

## Annual county show features varied display

Tue. Oct. 12 1858, Milton West -The annual fall fair concluded today, having opened on Monday and was a decided improvement on all preceding shows.

The first day was devoted to receiving entries for the floral hall, the Market House (Carriage Square) being used for that purpose. The lower part was filled with various kinds of grain and roots while the second storey was tastefully decorated with a large display of beautiful paintings. One case contained wax fruit and flowers and a neat hair wreath, the production of Mrs. Stewart of Milton. Feather work, displayed by Miss Culoden and which took a prize at the Provincial Exhibition, was made up of the feathers of the various birds of beautiful plumage in Canada and showed much patience, industry and skill.

There was beautiful worsted work, embroidery on muslin, crochet, shirts etc. Quilts were present in abundance. In the same room was a good assortment of apples, pears and grapes - the latter being now cultivated by many in the county. Various varieties can be grown with very little care and as this year has taught the farmer not to depend upon plums, peaches etc.

The next room contained butter, cheese and honey. Furniture, including a very neat settee and footstool, was displayed as well as some excellent harness of Eli Gallop and J. Thompson as well as various articles of domestic manufacture, such as cloth carpets, flannels and blankets.

The grain was very good, fall and spring wheat not being affected by smut or midge. The competition in barley, oats and peas was not large but there was a fine display of potatoes. James Young of Georgetown had six different varieties on the ground. Some of the seed he had imported directly from Scotland two years ago.

Over \$100 was taken for York shilling tickets but this is no indication of the number who entered the Hall. Every member of the Society - a goodly number - was furnished with a family ticket which was made good use of, some of the families being of an astonishing length.

Two prizes were offered for the two best instrumental bands, but only one, the Milton Band, appeared and added to the entertainment.

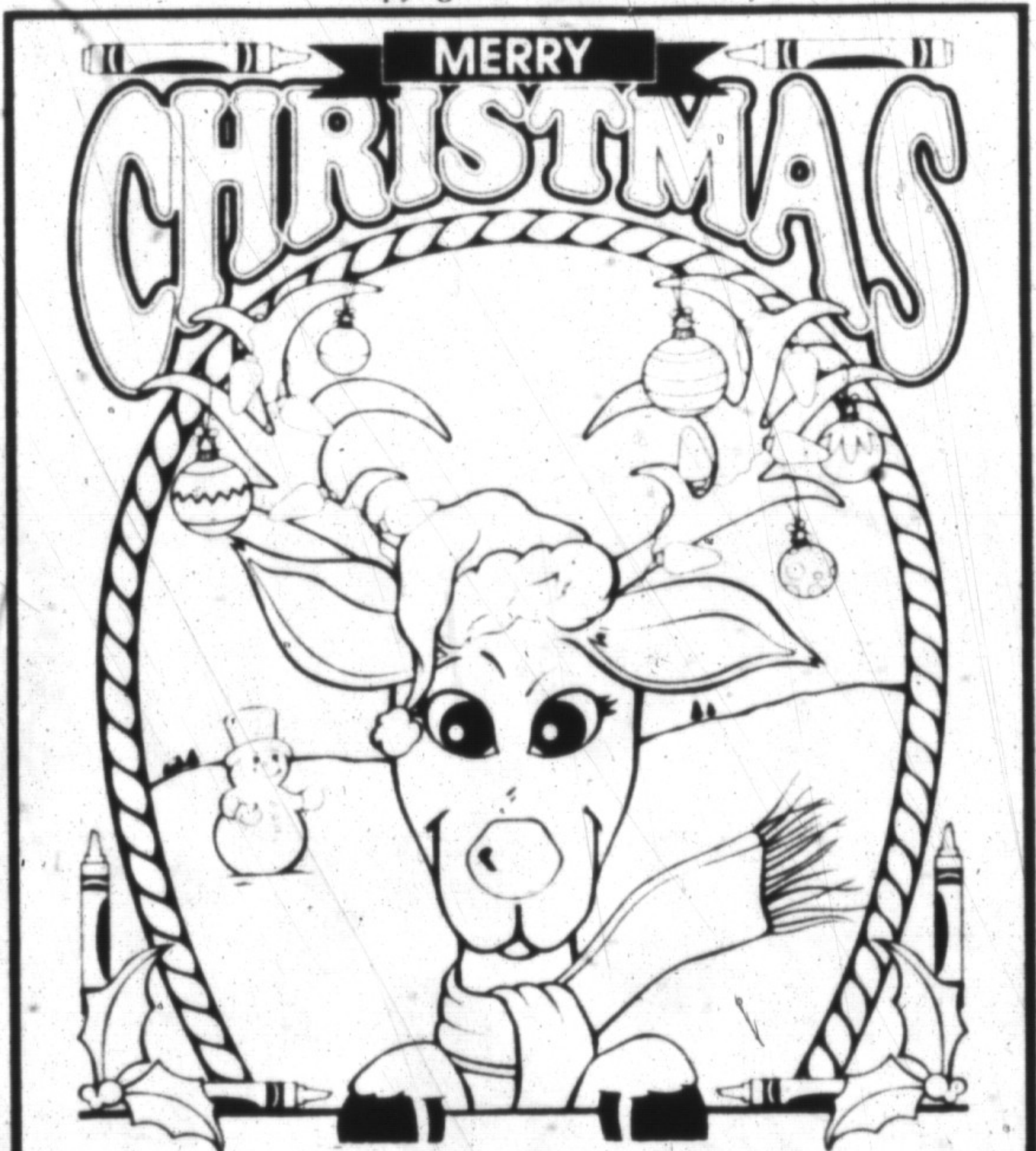
The stock was shown the second day and a good turn out of cattle, horses, sheep, hogs etc was on the ground. There were also some excellent carriages from the shops of Little and Gould of Milton and Magaman of Oakville. Several articles from the factory of Messrs McLaren of Nelson and a reaper which was a decided improvement on former articles, was shown from the foundry of Jacob Lawrence of Palermo.

Although there were 570 entries, not the least confusion appeared, owing to the good management of the secretary W.C. Beaty.

At the conclusion of the show President J.R. Bessy congratulated the County on its success in a few brief and well-timed remarks. Three cheers were given for the Queen and the group adjourned to a good and well-prepared dinner at Hampton's Hotel, got up in the usual manner by the clever hostess.

It should be noted not a row or a drunken man was to be seen throughout the day. The drizzling rain or "Scotch mist" resulted, as night began to approach, in the appearance of tapers as the fair goes left town on the several highways and Milton resumed her usual classic dullness.

Thirty sixth in a series of facts, sometimes sprinkled with imagination, to reflect Milton's past. Research assistance by Jack Charlton and Alex Cooke. (Copyright Jim Dills 1989)



Entries for the **MILTON MALL** Colouring Contest will be posted at the **REALTY WORLD** Kiosk in Milton Mall

Thank You To All Who Have Participated. Winners will be announced on December 22, 1989

## Our Readers Write

### No such thing as 'human garbage'

Dear Editor:

Regarding the (proposed) Maplehurst expansion, I hope The Champion misquoted councillor Bill Johnson as saying "we're going to get human garbage." If not a misquote, shame on you Bill.

So many are led to prison as a result of very tragic circumstances or upbringing as youngsters.

Unfortunately, they did not grow up with the feeling so well expressed in a note that has hung in our kitchen for years which reads: "I know I'm a somebody 'cause God don't make no junk."

Don Lambert  
Martin St., Milton

### Thanks Canada,

Dear Editor:

May my husband and I through your newspaper say a big "thank you" to Canada, especially Milton, Ontario and all the super people who made our three-week holiday, one of the best we have ever had.

Also a great big "thank you" to my cousin and her husband Mr. and Mrs. Simpson of Churchill Ave., Milton, whom I hadn't seen for 46 years.

They went out of their way to make us feel at home and showed us as much of your lovely country as was possible in three weeks.

It was our first time in Canada and hope it won't be our last. The weather was perfect and the people were lovely and nothing was too much trouble for them. It made our holiday one we shall treasure for ever.

Thank you Canada, well done.

Lou and Bill Rosser  
Offwell, Honiton  
East Devon, England

### Blood donor clinic a success

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the Milton Branch of The Canadian Red Cross Society, I would like to express our sincere appreciation to the many individuals who helped to ensure that yet another blood donor clinic went smoothly.

Although attendance figures have inexplicably decreased (218 on Nov. 23, down from the usual 250-275), our faithful supporters were nevertheless there for us.

We thank the donors, the volunteers, the media and local businesses who helped to advertise the clinic, as well as Superchoice Country Markets for the cookies, cream and sugar.

Among the generous contributors, we'd like to thank those who kindly support us at all four of the yearly clinics: Bousfields, for their delicious apple cider; Dominos, for their mouth-watering pizzas (and the "hot box" to keep them piping hot!); E.C. Drury, our host, for all the help; Kwik Kopy, for printing our posters; Maplehurst, for printing our pay inserts; Second Cup (Milton Mall) for its famous coffee; and T.C.C. Bottling (Kitchener) for the ever-popular soft drinks.

Thank you all for your contributions. We couldn't do it without you!

S. Lynch  
for Sheilagh Borcsok  
Chairman, public relations

### Who's looking after everyone's interest?

This letter was written to Bob Williams, director of education for the Halton Board of Education and all trustees.

Dear Sir:  
On Dec. 7, the Halton trustees

voted to proceed "on schedule" with the hiring of an architect for the proposed Oakville Trafalgar High School facility in an area of declining enrollment. No public addresses were allowed on this issue.

Oakville trustee C. Reid, L. Clark and J. Watson did not support the \$400,000 proposal as the Ministry of Education has neither approved the building of this proposed facility, nor committed further funding (\$11 million).

The projected budget of approximately 11.8 per cent for education in Halton for 1990 was not mentioned in this issue.

The lack of funds for White Oaks Secondary School and the overcrowding at this facility was not an issue, as Janice Millman stated publicly, that even with 20 portables, students and staff at W.O.S.S. could manage.

Halton trustees persist in blaming the province, Bill 30, Bill 64 and Bill 65 for lack of funding, yet continue to approve over-budget facilities and facilities with unknown budgets and programs.

Flowery speeches at budget time and references to "it's for the children" fail to impress the tax-paying public.

The vast majority of taxpayers without school-age children are demanding accountability for educational services.

Continuing education programs or recreational facilities will not pacify them as user-pay is being implemented on a large scale.

The demise of accessibility to equitable educational services for all our young people is well underway. Regrettably, some Halton trustees insist on contributing to, in fact promoting, such an undemocratic system of formal public education.

Marianne Hawthorne  
Linbrook Road, Oakville

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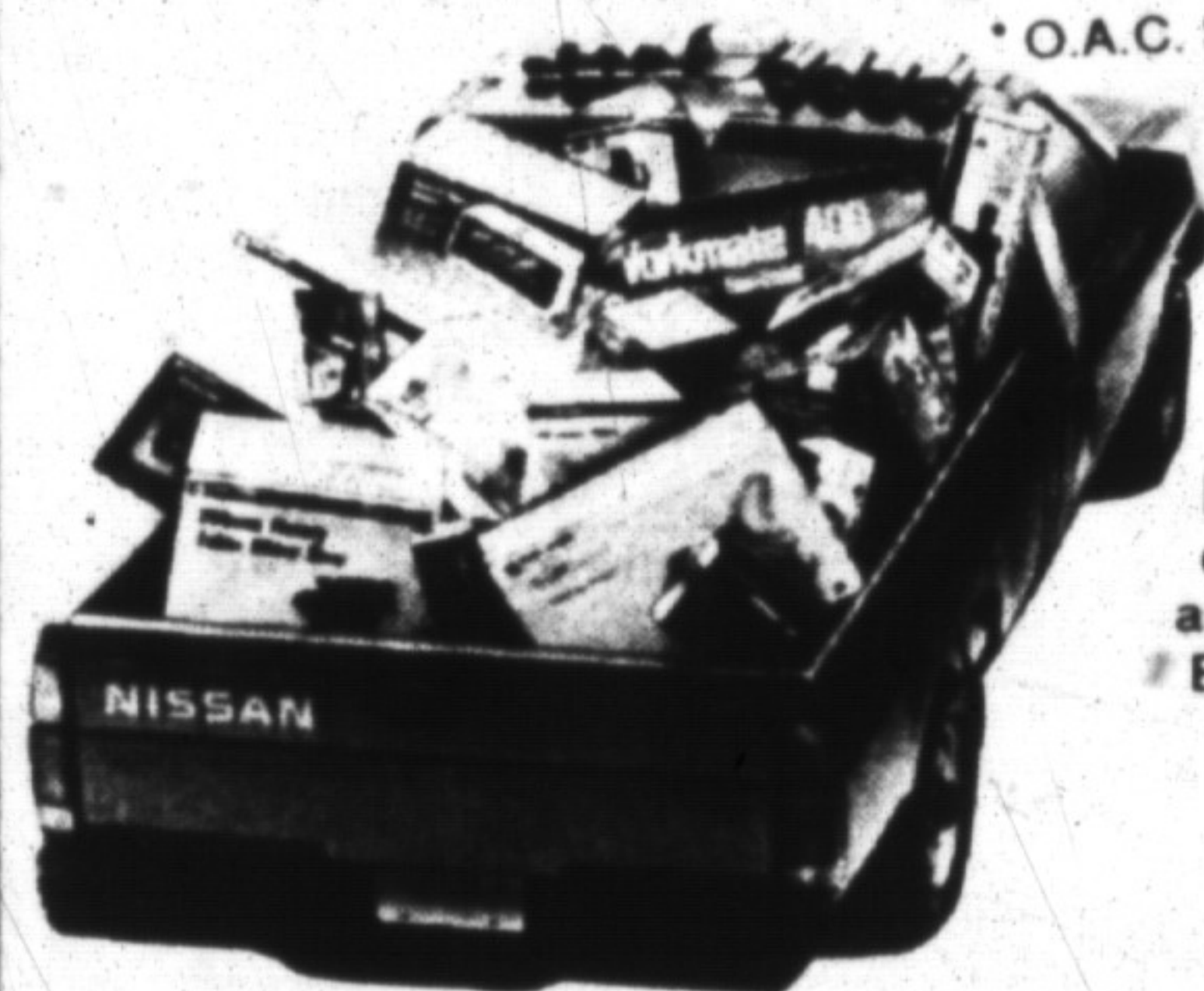
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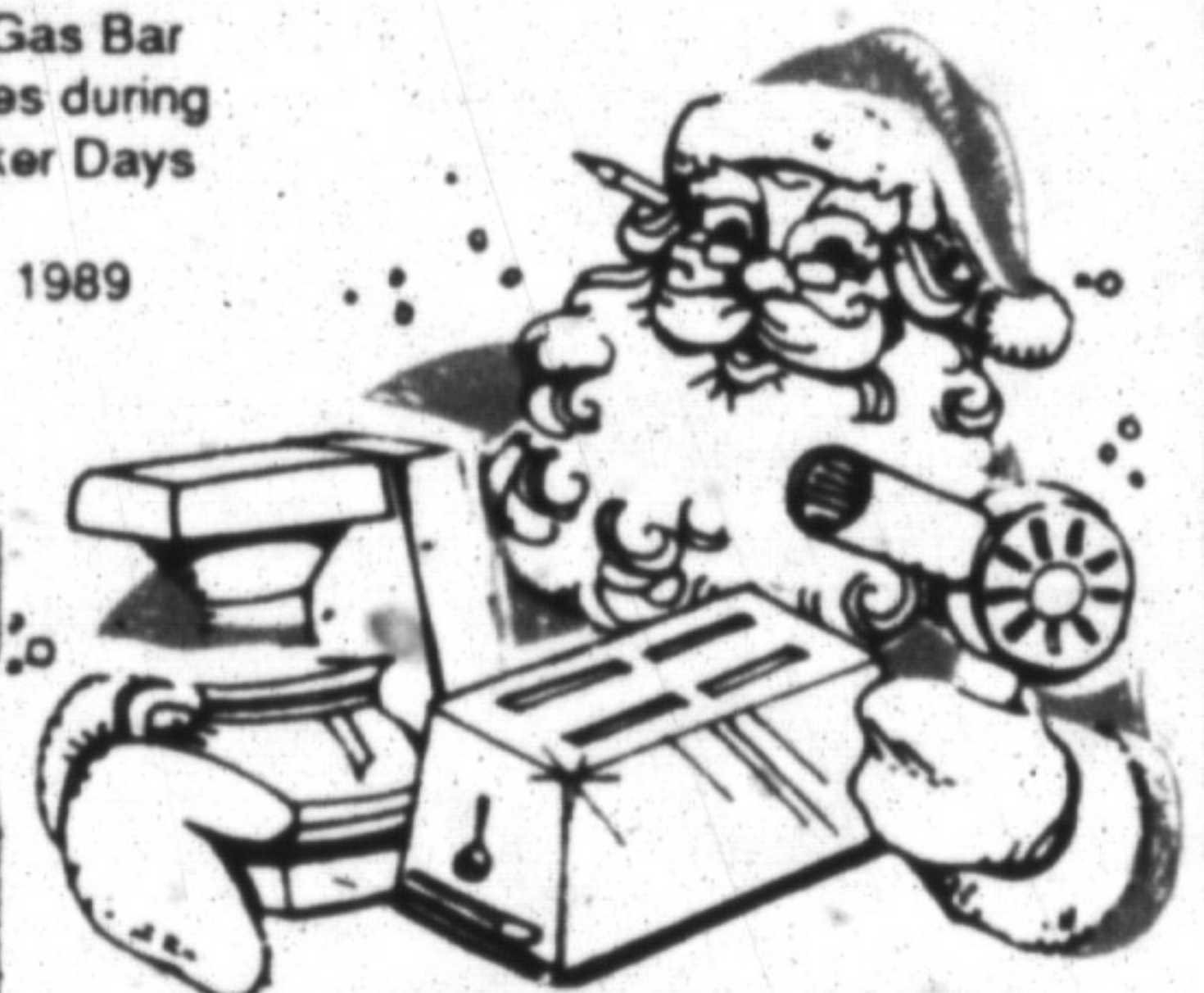


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