Wilcox Family Homeless After Fire

her two children escaped with nothing but the clothes on their backs when fire gutted their 2 storey frame house on Willowbank Avenue last week.

around a gas fireplace when the ges, threw a fire bomb through Cub pack, were also lost. Mrs. dusting cloth caught fire, ignit- the smoking front doorway after | Ensor is a Cub leader while Mr. ing a backlog of dust beneath flames prevented her from get- Ensor heads a Scout troop. the fireplace which in turn fired ting any closer. Mrs. H. Woodthe insulation behind it. After ward, another neighbor, gave rora firemen prevented the phoning Aurora firemen, Mrs. the Ensors shelter. Ensor, daughter Jule 17, and a son Stanley 2, escaped to safety. a stiff winter wind, roared up onto neighboring houses. The Two other children, Cathy, five, the inside of the walls and com- terrific combustion blew out all and Jennifer, ten, had just left pletely destroyed the interior the windows at one stage. for noon classes at the Lake and contents of the front room Wilcox Public School. A son, Mi- and upstairs. Virtually all of

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American Standard, Toronto, presents and decorations, furnwas at work.

assistance of the Ensors. Evelina Friend, 18, an employee at ed cheques as well as a box Mrs. E. H. Ensor was dusting Gallacher's food store, Oak Rid- containing dues from a local

chael, 15, was in high school in the family's clothing was de-

A Lake Wilcox housewife and Aurora. Mr. Ensor, a caster at stroyed as well as Christmas iture, bedclothing, and a collec-Neighbors quickly came to the tion of valuable books. A purse Poinsettins

The quick arrival of the Auhouse from being levelled to the The fire, which was fanned by ground and possibly catching

> welfare committee, headed by Stan Rule, was on the scene quickly to organize relief work. Mrs. Peggy Cragg, of the Lake, also organized help. Mr. Rule contacted the Red Cross in Toronto and obtained a complete set of bedding for the family. He then arranged for the stricken family to stay at a vacant home belonging to Stan Williams of Lake Wilcox until the situation was improved. The family is still in great need of household articles, mainly front Following the rest period, place room and bedroom furniture.

Mr. Ensor, who drove immediately from work upon being phoned by his wife, said that the house was insured for approximately \$15,000.

To achieve success one must nake an attempt.

Although it will be easier to buy poinsettia plants from a florist each winter, they can be carried over to the next year, according to horticulture specialists with the Ontario Department of Agriculture. Poinsettia flowers are inconspicuous but a colorful show is provided by the large scarlet or sometimes cream colored, leaf-like bracts. This popular Christmas-flower-The Oak Ridges Lions Club's ing plant does best in good light exposure and a temperature of about 65 degrees F. Yellowing and dropping of the bottom leaves may be caused by temperatures below 60 degrees, drafts, and drying out at the roots.

After "flowering," rest the plants in a cool location and let the soil dry out. Don't let the stems become dry enough to cause shrivelling of the bark, however. During this rest period cut back the plants part way. plants in a larger pot, supply water and expose them to a good light and a temperature of 65 to 70 degrees F.

Exposure of poinsettla plants to electric light after the first of September is not a good practice. It may prevent the flower buds from forming and the bracts from coloring.

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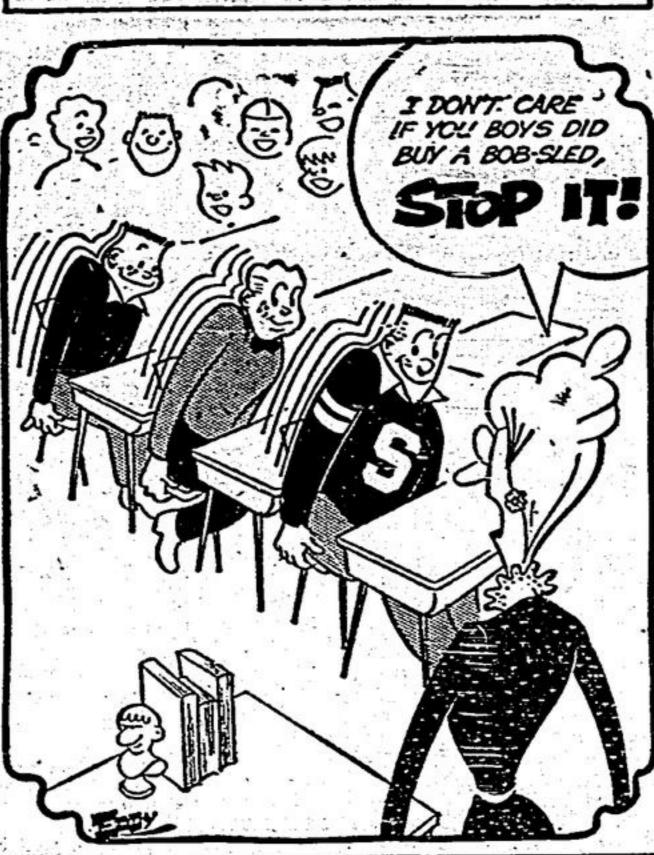
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is being organized by the York County Health Unit with the assistance of the National Sanatorium Association, which draws its funds from the Christmas Seal sales. A signed consent from the parents is required for the skin-testing inoculation, and enthusiastic co-operation of parents and students is expected. The small number of students who show a positive result will be offered free chest x-ray examination as a follow-up to determine whether infection is

In January, approximately present. This screening process

A new skin-testing process is termine whether the student has being used which eliminates the been infected at any time during traditional needle and syringe. his life with T.B. germs. The There is practically no discomproject is part of an effort to fort. The test is "read" by train-Dr. R. M. King, medical offi-

cer of health, says that the skin The T.B. testing programme testing of high school students and teachers in York County will be on an annual basis and will probably be extended to include elementary school pupils in the near future. He stresses the importance of a continuing fight against tuberculosis, which he says is just as necessary now as in former years, contrary to the impression that tuberculosis is decreasing in importance. The important thing now is to find cases early while complete cure is easy and less time consuming, and thereby keep tuberculosis in

low directions on plant foods

"The right time to cut hay is

Winter Care of Your House Plants

Short daylight periods and low Dry atmosphere is often one light intensity during winter of the chief factors responsible cause growing conditions for for failure in growing house house plants to differ greatly plants. When watering, add onfrom the rest of the year: Horti- ly enough to wet the soil to the culturists with the Ontario Dept. | bottom and then do not water of Agriculture offer the follow- again until the plant or soil ing advice on winter care of shows signs of needing it. Folhouse plants.

Geraniums, fuchsias and and keep in mind that house chrysanthemums are sun loving plants do not require feeding as plants and should be placed often in winter. where the most light is available. African violets, philodend-rons and most foliage plants require less light but must be moved to places where the light Unaily NOW is sufficient. The north window often recommended for African Take a close look at your hay violets may not have enough the next time you are tossing light for good growth and flow- down bales. "It's a good way to ering in these short, dark days. pick up last year's mistakes,' When grown in windows, says O.A.C.'s crops extension

plants tend to become one-sided specialist, Stan Young. but this can be prevented by giv- The reason for poor woody ing them a quarter turn each hay is that it was far too late day. Most plants thrive when when it was cut. Another comthe day temperature is 65 deg. | mon loss of hay quality is leaf F. and the night temperature shatter. The biggest single reafrom 55 to 60 deg. F. Since house son for leaf breakage and loss temperatures are usually too is bad timing of having operahigh, it is best to grow plants in tions, or simply baling too dry. cooler parts of the room, usual- | Seed on the grasses or legumes ly near a window. Drafts should is another sign that the hay was be avoided, however. When the cut too late. blinds or drapes are drawn, they should come between plants and when the most feed value per windows, to prevent the plants acre is obtained," says Young. from being in a very cold air "And that is when the alfalfa or space. Care should also be taken | clover is just beginning to to keep plants away from the excessive heat of registers and radiators.

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O.A.C. agricultural engineer, week.

R. W. Irwin has dropped welding from the course in favour "Two farmers from East Lu- of surveying. "You can't do a ther have drained parts of their good job unless you know how to survey," he explains. "The (Both claimed that returns to work will be outside, so bring date have more than covered winter clothing. We will supply the equipment, if you wish."

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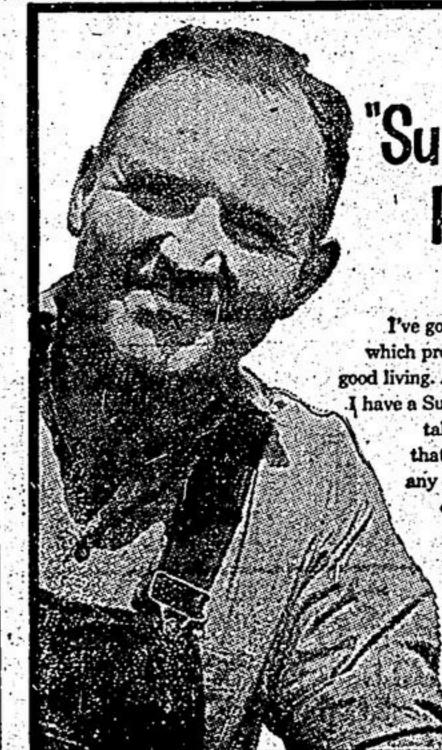
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