

## Score Yourself On This Christmas Quiz

See how well you can score on the answers to questions about Christmas and its customs! Then check the answers:

- Research says that Christ's birthday occurred on:
  - December 25
  - an uncertain date
  - January 6
- Sending Christmas cards is a custom that started in:
  - Germany
  - England
  - the U.S.
- Hanging mistletoe is a custom that began:
  - in the 18th Century
  - in Scandinavia
  - among the ancient Druids
- Decorating a Christmas tree has its origin in:
  - Germany
  - Czechoslovakia
  - Norway
- The first people to set up a decorated Christmas tree in a public place were:
  - Portuguese
  - Flemish
  - Americans
- The custom of burning the Yule Log originated with:
  - the Vikings
  - the French
  - the Slavs
- The meaning of the word "carol" as used in England in the Middle Ages was:
  - dancing
  - singing
  - dancing in a circle while singing
- The use of the creche, or crib, as a Christmas symbol was introduced by:
  - the French
  - the Italians
  - the Swedes
- Exchanging gifts for Christmas was not practiced until:
  - 800 A.D.
  - the latter part of 19th Century
  - about 200 years ago
- The character of Santa Claus was first known as:
  - Father Christmas
  - St. Nicholas
  - Pere Noel

**ANSWERS**  
 1- b, 2- a, 3- c, 4- a, 5- c, 6- c, 7- c, 8- b, 9- c, 10- c

**SCORING**  
 8 or better gives you an A; 5 to 7 is average. Less than that — return one Christmas present!

### THE BEAN KING

In parts of France, Spain, and Mexico they still eat a special 12th Night cake, in which a single bean has been concealed. The finder of the bean is hailed as Bean King — a survival of an ancient pagan custom which chose the King of the Saturnalia by lot in this way.

### SWEDISH CROWN OF CANDLES

In Sweden, the Christmas season traditionally begins on December 13, when a young girl in each house assumes the role of St. Lucia, wearing a white robe and a crown of lighted candles. The custom goes back to Viking times when, under the old calendar, the night of December 12-13 was the longest of the year. The Lucia girl symbolizes returning light.

## Program for disabled may be discontinued

**STOUFFVILLE** — An extremely successful and worthwhile program for handicapped children and adults may have to be discontinued or severely limited if suitable premises cannot be found to accommodate its year-round activities.

The Community Association for Riding for the Disabled (C.A.R.D.) presently headquartered at L'Amitie Stables, conc. 5, Whitchurch-Stouffville, is faced with finding other facilities before Jan. 1.

Mrs. Helen Barker of the C.A.R.D. organization, in sending out an urgent S.O.S. for new premises, explains that 82 disabled persons participate in the program and 70 volunteers assist with the riding therapy sessions throughout the year.

In good weather, the lessons are held out-of-doors but an indoor arena, with adjoining warm lounge and toilet facilities, is also necessary, as well as adequate stabling for the Association's 8 horses.

The riding sessions are held each weekday morning and Saturday morning if possible. Monday evenings from 5:30 to 8:30.

The Association would prefer to relocate in the same approximate Markham-Stouffville area as many of its volunteers are from the

northern part of the city and Scarborough.

C.A.R.D. are anxious to hear from anyone willing to rent suitable accommodation that would ensure the continuance of its program. Mrs. Helen Barker may be contacted at 225-0294 or Mrs. Gwynne Rooke, at 640-4809.

## Fined \$300 for impaired driving

**STOUFFVILLE** — A 21 year old Stouffville motorist was fined \$300 for driving while impaired and refusing a breathalyzer test, when he appeared in Provincial Court, Newmarket, Nov. 27.

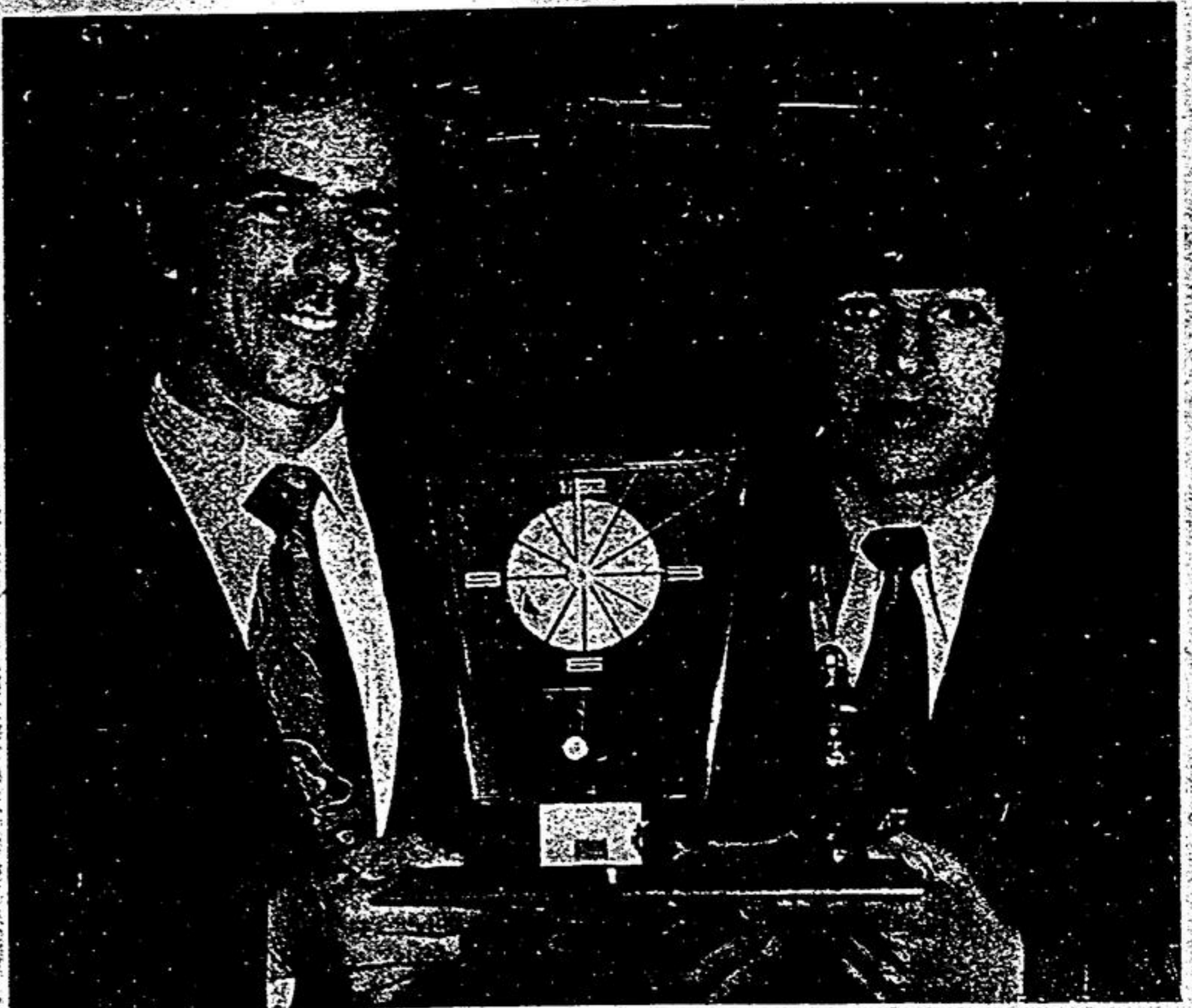
James Robert Meakes, Manitoba Street, entered a plea of guilty. Crown Attorney Geller in summarizing the evidence, told how Meakes had driven his car so close to a police

officer, it left a smear of paint on his trouser leg and spun the constable around.

Before being stopped, the accused narrowly missed the cruiser, evidence revealed.

The incident occurred on Main Street in Stouffville.

Prior to passing sentence, Judge Russell Pearse stressed the need for penalties that served as a deterrent to such crimes.



**Mount Albert exhibitor receives Cyanamid award**

Harold Smalley (right), R. R. 3, Mt. Albert, had the top exhibit in roots and vegetables at Markham Fair this year. At the Awards' Banquet, Friday, he received this

prize from Cyanamid of Canada Limited. Carman Boudway, a Fair director, R. R. 3, Mt. Albert, made the presentation. —Jim Thomas.

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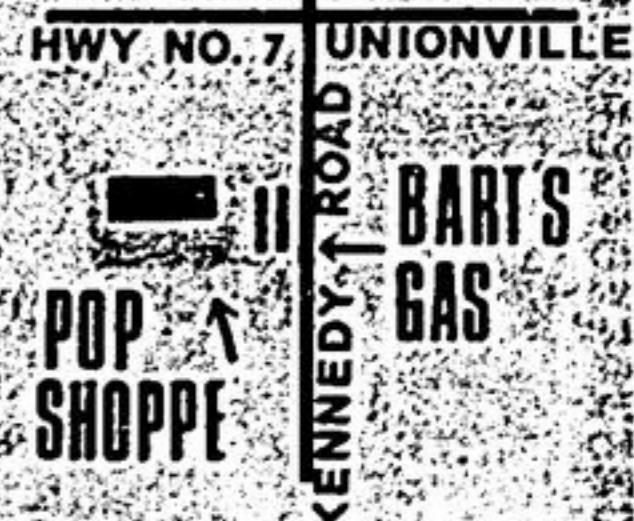
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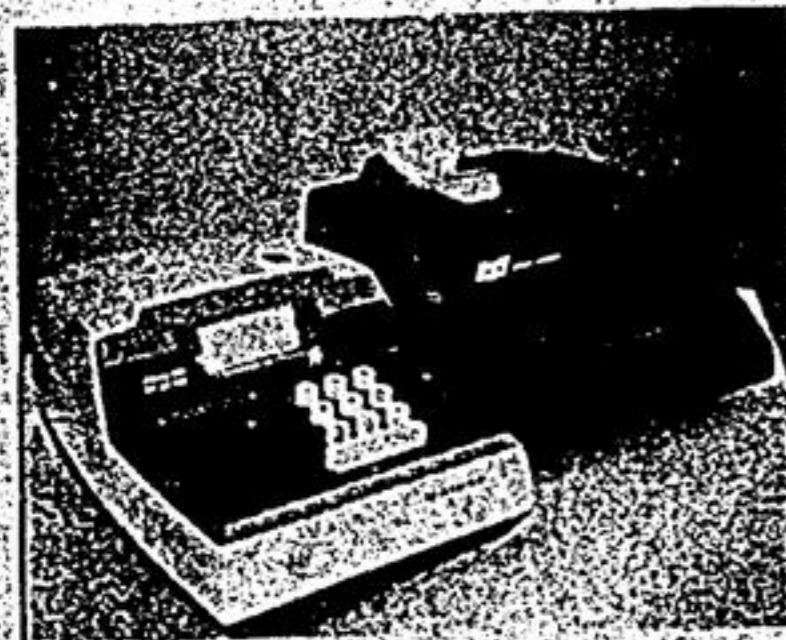


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