

Accident claims Blackstock girl

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Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Blackstock United Church for 19 year old Eleanor Marie Kelly, who died early Thursday evening in a car accident on Regional Road 57, south of Caesarea.

Her 20 year old sister Elizabeth, a passenger in the car, remains in Oshawa Hospital where she is being treated for arm injuries.

Durham Police say the single car accident occurred about 7:30 p.m. in a heavy rainstorm that made road conditions slippery at the time. The girls were returning to their home in Blackstock after collecting census forms in the Caesarea area.

According to police, the car was travelling slowly about 100 metres north of Concession Six, when it went out of control and flipped over. The accident took place within several hundred metres of the scene

of a second fatality early Saturday morning that took the life of a 26 year old Uxbridge area man.

Eleanor was a popular and well-liked teenager, who was involved in numerous community activities in the Blackstock area. A graduate of Cartwright High School, she had completed her second year of nursing studies at Queens University in Kingston.

She is survived by her father Gerald, her mother Joyce, who is a trustee for Scugog with the Durham Board of Education and a long-time contributor of Cartwright area news to the Port Perry Star, her sister Elizabeth and two younger sisters Elaine and Esther.

Interment was at the Verulam Cemetery, Bobcaygeon. The family has asked that memorial donations may be made to the Blackstock United Church.

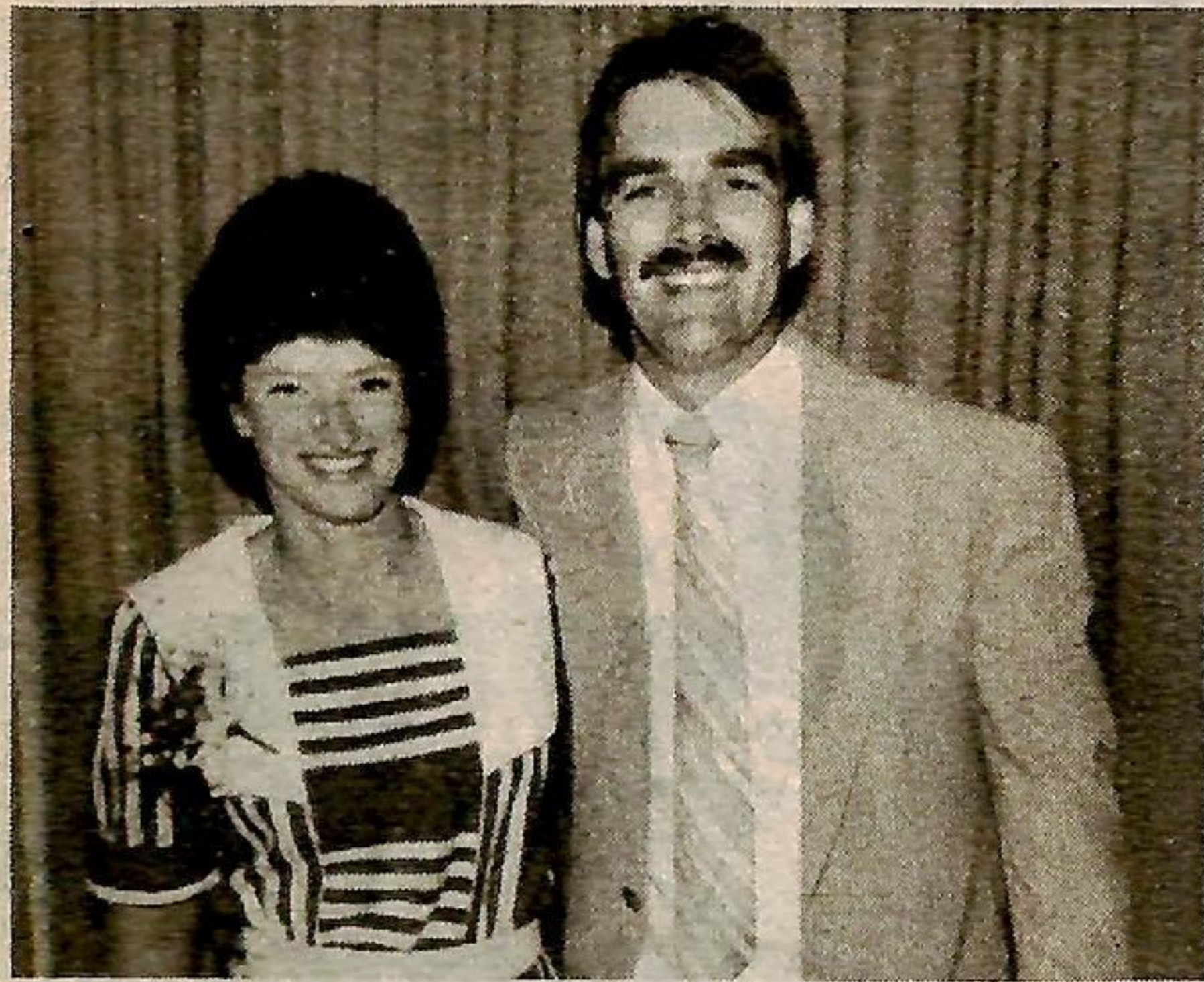


The Blackstock Skating Club ceased to exist two years ago, but last week members of the executive turned over Club funds to the Blackstock Arena. At left is treasurer Lynn Cawker and president Ginny Masterson present

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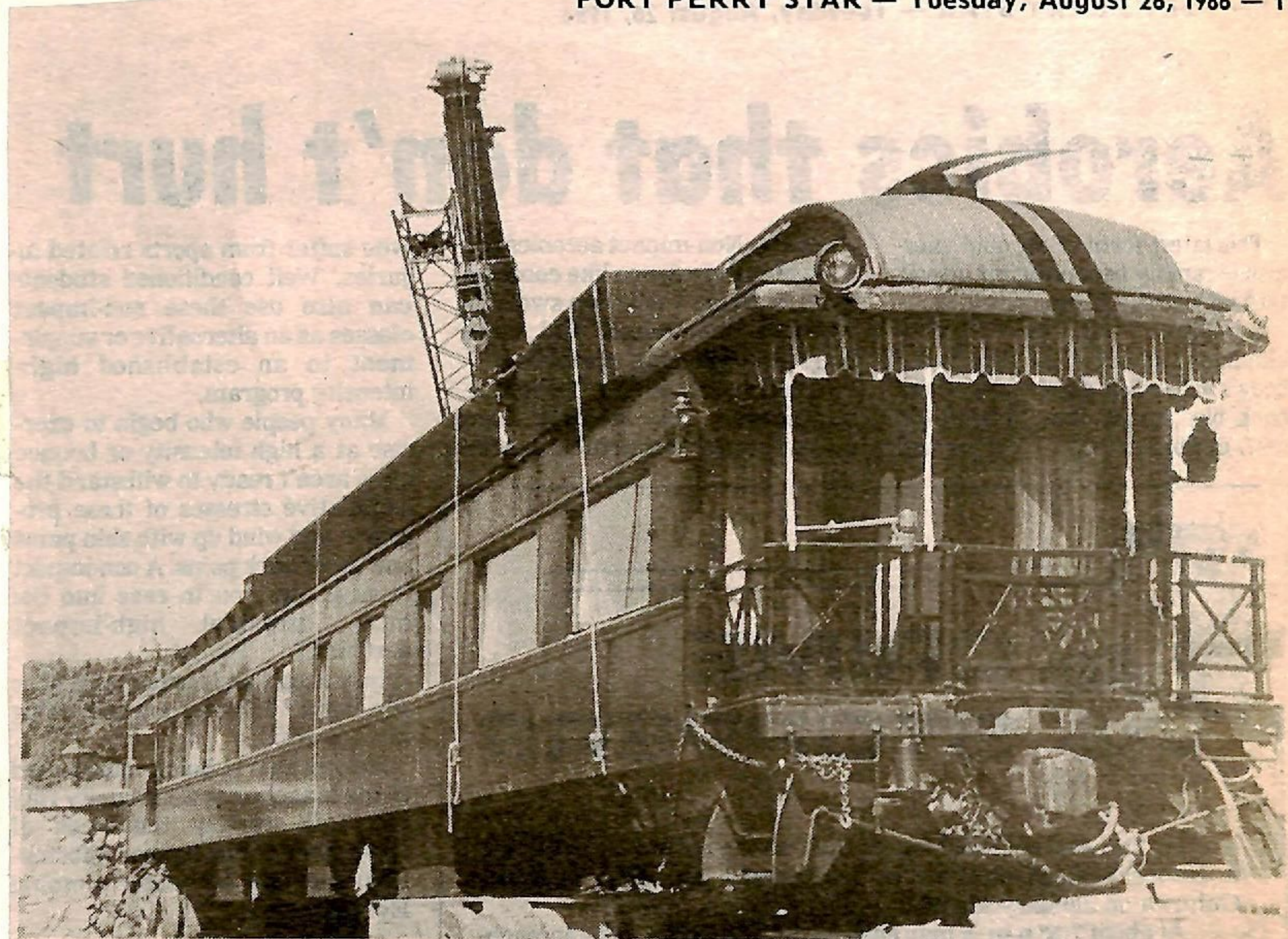
ing cheques for \$1059 to Arena Board member Neil McLaughlin and chairman John Goss. The money will be ear-marked for proposed renovations to the Blackstock Arena.

Couple Attends Conference



Lindsay Sales and Service Centre sponsored Brian and Cheryl De Jong of Nestleton for the second session of UCO's eighth annual Young Couples Conference, held August 18 - 20, 1986, at Geneva Park, Ontario.

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Bringing this old CPR coach from Washago to its new home at the Greystone Equestrian Centre south of Port Perry was no easy task last

week. In fact, it took a small army of men, several trucks and two giant cranes to lift the 80 ton car onto the tracks. (See story)

Community mourns a tragic death

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Blackstock United Church was filled beyond capacity Sunday afternoon when more than 400 family members and friends came to mourn the sudden death of Donald Douglas Wright, 33, who died in Thursday afternoon's natural gas line explosion north of Oshawa.

Mr. Wright was part of a four-man work crew from Walker and Wright Drainage that was laying drainage pipe on farmland north of the Sixth Concession west of Simcoe Street when TransCanada Pipeline's main natural gas line was punctured about 2:13 p.m.

The son of Lloyd and Thelma

Wright of Blackstock, Don Wright was well known in the Cartwright area, and was living in Bethany with his wife Dianne and children Andrea and Travis.

Graham Duff, 33, of R.R.2, Blackstock, was badly burned in the explosion but was reported in fair condition in the Burn Centre of Wellesley Hospital. Originally he was taken by ambulance to Oshawa General Hospital before being transferred to Wellesley, where by Monday he was improving slightly and starting to eat and drink on his own.

Kevin Brazier, 24, of Lindsay, was

listed in stable condition at Oshawa General Hospital Monday morning.

Joseph Peeters, 22, of Omemeé, a drainage installer, was treated in Oshawa and released, and Paul Burkholder, 59, of Markham, a TransCanada PipeLines inspector, was treated in Oshawa and released.

Mr. Burkholder was supervising the work of the drainage crew near the pipe when the explosion occurred, a TransCanada standard procedure when any work is being done around a pipeline.

The four-man drainage crew had made the trip to Guymaples Farm

to replace drainage tiles, a job which should have taken a day to complete.

No one is sure how the accident happened but machinery the crew was using ripped into the 20 inch diameter steel pipe, buried three to five feet in the ground where the break occurred. A second pipe, about 20 feet from the main line, was not damaged.

A five-man coroner's jury led by Dr. Charles McIlveen of Oshawa was on the scene Friday morning from 9 a.m. to noon, collecting

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