

Passenger robbed

STOUFFVILLE - York Regional Police have issued a warrant for one man, and are searching for two more, in connection with a robbery near Musselman's Lake.

The victim, Grant Roach, Main Street East, Stouffville, told officers, he accepted a ride home, March 31 with three other men. He said the driver stopped the car on a back road and demanded his money, with threat of injury or death.

The thieves made off with about \$20.

On Tuesday, police arrested Edward Russell Smith, age 20, of Stouffville. He is charged with robbery.

Pastor enters politics

YORK NORTH - A Willowdale pastor has announced his intention to step out from behind the pulpit and into the political arena, on the side of the Progressive Conservative Party in the federal Riding of York North.

Rev. Elmer Stanley McVety, 43, the associate minister of The Peoples Church, will let his name stand for nomination, at a meeting this month, in Thornlea Secondary School, Bayview Avenue.

The seat is currently held by Liberal Barney Danson.

"I am totally dedicated for a change in Government," Mr. McVety said, "Mr. Trudeau, I believe, is leading us in the wrong direction".

The York North Riding includes such centres as Willowdale, Thornhill, Richmond Hill, Woodbridge, Unionville and Markham.

Port opponents to Ottawa

PICKERING TWP. - Federal Transport Minister Donald Jamieson has agreed to host representatives of the Anti-Airport Committee, and outline reasons for the government's choice of the Pickering site.

The meeting will be held in Ottawa.

Dr. Charles Godfrey, protest chairman, will likely attend, along with appointees of his own choosing.

The refusal, by federal authorities, to release the locations of other suggested areas has been, up until now, a main complaint of Pickering airport opponents.

Police tag illegal parkers

A family show

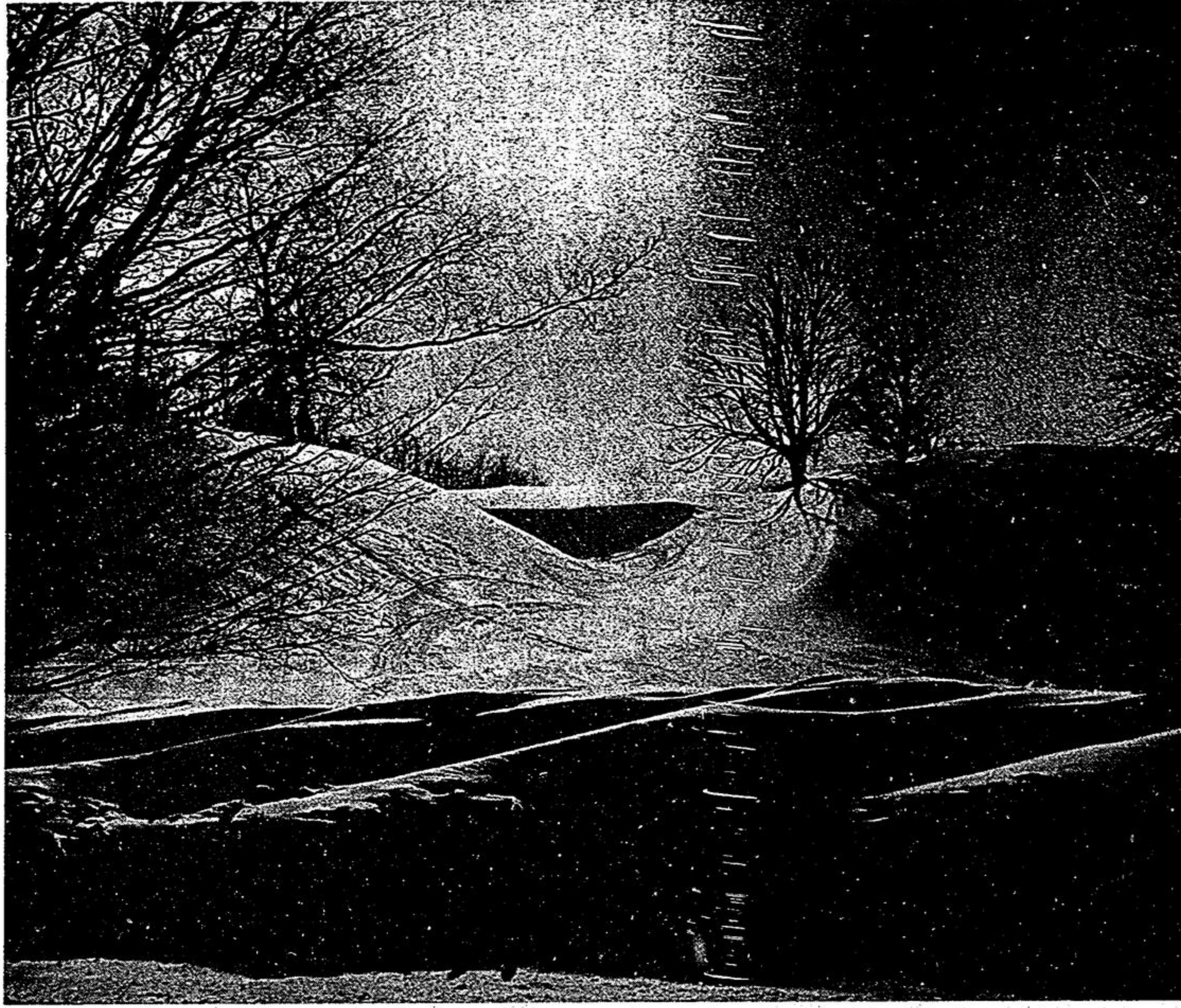
STOUFFVILLE - The Stouffville Figure Skating Club's 22nd annual Ice Revue, under the direction of pros, Jean Barclay, Jacqui Armitage and Victor Irving, is all set to go, April 14 and 15.

Described as a 'family show', it will feature three performances, Friday and Saturday evenings and a matinee, Saturday afternoon.

The first half, with all the little 'guys and dolls' is entitled 'Alice in Wonderland'. Two skaters, Cindy Wilson and Marlene Boyd, will share the lead role.

The second half is entitled 'That's Show Biz', featuring guest stars Linda Roe of Toronto and Michael Bradley of Unionville. In competition this year, Linda and Michael were rated among the top three dance pairs in Canada.

The Club president for 1972 is Frank Mellon.



Winter begins its slow retreat into spring

It's been a long winter, and in protected areas, it's still hanging on, although the calendar says its spring. But even at this location,

on the 7th concession of Uxbridge, the drifts have begun to recede and soon, snowmobile trails will give way to green grass.

Airport project

63% opposed, survey reveals

STOUFFVILLE - Sixty-three percent of Stouffville residents replying to a questionnaire concerning the proposed airport project, have stated their opposition to it.

The result, made public this week, follows a survey conducted by Sinclair Stevens, federal Progressive Conservative candidate in the Riding of York-Simcoe.

Thirty-one percent said they favored the scheme while six percent had no opinion.

Of the 2,000 pre-paid postcards provided Stouffville householders, only ten percent were returned.

The majority of opponents based their opinions on fear of noise and pollution. A lesser

number felt a second airport was not needed and that present facilities at Malton could be expanded. Some considered it unwise to utilize good farmland for such a purpose while others felt the community's rural-type atmosphere would be destroyed.

Those in favor, argued that the project would produce employment, create development, aid farm land sales and promote 'progress'.

Those with no opinions, said they lacked sufficient knowledge to state a view, one way or another.

A 'yes' vote said: "I was born in this house 78 years ago, and I'm ready to move".

A negative response stated: "We came to Stouffville to get

away from this kind of thing". Another proponent said: "Airplane noise will be music to my ears, compared to snowmobiles and gravel trucks".

An anti-airport respondent stated: "Send the men responsible away for the weekend - like to North Bay Drive". Another said: "Our home would never withstand the vibrations and we would never survive the noise".

Mr. Stevens said his own personal views would reflect the opinions of the majority in the Riding. He suggested that a statement would follow, when a full assessment of area feeling was known.

Holiday Inn for Hwy. 48 in Markham?

MARKHAM - Although not confirmed, The Tribune has learned, on fairly good authority, that a modern Holiday Inn may be constructed at a site near Hwy. 48, south of the old Town of Markham.

The property is said to be close to the C.N.R. overpass, at a location near the intersection of the proposed Hwy. 407.

A check with the Building Inspector's Department at Buttonville, revealed no permit for such a structure, has yet been issued.



Visitors throng conservation area

It's 'sugaring off' time at Bruce's Mill Conservation Area, and the crowds this spring have broken all established records. Both the old and new methods of making maple syrup are

practiced. Intrigued by it all is 7 year old Cathy Reid, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Reid, Glad Park Avenue, Stouffville.

-Jas. Thomas.

For water - sewerage

Four firms to guarantee million dollars

Envision 1,000 homes population to 9,000

STOUFFVILLE - Four companies, with property holdings extending from Hwy. 47 to west of Conc. 9, including an estimated 300 acres, have banded together and agreed to underwrite an amount of \$1 million for services, both water and sewage, in the former village of Stouffville.

The proposal, explained by solicitor Gary J. Smith, before a special meeting of Council, March 29, would, if approved, create 1,000 new residential lots and also allow homes to be built on fill-in lots, already available.

While the program would be phased over a period of several years, it would, when completed, raise Stouffville's population to about 9,000.

The town's share of the servicing cost has been estimated at \$300,000. The channelization of Duffin's Creek and an addition to the sewage disposal plant is included in the scheme.

The acquisition of some of this land dates back to 1968, Mr. Smith recalled, but only through a co-operative arrangement with four, and possibly five firms, could the payment, on a per lot basis, become practical. He described the developers' \$1 million dollar offer as 'the breaking point'.

The companies involved are - Dulverson Holdings Ltd., Fryn Investments Ltd., Stouffville Developments Ltd., and Suncrest Construction Limited. All land lies north of Main Street, from the Gar Lehman farm to north of St. Mark's Separate School. The Plan, at this point, includes only single-family lots.

Mayor Ken Laushway informed the spokesman that the Region of York would enter into the discussion, also the Metro

Toronto and Region Conservation Authority. He promised to acquaint all levels of government with the terms of the proposal so that an agreement might be drawn up as soon as possible.

Councillor Gordon Ratcliff was favorably impressed. "It's what we've been waiting for," he said.

He questioned the solicitor, however, concerning what deteriorating effect, if any, the proposed airport might have on a development of such size.

Mr. Smith replied that he retained no concern whatsoever. "We're quite optimistic," he said.

Airport No!

STOUFFVILLE - A meeting of the Stouffville Branch, People or Planes Committee, will be held in the Stouffville Community Centre, April 13, at eight o'clock.

A main item of business is to elect a local executive. Following remarks by several guest speakers, general discussion on the airport issue will take place.

For further information, contact Jim Sanders, O'Brien Avenue, (640-2014).

At Markham, a public meeting is planned for the High School, April 11 at 8 p.m.

Information related to land evaluations will be provided by noted Canadian land economist, Wallace Beaton of Woodbridge. Engineer, James Crang will assess the impact of 'airport noise' on area properties.

A period will be set aside for public discussion.

M.P.P. Donald Deacon

Cedarwood - mistake

MARKHAM - The creation of a city of 200,000 people, in a mainly rural area, is one mistake. M.P.P., Donald Deacon (York-Centre) told The Tribune this week. But to call it Cedarwood, is error number two.

"I will do everything I can to stop it," Mr. Deacon said. He said the location was based entirely on economics, due to the proximity of Lake Ontario for sewer and water service.

As for the name, the local Member said that Cedar Grove, with a proud past, deserved a better fate. "Call it Cedar Grove or Whitevale or something that relates to the area that now is," he said, "Cedarwood means nothing".

Mr. Deacon agreed with a recent Tribune editorial, that the airport site should also be shown the same consideration. He said the name Claremont or Brougham would be far more appropriate than Toronto.

Wage increase

STOUFFVILLE - York County's 267 custodians, serving both elementary and secondary schools, have won a 60 cent hourly wage increase, retroactive to Sept. 1, 1971.

The agreement, subject to several months of negotiations, was approved by the Board of Education and the employees, March 25. The workers, members of Local 1196 of C.U.P.E., had originally asked for a wage hike of 87 cents per hour.

The new agreement is effective to Sept. 1, 1973.

An employee told The Tribune that negotiations between the committees were carried out in a spirit of co-operation. He said that had a settlement not been ratified, a strike could have been called in 14 days.

Violence - almost!

CLAREMONT - How do you mix oil with water? You don't; but the organizers of a public meeting at Claremont, Tuesday, obviously tried.

The purpose of the gathering was to obtain information, pro and con, on the proposed airport, and its effect on the area.

Unfortunately, both the 'pros' and the 'cons' were out in force and 'information', of a factual nature, was not sufficient to satisfy either side. The end result - boos, jeers, insults, near violence.

The crowd, that jammed every nook and cranny of the Community Hall, was estimated at over 300.

For a full report, see Page 16.