

Reaping the harvest

Various area politicians and dignitaries gathered around Simcoe East MPP Gordon Smith as he presented John Cooper, chairman of the St. Andrew's hospital board, with a cheque for close to \$600,000 — the first installment of the government's contribution towards the new area hospital, presently under construction on the Old Penetanguishene

Road. From left to right, Tiny Township deputy-reeve Hilda Sibthorpe, Tiny reeve Morris Darby, chairman of the hospital board John Cooper, MPP Gordon Smith, Port Mc-Nicoll reeve Bruce Dockray, Midland deputy-reeve Catherine Dion, Midland reeve Moreland Lynn, and Tay reeve Tom Robinson.

John Brennan elected chairman of separate board

John Brennan of Barrie was chosen chairman of the Simcoe County Roman Catholic Separate School Board last Thursday at the newly-elected board's first meeting of 1975.

Operator of a meat market in the city, Brennan has been vice-chairman of the board for the past two years, and has been a member since the board was established in 1969. Earlier, he served as a

trustee for several years on member of the board. the old Barrie Separate School Board.

Chosen by the members as the new vice-chairman was Colgan's Vice Egan, a farmer and also a founding

munization, and dental care

The complete check-up

takes approximately an

hour. The clinic will move

around the area, and parents

are requested to phone 526-

9325 for an appointment or

further information.

will be discussed with both

the parents and the child.

Egan is serving or has served on a wide range of committees, including budget, playground, community education, catechetics, animal care, and the Bradford building committee for the new school being built in that community.

Also at the meeting, John Consitt was named to sit on the Midland Public Library Board, and trustee Lloyd LaPlume was appointed as a representative of the board to the St. Theresa's Private High School Board.

As in past years, the board voted to continue its practice of meeting on the first and third Wednesdays of each

Child clinic begins Jan. 23

Beginning January 23, the Simcoe County District Health Unit offers its annual pre-school screening clinic designed for children going into kindergarten in September.

The clinic is supposed to detect any health problems a child might have and help correct them before school

At its last meeting of the

year on December 30, the

Tiny Township Council once

again voiced complaints

about the service of Bell

Canada within the township

and decided to support a

petition sent to the telephone

company from people in the

A resolution moved by

councillors John Lackie and

Hilda Sibthorpe received

unanamous support from

council. Along with sup-

porting the petition about

free calling privileges

between Lafontaine and

Elmvale and the request of meeting between Bell Canada and Tiny council the resolution stated: "The

Township of Tiny considers it a deplorable state of affairs when over half of the

township does not have free calling privileges to all

In a letter sent to Mrs.

George Troyer of RR Perkinsfield, W.I.

McCullough, a district

manager for the Bell, siad

free calling between

Lafontaine and Elmvale could not be planned "until

He explained that council

was told on January 25, 1973

the free calling privileges.

were a years off due to

"provisioning and capital

limitations." At that time,

the Elmvale Lance carried

the story. McCullough added in his letter that "planning

after 1978."

parts of the township."

Lafontaine calling area.

The child's health history will be looked at, along with a physical examination by a community nurse. He will receive a screening for general development, a vision and hearing check. along with a urinalysis and hemoglobin test. Good health habits, im-

Tiny complains about Ma Bell's service and provisions do not allow

> In 1973, the Bell changed a group of people from the Penetanguishene exchange to the Lafontaine one because the lines were becoming overloaded on the Penetanguishene exchange. He stated serious criticisms were being received from residents, and in April 1972 Tiny Council asked the Bell

Changing areas, according to McCullough's letter, was

"most practical and us, at this time, to change the economic alternative available to improve statement...' customer service." At the time of the change, only four

complaints were received. In a telephone interview with McCullough on Friday, he stated that he had not yet heard from the council about its recent resolution, but make to improve service.

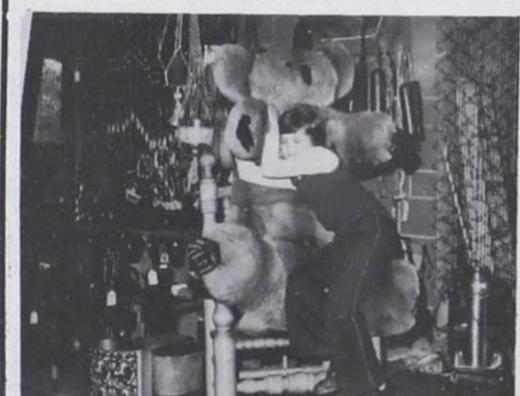
assured this news paper he representatives from Bell Canada met with the township as soon as he

received the request

He agrees a great portion of the township does not have free calling to the rest, but explains that centres of interest had been assessed when the system was set up and that the township residents have free calling privileges to many places

outside the township. He said the change in areas from Penetanguishene to Lafontaine did take away some free calling privileges for a small group of residents, but it greatly increased the quality of their telephone service.

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Separate school board applies for \$9,390 in grants

Ste-Croix in Lafontaine.

In Colgan, south of

Alliston, the board wants to

offer courses in con-

versational French and

And for all schools, the

board hopes to allocate \$200

to each principal as part of

what it calls Operation

Reach Out, a program

designed to bring the

crotcheting.

The Simcoe County Roman Catholic Separate School Board has applied to the province for a total of \$9,390 in grants for three community projects, under a new program set up by the Ministry of Education this

The province is supplying \$500,000 to the 100-odd school boards in Ontario, to help promote greater community-school liaison and cooperation.

The most expensive project suggested in the board's Community Education report involves a series of courses at Ecole

community and the school To be taught in French and together. According to open to anyone in the director of education, Frank MacDonald, the aim is to use community, the courses, if approved, will include guests speaking on topics of current interest, discussions mathematics, with the emphasis on metrication, as of family life and behaviour well as physical education, patterns to draw parents and sewing and rug hooking and others into the schools.

> Macdonald stressed that the projects are all just proposals, adding he did not expect to hear from Queen's Park until about February 1 as to whether or not any or all of them have been approved.

> "I'm quite sure," he said, "that all projects requested won't be approved, unless

fewer than I anticipate" are applied for by local boards of education. If approved by the

Ministry, the projects will be completely funded and operated at no cost to the

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