



## 2,400 Cars a Day Pass Over Milliken Crossing To Install Wig-Wag

Some time ago Markham Township joined in an application to the Board of Transport Commissioners requesting the installation of a wig-wag at the C.N.R. crossing at Milliken. At Monday night's council meeting it was revealed that a survey had been taken of the traffic on this road and it was found that as many as 2400 cars go over the crossing in a single day. The average number of trains using the line daily is nine. The Board of Transport Commissioners has replied favorably to the request in the light of these figures.

**Unionville Main Street**  
Messrs. Babcock & Scrivener, Engineers, submitted a report on the progress of the survey of work required in repaving and improving the Main Street in Unionville. The Engineers suggested that both hydro lines be moved to the west side of the street and that all the trees on that side be removed. This report was submitted at the request of the Unionville Village Trustees.

Planning Director Forrest of Markham suggested that the hydro lines be run along the old road allowance to the rear of Main St., which would remove them entirely from the street and in this way it would be possible to preserve the trees. This move, it was believed, would appeal to many people who do not object to progress but hate to see the streets left in the condition of a speedway.

Mr. Jorgenson, representing the Engineers, stated that it was possible to use the route suggested by Mr. Forrest, but that it would be more expensive. He also remarked that some of the trees on both sides of the street were not in good condition.

**Doncaster Water Service**  
Mr. Jorgenson of the Babcock Engineering firm stated that they had a price submitted by Leo's Excavating & Grading Co., also Vaughan Construction Co. in connection with the installation of services from the new water mains to be laid in the Doncaster sub-division. He suggested that as the first mentioned firm had given the better quotation, and they had the contract for the mains, it would be advisable to have them do the service work as well.

Councillor Kathleen James asked if it was not customary to advertise for tenders for such work. Apparently no such instructions had been given to the Babcock Engineers and so it was agreed to accept their recommendation, with the understanding that tenders would be called in future.

Water services run to the property line average cost is \$37.50 with the additional cost of the water meter about \$20. The customer pays the meter charge but the \$37.50 is included in the debenture issue.



Mrs. Barkis Reesor, 81, of Township. One of her many scrapbooks (above) contains the life of the first settlers in the district. She was a member of the Research Committee of the Altona Women's Institute. A portion of this information appears on page 5 of this issue.

## Wants More Action in Sub-Div. Development In Whitchurch - Builder

Mr. Grills, a property owner in the Shield's sub-division on the 4th con. of Whitchurch, appeared before the township council on Thursday night, complaining of the lack of services on roads, etc., in the development. He said he would like to see the property placed on a better basis as many people would build desirable homes there if assured of some services.

Mr. Grills built a valuable property on the sub-division and resides there the year round. However, this is contrary to the bylaw under which the sub-division was established, as it was supposed to be a colony of summer homes which would only be used in the summer season and would not develop any school problem.

Mr. Grills was advised by council that the roads in the sub-division could not be accepted by the township, as the Dept. of Highways would not permit the taking over of roads with only 16 ft. width of shallow gravel. The Department demands a gravelled width of not less than 22 ft.

Grills asked that council take steps to amend the bylaw so that the sub-division could be developed on a permanent basis. Councillor Williams questioned the wisdom of such a move in view of many persons having secured lots and built summer homes only used for a couple of months.

Councillor Wylie agreed that the property was desirable and eventually would develop into a permanent homes sub-division. In his address to council, Grills stated that he might accept a nomination for the board. He said he would interview all the residents in the area and obtain a signed petition for a change of the bylaw and he will also interview Mr. Shields and get some action regarding the road requirements for the Dept. of Highways.

**Consumers' Gas Line**  
The Consumers' Gas Company is now laying out the routes for the pipe line to service areas in and near Wilcox Lake. While the Company has the reputation of giving good service in replacing of all property when digging lines, it was thought by council that it was desirable to have these pipe line routes approved by Babcock & Scrivener, Engineers for the township. A delegation composed of Mr. Harry Fry of Whitchurch and Mr. and Mrs. E. Wood of Toronto, appeared before council to request that the road allowance on con. 2, lots 15 and 16 be put in serviceable condition. This is in an area just northwest of Gormley. Mr. Fry stated that it was possible to drive a car for about 80 rods into the property. In 1921 a heavy storm took out the bridge over the stream that runs through the property and it has never been replaced. However, the bridge problem does not affect Mr. Woods, as he only wishes to gain access part way.

The Nesbitt family of Aurora, former owners and operators of the Highland Golf Course, purchased a farm in the same locality last spring and are preparing a new golf course. The opening of this sidewalk would be a definite advantage to them.

Deputy-reeve Richardson was in favor of the road being placed in use but mentioned that the budget for the year did not include any expenditure for this purpose and council could not promise action for next year as this would involve the 1933 council.

He suggested that if Mr. Woods was prepared to pay for the gravel and having it spread on the road, the township road department might see that the road was made passable as a temporary measure. However, Road Foreman Davis said that the township road program was already behind schedule.

It was agreed that the Road Foreman Committee would look over the location and report to the next meeting.

## Complaints Against Pig Raising in Ringwood Suburb

Whitchurch Township council has received a number of complaints regarding the pig-raising establishment just north of Ringwood on the 8th concession, operated by Bing Yip. Because of the numerous complaints, council called for a report from the Health Unit.

This report was placed before the members on Thursday evening and stated that the Health Unit considered that the owner was making a minimum effort to control the fly menace and the offensive odours. Council members expressed definite dissatisfaction at the report, stating that they believed the Health Unit was sidestepping its responsibility. The clerk was instructed to advise the Health Unit that something more than a minimum effort was necessary as complaints were numerous.

**Shopping Centre**  
A communication from the Health Unit has left the next move in regard to the proposed shopping centre on outskirts of Stouffville, up to Cedar Pines Development. Council has approved the plan and the clerk was advised to communicate with Mr. Fenson, the developer to find out his intentions.

**Donations**  
Council agreed on payment of the following list of donations for 1937: North York Plowmen \$50, Markham Fair \$25, Institute for the Blind \$25, Salvation Army \$25, Stouffville Lions \$10, Aurora Lions \$10, Oak Ridges Lions \$10, Oak Ridges Boy Scouts \$10, Ballantrae \$10, Community Centre Board \$50. Requests from the Red Cross and St. John's Ambulance were held over for consideration at the next meeting.

**Dust Layer**  
Road Supt. Davis reported that he was in receipt of a number of complaints in regard to dust. As the present township supply was exhausted, he reported that he had contacted Miller Paving and had some sections given a brine coat. Additional calcium will be at Vandorf Station this week. He drew attention to the fact that so many demands were being made in this department, the expenditures would be in excess of 1936.

## OAK RIDGES CHURCH

A communication has been received by Whitchurch Twp. from the Rector of St. John's Anglican Church, Oak Ridges, expressing appreciation that the taxes on part of lot 67, now being used for church and Sunday school purposes have been reduced in 1937. The Rector, D. C. Mitchell also asked that some consideration be given to the taxes in 1936 when the church commenced use of the property.

## Assessment Roll Nears Completion

All the primary work on the new Stouffville assessment roll has been completed, and there remains the book work for Assessor Lloyd Turner in order to have the new roll presented to council this fall.

The new assessment based on the widely accepted measured system is expected to raise Stouffville's assessment total from approximately \$1 1/2 million dollars to three million. The adjustment to this increased figure will come in a lower rate. Tax bills for the 1937 levy have just been delivered by Tax Collector K. R. Davis and while a great many householders are benefiting this year from the large reduction in the tax rate, many business places are facing a much heavier levy. First instalment payment on this year's taxes is due in September.

## Municipal Bd. Approves Cost of 2 Twp. Bridges

A communication was received by Markham Twp. council on Monday evening approving the expenditure for a new bridge at Cashel and one at Cedar Grove. The new bridge at Cashel has been required for some years since the present structure is extremely narrow and has given service for more than thirty years. The Cedar Grove bridge was washed away in Hurricane Hazel and a Bally bridge has been providing service there since that time.

**Bell Phone Increases**  
Council was advised by the Bell Telephone Co. that they were requesting permission to increase their rates.

Reeve Clark expressed opposition to the granting of any increase in rates. However, deputy-reeve Deacon stated that the return paid on the stock of the company did not show that Bell was making any excessive profit and he doubted if the present rates were sufficient to meet increasing costs.

Reeve Clark replied that when the farmers asked for a price floor in order to provide a margin of profit, they were told to reduce costs. He suggested that the telephone company should try this method.

## Will Oppose Development

A meeting of the Municipal Board is to be held at Maple at 9.30 a.m. on August 26th, at which time opposition will be heard to two large new residential developments proposed for Vaughan Township.

Councillor Kathleen James stated that if approval for these sub-divisions went ahead, it was rumoured that three new public schools would be required as well as another new high school. In this case, Markham would be involved considerably financially as the township is included in the Richmond Hill high school area as well as the public school area which covers this district. Markham will be represented at the hearing next Monday.

## Soccer Tournery on Labour Day

A six team soccer tournament will be held in the Stouffville Memorial Park on Monday, September 2nd. The third annual tournament will start at 11 a.m. and will continue through until the evening. The finals will be staged under the lights.

Teams from Brampton, Lindsay, Collingwood, Uxbridge, Aurora and Stouffville will take part. The winner will receive the beautiful Winterstein Trophy. Aurora captured the honours last year.

A new feature has been added to the holiday tournament with the holding of a banquet and dance in the evening in the Veterans' Hall, Stouffville. Music will be supplied by the Sod Busters. The trophy presentation will be made at this time. Admission will be 75c.

## MRS. CHAS. PUCKRIN ACTIVE IN AREA

Funeral services were held on Saturday afternoon at Audley United Church for the late Mrs. Charles Puckrin. The church was filled to capacity and a mass of floral tributes banked the casket, tributes to a life of active service in community work.

The deceased was a member of the United Church, the Women's Auxiliary and the Women's Auxiliary to the Ajax and Pickering General Hospital. She was born in Manchester, New Hampshire; Marjorie Viola French. Until her late teens Mrs. Puckrin lived in Oshawa. In 1919 she married Charles Puckrin and spent the remainder of her life in the Audley district.

Left to mourn her passing, are one daughter, Helen (Mrs. Mac Hedge), two sons, Richard of Audley, Earl of Oshawa, and four grandchildren. Three sisters also survive: Ethel (Mrs. Wm. Bell), Whitby; Flora of Audley, and Gladys (Mrs. Isaac Puckrin), Whitby. Two brothers, William and Gordon predeceased her.

Interment was made in Salem

## MARKHAM MAN ON TWP. FORCE

Wm. Gunn, a resident of Markham Village has been appointed to the Markham Township Police Force. He replaces Mr. John McGhee of Richmond Hill. The former Markham P.C. is a Sergeant in a Canadian army band and is stationed at Camp Borden.

## BIRTHS

**BROWN** — Dent and Carley happily announce the arrival of a daughter, Beth Dianne, on August 8th, 1937, a sister for David and Susan.

**SANDERSON** — Alan and Doris Sanderson announce the birth of their son William Anthony on August 17th at Comox, B.C.

## Twp. Withdraws Offer to Pay Part of School Addition

Markham Township Council balked on Monday night at being bound by a number of legal clauses in their offer to pay a share of \$110,000 addition to Markham Village high school, and in a sudden move, withdrew their offer to pay any share of the cost. The resolution to withdraw their offer was presented by deputy-reeve Deacon and councillor Mumberson and was not opposed.

Markham Township had agreed to pay 57.243% of the cost of the addition, amounting to \$62,697.30, leaving the village with only 42.727% or \$47,032.70 to bear.

At Monday night's meeting of the township council, the clerk advised council that no consent to this arrangement had been forthcoming from Markham village. Deputy-reeve Deacon suggested that the village council be telephoned on the matter, and this was done. The deputy-reeve was advised that a reply would be sent immediately to the township but that it would express consent to the township offer with the exception that the township would bind itself in the agreement that the figures would not have any bearing or be taken as any precedent as regard figures in the school cost budget already in dispute.

The reply reached the township council about 10 p.m. and presented the following clauses to which the township was asked to agree:

- (1) That any agreement does not prejudice any prior negotiation or dispute affecting division of liability for annual high school requisitions or future matters outside the scope of this agreement.
- (2) That the definition of equalized assessment be on the basis of the division as set out in the information required by the Dept. of Education municipal report for school money for current year.
- (3) The period of debentures to be agreed on.
- (4) Agreement to be approved by the solicitor of the Village of Markham.
- (5) Access to be permitted to township tax rolls.

Markham Township council considered that any such "strings" to their offer were unnecessary and cast a reflection on their good faith.

**Thornhill Library**  
A bylaw was passed in connection with the vote of the residents of Thornhill to raise the amount of \$6,652.50 for a public library. Only those Markham Twp. residents within police village limits of Thornhill will vote on the money bylaw.

**Gladioli Show**  
Stouffville Horticultural Society was awarded first prize for a basket of mixed flowers, glads predominating, at the International Gladioli Show held at Newmarket last week.

Rev. D. Macgregor of Sault Ste. Marie, and former pastor of the Baptist Church in Stouffville will be the guest minister here in the local church on Sunday.

winning runs to score. Two-base blows by Bob Petch and Mike Huggins pushed Markham's runs in. Aurora counted a lone tally in the sixth on "Spider" Gibson's triple and an error.

## AURORA BEATS MARKHAM IN 9TH INNING RALLY

A pair of costly errors in the ninth inning, paved the way for Aurora's 3-2 win over Markham's Aces in an OASA Intermediate "B" playoff game on Monday. Leading 2-1, and with the contest practically in the bag, Markham allowed their Aurora rivals to pull the game out of the fire in their final trip to the plate. Norm Stunden and Don Holman hit safely and Jim Paton was clipped by a wild pitch to load up the sacks. Errors on Andy Closs and Chuck Cowie allowed the tying and

## Swim Tests For Local Youngsters Next Week

Swimming tests for the local boys and girls at the Stouffville Community Swimming Pool are expected to be held the latter part of next week. These tests which are judged by Red Cross examiners from Toronto, are for all those swimmers from the Junior Class up.

Fifty youngsters who are in the beginners class this year, are being judged by the local swimming instructor, Mr. Bill Murphy. Over fifty young people are involved in taking the Red Cross tests, bringing the total number receiving instruction to over the one hundred mark. This is exclusive of the adult class.

The local lifeguards will be taking tests themselves this Friday under the eyes of a city examiner in order that some may increase their proficiency standing.

## Trade Fair Next Month

The Stouffville Trade Fair which has become such a popular fall event here each year, will stage its annual show in the local arena next month, Sept. 26-27-28.

The local businessmen are now preparing for this annual exhibition and details of this year's program will be announced within the next few weeks.

Each year has seen new and varied booth displays of local merchandise and those in charge promise still more new features for the coming show.

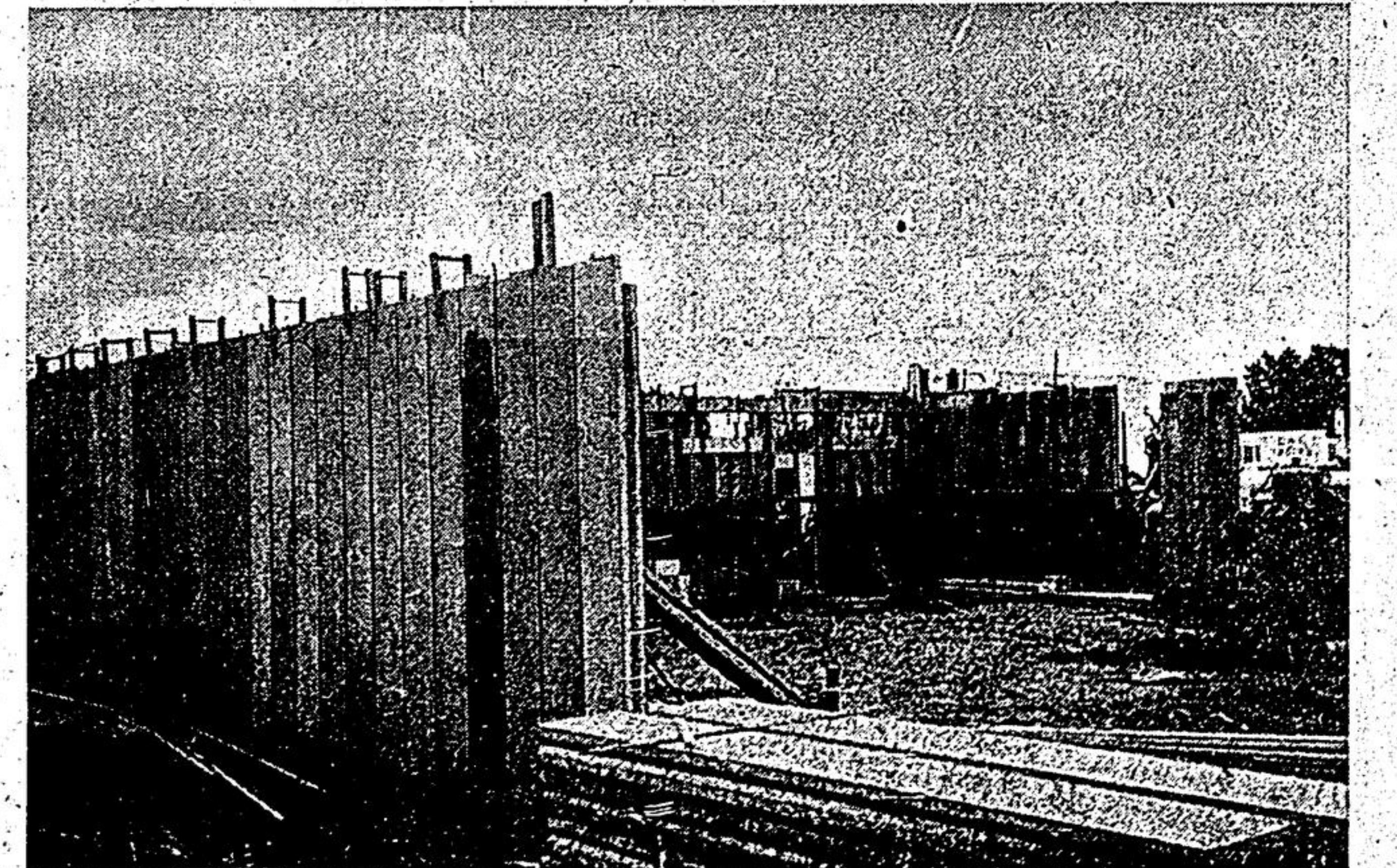
## Door-to-Door Canvas Nets Over \$4,000 for Hospital

The \$172,000 needed by the Uxbridge Cottage Hospital Board to pay off a debt owing to the L. C. Scott Construction Company and complete the project, has now been cut to \$18,000, according to information received this week from Mr. Fred Taylor, a member of the Board. Mr. Taylor revealed that in a one-night door-to-door campaign in the Township of Brock plus additional donations, a total in excess of \$4,000 was received. Mr. Peter Bernhardt of Uxbridge headed the drive.

The court hearing, which was to have been held on Thursday, Aug. 15th, was postponed until Aug. 29th. The Board hopes that due to their recent successes, another adjournment may be granted. When the \$100,000 is collected to pay off the Construction Company, a \$72,000 Provincial Government grant will be forthcoming.

Two separate campaigns will be conducted this week. Mr. John Lowe of Uxbridge, a former County Warden, will head a drive covering the business section of the town. Mr. Gordon McKellar will head a campaign to cover the industrial section. Both drives will be conducted on Friday.

"Success is in view," said Mr. Taylor. He said he would welcome any financial assistance that might be forthcoming from Stouffville. "I'm sure many Stouffville residents would be served by an Uxbridge Hospital," he noted. "The Scarborough Hospital is filled to the doors and the East General is the same," he continued. He pointed out that both Drs. F. J. Button and D. W. Brodie of Stouffville were lending the project their support.



An unusual vertical cement slab building is being erected on Winona Drive, west end of Stouffville. The structure, when completed, will be the

new automotive parts store, owned and operated by Mr. Belfry Hamilton. The building will measure 50' x 100'. It will be completed in November.

The concrete slabs, made here in Stouffville by Fabricated Concrete Specialties Ltd. measure ten feet in length by sixteen inches in width. They

are held firmly in place with mortar and bolts. According to Mr. Hamilton, this type of construction is rather unusual but is rapidly gaining in demand.