

# CLAREMONT and PICKERING TOWNSHIP DISTRICT

## MORE THAN FIFTEEN FLOATS IN SANTA'S PARADE AT CLAREMONT

### Hundreds of People, Colorful Floats



Pictured above is part of the huge crowd which attended the Claremont Santa Claus Parade on Saturday afternoon. More than fifteen floats participated in the procession and close to one thousand bags of candy were handed out to kiddies by Santa Claus. Despite similar parades in Whitby, Holland Landing and Sunderland, the attendance was equally as large as in previous years. The Markham District High School band headed the parade.

On Saturday afternoon hundreds of grown-ups and children thronged into Claremont's "Civic Square" to view one of the most colorful parades in the village's history. More than fifteen floats led by the Markham District High School Trumpet Band rolled down to the Four Corners in front of the judges stand. Santa Claus took up his position in front of Ken Ward's Garage and handed out nearly one thousand bags of candy to a never-ending lineup of kiddies.

Rev. Geo. Davison, genial Baptist Church minister, acted as master of ceremonies. Mr. Charles Cooper and J. W. Padgett assisted Santa Claus with the "hand-outs" to the children. Prize winners in the procession were: Best Commercial Float—Fred Lewis of Altona; School Floats—1st, Claremont Public School, 2nd, Altona Public School; Scouts & Guides—1st, Claremont Boy Scouts; 2nd—Claremont Girl Guides; Cubs and Brownies—1st, Claremont Brownies, 2nd—Claremont Cubs. For the Best Decorated Bicycle, Carriage, Wagon or Decorated Float—1st, Freddie Peddie, 2nd—Gibson children, 3rd—Anne Fryer, 4th—Bill Kevelly, 5th—June Benson. The judges were Mrs. Wm. Lawson, Mrs. Hugh Gregg, Mrs. L. Sherry, Mr. Geo. Todd and Dr. N. F. Tomlinson.

Winners of the lucky draw prizes were: 1st—Mr. Earl Beare, Claremont, a mixer; 2nd—Mr. Chris Gladstone, Uxbridge, a miniature tool shop; 3rd—Bobby Seto, Scarborough, a Normandy chime clock; 4th—Miss McDonald, Toronto, 12 pairs of ladies' nylon stockings; 5th—Mrs. Harry Porter, Claremont, one bushel basket of groceries.

The S.S. next week will be held as usual at 9:45 a.m. and evening service at 7:30. Next Sunday evening will be special Christmas music.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Bryant and children of Pickering, also Mr. and Mrs. D. Woodburn and Mrs. Mantle of Toronto, were weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. N. Sanderson and Mr. and Mrs. R. Hockley and family.

We are glad that Mrs. Roy Wilson has recovered from her recent illness and was able to enjoy the Christmas parade and fun around the four corners on Saturday afternoon from a seat in the family car.

Miss Jean Gregg of Windermere Drive, West Toronto, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Gregg on Saturday and Sunday.

The Christmas program of the W.M.S. was ably presented by Mrs. Carson's group last Thursday in the S.S. room. Mrs. T. Gregg contributed a piano solo, "Star of the East", and several Christmas hymns were sung. The president, Mrs. Loyst, was in charge of the business, and called upon the dept. secretaries to report on the year's work. Special thanks was tendered to the leader of the quilting committee for the splendid work of the past year, also to Mrs. Neal for opening her home for the quiltings, from which the sum of \$115.00 was realized. The Mission Band Supt. suggested the co-operation of members in purchasing Biblical Calendars during Dec. to increase the Band's revenue.

The treasurer of the W.M.S. suggested the use of monthly envelopes for all members, and Mrs. Tomlinson was asked to purchase and deliver same. A famous picture of the Christ Child was passed around among those present by Mrs. Carson. A vocal duet was sung by Mrs. Sanderson and Mrs. Redshaw. The secretary reviewed the highlights of the programmes during the year. The nominating committee re-appointed all officers for 1955. A short report of the Annual Convention held early in November was given by Mrs. Carson, who was sincerely thanked for her energetic efforts on behalf of the W.M.S. during the year.

The United Sunday School Christmas program with tree and Santa Claus will be held on Friday evening Dec. 17th, commencing at 8 o'clock, in the Church. There will be recitations, songs, dialogues by members. A silver collection will be taken. Everyone welcome.

The Goodfellowship Class monthly meeting was held last Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Evans, with a good attendance. Roll call was a contribution of jams, cookies for hospital patients. Rev. H. Lackey gave a fine Christmas talk. Mrs. Hugh Gregg provided a piano solo, Mrs. Robt. Jackson a vocal solo accompanied by Mrs. Lackey, and Mrs. Carruthers a reading "Let's Keep Christmas". Lunch was served at the close by group of the month.

Congratulations to Mrs. Benne, our 87-year-old member of this community who expects to enjoy Christmas with her family of sons and daughters. Quite recently the various members of the family as above and including grandchildren and great grandchildren, gathered in the home for a grand reunion on the 5th concession, a couple of miles north of Claremont, where the family has farmed for about forty years.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Stephenson who have gone to Oshawa for the winter months, attended the Saturday Christmas parade and visited their Claremont home which was formerly her place of residence and for sale.

A wrecked passenger car from the north end of the village was towed into a side street Saturday afternoon. We were told that the driver had been injured, but beyond hearing that it was a man, nothing further was related except that the car had turned completely over.

Parade Pictures Available  
Persons desiring pictures of the Claremont Santa Claus Parade held on Saturday afternoon may obtain copies from Mr. A. J. Galloway at the corner store. Samples will be on display later this week. The pictures are priced at 75c each.

## BROUGHAM

Mr. D. A. Beer will be running his shopping bus to Oshawa again on Saturday afternoon, December 18. Leaving Brougham at 1 p.m. and returning leave Oshawa at 5 p.m. Come and finish your Christmas shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell of Toronto visited their daughter Mrs. Al Harvey one day last week.

The sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. Warren Willson who had the misfortune to break a bone in his ankle on Monday evening last. He is now confined to the house, getting around on a walking cast. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Miller on the arrival of a daughter, "Barbara Louise" at Ajax Hospital on Monday, Dec. 6th.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd McGregor and family have moved into the Harden home recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Spang.

Mrs. Wallace Ellicott and daughter of Toronto visited with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ellicott and family on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. "Bob" Harvey of Haliburton visited at the home of his brother Al and family one day last week.

The regular weekly Euchre was held as usual on Tuesday evening last when the following were winners:—Mrs. H. Plaxton, Mrs. M. Ellicott and Mrs. Matthews. Mr. T. Robinson, Mr. R. Pilkey and Mr. P. Brown.

The Friendly Bible Class held their regular meeting on Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Everson Norton when the following officers were elected for the coming year: President—Allan Ellicott; Vice-Pres.—Everson Norton; Secretary—Mrs. Frank Carter; Treasurer—Mrs. J. Keeler; Press Convener—Mrs. M. Ellicott; and Teacher—Mr. Allan Ellicott.

There is to be a social evening held in the Township Hall on Friday evening, December 17 when all friends of the community are invited to honor Brougham Softball Team and see them presented with jackets, Crests and also a cup for being Champions of Intermediate S. Ontario Amateur Softball.

The Sunday School are planning for their Christmas Concert to be held on Wednesday December 22 in the Township Hall. Santa will be there to distribute all the presents from the tree. Adults, 35 cents, children free.

The Mission Band will meet at the home of Mrs. E. Campbell on Friday afternoon after school. All children welcome.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ellicott who will celebrate their fifty-fifth wedding anniversary on December 20. They will be at home to their friends from 2 to 4 p.m. and later at a family dinner at the home of their son, Manson and Mrs. Ellicott.

A large gathering was held in the Township Hall on Wednesday evening when the ladies of the Women's Institute, members of the Women's Association and Women's Missionary Society, were hostesses to nearly two hundred friends and fellow-plowmen of Mr. Tran to a Turkey Banquet, followed by a program.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cassie had tea with Mrs. Matthews on Sunday evening.

## ATHA

Many Happy Birthdays to little Billie Tran who celebrated his 6th birthday on Monday Dec. 13th.

Many Happy Birthdays to Marie Draper who celebrated her 8th birthday on Wednesday, Dec. 15th.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Powell and Scottie spent Wednesday in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Lehman attended the funeral of a cousin, the late Mr. James, in Uxbridge on Saturday.

Nearly two hundred friends attended the banquet held on Dec. 8th at Brougham for Joe Tran, 1954 Canadian tractor Plowing Champion. After a bountiful Turkey dinner Mr. Tran was presented with a club-bag by the South Ontario Plowmen Assoc. Mr. Russell Morrison of Beaverton was chairman. Entertainment was supplied by Mrs. Montgomerie of Brooklin and the Uxbridge Guest speaker was Mr. J. D. Thomas of the Imperial Oil Co. Junior Farmers' Quartette, president of the World Plowing Organization.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Avery of Brockville and Mrs. Gordon Overland of Kingston spent last Wed. night with the Trans.

Judging from the terrific speed at which some of the new cars are being driven, one assumes they have a power assist on the accelerator.

Additional Claremont News elsewhere in this issue.

## GREENWOOD

There will be a Carol Service in the church this Sunday evening, the 19th, at 7:30 o'clock.

The Y.P.S. Meeting was held at the home of John Griffin last Sunday night, with Len Waltham conducting the program.

The Sigma C group met in the church on Tuesday night. The Christmas Tree and concert will be held in the church on Tuesday evening the 21st at 8 o'clock, concert beginning sharp at 8 o'clock. School and Sunday School pupils will take part in the program. Admission is 35c, all children, school and high school, free.

A number from here attended the Santa Claus parade at Claremont last Saturday afternoon.

The little Neil Girl who is in the Oshawa Hospital with pneumonia is improving.

Mr. Percy Clarke's house is nearing completion, and he expects to be in it by Christmas time.

Mr. F. Goddard was a caller at the Stanley Byers home recently.

We are sorry to report that

Mr. A. Johns is in the hospital having had an operation a couple of weeks ago. We hope he will soon be able to come home.

The Evening W.A. held their meeting at the home of Mrs. A. Short last Wednesday evening, the president Mrs. A. Morden opened the meeting with a poem. Election of officers was conducted by Rev. Mr. Moore and the following were elected: Hon. President—Mrs. Moore; President—Mrs. C. McTaggart; First Vice Pres.—Mrs. Wm. Pegg; Secty.—Mrs. D. Morden; Asst. Secty.—Mrs. L. Wilson; Treasurer—Mrs. F. Webb; Asst. Treasurer—Miss E. Ormerod; Flower Committee—Mrs. A. Morden; Visiting Committee—Mrs. C. Closson; Parsonage Com.—Mrs. H. Middleton; Pianist—Mrs. G. Eastwood; Asst. Mrs. E. Pegg. Auditors—Mrs. R. Jackman and Mrs. Wm. Lawson; Press Sec.—Mrs. A. Short; Corresponding Sec.—Mrs. Wm. Maxwell. Business was conducted by the president. The Treasurer, Secretary and Flower Fund reports were given, also Auction Sale held, and a social half hour with lunch, the next meeting to be

at Mrs. A. Morden's.

The Afternoon W.A. met at the home of Mrs. R. Brown with Group 2 taking the worship service. The Roll Call was answered with the word Gift. No election was held, as last year's officers were to remain in for two years. Business was conducted by the president, including Christmas Box sending, repairing the organ at the church, and other items were taken care of. Lunch was served by the hostess and a vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Brown for having us at her lovely home. The January meeting will be at the Parsonage.

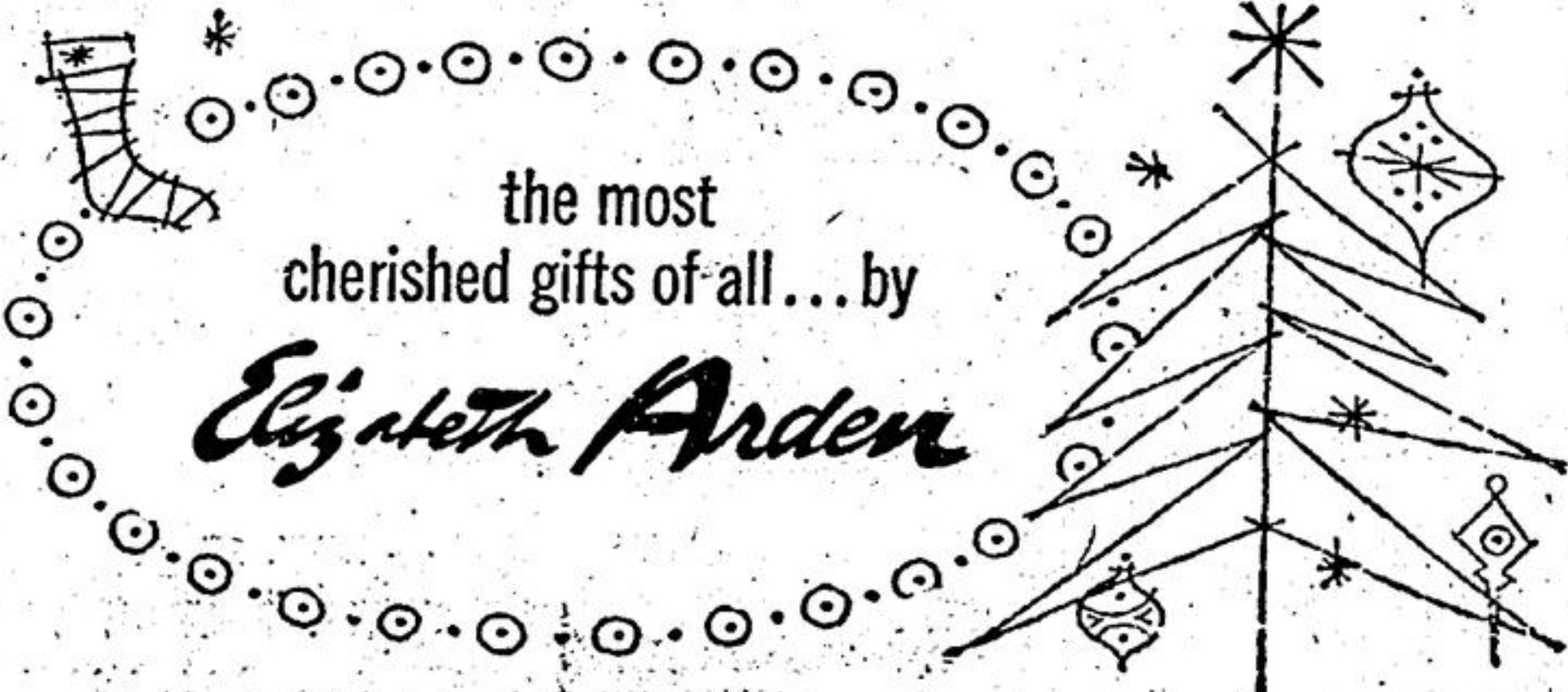
## GREEN RIVER

Sorry to report that Mr. Fred Wright is in the hospital at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowles spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. T. Bowles.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Hamilton and R. Hutchings called on Mrs. Frank Hutchings of Claremont who is at present confined to her bed.

Mr. and Mrs. McClelland and family of Newtonbrook called



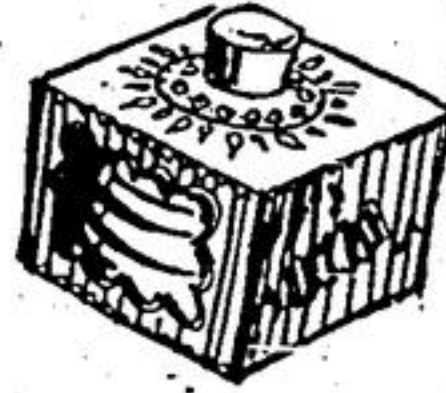
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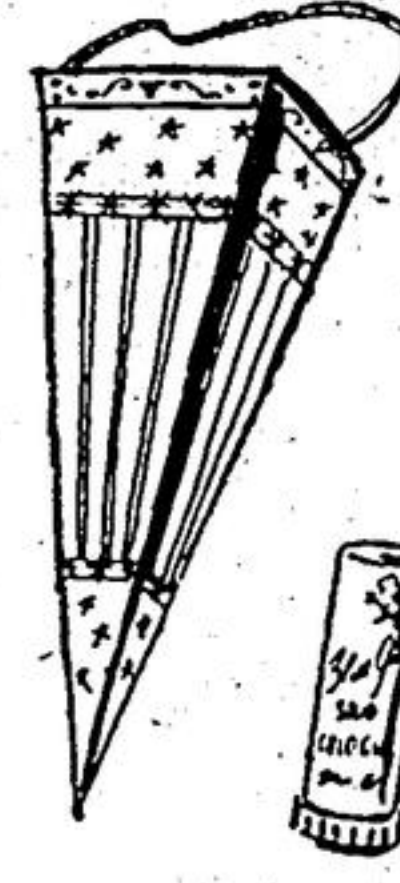
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## Wm. Drew Honored Upon Retirement

At the end of this month, Mr. Wm. Drew, Claremont station agent will retire from active service with the CPR. He will move to Peterboro early in the year. On Friday evening residents of Claremont honored the retiring agent by presenting him with some lovely gifts. Both Mr. and Mrs. Drew received a chesterfield chair, a floor lamp, a hamper and towels. The presentation was arranged by Messrs Levi Linton, Mr. and Mrs. Mac Middleton and Mrs. Grant Taylor.

Mr. Drew has been agent at Claremont for the past nine years. He started his railroad career in Fort William when but nineteen years of age. He has been connected with the CPR for the past 43 years.

Among the many who attended the gathering were Mr. Wooten, the present roadmaster, Mr. Levi Linton and Mr. Magnus Morgan, retired roadmen. Mr. Mike Trudeau, bridge and building master for the district, was also in attendance. Mr. J. W. Stewart, Superintendent of the Division, could not be present but he forwarded a congratulatory message. There were also friends from Havelock, Peterboro, and Toronto. Mr. and Mrs. Drew have two daughters, one in Vancouver and one in Kingston and one son, a resident of Peterboro.

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## Appreciation

I would extend my appreciation to the electors of Stouffville who cast ballots on my behalf in Monday's municipal election.

**KEN LAUSHWAY.**

## THANK YOU

ELECTORS OF VILLAGE OF STOUFFVILLE

I should like to extend my sincere thanks to all those who through their votes, work, and influence, contributed to electing me a member of Council for the year 1955. It will be a pleasure to serve you and I will not be unmindful of the trust and confidence you have placed in me.

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