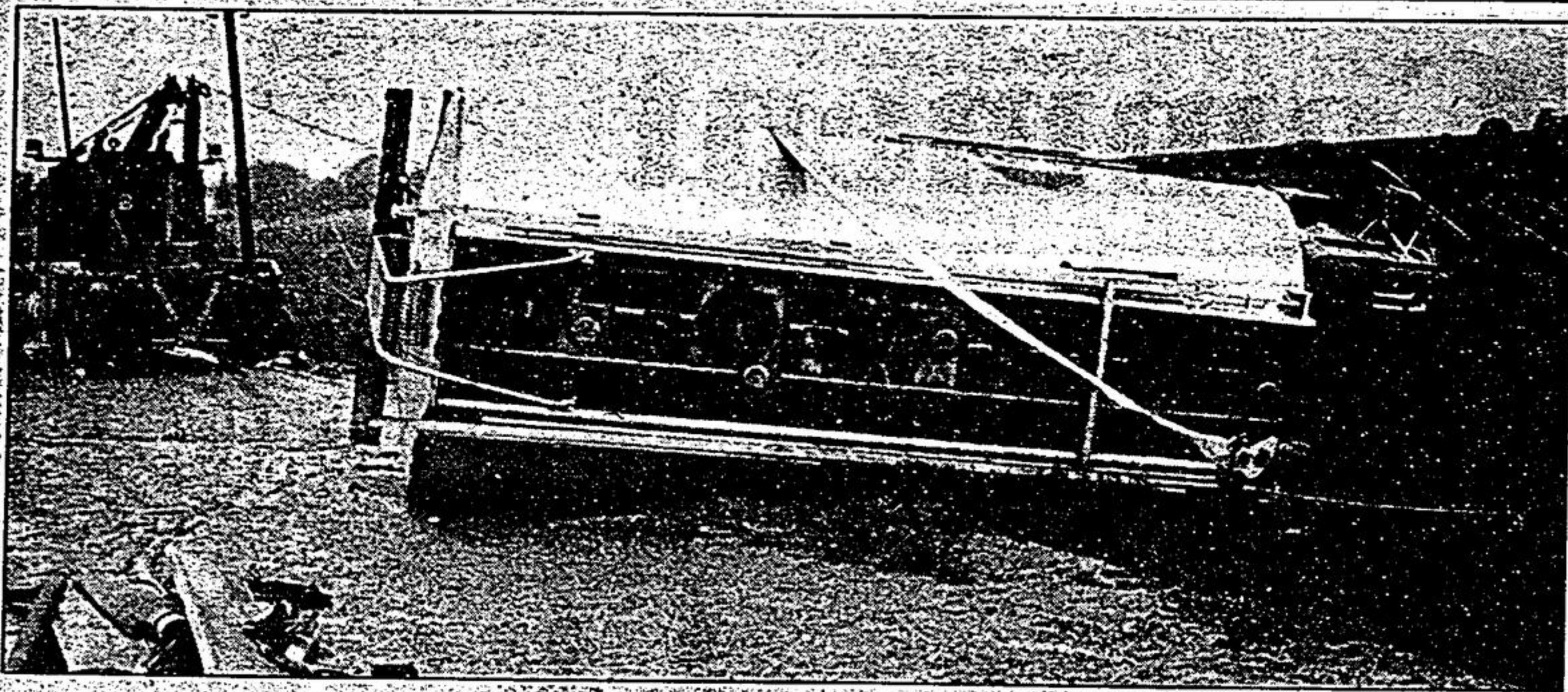


Solicitor hired in Markham

The Town of Markham has a new solicitor. Reino (pronounced Rayno) Kallio started his job on Monday after working as assistant solicitor for the Regional Municipality of Durham for seven years. Mr. Kallio's first priority upon taking the job is to work on "the licencing and regulating of adult entertainment parlors." But he is sure that many issues will spring up in a town that is developing as quickly as Markham. Mr. Kallio is a graduate of the University of Western Ontario law school in London, but hails from Sudbury. He spent a year in private practice in his home town before taking the position with Durham Region. He currently lives in Oshawa although he foresees a move to this area within a year. "I look forward to a long and mutually beneficial relationship with this organization," he said after he was formally introduced to Markham Council on Friday. Former solicitor Ron King was fired in May.



Traffic tie-up Friday

Markham Firefighters stood by yesterday morning as two tow trucks tried to right an overturned tanker truck following a five-vehicle mishap on Hwy. 7 west of Warden. The tanker, filled with diesel fuel, overturned when it swerved to avoid colliding with other vehicles on the rain slicked road. There were no serious injuries and Ontario Provincial Police are investigating. — Don Bernard

Doors open Tuesday

New schools set to go

Two new Markham high schools will open as scheduled Tuesday. That's the word from principals of Unionville High School and Brother Andre High School. "The building is almost complete and almost all rooms should be functional come Tuesday," said Unionville High School Principal Ken Cluley last Wednesday. He said things have been extremely busy as school officials attempt to register the over 1,000 students enrolled but added "things are getting pretty exciting."

As construction nears completion on the Warden Ave. facility, all that remains to be finished are the dance studio and the gymnasium. Mr. Cluley pointed out that gym classes will be held outside until its completion and said that although the technical area won't be finished, the classes won't be needed until the next semester. "They've done some marvellous things in the last three or four weeks trying to get things into shape," he noted.

There is still a considerable amount of work to be done at Brother Andre Catholic High School, a relocatable building constructed until a permanent school is built on the site. Principal Blair Day assured the Weekender that students will be there on Tuesday. "We certainly expect to be open on Tuesday," Mr. Blair noted. "We will have about 223 enrolled students who will be here."

He predicted that the only areas in the school that won't be functional on opening day are the gymnasium and the library. He expects the gym to be completed by early October and is currently awaiting resource material for the library. "We'll be open in the sense that, yes,

the students will be taught but workers will be here for another three weeks or so," he said. Up until this year, Catholic high school students in Markham and Unionville were bused to St. Robert High School in Thornhill. "This school is long overdue and Markham people deserve it," Mr. Day said. "Thank God we finally got it to take the pressure off (St. Robert's)." In its first year only Grade 9 students will attend Brother Andre and successive grades will be added each year until a permanent school is constructed on the 16th Ave. site. "This school will be here for a few years. The students attending are really going to be pioneers," he said.

United Way goal at \$1 million

The York Region United Way has set its 1986 campaign goal at \$1 million. That's how much the organization estimates it will need in the upcoming year to adequately look after the social service

agencies under its umbrella. The goal is the same as last year's, but executive director Mary Ruth Flood stressed that this is the bare minimum necessary to fund United Way programs. "The demands for services are expected to increase in all communities. Two new agencies have been added to our list," she said. The campaign begins Sept. 13 and continues until Nov. 22. Mrs. Flood said that although the drive is conducted across the Region, "We have to really depend on Markham, Vaughan and Richmond Hill to make up the bulk." She said that Markham leads the way in donations and that the goal for the town's \$225,925 is a 23 per cent increase over last year's.

The largest donation to United Way in 1984 was \$39,000 from Steelcase Canada Ltd. Of the top five contributions last year, three others also came from Markham businesses, namely, American Express, Becon-Gage and Magna International. Steelcase has started the ball rolling this year by pledging \$16,700 to the campaign but the employees of the company will begin raising funds when the campaign starts, increasing Steelcase's total donation. The United Way raises money to support 30 social service agencies from the Red Cross Society to the Markham Family Life Centre. Last year allocations ranged from \$2,948 to \$56,000, depending on such factors as the need for the service and the cost of maintaining it.



\$30,000 damage

Markham firefighters look for a flare up in the housefire on Victory Ave. in Milliken Tuesday morning. Fifteen firefighters in three trucks were called to the scene and had everything under control within two hours. There were no injuries, but the house suffered \$30,000 in damage. The cause of the fire is under investigation.



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