

Only Four Oppose New County Building

York County is to have a new administration building. Approval was given for the construction of a \$150,000 building when County Council met in Newmarket on Tuesday, April 16. Four councillors opposed the project.

The new two-storey structure which will be approximately 80 feet long and 60 feet wide will be built south of the present County administration building on Second St. It will contain a council chamber and offices for the clerk-treasurer and assessor and their staffs.

The present building will house the Children's Aid Society offices at present in temporary quarters on Davis Drive West, Newmarket, and the Juvenile and Family Relations court and Probation Offices. The latter are located in rented quarters in Aurora.

In presenting the report of the property committee, Chairman Elmer Daniels, reeve of Stouffville, said the council chambers were cramped and that extra office accommodation must be provided for administration purposes. He told council that approximately \$4,000 a year was paid in rent for the present quarters of the Children's Aid Society and the Juvenile and Family Relations Court. That would be saved when these county agencies move into the present County administration building which was donated to York County by Miss Mabel Davis.

The need for more adequate council chambers and additional office space was first presented to council in 1955 by the retiring warden of 1954, Jack Rye of East Gwillimbury. It was recommended that the present council chambers be enlarged.

A similar report was made by Warden Ralph Corner in 1955. The following year, Warden Marshall McMurchy recommended a new administration building with the present one being used for other county purposes.

The property committee reported to the June, 1956 session of County Council that it would be unwise to enlarge the present building. A fact finding committee was named to determine the accommodation requirements to be provided in a new building. The property committee

was authorized to select a suitable building site.

An option was taken on a site on Davis Drive East but was not approved by council. A site to the north of the present location was considered. Other county administration buildings were visited.

The 1957 Property Committee continued this work. After inspections of other properties, Chairman Daniels in his report said the committee considered the property on which the county buildings are situated as the best site. The new buildings will be erected south of the present county offices, the former residence of the Davis family.

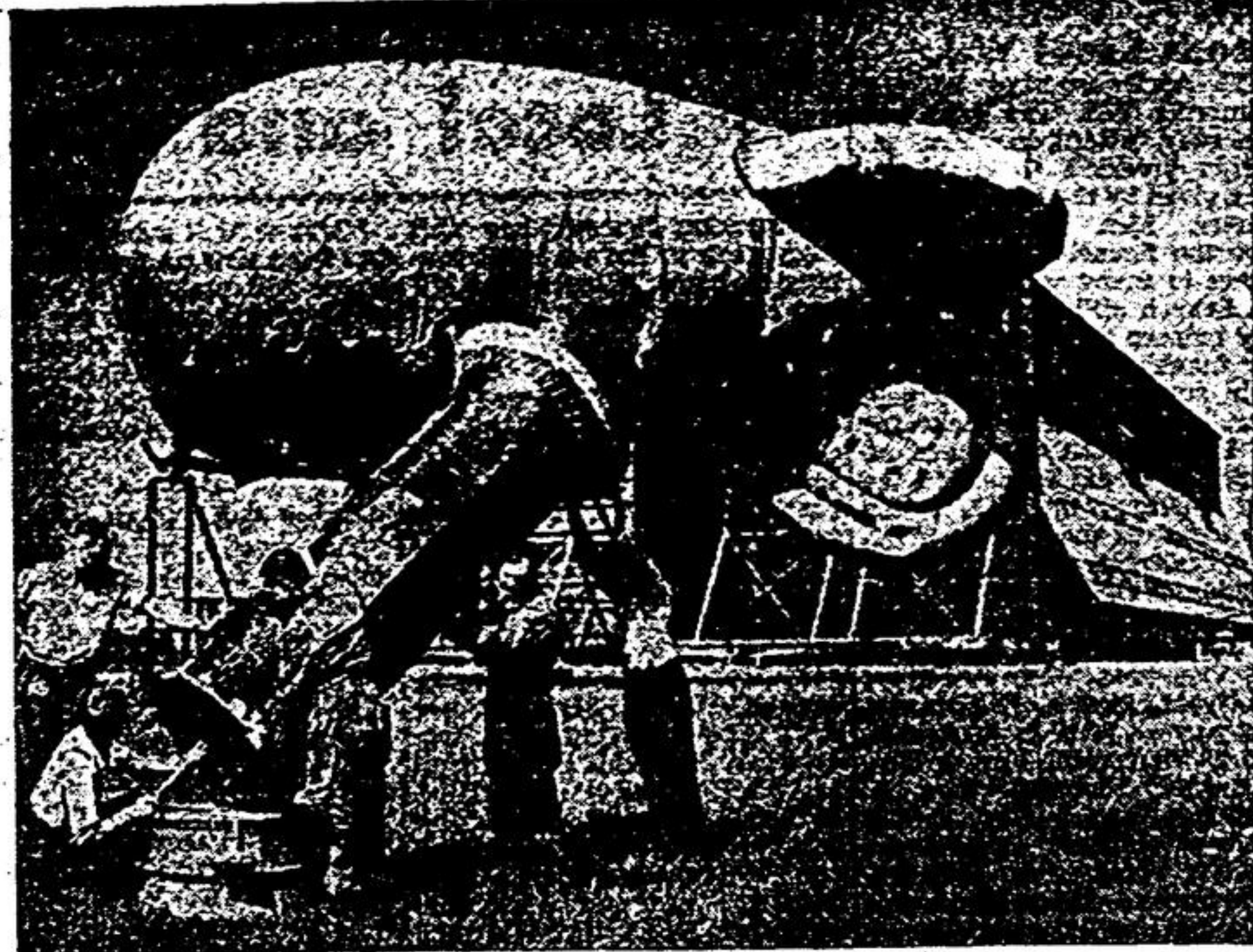
Opposition Voiced
"We are crowded in here for a few sessions each year, but we have plenty of room for offices," said Deputy Reeve Donald Deacon of Markham Township. "It seems folly for us to spend \$150,000 to provide ourselves with nicer accommodations. It will add \$15,000 to our yearly expenses to pay off the debentures on a new \$150,000 building," he added.

"We will not have to debenture for the full amount, probably only \$50,000," replied reeve Daniels. "We have approximately \$100,000 from the sale of former county properties and this should be used, in my opinion to provide a building which will serve the county for years to come."

"I can well imagine why everyone would like a fancier building," said Mr. Deacon, "but I feel we can get along with what we have. We should use that money for such necessities as road improvements."

"There is a definite need for extra office space," replied Warden W. J. Taylor, reeve of Richmond Hill. "The administrative staff is cramped for room. We must increase our staff soon. The Children's Aid Society and the Juvenile and Family Relations court are happy to locate in this building. We would not have that expense of \$4,000 a year for rent."

"The property committee has done an excellent job," commented Finance Chairman Fred Armstrong, reeve of Woodbridge. "This matter has been discussed for several years. It is high time we did something



LEAVING THEM BUG-EYED—Agricultural experts engaged in pest control work in Hertfordshire, England, use a balloon trailing an insect trap to pull bugs out of the air for scientific study. The experts are trying to find out how weather conditions cause insects to be deposited on crops and affect their numbers.

about providing the county with necessary additional space. I move the report be adopted in its entirety."

"I am not the oldest member of council," said Reeve John Perry of Vaughan township in rising to oppose the calling for a vote on the question at that time. "I can't understand how so many members of council have forgotten the value of the dollar."

"I agree with Mr. Armstrong that the property committee has done a good job," he continued. "But the spending of \$150,000 should take some consideration and thought. There is an attempt within county council to push things through too quickly. I am not in agreement with the presentation that there is a need for the new building."

Mr. Perry reminded council of a resolution passed at an earlier county council session which called for a notice to be given members prior to a meeting on an important issue. He said he had not known the new administration building was on Tuesday's agenda.

"I am not saying that the County Council set up is obsolete but the time is near when it will be," said Mr. Perry. "It

will not be long before the municipality forming Metropolitan Toronto forms an amalgamation and the neighboring municipalities will form the metropolitan area. Where would the county of York be without the southern municipalities?"

"It would be folly for us to go back to our people and say these chambers are inadequate. We have a responsibility to our own ratepayers. As the representative of the largest municipality by population I cannot support it. My deputy reeve and I oppose it 100 percent," added Mr. Perry.

Deputy Reeve Victor Jones of Aurora supported Mr. Perry's views. Deputy Reeve Robert Kirk of Vaughan did likewise.

"There was agreement in last year's county council that additional space was required," replied Reeve Roy Pollock of N. Gwillimbury. "This building is suitable for the other county agencies which will use it and we are justified in providing larger council chambers and additional office space."

Many other members of council supported the report of the property committee. These included Reeve Howard Anderson of Georgina Township, County Commissioner William Hodg-

son, reeve of King township, Deputy Reeves Clark Martin of N. Gwillimbury, and Mrs. MacNaughton of Newmarket and others.

Reeve Clarence Davis of Aurora, agreed that a new building was needed but questioned the proposed site. He recommended that it be built on a main highway where the taxpayers could see it.

Reeve William Clark of Markham township disagreed with Mr. Davis' views and said the property committee had selected correctly in keeping the new building on the Davis property. He said more detailed information on the proposed financing of the project should have been provided the members.

"The municipalities are the worst offenders for spending too much," said Mr. Perry. "The Minister of Finance at Ottawa has challenged the municipalities to stop their spending."

"I don't feel that \$150,000 for a county administration building is extravagant," replied the County Commissioner, Edward Wrightman, reeve of Newmarket. "The administration building recently constructed for Vaughan township cost in the neighborhood of \$400,000. The new building in Markham was built for \$82,000. If the county can't afford \$150,000 for its new building, there is something wrong."

"I would be remiss in my responsibilities to my municipality if I don't take a stand," said Reeve Sidney Legge. "I feel we do not need extra space. This building will be fully occupied as soon as we move to the new one."

"We do need it and we should not delay the decision any longer," said Reeve William Sellers of Sutton. "If we moved from this property we would forfeit it. In all my travels last year in visiting other county buildings I never came across any situation where the council chambers were as crowded as we are here. Action on a new building is past due," he charged.

VANDORF

Mrs. Grant Morley Vandorf Women's Institute met at the Community Hall on Wednesday, April 17. At this meeting the election of officers took place and the new officers for 1957-58 are as follows. Pres., Mrs. Donald Bassett; 1st Vice Pres., Mrs. Arthur Starr; 2nd Vice Pres., Mrs. Stewart Burnette; 3rd Vice Pres., Mrs. Michael Van Nostrand; Secretary-Treas., Mrs. Geo. VanNostrand; District Director, Mrs. Grant Morley; Branch Directors, Mrs. H. C. Powell, Mrs. Fred Van Nostrand, Mrs. A. C. McTaggart; Pianist, Miss Pearl Cale; Assist. Pianist, Mrs. Douglas Alcorn; Standing Committees - Agriculture & Canadian Industries, Mrs. H. Hillary; Home Economics and Health, Mrs. Arkel; Historical Research - Mrs. George Richardson; Community Activities and Public Relations, Mrs. Stewart Burnette; Citizenship and Education - Mrs. Bromley; Resolutions, Mrs. Arthur Starr, Mrs. Michael Van Nostrand, Mrs. H. Sleeth.

The Wesley Women's Evening Auxiliary will meet at the home of Mrs. Stewart Burnette on Tuesday evening, April 30.

Miss Barbara Bramhill of Brampton is spending the Easter Holidays with Miss Ruth White.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Staley of Kempsville spent the Easter weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Richardson. Mrs. Staley will remain with her parents this week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Long and son, Scarboro; Mr. and Mrs. G. Mackey and Bruce spent Easter Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Sproton.

Mr. and Mrs. John White and family, Parry Sound; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Morley, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Morley and Billie spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert White, Bob and Ruth.

Mrs. John White and boys are visiting for the remainder of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Oliver, David, Nancy and Charles of South Vandorf, spent the weekend at their summer cottage on

LOCAL PRESBYTERY CONCERNED OVER NORMAN CASE

At a meeting of the Presbytery of York of the United Church, that body has expressed concern over the result of an action upon the part of a Sub-Committee of the Washington Senate in respect to the late Herbert Norman, Canadian Ambassador to Egypt.

The Presbytery protest to the Speaker of the Senate of Congress, Washington, reads as follows:

- (a) the continued reiteration of charges already thoroughly discredited by the Government of Canada;
- (b) the condemnation of persons upon the basis of innuendo and rumor;
- (c) the publication of charges and the assumption of guilt without due trial of the accused, under circumstances which render a public defence impossible, contrary to all Western and Christian conceptions of justice;
- (d) the straining of international relations by unwarranted transgression of the jurisdiction of an independent and sovereign nation.

This Presbytery is particularly interested since the Norman family has long resided within its bounds and is well known among us.

LEMONVILLE

Dr. and Mrs. Wicks spent the Easter weekend at their summer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Highstad and daughter of Ridgeway spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Fairbanks were at their summer home for the weekend.

Sorry to hear that Nancy Smith is ill with the measles.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gibbons Sr. had as their guests for Sunday supper Mr. and Mrs. Ward and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. John Gibbons and family.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Buchanan and family and Mrs. A. Buchanan of Toronto had supper on Friday with Mr. and Mrs. David Freedy and family.

PINE ORCHARD

Mr. Henry Widdfield spent Tuesday with his granddaughter, Mrs. H. Haines and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Johnston of Claremont were visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Johnston on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Stevens and children, of Toronto, were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Rae McClure.

Earl Johnston spent Sunday with his cousins in Aurora.

Mrs. Wesley Lundy was in Toronto several days and while there attended a friend's wedding.

We are pleased to report that Mrs. Walter Hall is home from York County Hospital following her accident.

Snake Island. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Burns, Barbara and Ian, and Miss Jean Lundy spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Lundy.

Mrs. Donald Bassett was hostess to an afternoon tea on Monday for the Vandorf 4-H Club Girls.

We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Earl Scott and family of Newmarket to our community. They are new residents on the 3rd concession, south.

Township Buys Vandorf School Building

Whitchurch Township has purchased the Vandorf school building which has not been in use now for some time since a new school was built. The old school building stands on the 4th con. adjacent to the township park and municipal office and will be used for municipal purposes.

Council met recently in special session to confirm the purchase at a price of \$4,000.

New Truck Purchased
A resolution to purchase a new truck from Morton Bros., Mt. Albert was rescinded and the tender of Patrick Motors of Stouffville was accepted, of \$5,149.79. The Morton tender was found to be incorrect, necessitating the change.

Notification was received by council at their regular meeting on Thursday evening from the Department of Welfare, stating that in future the province will pay 60% of direct relief costs.

Council agreed to call for plans and specifications for the erection of two bridges, the one at lot 19, con. 2, a 10-ft. span, 6 ft. high and the other at lot 25, con. 3, a 12-ft. span, 8 ft. high.

Two residents complained to council in writing in regards to damage caused by dogs running at large. Council after consideration, agreed that as this area was built up, the bylaw restricting dogs running at large would require to be amended to include the Muirhead sub-division.

A bylaw was given its required readings in which Whitchurch Twp. agrees to bear its portion of debenture in connection with a quarter million dollar addition to the Aurora High School.

Careless use of electricity causes more than 125 fires a week in Canada, according to official insurance figures. Annual cost of such fires is figured at \$8,000,000.

PROCLAMATION REGARDING DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

April 28 to October 27, 1957

Village of Stouffville

By authority of a resolution of the Council of the Village of Stouffville I hereby proclaim the period from April 28th, 1957, until October 27th, 1957, to be a period of daylight saving and I request all citizens of the Village of Stouffville to observe the same by advancing their clocks one hour at 2 a.m. on Sunday, April 28th and turning them back one hour at 2 a.m. on Sunday, October 27th, 1957

ELMER R. DANIELS, Reeve.

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If you are genuinely interested, write fully about yourself for a prompt personal interview. Please give specific phone number or address so we can contact you, otherwise, application cannot be considered.

BOX 20, THE TRIBUNE

Spring Sale

Here it is! The largest springtime sale we have ever put on - gigantic savings in hardware, housewares, garden supplies and sporting goods.

Watering Cans	BUILT STRONG	\$1.75
Lawn Sprinklers	WHIRLWIND	\$1.49
Lawn Brooms	REG. 89c	.69
Car Wash Brush	SAVE 51	\$1.89
Wedge Cushion	PLASTIC	.79
Sea Grass Sponge	FOR ONLY	.49
Folding Lawn Fence	10'	\$1.79
Step Ladders	\$4.98 AND	\$5.98
Hand Saw	26" SET AND FILED	\$2.69



"EXPERT" Garden Tools

- 3-Prong Cultivator, keeps soil loose 98c
- 14-Tooth Garden Rake \$1.69
- 7" Garden Hoe, for killing weeds \$1.59
- Pruning Shears, your choice 98c
- Garden Hose, while they last \$1.99

"FARMCREST"

Wheelbarrows

designed for home, garden or farm, strong all steel construction.

\$10.79

THIS YEAR'S BEST MOWER BUY!

EXPERT "200"

18" Rotary Power Mower Powered with 2 h.p. motor - 3 cutting heights.

\$49.95

GLOVES

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4 FINGER GLOVE

\$5.95



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