

# Warm welcome on cold day for Santa and his escorts

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the band hall. Some of the instruments and bagpipes did freeze up from the cold and couldn't be played.

Last year, road construction prevented parking along Mill St. However this year people were able to park their cars all along the route and watch it in comfort.

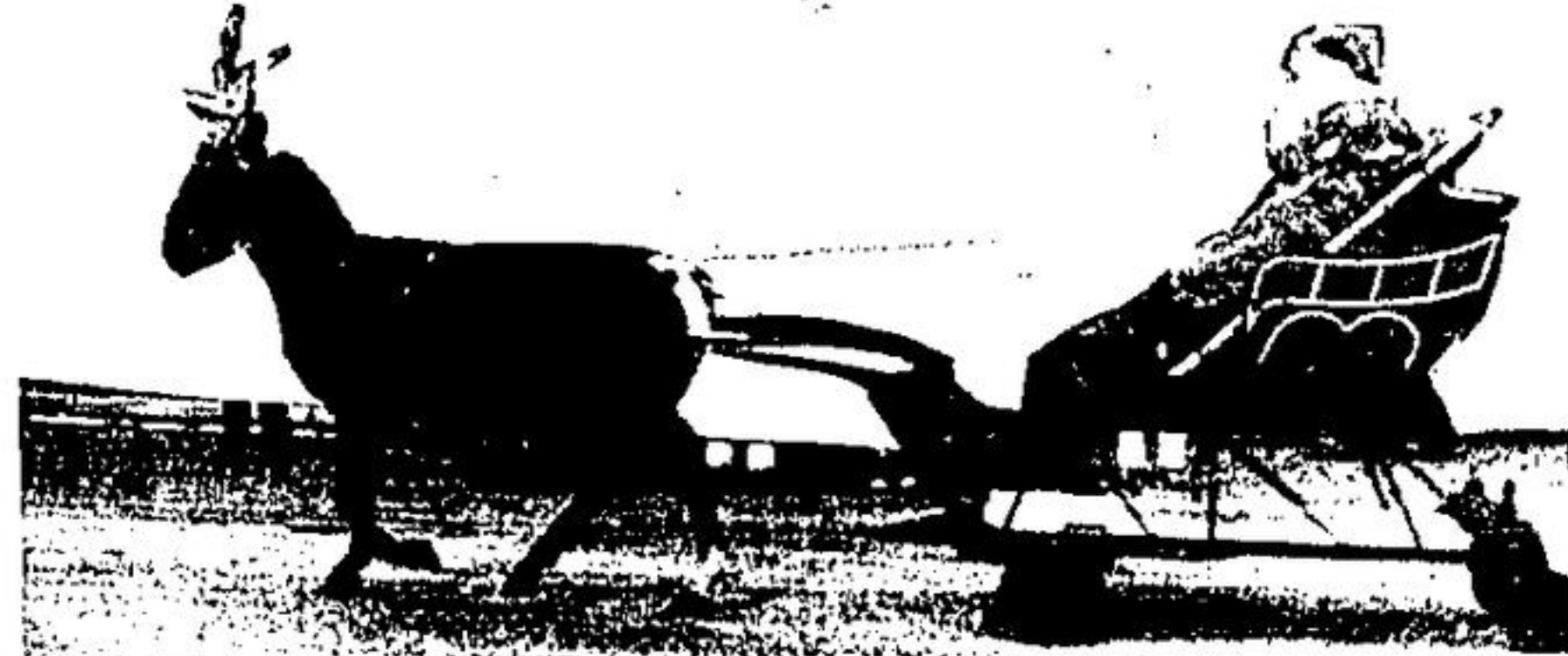
Many of the spectators outdoors were welcomed into stores until the parade came by. Everyone was well muffled up for the occasion, although a couple of clowns forgot gloves and ending up sharing pairs with others.



JIM JAMES directed traffic at the Mill/Main corner.



THIS WEE CHILD was dumbfounded when a clown left the flow of the parade and presented him/her with a candy cane. Unfortunately, he/she was too bundled up in clothing for the photographer to determine whether the child was a he or a she.



BALLOONS, CHRISTMAS tree and gaily wrapped parcels, aided by clowns and a dog added to the excitement of the parade. Allan Patterson submitted the float privately.



WIZARD OF OZ theme was chosen by the Y's Men for their float. Various characters from the famous movie were on hand for the parade.



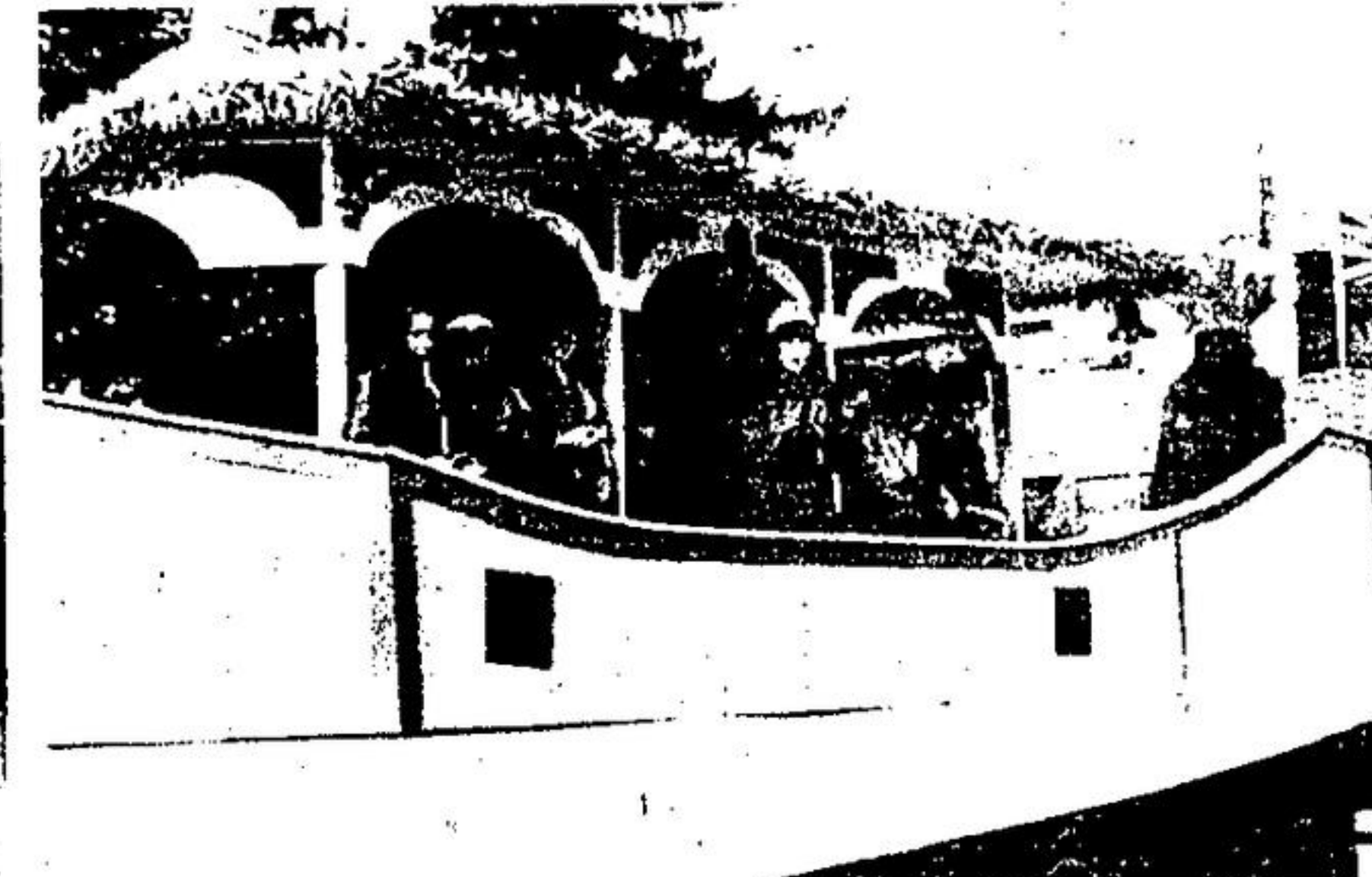
MEMBERS OF the Scouting movement were out in full force Saturday. Some were dressed as robots, others as Christmas gifts.



DR. FRANK OAKES was parade marshal Saturday and was chauffeured around in a sports car with the top down—brrrrr!



TRAVELLING FROM Georgetown are the Georgetown Majorettes who managed to make it along the parade route twirling their batons and doing various tricks.



FIREFIGHTERS made a huge showboat replica as their contribution to Saturday's parade. Float won first prize.



CHAMBER OF Commerce representatives spell out their special message.



WITCH'S CAGE dominated the Robert Little school float. It was also decorated with a gingerbread house, large candy canes and shrubs.



SINGING CAROLS as they rode down the streets, St. Alban's Carolers were a fine addition to the parade.



WAVING TO THE crowd of excited children was Miss Acton Fall Fair Susan Thibodeau. Her runner up Laura Melbourne holds a small child on her lap.



JUDGING BY THE sad looks on their faces, it seems some of the members on the Acton Figure Skating float would rather be at home where it's warm. Cheer up! Christmas is coming.



SPEYSIDE SCHOOL CHILDREN sit on bales of hay on their float. Some children wore costumes, including an angel and Christmas present.



WARMLY DRESSED Brownies marched proudly down Mill St., anticipating hot chocolate at the end of the route.