



### Two hurt in crash

A Scarborough man was charged with careless driving after an accident on Hwy 48 near 14th Ave Thursday morning. A northbound Volkswagen Beetle was approaching a line of traffic when it careered out of control and collided with a southbound Dodge Lancer driven by Unionville's Robert

Smith at about 7:58 a.m. The Volkswagen spun around and came to rest against a large truck. Both drivers suffered minor injuries. Charged with careless driving is Paul Ravenhill of Scarborough. — Bill Lanning

## Region wants to know how you get from place to place

York Region is studying how its residents get from one place to another.

In an effort to more clearly define travel patterns of York residents, including those in Markham and Whitchurch-Stouffville, the region has joined neighboring areas in a comprehensive six-region survey.

Dubbed Transportation Tomorrow, the confidential telephone survey will contact approximately five per cent of households in Durham, Halton, Hamilton,

Wentworth, Peel, York and Metro Toronto.

It begins this Monday and runs until Dec. 5, 1986. Data will be compiled and a report is expected next spring.

A total of 75,000 households will be surveyed by telephone on family travel habits, 6,000 of which live in York Region.

It's the first survey of this magnitude since 1964. The \$800,000 cost will be shared by participating regions. York's portion after the province's 75 per cent con-

tribution is \$16,000.

York Region Transportation Director John Ireland said the survey is needed here to update current data on travel patterns by people coming into and going out of the region daily.

He said figures tallied in a 1979 regional survey are now outdated because the region's population has since increased by 50 per cent.

Participants will initially be contacted by letter one week prior to the phone survey. Each interview is expected to take approximately seven minutes.

Calls will be made weeknights between 5 p.m. and 9:45 p.m., and on Saturdays between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

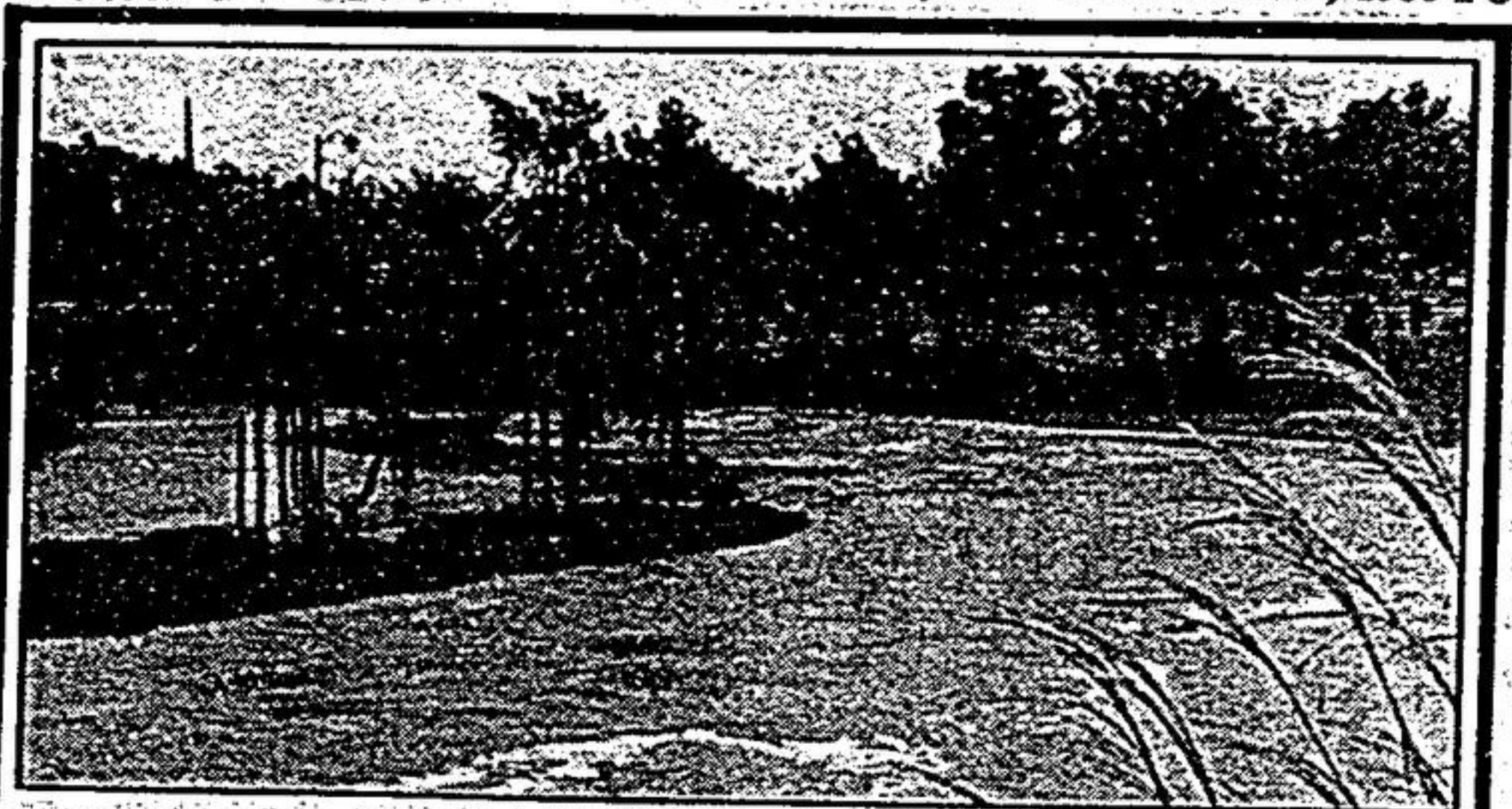
"Hopefully the survey will provide a basis for transportation facilities which would best serve all the people," said Region Chairman Eldred King.

### Man fined after girl assaulted

A former Uxbridge Township man was fined \$1,000 in Whitby district court after being convicted of indecently assaulting a young girl.

In handing down sentence Aug. 27, Judge William Lane also placed Morley Webb, 61, on probation for 18 months, ordered him to stay away from the victim and to receive all counselling recommended by his probation officer. Webb has 120 days to pay the fine.

A charge of sexual assault was withdrawn.



### Noah would be proud

Yet another storm passed over rain-weary Markham this week causing floods in several parts of the town — again. Ministry of Environment officials said the two-day rainfall accumulated a total of 88 mm on the ground over Wednesday and Thursday. The monthly average for September is 66 mm. Town of Markham engineering department spokesman Neil Mortson said the area again had its share of flooding and closed roads as a result of the rain. A portion of the 9th Line between 16th Ave. and Major Mackenzie Dr. was shut off for 12 hours Thursday to let the waters recede. Markham Hydro was spared this time with little lightning accompanying the rain. — Bill Lanning



Fire damage was estimated at \$7,000 in an early morning blaze yesterday in a Markham apartment building. — Bill Lanning

### Fire hits apartment

An Ontario Hydro inspector and Markham Fire Department are investigating the cause of a fire early yesterday morning at a Robinson St. apartment in Markham.

Firefighters were called to a fifth-floor apartment at 118 Robinson St. at 5 a.m. The woman occupant was awakened by a loud bang and managed to escape along with two young girls.

The three were given oxygen and taken to a friend's house by ambulance.

Fire Chief Ken Beckett said it is believed a television picture tube

exploded, causing the noise. Smoke and fire damage to the apartment is estimated at \$7,000, he said.

Mr. Beckett said the cause is electrical, but the source of the problem is unknown. He said the inspector will examine the television, an electric heater and an air conditioner.

He added that the apartment was unequipped with a smoke detector and said the woman was lucky she heard the noise.

He stressed the need for smoke detectors in all homes and apartments to increase safety.

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