



UNICEF FUNDS were boosted last week as children blitzed the town with special boxes to gather money for the less fortunate children. Under the supervision of the Y's Men's Club the blitz wound up when the children returned to the Y with boxes and the proceeds were counted. Three of the children are pictured above after their return as they hold their boxes. Left to right are Neil Ironside, Branda Scutt and Shane Croskin.



THREE YOUNGSTERS enjoyed themselves Tuesday of last week during Halloween and the result of their door knocking was a large supply of candies and apples. They are pictured above as they posed with a weird pumpkin face on the verandah of one of the houses. Left to right are Allan McKenzie, Judy Engel and Tommy Engel. According to reports one of the largest crowds of children in years went door knocking Halloween night.

Progress Report

# St. John Ambulance Brigade Lists Activities Since Chartered

Following an article which appeared in a recent issue of the Free Press, St. John Ambulance Brigade Superintendent R. S. Hart and officers compiled a complete list of brigade activities since the formation of the division in Acton. This report is printed in its entirety as submitted by the brigade.

The local division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade came into being with the signing of the Charter, April 30, 1957. There are 27 names on the Charter. Of these, only five are still active.

The first duty covered by the division was the sports car hill climb at Rattle Snake Point. This was done in company with the Guelph Ambulance Division.

Our first local duty was the Legion Minor Sports events in August. We also covered, that year, the Scottish Community Night and the Acton Fall Fair. During the summer, the members assisted Guelph Ambulance Division at the Old Mill in Guelph.

Fourteen members were active that same year, with a total of 251 hours on duty. 14 casualties were treated.

We started 1958 with the Home and School Fun Fair. This was the first year we undertook duty in Prospect Park. It was also our first Decoration Day service. We covered the Legion Minor Sports events in August, the Fall Fair, and various functions of the Robert Little School.

Highlight of the year was the acquisition of the Mercury truck, which division members converted into an ambulance. We appeared at the Canadian National Exhibition for the first time.

An unusual duty fell to one of the nursing members when she was called upon to be a police matron for a female prisoner. During the winter, we covered hockey in Brampton for a short period of time. During the year, there were 13 members active, with a total of 293 hours on duty and 129 casualties treated. 500 miles were covered.

Our duties commenced with the Minor Sports Booster Night in the arena. This was followed by the Home and School Fun Fair and Decoration Day parade. We again did our regular summer duty in Prospect Park and the fall saw us attending Acton, Caledon, Bolton and Erin Fall Fairs.

Two highlights of 1959 were the donation by Town Council of the stretcher and equipment, and the building and dedication of the trailer First Aid Post. 10 members were active, with 1,504 hours on public duty, 244 casualties treated and 1,000 miles covered.

1960 With the other annual duties we class as regular, we had the pleasure of covering for the first time, the Georgetown Rodeo and Ox Bow Rodeo at Woodhill. We assisted Fergus at the Orange parade. Brampton Fair was also another first this year, as were the Go Kart Races at Limehouse. Assistance was given Guelph Ambulance Division at the hockey games in Guelph Memorial Gardens. The brigade made several ambulance trips to Toronto General, Queen Elizabeth and Guelph General Hospitals, with local runs to various points serving patients. 15 members were active, with 1,710 hours on duty. 181 casualties were treated and 1,500 miles covered.

1961 Georgetown Minor Bantam Hockey opened the season with a full week's duty during Easter week. During this week, we applied almost 70 dressings for various types of injury and 10 players were taken to local doctors for treatment.

Brampton Horse Show in May was a first for this year and while casualties were surprisingly light, we did have a hurry-up run to the hospital carrying a rider with a dislocated shoulder. The local Lions Club carnival was another first.

Once again, the sports car hill climb in Milton gave members a thrill. Georgetown Rodeo, June 9 and 10, was a duty we will remember. Helped by Georgetown Ambulance Service, we picked up the battered beauty queens who had fallen from the chuck.

1962 JUST A THISTLE Artichoke — originally a thistle appreciated mainly by donkeys — derives its English name from Arabic words for earth and thistle. The Romans first put it on the list of garden vegetables, then it disappeared into the Dark Ages only to emerge again in the Renaissance after a long stop-over in North Africa (during which time it probably received its present name). Its use spread from Italy to England to India. Its home in America is the lower Salinas Valley of California.

wagon and transported them to Brampton-Hospital. Due to multiplicity of duties, falling on the same day, the division found it necessary to purchase another truck. By good fortune, we were able to obtain a Ford truck in Milton and again with our own hard labor, we made it road-worthy. This has been a wonderful acquisition.

Another interesting first covered this year was the Steam Reunion in Milton. Casualties were light, but several suffered minor burns from sparks from the stacks of the various exhibits at night of former years. These were treated by the brigade.

Georgetown opened its new Main Street and Acton and Brampton Fall Fairs were held on the same day. This situation sorely tested the elasticity of the brigade, but members available rose to the occasion and all duties were covered.

As recorded, the above duties were extra to the standard duties for the year. Prospect Park was covered from the first weekend in June to the last in August. The C.N.E. was well attended, as were the Go Kart Races in Limehouse.

So far this year, 17 members have been active. Four have resigned. To the end of October, we have put in 1,361 hours on duty. 195 casualties have been treated. 2,500 miles have been covered by both ambulances.

Needs Equipment At present, the division, equipment-wise, needs a stretcher and siren for the Ford ambulance.

From this report, the citizens of Acton will be able to see that, as well as practicing First Aid in Acton and surrounding territory, members are doing a job of public relations for the town of Acton.

This duty has been covered at times by a very slim crew, membership-wise. At this time, with our membership very low, we sincerely hope that this report will bring to the attention of the people of Acton and district, how versatile our service is to the public. We sincerely hope that it will arouse the public's interest in our organization.

## UNICEF Returns Top Last Year's Effort

The night was dark and eerie, ghosts and goblins were prominent and treats plentiful as Halloween was celebrated in great fashion Tuesday, October 31.

Hundreds of children blitzed the town with UNICEF boxes, seeking cash handouts to assist needy children in other countries. Others carried bags to hold their treats. Many just carried bars of soap and artistically drawn figures and designs on store windows.

Damage at Minimum Damage was at a minimum with only street signs uprooted in some sections of town and dumped in the school creek. Police received no reports regarding malicious damage the following day.

Most residents report the largest number of children they ever had rang their doorbells seeking a handout and marvelled at the costumes. Quite a number ran out of supplies prior to nine o'clock and were forced to dis-appoint latecomers.

Show Film Children gathering funds for UNICEF returned to the Y.M.C.A. where they checked in their boxes, received apples from the Y's Men's Club and enjoyed a film in the gymnasium. Each youngster taking part was given a chance at a prize when names were put into a large drum and three drawn as winners.

Lucky ones who received \$1.00 each were Linda Harris, Jo-Marie Marchment and John Mason.

Final tally of the proceeds amounted to \$122.52 and more returns are yet to be handed in.

During the evening, Y's Men had their cars available to give the kiddies rides back to the Y or to their homes following the collection. Containers were handed out at the schools during the first part of the week.

ONE OF THE FIRST The olive was undoubtedly one of the first trees to be cultivated. When the dove carried an olive branch to Noah's Ark it became a symbol of peace.

At the end of the Flood Cultivation probably originated in Syria, whence it spread to North Africa, Greece, Italy, France Spain — finally to encircle the Mediterranean. Olives came to California with the Franciscan monks and canning of ripe olives began in 1896.

## Slides of Bolivia Mission Shown Baptist Church Group

The Baptist Women's Mission Circle held their November meeting at Mrs. G. Harrap's home on Bower Ave. The president, Mrs. H. Helwig, opened the meeting with the hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers" and prayer.

Mrs. G. Ralston brought a most inspiring devotional and Mrs. J. Chapman showed beautiful colored slides entitled "The Open Door", which included churches, schools and open air services in Bolivia. Mrs. J. Rudd led in a season of prayer.

Mrs. Helwig read a letter from Miss Joan Rutherford, Vavijuru, India, asking for prayers for the work there. Secretary Mrs. G. Wagner read the minutes of the previous meeting, which were approved and called the roll.

Plans for work in December and around Christmas were discussed at some length. After a hymn was sung, Mrs. Helwig closed the meeting with prayer.

A social hour was enjoyed. Tea was served by Mrs. A. Pilkington and Mrs. G. Wagner. Mrs. J.

Chapman moved a vote of thanks to Mrs. Harrap for opening her home to the women's group.

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J. H. GOY, Mayor

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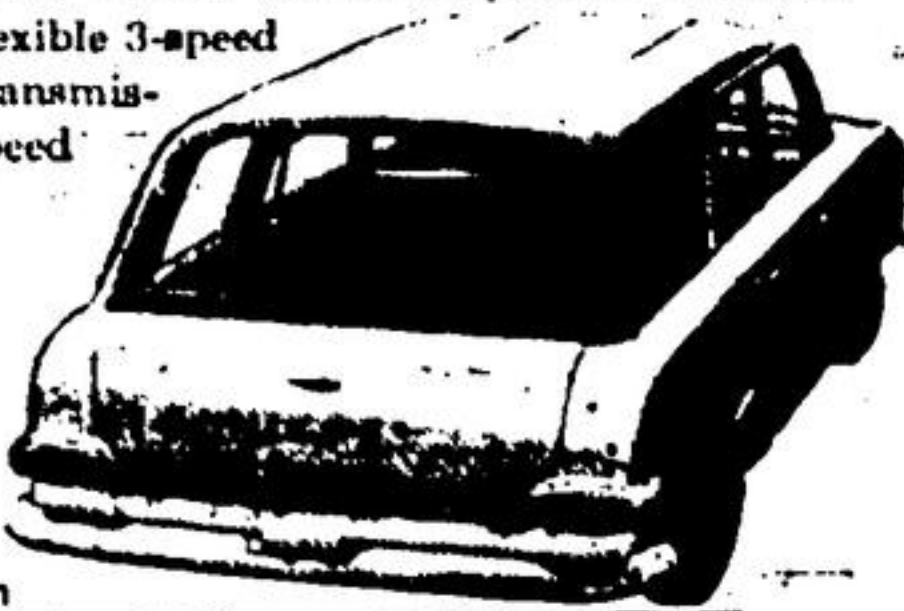
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