

North of Goodwood

Paving plant approved

GOODWOOD — Uxbridge Town Council has approved in principle, a proposed batching plant north of Goodwood on the Third Line and 20th Sideroad. Four top executives, including the president, from Repac Construction appeared before Council, Aug. 30, to discuss their proposal. Ward 1 councillor, John Paxton said the road pattern

is the "major stumbling block." "I can't support anything that would funnel more traffic past the school and into Goodwood." Mayor Gary Herrema mentioned the possibility of an alternate route to accommodate the extra traffic, but declined to elaborate. Repac president, Val Raponi said the company is

always concerned with the environmental effects of its plants. "At this point, we've gone beyond local and regional requirements. The batching operation would be a good opportunity for Uxbridge, and it would provide jobs as well," he explained. Beamish Construction had previously applied for a similar plant. Mayor

Herrema said he felt there was nothing wrong with competition within the town. Eight acres of the 65-acre site would have to be rezoned. Council's in agreement on the location. Councillor Paxton moved that Alan Wells, chairman of the Finance and Property Committee, and the mayor meet with the Repac lawyers to draw up an agreement.

Enrolment constant

CLAREMONT — Attendance at the Claremont Public School is expected to stay about the same. Principal Stan Todd said 265 students were registered last year, and the projected figure for September should be close. He said there are now 35 signed up for kindergarten and if necessary another class would be formed and a new teacher hired.

Vice-principal Gary Long at the Webb Public School reported a drop in attendance this year from 57 to 42. A new addition to the staff, Mrs. Eleanor Eno of Uxbridge, will be teaching Grades three and four. More students are expected to attend Uxbridge High this year. Figures for the fall term are projected at 930, up from 888 in 1978. Two new teachers,

Clayton Connell of Cochrane, Grades 10, 11, and 12, and Bev Tindall of Oshawa, Grades 10 and 11 were welcomed to the school. Attendance figures at Pickering High should stay near last year's count of 1,480. Dunbarton High's enrollment was 1,578 last year and should remain about the same for the coming term.

Goodwood school reports no decrease in attendance

DURHAM REGION — Goodwood Public School reports that attendance should remain near last year's figure of 240. New staff member, Robert Byers of Little Britain will teach Grade five.

Greenwood Public School principal Joseph Weare estimates attendance to increase this year from 325 to 335. Joseph Gould Sr. Public School has a new principal, Alan Kershaw has been transferred

from Southwood Park School, Pickering. Connie Pogue, formerly at Webb School, will teach Grade seven and eight French. Attendance has risen from 426 to 435 since last September.

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Job target

STOUFFVILLE — The Region of York has established an employment target of 235,000 jobs in the next twenty years. Out of this number, 5,300 should be available in Whitchurch-Stouffville, an economic policy paper revealed, Thursday. This compares with 2,340 in 1971.

The projected job market in other municipalities by year 2001 follows: Markham - 66,000; Vaughan, 63,000; Richmond Hill - 51,000; Aurora - 14,000; Newmarket - 20,000; King - 4,700; East Gwillimbury - 4,000; and Georgina - 7,000.

Out of 235,000 positions predicted, 3,500 will be in agriculture, forestry and mining, the paper said. Another 82,500 will be in manufacturing and construction and 149,000 in

transportation, trade, finance, services and public administration.

With regard to industrial growth, it was pointed out that there was no intent to restrict this type of development but only to direct it to areas where environmental problems are minimized.

The paper establishes six community cores with regional significance - Stouffville, Sutton,

Newmarket, Markham Village, Aurora and Richmond Hill.

In order to achieve these economic goals and employment placements, the paper recommends the setting up of a business promotion program that will provide information on the advantages of York Region as an industrial, business, educational, residential and vacation centre.

Year-round fun for all to enjoy

CLAREMONT — Many people notice the wood-stained building up on the hill as they picnic in the Claremont Conservation Centre, but few realize the activities that go on there.

Vanessa Perry knows. She's the acting supervisor for the summer 10-day handicapped recreational programs sponsored by the March of Dimes. Every summer since 1973,

about 25 physically handicapped adults who have applied for the program through the March of Dimes, arrive at the Field Centre looking forward to the week's busy agenda.

The campers are chosen by their physical capabilities to handle the activities and the benefit they could derive from the program. It is designed to give the handicapped a chance to meet other people while relaxing and having fun.

The summer program is over now, but with the fall season approaching, the field centre will never remain dormant. There are always school, church, or forestry groups using the facilities.

The dormitories can accommodate 40 people at one time. The dining room and lounge areas are big enough for group get-togethers.

Groups of adults or children are always welcome at the centre, and when they do visit, they're bound to have a memorable experience.

Three hurt

WHITCHURCH — Three persons were injured and property damage was placed at \$9,000 when a car and truck collided on Woodbine Avenue, north of the Bloomington Road, Thursday.

Police said a southbound auto, driven by Hamid Baig, 18, of Wickson Trail, Scarborough, went out of control and slammed into a northbound truck, driven by Jack Hicks of Coleman Avenue, Toronto.

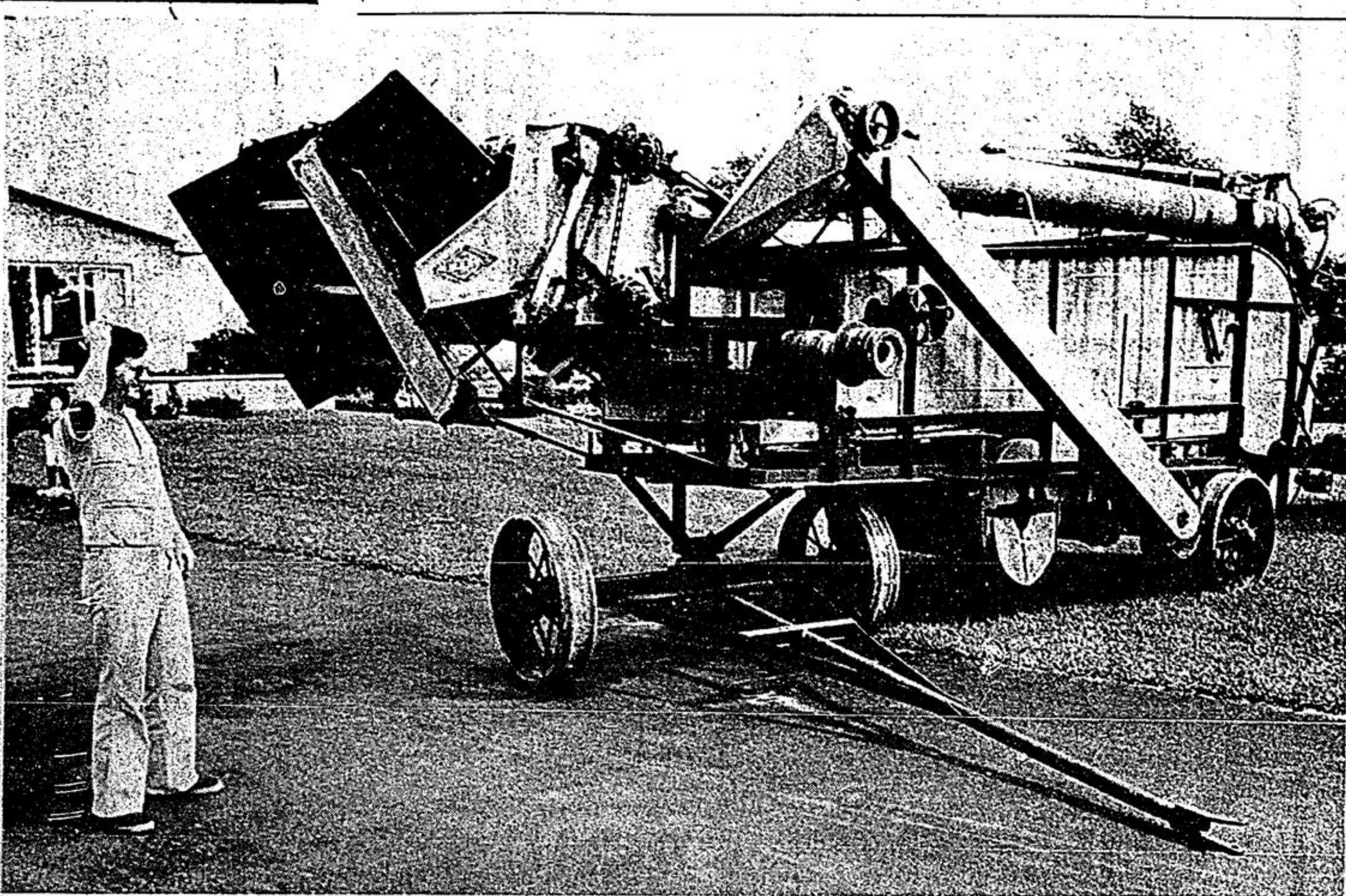
No parking on Main St.

STOUFFVILLE — Council may decide to retain a recently passed bylaw prohibiting parking on Main Street during construction on Duffin Creek.

Members agreed that if people get used to off-street parking, there's no reason why the bylaw shouldn't be kept on record.

Mayor Eldred King said it would encourage people to use municipal lots and keep Main Street clear.

The bylaw is effective during the months of September, October, November, and December between O'Brien and Market Streets.



Where did this thing come from? Bob Hagerman, Ridgevale Drive, Box Grove, wonders who parked this fifty year old threshing machine on his lawn and driveway last week. He discovered it on his

return from the cottage, Sunday afternoon. Bob, an antique car buff would like to refurbish it but wife Edna thinks its place is at the Markham Museum. — Jim Ho

Mysterious antique on lawn

BOX GROVE — Last Friday, Bob and Edna Hagerman, Ridgevale Drive, Box Grove, travelled north to spend a quiet weekend at their cottage near Minden.

Imagine their surprise, Sunday afternoon, to return

home and find a 1925 model threshing machine parked half-way across their drive.

Who owns it or where it came from, no one seems to know (or didn't, when a Tribune reporter called for a look on Monday). No one even heard it arrive, despite the fact the

multi-tonned 'monster' is thirty feet long and mounted on steel wheels. Bob's next door neighbor says it definitely wasn't there late Friday night. However, it was more than obvious, Saturday morning.

Being a bit of an antique car buff (he owns a 1916 Model 'T', a 1937 Packard and a 1930 Pontiac), Bob thinks one of his ambitious friends put it there as a prank.

Refurbishing old automobiles take up most of his time, Bob admits. "The last thing I need to work on is a 50 year old threshing machine." However, after looking it over for the umpteenth time, he suggested he could probably get it in ship-shape in about one day—maybe even operational. However, wife Edna has another idea — donate it to the Markham Museum.

Her china dolls look almost real

CLAREMONT — As a child, she didn't even have one doll. Today, she has one hundred of them.

And for two and a half years, Betty DeVitt of Claremont has been adding to her unique collection of antique china reproductions.

In fact, she's made every one of them and she even conducts classes to instruct others. Her own background in doll-making consists of lessons from Marion Fasan at her shop in Richmond Hill.

The porcelain beauties come to life in her own home. The faces, hands, and feet begin as hard plaster molds. Liquid porcelain called slip is then poured into the form, and when fired in a kiln becomes china.

The dolls have no character until the china paint is delicately applied to form the features. Glass eyes imported from Germany, golden life-like hair, and an elaborate ensemble in velvet, satin, or silk complete their personalities.

Betty says the dolls are so real looking she often finds herself conversing with them. But that only goes to show she does her work well.

Last year she sold a reproduction of a doll made near the turn of the century for \$250. She admits the dolls are expensive, but wants to concentrate on classes in making them rather than sales.

Betty's best form of advertising are the shows she attends from time to time. Her dolls were on display at the Uxbridge Steam Threshing Days, and she says she received "great response." She also showed at a craft display in the Sheridan Mall, in Oshawa, and at Morgan's Jewellers in Stouffville. And on Oct. 17, her dolls will help the Claremont Ladies Institute celebrate its 70th anniversary.

Her students range in age from 20 to 60 years old. Most of the older ladies are fascinated because they remember the china dolls they had as children. But Betty is surprised that the men who come to visit with her husband are also interested in her craft.



If my friends could see me now

Army Cadet Captain Colin Murray, 17, of Claremont, hangs by his riser straps after descending the 32 foot jump tower during training at the Canadian Airborne Centre in Edmonton. Colin is one of 38 army cadets from across Canada presently undertaking this six week training program. Canadian Forces Photo



Only a doll-maker knows for sure

Her beautiful antique china doll reproductions look so life-like, it's easy to mistakingly start up a conversation with them. Here, the talented doll-maker, Betty DeVitt of Claremont poses with one of the more elaborately dressed reproductions. JoAnn Thompson

Production cut at Coke

UXBRIDGE — Production is being cut drastically at the Uxbridge Beverage plant due to a recent government ban on the 1.5 litre Coca-Cola bottle.

Plant manager Lou Bloom told The Tribune, the bottling company has been forced to change its production schedule from five days to three.

"I've had to put a hold on hiring new employees. This is the time of year when we should be doing even more hiring," he said.

He said the plant now employs about 30 to 35 local residents.

"I don't think that people realize the serious impact the ban is having on the smaller bottling companies," he added. "We can only stand so much."

At one point, the bottlers even tried protective rubber rings around the middle of the bottle to prevent it from exploding on impact. But then the government changed its stan-

dards, and this was no longer acceptable, he said.

Harry Hudson, general manager and vice-president at the plant in Oshawa, said they intend to "assess the situation and determine how badly they are affected." He explained it would be necessary to meet with the government "with respect to what the future holds."

"It may take awhile for some companies to recover, and it could put a few of the smaller ones out of business," he noted.

Dog held

GOODWOOD — A local dog has been impounded following reports it injured two cows and three calves.

Ann Barrett, Canine control officer for Uxbridge Twp., said the three year old part Afghan had no tag and is being held for owner identification.

Farmer Lloyd Feasby of Uxbridge, said he saw two dogs chasing the cattle and was able to catch one of them and take it to the pound. One of the cows aborted her calf as a result of injuries.

Cost of the damage is estimated at \$1,000. Recently, a similar incident totalled \$6,700.

Uxbridge Fair time

UXBRIDGE — See you at Uxbridge Fair, Sept. 7, 8, and 9.

There'll be everything from truck and tractor pulls, horse-drawing, dairy, horse, sheep, and hog shows to a beef auction and greyhound racing.

It's at Elgin Park, and if the weather is good and spirits are high, it promises to be the best ever.