

## Town Police Calls Total 4,939 During 1964

### Damage In Accidents \$16,380

The 3-man Stouffville Police Department had an exceptionally busy year in 1964 as revealed in an 8-page annual report submitted to the town council at their meeting on Thursday night. Members expressed appreciation with the detailed information contained in the report, prepared by the chief, Orland Keating. The chief praised the work of his two officers, P.C. Edward Grimshaw and P.C. David Hadden. "The men have worked together as a team and have individually and collectively shown a great sense of pride in their department," he said. He noted too that his force had received excellent co-operation from the police committee and the people of Stouffville. "No police department can function efficiently without public support," he said, "fortunately we have this support from the citizens we serve."



Chief Orland Keating

During the past twelve months, Stouffville officers investigated a total of 4,939 complaints, occurrences and calls during the year as compared with 3,379 recorded in 1963.

There were 31 major accidents in town resulting in property damage estimated at \$16,380.00. Ten persons were injured but there were no fatalities. In addition, the force investigated 31 minor collisions. Six motor vehicles and eight bicycles were stolen, valued at \$8,260.00. All were recovered. Five additional stolen cars were recovered for other departments, valued at \$12,400.00.

### Travelled 24,720 Miles

The town's one police cruiser rolled up a total of 24,720 miles in 1964. Each night, no less than 118 business places were checked and last year 195 premises were found open or insecure. The Department attended 60 fires; provided 144 money escorts for banks and stores and 65 escorts in funeral processions. A total of 1,013 vehicles were investigated; 1,214 drivers were cautioned with regard to driving habits and 180 cyclists were warned. Forty-seven parking tags were issued. Seven adults and twelve children were reported missing. All were located and returned to their homes.

### Check Speeders

A total of 193 convictions were registered under the Highway Traffic Act. Out of this number, 129 infractions were for speeding. There were 84 convictions under the Liquor Control Act, 4 for having liquor in an illegal place and 40 under consuming as minors. Under the criminal code, there were 12 convictions, five of these for attempted theft.

Chief Keating praised the work of the public school safety patrol. He said that a number of safety lectures had been provided at the two schools by

### P.C. Grimshaw, especially appointed to give this type of instruction. He said that the bicycle rodeo had been very successful with 320 entries.

### Kincardine Pastor To Minister Here

Rev. Fred H. Cromey, B. A. of Kincardine has been called to fill the two pastoral charges of St. James Presbyterian Church in Stouffville and St. Andrew's Markham.

The selection was finalized at a joint meeting of both congregations at Markham on Sunday night. Rev. John Forbes of Agincourt, the Interim Moderator, conducted the vote by ballot. A native of Ireland, Rev. Cromey came to Canada in 1956 and presided at a church in Galt. He has been at Kincardine since 1960. He is married with three children.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Thomas of Markham and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Davidson of Stouffville will represent the local congregations at a meeting of Presbytery on Feb. 2nd to speak on behalf of the churches choice. Rev. and Mrs. Cromey and family will reside in Markham.

### Decision Soon On Unionville Subdivision

If all details and specifications contained within the subdivision agreement of Hengran Development Ltd. (Varley Village) at Unionville can be settled, this week in committee, Markham Twp. Council could very well give the project the go-ahead on Monday.

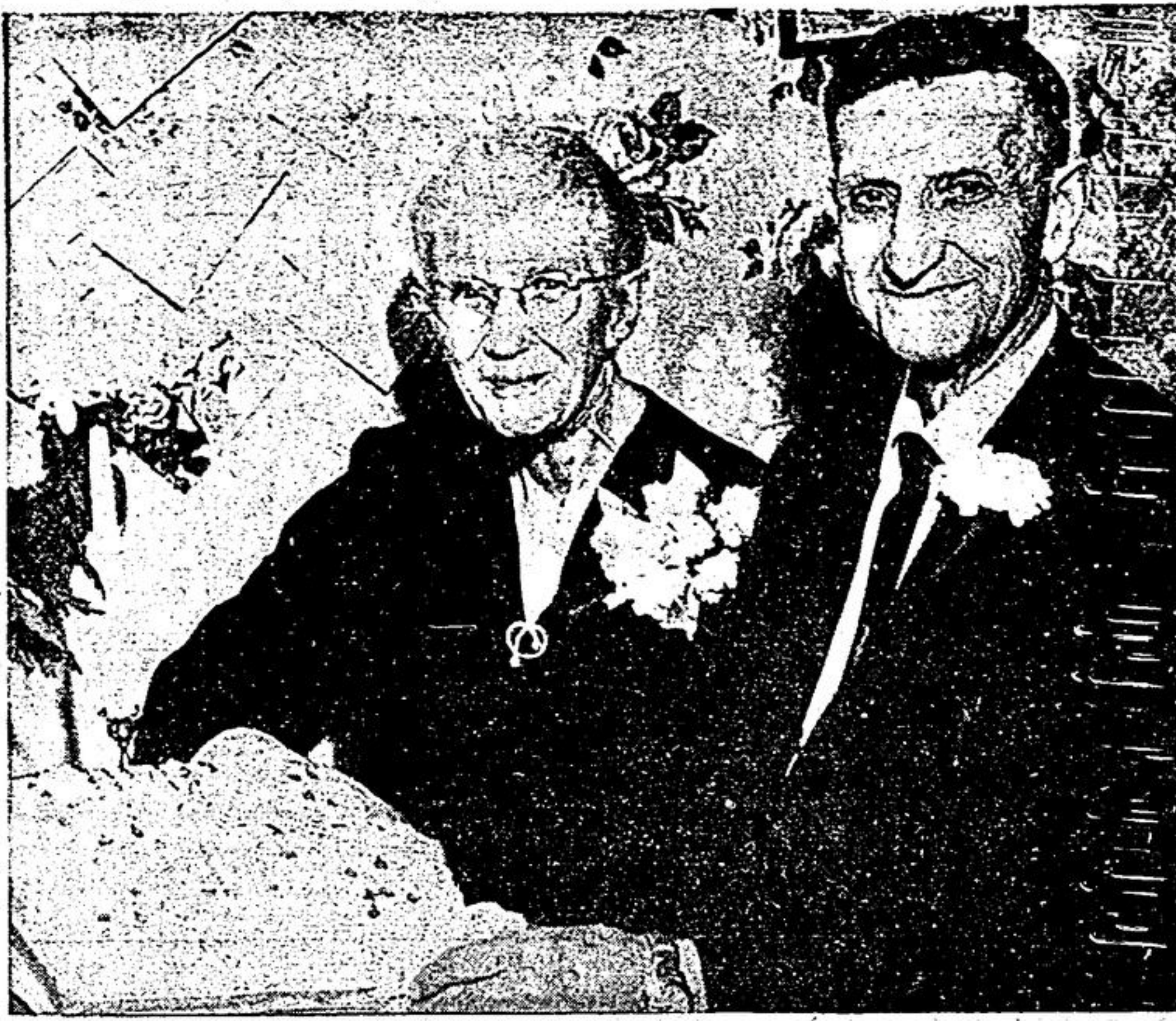
The issue was re-opened for discussion again this week but nothing was resolved. Reeve Chas. Hooper assured the developer, Jack Grant, that a decision would be finalized by the next council session.

Deputy-Reeve Stewart Rumble once again expressed concern that the development would be top-heavy in residential assessment while commercial and industrial build-up would not occur.

Councillor Allan Sumner contended that several items of importance had not been settled. Including tree-planting and sod-removal. Councillor Chas. Hoover asked for more time in which to check each clause of the agreement carefully before signing.

At the present time 6 model homes are now under construction. It was agreed that this number should be raised to 14.

### Mark Diamond Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Lehman, well-known and highly respected residents of Allona, celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary on Saturday and Sunday. The local couple received many cards and telegrams, including a message from the Queen. The story appears on page 3. —Staff Photo.

### Driver Admits Assault On Uxbridge Teacher

A 24 year old Aurora district man entered a plea of guilty to a reduced charge of indecent assault on a 24 year old Uxbridge Twp. school teacher when the case was re-opened in Whitby Court last week. John Redmond, R.R. 2, Aurora had previously been charged with rape.

Magistrate Harry Jermy registered a conviction against the accused and remanded him in custody until Jan. 19th for sentence.

The teacher, a resident of Sandford, said she was driving

home from Newmarket and stopped when she heard the persistent honking of a car horn behind her. She said that the driver explained that her trunk lid was open and he had closed it. Later, she said the same motorist cut her off and forced her to stop to avoid a collision. She described how he pulled the keys from the ignition and dragged her into his vehicle where the alleged attack occurred. She said that she made a mental note of the car's licence plate and called police.

### "Rude" Reply To Twp. Ratepayer Stirs Council

A little telephone etiquette helps to promote good public relations and ward 2 councillor, Wm. Newman of Pickering has agreed to lay down a few standard rules for office employees to follow.

Councillor Newman showed some concern on Monday night when a ratepayer charged that she had been rudely treated by an employee of the Road Department when she complained over existing conditions on the Greenwood Road.

"It's about time that some of our employees practiced a little more courtesy when dealing with the public," he said. He said that, as a private ratepayer he too, had received treatment

over the telephone that left something to be desired.

Deputy-Reeve Mrs. Jean McPherson said that on numerous occasions she had been called by irritated citizens but had always tried to be polite regardless of the complaint.

In a letter to council, Mrs. G. Cook termed the Greenwood Road as "deplorable" and requested some action to correct the situation.

### Baby Girl First At Brierbush

The Brierbush Hospital in Stouffville recorded its first birth of the New Year on Monday, Jan. 11th.

It is a fine baby girl for Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hoover of Claremont, RR 3. They have one other daughter, Doreen, 8 yrs. old.

Mrs. Olive Reed, proprietor of the Brierbush presented Mrs. Hoover with an engraved silver cup in honour of the New Year arrival.

### Disturbance Charge Brings \$50 Fine

A charge of causing a disturbance in a Stouffville Main St. restaurant on Dec. 5th resulted in a conviction and fine of \$50 and costs against James Caldwell of R. R. 2, Markham. The case was aired before Magistrate Russell Pearce in Richmond Hill Court on Tuesday.

P. C. David Hadden of Stouffville said he answered a call to Harold's Grill and escorted the accused outside. He said that Caldwell had been drinking.

Caldwell said that he had asked for a cup of coffee and was refused service. Magistrate Pearce said that if the accused appeared before him on one more occasion, the result would be more serious. Caldwell was given two weeks to pay the fine.

### Jim Richards Appointed to Planning Board

Mr. Jim Richards of Stouffville has been appointed to the town Planning Board to fill the position held previously by Mr. C. H. Nolan. The name of Robt. Winfield was also proposed but Mr. Richards gained a 3-2 vote edge at the inaugural meeting of council on Thursday night. Mr. A. G. Thompson was re-appointed for another term.

Mr. H. J. Waite has been appointed to the Library Board, replacing Mr. Geo. Foord.

Members on the Community Centre Board remain unchanged from 1964. They are — Mrs. Hilda Wilson, Robt. Lewis, Jas. Thomas and councillors Parsons and Spang, representing the council.

The Weed Inspector is Mr. Elgin Wagg. The Building Inspector is Mr. Henry Ogden.

Committees set up within the council are also unchanged. The chairmen are — Roads and Walks — councillor Parsons; Property — Dep.-Reeve Laushway; Sewers — councillor Betz; Finance — Deputy-Reeve Laushway and Police — councillor Spang.

Reeve Win Timbers will represent the town on the Metro Toronto and Region Conservation Authority.

Mrs. Jessie Foote has returned to her home on 17th Ave., R.R.1 Stouffville, following a period of confinement in the Brierbush Hospital.

### New Firehall Is No. 1 Project In Town For 1965 — Reeve

The erection of a new firehall in town has been placed at the head of a list of anticipated projects for 1965 by Stouffville Reeve, Win Timbers. Addressing the inaugural meeting of council on Thursday night, the reeve noted that with the continued growth of the community there would also be increased demand for services. "It's the trend of the times," he said.

He said he hoped that the town's road improvement program would be continued and suggested a move whereby the street-lighting in the village could be expanded and modernized.

He said that work on the new senior citizen's home was on schedule and he expected that the official opening would be held on May 1st of this year. He said that the re-location of

a new water supply for the town would constitute a major project for the P.U.C. He said he hoped that much of the anticipated expenditures as outlined in the engineer's report could be postponed for at least five years.

The reeve suggested that the council should arrange a joint meeting with the Public School Board to hear their plans for future student accommodation.

"Co-operation is needed in council," he said, "we need each other's help to cope with the problems we must face. To make things work, we must work at it," he concluded.

Need A Manager Deputy-Reeve Ken Laushway said that the town was in need of a Manager, especially in the Works Dept. "We need someone in authority to carry out coun-

cil policies," he said. He advocated a change in the current policy of industrial promotion and said he would expand on his own ideas later. He noted that the firehall and the centennial project would be two of the major items of business in the year ahead.

Hold Tax Line Councillor Wm. Parsons said he could see no immediate reason for an increase in taxes unless the school board should bring forward some major construction expenditure. He said he hoped a reduction in the road budget could be arranged. Councillor Bud Spang, chairman of the police committee, said that his plans for '65 were already in progress.

Councillor Ken Betz said he could foresee no immediate major expenditure in the town's sewer plant system.

### Elson Miles Named Chairman Of New Markham Area Board

Mr. Elson Miles of Milliken has been named Chairman of the newly-formed Public School Area Board No. 2 in Markham Twp. Mr. Arnold Mortonson of Victoria Square is the Vice Chairman. The five trustees were sworn into office at their inaugural meeting held at Richmond Hill on Wednesday evening of last week. Other members include Mrs. Mildred Toogood, Eldred King and Stuart Watson.



Chairman Elson Miles

The board, headed by the chairman, delved into a heavy agenda of business. It is unique since the five trustees will govern the current operation of 18 individual schools throughout the area.

Mrs. Jean Brown, secretary to Public School Inspector, Maynard Hallman, will hold the office of secretary-treasurer on the new board on a temporary basis until a permanent employee can be acquired.

### Town Firemen Seek 1965 Agreement

The Stouffville Fire Brigade is seeking a new rate contract for 1965, which, according to information revealed at the inaugural meeting of council on Thursday night, amounts to an increase of \$1.00 per man per hour.

The requested rate schedule in total is as follows: \$64 for the 1st hour and \$48 for each additional hour in attendance at a fire. They are also asking for \$64 for each summer practice.

Deputy-reeve Ken Laushway indicated that the fire agreements between Stouffville and the four surrounding municipalities of Whitchurch, Markham Uxbridge and Pickering Twp. had expired. He asked that the council meet in committee to discuss the matter further.

### Piggery Threat Concerns Residents

A report, indicating that a piggery operation is proposed for a site on the 5th conc. of Whitchurch Twp. has aroused the concern of residents in that area.

Mr. K. W. Horton urged the council on Monday night, to pass a bylaw that would control and regulate this type of business throughout the whole of the municipality.

Mr. Horton said he didn't want piggeries banned in the township but he felt they should be kept far removed from residential properties. The council agreed to give the request their consideration.

### Markham Township S.S. Convention On Jan. 21st

The 96th annual Markham Twp. Sunday School Convention will be held in the Victoria Sq. United Church on Thursday, Jan. 21st. Meeting sessions will be held in the morning at 10 a.m., in the afternoon at 2 p.m. and in the evening at seven o'clock. The President this year is Mr. Lewis Heise.

The theme of the 1965 convention is "Reaching Our Youth."

A special panel discussion will be held at the morning session. Members will include — Mrs. Howard Silver, Mrs. Don Ratcliff, Harold Heise and Jack Shouhy.

Throughout the day's program, the accent will be on "youth" and it is hoped that both young people and adults will make an effort to attend.

### M.O.H. Ordered To Inspect House

Dr. J. F. St. John, Medical Officer of Health will carry out a complete inspection of an Uxbridge Twp. tenement house, located in the hamlet of Allona.

The clerk was instructed to contact the official after the Council received a report on Monday from Fire Chief, Walter Smith of Stouffville.

Chief Smith recommended that the furnace room should be cleaned up; that a proper chimney should be erected on a rear apartment; that fire escapes should be erected to serve the two top apartments and that an inspection should be carried out by a Health Department authority.

Although the number of adults and children accommodated in the building was not immediately known, it is believed that five families are presently residing there.

### Pickering Twp. Clerk Lloyd Johnston Resigns After Thirty-three Years Of Service

#### To Take Area Board Post

It was with regret that the council of the Twp. of Pickering accepted the resignation of their Clerk, Mr. Lloyd T. Johnston, at a meeting in Brougham on Monday night after 33 years and 3 months of faithful service to the municipality. He will take the position of Secretary-Treasurer and Business Administrator in the newly-formed Public School Area Board, No. 1. The move becomes effective as of Feb. 11, 1965.

#### Began In 1931

Mr. Johnston joined the Pickering Twp. office staff on Oct. 1st, 1931. He was the tax collector at that time and operated out of his home on the Brock Road, south of No. 7 Hwy. In 1943, he became the Deputy-Clerk and assistant to the late Donald R. Eaton. He took over the Clerk-Treasurer's post in 1944 but also acted as the township tax collector and welfare officer. He became a full-time Clerk in 1955.

In addition to his many other duties during the past 33 years, Mr. Johnston also served as Secretary of the Planning Board from 1948 to 1959.



Mr. Lloyd T. Johnston, Clerk of Pickering Twp. for 33 years, submitted his resignation on Monday night to accept a new position with Public School Area Board, No. 1. —Staff Photo.

### Road Foreman Has Narrow Escape



Markham Twp. Road Foreman, Trainer Canning, had a narrow escape from serious injury recently when his light pick-up truck was in collision with another vehicle, then crashed into a building. The force of the initial impact knocked the employee out of the cab onto the road. The truck kept on going with no one at the wheel. —Staff Photo.