



Fire Chief plays Santa Claus

Eleven year old Debbie MacKenzie, a former student at Dickson's Hill Public School, but now living on Old Forest Road, Pickering, visited the Stouffville Fire Hall, Thursday, to receive a brand new bicycle from Chief Walter Smith. Debbie won the prize in a cross-Canada essay contest, sponsored by the Fire Prevention Committee. There were 15,000 entries. Debbie's placed second.

Host teams

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Tarr, O'Brien Avenue, were hosts Saturday at a gathering of hockey players, from both Stouffville and Timmins. The Timmins team played the local club in an exhibition game Sunday. Mr. Tarr is the coach of Stouffville's O.M.H.A. Midget entry.



Accident victim still unconscious

By Ruth Hutchings
GREEN RIVER
Ian Postill, son of Mrs. Violet Postill, Green River, remains unconscious in Scarboro Centenary Hospital, following a serious accident on Hwy. 7, earlier this month. He was hit by a car while walking to work. He was employed on the farm of David Pugh. Ian suffered severe head injuries and several broken bones. Only the heavy clothing he was wearing at the time saved his life, his mother said.

Mrs. Jack Nighswander attended a family gathering at the home of her daughter, Mrs. V. Mikkelsen, Victoria Square. Mr. and Mrs. Mikkelsen and family are traveling by air to spend Christmas with his parents in Denmark. Mrs. T. Barefoot is quite seriously ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. Tonved in Rexdale. Mrs. F. Wright is a patient in Scarboro Centenary Hospital.

Council blamed

PICKERING TWP. A report out of Pickering Twp., that farmers had rejected a re-assessment adjustment on rural properties has been denied by Hugh Miller, Claremont, R.R. 2.

Mr. Miller said that to his knowledge, the new schedule of valuations was acceptable to most farmers but not to the township council.

He said the problem differed from that of York in that market valuation was not the issue. Rather, he said, it was the practice of assessing non-productive land on a similar basis to that of productive properties.

He said such methods have since been changed but had been rejected at the council level.



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