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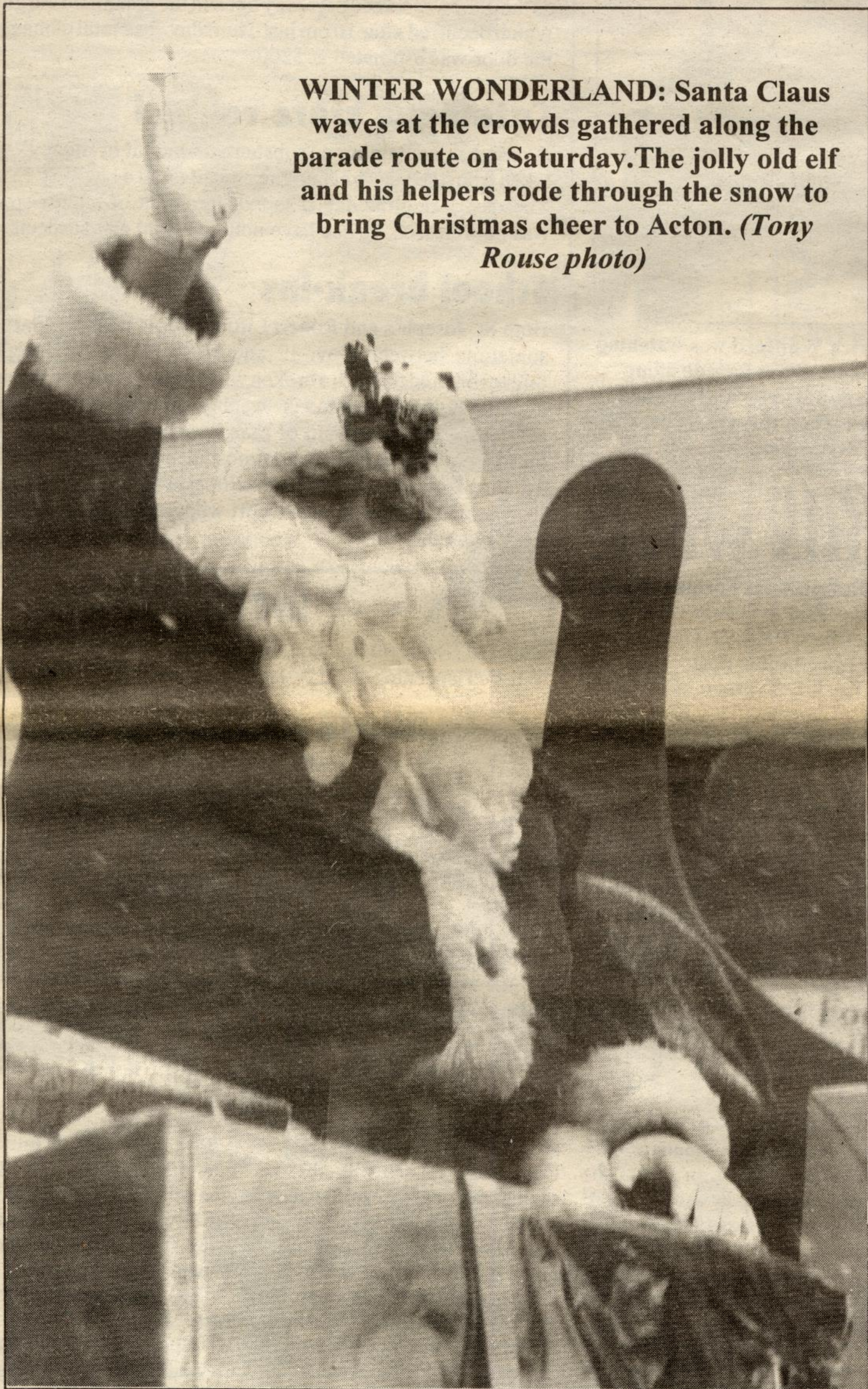
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**WINTER WONDERLAND:** Santa Claus waves at the crowds gathered along the parade route on Saturday. The jolly old elf and his helpers rode through the snow to bring Christmas cheer to Acton. (Tony Rouse photo)

## Acton hockey player recovering from meningitis

BY DOUG HARRISON

The Acton Tanner

A Midget-Juvenile hockey player in the Acton house league program is recuperating at his Rockwood home after contracting meningococcal meningitis.

James McDougall, 16, last skated with his teammates at a Nov. 6 practice, three days before he entered Guelph General Hospital for treatment of the potentially fatal illness.

All close contacts with the Grade 11 John F. Ross High School

student were followed up two weeks ago and given the red antibiotic pill, Rifampin.

Barb Lewis, public health nurse with the communicable disease team of Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph, says that the most common incubation period of three to four days after diagnosis had long past and so had the maximum of up to 10 days.

"I don't expect any further cases to develop at all," says Lewis, who adds most, if not all of

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## Biggest-ever parade leaves Santa smiling

BY PAUL NOLAN

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"I've never seen as many people on the street!"

That's the upbeat assessment of Saturday's Santa Claus Parade by organizer Bill Spielvogel.

The 1993 edition of the holiday pageant was a resounding success, despite cold temperatures and blowing snow. The parade, which strutted along from McKenzie-Smith school to the library Saturday afternoon, delighted Actonites of all ages.

The parade was a victory for the Acton Firefighters' Association and organizer Spielvogel, who weeks earlier had called on the community for support for the event. In an article in *The Tanner*, Spielvogel reported that the firefighters lost over \$1,000 on last year's parade.

"I haven't got the final figures

yet, but I can tell you that we did not lose money this year," reported an ecstatic Spielvogel Monday night.

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### Former Acton officer new Halton boss

Former Acton police officer Peter Campbell will be Halton's new Chief of Police.

Halton Regional Police made the announcement Friday at a press conference in Oakville.

Campbell is presently deputy commissioner with the Ontario Provincial Police. He

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