

Council replies

Dear Sir:
The editorial "The Secret Storm" dated Sept. 26, 1968, suggests that a statement be made on behalf of the Council of the Twp. of Whitchurch with respect to a change made in the chairmanship of its Industrial-Commercial Commission.

To set the record straight, there is no secret storm other than a myth that you the Press, are now seeking to create. There has been no secret, closed door meeting of Council on this or any other subject and to imply such is false. Discussions have taken place in open sessions of Council and at its Industrial-Commercial Commission meetings. Council's action was protective toward the Deputy-Reeve in that it sought to relieve him of duties and responsibilities that have led to accusations of a conflict of interest.

Recognizing this, the Industrial-Commercial Commission sought to correct the situation by asking its chairman, the Deputy-Reeve, on two separate occasions, to resign. This resignation was never tendered as he failed to recognize the significance of his position in relation to both Council and his real estate business.

Council, faced with the intent of all members of its Commission resigning, had no choice but to make changes in its special and standing Committees.

You have acknowledged that where real estate and politics mix there can always be an element of doubt as expressed in your editorial "Vulnerable to Attack" dated lines Sept. 19, 1968.

Council's action at its meeting Sept. 17 was expressive of its concern in this matter and was designed, without malice, to protect the Deputy-Reeve from attack and to salvage its Industrial-Commercial Commission.

Stewart Burnett, Reeve, On behalf of the Council of the Twp. of Whitchurch.

End fire calls

CLAREMONT — With new fire-fighting facilities now available at Claremont, the council of the Twp. of Pickering wishes to terminate its agreement with the Village of Stouffville.

The Stouffville Fire Department presently serves a north-west area of Pickering at a cost of \$300 per year.

Council feels that the new Claremont truck, purchased last month, can accommodate this section. The committee report has called for termination of the agreement in 60 days.

When the agreement ends, residents formerly depending on Stouffville for fighting fires, will call the Claremont brigade.

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Submit four plans

STOUFFVILLE — Stouffville's present population is just over 4,000. By the year 2,000 it could increase to 40,000 or even higher. The growth estimate, almost too staggering to comprehend, was revealed at a meeting Oct. 1, arranged by representatives of the Central Ontario Regional Development Council. Members of Stouffville Council, planning board, public utilities commission and committee of adjustment, attended along with several interested ratepayers.

Four distinct plans were presented for consideration. Plans 1 and 2 deal with a concentrated buildup along the corridor between Bowmanville and Hamilton. Plan 3 is a concentration of sub-regional centres extending north-east to Port Perry and north-west to Streetsville, Milton and Kitchener. Plan 4 establishes a northern arc of satellite cities at Barrie, Alliston, Orangeville and Guelph, thus relieving the Toronto lakeshore area of growth pressures. The advantages of each of the proposals were outlined in the brief.

Meetings similar to the one held in Stouffville have been arranged for other centres bordering Metro, including the Counties of Halton, York, Peel and Ontario. Information will be compiled for presentation to the Provincial Government at Queen's Park.

Stouffville's predicted growth factor within the next thirty years is based on the town's close proximity to Metro and its location near proposed highway arteries of 404 to the west and 407 to the south. Local development is expected to follow Highways 47 and 48.

Equestrian club

Plan horse show

BALLANTRAE — On Sunday afternoon, Oct. 20, the Whitchurch Community Centre Equestrian Club will hold its first horse show (all English). The highlight of the event will be a special cross-country hunt which should be both challenging for the participants and colorful for the spectators.

Among the competitors will be several students of Stouffville Dist. Secondary School, including Susan Cloth, Janet Davies, Sandy Allison and Gerry Parker.

The show will be staged at the Vivian Thoroughbred Farm, Cherry Street, Whitchurch at 1 p.m.

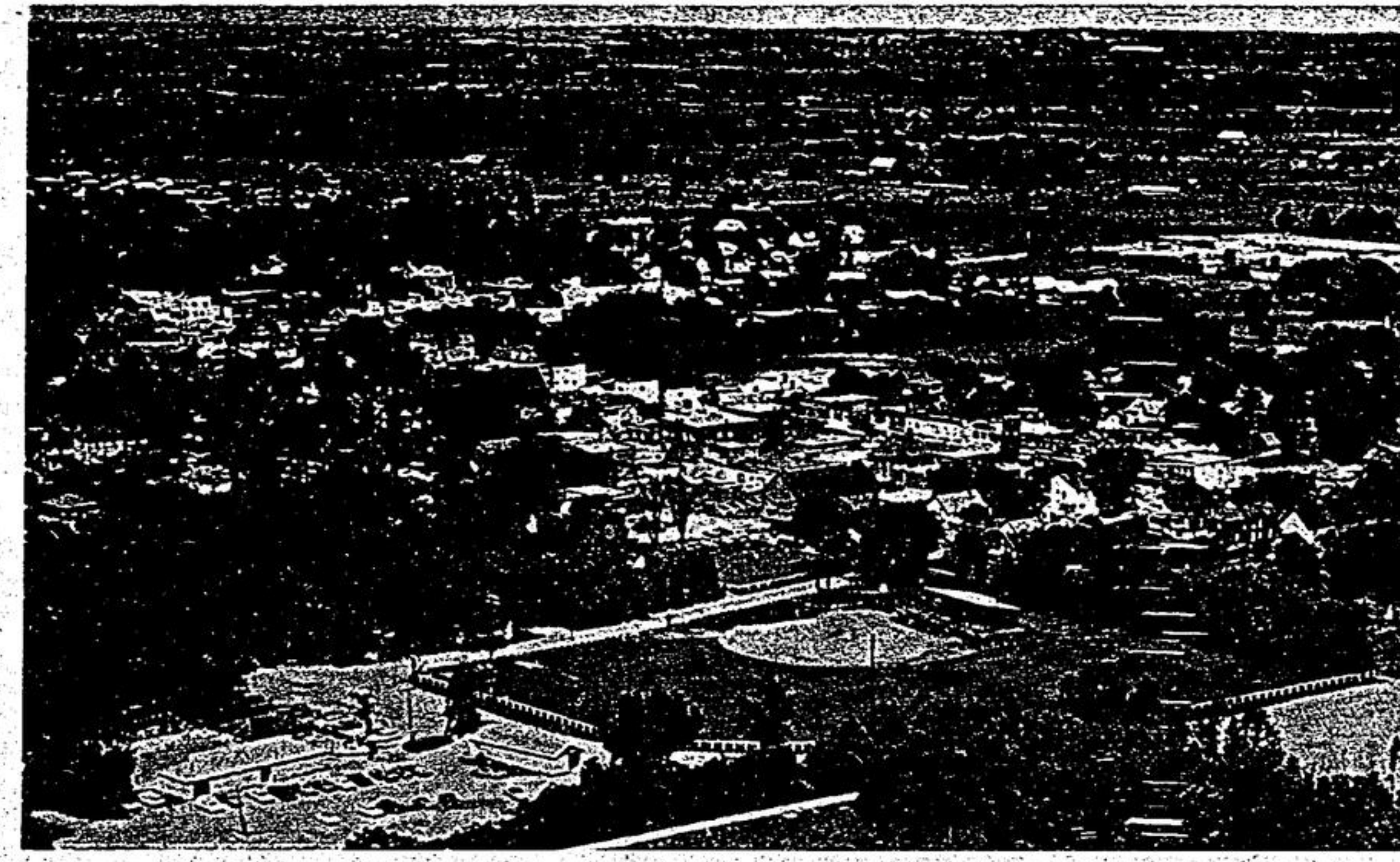
Plowing match

NORTH YORK — The 44th annual North York plowing match will be held Saturday on the farm of Mel Ley, 1 mile east and a half-mile south of Keswick on the Don Mills Road.

McCutcheon top election spender

GORMLEY — Wallace McCutcheon, Gormley, R.R.1, ran an expensive campaign in an unsuccessful bid for election last June in the federal riding of York-Simcoe.

According to statistics, revealed under provisions of the Canada Elections Act, the McCutcheon organization spent \$29,903.47. Only \$2,000 of this amount is listed as personal. Mr. McCutcheon had 64 contributors.



A bird's eye view of the Village of Stouffville, looking north-west above the Park. Thirty years and 40,000 people later, the scene will have changed greatly.

Solve break-ins

MARKHAM TWP. — Markham Twp. police are confident that the arrest of a 40 year old man in Ottawa this week will end the rash of house break-ins that have plagued the department for the past month.

Detectives Clifford Cox and Douglas Tribbling travelled to Ottawa Monday to question a suspect. The accused has used a stolen credit card from Markham to purchase a suit and a gun from a department store there. Other charges are pending by police in Metro and Mississauga.

Several house break-ins in the rural area of Markham Twp. remain unsolved although police have a good description of a bearded man believed involved.

Trustee criticises board spending

WHITCHURCH TWP. — When the cats away, the mice will play. That was no doubt the feeling of Whitchurch T.S.A. Board trustee Michael Ogden when he returned to a regular meeting after a week's absence on private business. He was strongly critical of the board's spending and questioned several items that had been previously approved for payment. Each purchase and its cost was discussed. On some, Mr. Ogden appeared satisfied that they were warranted. On others, he was not. He presented a report on the board's financial standing and noted that on Dec. 31, 1967, there was a surplus of \$177,000. He reminded the members that any surplus at the end of the current year would be credited to the taxpayers of the township. He said that trustees would be well advised to keep this in mind so that the rebate would be as generous as possible.

Trustee Ogden also took issue with a member of the staff at Lake Wilcox school over a price of \$3,610 to improve the grounds around the building. Originally, the cost was estimated at not over \$1,500.

The teacher explained that there was some urgency in getting the work done and that the equipment needed was in short supply.

"You have been three months dealing with this

and now you expect us to reach a decision in one hour," argued Mr. Ogden. The board agreed to obtain a second bid.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Mr. Ogden announced that he would be a candidate for election to the new York County Board that takes office Jan. 1. Chairman Wesley Brillinger had said earlier that he would permit his name to stand. Stouffville and Whitchurch will share one trustee. Nominations are Nov. 18.

'Hot' ice

MARKHAM TWP. — Zoltan Berta, proprietor of the Halfway House and service station, Don Mills Rd., near Victoria Square, was awakened on the morning of July 18 and saw two cars leave the lot. He also saw the occupants throw two containers to the ground. Minutes later, the vehicles were stopped by Markham Twp. police.

On further investigation, Mr. Berta found that the packages contained ice cubes and the ice bin near his premises had been entered. Keith Lewis Park, 18, and Fred Wood, 19, both of Sumach St., Toronto, were subsequently charged with theft.

In Richmond Hill Court, Tuesday, the boys were convicted and each fined \$25 and costs by Magistrate Russell Pearce. The ice cubes were valued at \$1.20.

Fair crowd sets record

MARKHAM — The 1968 edition of Markham-Fair has been written into the record books as the biggest and best in its 113-year history.

The attendance on each of the three days exceeded that of 1967 and on Saturday, more than 21,000 passed through the turnstiles.

President Joe Tran and members of the executive expressed complete satisfaction with the entire program. Pictures are featured on Page 3 of this issue.

Road wash extended

STOUFFVILLE — Stouffville's Main Street received its final 'scrub-down' of the season last week but the driver of the water tank truck did not stop at the west town limits. He washed the road right to Ringwood.

Clerk Ralph Corner informed council that the \$19 charge remained the same regardless of the area covered.

"I guess it's none of our concern if he goes all the way to Gormley," commented Reeve Ken Laushway.

In hospital

WHITCHURCH TWP. — Whitchurch Twp. councillor Bob Lewis is in York County Hospital at Newmarket.

Controlled growth

STOUFFVILLE — By the year 2000, Stouffville's population could well reach 40,000 but for the present at least, residential build-up will be kept under tight control.

This was the response by Reeve Ken Laushway following a meeting Oct. 1 with the Central Ontario Regional Development Council.

While Reeve Laushway is the first to admit that his policy stand on this issue does not meet with the approval of all residents, he points to the financial position of the municipality and calls it 'excellent.' "This would not be the case if we had thrown the door open like Markham and Richmond Hill," he said.

Population figures established by the Metro Planning Dept. were estimated at 8,000 by 1980. The Reeve said that Stouffville's growth has remained within these projected limits. He stated that the town's present source of water supply would be sufficient to serve this number and the addition to the sewage plant would accommodate 9,000. "After that, a new type of system would be needed, perhaps a trunk main to Lake Ontario, a co-operative venture with many municipalities involved," he said.

On the subject of industry, he said he favored firms that would employ from 25 to 30 people rather than large factories employing 300. He said that under the government-sponsored Industrial Equalization Program, there had been more than 25 enquiries but none would pay the price of serviced land, quoted at \$15,000 per acre.

Compensate mailmen

MARKHAM — Rural mail carriers, employed under contract but unable to work due to the recent postal strike, will be compensated for salary losses.

The statement by Mr. Calkin reads: "I am very happy to be able to announce that the Postmaster General has now agreed to make payment to individual contract rural mail deliverers to offset their salary losses incurred as a result of the postal strike. I had raised this question in the House of Commons on two different occasions and discussed this matter on numerous occasions with the Postmaster."

Killed in Vietnam

ASHBURN — Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. John C. Sherin, Ashburn, R.R. 1, of the death of their son, Chris, killed in action in Vietnam.

A pilot with the U.S. Airforce, he was shot down during a mission over Viet Cong held territory.

Chris, his wife and family had been living in Alabama.

Prior to moving to the United States, he resided with his parents on the Pickering-Whitby townline near Balsam.

Train wrecks car couple escape injury

WHITCHURCH TWP. — A 1968 model station wagon, northbound on conc. 5, Whitchurch near Cedar Valley, was completely wrecked when rammed by a Toronto-bound C.N.R. train, but both the driver and his lady passenger escaped without a scratch.

Allan Murray Smith, 47, and Cherry Sands, 22,

both of R.R. 1, Locust Hill were taken by police to York County Hospital, Newmarket but released a short time later.

The rear half of their auto was torn apart by the impact but neither occupant was thrown out.

The crash occurred Saturday morning at 8:30.

Accomplished musician killed in tragic two-car crash

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