

Thursday, August 19, 1971

Models**at C.N.E.**

BUTTONVILLE - Andrea and Gary Rodick, children of Mr. and Mrs. John Rodick, will be modelling back-to-school clothes at the C.N.E. fashion show, held daily in the Queen Elizabeth Theatre.

On Sunday at Brown's Corners United Church the congregation welcomed former minister, Rev. Dr. Alfred F. Binnington as guest speaker in Rev. Allan Hallett's absence. The soloist was Brian Reynolds and organist Mrs. Dorothy Reesor.

Paul Craigie, back from his jaunt to the West Coast, is holding the home fort while the rest of the family is on a trip to Manitoulin.

Paul Steffler is home from a bicycling trip to the East Coast.

Congratulations to Douglas Martin, son of Allen and Trudy Martin, to be married in September. The Martins now live in the Huntingwood-Warden area of Agincourt.

Mrs. Joseph Wallner and daughter Mary, of New Waterford, Nova Scotia, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Fierheller earlier this month prior to Mary's marriage to Wesley Fierheller, Aug. 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stots and Mr. and Mrs. John Wilkins were guests at the reception.

Church services resume

By Betty Pegg

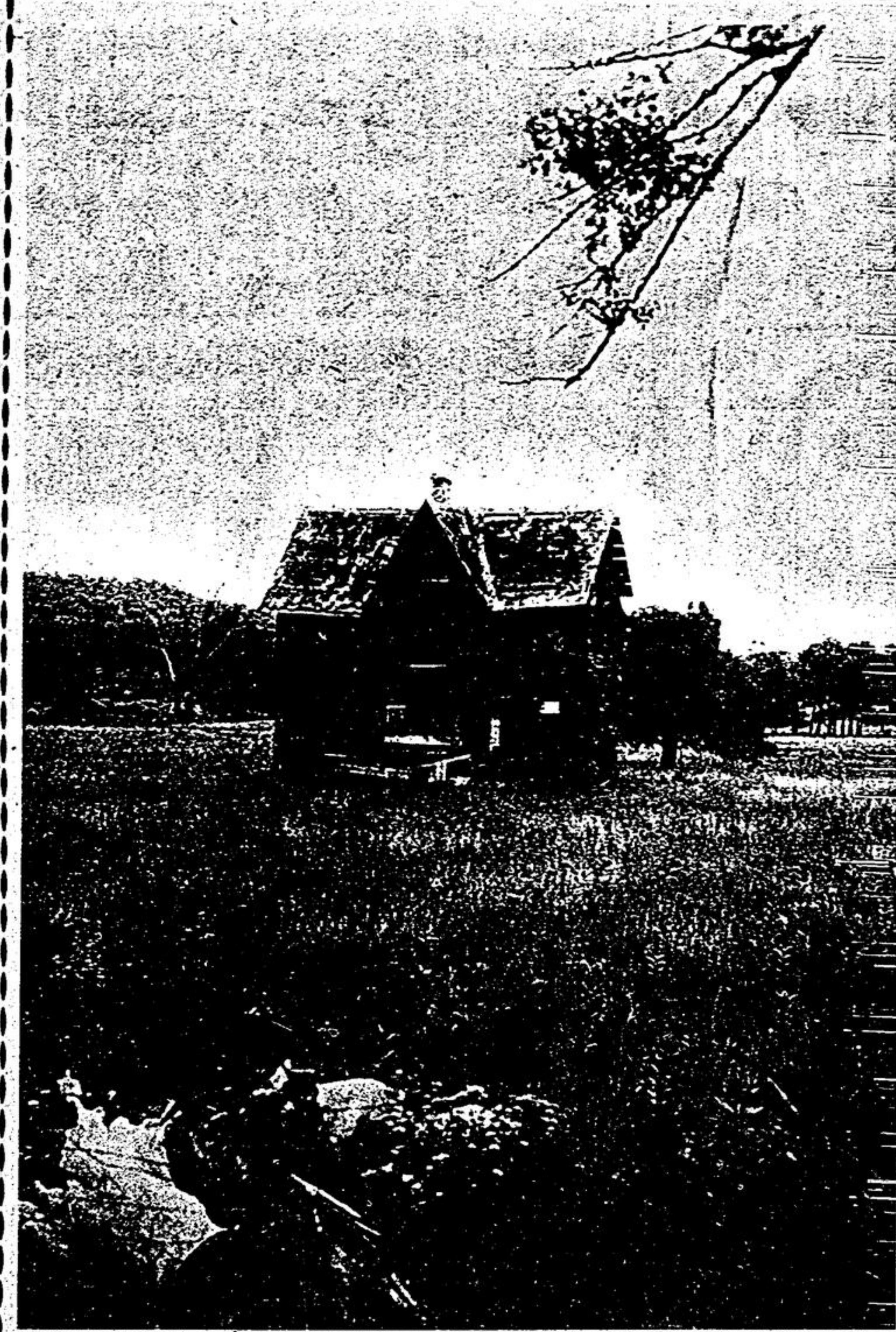
GREENWOOD

Services in the Greenwood United Church will begin again, Aug. 22 at 9:45 a.m. and at Mt. Zion at 11 a.m. Rev. T. H. Fleetham will have returned from his summer vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Pascoe, Mrs. Courtice, Pickering Village and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Stanley, Brooklin, have returned from a week's vacation at Bass Lake.

Mrs. Edie Pegg and daughter Kathy visited Sunday with relatives and friends at Bala.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Pegg have returned from a trip to Sundridge and

**A housing shortage? Not in Uxbridge**

There's a sign on this house, located on the 6th concession of Uxbridge Township, south of County Road 1A. But it doesn't say For Sale and it doesn't say For Rent. In fact, it doesn't say anything. Wind and rain

has taken its toll. However, a second guess might suggest an order like 'No Trespassing'. Preferring to be safe, rather than sorry, the cautious cameraman took the picture from the roadway. — J. Thomas

Magnetawan.

Mrs. I. McLean is steadily improving and able to be outside for short periods.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Brooks, Rosalie, Michael and Teddie, spent the weekend at Whiston Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Cranfield have recovered some of their household furniture reported stolen in a recent break-in at their residence.

Mrs. A.W. Payne and son of Florida, visited at the Andrew home. Mrs. Payne is Mrs. Andrew's mother. Mrs. Andrew remains a patient in Scarborough Centenary Hospital.

Beatrice McLean attended reunion at Sturgeon Lake.

Bavarian festival - dance

Tickets are now on sale for the colorful Bavarian Festival and Dance in the Stouffville Arena, Sat., Aug. 28, featuring Guenter Bartol and his Band.

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Bylaw applies 'brakes' to truck traffic

STOUFFVILLE - It was standing room only, in the Whitchurch-Stouffville Council Chamber, Aug. 10.

The main attraction was a bylaw - two in fact, to govern truck traffic on South Road, Musselman's Lake.

From the start, Mayor Ken Laushway ruled with a firm hand. He contended that both bylaws should be properly aired and admitted that Ronald Lee of Lee Sand and Gravel Company Limited had been provided a copy of the conditions in advance.

Mayor Laushway reminded the audience that, while anyone has a right to address Council, he must give notice five days prior to the meeting and state his subject.

Those who had not done so, said the mayor, would not be allowed to speak, nor to address questions to Mr. Lee.

He also warned Mr. Lee that there would be only one chance to present his arguments. After Mr. Lee was finished, the mayor said, and after Council members had asked their questions of him, the gravel-pit owner would be expected to maintain silence.

Mayor Laushway indicated that he would tolerate no audience participation while Council members discussed the bylaws.

Mr. Lee thanked the mayor and said he firmly opposed these measures. He maintained that the bylaw would not help solve the problems. He also asked if the Musselman's Lake area was considered "permanent residential" or "tourist resort".

If it were a resort area, said Mr. Lee, there would be no need for such a bylaw. "If

it's a residential area", he said, "it should not be treated differently from any other street in the municipality".

Councillor Gordon Ratcliff asked if Mr. Lee's objections were based on economic considerations. Mr. Lee confirmed this, terming it "a major financial consideration".

The Bloomington Road, he said, was not practical because it involves greater distances, a high grade for trucks to climb, and danger because of the absence of traffic lights at Highway 48.

He also pointed out that some truckers are residents and taxpayers, and such a bylaw would not be fair to them.

Councillor June Button asked Mr. Lee if trucks would still use the road if the speed limit were 25 miles an hour. Mr. Lee said they would.

Councillor Herb Simpson said his major concern was safety. He agreed with Mr. Lee that both trucks and cars are dangerous on this road.

Councillor Merlyn Baker disagreed with Mr. Lee's suggestion that the road be improved.

"That would mean cutting down large numbers of trees to widen the road", he said, "I don't agree with that".

Mr. Lee defended his position vigorously.

"How wide is a truck?" he asked.

"About eight feet", said Councillor Baker.

"Then how wide is a house trailer?" demanded Lee.

Councillor Baker conceded that it would be about the same.

"Why is one more dangerous than the other?" Mr. Lee asked. Councillor Baker conceded that

truck drivers might, on the average, be good drivers, but he maintained that the trucks present an unacceptable danger.

Mr. Lee replied that his truckers had had no accidents in the area.

Mayor Laushway interrupted the exchange and asked Mr. Lee if he had anything more to say in summary.

Mr. Lee concluded by saying he felt the matter needed more study, and asked that Council take no action before ensuring that fair representations had been made by all affected parties.

Mayor Laushway then left the chair and stated his own views.

"I feel this is a resort area", he said, "it is not suitable for trucks during the holiday season".

He also expressed disappointment that no compromise could be maintained, of the sort that kept the trucks off that road for about a

week and a half. He indicated that he would not support the banning bylaw.

The bylaw, introduced later, contained five main clauses. The first defined "heavy traffic" as any vehicle of more than five tons gross weight. Clause Two forbids such vehicles to use the roads in question, but the next clause makes an exception for delivery trucks, emergency vehicles, or a truck belonging to a resident going to or from his job. Clause Four provides a fine of \$10 maximum for the first offense, and \$50 for subsequent offenses.

The final clause provides that the bylaw shall come into effect only upon approval by the Minister of Transport and Communications.

During clause-by-clause discussion, Mayor Laushway expanded on his earlier statements.

"I feel it's the wrong time to pass the bylaw", he said, although he felt it would come "sooner or later". He pointed out that this would also apply to municipal vehicles, and would force them to make a detour. The mayor also wondered about enforcement of the measure.

"I haven't changed my mind on this issue", he said, "I have to object to each clause. I was alone before and I'll be alone again".

Councillor Gordon Ratcliff was equally firm in his support of the bylaw.

"If we don't start now, we never will", he said. "This is a nice lake, and it has to be protected".

Council was split on the issue. Councillors Ratcliff, Button, Simpson and Baker supported the bylaw, while mayor Laushway and Councillor Tom Lonergan opposed it.

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