

Letters to the editor

Reader says some rural houses good

Dear Sir:
In reference to the letter in The Tribune (Dec. 5, page 19) to the citizens of Whitchurch-Stouffville in regard to Estate Residential. I live on the 5th conc. above Rolling Hills Golf Course and each day I drive this road and many others in the area and thoroughly admire the homes that the lucky people with the money own, but at the same time they seem to be the ones who go against any new type of development. Why?
What about the other citizens of Whitchurch-Stouffville. The ones that do the dreaming about someday owning their own homes. These people are too numerous to estimate. Is there not room in this spacious community to give even a numbered few a chance to enjoy their own home?

I'm not talking about massive development. Nobody wants that. For example drive into the Ballantrae subdivision and see for yourself the time and patience those people have put into their homes. Is that anything to condemn? Surely not.

Estate Residential in moderate and planned stages can only be development towards a better and richer community. Remember we are going into 1975. Let's get into the future.

W. L. WALLACE
RR4 Stouffville.

Editors note: This letter was sent to Mayor Gordon Ratcliff and was forwarded by him to The Tribune.

Teacher feels school neglected

Dear Sir:
I am a teacher at Whitchurch Highlands and recently our school, for the first time, took great pride in entering a float in the Stouffville Santa Claus Parade. The students themselves designed and built the float with a great deal of enthusiasm and hard work. ("The Christmas Bug - One bite and you'll love the season" theme)

In addition to the float several students marched as clowns and cheerleaders. A few even brought horses from some distance to accompany the float on its travels down Main Street.

The Christmas spirit reached its climax when the parade commenced, but unfortunately that spirit was quickly dampened. The first piece of negative rapport began as we reached the centre of town. The announcer candidly introduced our float to the crowd of happy faces with a message that I strongly feel was uncalled for and discriminatory. "This is the float from Whitchurch Highlands, certainly not one of Stouffville's finest."

The students heard it too and although its intent is open to interpretation, the children felt the pain of ridicule and condemnation at that particular time.

Their disillusionment, disenchantment, and disappointment were re-echoed again, when the Tribune issued its post Santa Claus Parade newspaper.

Many wonderful pictures and words

recorded the gaiety of the occasion. Although not all of the organizations that took part were mentioned, every school that took part was all that is except for Whitchurch Highlands Public School.

The children from our school did not merit a single word - a fact that I find incredible. I realize that our school because of its geographic location (Bloomington and the Fifth) has difficulty establishing an identity with any particular town, but the fact remains that we have many children and their parents who regard Stouffville as their home.

As a teacher who has taught in Stouffville, and now at Highlands, I feel that it is a pity that a child might consider their school, the centre of their life during their developing years, unworthy of a kind remark, or at a deeper level, social integration itself.

DAVID PAYNE
RR Stouffville

This policeman was very helpful

Dear Sir:
My brother was killed on Highway No. 7 Tuesday, Nov. 12, 1974. The officer in charge at the accident was P. C. Wm. Muldoon of the O.P.P. Whitby Detachment.

Our Metro Toronto Police are presently under fire for known brutality and acting unwisely while on duty.

I would like the public to know that Officer Muldoon went beyond the call of duty in demonstrating concern, kindness and sympathy and is to be commended as an officer with "a heart".

JOHN CLARKE
Agincourt.

Santa asks people to drive carefully

Dear Sir:
Every year, my job in Canada becomes a little bit harder, in spite of - or perhaps because of - our vast technological achievements.

You see, each year, I receive a larger number of heartbreaking letters from young folk who say they could manage without Christmas presents if only I could send Daddy back. My research shows that Daddy was in a fatal traffic accident, and it is very hard for a little one to understand how it is Daddy can go off to work, fishing, shopping etc. right as rain, but never come back.

Through the pages of your paper, may I ask for the help of all the drivers in your coverage area? We have just come through Safe Driving Week in Canada, and everybody has seen a barrage of safety messages. Please remember them, not only through the hustle and bustle of this holiday season, but all through 1975.

Then, I will be better able to concentrate on finding the kind of gifts that make up the more routine requests from our children. Let's have no more sad, desperate faces at Christmas time.

Wishing you and yours a very merry and safe Christmas!

Ho Ho Ho,
Santa Claus.



We wish you a very Merry Christmas

In the hearty, happy spirit of a real old-fashioned Christmas we wish for you and your family a holiday season warm and bright with good cheer and good fellowship. To you and to our countless friends throughout this area, we extend our most sincere appreciation.

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Fancy Peas
2-LB. BAG **85¢**

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48-FL. OZ. TIN **39¢**

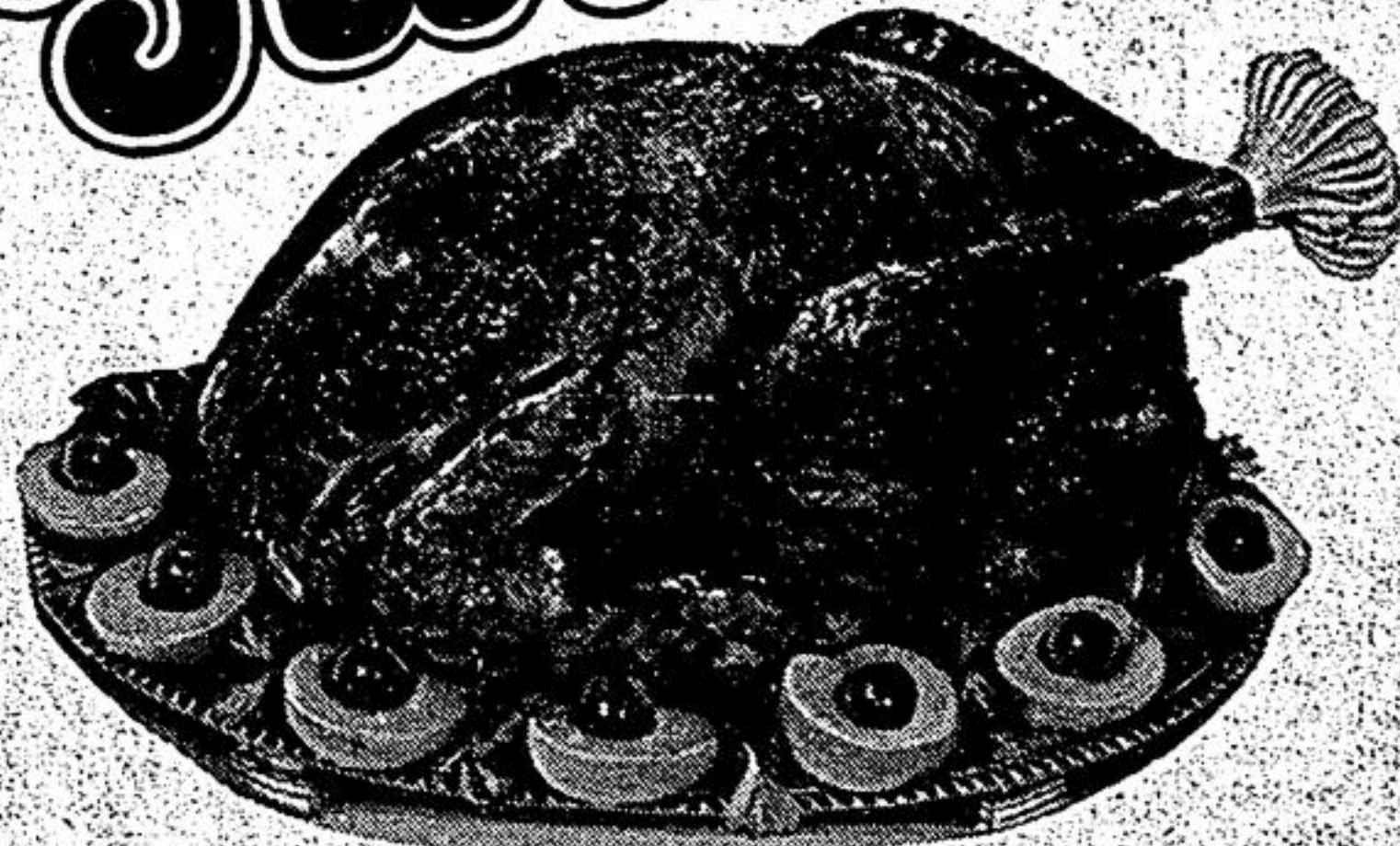
Swifts
Canned Ham
1½ LB. **\$2.79**

EVAPORATED
Garnation Milk
16-OZ. TIN **27¢**

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Soft Margarine
1-LB. TUB **59¢**

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