

# Makes spinning wheels as centennial project

Unique is the most apt word to describe one centennial project at Acton district high school.

In fact, it might be the only one of its kind in Canada.

Students in the industrial arts class at the school are making spinning wheels — right from the drawings to the finished product. The venture is being done entirely on their own.

Industrial arts teacher Clarence (Sonny) Rognvaldson, perhaps the only craftsman left in Canada who can whip up a spinning wheel — a legacy left him by his father — merely looks on. He believes in

letting the students run their own show — and they do.

It's just like stepping into a well-run industrial concern to watch the boys work under supervisors and foremen. Everything is mapped out and a rigid schedule followed which simulates actual shop conditions.

First thing the boys did was draw up the work schedule. Then each component part of the spinning wheel had to be drafted to scale.

The drawing are sent to the work shop where the part is made to specifications.

Budding craftsmen must have their work inspected by

quality control supervisor Ed Lynch, who can be pretty tough if work is slipshod. He sends it back to be done over if there's any question about the quality.

Project supervisor is Bill Semeneec. It is his job to keep an eye on the complete project. Stuart Johnston and Randy Ridley supervise the drafting, a painstaking job which often requires another drawing when the pen slips or a ruler binds.

Vince Dunne is the assembly supervisor who must see the various parts fit into place. General foreman Robert Blyth has the task of relegating the

work to the boys and see they get it done, same as in any factory.

In the background teacher Clarence Rognvaldson stands, a symbol of authority, but very seldom having to show it. The boys take great pride in their work.

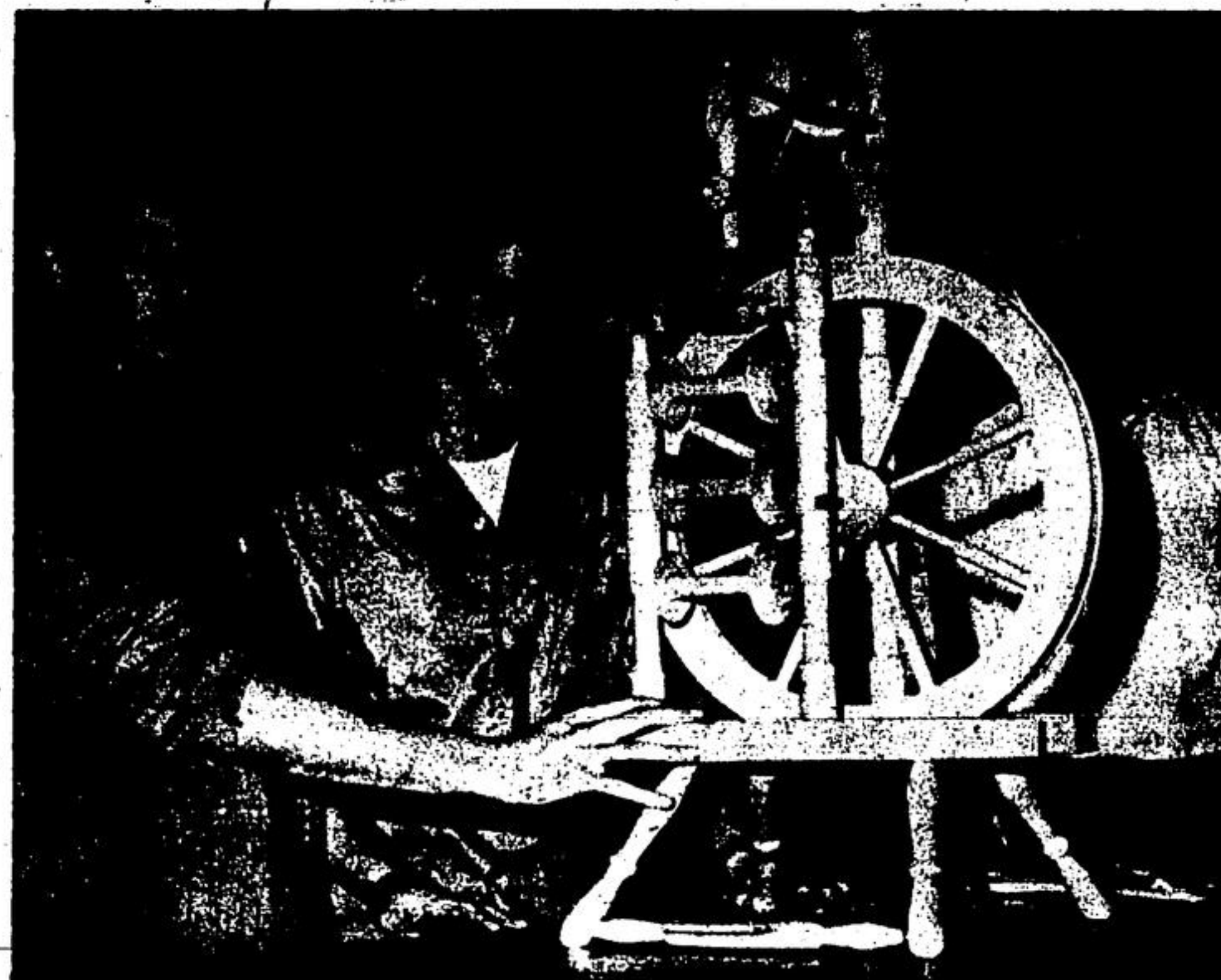
Making spinning wheels is a lost art at which Mr. Rognvaldson's father excelled. He passed his skill down to his son, who in turn, is keeping it alive by teaching it to his classes.

When the project is completed the class intends to show their work around the country at various fairs and exhibitions. Included in the package will be girls from the home economics classes who will be running the spinning wheels.

But that's another story. The Free Press will publish further instalments as work progresses.



DRAFTING A SECTION of a spinning wheel, a centennial project at the high school is Bob Waller. (Staff Photo)



IN ORDER TO SIMULATE their project closely with a spinning wheel done by craftsman and teacher Clarence Rognvaldson, Vince Dunn, Randy Ridley and Ed Lynch study one carefully for clues to the delicate workmanship involved. (Staff Photo)

PLANS AND A WORK SCHEDULE for the unique high school spinning wheel project were all done by the students themselves. Deadlines were set and work schedules adhered to

as closely as possible. Vince Dunn, Randy Ridley and Ed Lynch check to see their progress to date.

(Staff Photo)

## Buses provided only one way to Esquesing Kindergarten pupils

New kindergartens operated in the Esquesing township school area will be open in the

fall but transportation provided by the school board will be only one way.

Esquesing school board made this decision at a recent meeting. It will affect kindergarten classes at Speyside, Glen Williams, Pineview and Limehouse schools.

Children attending morning kindergarten classes will travel on normal bus routes but will have to be picked up at noon. Those attending afternoon classes will be taken to school by parents and transported home by school bus.

Teacher resignations were received from Mrs. Helen Rognvaldson, Limehouse school; Leonard Jackson, Pineview; Mrs. Mary Campbell, Milton Heights and Mrs. Eleanor McKeown, Stewarttown.

New teachers hired were Mrs. Marie James, Mrs. Marjorie Elliott, Mrs. Catherine New-

man, Mrs. Eleanor Hilson, John Lenz, Robert Pinkerton, David Lawrence and James Kennedy.

Effective September 1, Eric Balkind, principal of Limehouse School, will become supervising principal of Esquesing township school area. Jack Reid, principal of Norval School, will become vice-principal of the new Stewarttown Senior School.

Through her membership for many years on the Board of Evangelism and Social Service of the United Church of Canada, she made major contributions to the rural church, health education and national health insurance.



## Let's Play Bridge

by bill coats

Last week we were talking about entries. Here is an interesting hand that occurred at the Acton Bridge Club last week. Declarer had to look closely to find the necessary entries to bring home his contract.

The dealer is South and East-West are vulnerable.

North  
S-A Q 10 6 2  
H-K J 3  
D-A  
C-A 10 4 2

West East  
S-K J 9 5 4 S-7  
H-A 7 6 4 H-Q 10 9  
D-7 5 3 D-Q 6 3 4 2  
C-8 6 C-Q J 7 5

South  
S-8 3  
H-8 5 2  
D-K J 10 9 8  
C-K 9 3

The bidding:  
South West North East  
Pass Pass 1S Pass  
2D Pass 3S Pass  
3NT All Pass

Let me first of all say that I do not approve of the bidding. North's opener is fine but South does not have enough points to reply at the two level. South should reply one no trump.

Then when North made an invitational but non forcing jump, South, having overbid already, should pass. But I would not be writing about this hand in that case.

Two of our South players tried this hand at three no trump — only one was successful. West, who did not want to lead spades into North's twice bid suit, led a low heart. The jack from dummy, covered by East's queen. East returned the heart ten, won by West's

ace. This of course was a mistake on West's part. With no sure entry West must allow declarer to win the second heart, in order to retain the ace of hearts as an entry.

West led a third heart to clear the suit. If dummy had had two diamonds, declarer would not have a problem but as it was, he needed two aces. One to set up diamonds and one to take his tricks. The ace of diamonds is taken and a law club is led.

It doesn't matter if East splits his club honors or not. South can make two entries in clubs. Suppose East plays the club jack. Declarer wins with the king and plays the king of diamonds. When the queen does not show up, declarer continues diamonds till East wins.

East has no good exit. A spade gives declarer a marked finesse and a club lets declarer in with the nine. As a lesser of two evils, East should lead a spade. When a low club is led from dummy, East can score the queen for the fourth defensive trick. Declarer is home free with two spade tricks plus one in hearts, four in diamonds and at least two in clubs and all this because the lowly nine of clubs was an entry.

Last week's winners at the Acton Bridge Club were: first, Cam Sinclair and Bob Dickson; second, Mrs. Penny Bristow and Mrs. Betty Ashley; third, George Soly and Bill Coates.

Statistics show that night driving is twice as dangerous. At dusk and in conditions of poor visibility, remember these four words "Light Up, Slow Down".

## Ethel Chapman selected "Centennial Agriculturalist"

Miss Ethel M. Chapman, home economist, author and journalist, has been selected as one of five Ontario agriculturalists honored with the title "Centennial Agriculturalist" during Canada's 100th year.

A native of Halton County, Miss Chapman has spent more than 50 years in the service of Ontario Agriculture. Graduating from Macdonald Institute in 1912, she first worked as a home economist, conducting meetings and lecture-demonstrations in rural areas. She was one of the first recipients of the Honorary LLD from the University of Guelph.

Her illustrious career has been divided between rural journalism and serving the Women's Institute Branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture. She is well known for both, and in addition has found time to write three published novels as well as short stories and poems.

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## CITIZEN OF THE YEAR CENTENNIAL DINNER SATURDAY APRIL 29th

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## Nassagaweya W.I.

### Mrs. D. De Blauw president

The April meeting of the Nassagaweya Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Walter Freeman on Wednesday evening, April 19. The president, Mrs. Fred Edwards opened the meeting and read a poem "Somebody's Birthday." The roll call was the payment of membership fees.

Mrs. A. Norrish spoke briefly on her work as safety representative, telling of her territory boundaries and requesting the members to report to her any farm accidents they should hear of within that district.

The date for the next meeting had to be changed to avoid conflicting with other community activities and a suggestion was made to have slides shown at the meeting, as well as a miscellaneous sale. The election of officers was preceded by reports from the standing committees.

The new slate of officers for the coming year is as follows: president, Mrs. David De Blauw; vice-president, Mrs. M.

Pyatt; secretary, Mrs. John Henry; treasurer, Mrs. Fred Edwards.

At the conclusion of election of officers and committees, the members engaged in a word game and a contest, presented by Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Freeman. Both required much thought and the contest winner was Mrs. Malcolm Moffatt. Lunch was served by the hostess and committee and a social time was enjoyed by all.

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Hon. John Roberts  
Prime Minister

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For further information contact your local Agricultural Representative.



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