

## On Whitchurch sideroad Motorist finds 'hot' box

WHITCHURCH TWP. — A little black box covered with dials and knobs lying in a roadside ditch attracted the attention of a Newmarket man enjoying a drive with his family, Sunday, along the Bethesda Sideroad near Concession 3.

Bruce Rush, Main Street North, stopped to examine it. He picked it up, turned it over, and to his surprise discovered a sticker proclaiming "Radiation Hazard — Radium Source — Not to be handled except by remote control."

Mr. Rush called the Whitchurch Township Police to report his discovery. Sgt. Don Hillock picked up the box and delivered it to Phillip Westbury, co-ordinator of the York County Emergency Measures Organization in Newmarket.

Tests conducted by Mr.

Westbury showed the box did not contain a dangerous source of radiation — much to the relief of Mr. Rush. Washing his hands with soap and water would remove any traces of contamination.

Further investigation revealed that Mr. Rush's find was an instrument known as a "Dew Pointer", used to determine humidity in various industrial processes. An attempt is being made to discover its owner through the manufacturer, a firm based in Chicago.

Mr. Westbury told The Tribune that, with the use of radioactive materials becoming commonplace in industry, the chances of finding devices are increasing.

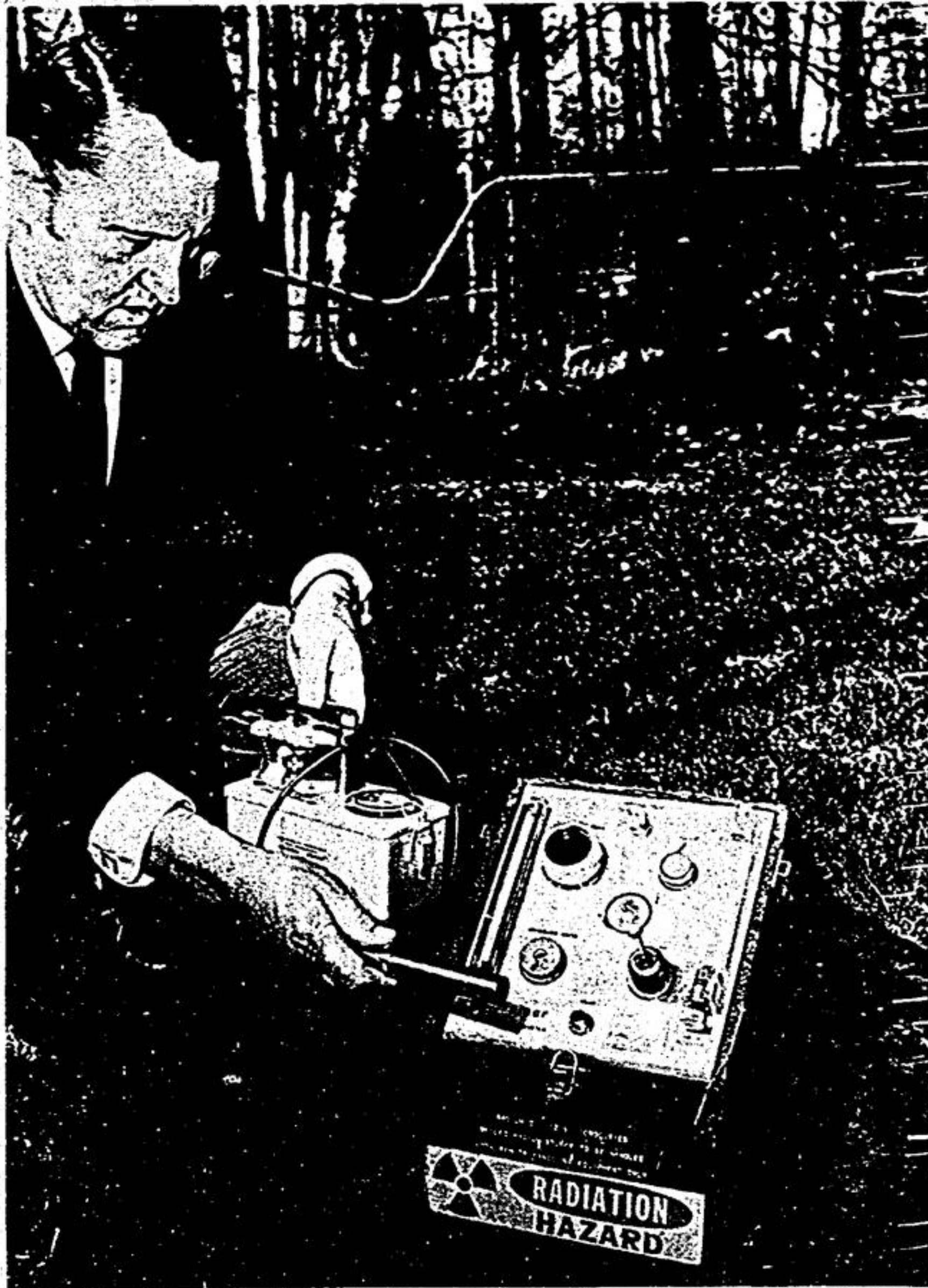
Anyone finding such an item — easily identifiable by markings on the container — should not handle it, but contact the

authorities immediately. All local police departments have been issued with instructions on how to handle these materials.

## Business Sold

VICTORIA SQUARE — The Berta Service Centre and Halfway House on Don Mills Road near Victoria Square has been sold.

The new owners are Mr. and Mrs. Sam Orfanakos and four sons, Tommy, Andy, Bill and George. Zoli and Rita Berta have operated the well-known business for the past 14 years and express appreciation for the faithful patronage accorded them during this time. They ask that the same consideration be shown their successors.



Phillip Westbury, co-ordinator of the York County Emergency Measures Organization, tests a 'dew pointer', discovered in Whitchurch Township by Bruce Rush of Newmarket. Gelger counter readings revealed the instrument not as hazardous a source of radiation as originally believed. —Peter Harris

## Cornerstone for Union Villa

UNIONVILLE — The cornerstone for the \$2 million Union Villa home for the aged in Unionville was laid, May 2, by the Honorable John Yaremko, Minister of Social and Family Services for the Province of Ontario.

Participants in the program, chaired by Markham Township Deputy Reeve Anthony Roman, a director of the Unionville Home Society, included Rev. F.H. Cromey, Minister of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Markham; Keith Kennedy, chairman of the Board; Stephen Roman, Honorary Chairman of the Advisory Board; Mrs. Beryl Lumney, President of the Union Villa Auxiliary; County Commissioner Albert Laidlaw; Markham Mayor, Mrs. Alma Walker; Patrick Bryan, Secretary, Unionville Trustees; Markham Township Reeve Stewart Rumble; Donald Deacon, MPP, York Centre; Barney Danson, M.P. York North; William Hodgson, M.P.P. York North and Father F.C. Robinson, Pastor of Our Lady Queen of the World Church in Richmond Hill.

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## Roseville School sold

UXBRIDGE TWP. — The Roseville School, purchased last fall by the Township of Uxbridge for use as a community centre, has been sold.

The transaction between the township and Mr. James B. Stephenson, of Thornhill, was closed by

the township's attorneys, May 4. The purchase price was \$15,000.

The wife who used to complain about dishpan hands is now suffering from push-button fingers.

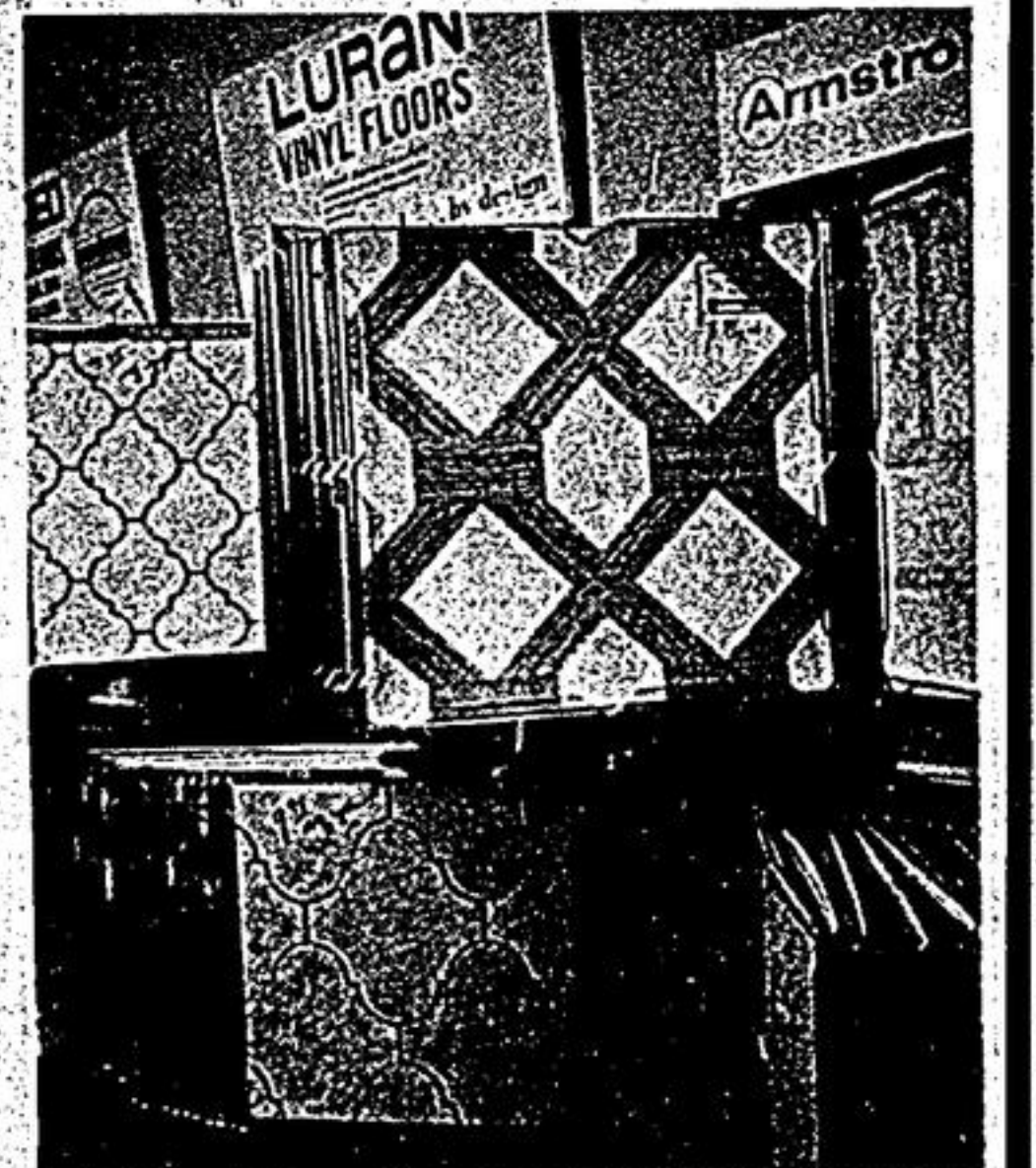
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