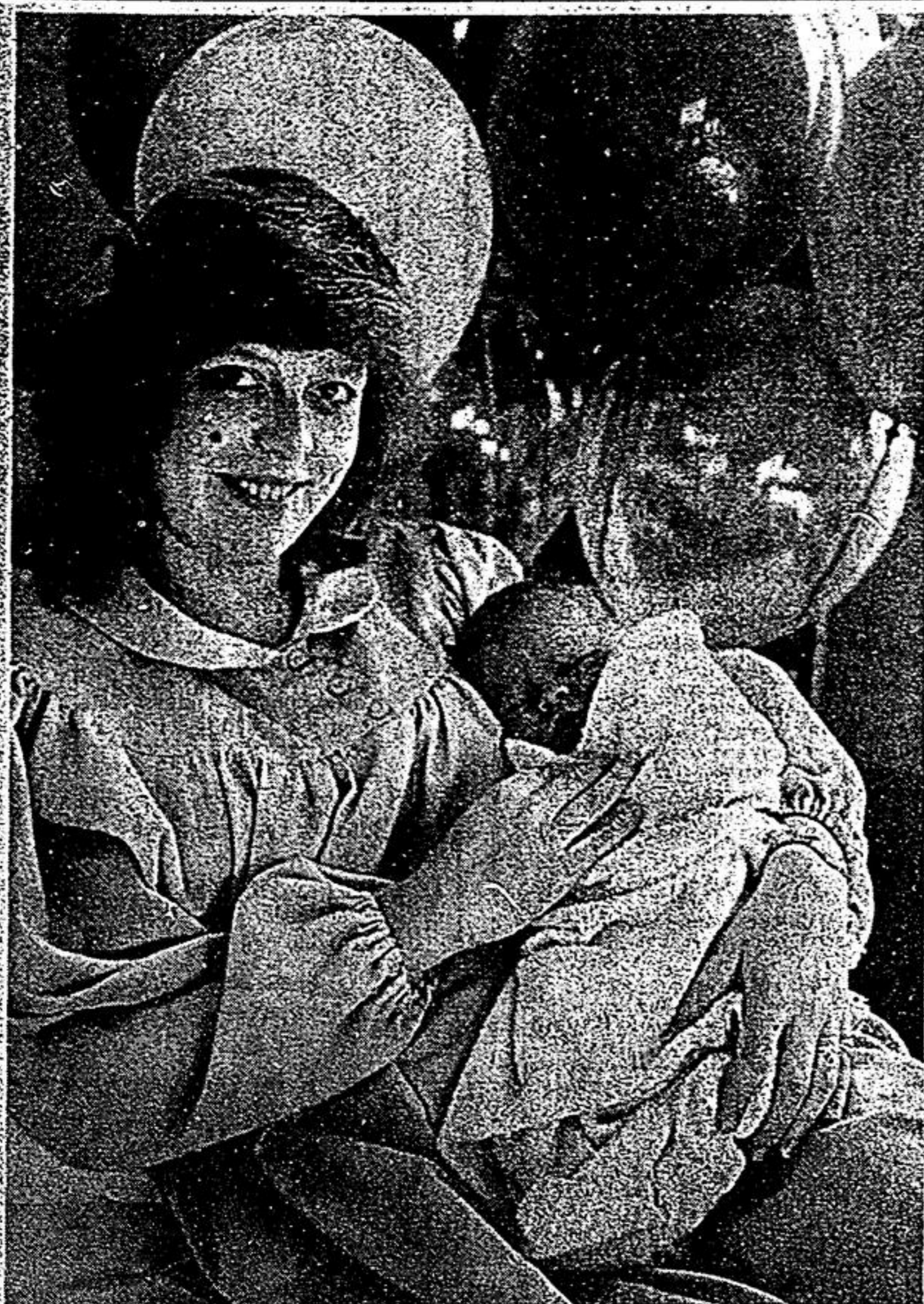


New Year's baby



Early arrival at Uxbridge Cottage Hospital

The new year was welcomed in a big way at Uxbridge Cottage Hospital. Judy Saunders gave birth to a bouncing baby girl, Emily, at 2:44 a.m. Jan. 1. The happy mother and child are pictured here with an appropriate balloon background. Judy and proud father Chris Saunders reside at Wagner's Lake, Uxbridge Twp. —Chris Shanahan

Hamlet residents await water study findings

CLAREMONT — The availability of new provincial grants for municipal services may alter plans for replacing polluted well systems in Claremont.

However, Pickering Regional Councillor Norah Stoner said the grants' impact here won't be determined until a government report is finalized.

"If (the grant announcement) may put a different light on it," Councillor Stoner told The Tribune, adding that nothing can be done until it's decided whether private replacement wells or a communal water system is best for Claremont.

A study, conducted by Simcoe Engineering Limited of Pickering to identify the hamlet's best alternative water supply, is expected by the end of January. These findings will first be reviewed by the Ministry of Environment and other involved agencies, then made public sometime in February.

In order to solve the problem of the high cost of providing water and sewage services in small municipalities, Ministry of Environment grants will be fixed at a maximum 85 per cent in communities

with a population of less than 1,000.

The Ministry will also make additional funds available to assist in the construction of water and sewage works in certain small communities within regional municipalities, according to a news release dated Nov. 19, 1984. Where funding levels were previously limited to 15 per cent for major facilities, grants of up to 60 per cent now will be provided for local water and sewer ser-

vices conditional on the regional municipality's contribution of 25 per cent of the project cost.

Councillor Stoner said it's her understanding that financing will only be provided for the solution the Ministry perceives is the most economical to the province, be it a communal system or repairs to individual wells.

She's concerned that delays in determining a water solution are, in turn, delaying the decision-

making process.

"The fact this decision is taking so long is holding us back," she said. "And the regional councillor also believes hamlet improvements such as the planned reconstruction of the 9th Conc. will remain on hold until a water solution is implemented.

"Until then we can't design a road," she said. "We won't know whether to lay water pipes under-

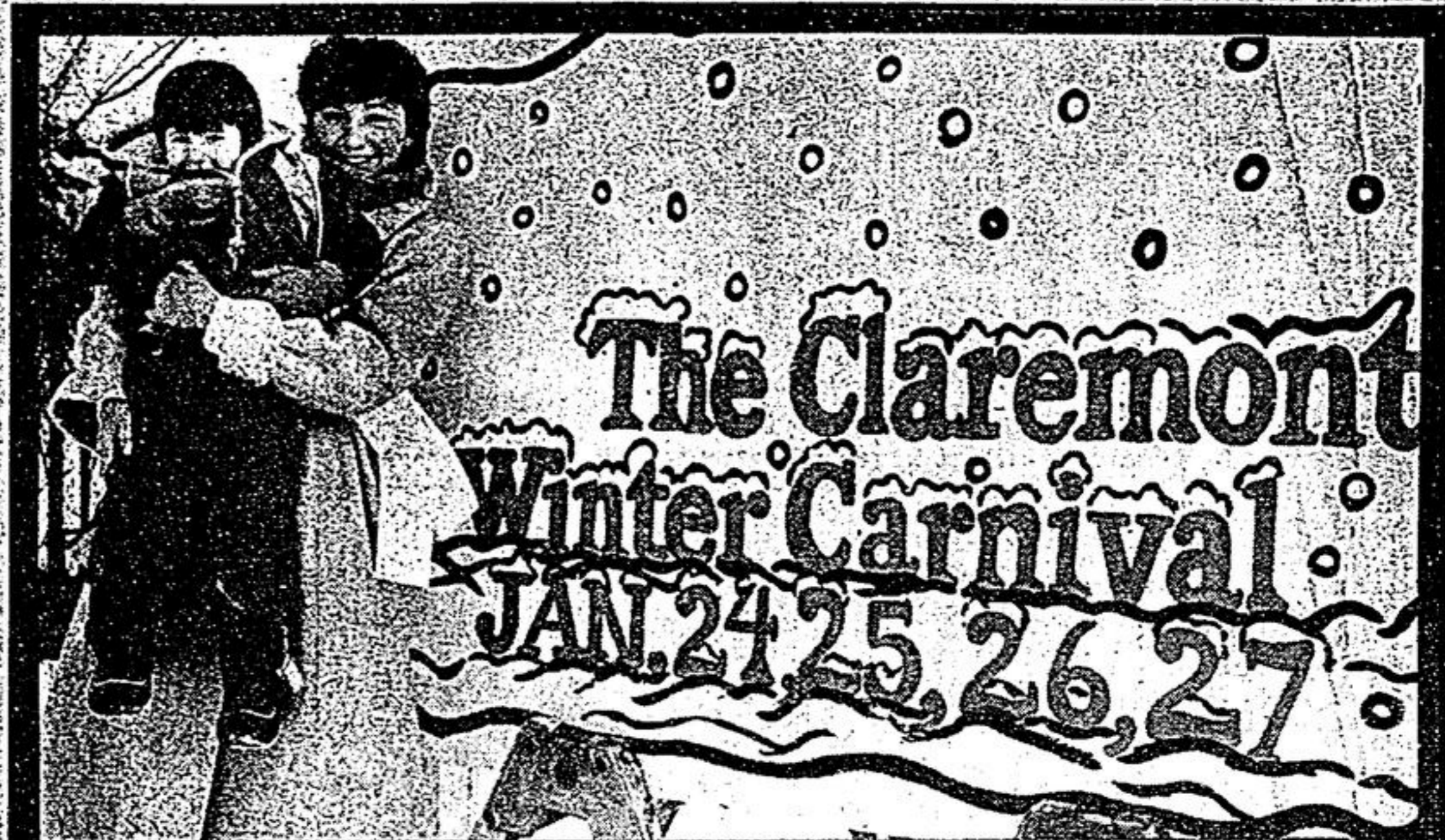
neath the road, or

what to do." In a Dec. 11 letter to ratepayer Lorne Almack, R.R. 1, Claremont Councillor Stoner said this latest announcement (the province's increased grant for water systems) has thrown a spanner in the works as far as the Regional reconstruction of the 9th Conc. through the hamlet being budgeted for design in 1985. Until we know what the Ministry of Environment is going

to do with the water, we cannot plan the roads."

Other projects supported by members of the Claremont and District Community Association include drainage improvements and the installation of sidewalks.

A draft study, prepared by Simcoe Engineering in 1983, indicated that a high percentage of Claremont's well systems are unsatisfactory.



...for a photo session promoting this year's winter carnival. The sign says 'It's set for Jan. 24, 25, 26, 27'.

Claremont Winter Carnival now in spotlight big celebration

The Claremont Winter Carnival is now in the spotlight as a big celebration. The carnival, which runs from Jan. 24 to 27, will feature a variety of activities including ice skating, snow tubing, and a snow machine. The carnival is being held at the Queen's Park grounds in Claremont.

The carnival is being organized by the Claremont Community Association. The association is a group of volunteers who work to improve the quality of life in the hamlet. The carnival is one of their many projects.

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Durham West 4-H Clubs

Plan active year in 1985

UXBRIDGE — A total of 68 clubs offered 13 different 4-H projects in Durham West during 1984.

The programs were beef, dairy, swine, veterinary science, senior dairy management, field crops, farm machinery, youth leader, horticulture, fitness fare,

quilting, computer and personal finance.

A membership of 306 completed 487 4-H projects last year. The average age of young people enrolled in the Durham West 4-H program was 14.4, while the average length of membership was 2.84 years.

The clubs were

led by 81 enthusiastic and dedicated volunteers.

In 1985, the 4-H program will kick off with the Brooklin Veterinary Science Club organizational meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 9. It will be held at the Brooklin Veterinary Hospital starting at 7:30 p.m.

Beginning in February, a 4-H

Basic Baking project will be offered here, with others to follow throughout the year.

The 4-H program offers an excellent opportunity for young people to make new friends and develop leadership skills and self-confidence.

Participants, between the ages of 12

and 21, also practice the 4-H motto "Learn To Do By Doing."

For more information contact Andy Stokman, at the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food office, 16 Bascom Street, P.O. Box 309, Uxbridge, LOC 1K0. Phone is 852-3328.

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Charge drivers

UXBRIDGE — Durham Regional Police at 26 Division, Uxbridge, charged a total of seven motorists with impaired driving offences during the holiday season.

The offences occurred in Uxbridge, Port Perry and Sunderland, police said.

There was no full-scale spot check program in these primarily rural areas, a police

spokesman noted, although the force was on the lookout for instances of drinking and driving.

A report compiled by the Canada Safety Council indicates that alcohol plays a part in 45 per cent of all driving deaths.

Celebrates 104th year

PICKERING — Well-known Pickering resident William T. Heron will celebrate his 104th birthday on Tuesday, Jan. 15.

A special party has been arranged to mark the occasion. It will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. at Village Retirement Centre, 1955 Valley Farm Road.

A life-long farmer, Mr. Heron worked an acreage which now comprises the Town of Ajax. He originally farmed at West Hill.

His many friends in the Stouffville area are invited to attend the birthday celebration.

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Driver fined in collision

UXBRIDGE — Gary Herrema, an Uxbridge man, has been fined \$500 for dangerous driving following a two-vehicle collision on Brock Road back on Aug. 16, when it

global chairman forced two south-bound cars to swerve out of the way, provincial court was told.

The second south-bound vehicle then veered across the road's dividing line when the driver lost control. It struck Mr. Herrema's north-bound car head-on.

Mr. Ogar, 29, continued driving to his home where he was later arrested by Durham Regional Police. He explained to officers that he failed to stop because he didn't realize there'd been an accident.

Mr. Herrema was heading to his Uxbridge Twp. dairy farm at the time of the mishap, which occurred near Brougham.

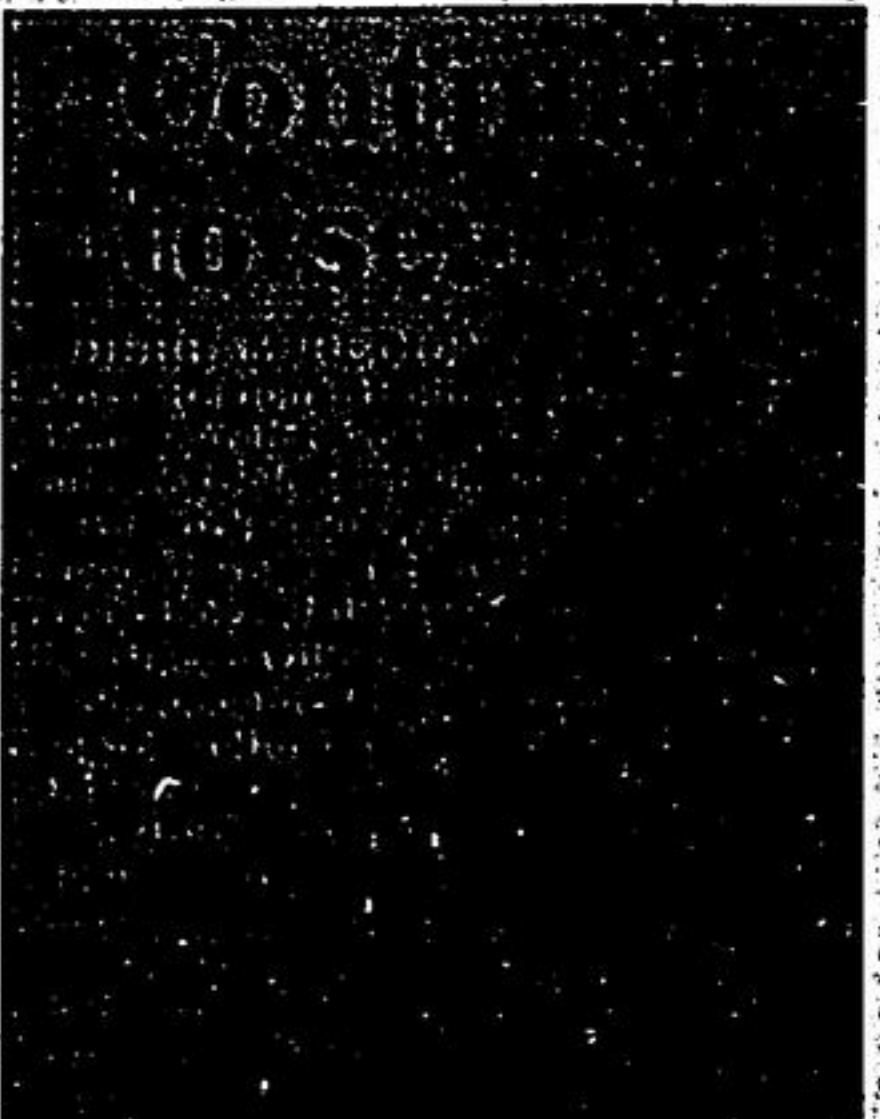
Damage to the vehicles totalled about \$10,000. There were no injuries.

Judge Norman Edmondson said he imposed the maximum monetary penalty for the Traffic Act offence to demonstrate to you (Mr. Ogar) and others the enormous responsibility motorists have (when they are behind the wheel).

The conviction also carries an automatic driving suspension of at least three months.

Mr. Ogar had pleaded not guilty to dangerous driving. A second charge of failing to remain at the scene of an accident was stayed.

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