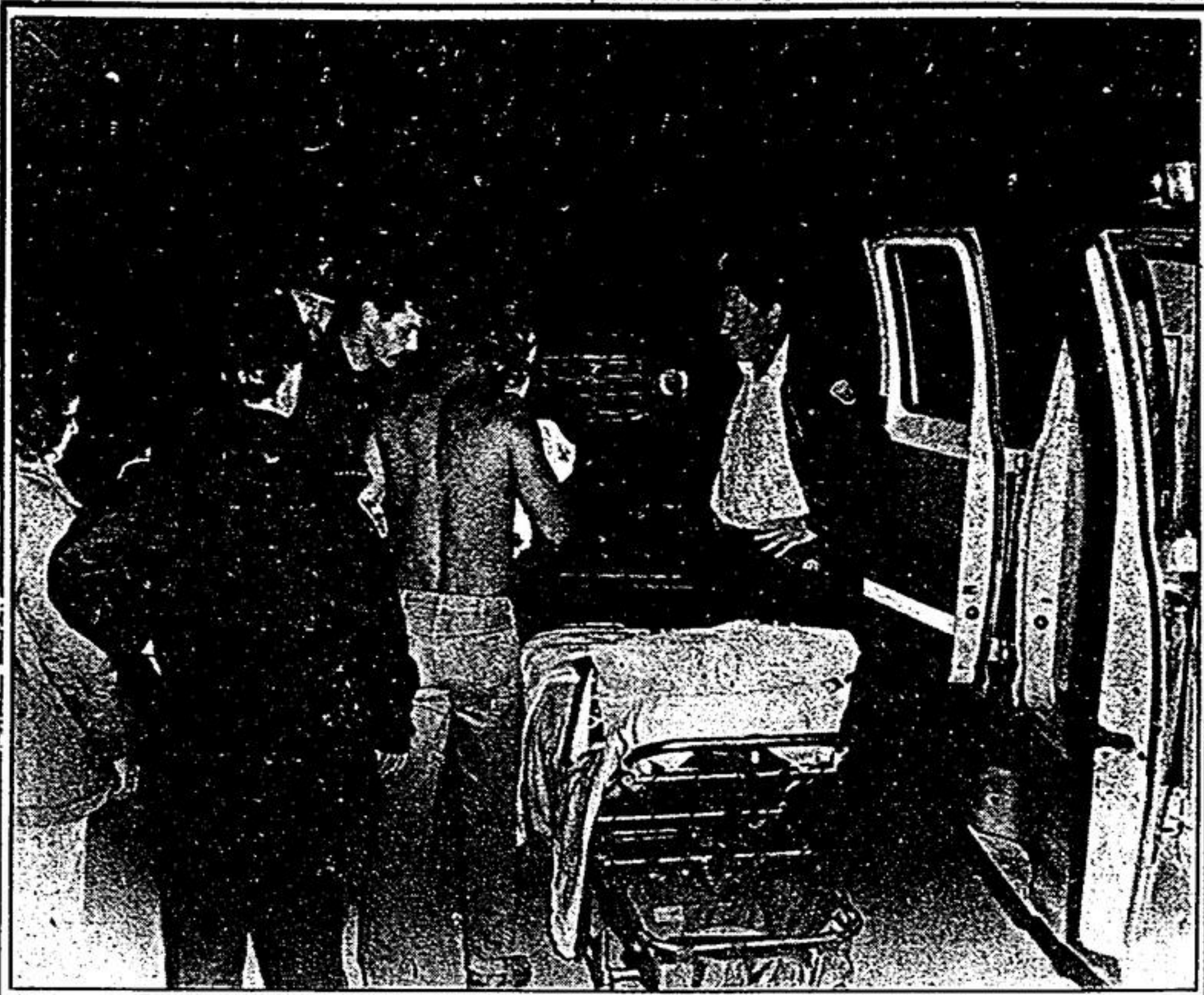


Church flies high

By EVELYN MILSTED
GORMLEY — It was a Balloonera Sunday, Oct. 16 at the Gormley Missionary Church. Following the morning service, hundreds of balloons were released, each containing the church name and address. The congregation is looking forward to hearing back from friends far afield.

Mr. and Mrs. Geoff Campey of England and formerly of Gormley, renewed acquaintances with friends in the community recently. Jean Brillinger is recuperating at St. John's Convalescent Hospital, Willowdale, following three weeks spent in York Central Hospital, Richmond Hill. Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Winger of Listowel, visited with grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bennett, Sunday. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ted Boake, (Joanne Steckley), on the arrival of their daughter, Oct. 14. Two busloads of people from

the Gormley area enjoyed a 5-day trip into the Amish country of Pennsylvania, a tour sponsored by the Bethesda Women's Institute. Mr. and Mrs. Ron Elliott have moved into their new home in the Gormley triangle. Irene Olszewski is again a patient in Scarborough Centenary Hospital. The Gormley Women's Institute will meet Oct. 26 at 2 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Erma Brown.



Driver strips for race from police

A 28-year-old Oshawa area motorist 'strips for action' before taking off down Durham Road 30 following a single-vehicle accident at Island Lake, Friday. Douglas Prentice was soon corralled by police and placed in a waiting ambulance. He's charged with driving while impaired.

—Jim Thomas

Editor's Mail

'Don't like buying a pig in a poke'

Dear Editor:
 As the election day draws nearer and nearer, it would appear that at the moment the various opinion polls favor a Conservative victory. A majority of seats would mean the Free Trade Agreement would be fully implemented in spite of the majority of voters who are against it. As I mentioned in a previous letter on this subject, this is happening by a splitting of the vote between two opposition parties, thereby allowing the minority vote to win the day.

A plebiscite would have been a far more accurate way of solving the issue. Apart from this, I maintain that a vast majority of the Canadian people have never read the text of the agreement or had it explained to them. As such, how can they know the ramifications of the deal and what it will lead to in the years ahead? When somebody is asked to sign a legal document which affects them personally, they don't just put their name to it without reading it first.

This is what we are doing. We would be giving a blank cheque to the government, not knowing what the amount is going to be. Little did I think more than 30 years ago when I came to this country that sometime in the future I would become an American citizen in all but name. I know one thing is sure. If the Americans did not think they were getting the better deal they would never have approved this agreement. I certainly don't like buying a pig in a poke. Adam Johnstone R.R. 1, Stouffville

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