

## New apartments planned

Former site of fish factory

STOUFFVILLE — The old Vinegar Works factory and more recently the plant of the Goldfish Supply Company, may soon disappear from its landmark site on Albert Street South.

Two 4-storey apartment buildings, each containing 26 suites, are proposed for the area north of Sunset Boulevard.

Anthony Kugler, R.R.1, Unionville, appeared before the Planning Board March 13 to request the area be changed from an industrial one to residential. He indicated that one apartment would be erected immediately with a second to follow in two or three years. He agreed to remove the present brick building from the site before commencing construction.

Mr. Kugler cited a need for accommodation of this kind in Stouffville. He said that the buildings would be a credit to the area and he would abide by the suite fee figure as established by council. He said he had built several exclusive homes in the Cachet County Club subdivision of Markham Township.

The price of the property, although not revealed at the meeting, was earlier reported at \$60,000.

C. E. Hendricks, representing the Shea Real Estate Company, said it was the first firm offer he had received.

Planning Board agreed to a change in zoning on condition that the present building be removed. Members also recommended that a time limit be set for a start on construction and if the property should be sold or transferred, the agreement would become null and void.

## \$30 million budget

YORK CTY. — York County School Board has agreed to borrow \$19 million to take care of current expenses and pressing capital needs.

The new board has not yet brought in its budget for the year, but early estimates for salaries, maintenance and supplies indicates that the figure for 1969 will be in excess of \$30 million.

The Board will borrow \$15 million from the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, which has its operating account and \$4 million from the Bank of Nova Scotia which has its capital account.

### Men's Wear Store

## Daylight robbery

MARKHAM — A daring daylight robbery at Appleton's Men's Wear Store in the Markham Shopping Centre, Sunday, netted thieves merchandise and cash estimated at over \$6,800.

Entry to the premises was gained by removing the lock from the front door.

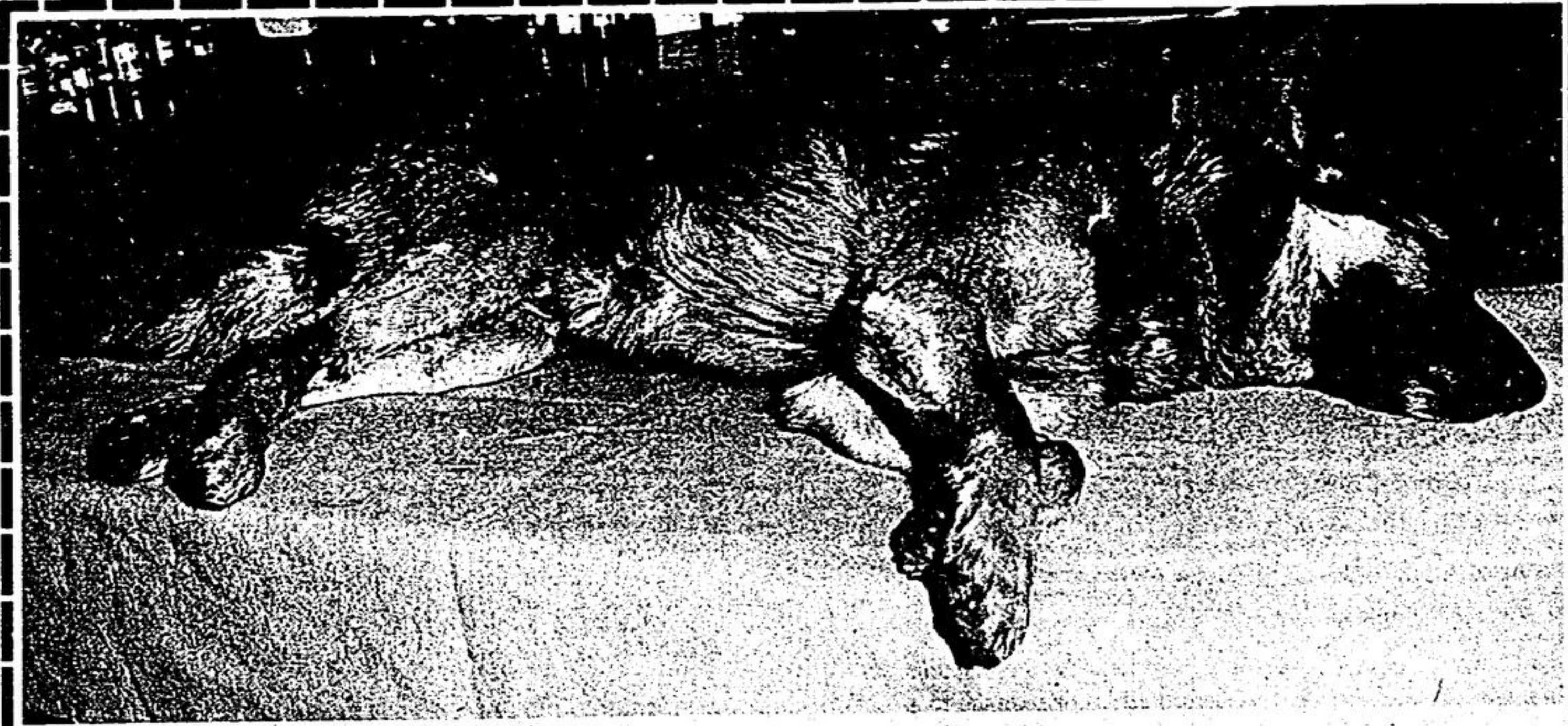
The clothing racks were cleared of 150 suits but in apparent haste to leave the building, 40 were dropped on the floor near the rear exit.

The store manager's office was entered and a small cash box was rifled. About \$130 in bills and change was removed.

The robbery was similar to the break-in at Orchard's Men's Shop in the Stouffville Plaza. The total loss there was close to \$12,000.

Police Chief Fred White termed the theft 'the work of professionals.' He said it appeared obvious from the number of suits left behind, that the culprits left the store in a hurry.

Fingerprint experts from the Ontario Provincial Police have been called in to assist with the investigation.



A full-grown German Shepherd dog, under heavy sedation, awaits surgery at the Stouffville Veterinary Clinic, to remove its right hind leg. —Staff Photo

## Engineer saves trapped dog

MARKHAM TWP. — A C.N.R. freight engineer who stopped his locomotive to rescue a German Shepherd dog trapped in a wire fence, has been credited with saving the animal's life.

John Histed of Belleville was castbound near the 7th conc. and 14th Avenue of Markham Twp.

When he spotted the animal struggling on the ground. He braked the engine and, aided by his fireman, cut the wire that was wound tightly around the dog's hind leg. He then called Markham police.

Canine Control officer, James Ryan was informed of the animal's condition

and responded immediately. He took the dog to the Stouffville Veterinary Clinic where it was treated to ease the pain and kept over-night.

With the tendons and blood vessels completely severed it was necessary to amputate the leg on Tuesday. Mr. Ryan is still attempting to find the

owner. Officer Ryan told The Tribune that he believes the dog was trapped in the fence for about two days. He said it was in an extremely weakened condition through lack of food and loss of blood. He will keep it in his pound east of Gormley until fully recovered.

It was at first believed that the dog might have been purposely tied there and abandoned but veterinarian Dr. A. T. O'Connor suggests that it could have become caught while trying to crawl through the fence and then worsened the injury attempting to get free.

## Public and high school teachers

# Equal pay for equal qualifications

### Would integrate school

YORK CTY.—The York County Board of Education took a firm step towards integration of the county's elementary and secondary school systems March 10 when it adopted a policy of equal pay for equal qualifications.

Under the new policy an elementary teacher in, for example, category 6 whose qualifications entitle him to a secondary school teacher category 2 designation, may elect to teach at either the elementary or secondary school level and will receive whichever salary schedule is most favorable to him.

Similarly, a secondary school teacher could teach in an elementary school without loss of salary.

Regulations of the Department of Education stipulate that a teacher holding a permanent elementary certificate, Standard 4, may be granted an Interim High School Assistant's Certificate Type B when accepting a contract to teach in a secondary school. After two years of successful teaching, a permanent certificate is then granted.

The policy was presented to the Board by Trustees Ross Jolliffe, chairman of the salary negotiation committee. It was noted that the policy was deliberately intended to further integration of the two levels. It was felt that it would result in a strengthening of the system as people would be able to teach where they are most effective.

Stated aim of the board is to evolve a school system where transition from elementary to secondary school is accompanied by no greater shock for the pupil than moving from one grade to another at any level.

## Propose 265 lot subdivision

STOUFFVILLE—A 265 lot subdivision, to include a new public school and an apartment for senior citizens, is proposed for an area commonly known as the Stouffville Sod Farm, north of Elm Road.

Developer, Alex Tombosso with consulting engineer Howard Hunt, presented a sketch plan of the project to Planning Board March 13.

Mr. Tombosso said he was anxious to begin development of the property immediately.

On the question of drainage, Mr. Hunt recommended that a storm sewer be constructed from Ninth Line North in a westerly direction to the stream that flows through Ringwood. He suggested that this proposal would prove more practical than directing the flow down Fairview Avenue and under Main Street. He said that Mr. Tombosso would be willing to enter into an agreement to assist in enlarging the sewage disposal plant and the pumping station at Westlawn Crescent.

Mr. Hunt also pointed to a problem with the pumping station on Victoria Street but suggested that its capacity could be increased at a cost of about \$30,000.

Board chairman Bill Kamps informed the developer that if he should re-

### Hi neighbor

STOUFFVILLE — Planning Board member Jim Richards has questioned the advisability of allowing subdivision homes on 45 foot lots. He observed that some houses in The Ponderosa appeared too close together. "I can't help but wonder if we made a mistake," he said.

Board chairman Bill Kamps viewed the problem from a brighter side. "The neighbors can do more than just say hello. They can reach out their windows and shake hands,"

## Parkview wins appeal

STOUFFVILLE — The Parkview Home for Senior Citizens in Stouffville has won its assessment appeal before a county court judge.

The home has been declared exempt from all taxation.

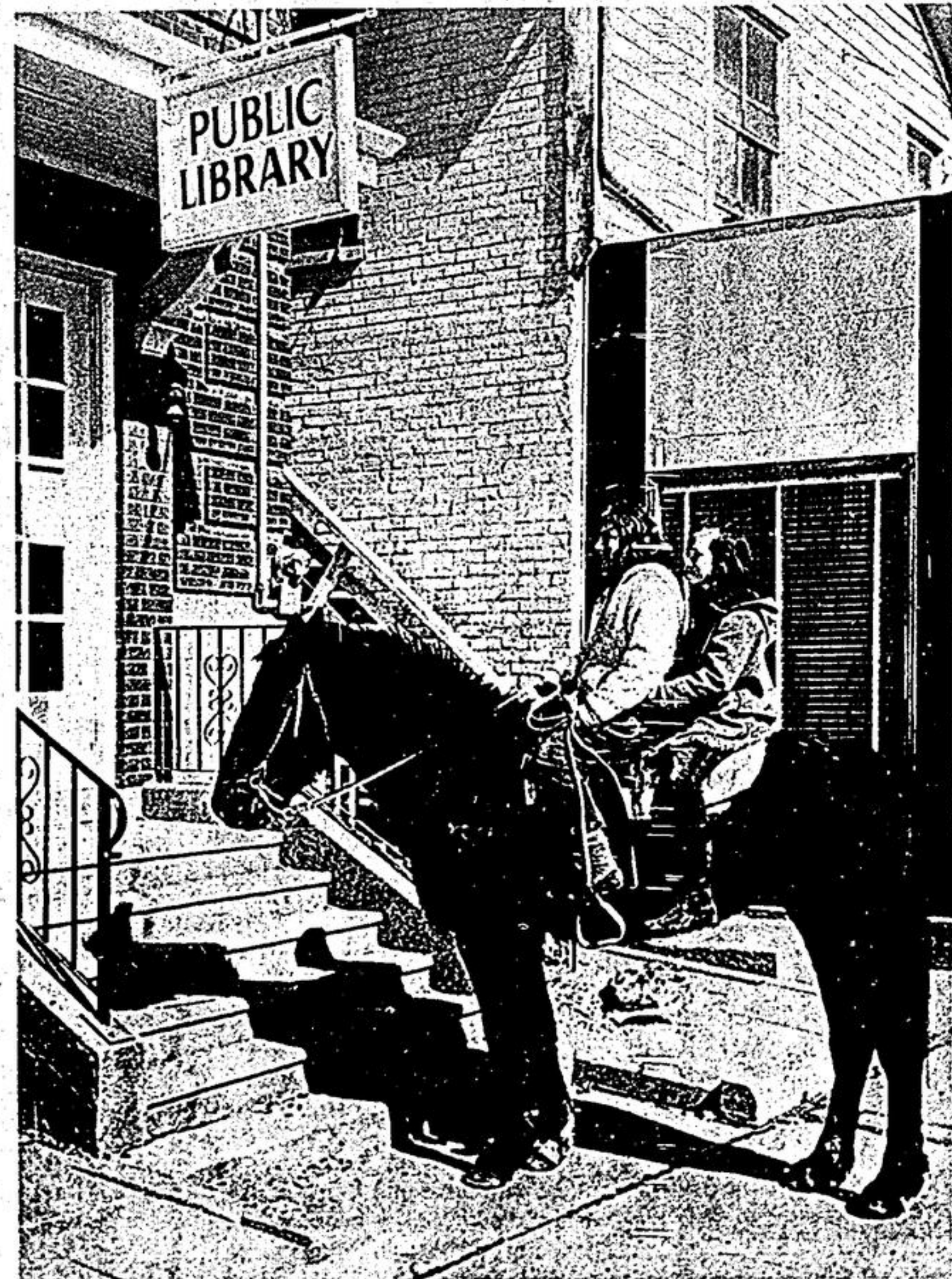
It is the only institution of its kind in York and the appeal represented a 'test case' in the courts. The county, that now has total jurisdiction over assessment matters, was represented by solicitor J. D. Lucas.

An appeal is being considered.

Of the more than 60 residents at Parkview, less than ten are from Stouffville.

In a second appeal a 25 percent assessment reduction was allowed the A&P Food Store in the Stouffville Plaza.

POLICE EJECT FAN STOUFFVILLE—Police were called to the Arena Tuesday to eject a fan after he struck Juvenile forward Larry Gilroy in the face during a Stouffville-Meaford playoff game.



## A 'public' library for people only!

The public doesn't mind sharing the sidewalk with horses but when it comes to tromping up the steps into the Library, it's quite another thing. Cynthia Munder, 10 and Juliet Frenchman, 9, both of Rupert Avenue, Stouffville, consider the best place to park their four-footed friend. —Staff Photo

## Century City

# Many questions but few answers

## School Board 'goofed' - developer

STOUFFVILLE — The purchase of a site for a third public school in Stouffville could be finalized this week.

This was the opinion of the developer Alex Tombosso, following a meeting with Planning Board and two members of the administrative staff, York County Board of Education, Mar. 13.

The land is located North of Elm Road and immediately west of St. Mark's Separate School.

Mr. Tombosso, owner of property known as the Stouffville Sod Farm, Ninth Line North, expressed irritation over past dealings with the former school board, extending back one and one-half years. "They goofed it all up but still wanted it at the same price," he said. He informed the meeting that he was selling the site for less than he paid for it.

E. J. Sand of the new York Board termed the situation "serious." "We'd like to get it cleared-up," he said. He recommended that land in the proposed subdivision, to be reserved for park purposes, be located adjacent to the school grounds and thus enlarge the total area to about nine and one-half acres.

"It's an excellent price," commented Mr. Sand.

"Excellent for the board but not for me," replied the developer. Mr. Tombosso explained that he had purchased the property after the original deal had supposedly been made.

Mr. Sand explained that the old board had neither the time or the money to complete the transaction.

## Municipalities meet developers April 24

UXBRIDGE TWP. — Century City — a benefit or detriment?

A meeting of representatives from Uxbridge Twp. and adjacent municipalities at Goodwood, March 13 was designed to answer this question. Instead, the 2-hour discussion aroused more questions but few answers.

While several councillors took a firm stand against the planned residential, commercial and industrial centre, others declined to pass comment without additional information.

It was agreed that a spokesman for Revenue Properties Limited should attend a second meeting, April 24.

Uxbridge Twp. reeve Alvin Redshaw said that contrary to published reports it was not his desire to block the plan nor did he intend to promote it. He suggested that road maintenance could prove a problem as well as garbage disposal, particularly if vacant gravel excavations were to be used for this purpose. "I can't see how this city will ever benefit the residents of this township," he said. He noted that it was still too early to say whether test holes for water would affect other wells in the area.

"I want to know the facts before I reach a decision," stated Mayor Fred Steward of Uxbridge Town.

"How can we criticize the plan when we don't know what plans they have in mind?" asked deputy-reeve Lawrence Hennessey of Whitchurch.

Reeve Ken Laushway of Stouffville said that an official of the firm would meet with his council March 24. "We have many questions, but until we receive the answers we are neither for nor against it," Mr. Laushway suggested that in the final analysis it would be the Minister of Municipal Affairs who would settle the issue.

Uxbridge councillor Clark Muirhead was direct. He termed the project a 'Madison Avenue bluff.' They try to tell us this is progress and we are expected to lie down and take it. All they are trying to do is make Uxbridge Township another Los Angeles. Other places are calling for this kind of thing but for anyone to advocate satellite cities around Toronto should have his head examined."

Pickering councillor Victor Rudik said that such a build-up on their north boundary was not in keeping with the Township's rural area plan. He charged, too, that there was an insufficient labor force in the Stouffville-Uxbridge districts to supply employment for such a large-scale industrial program.

Pickering councillor Donald Kitchen suggested that even if Century City did not proceed, the investors would not lose.

For the meeting April 24, it was agreed that each of the five municipalities could be represented by ten officials. Reeve Redshaw ruled that the press would be permitted to attend.

### Recorded vote

# Whitchurch reeve opposes council salary increase

WHITCHURCH TWP.—In spite of opposition registered by reeve Stewart Burnett and councillor Norman Barnard, Whitchurch Township council has granted itself a salary increase for 1969.

The revised rate will give reeve Burnett \$4,200; deputy reeve Lawrence Hennessey, \$3,000 and councillors Betty VanNostrand, Robert Lewis and Norman Barnard, \$2,500.

The wage hike, contained in a recommendation from a committee of council was approved March 11 in a 3-2 recorded vote. One-third of each member's stipend shall be considered as an expense and not subject to income tax.

Reeve Burnett in opposing the bylaw, suggested that the increase over 1968 was too great. He argued, too, that the figure for the deputy-reeve should be the same as for the councillors. He recommended that there should be no deductions for absenteeism, since in the majority of cases, if members could not be present it was because they were busy on other township business.

Councillor Barnard charged that the tax load now borne by the taxpayers was high enough without adding to the burden. He said he was satisfied with the amount paid last year.

Deputy-reeve Hennessey observed that salary restrictions, once imposed on municipal councils, had been removed. He suggested that in view of the time spent on township work, the added remuneration was not out of line.

A similar stand was taken by Mrs. VanNostrand. She noted that the meeting, March 10, had opened at 1 p.m. and would not conclude until midnight.