

# Municipal Bd. Holdup Costs Markham Money

Continued holdup on applications to the Ontario Municipal Board by Markham Township, drew the ire of council for the second time on Monday night. Members of council had tied off against the OMB previously for similar delays.

At the present time, all municipalities are being asked for a summary of their proposed future capital expenditures for the next few years, and present applications are being held up awaiting this summary. Some of the applications by Markham have been before the Board for months.

On one sewer extension project alone, it was stated that it was costing the township \$50 a day to pump the sewage while council waits permission to complete the job. "Such a holdup as this is ridiculous, there's no excuse for it," said councillor Sumner.

"We should go on record with the Municipal Affairs Minister in protest over these long delays in getting applications heard," councillor Sumner continued.

Members all agreed that the delays were serious, and councillor Watson suggested that it

would even appear that works were being held up on purpose. "If some of these jobs aren't started till winter, they are going to cost a lot more money," said deputy-reeve Mumberson. No action was taken on councillor Sumner's suggestion to appeal to the Minister.

## LEMONVILLE

(Sept. 28th)

Afternoon and supper guests with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Preston were Mr. and Mrs. Hansen and infant daughter of Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, a granddaughter and girlfriend, of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Matthews and two sons of Siloam.

Dr. and Mrs. Crouch attended the Golden Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Stone held in their home on DeLoraine Ave. in Toronto on Sunday afternoon.

This weekend Mrs. Burnett visited with her cousin, Miss Arvilla Forester of Gormley. On Monday Miss Forester and Mrs. Burnett had dinner with their cousins, Mr. Percy Forester, who has recently returned from the hospital, and Mr. and Mrs. George Forester and Shirley of Laskay, King.

# Sunday School Lesson

(Lesson for October 8)  
**HOW CHRISTIANS GROW**  
 Matt. 11:28-30; Luke 9:51-56;  
 1 Corinthians 3:1-4; Phil. 3:1-17  
**GOLDEN TEXT** -- I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. — Phil. 3:14

**THE LESSON AS A WHOLE**  
 Essential to all life is the law of growth. If it lives it must grow! This is true of life on every level, whether vegetable, animal, or human.

The Christian is the possessor of divine life—even that of God Himself. And this, too, manifests itself according to its nature, producing fruit in the form of righteous conduct, love, truth, and so forth.

Every sincere Christian desires to grow. But the development of the new life requires the right spiritual soil. According to the Lord Jesus, the "thorns" of earthly cares, riches, and worldly pleasures will choke it (see Luke 8:14). Indulging the flesh, or carnal Adamic nature, will have the same effect. If it is grievous to see a human being whose growth is stunted, having perhaps a fully developed body and an infantile brain, how much sadder in God's eyes to see one of His children who remains a spiritual baby when he should be a mature spiritual man! He would

have us remain children only in malice, but in understanding He wants us to be men (see 1 Cor. 14:20).

**The Heart of the Lesson** — While growth is one of the laws of all life, this is not attained by effort. That tree, that flower, or that boy does not develop by trying, struggling, or resolving. Growth depends upon soil, food, and sunshine, and as the plant abides in these and draws into itself its nourishment, it develops. Rest is also essential where human growth is involved.

Basic to all this, of course, is the possession of life itself. We do not grow into grace, but, having received the gift of eternal life through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, we are urged to "Grow in grace" (2 Peter 3:18). Grace, therefore is the soil in which the new life develops.

Our Lord commanded us to take His yoke and learn of Him (see Matt. 11:29). This means submitting to His authority. On another occasion He reproved the angry James and John for wishing to wreak vengeance upon some people who peremptorily refused their Master (see Luke 9:51-56). This suggests that we may grow spiritually by showing patience and curbing our natural tendency to retaliate.

Among the weeds that ever plague our growth in Christ is the tendency toward allowing leaders — especially gifted leaders — to eclipse our view of the Lord Himself. To become unduly occupied with the servants tends to turn our eye away from the Master, and issues in a dwarfing of our development. (See 1 Cor. 3:1-4).

Paul gained extraordinary spiritual stature by making the Christ of Glory his one great goal, and by bending all of his energies toward that pursuit. Renouncing everything that attached to self—not only nature's liabilities but also its fancied assets — he was consumed by one passion—to know the living Christ in Glory and to be conformed to Him in everything. Such an attitude will always produce fullest spiritual maturity.

## Ex-Aurora Mayor Highly Critical Of County Gov.

Former Aurora mayor James Murray told the Georgian Bay Development Association meeting on Monday that drastic changes are needed in the form of county government in the more urbanized counties of Ontario.

He was a speaker at the association's conference at the Dalawana Inn, Honey Harbor.

Mr. Murray said that the mayor of a town should be one of the representatives to county council, rather than the reeve and deputy-reeve. He said the county setup was basically rural, but that Ontario now has 150 towns and the mayor replaces the reeve as the head of the town government, but cannot sit on county council.

He said that within the next five years, York county might have additional towns, such as Woodbridge, Maple, Nobleton, King City, Oak Ridges, Markham, Stouffville and Schomberg, and have mayors of their own. He asked that county government be changed to designate that the head and deputy head of each municipality be members.

He also criticized the number of members on county council, and said that York county's 28 members might go to 33 or 40 in a few years.

"In the provincial legislature, this entire area is represented by one person," he said, "and practically the same applies to the federal government."

He charged that the county government is extending the

# World Champion



Top plowmen from all corners of the globe, vied for the world championship at Versailles, France, on September 30 and October 1. William Dixon, Brampton, Ontario, was

Canada's number one representative at this World International Plowing Contest. He is seen here with the Fordson Super Major tractor on which he has been practicing at his

farm outside of Brampton. It was Dixon's first try for international honours, and the first time he has represented Canada in a ploughing contest.

county roads system, and "there is one thing sure, as long as the county keeps taking them over, the province most certainly never will." The road system, he said is unfair to urban municipalities, as a town gets no county help in paving its streets while the towns must help pay the cost of the paved county roads.

He felt also that the county has extended its position in taking on school and other debentures to such an extent that per capita debt is now high,

and the county is getting close to the municipal rate.

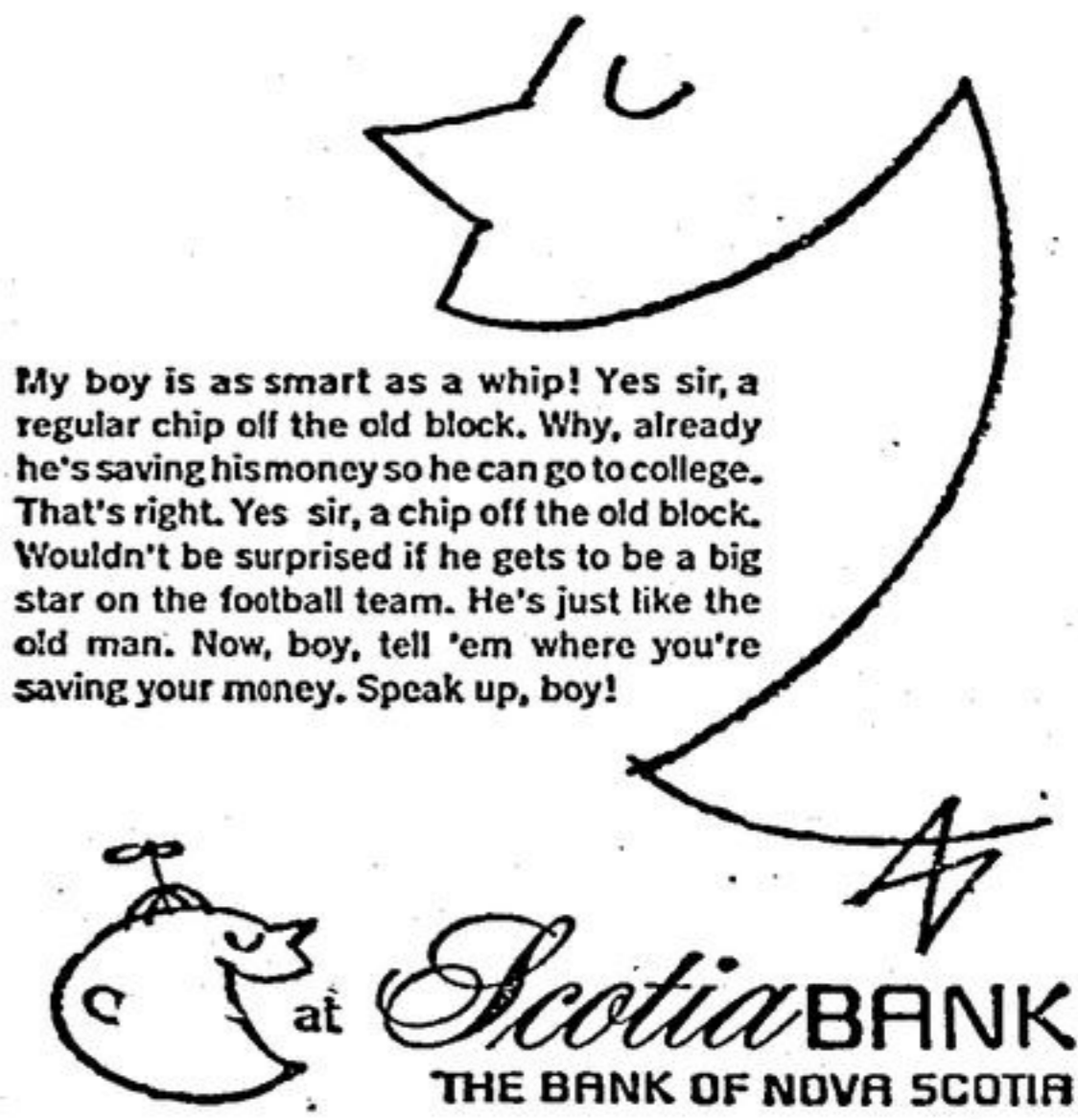
"What happens to the sound economic thinking of municipal reeves and deputy-reeves when they get to county council?" Mr. Murray asked.

"As representatives on their own municipal councils, the reeves and deputy-reeves are noted for being the watchdogs of the taxpayers' dollars. But these same people travel to county council, and boom! — the lid blows off, and they suddenly become big money ty-

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coons and they can't spend money fast enough."

The county council in heavily populated areas "has become a very select social club," he charged.

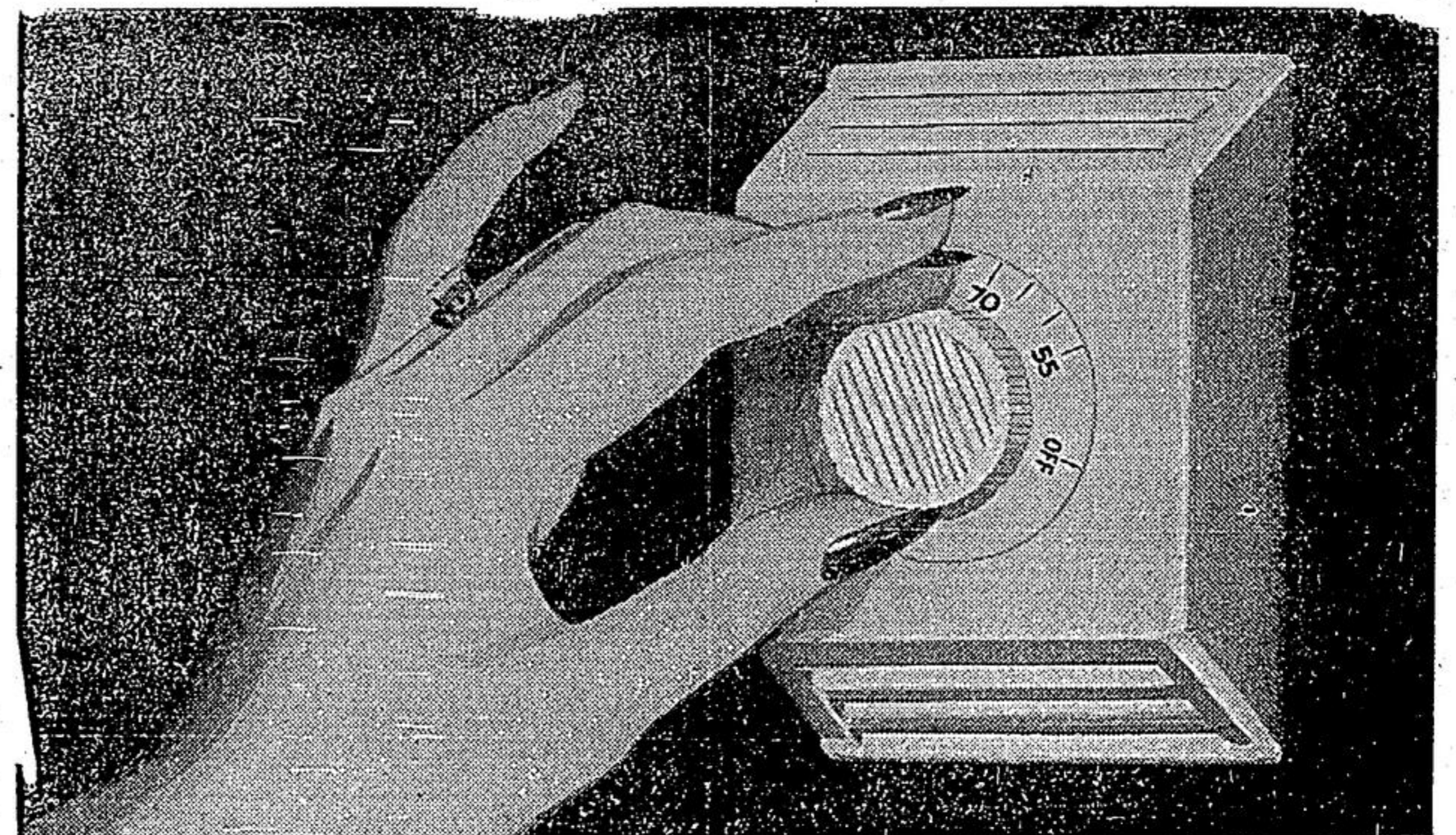
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