



Michael Fagan, Grade 13.



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Three Brothers Re-united After 47 Year Separation

Three boys, all born in a small town in Wales, have been separated from each other for 47 years. Last week, they were re-united.

The re-union of Harold, Richard and Bill Jones ended nearly a half century of separation. In the past 47 years, the boys have ended up in different countries; Richard in Canada; Bill in the United States and Harold in England.

Richard, the host and instigator of the re-union, met Harold at Malton airport Wednesday, May 19th. Through a plate glass window Richard recognized his brother, although he had not seen him since 1920.

Bill, scheduled to arrive Sunday from Riverside, California, surprised his brothers by showing up Saturday night. Bill explained that he couldn't wait to see them and that the earliest flight out of California. He has been looking forward to the planned re-union, although just about to postpone it when he realized his leaving would lessen the already shortened staff of his office. However, the arrangements were made, and Bill made a literal "bee-line" for Canada.

Richard Jones owns a grocery store on Don Mills Road, about a quarter of a mile south of No. 7 Hwy. It was six weeks ago that he decided the trio had been separated long enough. Through correspondence and telephone calls, the re-union was arranged.

Still Children

It must be realized that when the three brothers split up, all were barely school age. All three boys were born in Mold, Wales. Richard, at 56, is the eldest. Bill is 54 and Harold is 52.

In 1920, Bill and Richard were sent to Canada. A breakup in the family caused the separation of the children. Richard, who arrived in the spring of that year, settled with a family in Bracebridge, while Bill, arriving six months later, took up residence in Kincardine.

As the years passed, Bill eventually ended up in California. Richard moved around Ontario, living in Brougham and Green River before settling west of Unionville. Meanwhile, Harold, still in England, married and moved to St. Helens, Lancashire.

All kept in constant touch through correspondence, even though they were separated by some 6,500 miles of land and water.

Richard, who opened his store thirteen years ago, has been married for 33 years. He has two children, Bruce, 31 and Doreen, 29. Both Bill and Harold have been married for 25 years. Harold's children are Doreen, 18 and Allen, 14. Bill has five children, Robert, 24, William, 22; Patricia, 29, Ron, 18 and Terry, 14.

The years turned into decades and still the three-brother re-union could not be arranged. Richard has seen Bill a couple of times over the years, but it was difficult getting Harold

Susan Nigh, Michael Fagan, Top Athletes At Markham High

Bill Crothers Speaks At Athletic Banquet

"You are the elite in your field, and must set an example for other students to look up to," said Bill Crothers, addressing some 100 students at the annual Athletic Banquet held Friday night at Markham Dist. High School.

The well-known track star told the students of his experiences in the Olympic Games and impressed upon them the benefits of good sportsmanship.

Following his address, the students received their individual awards.

Susan Nigh was chosen as the top girl athlete of the year, for her efforts in a number of sports. Sue fared well in track and field competitions, setting a record. The grade 13 student also received an award for the individual championship of the Intra-muros classes in track and field.

The Tip Top Tailors Trophy for the top boy athlete of the year went to Michael Fagan, another grade 13 student. Mike has an impressive athletic record dating back to grade nine. A member of the football and basketball teams, he was a unanimous choice in the eyes of the coaches.

Receiving letters were Jim Orr, Bill Clayton, Howard Burkholder and Doug Warner. The top football player award went to Howard Burkholder.

Inter-mural letters went to Mark Bell, Dick Durant, Howard Burkholder and Jack Morrison.

Amateur Rugby Clubhouse Built At Victoria Square

(by mollie stewart)

A little bit of the British sporting scene will be transplanted soon near Victoria Sq., Markham Township.

New stamping grounds for the Toronto Wanderers, an Ontario Rugby Union Club will be on the 19th Avenue, west of Don Mills road.

The association is strictly for amateur groups.

The new location, named the Dennis Fletcher Fields, will be on twenty acres of land which will include six playing fields plus a posh new clubhouse. The ultimate cost of the clubhouse is expected to exceed \$75,000.

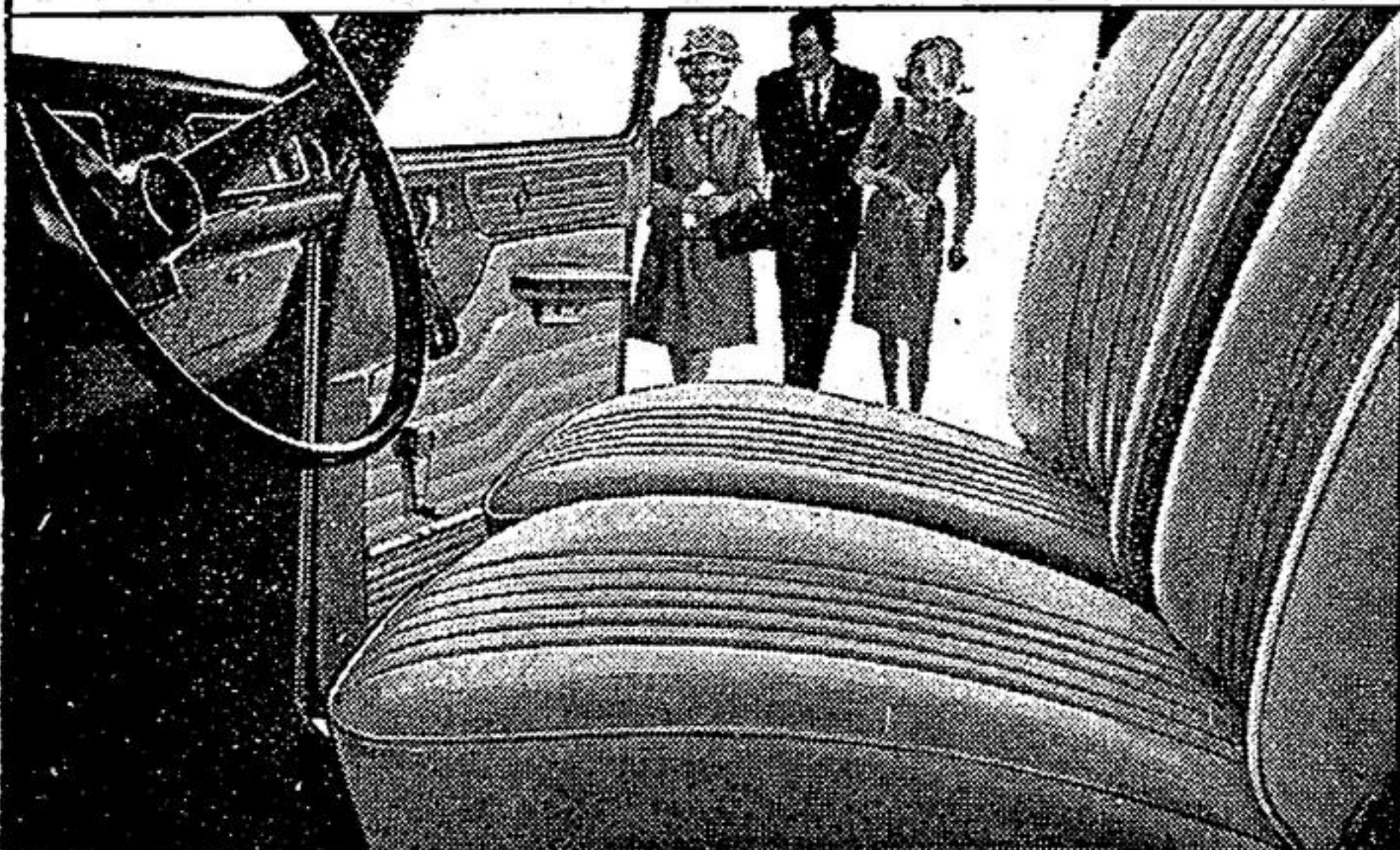
First phase of the building program will be started this fall. Membership will begin with 300. Cost of land and buildings is absorbed by the Toronto club together with the union. Funds for this purpose were raised through various club and union activities.

The Ontario Rugby Union consists of thirty clubs scattered throughout the Province. Membership is open to all physically active males interested in non-competitive sports. The first aim of the clubs is to encourage sportsmanship and promote physical education through rugby.

The British style sport is catching on in many schools in both Canada and the States. The University of Toronto includes it on their regular physical education program. Harvard Yale and West Point are American schools which place the sport as a must on the P.T. agenda.

A large number of the club members are young Canadians. The Union seeks to interest more of them in joining. The Toronto Wanderers played their final game on their old location last week near Brougham. The field had been loaned them free for the past six years by the Highland Sand & Gravel Company.

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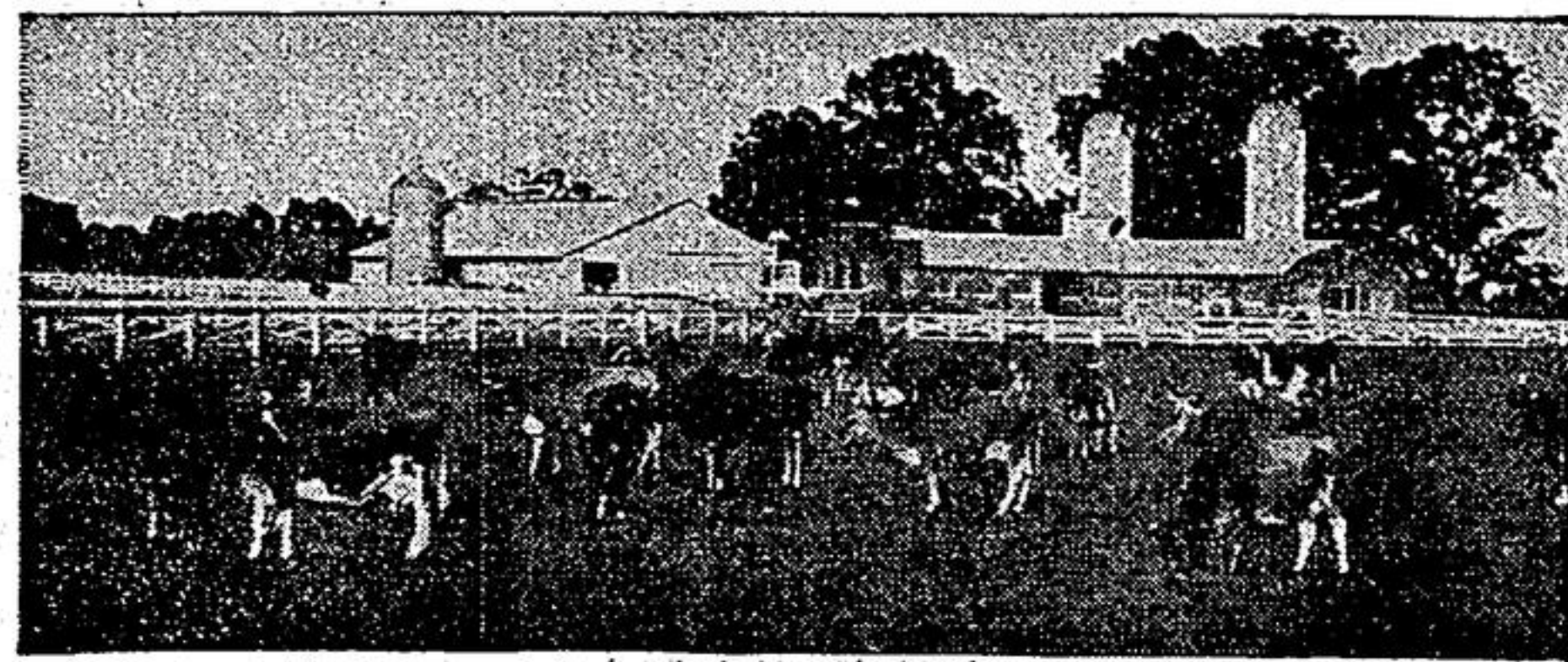
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