

## Oppose grant extension to separate schools

**YORK CTY.** - Members of the York County Board of Education have reaffirmed their position taken earlier this year and continue to oppose extension of grants to the Separate School System.

A letter from the Ontario Public School Trustees' Association asked continued support for the Association's position on the matter. "Such fragmentation of the Ontario educational system and the resources of the public taxpayers is unthinkable and completely unacceptable," the letter stated.

Enclosed with the letter was a pamphlet published by the Inter-church Committee on Protestant-Roman Catholic Relations entitled "A New Separatism in Ontario?" A further extension of the Separate School System would, the brochure stated, "pose a serious threat to Canadian unity...at a time when people of many faiths are being drawn together for improved social action, community planning and religious activities, it is backward-looking to extend separatism into high schools."

In addition, it was pointed out, "a complete Separate School System would have its own buildings, fully equipped

and staffed, involving much costly duplication within the community and much higher taxes."

Conrad Thompson, the Separate School representative on the board urged that a committee be set up to "look at the other side too" and bring a recommendation

back to the board. Other trustees felt however, that there was no reason for the board to change its position taken earlier. The motion to reaffirm the board's position was unanimous, with the exception of Mr. Thompson who requested that his negative vote be recorded.

## Studded tires 'lifesavers' - councillor

**PICKERING TWP.** - The Town of Timmins has asked the endorsement of Pickering Township Council to petition the Ontario Dept. of Highways to permit the use of studded tires during the winter months.

The Province has taken steps to ban studded tires by April, 1971.

When Deputy Reeve George Ashe told how he opposed the Timmins petition at county council, he said that studded tires as safety factors had not been proved. When you weigh the cost of the detrimental way they obliterate safety lines, this is much more a hazard to the average motorist. The figure of \$127 million over

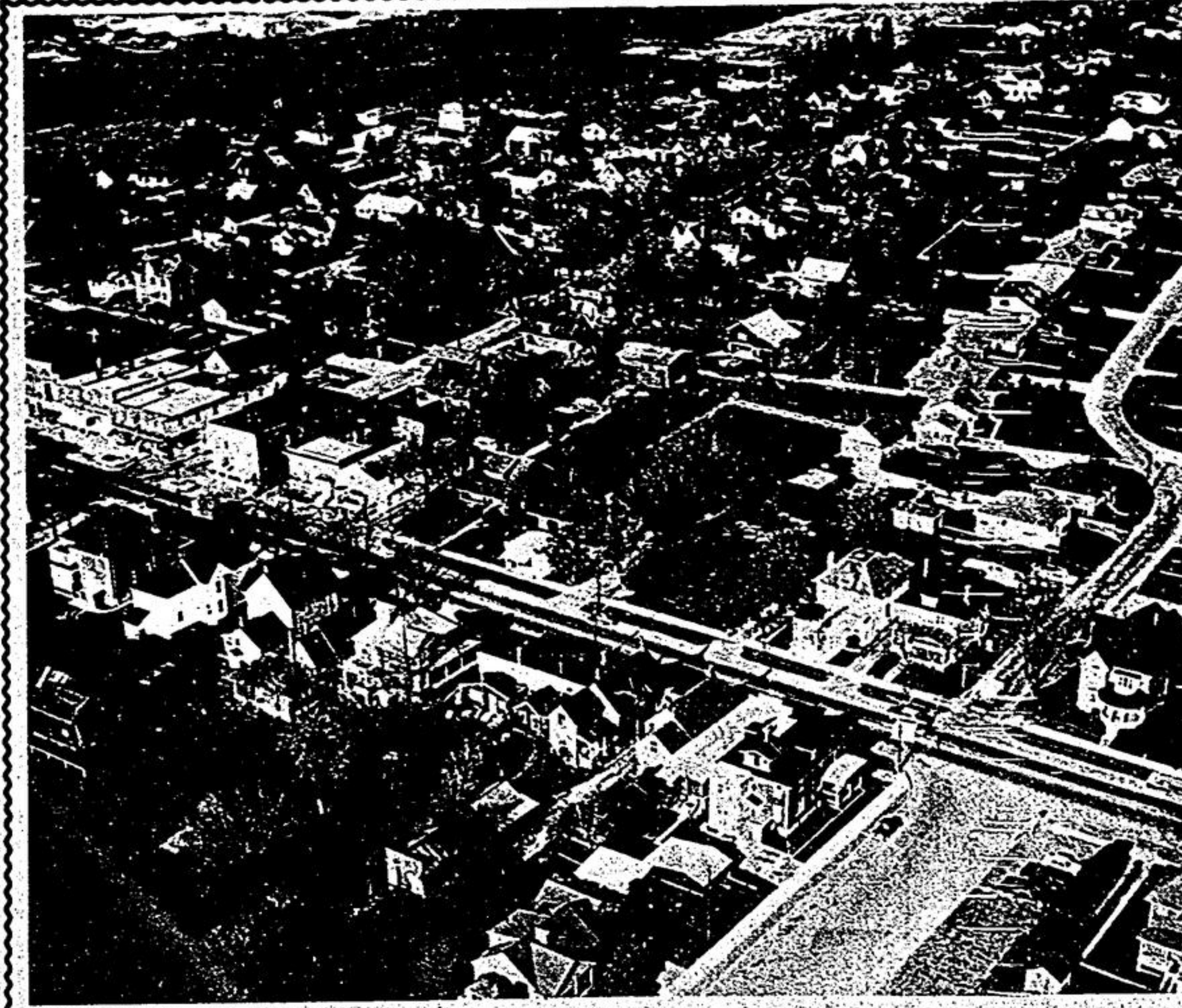
the next 9 years, he said, is the extra cost to the taxpayer for damage done to the roads.

Most municipalities, he said, have a policy of keeping their roads clear.

Councillor Jean McPherson said that studded tires had been a life saver in her family. She had not seen any visible damage to roads in this area, and believed a life saved is a lot more valuable than a little bit of cement taken from the road.

On the Macdonald Cartier Freeway this spring, Councillor John Kruger said, there were a couple of times coming home at night he would like to have had that white line. "My life was in jeopardy on several occasions," he said.

Councillor Ron Chatten said that he had every sympathy with the town of Timmins, which had very good reason for taking this attitude. But this was a circumstance peculiar to the northern areas, and it should be left to the



A section of Stouffville from 1,000 feet up

This is how Stouffville (or a part of it) looks from 1,000 feet up. The picture, taken by photographer, Ted Cadieux, shows a section of Main Street East

and Park Drive extending to the north. Like a jigsaw puzzle, once you establish a landmark, the rest fits together quite quickly. -Cadieux Studio.

## Theft spree described in court

Province to act.

Councillor Don Kitchen said that Ontario was the only province to state that studded tires were not safe. Manitoba, Quebec, New York and Michigan not only permit studded tires, but encourage them. Cars come from these areas into Ontario with studded tires.

The motion to endorse the Timmins resolution was lost.

**MARKHAM TWP.** - Two Scarboro men were remanded for 2 weeks for sentence after they entered pleas of guilty to break and enter charges heard in Richmond Hill Court, Nov. 24.

David Allen and Douglas Grimes were arrested by Midland Ontario Police after they attempted to sell some of the stolen merchandise.

Evidence revealed that they entered the Whitechurch Township residence of Mrs. Annie Smith, Sept. 18, by forcing a screen window. They stole 3 radios, money and a

case of beer.

Later that night, they entered the residence of Lloyd Dickout in Markham Township and stole rifles, a radio, a set of walkie-talkies and money.

On Oct. 2, it was revealed, Allan and "On" Oct. 2, it was revealed, Allen, and another man hitch-hiked down the 10th Concession of Markham getting out near the residence of Robert Lapp. The house was entered and a jar of silver and bills taken.

Allen was further charged that he and the third man broke into and ransacked a home on Military Trail, Scarboro, making off with money and jewels valued at \$6500.

Police said the pair were co-operative and admitted the thefts.

The third man was sentenced in Hamilton court after conviction on numerous other charges

laid by several area police departments.

## 'Sleeping it off'

### Motorist fined \$50

**MARKHAM** - A R.R.1 Milliken man who told the court that he was "sleeping it off" after consuming an excess of alcohol was fined \$50 on a charge of impaired care and control of an automobile, Nov. 13.

Owen Craig pleaded not guilty to the charge. P.C. Fred MacNeil of the Markham Town department told the court that he checked the accused after spotting him asleep at the wheel of his car parked in the lot of a Wellington Way drive-in.

He said that the accused showed the usual signs of

impairment and was arrested on that charge. A breathalyzer test gave readings of 1.6 and 1.5.

The accused told the court that he had pulled off the road because he knew he couldn't drive, and intended to sleep until he was able.

Judge Charles, in registering the conviction, said that a person behind the wheel is assumed, under law, to have care and control of the vehicle, whether he drives it or not.

Two further charges against the accused were withdrawn at the request of the crown.

## Dry October

**STOUFFVILLE** The October police report, submitted by Chief Orland Keating for the Nov. 19 meeting of village council, showed not a single arrest on charges under the Liquor Control Act.

"I tell you," commented councillor Jim McKellar, "this is a sober town"

## Marijuana charge

**STOUFFVILLE** - A 16 year old Stouffville youth was fined \$150 after he pleaded guilty to a charge of possession of marijuana. Norman Christie, Elm Road, appeared in Richmond Hill Court, Nov. 20.

A summary of the evidence revealed the accused was questioned by police after the receipt of a tip. It was found he was carrying a small quantity of the substance. More was recovered from his home.



**EUGENE LEWIS** Of Emerald Isle Motors Ltd., 330 Main St., Stouffville, was awarded an Honorary Degree in Motor Mechanics Friday. The Award was given by the Department of Labour, North York. Eugene is one of five mechanics ready to serve you at Emerald Isle Motors. (advertisement)

## Skaters pass tests

**UNIONVILLE** - Members of the Unionville Figure Skating Club have received the results of C.F.S.A. tests conducted at spring, summer and fall schools.

Their names and classifications follow: Preliminary Figures - Julie Merklinger, Mary Jo Thompson; First Figure - Rosemary DeMarco, Mary Jo Thompson, Dianne Perkin, Sherri Hardinge, Bill Crompton; Second Figure - Dianna Wright, Michelle Koutnik, Jane Curtis, Randy Hawley; Fourth Figure - Kim Kruger, Jane Curtis; Fifth

Figure - Debbie Leach, Janet Harper; Seventh Figure - and Free Skating - Linda Burt; Bronze Free Skating - Nancy Boston, Lisa Curtis, Cathie McPhee, Lynn Hale; Swing Dance - Theresa Ormesher, Patty Sedgewick; Willow Waltz - Sandra Konarski; 14 Step - Kim Devonshire; European Waltz - Kathy Cox; Fox Trot - Tammy Crompton; American Rocker - Debbie Leach; Rocker Fox Trot - Janet Harper; Quick Step - and Viennese Waltz - David Porter.

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