

Four pups die of exposure

By Jane Schweichert
MUSSELMANS LAKE — Lake area residents are well aware of the stray dog situation. In spite of the nuisance, though, Bill and Rosemary Thorne took compassion on one such animal, feeding it for over two months.

Over the Easter weekend, the dog had a litter of five in the Thorne's back yard, but before they discovered this, four of the pups had died. Surprised that the dog had not returned to its rightful home for the birth, the Thornes humanely took the weak mother and her pup into their home.

Neither wanting nor needing a dog, they phoned neighbors in the hope of finding a suitable home. By the afternoon, they had secured one. Some time later that day, a man arrived, claimed the dogs, and took them away, in spite of the Thorne's protests that they had found a better home for the animals. The man said that the dog had simply broken loose from her

chain and became lost. Stephanie and Corrine Healey, Victor Drive, spent part of their mid-winter vacation visiting friends. Stephanie stayed with Helen Bumby, Scarborough, March 24 and 25. Corrine visited Caroline Crowe, Ballantrae on March 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Horton, Valley Field Road, and children Lynn, Shane and Kim spent the 4 day Easter weekend camping at Port Austin, Michigan. They visited Mrs. Horton's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Simpson.

Sisters Sherry Lynn and Laurie Ann Thorne, aged 7 and 5 of Mitchell Drive, spent 4 days of their holidays with their grandmother, Mrs. Hazel Canning, Agincourt.

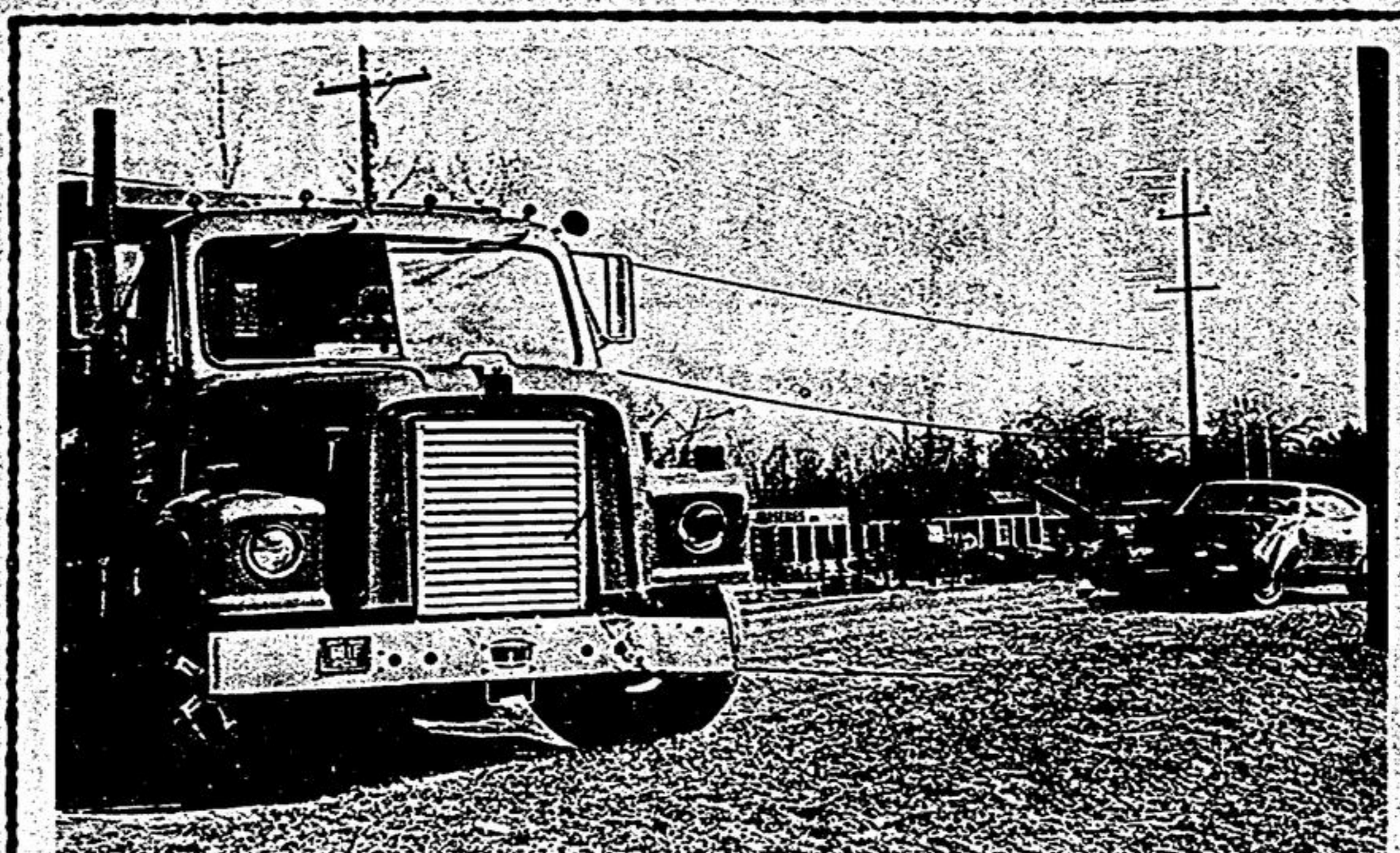
Easter Sunday visitors to Mrs. Edie Simpson, Hillsdale Drive were her daughter and son-in-law, Jean and Doug Norton, Claremont, and sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Torrens, Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter

Healey, Victor Drive, had neighbours in for a social evening March 26. Guests present were Mrs. E. Senedak, Dawn Drew, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Noseworthy and sons Dean and Earl, Victor Drive.

Victor Drive residents wish to thank the Township for their prompt and courteous action after calls about the large puddle at Valley Field Road and Victor Drive. Trucks arrived the next day to remedy the situation.

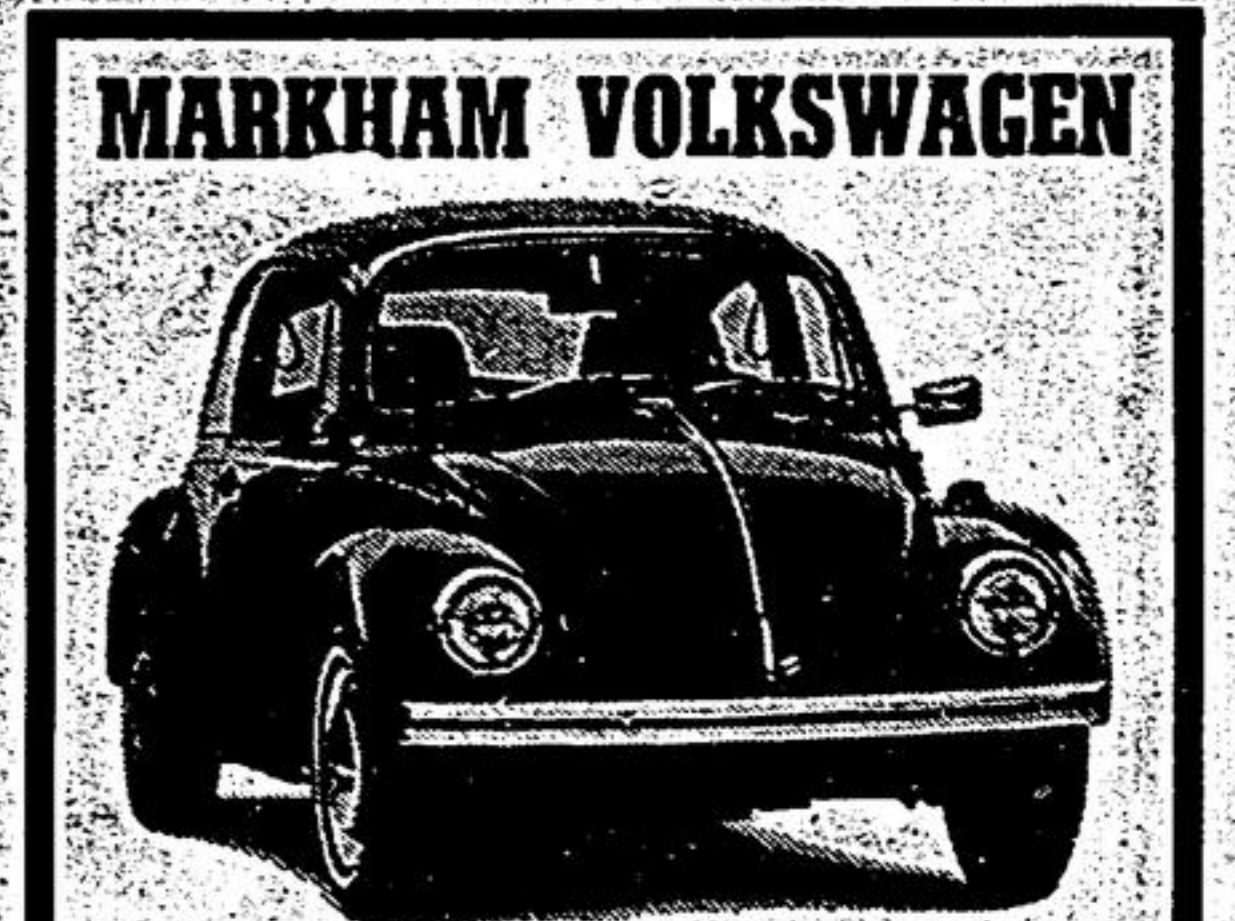
Members of the Ballantrae Guides and Browns went on a trip to Toronto, March 26, touring City Hall and the Toronto Dominion Center and saw Disney on Parade at Maple Leaf Gardens. Some of the youngsters also walked through what is left of Toronto's China-town. They were surprised to see local merchant Bing Yip while there. Supervised by Mr. and Mrs. D. Darby, Uxbridge and Mrs. Mary Lloyd, Newmarket, the girls were Terri-Jane Saunders, Donna Galloway, Patricia Bangama, Christel Gloth, Robyn and Kathie Lloyd, Maria and Joanne Vander-Burgt, Sharon Hunt, Corrine and Stephanie Healey, Debra Gillanders and Dawn Drew.



Car torn apart — driver escapes serious injury
 A Willowdale man suffered only minor injuries but his car was demolished in a collision with a gravel truck on No. 7 Hwy., west of Unionville, Monday. Sidney Starkman was admitted to hospital but later released. The transport, owned by Don Anderson of Stouffville was driven by Robert John Quinn of Beaverton. —Peter Harris.

Reserve champion

STOUFFVILLE — He appeared in twelve shows. Mr. Newlove has confirmed the month of June for the second annual Pinto Show in Stouffville. The exact location and date will be announced.



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Birthday gathering

By Blanche Tindall
ALTONA — A party was held at the home of Don and Shirley Hansen, March 29, to celebrate Tammy's first, Troy's third, and Bert Lewis' 75th birthdays. Grandparents, parents, sisters, brothers and their families attended. The W.M.S. will meet at the home of Mrs. David Francis, April 7 at 8 p.m.

Church pulpit drape is dedicated

By Rosemary Timms
CLAREMONT — A new pulpit frontal drape, presented to the Claremont United Church by Mrs. Milton J. Wilker, in memory of her husband, was dedicated at the Easter Sunday service.

Easter visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Almack were their daughter, Margaret Anne, of Scarborough College; Miss Kelly

Grant, of Etobicoke; Miss Jennifer vanRooyen, of Halifax Nova Scotia; and the five children of the La Brie family, of Pickering. The community welcomes Mr. and Mrs. Bert Stiphout and family who have moved from Brougham to the former Joe McCullough residence. The cubs and scouts ladies auxiliary will meet at the home of Mrs. Bob Hockley, April 2. All mothers are welcome. Recent dinner guests at

the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Timms were Mrs. Timms' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Malby of Malton, Mrs. Etta Boucher of New Liskard, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hill of Claremont.

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