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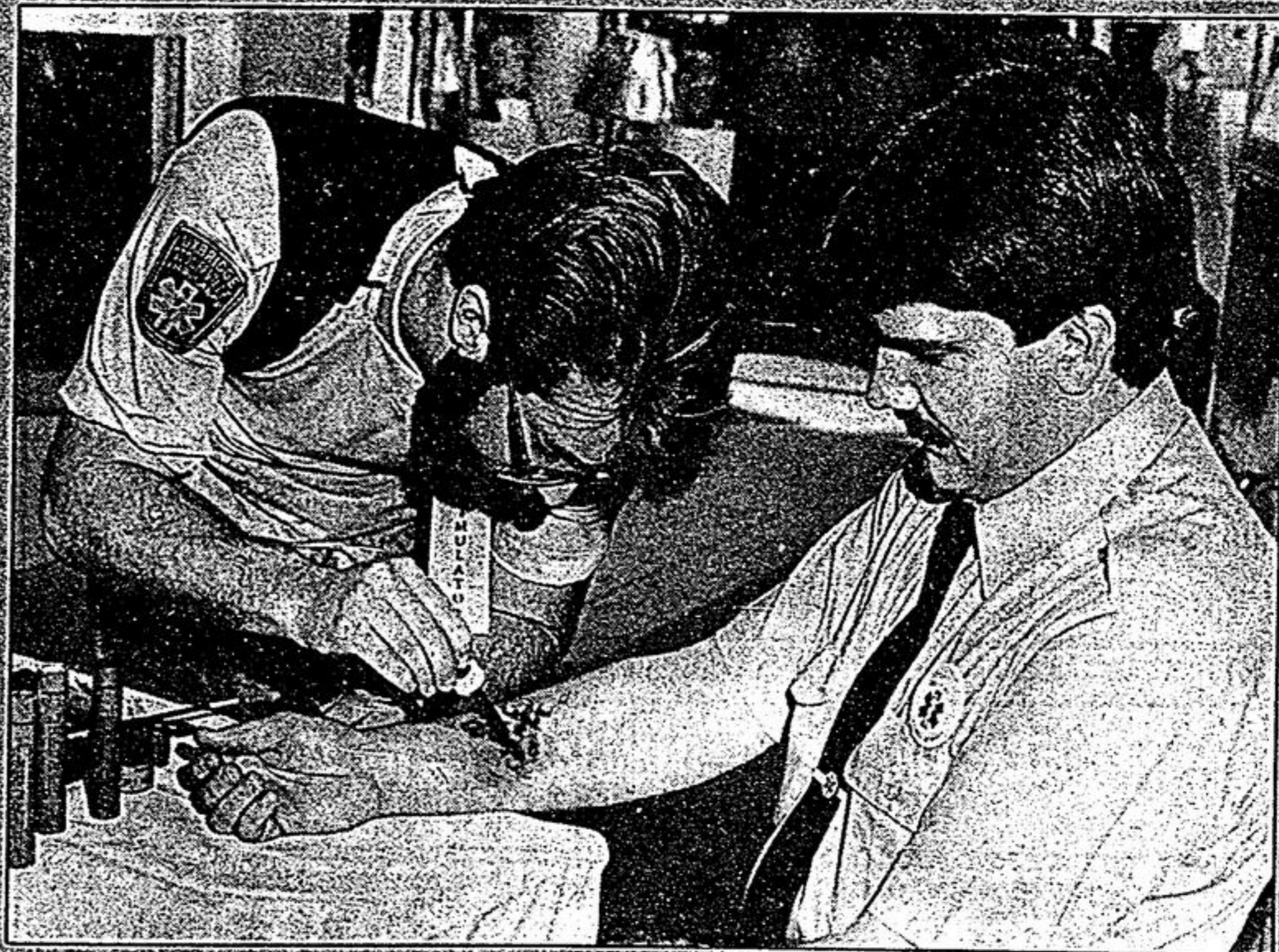
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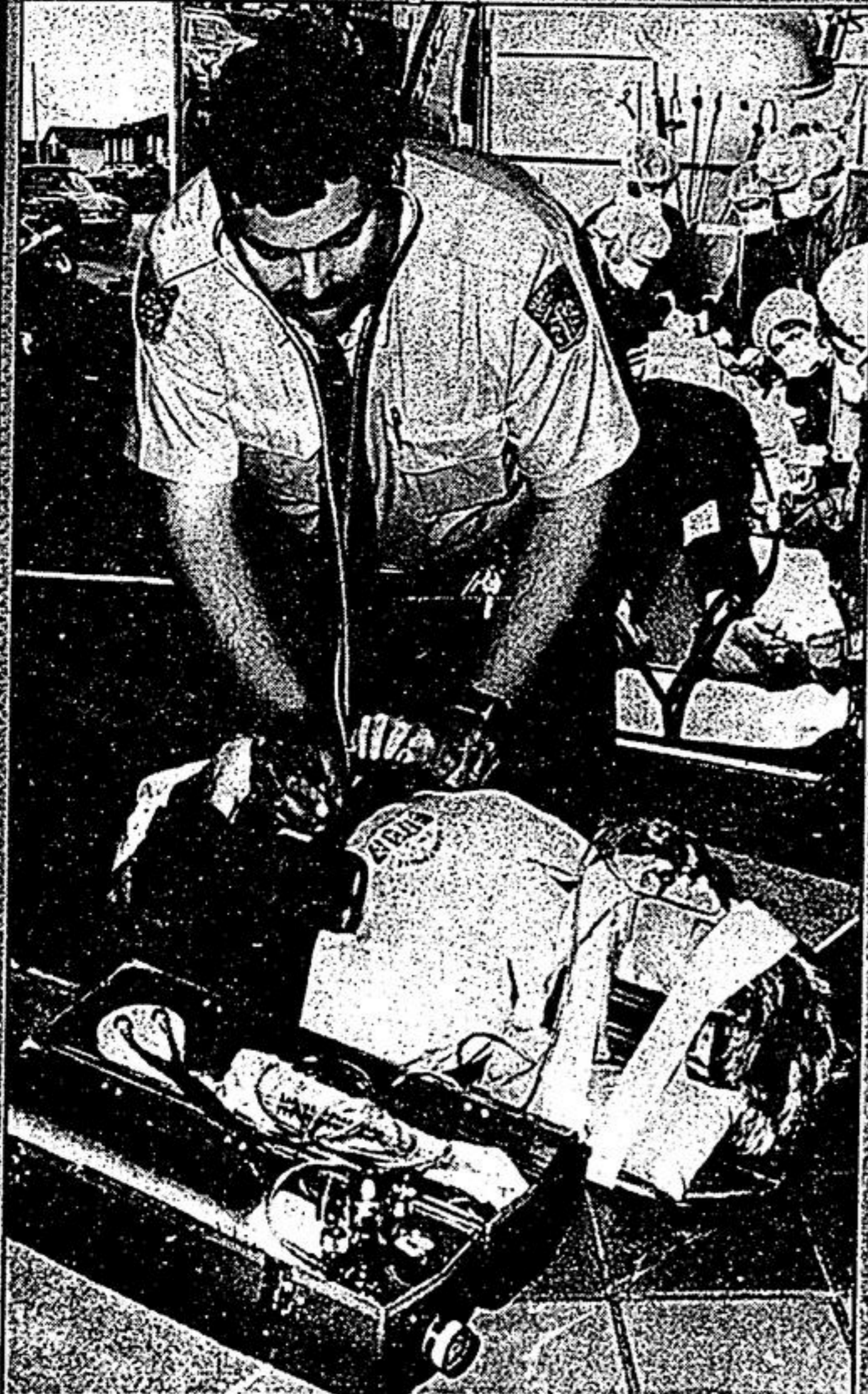
Ambulance staff come to Stouffville's rescue



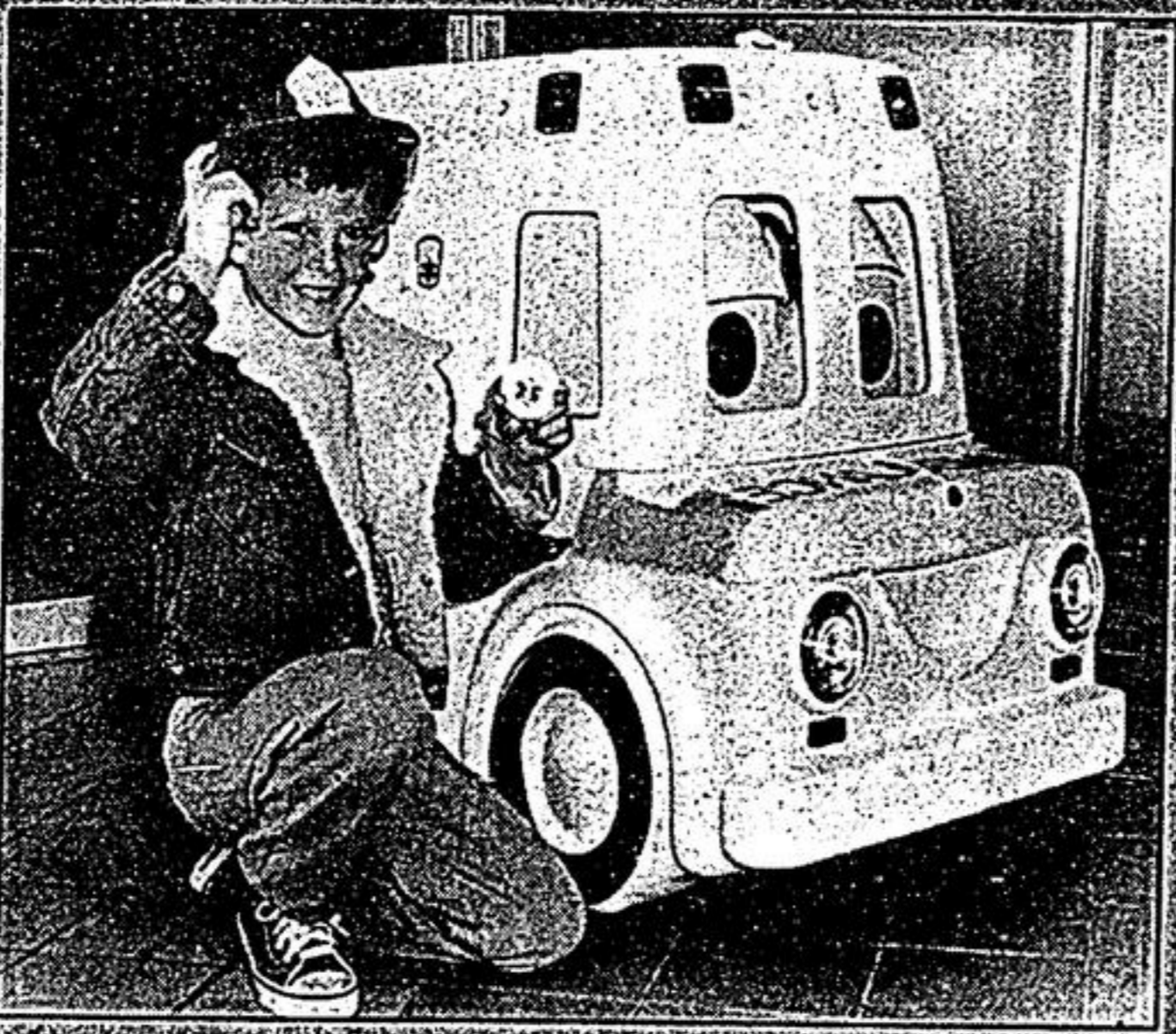
Budding pilot Cameron Holden, 4, of Tindale Rd., Stouffville, donned flying gear on the weekend while checking out the Bandage I air ambulance at Stouffville Place Mall. The helicopter was being displayed at a demonstration staged by members

of Uxbridge Stouffville Ambulance Services. Various aspects of ambulance services were on hand in displays and demonstrations from Thursday to Saturday at the mall. Medic Steve Deuchars showed young Cameron the ropes.

A simulated injury on "patient" John Murray (right) is attended by ambulance crew member Alex Backal at the event, organized by Uxbridge Stouffville Ambulance Manager Peter Carell and Stouffville Place Mall Publicity Co-ordinator Lina Visconti. A number of situations similar to this are handled by members of Uxbridge Stouffville Ambulance daily.

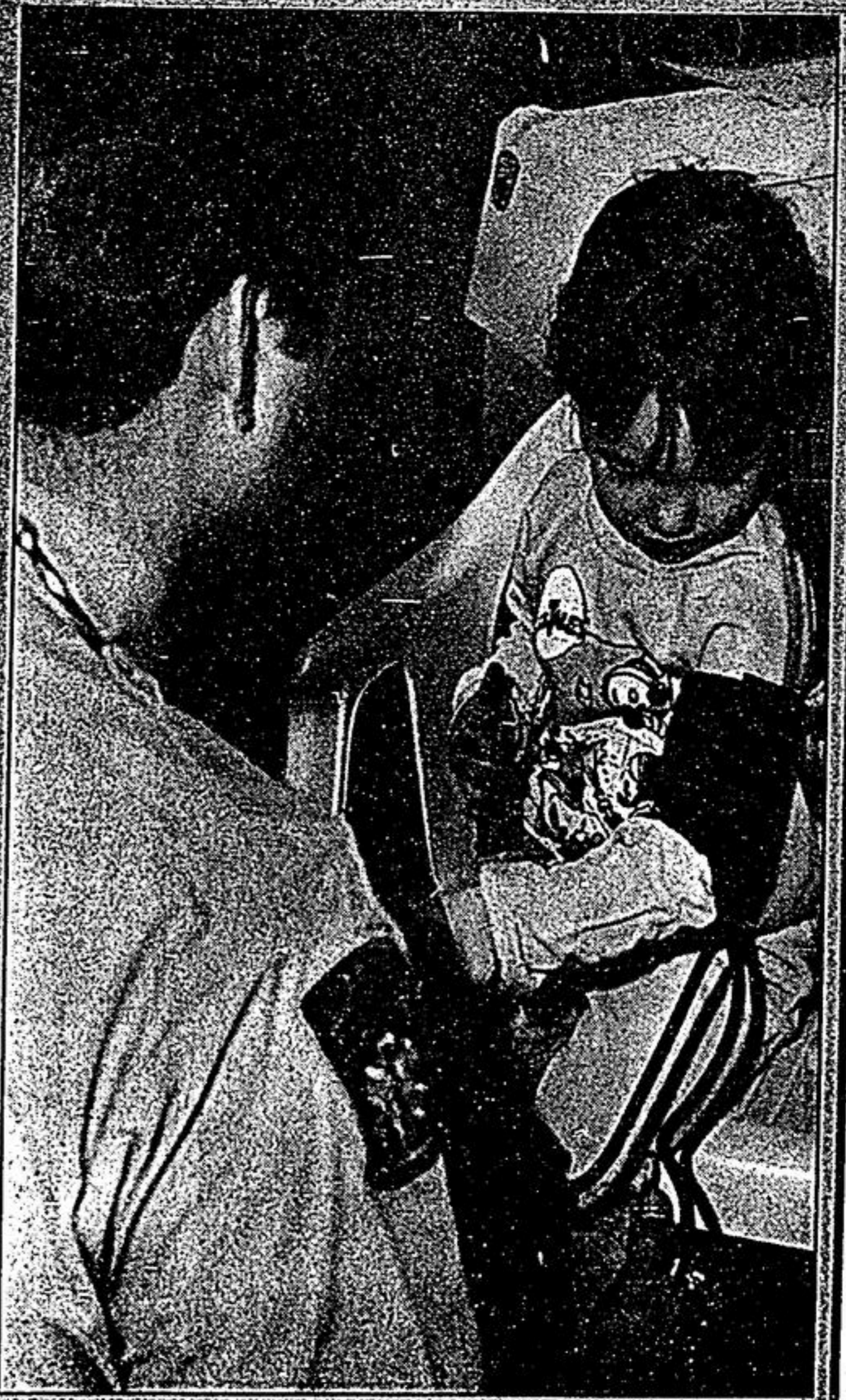


Ambulance attendant Douglas Bird demonstrates how a patient is evaluated after an accident. Here, he works on a doll to illustrate the steps taken in emergency situations by ambulance personnel. With the victim's head secured to prevent potential spinal cord damage, Mr. Bird checks for a steady heartbeat.



Phillip McComiskey, 7, has made a friend in Andy the Ambulance, the mascot of the local ambulance service. With his fire chief's hat on, Phillip illustrates how police, fire and ambulance services combine to make the best of preventing and dealing with accident situations.

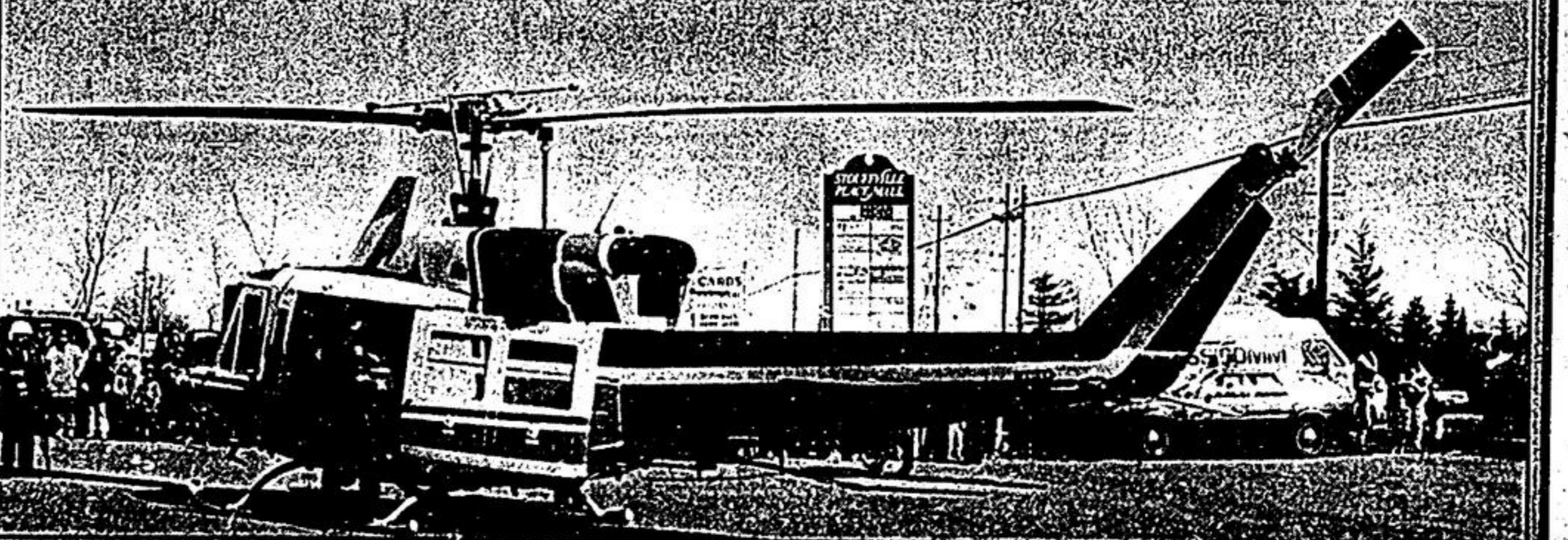
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Christina Davis, 3, has her blood pressure checked at the demonstration. Christina, a Manitoba St. resident, was one of many children who turned out to learn more about services offered by the Uxbridge Stouffville Ambulance service.



Ambulance attendant Paul Backal checks a simulated air ambulance patient. The Bandage I air ambulance is a 262 mm. long, 100 cm. wide, 175 cm. high, and weighs 1,100 lbs.



The air ambulance arrived in the mid 1970s to the west to help with emergency care at night and in remote areas with no other medical treatment nearby. The ambulance, which is used in Markham's Buttonville Airport, is called Bandage I. It holds two patients and travels at a top speed of 125 mph. The pilot during this demonstration was Simon Morton.

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