

# White Gift Service

By Mildred McTaggart GREENWOOD — The annual White Gift service at Greenwood Church, will be held Dec. 14 at 9:45 a.m. The Sunday school children will present a pageant, *The Innkeeper's Story*. The hour for the Christmas Eve Eucharist in the church, has been changed from 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., to accommodate the Mount Zion Children's Choir. Mrs. Grant Carson will direct the chorus.

Guests with Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Pegg, Sunday, were Betty Pegg's father, Harold McPhail, Toronto, who just turned 88, and Mrs. McPhail; an uncle, Gordon McPhail, 86, of Campbellville; and an aunt, Mrs. Colin McPhail, Burlington.

William Brown, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Grant Carson, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Verne, and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Pegg, were guests at a pre-Christmas dinner, last week, at the Claremont Conservatory Field Centre.

Mrs. Ray Griffin was released from Oshawa Hospital, Tuesday. After a few days with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Robert Melrose, Whitby, she has returned home.

This year, Santa is bringing Mrs. Santa to the Christmas party, sponsored by the Parks Board, at the Community Centre, Dec. 18 at 7:45 p.m.

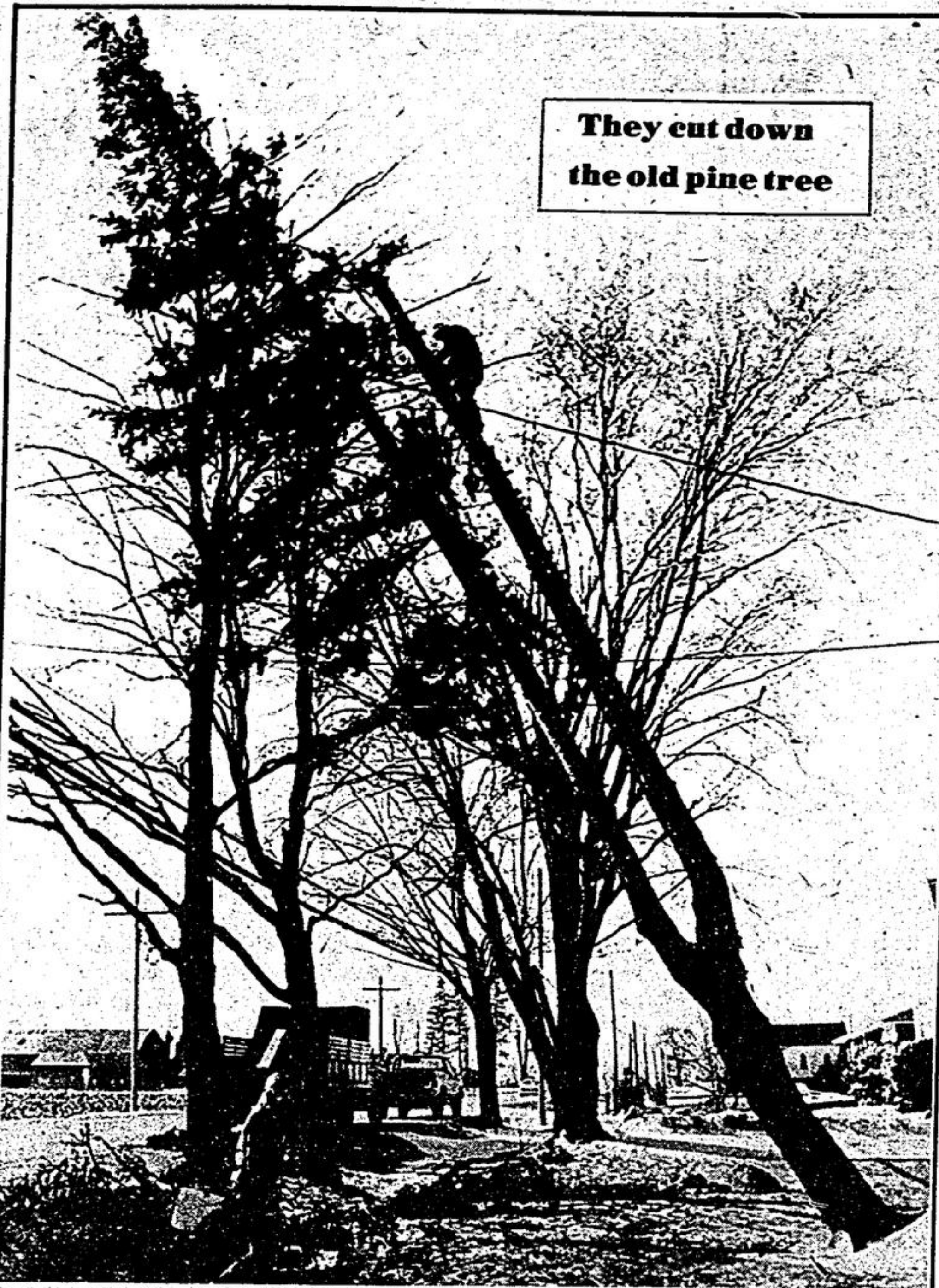
A concert will be presented at Valleyview School, Dec. 16 at 7:30 p.m., by the children from Kindergarten to Grade 4. Children from Grade 5 to 8, will perform the following night at 7:30.

Mrs. Olive Robertson enjoyed dinner Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Ken Robertson and family, Ajax.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Beach have returned from a two-week holiday in Florida.

## 'Open House'

The Silver Jubilee Club hosted a very successful "open house", Saturday, following the Santa Claus Parade. The executive is appreciative of "the families on O'Brien Avenue" who assisted with the lunch and entertainment; to McNeil Laboratories who provided the tea, coffee and hot chocolate; to club members who did the serving and the Kitchen Band for their Christmas music. Harold Catton's electric train and miniature village attracted much attention. Close to 150 attended.



They cut down the old pine tree

High winds, last week, placed a tree at a precarious angle near the home of Larry and Lana Black, west of Hwy. 48 at Ringwood. For a time, telephone lines were threatened until workmen from a private company in Scarborough had it removed. Jim Holt

## Goodwood Baptist

### Church concert

By Elsie Boland — The annual Baptist Church Christmas Concert is Sunday, Dec. 14 at 7 p.m. The community extends congratulations to newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Van Bell (Jean Redshaw), married recently in Claremont United Church.

The Couples Club is holding its Christmas dinner and dance this Saturday in the Hall. Goodwood Women's Institute held its Christmas program and pot-luck dinner, Dec. 8.

Officers for the 1981 were elected when the Goodwood U.C.W. met at the home of Elva Symes, Dec. 3.

A dinner and dance sponsored by the C.B. Club, Saturday evening proved a big success.

### Begin new term

YORK REGION — The inaugural meeting of the York Region Roman Catholic Separate School Board will be held on Tues., Dec. 16 at 8:30 p.m. in the Education Centre Board Room, Richmond Hill.

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## Victorian Christmas

# "They came from all over"

VANDORF — A Victorian Christmas Tea Party at Whitechurch-

Stouffville Museum in Vandorf, last week, was unique in more ways than one.

### Still active

Harry Johnson and son Les were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jarvis, Baker Avenue. Mr. Johnson Sr., formerly of Markham, enjoys excellent health. He'll be 92 on Jan. 18.

Not only did it raise close to \$460, but it introduced the museum to the people of Stouffville. At least, that's what curator, Mary Hopkins, says.

"They came from all over," she said, "but I was particularly happy to see people from Stouffville."

The all-day party - 2 to 9 p.m., was the first of its kind for the museum, but it probably won't be the last. Except for a brief pause at one point, the "tea room" was never empty, and the whole thing was a "great success," the curator said.

"Every year we

pledge a certain amount to our budget," she said. "Government grants are gradually drying up, so we have to get a bit innovative. With that in mind, we came up with this."

"It's very pleasing to go out on a limb," Mary Hopkins said. "The volunteers pretty well handled everything. It was their idea."

Besides the tea and cookies, and home baked goods, they also sold Christmas decorations which, as with everything else but the tea and coffee, had been donated.

Any new projects coming up?

"Yes, I'm going on holidays," Mary said. "The museum will be closed from Dec. 15 to Jan. 5."

### Fun night

Stouffville folks are assured of a fun evening, Saturday, when the Mt. Zion community hosts a pre-Christmas dance in the former schoolhouse. Music will be provided by Frank Barkey with lots to eat. Admission is \$5 a couple.



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