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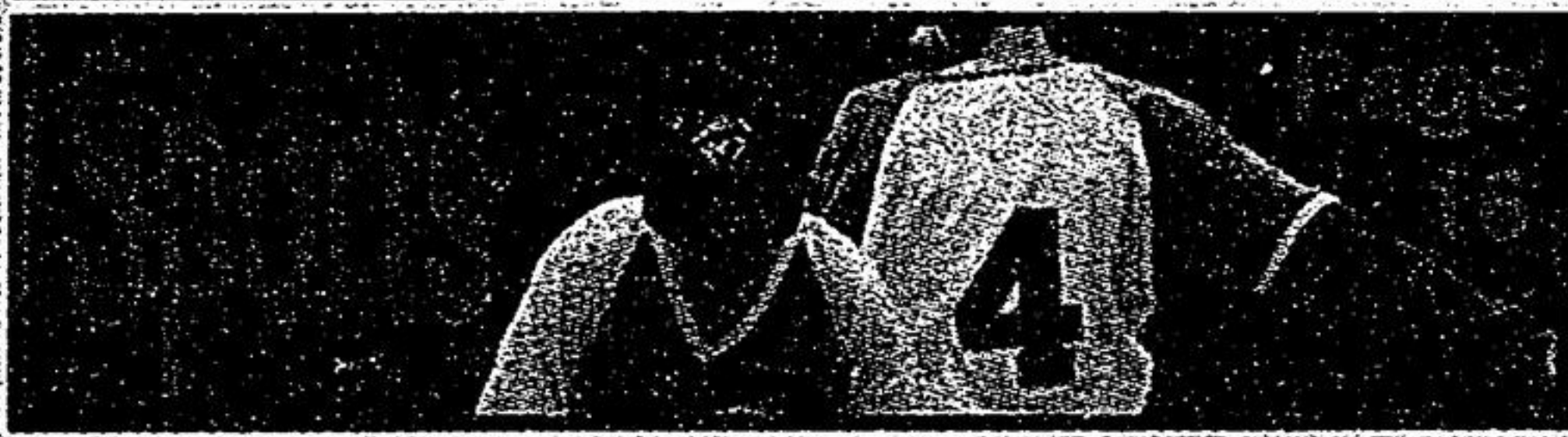
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Cattle perish in fire

JOAN RANSBERRY
Staff Reporter

An early morning barn fire on Kennedy Road yesterday killed 17 calves and one cow, seriously injured a bull, damaged an antique tractor and saddened a farming community.

Dairy farmers Jim and Don White didn't have time to stand by and watch 50 years of hard work go up in smoke. Instead, the brothers, one a bachelor, the other a widower, had to save what they could and then move 34 pure bred Holsteins down the road to their nephew's farm.

Fire or no fire, the morning milking

had to be done. Such is life on a dairy farm, your heart is breaking, but there's no time or place for sentiment.

Margaret Paisley, sister of Jim and Don, was on hand. She was busy. Margaret welcomed the neighbours, thanked everyone, gave a *Tribune* reporter a run down of what happened, spoke of the 100-acre farm she grew up on and, all the while, was worrying about her brothers. "None of us are young any more," said Margaret.

Still, the family was grateful. The Kennedy Road farming community, like any agricultural community, rallied. When one of their own is in trouble, phones ring from farm to farm. In

this case, the message was brief: "It's at the Whites' . . . Jim and Don need help." You don't have to spell it out — farmers know. "It" means "barn fire."

As Margaret and her daughter Karen explained, an off duty firefighter spotted flames coming from the barn just before 2 a.m. His attempt to wake the Whites failed. The harvest had taken its toll. Sleep was sound.

"Jim and Don were tired. They'd worked so hard this summer," said Margaret.

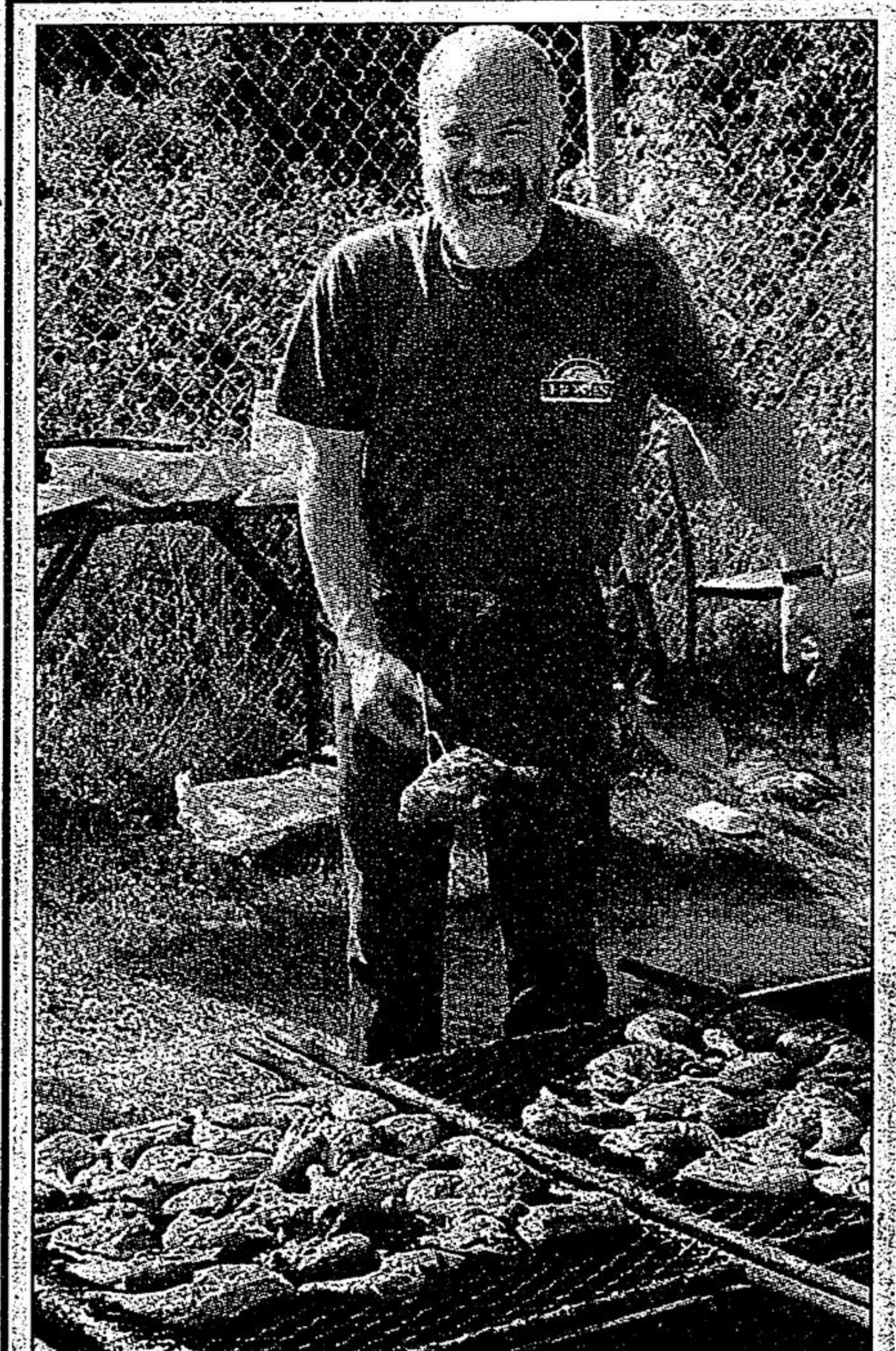
The firefighter rushed across the road to neighbours and yelled for them to call 911.

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BARN FIRE: A fire at the White farm on Kennedy Road near Bloomington Road engulfed a cattle barn, killing 17 calves and one cow. Pictured here are some of the neighbours and friends who helped move cattle and douse flames with the Whitchurch-Stouffville Fire Department.

Photos by STEVE SOMERVILLE



CHARITY BBQ: Dave Byer serves up some chicken at the fundraising barbecue at the Stouffville Missionary Church Saturday. Proceeds go to Teen Challenge Farm. For more photos, please see page 10.

Photo by CHERYL JOHNSON

Service held for Diana

The Rev. Robert A. Shields led a Saturday morning church service honoring the late Princess Diana, at The Anglican Parish of Christ Church in Stouffville.

Many residents gathered to honour the memory of the Princess of Wales. The funeral for Diana was also held Saturday at Westminster Abbey. Locally, those who paid tribute to Diana sang the hymns *The Lord Is My Shepherd*, *O What Their Joy and Their Glory Must Be*.

A condolence book was also available for people to sign. Please see page 14.



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