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OLYMPIC TORCH ON ITS WAY

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STOUFFVILLE — The Olympic flame is on its way to Whitchurch-Stouffville.

The Torch Relay began from St. John's, Newfoundland, Nov. 17. The Torch-bearer will arrive at the Museum in Vandorf at 3:03 p.m., Dec. 22 and will remain on location about ten minutes. In total, the journey will cover 18,000 kilometers.

The ceremony, to include student participation from all Whitchurch-Stouffville schools will commence one hour prior to the Torch-bearer's arrival.

Relay runners selected from Town are — Mary Sled, Keith Brettell and Jim Collins.

The local Olympic committee includes — Marlene McKee-Wetheral, (chairperson); Gladys Clarkson, Karen Edwards, Gary Fisher, Amelia Frauts and three members of the Stouffville Lions Club; Mike Grinnell, David Jones and John Moffat.

The Committee is placing a float in the Dec. 5 Santa Claus Parade.

To host the Olympic caravan, Dec. 22, is a distinct honor for the Town, Mrs. McKee-Wetheral told

The Tribune. Many distinguished guests will attend including MP Sinclair Stevens; MPP Bill Balingier; York Regional Chairman Eldred King; Mayor Fran Sainsbury; members of Council and others. Mr. Stevens will present Olympic Medals to five of 60 Town nominees. The remainder will receive engraved certificates.

Students from the Town's five elementary schools were selected to prepare addresses related to this historic occasion. These were delivered Wednesday morning in the Town Council chambers. Representatives were — Andrea Zemp, Dickson's Hill; Angela Hoover, Whitchurch-Highlands; Melissa Austin, Summitview; Mark Green, St. Mark's and Michael Peters, Orchard Park.

The Torch, now on its way to the Olympic site in Calgary, Alberta, will arrive at its final destination Feb. 13, 1988. It was ignited in St. John's by Olympic Committee chairman Frank King, then passed hand-to-hand from Mr. King to Prime Minister Brian Mulroney; to Newfoundland Premier Brian Peckford; to the first Canadian runner.

The selected route will take the Torch through every province

and territory and through every capital and major city plus 700 communities.

The route Dec. 22 extends from the Town of Pickering along Hwy. 7 to Markham; north on Woodbine

Avenue to Vandorf, north to Newmarket; then south on Yonge Street to Vaughan.

The stop-over in Markham is at Unionville High School, Warden Avenue and Hwy. 7.

Scholarship for Ballantrae boy

BALLANTRAE — An eleven-year-old Ballantrae boy is the recipient of a \$7,500 national education scholarship courtesy K Mart Canada Limited.

Colin Bowman's name was the one selected from thousands of forms filled out across the country. He's the son of John and Letty Bowman, High Point Drive, Ballantrae and a Grade 6 pupil at Ballantrae Public School.

Colin's father filled out the ballot earlier this fall at a K Mart

store on Davis Drive, Newmarket. His was the grand prize winner.

While all details of the bursary weren't known when The Tribune talked with Colin Friday, it's anticipated the money will be placed in trust until required for college or university tuition.

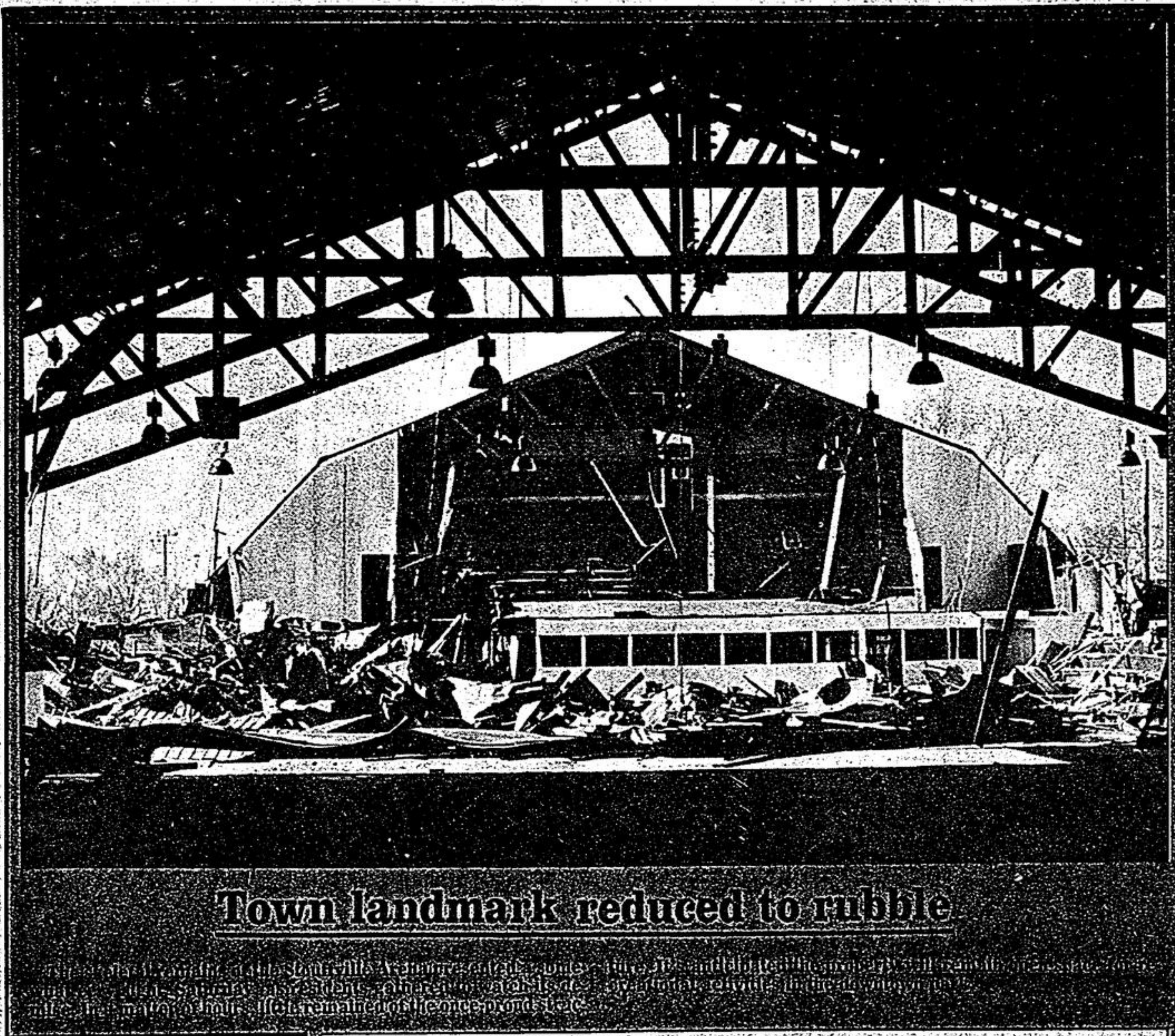
The Bowman family has lived at Ballantrae, 3 1/2 years, moving to the community from Scarborough.



COLIN BOWMAN

Pet lost

My dog, a black and white pointer, was lost on Nov. 15. He is about 1 year old, weighs about 40 lbs, and has a white patch on his chest. If anyone has seen him, please call me at 640-4646.



Town landmark reduced to rubble

The demolition of the Stouffville Art Centre, which was built in 1970, is complete. The rubble remains on the site until it can be removed.

Patrons crowd new mall store

STOUFFVILLE — The horde of shoppers that poured into Stouffville's new Bargain Harolds Wednesday, undoubtedly had Manager John Gamble wondering about the store's size.

The same held true for Thursday. The premises was packed.

Strangely enough, no one complained. Cut rate prices offset the inconvenience. Customers seemed pleased.

Bargain Harolds, 550 Main Street West, is the first tenant in Stouffville's new indoor mall. Others to follow include the Roadhouse Restaurant; Honey Bee Donuts; Town Smoke Shop and Quality Hair Cutters.

Card's Hardware will anchor the mall's east side.

The Stouffville branch of Bargain Harolds is one of 161 stores in the chain, most of these in Ontario. Stock includes everything from socks to suitcases; sweaters to shoe polish.

While the aisles are narrow, 'detours' allow serious shoppers to bypass the 'browsers'. Prices are plainly visible and clerks are pleasant and courteous.

The Stouffville store has six check-out counters. Numbers of cashiers vary with the size of crowds.

Last week, the 'big run' was on break-resistant coat hangers, ten for one dollar. One lady loaded herself up with 288.

Paper towels were also in demand. "A whole truckload flew right out," The Tribune was told.

The opening of Bargain Harolds allowed shoppers their first inside

Pigeon panic

STOUFFVILLE — Adolfo Bianchi keeps racing pigeons on his property at 268 Stouffer Street North.

The neighbors aren't complaining, he says, but the Town is. He claims that, according to a municipal bylaw, no 'fowl' of any kind, are allowed in built-up areas.

Mr. Bianchi feels Council's carrying 'the letter of the law' too far. "I'll fight them all the way to the Supreme Court if I have to," he says.

Keeping racing pigeons has been Mr. Bianchi's hobby more than 30 years. Before moving to town, he lived near Claremont and at Ballantrae.

"I've nothing to hide," he claims, "it's all a misunderstanding." He believes some members of Council don't know the difference between racing pigeons "and the wild ones that perch on the town hall roof."

Except for exercise, his birds are kept in pens, he explains.

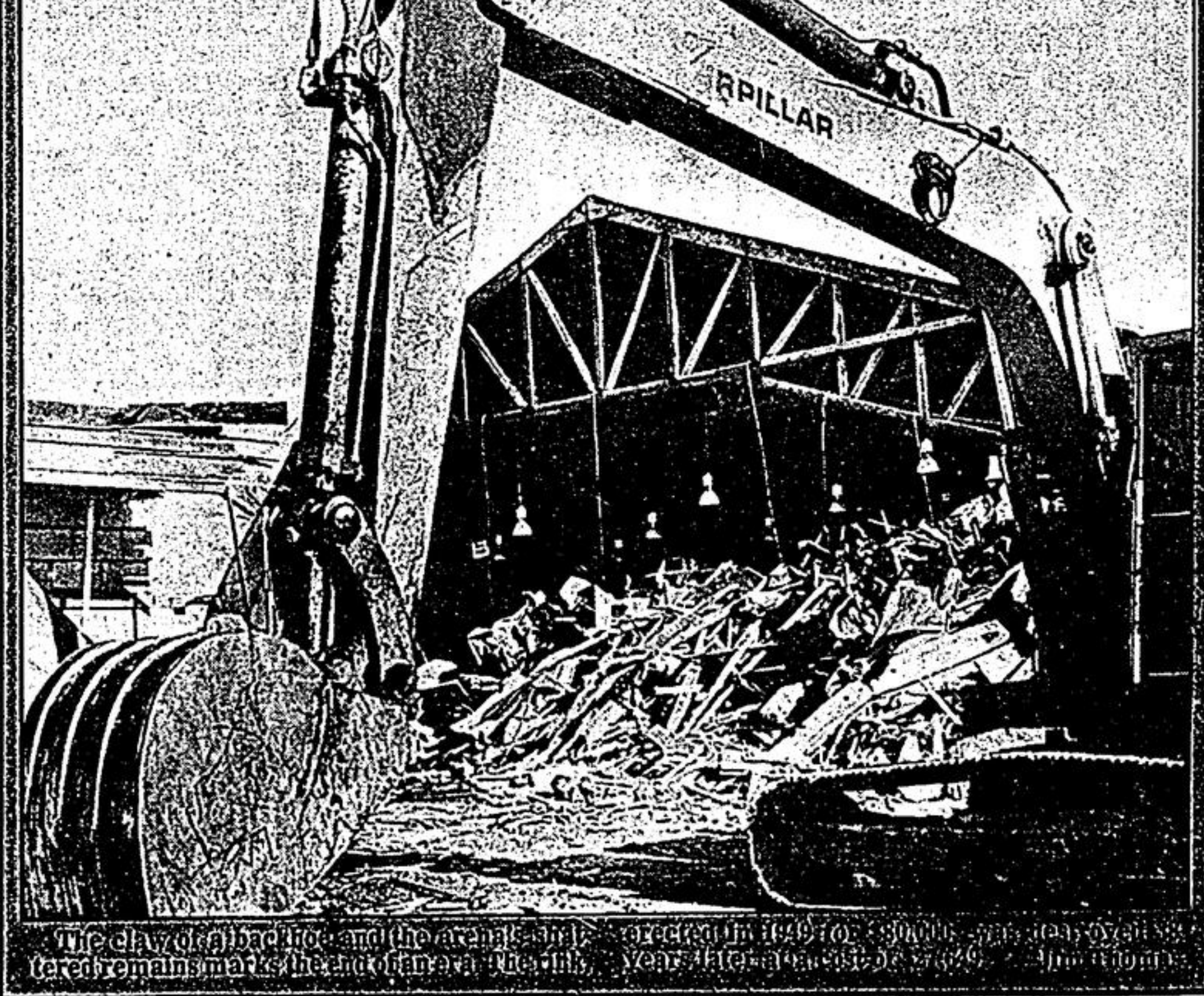
Mr. Bianchi says he's expecting a letter any day now, telling him his pigeons are 'out of bounds'. "If they try and enforce it, I'll fight," he declares.

True veteran

STOUFFVILLE — Louis (Lou) Hertle, a veteran of World War II and a past-president of the Royal Canadian Legion, (Stouffville Branch 459), died peacefully in York County Hospital, Newmarket, Nov. 19.

Mr. Hertle, a resident of Windsor Drive, R.R. 2, Stouffville, moved to the Musselman's Lake area from Schomberg 17 years ago. He was held in high regard by all who knew him.

Lou Hertle was a Legion stalwart who firmly believed in the Association. In addition to the presidency, he also served at the Zone Commander level and in Veterans' Affairs.



The clay dig and the gravel pit, created in 1970, is now a site for a new development. The dig remains on the site until it can be removed.

"Move over, dad"

Move over dad!

At previous fairs, Gord and Lois Lewis of R.R. 1, Uxbridge have won their share of awards.

However, at this year's Royal, son and daughter-in-law, Stephen and Sherry Lewis, now of Cannington, gave notice they're in the trophy hunt too.

In competition just concluded, Steve and Sherry's Clydesdale entries took two firsts and a host of seconds and thirds.

"We're really happy," Sherry told The Tribune, "the overall results were fantastic."

"Terragold's Hope", an entry after-thought, surprised even her owners by being named Filly Percheron Foal of 1987. The competition included 30 horses from across Canada and the United States.

Steve and Sherry also scored a first for the second year in a row with their Clydesdale light draught team.

This is only the third year Steve and Sherry have competed on their own at the Royal. Previously, they'd joined forces with Gord Lewis (and family).

Stephen and Sherry's entries placed third and fourth respectively in the four and six-horse hitches. Sherry's father, a native of Nova Scotia, was selected to represent the Clydesdale breed in

the six-horse hitch driving class. He placed second.

Murray Grove of Stouffville placed third with 'Peggy Sue' in the Belgian Yearling Filly class. This placement was sufficient to guarantee the horse top status for the season in the total points' race for an Ontario Bred Belgian Filly.

Dr. Donald Hargrave of R.R. 3, Stouffville won a third in the Canadian Sport Horse Breeders Division. Dr. Hargrave has been a competitor at the Royal more than 35 years.

Bill Hassard of Stouffville scored a fourth with a Percheron geld mare. Pam Tribbling, R.R. 4, Uxbridge, placed second in the Two-Wheeled Cart division.

Both Glenn Johnston and family; R.R. 4, Stouffville and Bill Guardhouse, R.R. 3, Newmarket, won several awards in various rabbit categories.

Albert Boake, R.R. 1, Cedar Valley, collected four seconds and three thirds with his Bantam entries in poultry.

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Purchase van

STOUFFVILLE — The goal's been reached; the order's been placed and delivery's expected this week.

This is the remarkable story on Parkview's new lift-van, capable of accommodating 16 ambulatory and two wheelchair passengers plus a driver.

Purchase price of the vehicle was \$56,000.

Financial assistance came from many sources, Sheila Jones, Manager of Parkview Village told The Tribune. On Wednesday, at Deer Park Inn, a cheque in the amount of \$10,000 was presented by The Canadian Progress Club, (Stouffville Branch), to J.M. Nighswander, Parkview's Executive Administrator.

The van will be utilized by not only the residents of Parkview Home, Parkview Village and Parkview Apartments but by other Seniors living in the community, Mrs. Jones said.

The administration is hopeful the van will arrive in time for inclusion in the Dec. 5 Santa Claus Parade.