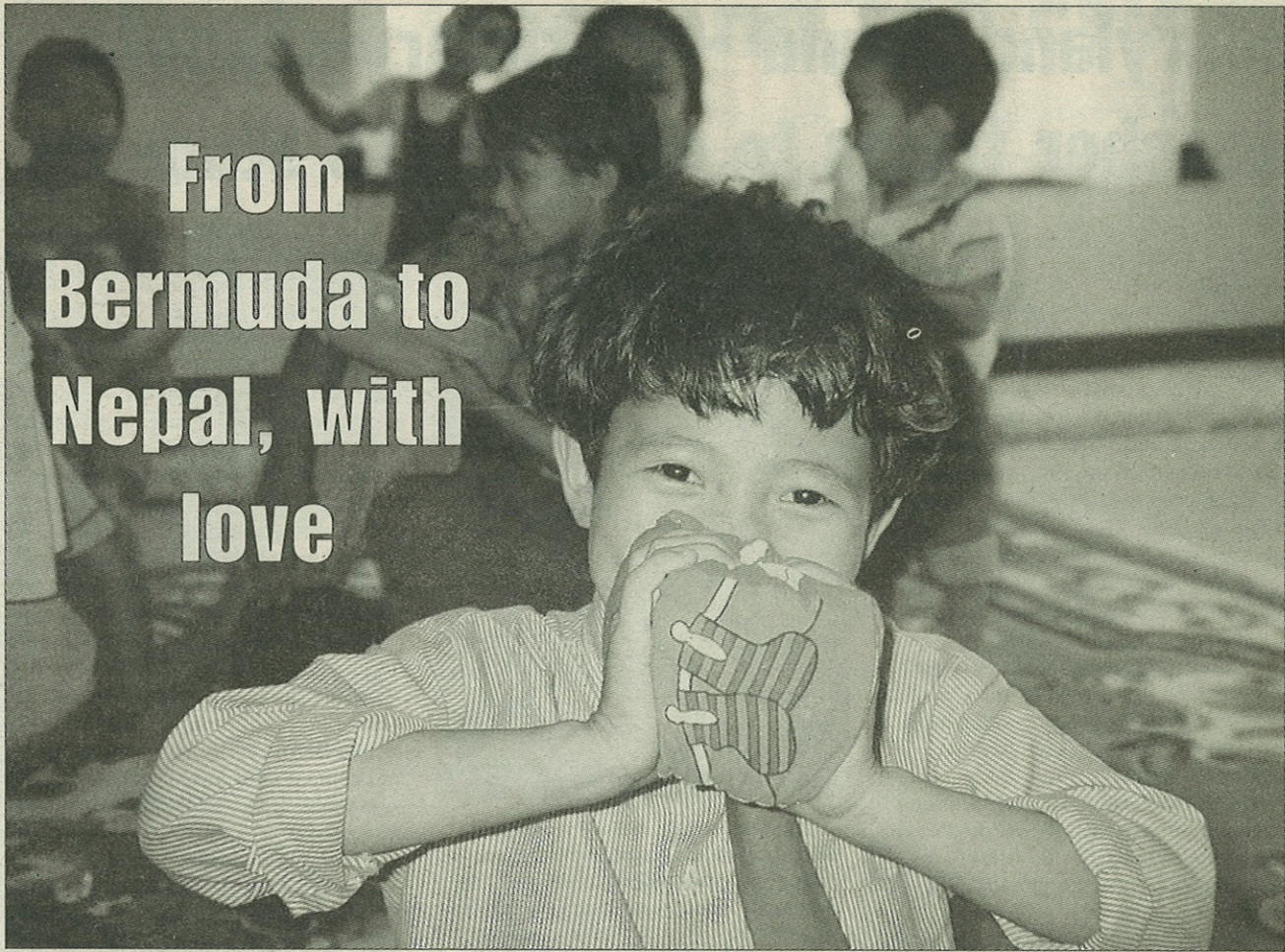


From Bermuda to Nepal, with love



BY LEAH FURBERT

AFTER receiving a toy most Bermudian children would be bored with after a few seconds, this young Nepali boy was overjoyed – until another child stole it from him.

The soft block toy – donated by a Bermudian family – was given to the boy by Leonie Exel of the ISIS Foundation, a Bermuda-based charity.

The child, who was living at a Women and Children's shelter in Jorpati, Kathmandu, gratefully received the toy, and was playing with it while climbing a tree. He dropped the toy, and as he was descending to retrieve it, another child stole the toy and ran down the road. Inconsolable, the boy phoned the shelter, almost unable to speak through his tears.

The Shelter Manager, feeling sympathetic to the child's plight, decided to

take him another toy.

However, when she saw the boy a few hours later, she was surprised to find him smiling and happy.

Determined to find his newly received treasure the child had begun his own 'man-hunt'. Beginning with the first house on his road, he knocked on every door on the street until he found the child who had stolen his toy, at which point he joyfully reclaimed it.

This story was related to Bermudian children at the Art in the Park celebrations in Victoria Park recently, one of whom wrote to the boy saying, "I'm glad you have your toy back. I like your new school."

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Police probe stabbing

BY COGGIE GIBBONS

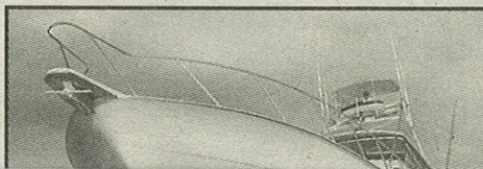
MYSTERY surrounds the stabbing yesterday of a young Pembroke man. Dennis Simmons, 23, of Swansbay Hill, Pembroke suffered three stab wounds to his neck and back, according to his mother, Sonia Simmons-Williams. Distraught, she knew little else by mid-afternoon. "He's holding his own. I don't know anything," she sobbed. She was with her sister in the family room at the King Edward hospital's Intensive Care Unit when she spoke with the Bermuda Sun. Her son was just being transferred from the operating theatre.

A police source said detectives were still trying to figure out where the attack happened and who did it. They were unable to confirm the number of stab wounds, but indicated there was more than one.

"We got a call from the hospital saying a man showed up with stab wounds and he's going to ICU," said the source.

Hospital authorities listed Mr. Simmons in critical condition in the ICU in the late afternoon.

Police are appealing for help. Call CID or the Serious Crime Unit at 295-0011 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-623-8477.



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