

Thirteen Year Old Wins Citation For His Bravery In Rescue Of Pet Dog

Crawls Out On Ice Saves Drowning Boxer

A prized Boxer dog known as "Peter" is alive and well today, thanks to the bravery of a 13 year old Unionville boy who risked his life last spring to save the drowning animal after it had fallen through thin ice into ten feet of water.

Richard "Rick" Blundell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Errol Blundell, Main St., Unionville, is one of six persons to be named by the Ontario Humane Society for citation awards for bravery in 1964. A bronze medal and certificate will be presented to him at a special ceremony in Kitchener.

Kept Going Under

Rick recalled how on the day of the rescue, he heard a dog barking, and from the window of his home, he could see another dog floundering helplessly in the water of the Unionville pond. Both he and his brother, Bill, 15, ran to the edge of the ice that had become thin due to continued mild weather. Rick lay down flat and inched himself within arm's length of the dog that had already gone

under several times. He was able to grab its fore-paws and pull it to safety. He did not know until later that the Boxer belonged to Mr. and Mrs. Carmen Stiver, also of Unionville. Mrs. Stiver told The Tribune that had it not been for Rick's instant action their dog would have drowned. She said she was very pleased that his bravery was to be recognized. Rick is a grade 9 student at Markham Dist. High School.

Salary Scale Set In Markham School Area No. 2

The teacher salary schedule for Markham Twp. Public School Area No. 2 has been finalized by the board and the following scale is now in effect. Category 1. (Gr. 13 plus Teacher's College) — \$3,500 to \$5,100. Category 2. (Plus 5 summer courses) — \$3,800 to \$6,500. Category 3. (Plus 10 summer courses) — \$4,100 to \$7,200. Category 4. (Bachelor of Arts Degree) — \$4,800 to \$8,400. Salaries of principals are still to be discussed.

The yearly increment is \$300 and new teachers coming on staff are allowed \$100 per year for up to five years experience if that experience has been within the past seven years. A \$300 allowance is made if that experience is in the year previous. The schedule provides for 20 days accumulative sick leave plus half payment of Ontario Hospital and Medical Insurance premiums.

The board established their salary scale to compare with that of neighbouring municipalities. After their figures had been finalized, however, they learned that Metro had raised their minimum in Category 1 from \$3,500 to \$3,700.

Legion Members Raise New Flag At Municipal Bldg.

Two members of the Stouffville Branch of the Canadian Legion raised the new Maple Leaf flag at the entrance to the Municipal Building in town on Saturday morning. Veterans, Ivan Goudie and Gordon Smith unfurled the new Canadian emblem in a brief ceremony. Legion President, Jas. McKellar was also in attendance along with members of the Ladies Auxiliary.

Reeve Win Timbers and Deputy-Reeve Ken Laushway addressed the gathering. Rev. Allan Borland pronounced the prayer of dedication. The Clerk, Mr. Ralph Corner was the Master of Ceremonies.

Dogs Valued at \$300 Stolen

Whitchurch Twp. police are investigating the theft of two silver grey poodles from the basement of a home in Gormley the property of Mr. Michael Karagorghis. The dogs are valued at \$150 apiece. In addition, the thieves also took a quantity of clothing, a vacuum cleaner a camera and a valuable watch. In total the loss has been estimated at over \$1,200.

Entry to the premises was gained through a rear door. Police were notified of the theft on March 15th and every effort is being made to trace the culprits.

Mr. R. Mercer and Mrs. A. A. Gresham will accompany 10 pupils from grades 12 and 13 Stouffville District High School to visit the University of Waterloo on Saturday (March 27) to learn computer programming.

Mrs. Plitz Dies

Mrs. Marie Elizabeth Plitz, mother of Mr. Douglas Plitz, clerk of Pickering Township, passed away on Sunday in the Ajax-Pickering Hospital. She was 68.

Mrs. Plitz, a native of Austria resided on the Sandy Beach Road in Pickering. She had been in ill health for the past two weeks.

Surviving are 11 children, including 4 sons and 7 daughters.

Seven Cattle Killed By C.P.R. Dayliner Near Claremont

Seven Holstein heifers were killed and another had to be destroyed last week when a westbound C.P.R. dayliner rammed through part of a herd belonging to Lorne, Ralph and Percy Jones near Claremont.

Five of the cows were killed instantly and two had to be shot. One suffered a broken leg and was later butchered. The loss has been estimated at \$1,400.

In all, 44 cattle were loose but only eight were on the track when the dayliner came through. Damage to the engine was estimated at \$1,200 but it continued on to Toronto after a brief stop at the Claremont station.

The ranch where the cattle are kept is located in Pickering Twp. north of Cedar Creek.

The accident occurred last Wednesday afternoon and the farmers had the tedious chore of carting out the dead and injured animals during the wind and snow storm that hit the area in the evening.

Budget Over \$450,000 For TSA No. 2, Markham

The 1965 budget for Public School No. 2 in Markham Twp. has been set at \$453,564. Government grants will reduce this figure by \$220,000 leaving a balance of \$233,564 to be collected through taxation. Rates in individual sections will vary according to the amount of surplus retained prior to the change-over to the area system. In 1964, some sections had no school rate at all and their funds were completely used up.

Hire Local Draftsman To Plan New Town Firehall; Save \$2,000

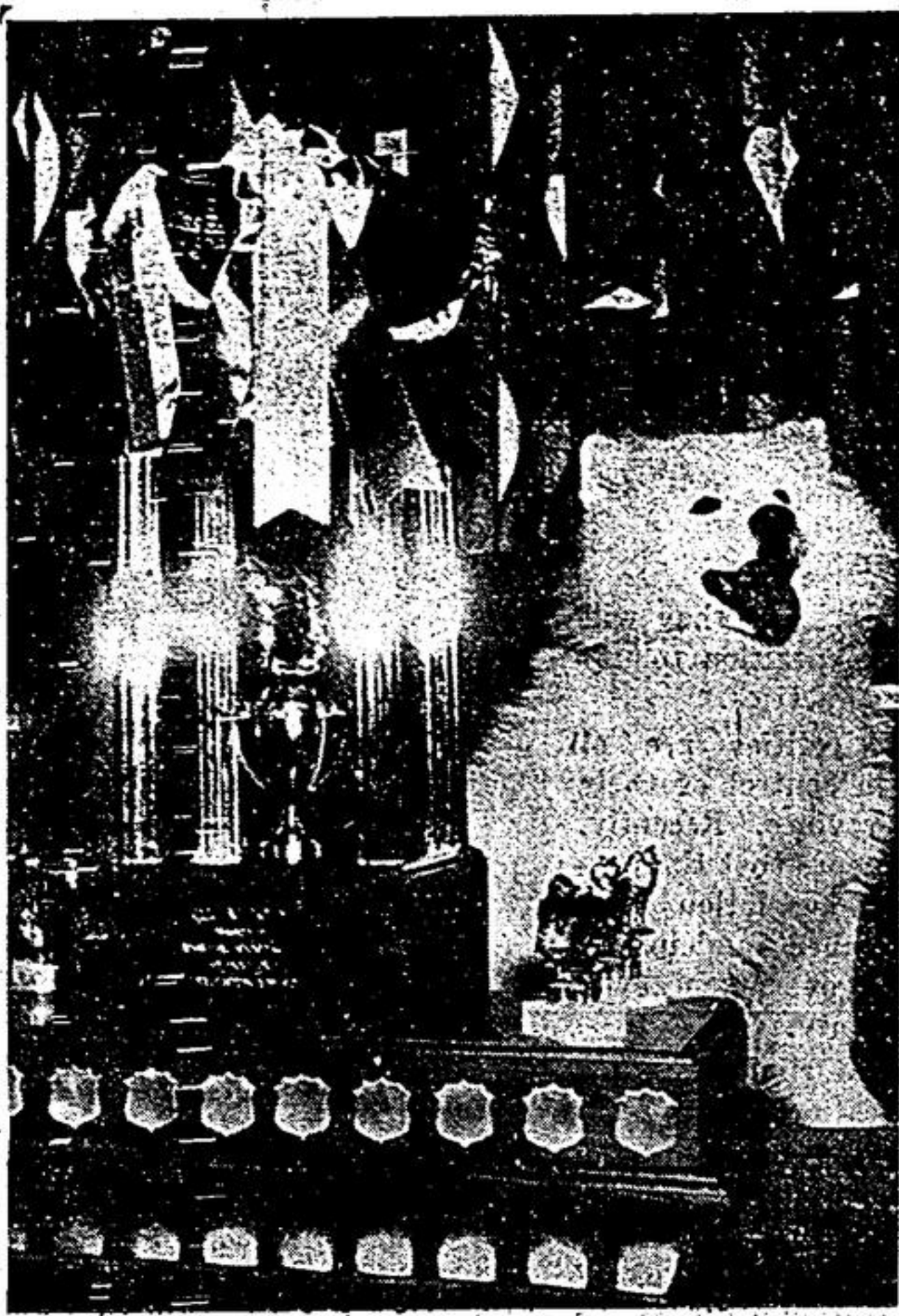
Mr. Charles W. Jones, Elm Road, Stouffville has been retained by Stouffville Council to prepare the plans for the new town firehall to be located on Main Street next to the bowling alley. The local draftsman's fee was set at a maximum of \$350 or an approximate saving of \$2,000 over a firm previously considered.

Sketch plans of the structure, were viewed by the council at a meeting on Thursday. Councillor Bud Spang, working closely with Mr. Jones on the project said that the design could be altered. The station will be a 3-bay building with a brick front.

Councillor Ken Betz said that the firemen's committee had approved the design with a few minor exceptions. The cost of the hall has been estimated at \$20,000.

Mr. Alex Wilkins, Rupert Ave. underwent an operation at Scarborough General Hospital on Wednesday.

Top Dog



A 5 year old male Samoyed, owned by Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Cozens, RR. 2, Stouffville, captured this beautiful Challenge Trophy, presented by Mrs. R. W. Bremner of Gormley, at the Sportsman's Show, Toronto last week.

Local Dog Breeders Win Top Awards At Sportsman's Show

Stouffville and district dog breeders enjoyed excellent success with their entries in the Toronto Sportsman's Show that concluded last week. Competition was extremely keen with more than 900 dogs in all classes.

A 5 year old male Samoyed, "Champion Questor's Kristoff" owned by L. P. Cozens, R. R. 2, Stouffville was judged best of breed and received the beautiful Challenge Trophy, presented by Mrs. R. W. Bremner of Gormley. He also took the best Canadian bred Samoyed. There were 30 entries. An 8 year old female, "Champion Tosca Snow," a sister of "Kristoff" went best of opposite sex. She is owned by Mr. Bremner of Gormley.

Best Boxers A 7 1/2 month old Boxer male puppy, "Gaymitz Jersey Joe," owned by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Northover of Ringwood, was the best of opposite sex out of 22 entries. He was the youngest Boxer to achieve this award. He was also judged best puppy in the working group. Janda's Boxers, R.R. 2, Stouffville were also in the winner's circle. They won a best of breed with one entry and a best of breed on two days with

another. A 10 month old bitch, was a winner on Thursday and a best of winners on Friday. "Jandaires Exquisite Model" was also judged the best puppy in its breed. On Saturday, "Champion Standfast of Blossomlea" was named Sire of the Year, a repeat win from 1964.

Highest Scoring "Fordene's Gigi," a Beagle Hound and Canadian Champion owned by Mr. and Mrs. Doug O'Neill of Stouffville was the highest scoring in its class of twelve. It also obtained its first Obedience Degree.

Nab Night Prowler Following Chase

It wasn't too many months ago that a "peeping tom" led Stouffville police on a merry chase before he was finally caught.

On Monday night, several residents of Greenwood in Pickering Twp. joined forces and nabbed a youthful prowler following a cross-country hike.

The intruder was first spotted by Mr. Frank Finlay and, armed with a heavy fire-place poker, took out after the culprit. He was joined by neighbours and later Ontario Provincial Police from the Whitchurch Detachment.

The man's footprints were plainly visible in the snow and he was soon tracked down.

There have been a number of break-ins recently in the Greenwood community and police are checking to see if there is a connection between the incidents.

Town Doctor Breaks Leg in Skiing Accident

Dr. Donald J. Petrie, a physician at the Stouffville Medical Centre, suffered a broken right leg in a skiing accident at Beaver Valley, near Orangeville.

Dr. Petrie is now home, following a 36-hour confinement in the Scarborough General Hospital where the break was reset. The injury occurred when he twisted his leg in a downhill run. He was accompanied by Mr. Jerry Walte, Russell St.

The Beaver Valley ski patrol provided immediate aid at the lodge and he was later brought to the Medical Centre. Although the seriousness of the break has not been revealed, it may take 2 months for a complete recovery.

Include \$4,000 In Town Budget for Cent. Project

A figure of \$4,000 has been included in Stouffville's 1965 budget estimates for a centennial project. The subject was discussed briefly by council at a meeting on Thursday afternoon.

Deputy-Reeve Ken Laushway said that he felt the centennial committee, headed by Chairman, Ross Giles, should be called together again for further discussions.

"Do you think we should have a centennial project?" questioned councillor Bud Spang.

"Yes, I do," replied the deputy-reeve.

"In name only or in substance," asked Mr. Spang.

Councillor Wm. Parsons said that many persons were interested in such a program and he felt the application should be kept alive. Mr. Parsons said he would be pleased to know if the centennial committee had anything new in mind or if they favoured the continuance of the original park entrance plan.

Two Men Injured When Freight Hits Truck

A 4 car diesel freight train and an empty livestock truck collided head-on at a level crossing on the County road, south of Goodwood, Tuesday afternoon and the impact tossed the heavy transport 38 feet from the tracks.

The driver, John Brown of Little Britain was thrown from the cab into a snow-filled ditch but his passenger remained in the truck. Both suffered head injuries and were treated at the scene by Dr. Doug Brodie of Stouffville. They were later admitted to the Uxbridge Cottage Hospital.

The train engineer told police that he saw the truck approaching from a distance

and pulled on the emergency brake when it failed to slacken speed. There is no automatic signal at the crossing but visibility is good in all directions.

Sec.-Treas. of Markham Area Bd.

Mr. Donald A. Beer of Brougham has been hired to the position of full-time Secretary-Treasurer for the new Markham Twp. Public School Area Board, No. 2.

Mr. Beer commenced his duties on Monday with office headquarters at Richmond Hill.



Driver, John Brown of Little Britain and his passenger, Henry Mason, escaped with only head injuries on Tuesday when their stock truck collided with a 4-car diesel freight train at the C.N.R. level crossing on the County Road, south of Goodwood.

Propose Ban On Swill-fed Piggeries In Pickering Twp.

Pickering Twp. Council will consider a bylaw that would prohibit the operation of future swill-fed piggeries anywhere in the municipality. Councillor Wm. Newman suggested the action at a meeting on Monday night.

Councillor Newman said that another piggery was proposed for the area and he felt that their numbers should be controlled. The bylaw would not affect other businesses of this type already established.

Mr. Newman said that swill-fed pigs often produced obnoxious odours and created a hardship on adjacent residents. "To

encourage any more would be a mistake," he said. "They are not the most desirable things for the township." He noted that these piggeries were being forced out of Scarborough and could very well move into Pickering.

Councillor Harvey Spang spoke in favour of the ban. "Now is the time to make the change and include the whole township," he said.

Councillor Newman said that piggeries already located in the municipality were, for the most part, quite respectable operations, but this was not a guarantee for the future.

Wolf Tracked By Helicopter After Attack On Cattle

A large wolf made good his escape in Markham Twp. on Tuesday afternoon although pursued by search parties from both ground and air.

The hunt was organized by Game Warden, Wayne Denby and Markham police after helicopter pilot, Ben Arnold of Willowdale spotted the animal attacking a herd of cattle on a farm near 17th Ave. and Don Mills Rd. He landed his craft at Romandale Farms and called the police office at Buttonville.

Sgt. Don Dukas, armed with a .20 gauge shotgun caught a glimpse of the wolf from the air and rolled it over in the snow with a single blast from about 300 feet. Although wounded, the animal scrambled to its feet and escaped.

A posse of nearly a dozen men tracked the wolf more than two miles. It was bleeding badly and will not likely survive.

Game Warden Denby discounted the report that the wolf might be rabid. He said that it had attacked the cattle because of hunger.

Whitchurch Officers Commended After Break-in Arrest

Two officers of the Whitchurch police department have been commended for their efficiency following the arrest of a suspect in a costly theft case recently.

Sgt. Neil Raven and P. C. Donald Hilloek were praised by Mr. Frank McEachern, RR. 1, Gormley whose spacious home on the Don Mills Road was robbed of about \$4,000 in contents.

Twenty-four hours after the robbery was discovered, a Toronto man was charged with theft. The stolen property was all returned to the owner.

Mr. McEachern's appreciation was included in a letter to the Whitchurch Twp. Police Chief, Fred Mason.

Juvenile Theft Spree Under Investigation Students Questioned

Four juvenile boys have been questioned and merchandise valued at over \$75 has been recovered following an investigation by Stouffville police that began last week.

Acting on a telephone tip, local officers stopped a group of lads on Main Street and found a quantity of stolen articles hidden in their clothes. Additional merchandise was later found in a locker at the High School. The goods varied from shotgun shells to cigarettes. At least four stores in town have been victims of the theft spree that goes back as far as October, 1964.

Good Families Police Chief Orland Keating said that only one of the four lads questioned was a resident

in town. He said that all came from respected families. Their parents have been notified. He said that none had been in any serious trouble before.

The Chief said that further investigations into the case had been temporarily suspended since Easter examinations were in progress. "We've only started and we intend to get to the bottom of it," he said. He said he had received the fullest cooperation from the school Principal. He said he could not tell, to date, how many might be involved or the full extent of the goods taken. He said it was still too soon to say whether stolen merchandise was being sold at cut prices to other boys. The identity of the suspects was not revealed.