

Region approves

Electronic scope for works garage

YORK REGION — Regional council has voted to purchase an electronic scope from Aurora Automotive Limited for a price of \$1,979.

Council accepted a recommendation from the engineering committee. The committee report states, "The Regional Municipality of York employs two mechanics who look after the majority of repairs on regional equipment.

To date, engine tune-ups have been accomplished with a minimum of electronic equipment, however, due to the mandatory inclusion of pollution emission control devices on all engines, the existing shop equipment has proven to be inadequate."

Three companies submitted quotes on the scope.

Garfield Wright statement

Council commended

YORK REGION — Regional Chairman Garfield Wright presented his year end statement to York Regional Council last week.

Mr. Wright commended the outgoing council "on the volume of work" dealt with. "You've worked hard and I thank every one of you."

"Granted, we have a long tunnel to travel before the concept of regional government in York attains the apex of ideal administration, but I sincerely believe we are well along that route. The light at the end of the tunnel is no longer a pinpoint, but a floodlight of enticement as we steadily approach that goal," he wrote in his report.

The statement listed the accomplishments of council in the past year. "In March of this year, \$5,715,000 in regional debentures were sold at the best money cost of all municipal bonds sold during 1974. That cost was 9.09 per cent and it was the lowest of any municipal debenture issued."

"Along with Metro Toronto and the Region of Peel, the region gained representation on the Toronto Area Transit Operating Authority. The authority will, in conjunction with the region, operate an inter-regional transit system."

Mr. Wright mentions the agreement in principle between the Ontario government, Metro Toronto and Durham

Region for development of the South Central York Servicing Scheme, and the creation of the York Regional Land Division Committee.

According to Mr. Wright the committee has had "growing pains" and it is taking an inordinately long time to have the decisions transmitted to the applicants and he adds, "If there is not a marked acceleration in the speed of handling of severance applications to the committee by January it will be necessary for council to carefully consider the function and operation of the committee and take positive action to guarantee an improvement in the process!"

Mr. Wright also alludes to several road construction projects recently begun, sewage treatment plant expansions, progress on the regional official plan which is expected to be completed in 1975, enlarged day care facilities and the establishment of family planning, venereal disease consultation and information clinics.

"I read this statement and get the impression an election is coming up," remarked Richmond Hill Councillor Gordon Rowe, to Mr. Wright, who recently announced his intention of standing for the chairman's position for the 1975-76 term.



Mayor Gordon Ratcliff presents the Stouffville Credit Union Trophy to Kevin Wells at the recent awards presentation of the East York-King and Vaughan and North York plowmen's associations. The trophy is presented for the best plowed land by a participant under 16 years of age. The evening included a banquet. — Jim Thomas

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Don Mills or Woodbine?

Name problem rectified

YORK REGION — Regional Council has voted to take the necessary steps to change the name of Don Mills Rd. in York Region to Woodbine Ave.

along the road in Markham have been using both names on their mailing addresses. Of 39 businesses in the area 23 have already been using Woodbine and the other 16 have been using Don Mills. The report sub-

mitted to council alludes to two adjacent stores in the same plaza which are listed as being as rural routes.

It will be necessary for the by-laws to be passed by a vote of three-quarters of the members

of council, the reasons for the change must be given and it must be approved by a County Court Judge. The engineering committee recommends the new name should not come into force until January 1, 1975.

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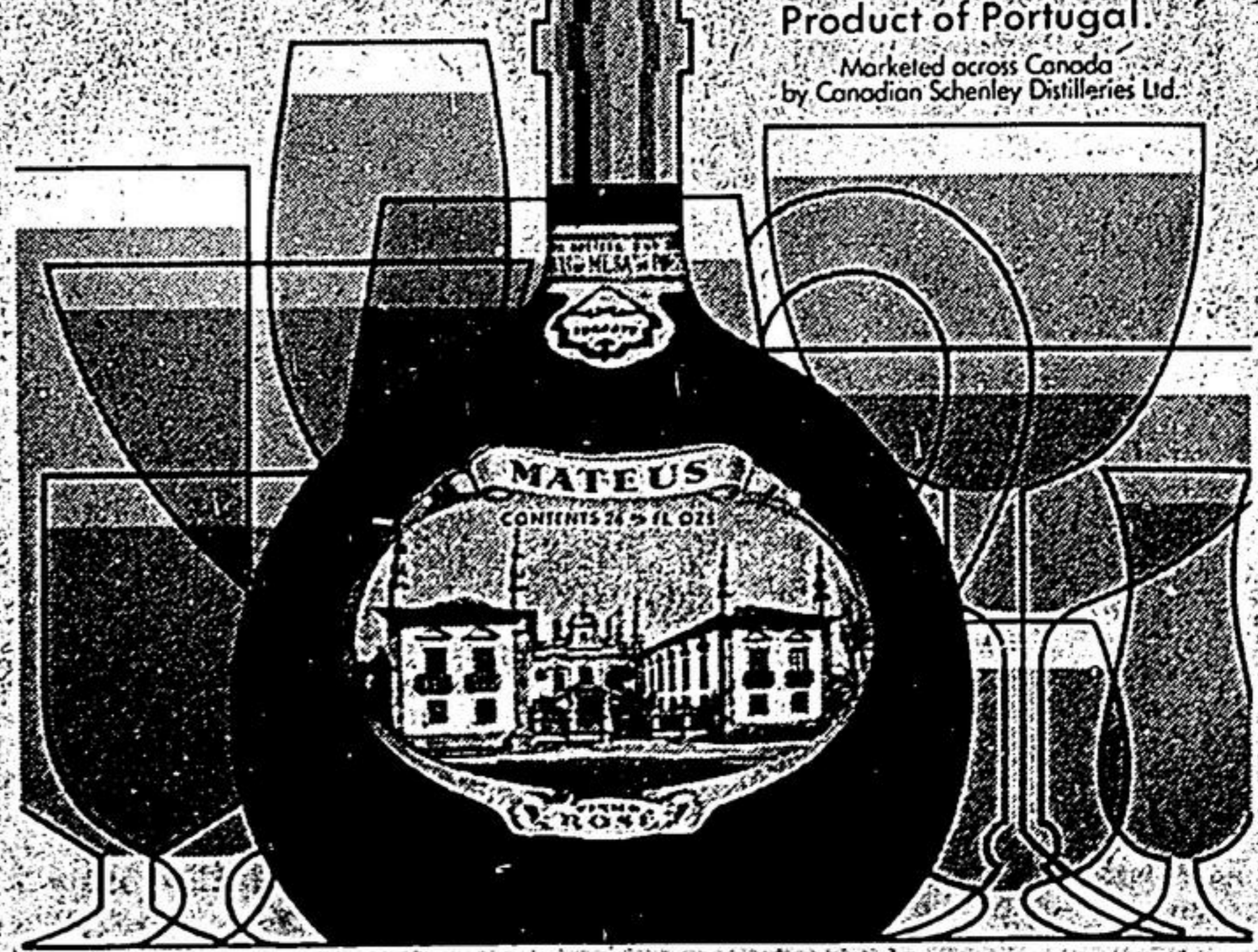
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