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Editorial

Helped make a town

Where would Stouffville be without Art Latham?

This question has been posed time and time again. It requires no answer. For the answer is obvious.

It is true, we might have had baseball floodlights, but not in 1953. In time too, we might also have had a swimming pool, but certainly not in 1957. The same goes for other improvements in the town park. In time, and at taxpayers' expense, they would have come. But Arthur Latham brought them sooner, and at his expense.

Stouffville is not the only community to benefit. Memorials to his generosity are everywhere - Lemonville, Ballantrae, Altona, Atha, Mount Zion and Goodwood. It leaves one - even a municipality, feeling quite incompetent to express appreciation.

On Saturday, however, we'll try. It's Arthur Latham Day in the Stouffville Park, with the dedication of Latham Hall at 8.30 p.m.

Every resident should make an honest effort to attend. That's the least we can do.

Port protesters have their say

A resident, of R.R.4, Stouffville, has charged that this newspaper has, because of its editorial stand related to the proposed Pickering Airport, given only limited space to persons writing in opposition to the project. "It shows on every page since April", says the disgruntled reader.

The complainant is wrong - dead wrong.

And to prove it, we completed a space measurement on every letter published to date on the Airport issue, then separated each into categories 'for' and

'against'.

On the pro-airport side, The Tribune has printed 11 letters, taking up 70 inches of editorial space.

On the anti -airport side, The Tribune has published 40 letters, utilizing 236 inches of space.

This should be answer enough, unless of course, the complainant feels the newspaper's editor is as 'crooked' as the politicians. If so, then he's welcome to take a ruler and complete the space measurements himself.

A suitable park site

A Unionville developer has applied to Markham Planning Committee for permission to 'cram' 38 two and four-storey town house units onto a two-acre parcel of land, opposite the Varley Village Plaza.

The application, complete with pretty pictures of green trees, bathing beauties, etc., brought forth only mild objections. These were voiced by Mayor Tony Roman and councillor Murray Henderson.

The motive behind the Plan is plain. The firm is attempting to obtain the greatest possible return on its investment, even to the point of stacking 4-storey 'matchboxes', one on top of the other.

If the Board feels that residential build-up is essential on this site, let it be - but the right kind.

Far better, we say, to develop the property into a children's park.

Editor's Mail

Dear Editor:

I think the government's arrogant display of low flying aircraft including large jets over the proposed Pickering airport site within the last two months proves once again there is no regard for the waste of taxpayers money in an effort

to make citizens aware in a one sided campaign of harassment before an issue has been settled fairly by a public inquiry.

Thelma Robinson,
Green River.

Dear Sir:

You must be kidding when you say "Mr. Jamieson presented a most comprehensive and convincing case for the new Airport".

Strange this is happening in and around Stouffville these days. At public meetings, nobody voices support for the 'Bonaventure of the Seventies', while judging from The Tribune letters, only a few people are against it. It's been evident on every page since April.

In my opinion, Mr. Jamieson is afraid to face a public hearing. Yet he will force the airport on people for the benefit of Montreal-bound businessmen and Toronto-based developers, who "donate" with interest, the election monies.

The developers also oil the big, blue

provincial Tory machine. In 4 years time, it will crush the Ottawa Liberals; Mr. Davis will become the Prime Minister of Canada and Darcy McKeough, the Premier of Ontario.

Some more predictions: The M.P.'s and M.P.P.'s will never reveal where their campaign monies originate. The final cost of the Airport and Cedarwood will reach \$30 billion and John Citizen will be taxed out of his pants.

A. Zakis,
R.R.4, Stouffville.

Dear Editor:

Your editorial a "(convincing case for a new airport)" was not convincing. The problem at Malton is due to congestion of the terminal facilities and is not due to insufficient runways. Only more terminals are required to ease air traffic congestion. A new airport is not required. The government should welcome public participation in the making of a decision that will affect the lives of so many people. If the government sincerely thinks that a new airport is necessary they should not hesitate to put their facts before a public inquiry.

I believe a public inquiry is urgently needed. I have farmed in this area for the past forty-five years and do not want to see the countryside ruined by an unnecessary airport.

Carleton Couperthwaite,
R.R.2, Claremont.

Dear Mr. Thomas:

Around 9:30 p.m., June 13, I was sitting at the front of our house with my friend.

I saw a little white dog jump out of a green truck. The driver stopped, and asked a boy to grab it for him. But he missed. The driver then picked the pet up by the neck, beat it, and threw it back into the truck.

I told my Dad what had happened. He approached the driver, but a lady passenger said - "So what, it's our dog!" I only wish it was mine. I would give it a better home.

With this letter, I'm trying to say how stupid and cruel some people are.

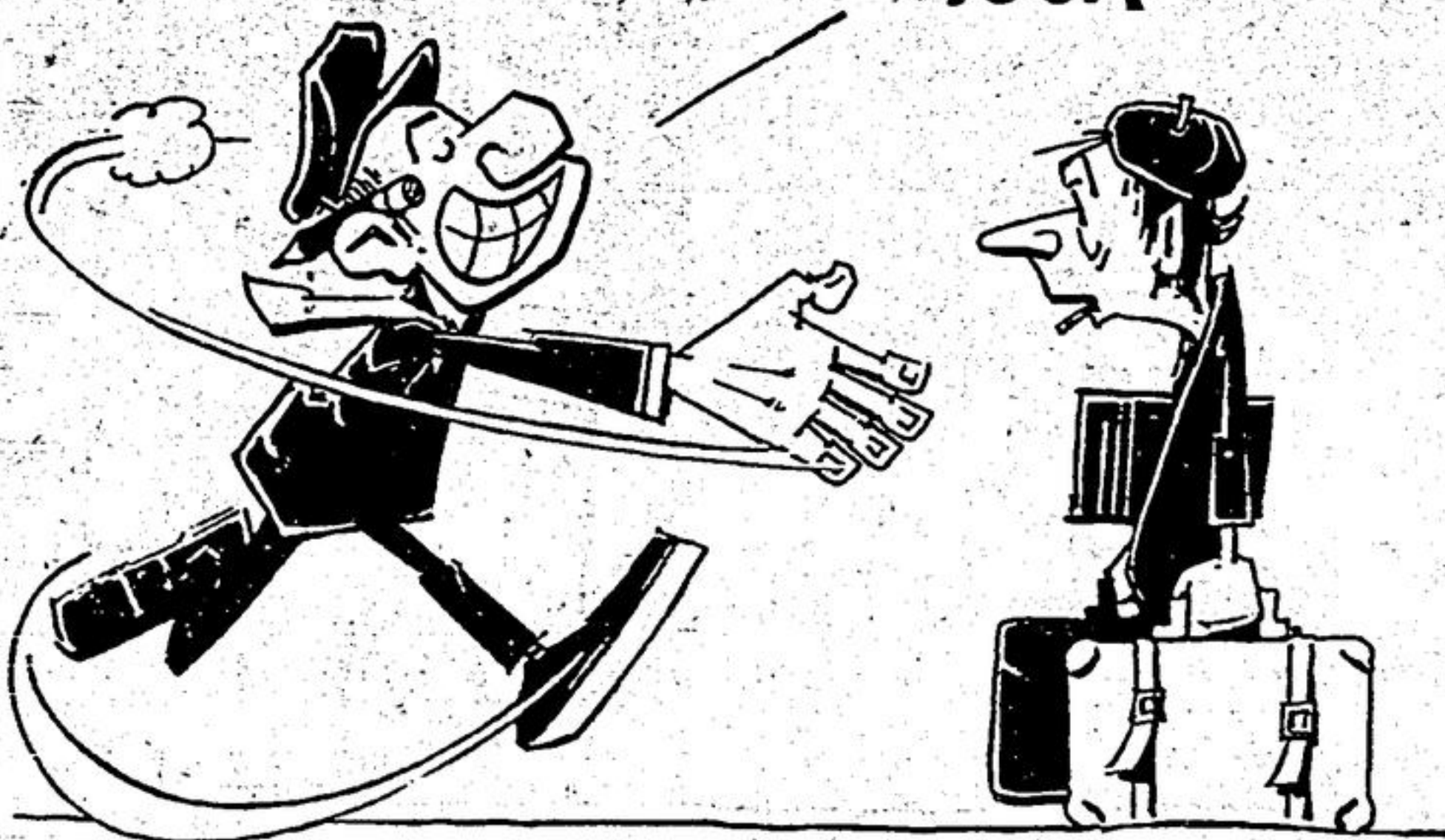
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SOME IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS

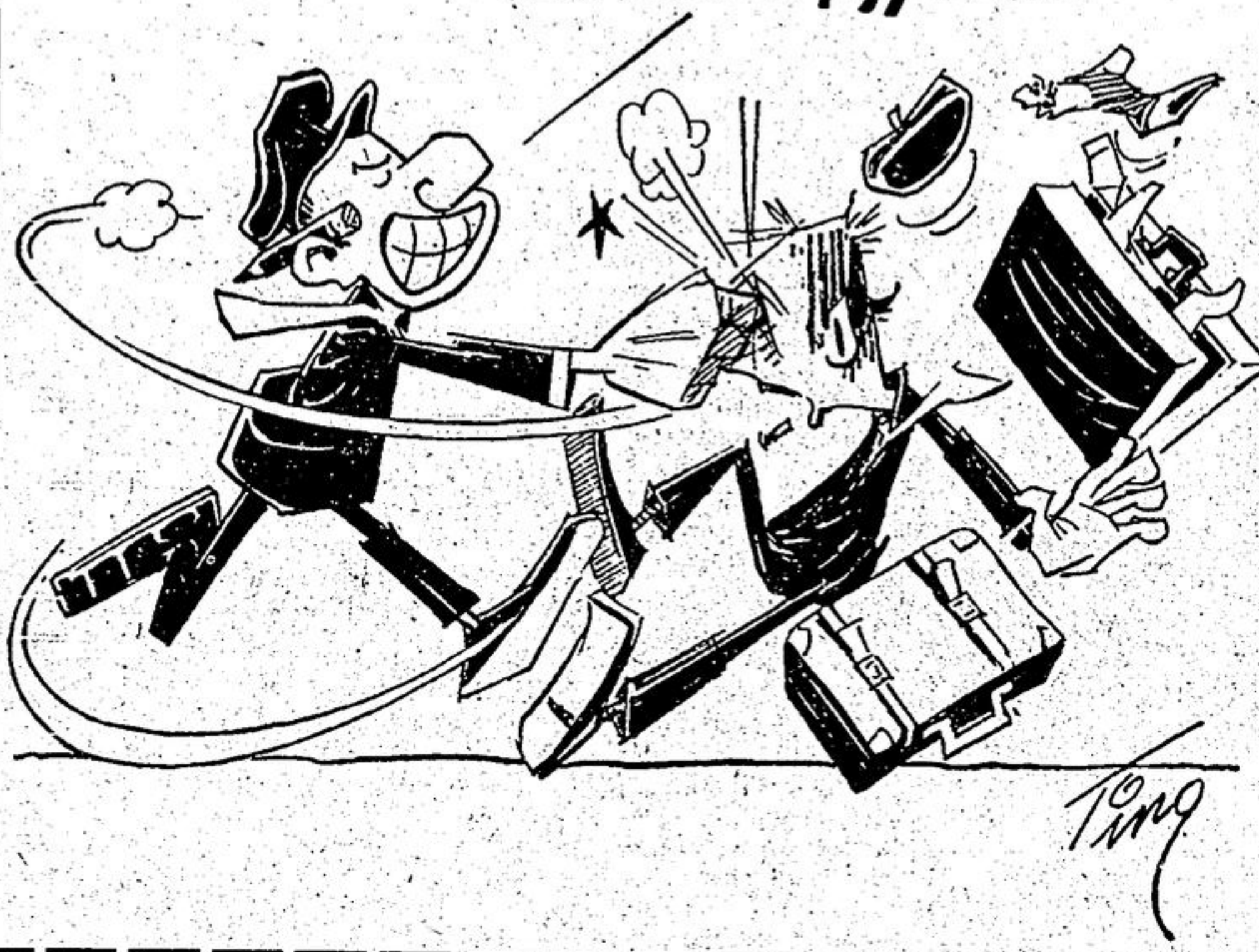
"DON'T LIKE IMMIGRANTS"

News Item

"THIS LAND IS YOUR LAND"



"THIS LAND IS MY LAND"



ROAMING AROUND

Good grief - my hair is falling!

By Jim Thomas.

The other day, a neighbor lady from across the street, dropped over for a ten minute chin-wag with my wife.

Since June 20 was our thirteenth wedding anniversary, the album of that memorable event, was laying out in full view. You see, we had been reminiscing a bit, as couples of our vintage and older, tend to do from time to time.

Quite naturally, the neighbor asked permission to peek through the pages, and compare then with now.

Her comments, my wife said later, were kind; with one frightening exception. She observed quite honestly, that my hair was growing 'less' - receding, I believe, was the word she used.

But I paid the comment little heed - figured she had confused my head with my chest, the last time she saw me cutting the lawn minus a shirt.

Then Friday evening, I attended a farewell gathering for Harry and Phyllis Hunt in the Whitchurch Centennial Centre. Harry, the respected school principal in the Ballantrae community for seven years, is retiring, to open a private educational site at Wyevale, near Midland.

Near the end of the night, Phyllis and I got to talking. She told me how the teaching profession had taken its toll on Harry, and how, by comparing classroom pictures, from 1954 through 1972, she could spot some noticeable physical changes in his appearance. "But you haven't changed", she added, "except your hair, it's, it's - well, there's not as much of it as there once was."

I could feel my whole self sink slowly into the floor.

Two similar observations in a single week was something more than I could stand. But then again, I consoled myself, two people can still be wrong.

As you may have gathered, I'm no advocate of the shiny high-forehead look. And while I'm stuck with a pair of cauliflower ears, a Roman nose and a squinty eye, I never thought I'd live to see the day when my face would extend down the back of my neck.

Obviously, that's where it's headed.

For the awful truth was revealed, Saturday, I attended a student-staff reunion at Markham High.

And everywhere I went, the greeting was the same.

"Gee, you look great, but what's happening to your hair!"

"Heck, you haven't changed a bit, a little less hair maybe, but -"

"Why, I'd know you a mile away, but keep a check on that receding hairline."

"Betcha wear a cap all the time" - "see what happened to me, and it started off just like yours, kind of gradual" - "comb it forward, not back" - "try a brush cut" - "just let it grow" - "they say Brylcreem's good" - "it's hereditary" - and so on, similar heartening words of advice with every handshake.

However, one thing I've learned for sure. I'm by no means alone in the fear of becoming a walking billiard ball. The only difference - some do something about it, others don't.

I'm currently checking out the advertised Thomas Treatment, hoping the originator is a long, lost cousin with a cut-rate price.

I'm also considering a toupee, or maybe a wig.

They're all the style - equal rights, you know.

Tale untrue - Chief

What was meant to be a humorous story, concerning the off-duty police officer who consumed a dew-worm on a \$3 dare, has not been viewed in that light by York Regional Chief Bruce Crawford. He said it tended to embarrass every man on the Force. Furthermore, he said his investigation of the alleged incident had proven the tale untrue. "I think some newspapers in the area look for opportunities to embarrass this Department," he said. He said The Tribune had been 'suckered' by its informant since it was all a practical joke.



Historic plaque unveiled at Markham Museum-site

A plaque, commemorating 'The Founding of Markham', was unveiled, Sunday, at a centennial year ceremony on the site of the Markham Museum. Participants in the impressive program included (left to right) - Barney Danson, M.P., York-North; Gordon Marshall, management committee chairman; Mayor Tony Roman, Mr. John Jerman, John Lunau, district historian and Museum curator; Rev. David Peasgood and David Bull, an official of the Archaeological and Historic Sites Board, Archives of Ontario.

—Jim Thomas.