

Pickering TSA 1 Approves Central Kindergarten System

Built Addition At Brougham

GREENWOOD — A four-room kindergarten will be added to the present two rooms at Brougham School. Pickering TSA 1 decided at a special meeting, Monday.

After weighing several factors, the board agreed that a central kindergarten would be more economical than four single kindergarten rooms in different locations.

COST COMPARISON

The cost of four single rooms would be approximately \$113,000 while a central school addition would be about \$84,500.

In addition to cost the Board had in mind the possible amalgamation of Whitby and Whitby Township in the near future, removing 90 children from the school system and freeing three rooms.

TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM

The problem of transporting the kindergarten children may provide the greatest obstacle. A plan put forward Jan. 30, suggested that the children would be bussed to the Brougham school from pickup points at the other schools. It would be the responsibility of the parents to get the child to the pickup point.

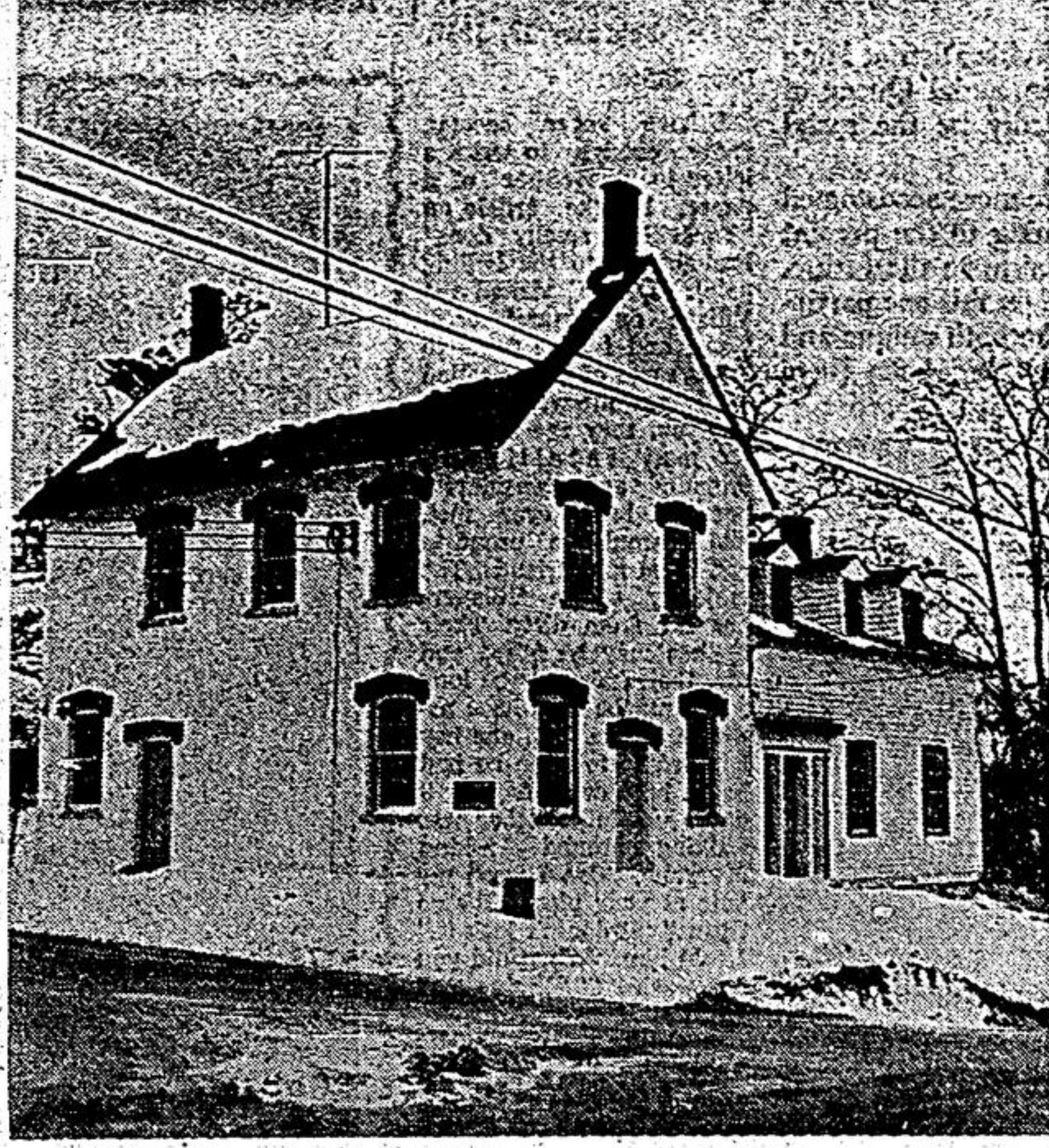
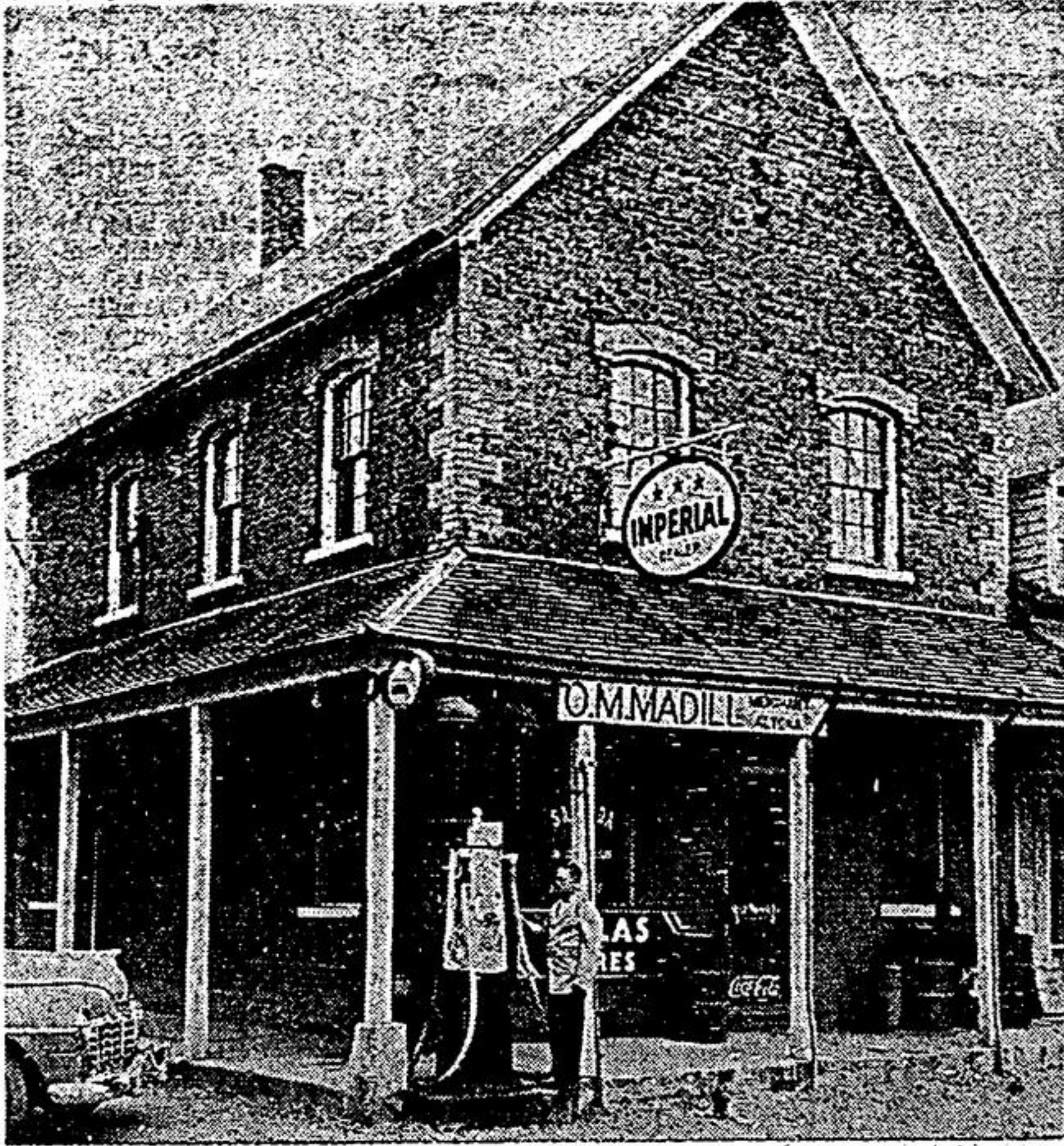
The Board indicated that stops for individual children would cost too much in time and money.

At the suggestion of Vice-chairman Charles McTaggart, the transportation problem will be decided after registration when the number and location of kindergarten children will be known.

TRAVEL TOO FAR

Board member Austin Pearce opposed the building of the central school because "I think the bussing is too far. I think you'd have to put an attendant on the bus." The 16 mile trip from Pickering Beach would mean a five hour day for these children. Mr. Pearce suggested two rooms each at Brougham and Audley.

Board chairman, Mrs. Lloyd McKean felt that a special bus should be provided for Kindergarten pupils rather than use one that is serving other schools in the Area.



Times Have Changed The Site At Altona Corners

It doesn't seem like too many years ago that Ollie Madill operated the General Store on the north-east corner of Altona.

This is the same property, as we know it today. The structure, recently renovated, is now up for sale.

Pancake Contest At Altona

ALTONA—It was a pancake menu at the Altona Community Centre, Feb. 7 and, coupled with a crokinole party, the event attracted close to 100 persons of all ages.

The evening was so successful in fact, that a second crokinole fun-night is planned for Friday, Feb. 17 at 8:15 p.m.

A highlight of the gathering was a pancake-eating contest with fourteen entries. Albert McQueen of Claremont consumed 10 cakes in 3 minutes to win first prize. Runner-up was Gordon Powell of Unionville, downing 9 cakes in the same time.

Crokinole winners were: Jackie Paisley of Stouffville; Esther Davis, Stouffville; Michael Assinck, Altona and Kenneth Tindall, also of Altona.

For crokinole players who work up an appetite, a hot lunch will be served on Friday night.

Dogcatcher Turns Wolf Chaser

BROUGHAM — The Pickering Township dogcatcher became a wolf chaser, Friday morning

when a lone wolf was spotted on the Primore property, north of Brougham. Scotty Heywood responded to the call and in the excitement of the chase, he ran his truck into the ditch on two separate occasions. Each time, Lloyd Pascoe of Claremont pulled him out and the hunt resumed. He took a shot at the beast without success.

Officers of the Ontario Provincial Police strengthened the forces but their revolvers lacked sufficient range.

Since this is the mating season, the wolf could well have been a trifle love sick rather than affected by rabies as some residents in the area believed. In Ron Lawrence's book, *Wild Life in Canada*, wolves are known to separate from packs and wander many miles looking for a mate.

It is known that wolves inhabit some of the bush areas of Uxbridge and Reach Townships and parts of north-east Pickering. It is not uncommon to hear their eerie howls at nights.

Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Carl Norton and family were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wilson. Later they enjoyed an evening of skidoo riding. Sunday the Nortons had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Walls of Brooklin.

Mrs. Harold Johnston and Mrs. Sylvia English visited Mrs. Johnston's daughter, Mrs. Herb White, in Newmarket Hospital on Sunday. Mrs. Johnston is taking care of two of Mrs. White's children while she is in hospital.

Mrs. Mary Cooper, 94, was admitted to the Ajax-Pickering Hospital after a fall downstairs at the home of Mrs. C. A. Overland.

Editors Mail Explanation Required

Feb. 13, 1967.

Dear Sir: The Claremont Community Centre Committee would like to clarify a misunderstanding that has arisen in connection with the operation of the ice arena at the Claremont School.

It was brought to our attention last year that money donated to this worthwhile project did not reach its proper source. To avoid any such occurrence again, we arranged that a receipt be given to each child and accurate records maintained. This information was contained in letters sent to homes in the area.

Some people have apparently misinterpreted the committee's recommendation and are blaming the members for the shortage in funds. In plain every day English, it was a few dishonest children who chose to spend the money before it reached its proper source.

The committee was trying to avoid this accusation but due to so much controversy on the subject we felt that an explanation was necessary.

Many children as well as adults are deriving much skating pleasure from the rink and will continue to do so while the weather holds. The fund is still open so feel free to take or send your donation as soon as possible. To the people who have already responded, the committee says, Thank you.

Sincerely,
Irene Rennie,
Secretary.

Kennel Licence Approved

CLAREMONT — Few dog kennel licences are approved in Pickering Township, but at a meeting of the planning board last week F. A. Tremere, who lives on the north side of the 9th concession east of Sideline 10-11, was approved as a kennel operator.

Mr. Tremere has at present eight Samoyeds, which run in a fenced enclosure during the day, and are kept in a garage at night to muffle any sounds of barking.

A HOBBY — The dog fancier said that he kept the dogs as a hobby, not a business.

Planning director John Faulkner said that Mr. Tremere's property was well maintained, and that the two letters he had received from his neighbors, neither of which were in

opposition, left it up to the judgment of the board. Approval of the licence will be recommended to council.

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Golden Age Club Attend Centennial Concert

By ANNE LONEY CLAREMONT — The Rev. A. E. Cresswell gave the Centennial Prayer at the Rouge Hills and Pickering Lions' Club Centennial Concert, on Sunday afternoon and Mrs. Cresswell poured tea. Mrs. George Hammond of Claremont was guest of honor. She cut the Centennial Cake and was presented with a bouquet of red roses. Members of the Golden Age Club who attended, accompanied by Mrs. Norris Hardy, were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Taylor, Mrs. Grace Redshaw, Mrs. William Cowie, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Madill, Miss Nora Ham, Mr. Robert Nesbitt, Mrs. Eva Towner, Mrs. Howard Hockley, Mrs. Fred Evans, Mr. Walter Ward, Mr. Roy White, Mr. Albert Boyle and Mr. W. J. Briggs. Others attending from Claremont were Dr. N. F. Tomlinson and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Cassidy of Forest were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Ward. Last week Mr. and Mrs.

Thomas Hammond attended the wedding reception of Mrs. Hammond's niece and nephew-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Clark, (nee Lois Bell) which was held in the Uxbridge Legion Hall.

Recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Morley were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Morley of Ottawa. Visitors this weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Victor Morley and family of Brantford and Mr. and Mrs. Wilfrid Morley and family of Stouffville.

Mrs. Donald MacIvridge is presently receiving treatment in Uxbridge Cottage Hospital.

Interest is high among village and district residents regarding the project which is to be decided upon as Claremont's contribution to Canada's 100th birthday. There was a fine turnout at the meeting held in the Legion Hall, Feb. 8. Tentative committees were set up to gather details and suggestions as to what project will be undertaken. Another committee was formed to plan a Centennial weekend, the date to be announced. Members are Mrs. Jack Rennie, Mrs. Bill Towner, Ray Ward, Bob Madill, Paul Baker, Eric Ward and Michael Hockley. All organizations, Church, Fraternal and Social, are asked to form their own committees to work with the Planning Committee. Residents are also asked to put up lights that will give the village a festive appearance. Another meeting will be held March 1 when it is hoped that a final decision will be reached regarding Claremont's project. These meetings are open to the public and all are welcome.

The Afternoon Group of the UCW will meet at the home of Mrs. Jim Peddie, Thursday, Feb. 23, at 2 p.m. In charge of the program will be Mrs. Peddie and Mrs. Thomas Hammond. The roll call will be "Heart". Last weekend Mr. and Mrs. Hans de Heus of Kingston were the guests of Mrs. de Heus' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Michell. Their February birthdays only two days apart, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hilge of the Claremont Nursing Home were presented with a bouquet of Spring flowers and entertained at a small tea by the nurses on duty. At the tea, besides Mr. and Mrs. Hilge and Miss Florence MacIvridge, who is voluntary giving her time as school teacher to some of the residents, were nurses Mrs. Herbert Kesselhut, Mrs. Beryl Filer, Mrs. Ray Dewey, Mrs. Dave Sharp, Mrs. Sig Schneider, Mrs. Gordon Liscomb, Mrs. Fred Draper and Miss Shirley Cantwell. On Sunday, 19 residents of the Home were entertained at a concert given by the Rouge Hills and Pickering Lions' Club in the auditorium of Dunbarton High School for Fairview Lodge and other nursing homes in the district. Mr. Allan Small of C.F.R.B. was M.C. and with the opening Centennial pageant of "Men of History," the Metropolitan Silver Band, the Bayview Heights School Choir and Mr. Alban Ward's solos, the outing was a treat to the eye and the ear. After the concert, tea was served at small tables where each cake was decorated with Canada's Centennial Rose. Wood's School Bus transported the guests who were accompanied by Nurses Evelyn Dewey and Ellen Sharp.

At the Annual Meeting of Claremont United Church the officers elected for 1967 were: Elders, Lloyd Pugh, Cliff Reynolds, Howard Johnston,

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