

'Concrete jungle'

By Ruth Hutchings GREEN RIVER - The proposed airport continues to dominate the local news scene. Some folks are for it, and some are opposed. Regardless, it is regrettable that those who do not wish to leave the area, have no alternative, in the name of 'progress'. It is interesting to note the rather innocent sign on Hwy. 7 that reads: 'You are now entering the Great Pine Ridge Tourist Area'. If the airport plan proceeds, perhaps it will be changed to 'You are now entering The Concrete Jungle'.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen were recent visitors in Montreal. While away, Timmy enjoyed a holiday with friends, Keith and Ronnie Tapscott.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Robinson visited in Guelph, Sunday, and visited with their daughter, Linda, a college student there.

The Sacred Music Concert is Good Friday at 8 p.m. in the church.



Cub Scout's achievement recognized

Eleven year old Tony Arrigo, Vandorf Road, R.R.4, Stouffville, was recognized at a Father and Son Banquet, Friday night. A member of 1st Lemonville Pack, he has completed sufficient projects to win all his badges in a period of two years. He is shown here with Akela Beryl Bonnar, Stouffville, R.R.4. —Jas. Thomas.

Trim housewife to TOPS convention

By Mrs. Wm. Sandle VIC. SQUARE - Mrs.

Leslie Hart has been crowned queen of the Hill-TOPS for 1971. The TOPS Club stands for Take Off Pounds Sensibly. Mrs. Hart will represent the organization at a Convention in Toronto, in June.

Beverly Jones and David Warriner, both of Scarborough, were guest speakers at the Lions Club's annual Education and Ladies Night, March 7. Both work in schools for the deaf. They illustrated their talks with slides.

Mr. Rolph Boynton and Miss Mabel Sanderson were in Collingwood, Sunday. Mrs. Gertrude Wilson returned with them to spend a few weeks with friends here.

Another euchre will be held in the Community Hall Friday evening, at 8 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Steckley spent Sunday evening with Mrs. Helen Watt and family, Scarborough. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Zurosky and Christine of Toronto enjoyed Sunday evening dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Croxford and family.

Wedding anniversary greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brumwell, married 39 years, March 22; to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Morton, married 51 years, March 23.

Saturday evening visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Hart were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Reep, West Seneca, N.Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Dick Turner, Buffalo, N.Y. and Mr. and Mrs. Walter White, Scarborough.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Buchanan and family of Willowdale had Sunday evening dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Nichols.

Birthday greetings to Richard Frisby, March 16; Cheryl Hood, March 17; Mrs. Jim Boyd, March 17; Mrs. Kenneth Petty,

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March 19; Lois Gee, March 20.

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People — planes?

By Betty Pegg GREENWOOD - A "People or Planes" meeting was held March 11 at the Church Hall, for the purpose of discussing the proposed airport project. Judge Terrence Moore chaired the gathering. A committee was formed to seek information, and to make future plans. Unit No. 1 of United Church Women met at the home of Mrs. Thomas Frew, March 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Pugh attended the christening of their granddaughter in Toronto, Sunday. Visitors with Mrs. George Griffin, Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Reg Walker, Goodwood, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hornshaw, Whitevale, and Ralph Hellema of Calgary. The Steward of the church and men of the congregation are sponsoring an Oyster Supper, April 9.

Control fringe airport lands to ensure orderly development

TORONTO - The so-called "freezing" of properties around the new airport site in Pickering Township is actually a measure to help guarantee the orderly development of the area, Ontario government authorities said today.

The measure took the form of orders issued March 2 by Ontario Treasurer W. Darcy McKeough, under the Planning Act. The effect of the orders is to zone certain designated lands for agricultural purposes.

Contrary to one widespread notion, the government has not frozen land prices or prohibited buying or selling of the lands, the provincial authorities said.

However, they added, the orders are bound to inhibit the buying and selling that otherwise would likely have occurred as soon as the airport site was announced, since no new uses can be made of the lands unless they are directly related to agriculture, and no new farming can be undertaken on less than 25 acres.

Property owners who have been intending to erect buildings on land now vacant are therefore being denied building permits, at least for the time being, the provincial authorities explained.

They said the ministerial orders are serving as a stopgap to prevent land speculation and incompatible developments from occurring in the interim period while local zoning bylaws are revised to

take the new airport into account.

Affected by the orders are portions of the towns of Whitby, Stouffville and Markham, portions of the townships of Uxbridge and Pickering, and all of Scott Township.

The orders do not apply to more than a northly fraction of the parcel the provincial government intends to develop as servielands and the new community of Cedarwood. These lands, however, are covered by a new legislative amendment which in effect means that land-price increases resulting from the airport's presence will not be taken into account when the properties are being acquired.

Except for the Scott Township land, the properties designated in the orders fall within the "noislands" - the areas most likely to be affected by noise from the airport. Scott Township was covered by one of the orders "because it has no official plan to guide the new development pressures that would otherwise occur", the provincial spokesman said.

McKeough said he is anxious to see local authorities resume zoning controls as soon as possible.

With that aim in mind, he added, meetings are being arranged with municipal representatives to discuss revisions needed in their official plans and zoning bylaws.

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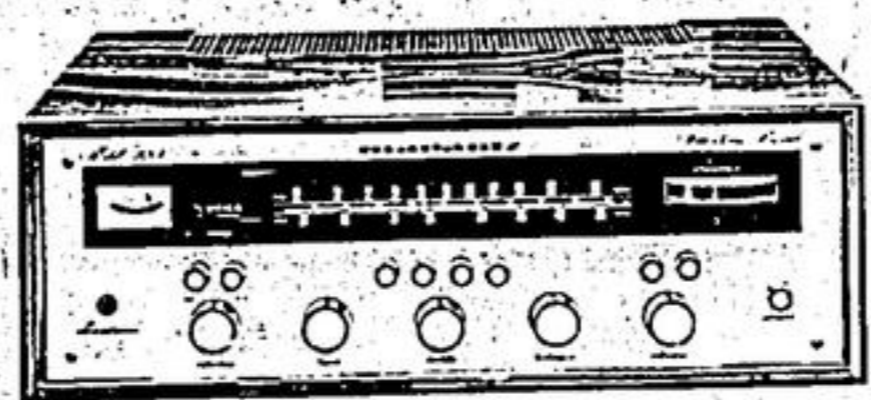
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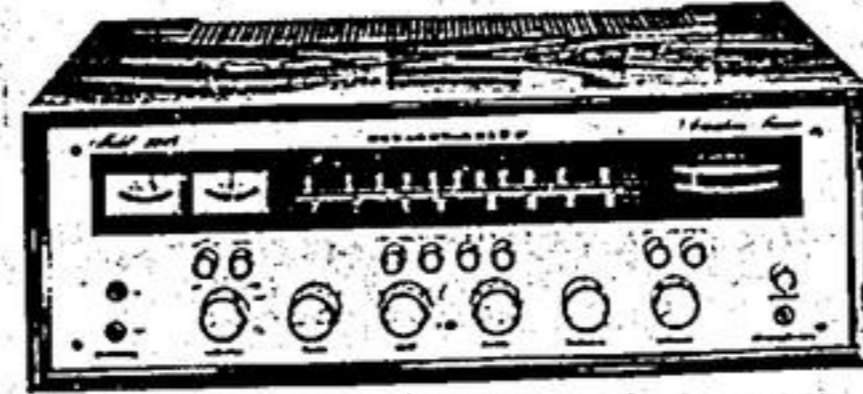
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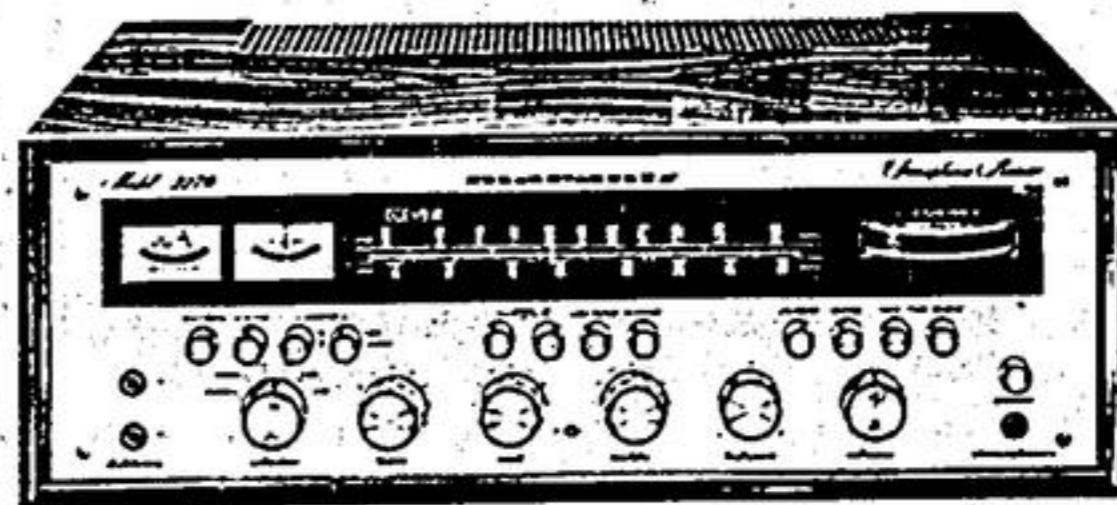
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