

# Mail Early For Christmas Overseas

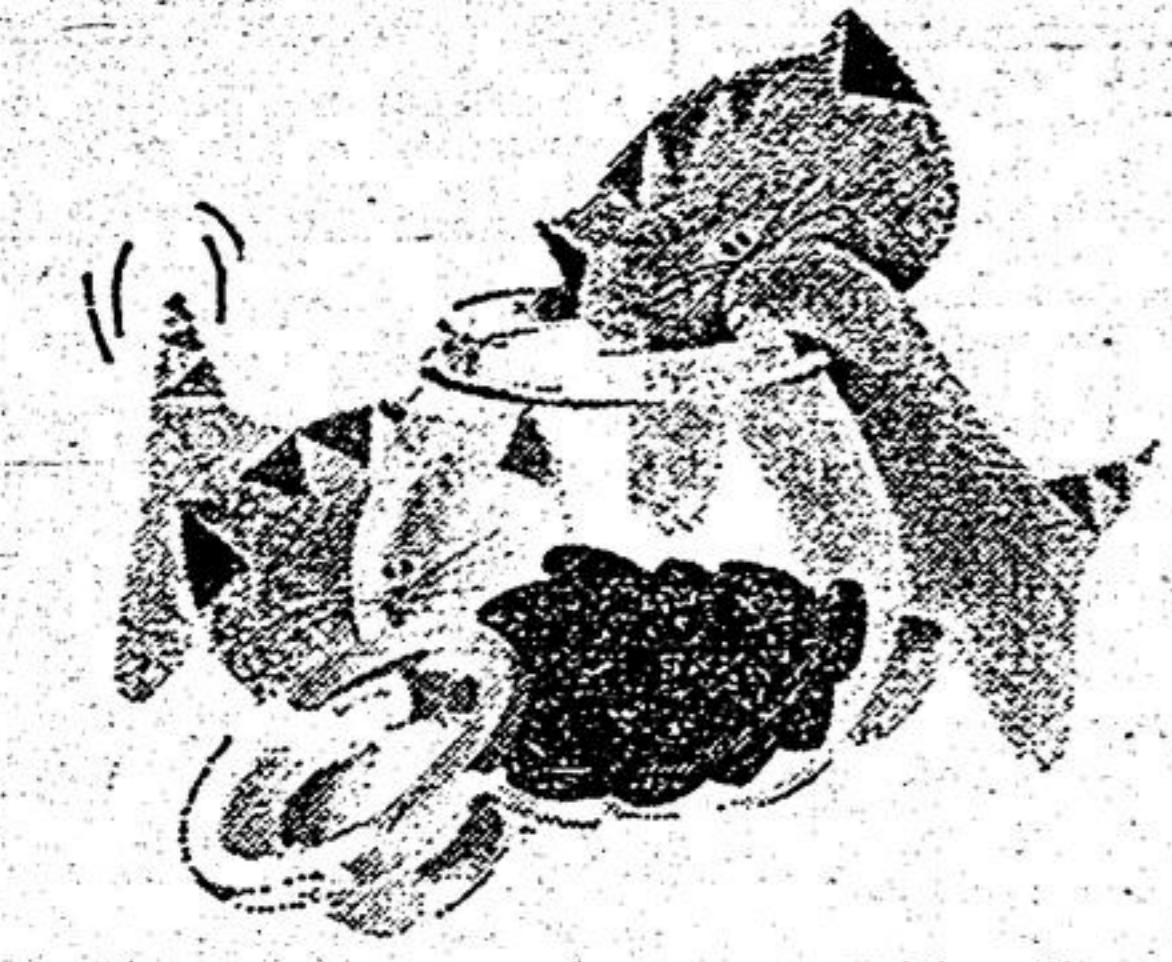
With the Christmas period approaching, the Canada Post Office urges the public not to delay posting parcels to friends and relatives overseas. The public is cautioned to mail as early as possible. Last minute postings, if general, might render it impossible for the Post Office to find sufficient accommodation on the last steamers leaving in time to ensure Christmas delivery.

Christmas letters from Ontario to Britain should be sent not later than Nov. 30th and parcels Nov. 27th; to Europe letters should be sent by Nov. 18th and parcels by Nov. 6th. For air-mail deliveries the latest postings should be Dec. 16 and 13 for Britain and Dec. 12 and 10 for Europe.

Keep all leaves and debris raked off the lawn this fall say horticulturists with the Ontario Department of Agriculture. If large leaves such as maple leaves are left lying on the grass all winter the grass may be smothered and bare patches will occur.



Newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Grove, R. R. 2, Markham, are pictured here on their honeymoon trip to Bermuda. They stayed at the Waterloo guest house. Mrs. Grove is the former Faye Byer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Byer of Stouffville. Mr. Grove is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Grove, conc. 7, Markham.



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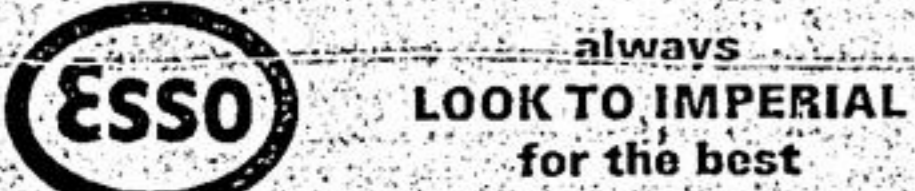
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## Find Ex Hired Hand Guilty Of Threatening Former Farm Employer

An incriminating third letter threatening harm to a wealthy Markham Township farmer and found in a suitcase belonging to his former hired man was introduced as evidence at a case of attempted extortion trial against John Flemming, 24, of Willowdale.

The letter, written in Flemming's handwriting, and discovered by Metro Police September 2 when they were questioning him on another matter, matched two letters received by John Van Hezewyk, R.R. 1, Unionville on April 15, 1963 and again on June 4, 1964.

The letters threatened Van Hezewyk with death unless he paid out \$25,000 in small bills.

Metro Detective Lyle Snider told Magistrate C. S. Hollinrake in Richmond Hill Police Court he found the letter in Flemming's luggage after he was brought into Station 41 on charges of possession of a firearm in a car and carrying a dangerous weapon. He said the gun was a .38 calibre Smith and Wesson revolver.

He testified that the letter addressed to Van Hezewyk said the farmer was to put money in small bills in a shopping bag and walk up and down his farm lane-way late at night, "or you will be shot." He admitted it was in his own handwriting, the detective said.

Det. Snider said he contacted Markham Township Police about the letter.

Markham Sgt. Robert Hood said he and Const. Bruce Findlay went to the station to interview the accused man and shortly after obtained a statement from him.

"When the court ruled the statement admissible as evidence, Sgt. Hood read it aloud.

In it, Flemming said he knew about two previous letters received by Van Hezewyk that he had left in the farm mailbox. He said he had written them by hand and then delivered them late at night to the farm.

"I sort of had a grudge against him. I had worked for him for a couple of months. But I had no intention of doing what I said I would do," the statement said.

Sgt. Hood said Van Hezewyk and his whole family were very frightened by the letters.

Flemming in his own defense told the magistrate he had worked for Van Hezewyk in either 1961 or 1962 for a short time but he left. "He wasn't paying me enough and nothing I did satisfied him. I was sick and disgusted when I left because I liked it there. All I wanted to do was scare him for what he did to me at the farm."

He told the magistrate he had owned the gun for six months and used it for target practice. Magistrate Hollinrake found him guilty and adjourned the case for two weeks to October 29 for a pre-sentence report and an examination of York County psychiatrist Dr. W. Hughes' report on Flemming.

## Report From Parliament

By Michael Starr, M.P.  
The Municipal Winter Works Incentive Program is to be continued during the winter of 1964-65. The program was reduced last winter in its duration from seven and one-half months to six months, but in spite of this reduction in time it proved to be a good program and beneficial to municipalities, as well as to those who were employed during the winter months.

The Federal Government pays 50 percent of the labour costs of this program, and 60 percent where work is performed in municipalities located in designated areas and areas of high winter unemployment.

For the coming winter Federal payments will apply to work performed on authorized projects from November 1, 1964 to April 30, 1965.

An addition to the regulations of the program has been made to assist municipalities in the designated areas and areas of high winter unemployment. An extension of time for completion of individual projects may be granted into the month of May where a discontinuance of work becomes necessary, by reason of severe temperature or heavy snowfall. This extension will only apply on a project which requires at least five months to reach completion, where work was commenced during the month of November and where operations were carried on continuously except when prevented due to severe weather conditions. To qualify for this extension, the forced cessation of work must be of at least two weeks duration and the period of the extension into the month of May will be relative to the period of time during which the project was forced to close down. In no case will an extension be granted beyond May 31st.

In all other respects the terms of the program for the coming winter will remain the same as those that were in effect during the winter of 1963-64.

Another program which was introduced last winter is the Winter House Building Incentive Program. This program was introduced on an experimental basis and proved to be successful. As a result, it will be continued during the coming 1964-65 season. The program provides for the payment of an incentive of \$500 to the first purchaser or owner of a house substantially built, during the period from November 15, 1964 to March 31, 1965, inclusive.

This incentive is payable in respect of single detached dwellings and multiple dwelling unit structures, containing not more than four self-contained units, built solely for year-round residential use. Row housing containing more than four dwelling units may also be eligible for the payment of \$500 per dwelling unit. Dwelling units of this type will only qualify if the single unit, or one of the units in the duplex, triplex or fourplex is occupied by the first purchaser. A separate application is required for each single, duplex, triplex or fourplex as the case may be, indicating that it is part of row housing construction.

Construction shall not have proceeded beyond the first floor joist stage, (including subfloor) or its equivalent, by November 15, 1964. Construction shall be completed, excepting for seasonal deficiencies, by March 31, 1965. Seasonal deficiencies include exterior painting and site improvements, but do not include brickwork.

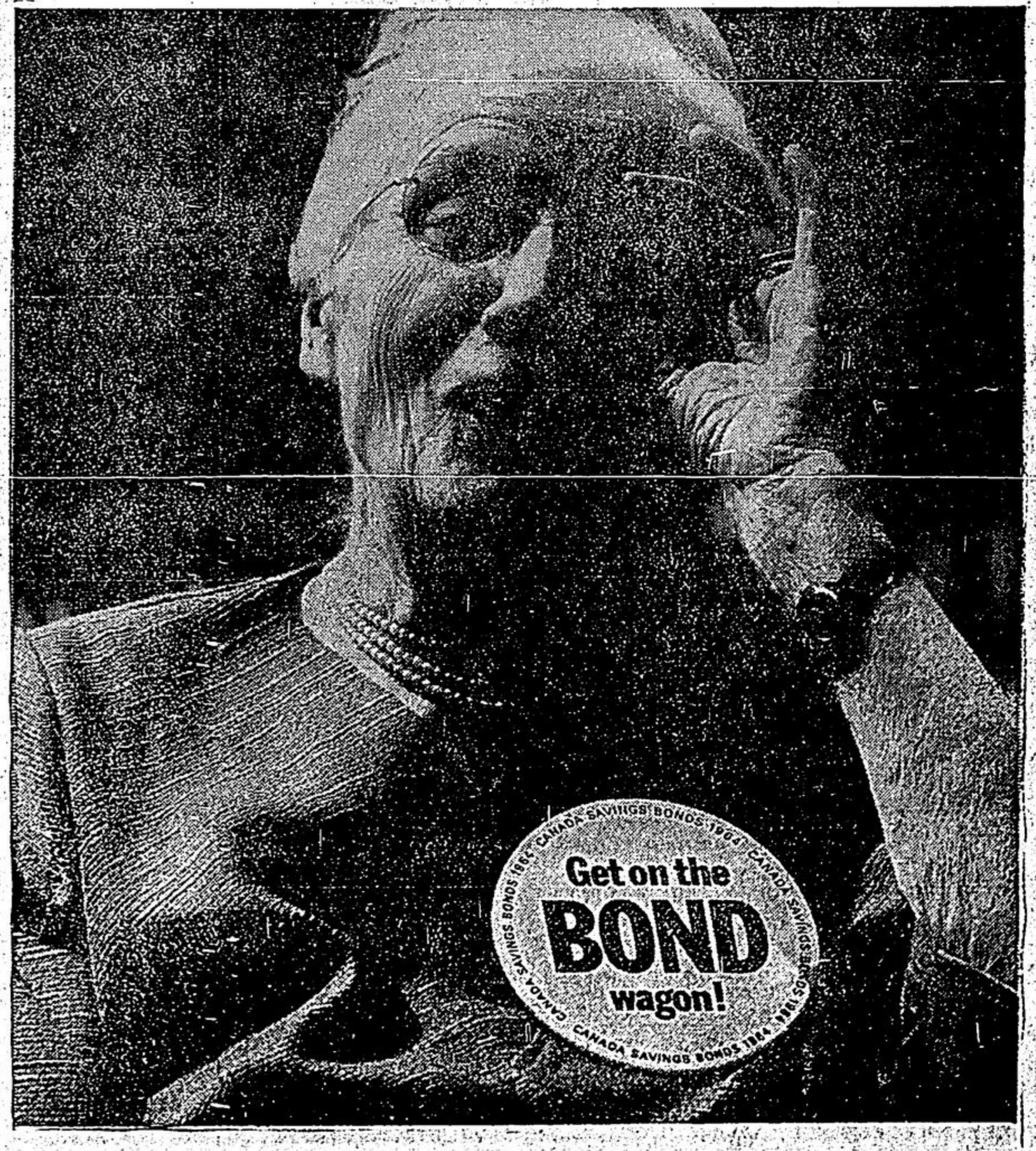


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