

County Council Turns Down Pickering Plea For Assessment Help

Ontario County Council, by a 21-15 recorded vote, last week turned down a recommendation that assessment of Pickering Township come under the direction of County Assessor Gordon Hepditch.

Pickering Township's Reeve Sherman Scott asked that this township's assessment department come under the direct supervision of Mr. Hepditch.

Council was informed that Pickering Township's assessment had increased by \$1,600,100 last year to \$27,953,380 this year.

Mr. Hepditch said, in the main, the increase was caused by raising the assessment on farm lands in the township. Council was told farms in Pickering Township, south of Highway 401, are being assessed at an average of \$150 an acre.

County Council also turned down a recommendation by its assessment committee that Pickering Township Assessment Commissioner Delbert Goslin be hired as Mr. Hepditch's assistant.

Mr. Scott said four or five of his seven-member council voted not to hire Mr. Goslin.

Reeve Cyril Morley, of Pickering Village said "these farmers think their land is worth \$60,000 when it is up for sale, but not when they are working it."

He added, Mr. Hepditch has a "tough job" and assessment in the urban sprawl in the southern part of the county needed "the judgment of Solomon".

He said county council should exempt certain municipalities from the proposed merger of county and municipal assessment departments.

Pickering Township's deputy-revee, Mrs. Jean McPherson said by going into this, "we (Pickering Township), not the county, will be putting our heads into a noose and going down a one-way street of no return".

She said she wanted to see Township Assessor Goslin taken from the township, because she charged, he was "over-zealous" and public opinion is against him.

Hold Annual Party For Bus Drivers

A very enjoyable evening was spent on Thursday when the annual dinner party was held for the employees of Rural Bus Lines and their wives. The township hall and tables were tastefully decorated for the festive season.

Mrs. Harvey Bath of Ashburn entertained at the piano. About fifty guests sat down to a turkey dinner served by the members of "Joy" Rebekah Lodge. The guests were entertained after the dinner by a varied musical program. This included local talent, as well as the "Nombos" singers of Cedarbrae High School. The "Kitchen Band" of Scarborough Senior Citizens' group was most entertaining.

A presentation of an illuminated painting was made to Mr. and Mrs. Beer.

WALLACE McLEAN RETURNED PRESIDENT FED. OF AGRIC.

The 1963 officers of Ontario County Federation of Agriculture were elected at the director's meeting which was held at Cedar Point Restaurant, Beaverton.

Wallace MacLean, Udney, R.R.1 will continue to hold the office of president with Lloyd Wilson, Ashburn R.R.1 and Gordon Ward, Uxbridge R.R.3 holding the respective offices of 1st and 2nd vice-president. Past President is Morrison Colville, Sunderland R.R.2.

Mrs. Leslie Meyers, Goodwood was appointed as secretary-manager-director and Leslie Meyers was re-appointed field-man for the organization.

Committees were set up to look after the various aspects of the organization.

Finance Anson Gerrow, Port Perry R.R.3; Laurence Doble, Uxbridge R.R.3; Morrison Colville, Sunderland R.R.2; Lorne Tindall, Goodwood.

Insurance Donald Hadden, Blackwater R.R.1; Ralph Jones, Claremont R.R.2; Anson Gerrow, Port Perry R.R.3; Earl Windatt, Beaverton R.R.3; Gordon Ward, Uxbridge R.R.3; Laurence Doble, Uxbridge R.R.3; Lorne Tindall, Goodwood.

Education and Publicity Mrs. Ross Shier, Sunderland R.R.1; Mrs. Edgar Evans, Claremont R.R.2; Donna Johnson, Uxbridge R.R.4; Norman Smith, Uxbridge R.R.3; Norman Lehman, Claremont R.R.2.

Land Acquisition and Assessment Allan Crosier, Blackwater R.R.1; Edgar Ward, Claremont; Ray Ingleton, Brooklin R.R.1; Clarence Werry, Oshawa R.R.2; Tom Harrison, Beaverton R.R.2; Russell Morrison, Beaverton R.R.2; Chesley Oldham, Zephyr R.R.1; Norman Hogg, Uxbridge R.R.1; Keith Rynard, Sunderland R.R.1; Chas. Healy, Orillia R.R.6; Gordon Hepditch, Whitby (advisor).

Women's Mrs. Ronald Stiver, Uxbridge R.R.2; Mrs. Edgar Evans, Claremont R.R.2.

Resolutions Morrison Colville, Sunderland R.R.2; Lloyd Wilson, Ashburn R.R.1; Alex

Claremont Switchboard Operators Are Honoured



The Claremont community has shown its appreciation to members of the local telephone switchboard staff for their faithful service prior to the recent installation of the dial system in the area. On Sunday afternoon, Mr. Chas. Cooper presented each lady with an engraved leather wallet and change purse. Pictured here with their gifts are (left to right) — Louella Robertson, Maude Middleton, Hazel Sanderson, Hazel Carruthers, Doris Dolphin, Minnie Evans and Margaret Wilker.

Hundreds Of Farmers At Crop Improvement Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Ontario County Soil and Crop Improvement Association was held in Uxbridge with approximately 100 farmers in attendance.

The report on the various projects carried out in 1962 was discussed by Lynn Fair and Harvey Wright, Soils Specialist for this area, and the various co-operators who took part in the different tests and demonstrations during the year. A very interesting program was carried out during the year; 264 different farmers took an active part on one or more crop improvement projects this year. Tests and demonstrations were carried out on a total of 105 acres.

Mr. Doug Parks, Director of the Soils and Crops Branch, Ontario Department of Agriculture in his address emphasized the importance of corn as a silage and grain crop. He pointed out that an acre of corn and a grain crop will produce double the total digestible nutrients of an acre of oats, and that this fact is important when farmers are deciding what crops to grow.

Mr. Ken Falls, Soils Specialist for the Soils and Crops Branch, Ontario Department of Agriculture, in an interesting talk on new developments in weed control by the use of chemicals. He said that we are now able to control a wider range of weed species by different sprays and mixtures of spray materials. He also stated that there is a trend to the use of more water per acre in our sprays.

The results of the Ontario County Pasture Competition were announced, and the prizes were presented to the winners by the various donors who were present. It was decided to hold the Annual Seed Fair and Hay Show again this year. The details regarding the place, date, and the program was turned over to the 1963 officers and directors.

The delegates to the Annual Soil and Crop Improvement Convention to be held in the Coliseum, Exhibition Park, Toronto, on January 23-26 are Muir Dack, Brooklin R.R.1; Uxbridge, R.R.1; Albert Hockley, Claremont R.R.1; Scott, Harvey Meek, Sandford; Scoug, Clifford Redman, Port Perry R.R.3; Reach, Lloyd Smith, Port Perry R.R.2; Thorah, Clarence Hewitt, Beaverton R.R.3; Mara, John-Speddie, Erskin R.R.1; Rama, Lawrence Cooper, Washago R.R.1.

The election of officers and directors resulted as follows: Hon. Pres., Russell Morrison, Beaverton R.R.2; Pres., Muir Dack, Brooklin R.R.1; 1st Vice, Harvey Meek, Sandford; 2nd Vice, Walter Beath, Oshawa R.R.2; Sec-Treas., Lynn Fair, Uxbridge; Auditors, Clarence Armstrong, Uxbridge R.R.4 and Ted Croxall, Uxbridge R.R.3.

Township Directors: East Whitby, Elmer Powell, Oshawa R.R.1; Whitby, John Batty, Brooklin R.R.1; Pickering, Cecil Disney, Brooklin R.R.1; Uxbridge, Albert Hockley, Claremont R.R.1; Scott, Harvey Meek, Sandford; Scoug, Clifford Redman, Port Perry R.R.3; Reach, Lloyd Smith, Port Perry R.R.2; Thorah, Clarence Hewitt, Beaverton R.R.3; Mara, John-Speddie, Erskin R.R.1; Rama, Lawrence Cooper, Washago R.R.1.

Open First Outdoor All-Electric Theatre Despite Winter Cold

Believed to be the first completely outdoor theatre in Canada, the Odeon Bay Ridges Drive-in movie opened on the first official day of winter, Friday, December 21st.

Even though stiff, icy winds frequently blow at this time of year, patrons of this new ultra-modern outdoor theatre, off No. 2 Highway, just east of Liverpool Road North, in Pickering Township felt no discomfort.

They enjoy warm, pleasant conditions in the privacy of their own cars because of the flexibility and advantages of electric heat.

There is no need to run car engines, wasting gasoline, nor is there any risk of dangerous

fumes. Safe, clean, small portable 750 watt electric heaters are brought into the car interior with the sound amplifier. The electric-heater circulates warm air evenly by means of a tiny built-in fan which provides plenty of heat and proper air circulation for all occupants of the car.

Electric power is utilized in every section of the new outdoor drive-in theatre, being used not only for heating car interiors, but also for heating the large 6700 square-foot concession building with its movie projection area, offices, and indoor substation. Electric power is brought in to the outdoor movie lot by underground cables at 8300 volts, and the power supply of 750 kva is sufficient to take care of the requirements of some 400 average homes. Electricity is used for all cooking, lighting, film projection and sound and as Wilf Smith, Supervisor of engineering for Odeon theatres in Eastern Canada, points out, the Bay Ridges Drive-in is completely dependent on hydro power.

There are many modern features that make this outdoor drive-in theatre outstanding. It has the largest motion picture screen in Canada, measuring 120 feet by 5 1/2 feet and the screen tower is equal in height to a nine storey building. The Odeon Bay Ridges outdoor theatre screen is approximately five times larger than the Odeon Carlton theatre screen in Toronto which is Canada's largest

Labor Minister Suggests Science - Engineering for Grade 13 Graduates

The young man or woman who has entered the 13th grade and is still wondering "what to do next" would do well to consider science or engineering as a profession. According to a report issued by Hon. Michael Starr, Federal Minister of Labor, industrial requirements for engineers will increase between 1962 and 1964 at an average rate of 6% annually, and for natural scientists at a rate of 5% annually. The long term estimate over five years, shows an expected total increase for both engineers and scientists of slightly over 30%.

Young men in particular, are seldom anxious to listen to their parents, but if the father in your family has any persuasive powers, he would do well to sit "junior" down and have a "man to man" discussion about the future. At the beginning of this year, vacancies in engineering and science positions were 6.2% and 8% respectively.

Statements on research conducted by government ministries like the Ministry of Labor, is

CEDAR GROVE

Skating had a head start on natural rinks in the village before Cedarena was officially under way. The Willis Reesor's pond is full thanks to the late fall rains and skating there has been very good... with no shovelling yet. There has even been some skaters on the river. Saturday night Cedarena opened with good ice and a good crowd. This year the path has been installed; the handrail is reinforced and power taken to the end of the lane as well as board repairs and the usual maintenance.

Ashburn District Couple Married Fifty Years

Even the weatherman smiled and the day was perfectly beautiful on Saturday, December 22nd, first for the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cleveland Lynde, R.R.1 Ashburn.

Wonderful neighbors and guests from Oshawa, Brooklin, Whitby, Goodwood, Stouffville, Waterford, La Salette, Port Perry, Greenbank, Claremont and Toronto visited the couple at their farm home which was decked with roses and pom poms added immeasurably to the warmth and happiness of the celebration.

To receive guests the couple were assisted by their bridesmaid and best man of 50 years ago Mrs. Wesley Slack of Brougham, the bride's sister and Mr. Frank Lynde of Ashburn the groom's brother. Receiving also were the couple's daughters Mrs. F. A. Procnier, Waterford, Mrs. Angus C. Reid, Scarborough, Mrs. D. H. Pinder, Whitby and Mrs. Ronald Gillespie, La Salette, Mrs. Clifford A. Lynde, Stouffville and Mrs. Ralph Lynde, Myrtle. Mrs. Stanley Lynde was unable to take part in the reception due to illness.

Pouring tea were Mrs. Carl James, Oshawa, Miss Mattie Petrie, Oshawa, Mrs. Herb Ashton, Ashburn and Mrs. A. D. Christie, Epsom.

Assisting were Mrs. Wm. Gardner, Ashburn, Miss Darlene Christie, Epsom and Mrs. Winnifred Reed, Scarborough.

The catering was splendidly handled by the United Church Women of Myrtle United Church who also served a turkey dinner to the wedding party and immediate family at the church in the evening.

In the afternoon Rev. H. M. Buntain of Port Perry and Ashburn Presbyterian Churches read greetings from His Excellency the Governor General and Lady Vanier, Rt. Hon. John Diefenbaker and Mrs. Diefenbaker, the Hon. L. B. Pearson and Mrs. Pearson, the Hon. Michael Starr and Mrs. Starr, Ontario Premier John Roberts and Mrs. Roberts and Doctor M. B. Dymond and Mrs. Dymond and the bride's brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. T. Taylor, Creelman, Sask. They also received a certificate from the Secretary of the Province of Ontario, John Yaremko.

During dinner Mr. and Mrs. Lynde were toasted by Mr. G. Day, Minister of Myrtle United, Church and Mr. Frank Lynde. Dr. F. A. Procnier expressed thanks to the United Church Women for their excellent food and assistance.

UXBRIDGE PICKERING TP. NEWS

CLAREMONT

The Guide and Brownie Mothers L.A. held their annual Christmas party at the home of Marge Samarilly on Tuesday, Dec. 18 with fifteen members present. After some fun games Irene Levick acted as Santa.

The Claremont Community Bowling League held their Christmas Roll on Friday night. Twenty-eight people received money prizes.

Mr and Mrs J. Rennie Valerie and Marilyn went to Toronto on Sunday and visited with Mr and Mrs H. Watts. Mrs. B. Hobday and later had dinner with twenty-one members of the Rennie family held at the home of Mr and Mrs George Rennie in Scarborough.

Mr and Mrs Wayne Redshaw and Mr and Mrs Steve Wideman and son were dinner guests at the home of their parents, Mr and Mrs Ross Redshaw on Wednesday.

Mr and Mrs Keith Steckley and Kim of Stouffville visited on Sunday with Mr and Mrs Al Robertson.

Mr and Mrs R. Loyst and family visited on Sunday with Mr and Mrs William Manion at Islington.

Visitors with Mr and Mrs Grant Taylor on Sunday were Mr and Mrs W. Pyatt and family of Willowdale and Mr and Mrs Arthur Loyst and Janice of Whitby.

Mr and Mrs Thomas Gregg are presently confined to Uxbridge Cottage Hospital. Mrs Gregg suffered a broken hip. We all wish them a speedy recovery.

The annual meeting of the United Church Women was held on Thursday, Dec. 20 at the church. The new officers are: President, Mrs. Robert Barton; Vice President, Mrs. Clifford Reynolds; Secretary, Mrs. Raymond Slickwood; Treasurer, Mrs. Earl Cook and Mrs. Wm. Hill, Supply Secretary.

Mrs. Jack Tully and Stephen of Toronto visited last week with her sister and husband, Mr and Mrs Jack Ward.

Miss June Devine of Tor. visited over the Christmas holiday with Mr and Mrs Robert Barton.

Mr and Mrs Robert Barton, Robert J. Gail Pickering and Miss Alice MacLennan visited at Weston on Sunday with Mrs. Barton's brother, Mr

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Children Play While the Sun Shines



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On Saturday, Dec. 1st, Mr and Mrs Walter C. Lynde, Ashburn R.R.1 were honoured by neighbours, friends and relatives on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. Shown here, in a family photograph are — (left to right) — Mrs Fred Procnier, Stanley Lynde, Ralph Lynde, Clifford Ronald Gillespie, Mr and Mrs Lynde and Mrs Agnus Reid. Rear Row (left to right) — Mrs Lynde, Ralph Lynde, Clifford Ronald Gillespie, Mr and Mrs Lynde and Mrs Agnus Reid. — Scott-Studio.