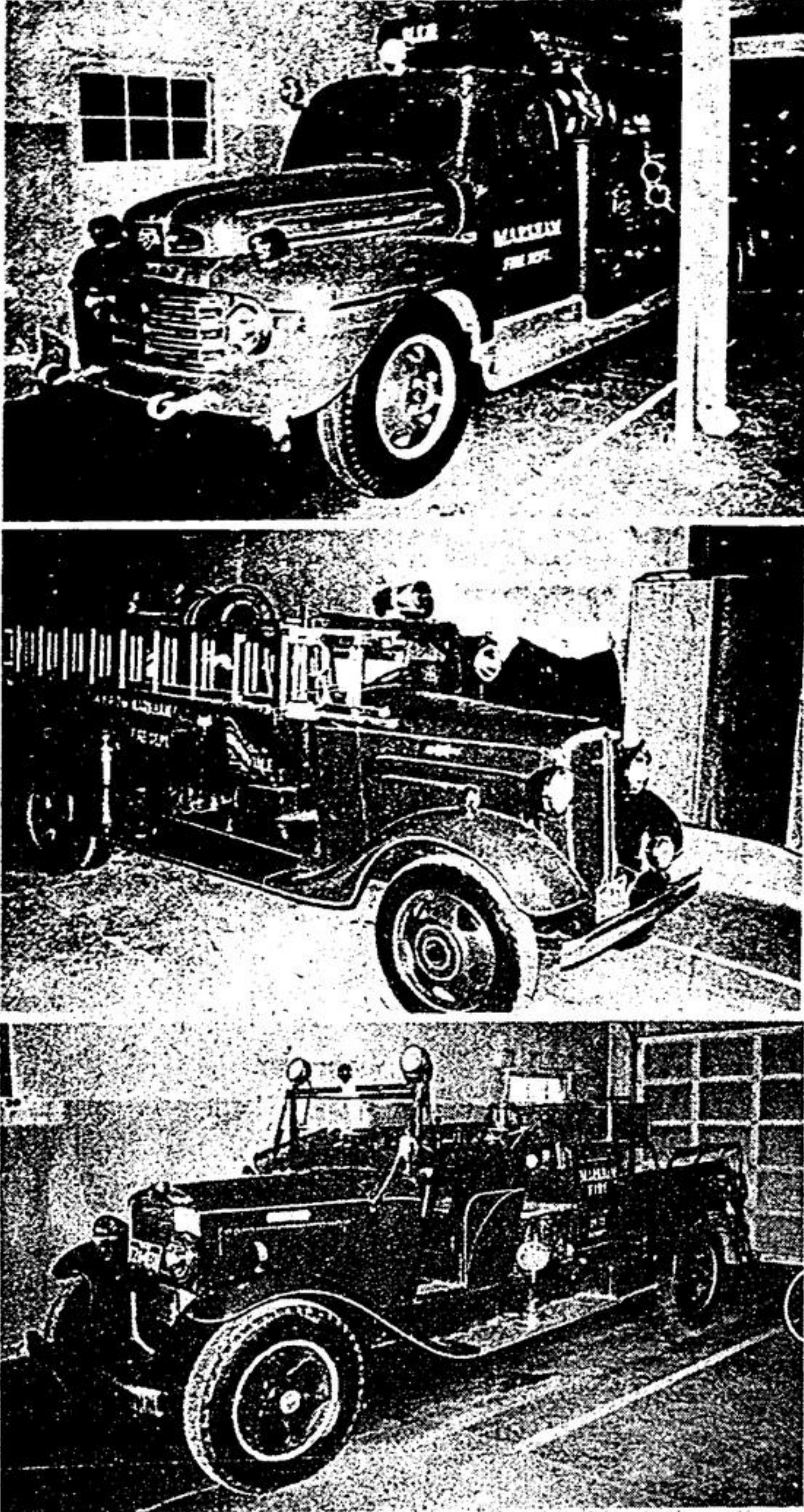


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HOME FIRE DANGER GROWS WITH WOOD STOVE USAGE WARNS FIRE CHIEF MYRL SMITH OF THE MARKHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT

A substantial increase is expected in the number of dwelling fires this coming heating season because of the growing use nationwide of wood burning stoves, says Chief Smith.

Hundreds of these stoves already have been installed with many more scheduled for installation as winter approaches. In addition, as the cost of heating oil and electricity continues to rise, those who have been using wood burning stoves on an intermittent basis probably will use them more frequently and for longer periods.

Various analysis of fire incidents have established the major risks associated with wood burning equipment. These risks include:

Inadequate clearances between combustible material and stoves and chimney connectors;

Improper installation; and

Improper maintenance of equipment including chimney systems.

Factory built, solid-fuel room heaters shall be tested and labelled by a testing laboratory, and installed in accordance with the conditions of listing. Therefore Chief

Smith recommends that consumers purchase a listed appliance, and make sure that it is installed in accordance with manufacturers' instructions and local building fire prevention regulations.

Older installations should be checked very carefully to determine whether clearances to combustible surfaces are adequate. C.M.H.C. Booklet, "Heating with Wood Safely," contains information on these clearances in the event that a consumer no longer has an owner's manual, or the installed stove is not listed by a testing laboratory.

The local building department should be consulted for an inspection if one has not previously been made, or the consumer has any doubt about an existing installation.

Several new types of insulating material and engineered insulating systems designed to reduce clearances to combustibles are being tested and listed. However consumers should ensure that installation of these materials or systems has the approval of the local inspection authority.

A major concern in wood stove operation is the problem of chimney fires caused by the ignition of creosote and carbon deposits. Unfortunately, the production and deposit of creosote on the interior of

chimney connectors and chimneys is not completely understood. Several research laboratories presently are engaged in studies to determine if current standards are adequate concerning design and installation of chimneys and their ability to withstand creosote fires.

Until additional information pertaining to the formation of creosote is available, combustion rates in wood burning appliances should be maintained at a relatively high level. This will insure that the products of combustion will have had an opportunity to exit the chimney before condensation of creosote occurs.

It appears the use of air-tight wood burning stoves greatly accelerates the build-up of creosote in chimney connectors and chimneys primarily because they are used for long time periods at low firing rates. This mode of operation results in incomplete gaseous products of combustion exiting the stove at temperatures very close to the dewpoint of creosote. Therefore, early on in the chimney connector or chimney, creosote condenses and accumulates, to be ignited when stove firing rates are increased and higher temperatures are reached. There have been reports of complete blockage of chimneys

because of creosote deposits within 72 hours of installation.

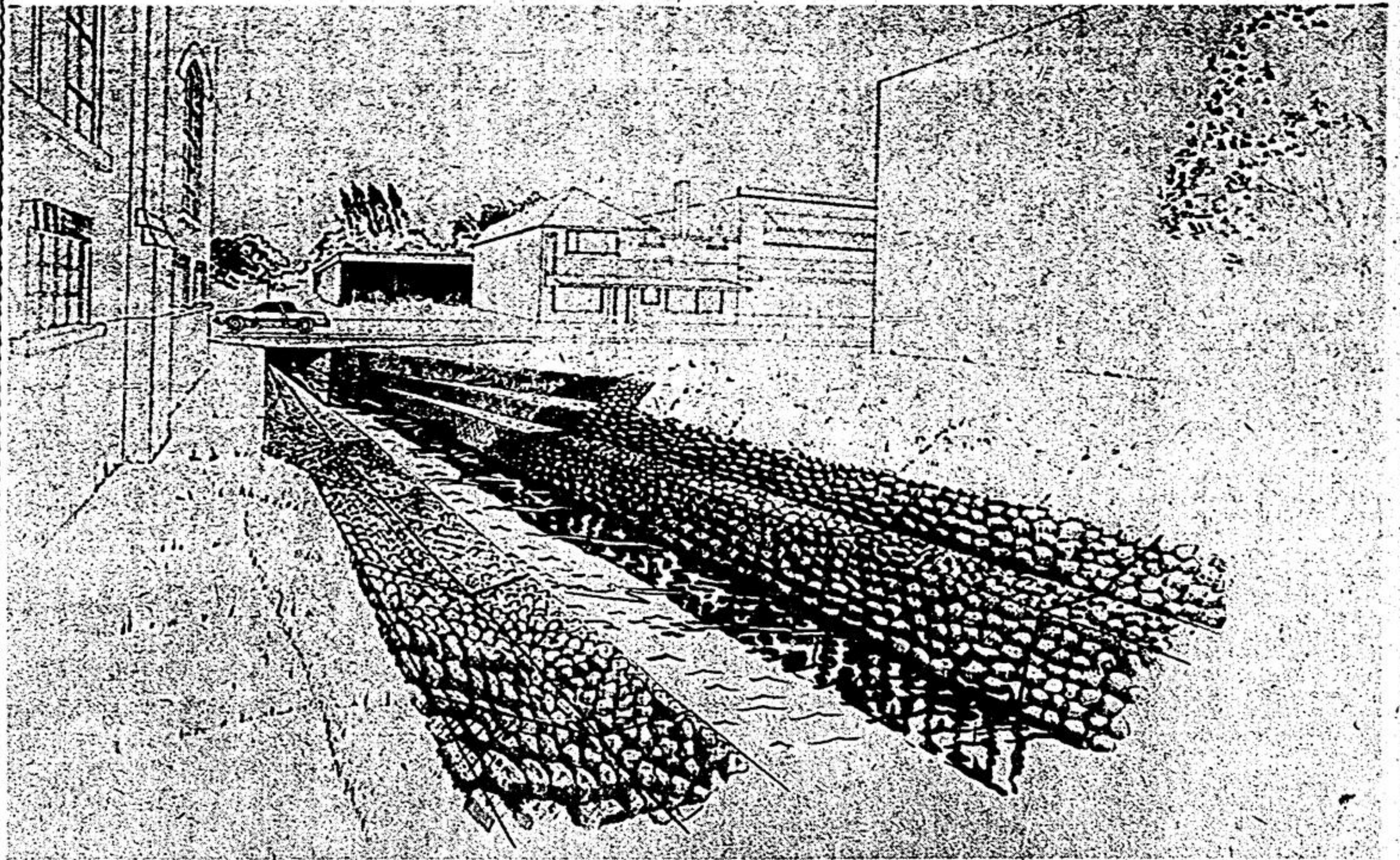
It is important that the chimney connector and chimney be inspected and cleaned periodically by a professional chimney sweep. Creosote accumulations can be safely removed only by a mechanical process.

Hundreds of families already have, or are about to, install wood burning appliances in home living areas. With these installations come the extra hazards associated with start up, fueling, ash removal, and storage. Even if the appliances are properly installed and maintained, the number of serious injuries, especially among the very young and the elderly are expected to increase.

All the ingredients for loss of life, serious burn injuries, and property loss due to fire are being introduced into the living and family rooms of homes. It is imperative that home owners develop an awareness and knowledge of the hazards of wood burning stoves, proper maintenance procedures, and safe practices.

In conclusion to these words of caution, Chief Smith requests that everyone give concerned efforts to these risks and the Fire Department will provide assistance in any way possible.

Results of Duffin facelift



Channelization project to be completed in three months

After all the digging and earth-moving is finished, the Duffin Creek channelization is a project of the Metro and Region Conservation Authority, and will cost about \$718,000 when completed sometime this winter.

New officials for nursery

CLAREMONT — The Altona Co-Operative Nursery School met Sept. 18 and elected new members to office. This year's president is Lynn Winterstein, Vice-president - Andrea Graham; Treasurer - Susan Johnson; Secretary - Peggy Turner; and publicity chairman - Barbara Emmorey. Last Friday, the children at the nursery school enjoyed the festivities at the Markham Fair.

This Sunday the Claremont United Church will observe World-wide

Communion and Thanksgiving. Then, on Oct. 21 the Church will celebrate its 116th anniversary. The service is scheduled to begin at 11:15 a.m., with special guest speaker Mrs. Grant Wells of Lemonville. Saxophone instrumentals will be played by Ron McMullen of RR 1, Claremont, and Susan Thomas of Stouffville.

The Claremont Baptist Church will begin Thanksgiving services promptly at 11:00 a.m., and will feature the music of the Harvelites at 7 p.m. The Church will hold

158th anniversary celebrations on Oct. 14. Rev. Paul Stade is the guest speaker, and Mrs. Ross Parrot will perform several solo numbers. A meal will be served at 6 p.m., and later in the evening Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kayes will show slides and pictures of their recent trip to Europe.

The regular meeting of the Claremont Golden Age Club was held Sept.

20. A tour of the Stephen Leacock home in Orillia is scheduled for Oct. 11. The bus will leave at 9 a.m. sharp. Winners of the euchre games were Art Paratt, Reta Paratt, and Hazel Sanderson. The games are going to be held the second Thursday of every month, along with weekly prizes and refreshments. A bus trip to the Royal Winter Fair, Nov. 9, Senior's Day, is now being planned. The

date of a fall bake sale will be decided on at today's meeting at 1:30 p.m.

A bus now leaves every Friday from the four corners to the Sheridan Mall in Pickering, but it may be discontinued if there aren't enough passengers. It leaves Claremont at 9 a.m., and departs from the Mall at 2:30 p.m. Adult fares are 50 cents, children 40

cents, and Senior Citizens ride for free.

The community extends sympathy to the Fitzgerald family on the death of Mrs. Gwendolyn Fitzgerald of RR 1, Claremont, as a result of a car accident Sept. 21. A community shower honored Mr. and Mrs. Paul Towner of Peterborough, Sept. 28. The newlyweds joined friends and family at the home of Paul's parents.

Newlyweds honored

By Evelyn Milsted GORMLEY — Mr. and Mrs. Fred Doust and Mr. and Mrs. Ron Elliott, attended a reception, Saturday, at New Dundee in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hoover. Richard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hoover. The couple were married Sept. 15 in Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wideman have returned from a two-week holiday in England and Scotland. Mr. and Mrs. Algy Holmes of Shellbrook, Saskatchewan, are spending two weeks with his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. William Ash.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Elias of Toronto enjoyed several days with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Elias.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Keepman have returned from a two-week holiday

with relatives in California.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hawkins and Mrs. Albert Hawkins were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Savage in Ottawa.

Plan to hear Rev. Thomas Ritchie, the Irish evangelist, and his wife with her unusual musical ministry on many bells this week at the Missionary Church. Services will be held at 8 p.m. each evening including Saturday and at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 7.

World Communion Sunday will be observed at the Heise Hill Church, Oct. 7. The Brady Family of Aurora will provide special music at both services.

The Bible Society is sponsoring the Earls court, Salvation

Army Band and Choristers of Toronto at a special musical evening

Friday, Oct. 12 at 8 p.m. in the Stouffville Missionary Church.

Fall craft courses assure fun for all

By MARION SANDLE VIC. SQUARE — Craft classes have started again. They're held every Wednesday at 1 p.m., in the Community Hall. Ladies of the area are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Harmon Sr., are home following several weeks in England and Ireland.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Vanderkooy, married four years, Oct. 4 and Mr. and Mrs. Ken Harmon Jr., (Linda Em-

pringham), married one year, Oct. 7.

The Centennial Committee of the United Church, will meet Oct. 10 at 8 p.m.

Repairs are now complete to the steeple on the church.

The Gormley-Headford... Victoria Square Branch of York Central Hospital Auxiliary, is holding a bazaar and luncheon at the Community Centre, Oct. 24, beginning at 12:30 p.m.

Tragic death

By JENNIE JOHNSON GLEN MAJOR — Our community was saddened to hear of the tragic accident, Sept. 21, that took the life of Mrs. Maurice Fitzgerald. Sympathy is extended to her husband and family. Burns Church in Ashburn is holding anniversary services, morning and evening, Oct. 21. The guest speaker is Rev. Ken Heron.

Canon and Mrs. Puxley are home following an extended holiday.

Recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. George Pickett included - Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wilson, Mrs. Edgar Johnson, Mrs. Lorne Quantz and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Norton, Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jones are home after a week in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. John Davenport of Toronto, accompanied by friends from England, were recent dinner guests with Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kavanagh.

Joan Tribbeck and Maudie Graham, enjoyed a two-week vacation touring The Maritime provinces.

Glen Major Ladies Auxiliary met at the home of Michael Kavanagh. The theme was "Thanksgiving Thoughts", given by Jennie Johnson. Isobel Dixon, just returned from a trip to Aberdeen, Scotland, told of her holiday there and illustrated it with pictures.

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Salvation Army Band in concert at Stouffville Missionary Church

An evening of music, featuring the Earls court Salvation Army Band and Songsters, will be held Friday, Oct. 12 in the Stouffville Missionary Church. The event, scheduled for 8 p.m., is being sponsored by the

Canadian Bible Society. There is no admission but a freewill offering will be taken during the program.