

# Second Section

Lake Wilcox

## Riviera of York County

WHITCHURCH TWP. — Lake Wilcox has often been jokingly referred to as 'the riviera of York County'.

While the area is a popular centre during the summer months with some nice homes, the majority of residences are low-class type cottages that impair the appearance of the entire community.

The council of Whitchurch Township has been informed that the Metro Conservation Authority is ready to begin negotiations for the transfer of this property.

In addition to the 68 acres of municipally owned land, the authority has also requested council to zone the remainder of the lake district as 'open space'. This would prevent the use of the land for any other purpose other than its present one.

It envisions the municipality deeding over its holdings which include a 67-acre water lot for one dollar, and then over the next 20 or 30 years buying up the remainder of the privately owned land around the lake. The immediate area of interest is the 168 acres of water and shoreline extending from Willowbank Avenue around the eastern end of the lake but it could eventually involve as much as 700 acres.

Some 112 individually owned cottages and two pieces of property containing 33 cabins would be affected by the move.

Conservation officials stress that expropriation is only a remote possibility. They expect to gradually buy the land as it becomes vacant, is condemned or comes on the market. A start is expected in about two years.

The project will not cost the municipality any more than its normal conservation levy as all the authority's member municipalities will be designated as benefitting areas.

### Trade Fair on film

STOUFFVILLE — Richmond Hill Cable TV began filming two weeks ago for programming to subscribers this fall.

The initial taping took place September 5 at the Stouffville Trade Fair. A mobile cablecasting studio was set up to film the official opening, the fashion show and a number of interviews, conducted by Ken Foss with men, women and children attending the fair, as well as several exhibitors.

Saturday, September 6, Richmond Hill Cable TV's mobile unit was again on location to film the Kleinburg Binder Twine Festival. This program began with the filming of the Westview Centennial Band, followed by the opening ceremonies. A camera mounted on the roof of the studio then captured a birds-eye view of the colourful pet parade, costume parade, and bicycle parade, produced by the youngsters of the area. The segment was completed with an interview by Ken Foss with Reeve Garnet Williams, and comments by some of the costumed residents, who were participating in the festival.

"One of our prime interests in entering the cable field," said Stewart Coxford, President of Richmond Hill Cable TV, "was to provide some local programming on channel 5."

"The Stouffville Trade Fair and the Kleinburg Binder Twine Festival marked our initial efforts in this field."

Mr. Coxford added that both tapes would be telecast later this fall, once cable television service begins in Stouffville and Kleinburg.

The company is in the process of completing construction in order to provide a cable service to Stouffville, Markham, the Yonge Street Corridor, Woodbridge and Kleinburg.



### Area resident passes

Service was held from the Lewis Funeral Home, Mt. Albert, Sept. 9, for Mrs. Laura Stapleton, following her death, Sept. 6. Mrs. Stapleton, well-known in the Stouffville area, is survived by a daughter Olive (Mrs. Carl Moorehead) Mt. Albert and a son, Harold Heisey in California. —Jas. Thomas

### John Roberts

### Preserve historical sites

YORK-SIMCOE — At a recent press conference held at Aurora, John Roberts, Member of Parliament for York-Simcoe, expressed concern for historical sites and monuments.

He told newsmen that he felt some incentive, possibly in the form of grants or reduced taxation, should be provided to assist owners of old homes and buildings to keep them in good condition. He said he is trying to obtain the assistance of C.M.H.C. in the matter.

One suggestion was to adopt a system similar to that used in the United States, where the government buys and restores houses, and then rents or resells them with the provision that they be maintained as historical sites.

Mr. Roberts gave his views on many other questions, ranging from housing to inflation, pollution and external affairs.

He told the press he felt the old people of Canada were the most underprivileged of all ages. He felt that young people of today do not have one tenth the problems that pensioners do. He added that "many people feel that those who have saved all their lives are being penalized because they do not receive the same pension that others do."

Mr. Roberts stated that he may be offered a post as a Parliamentary Secretary in the near future, and that he would prefer a position under the Secretary of State, if possible.

### Amusement tax

## No laughing matter

WHITCHURCH TWP. — If a \$100 amusement tax is to be collected from the operator of Olympia Park on Don Mills Road, then a similar fee should be charged against similar businesses throughout the township, Police Chief Fred Mason suggested to Whitchurch Council, Sept. 2.

Councillor Norman Barnard said that if the by-law was on the books, it should be enforced. Other members felt that the date could be extended to January 1, 1970.

"It must be election year," commented the Chief. He agreed to inform the operators of Council's decision and send each a copy of the by-law.

### New staff teachers

STOUFFVILLE — Six new full-time teachers have joined the staffs of Stouffville's two public schools: Orchard Park and Summitview.

While Mrs. Doreen Brown, Watson Drive, is hardly new to pupils here, she previously served only as supply. She is on the staff at Orchard Park along with Mrs. Joyce Caudle and Mrs. Beth Hughes.

New teachers at Summitview are: Miss Brenda Pollard, Mrs. Leslie James and Mrs. Ruth Lewis. Mrs. Pollard, in charge of Kindergarten is a recent graduate of Toronto Teachers' College. Mrs. James and Mrs. Lewis are from North York. Mrs. Hughes taught previously at Oak Ridges.

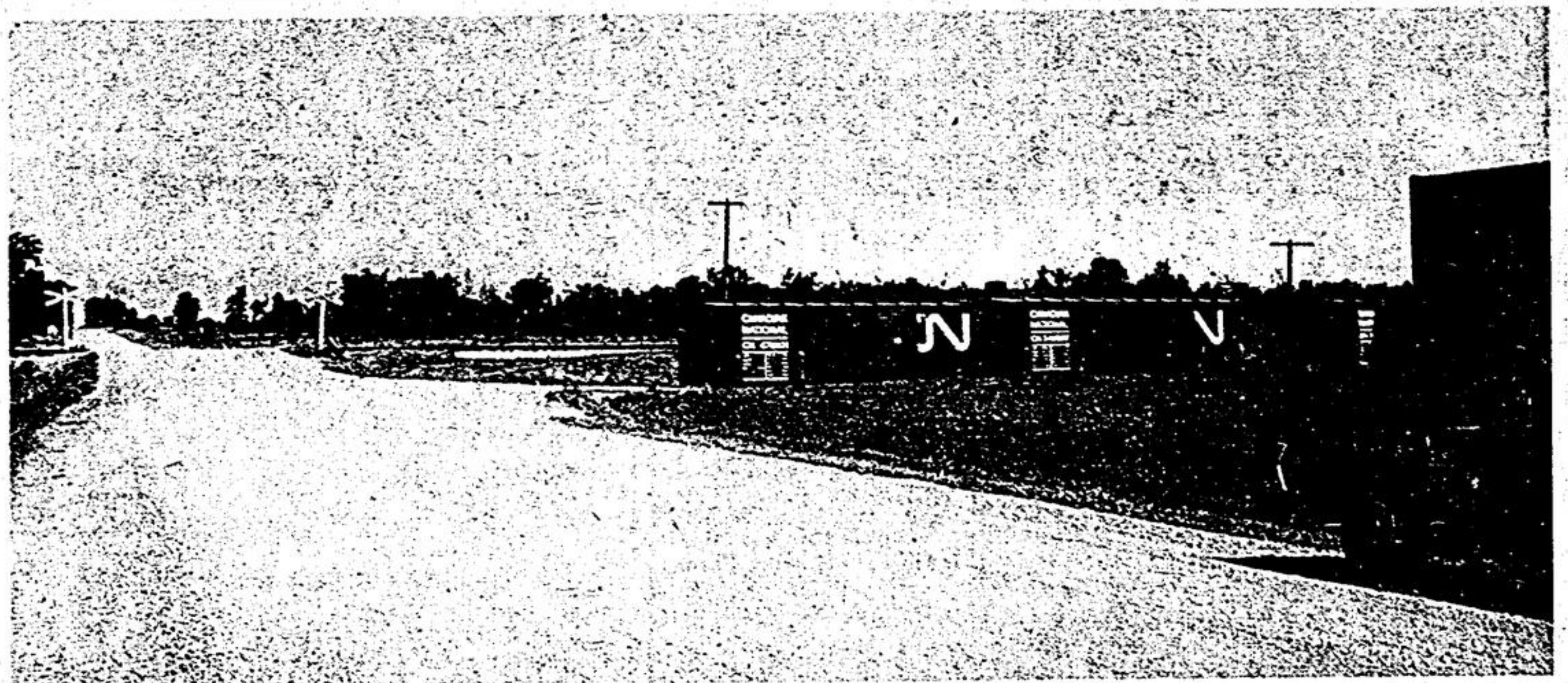
# Pickering Twp. barn destroyed in \$25,000 blaze

PICKERING TWP. — A barn and four outbuildings at the corner of conc. 4 and the Greenwood Road, Pickering Township, purchased less than a month ago by Mr. Charles Green, were destroyed by fire, Sept. 7.

Heat from the blaze was so intense that a house, 200 feet away, was damaged. The temperature inside this residence at one point reached 120 degrees.

Brigade units from Brougham, Pickering and Ajax responded but the fire was out of control when they arrived. The structure contained only hay. It was to have been used for boat storage this winter.

The loss, estimated at \$25,000, is covered by insurance.



### Visibility at crossing hampered by box cars, coroner's jury rules

In spite of a recommendation by an inquest jury, that stationary box cars not extend closer to the seventh concession of Markham Twp., than a factory building located there, the request, up to the time this picture was taken, had gone unheeded. An Uxbridge district man, David Edward Barker died June 13 when his truck was struck broadside by a westbound C.N.R. dayliner. —Jas. Thomas

### Drag racers in court

MARKHAM TWP. — Two suspected drag-racers had their day in court Sept. 2, but their stay was short-lived.

Charges of dangerous driving were withdrawn against Michael Williamson, 18, of Agincourt and John Brooks, 20, of Scarborough.

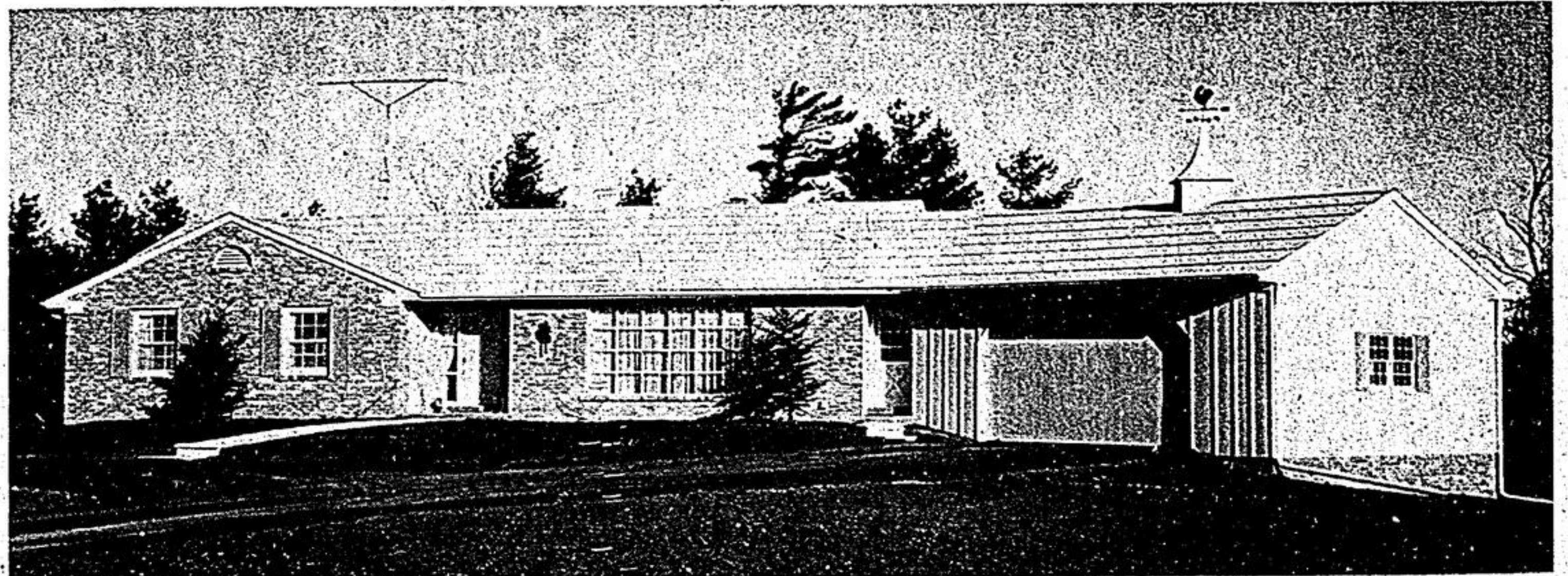
The two were arrested in the early hours of July 19, after police in a light aircraft spotted a number of cars congregated near the intersection of Steeles Avenue and Highway 48.

The information was relayed by Sgt. Donald Dukes to officers in four cruisers below. They quickly converged on the area.

It marked the first time that police have used aircraft to arrest drivers suspected of racing on back roads.

Included were departments from Markham, Vaughan, King, Whitchurch and Pickering Townships.

While the original charges have been withdrawn, both Williamson and Brooks will appear in Aurora Traffic Court, Sept. 26, charged with racing.



### Lovely country home erected on 9th Concession, Pickering Twp.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Mervyn Card, conc. 9, Pickering Township, is one of the finest in the area. Mr. Card and son Graydon operate Dominion Hardware, Main Street, Stouffville. —Jas. Thomas

### Favor complete Separate School system

Nearly 50,000 members of the Catholic Women's League in Ontario have signed a statement backing the "Equality in Education" brief in favour of a complete separate school system.

Its statement, bearing 47,000 signatures, with more to come, was delivered to the office of Hon. William G. Davis, Minister of Education, September 4.

The crop was harvested, according to Mrs. R. J. Ellinghausen, president, during a three-week period this summer. Signatures are still coming in, she writes, as members return from holidays. League membership in Ontario approximates 65,000.

The statement was recommended at the provincial convention of the League in Cornwall this July, by unanimous vote. "Our organization," Mrs. Ellinghausen notes, "was a signatory of the brief. These signatures are further evidence of our wholehearted support of its content."

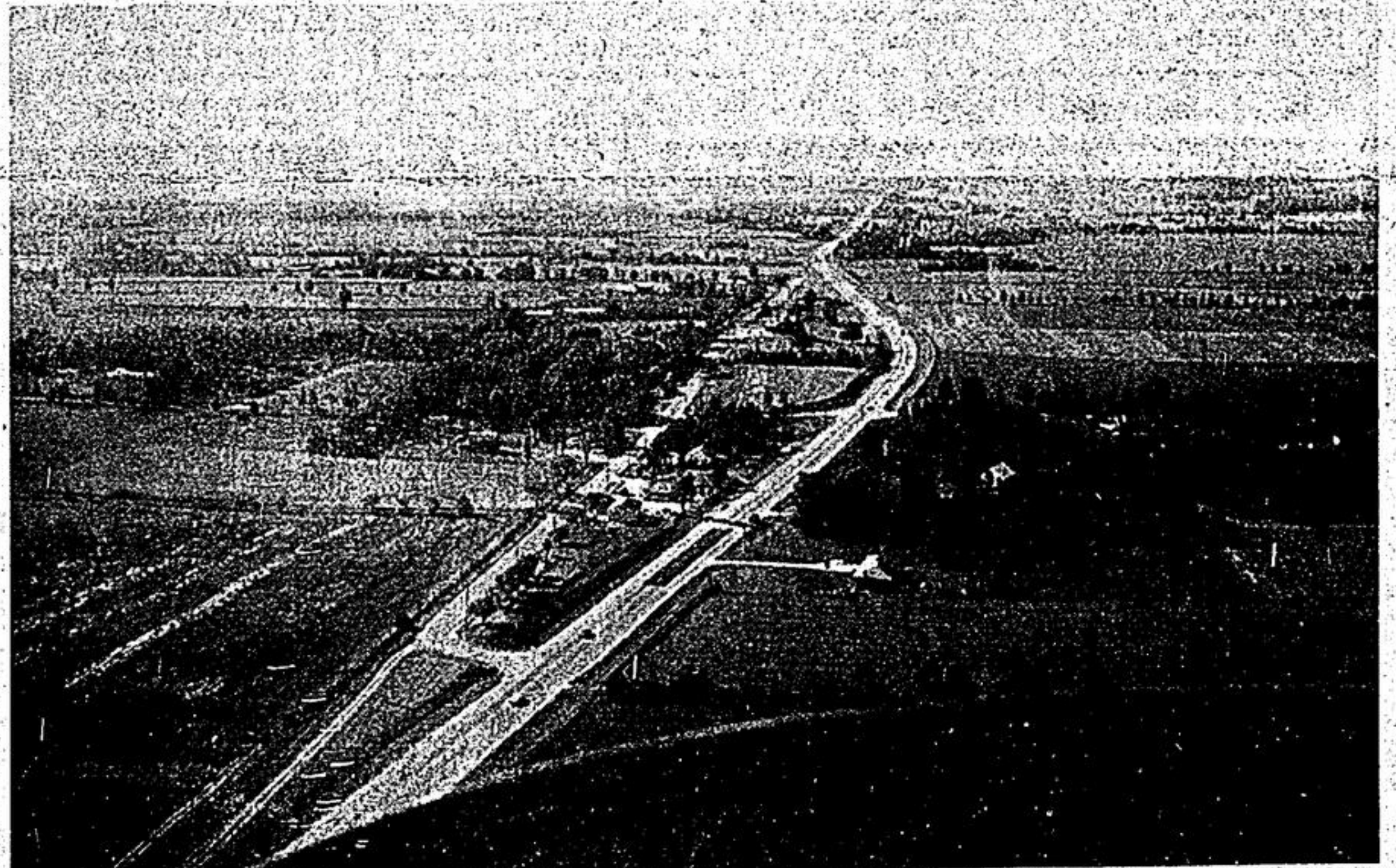
The brief, presented to political leaders of the Province by the Ontario Separate School Trustees' Association on May 26, requested that separate school boards be authorized to provide a kindergarten to Grade 13 continuous type of education. The separate school sector now ends at Grade 10, with partial support for Grades 9 and 10.

Since the presentation of the brief, county committees have been organized to call on local political figures, to discuss the concrete effect of the brief in the county or districts.

Releasing the CWL letter, Chris Asseff, Executive Secretary of the OSSTA said: "It is encouraging when we see the support we are receiving from Catholic parents of Ontario who desire Catholic education for their children."

### Undergoes surgery

Peter Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Campbell, Glad Park Avenue, is recovering in Toronto Sick Children's Hospital following hip surgery.



### The hamlet of Dickson's Hill from 700 feet up

This is how the hamlet of Dickson's Hill appears from inside a helicopter at 700 feet. Tribune editor Jim Thomas was taken aloft by Murray Little, a licensed pilot. This photo is looking south along Hwy. 48. —Jas. Thomas



### Horse teams suit occasion

Horse teams and steam power were prominent at 'History In Action Day' on the grounds of the Brougham Museum, Sept. 13. This pair of Clydesdales is owned and driven by Hugh Miller, Claremont, R.R.2. —Peter Harris