning of that matchless life, Mr. Whitcombe had five film strips from the Birth to the Resurrection of Christ. Ten classes then formed for intensive study of the day's episode and at the close, mimeographed questions were given to all 8 and over. Mrs. Whitcombe corrected daily an average of 87 sheets, and of these over 40 earned prizes by attaining 75% or over. The work was arduous but lightened by the novel spelling and the sometimes too original answers but even more by the evidence of the close attention these children were paying to these eternal truths.

More than 80 boys and girls of all ages learned the prescribed memory work and earned worthwhile prizes for their labours while storing, for a lifetime, memory's chambers with the Good Seed.

The closing night's program was put on by the children themselves as they recited Scripture passages from the 4 Gospels which recounted the main events of the Life of Christ. Almost every child had some share either in recitation or singing, and they did it very well indeed. Those who took the Narration on Friday night did so over and above the work of the others. They were Dorothy and David LeGresley, Dawn and Gale Grose, David Berland, Floyd and Ken Fockler, Shirley and Don Taber, Beth Whitcombe, Pauline Sytema, Anna Viliik, Maribel Moynihan, Jim Reid, Dorothy Pollock, Jim Smalley, Muriel Loveless, and a special recitation by Little Wayne Pratt.

Over 200 prizes were distributed at the close for attendance, memory work and answers to the questions.

Investigate \$2,000 Theft Of Goods

Markham Township Police are investigating the theft of \$2,000 worth of furs, clothing, silverware and personal effects from the home of Mrs. F. B. Housser, 10th concession, south of Cedar Grove. The robbery was reported by Mrs. Housser when she returned home on Tuesday. She had been absent from her residence since July 5th.

The thieves gained entry through a basement window. The telephone lines were cut, which leads police to believe that the robbers thought the house was occupied at the time. A varied assortment of articles were taken but no tire tracks were visible near the home. Mrs. Housser was the victim of an armed robbery one year ago when a quantity of jewelry was taken. P.C. Lew Durant is investigating.

Markham Man Killed, Driver is Charged

William Schep, 26, Wales Ave., Markham, died en route to hospital Friday night after being thrown into a ditch when his car was hit broadside by another at the intersection of the 4th Concession and Steeles Ave. Police charged Fred Hughes, 35, of Parkchester Rd., North York, the driver of the other car which was eastbound on Steeles Ave., with criminal negligence and careless driving. Police from No. 3 division, North York, said Hughes failed to stop at a stop sign.

Police had difficulty notifying his wife as his personal effects still bore the address of a home in east Toronto, from which the family moved to Markham three weeks ago. Coroner Dr. R. C. Ritchie ordered a post mortem.

FINED FOR SUB-STANDARD HOUSE

In a drive against sub-standard housing, Markham Twp. last week registered a conviction against a resident of Carville Rd. E. who had persisted in living in a trailer shack contrary to a Township by-law. Appearing in Magistrate's Court at Newmarket, the accused was fined \$50 and costs by Magistrate Hollinrake, when found guilty of contravening the Land Restriction by-law. The investigation was handled by Planning Director R. Forrest.

BIBLE SCHOOL HAD RECORD TURNOUT

The closing exercises of the Daily Vacation Bible School, under the leadership of Rev. and Mrs. F. Huson and their staff, were held Friday night in the arena with the children taking part in singing and memory work.

A large display of the work done was shown. The enrollment this year was the highest ever—350. The highest daily attendance was 285, with an average attendance of 268.

WOULD PRESERVE MARKHAM HISTORY

Markham Township Council on Monday unanimously approved a suggestion by prominent local historian, Miss Blodwyn Davies, that Council approve the setting up of a Rural Life Foundation to preserve the historical background of Markham Township.

A resident of Cedar Grove, Miss Davies has exhibited a strong interest in local folklore since she took up residence in the township several years ago. She is also the author of several books.

Council has approved the setting up of a five member provisional committee to investigate the legal and financial aspects of establishing such a foundation. Members of the provisional committee are Messrs. R. G. Green, E. Harper, F. Wickes, E. Stiver, and H. Brennan. Former Premier George S. Henry has offered to serve on the committee in an advisory capacity. The committee will report its findings to council.

To Pave Five Miles of Pickering Township Road

At a special meeting of Pickering Township Council on Monday evening, tenders were let for the paving of six roads in the municipality. The work will be done this year. The K. L. Beamish Construction Co. will do the work on the Markham-Pickering Townline, the Altona-Miller Paving Co. will pave the Old Forest Road, Rouge Hill Drive and Harwood, Ave. The tender price ranged from \$637.00 per ton to \$725.00 per ton. The work will cover 4.8 miles of road in the Township. Some three or four miles of road is paved in Pickering every year under an organized road program.

Council granted approval to the Consumer's Gas Co. to lay a line along Concession 1 from Scarborough to Dunbarton. The work will be completed within a couple of months.

Stouffville Arena Co. Ends Good Financial Year, Name New Board

Shareholders of the Stouffville Arena Co. gathered on Thursday evening for their annual meeting and to hear a report on the year's activities. The Arena Company completed a good financial year and disposed of some indebtedness incurred during 1954-55. Revenue from the arena snack bar was the highest on record, showing a gross turnover of more than \$10,000. Skating revenue was nearly \$4,100 and money from hockey practice \$8,222.25. Summertime income amounted to \$1,529.90.

Largest expense, in addition to salaries, was again services from the Village of Stouffville, amounting to more than \$4,000, taxes alone taking a thousand dollars.

Three of the company directors retired this year—L. E. O'Neill, Reg Button who has been a director since the company was formed, and Walter Brillinger. The directors conveyed following the public meeting and elected the following to office: Ken Lushway, president; Les Wilson, vice pres.; Gar Lehman, Les Clarke, Don Lewis, Fred Steckley and Herb. Hisey, directors; the last three named are new this term.

Hit-and-Run Driver Crashes Accident Scene On 4th at Buttonville

Police cruisers from North York, Markham and Vaughan Townships encircled the Don Mills Road area south of No. 7 Highway, in the early hours of Sunday morning and nabbed Edward W. Judge, 21, of 54 Court Drive, Toronto. He has been charged with criminal negligence and with failing to remain at the scene of an accident.

Three passengers, two girls and a boy were questioned and later released.

Judge's car crashed into a tow truck that was clearing away the wreckage of two vehicles involved in a head-on collision one hour previous. The truck driver, Earl Wideman of Gormley came within inches of being clipped by the fast-moving car. The hit and run auto bounced off the side of the tow truck and side-swiped one of the damaged cars parked on the highway shoulder.

Wideman jumped in his car and gave chase. Within minutes, cruisers from three surrounding police detachments joined in the chase at speeds over 90 miles per hour. The runaway vehicle was nabbed on Sheppard Ave.

The head-on collision was the second serious accident on the 4th concession within 36 hours. William Schep of Markham Village was fatally injured late Friday night at the intersection of Don Mills Road and Steeles Ave.

Admitted to the East General Hospital with serious injuries was Mr. Lloyd Tomlinson, 31 Victor Avenue, Toronto and his wife, a passenger in the car. Mrs. Tomlinson was thrown 15 feet to the pavement and suffered a fractured skull, dislocated left hip, face and knee lacerations. Her husband suffered a fractured left thigh, dislocated right ankle, a fractured skull and chest injuries. The driver of the other car, Fred Strickland, also of Toronto, escaped with head and face lacerations. It is believed that Strickland may have fallen asleep at the wheel. The Tomlinson auto, a 1953 Studebaker, was completely wrecked. Constable Evan Kelly of Markham Township Police investigated.

LOSES SISTER

Funeral service for Muriel Middlemiss, a leading educationist twice decorated for her work in connection with kindergartens, was held in Newmarket on Monday. Miss Middlemiss died Friday.

For the past 24 years Miss Middlemiss has been kindergarten director at Kapuskasing. She was honored with both the George VI Coronation medal and citation and the Queen Elizabeth Coronation medal and citation.

Earn and educated in Brantford, Miss Middlemiss continued her studies in Toronto. For some years she taught kindergarten at the Ontario School for the Blind. She was an active worker in the United Church and in Girl Guides.

She leaves a brother, Keith, of Stouffville; three sisters, Mrs. R. G. Green, Newmarket; Mrs. J. Sheridan Boles of Smithville, and Eva Middlemiss of Brantford.

DEATH

ALSO — Alice Maud Bacon, of Fairview Lodge, Whitby, on Tuesday, July 17th, 1956. Alice Maud Bacon, beloved wife of the late Joseph Alsop and dear mother of Mrs. Frank Judd, of Atherley, in her 84th year. Resting at the funeral home of McGuire and Lowe, Uxbridge. Service in the Chapel on Thursday, July 19th, at 2 p.m. Interment in Uxbridge Cemetery.

HUNDRED LODGES AT ORANGE WALK IN MARKHAM

A hundred Orange Lodges were represented in the annual July 12th Walk held for the East York Area in Markham on Thursday. The occasion was significant for LOL 548 of Markham Village, which, on this 266th commemoration of the Battle of the Boyne, was marking one hundred years of existence. It was the first Orange Parade held in Markham since 1927.

The celebration included the annual Walk, a circus and races and contests in the park. One of the judges of the best decorated homes and business places was Reeve Jos. Fry who marched as a banner-boy in 1911.