

**Modern office building completed at Country Ready-Mix Limited**

This is the new office quarters of Country Ready-Mix Limited, west of Stouffville in Whitchurch Township. It is fully illuminated at night, a most impressive structure. —Staff Photo

**The great escape**

UXBRIDGE — The story of 'the great escape' has come to a successful conclusion — for the police but not for the culprit.

After more than two years of freedom, Joseph Albert O'Beirn, formerly of Calgary where he was living under an assumed name.

O'Beirn was arrested originally in Whitby back in 1966 following a rash of alleged breakins including several in Stouffville, Markham Village and Markham Township.

In Oshawa, while being led from magistrate's court, he escaped police custody. A country-wide search followed without success. In Calgary, he was identified through fingerprint records on file.

Prior to his escape, he had been sentenced to five years in jail to run concurrent to a previous sentence handed down on similar charges.

**Hitchhikers in wild ride**

BROOKLIN — In the majority of cases, when a driver offers a ride to hitchhikers, it is the motorist who takes the risk. No so with two young lads who thumbed a ride from Sunderland south to Whitby. They were the innocent victims in a wild chase that ended when one of the boys jumped out and the auto blew a tire.

In Whitby court, Charles Bendall, 20, of Lindsay entered a plea of guilty to charged of dangerous driving, possession of a stolen car and no driver's licence. He was remanded in custody for two weeks pending a pre-sentence report. According to evidence, Bendall, accompanied by his wife of only 10 days, picked the hitchhikers up at the intersection of Highways 7 and 12. The

vehicle's speed on Highway 12 attracted the attention of an O.P.P. officer near Brooklin and the chase began. At one point, the cruiser and the car crashed fenders but, said police, the auto kept on going. The car finally stopped at Whitby after a front tire blew out and the vehicle twice hit the ditch.

Robert Dawson, the lad who jumped from the get-away auto, suffered cuts to his arms and legs.

**Auction sales**

PINE ORCHARD—Two successful auction sales were conducted recently in the community. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Baker have moved to take up residence in Nanaimo, British

Columbia. Mr. Randall Chapman has also sold his property.

Mrs. Herb White and children spent several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Johnston, Sunderland.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shropshire, Debbie and Kevan, have sold their home to take up residence in a new house at Sharon. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd have moved into the Shropshire home.

Sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. Peeko and Christine in the passing of Mrs. Peeko.

Miss Helen Reid, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Hope, Mr. and Mrs. Rae McClure and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Johnston were recent supper guests with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reid at their summer home.

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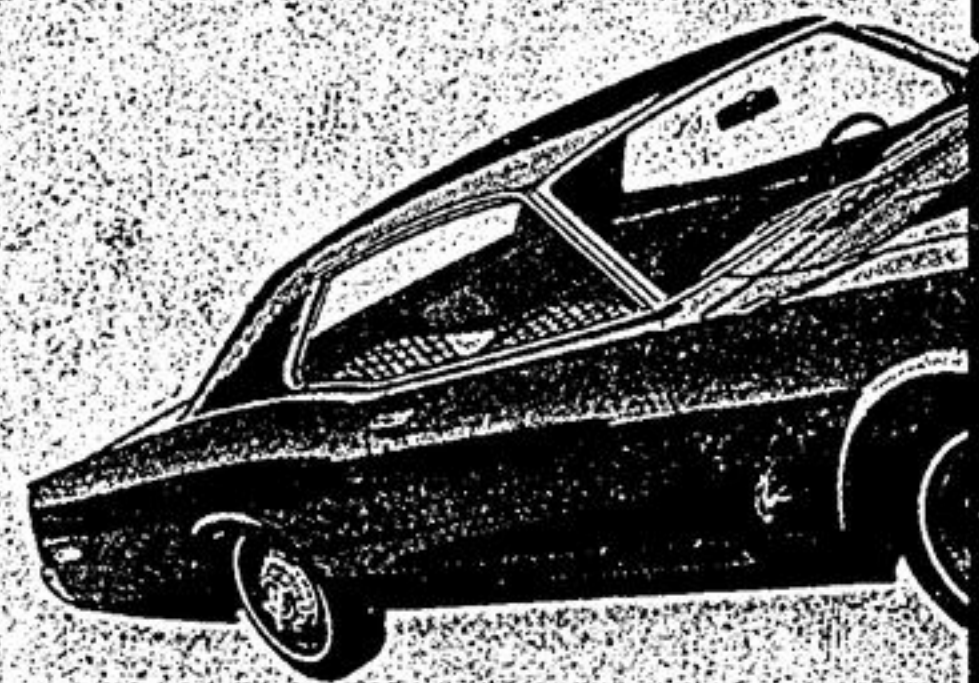
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