

## News of the district

### FERGUS

Two of the most prolific inventors in North America lived in Fergus, says Dr. Hugh Tompkin of the weekly paper there. W. G. Beatty had more patents registered in his name in Canada than any other person. And Reginald A. Fessenden was one of the most prolific inventors in the United States. His patents include such widely varied inventions as television and the tracer bullet for aerial warfare. "Bronze plaques should be placed at their old homes."

### GEORGETOWN

Robert C. Lohnes was called as full-time pastor of Maple Avenue Baptist Church, Georgetown. The congregation has Acton members.

Mr. Lohnes, who took over the charge February 19 as interim pastor, received a one hundred per cent vote favoring his retention.

### KITCHENER

A Kitchener consulting firm has recommended an area between Kitchener and Guelph be the site of the Conestoga College of Applied Arts and Technology, to serve four counties. It also suggested a satellite college be built in either Perth or Huron County, north of here. The two campuses would serve the counties of Wellington, Waterloo, Perth and Huron.

The board is looking for temporary quarters for students to use this fall. A preliminary budget of \$374,500 has been set to provide the temporary quarters until the permanent college is built.

### GUELPH

The Guelph Historical Society's Centennial Year project is progressing in preparation, as result of the efforts of the Guelph parks department. The project is the John Galt Gardens, in which a number of maple trees have been planted in the last few years, to commemorate the city's birthday.

### Unemployment cited in area

Temporary layoffs in a number of local industries and in the automotive industries hiring area workers, student registrations for summer employment and tending opening up of office work due to wet weather, tend to swell the number of unemployed workers in the area covered by the Guelph Manpower Centre. What appeared to be a downward trend in March has reversed itself in April, but this condition is not expected to continue.

A total of 1,563 workers were registered as unemployed and seeking work in the C.M.C. office at the end of April — 811 males and 752 females. Discounting these figures by the number on temporary layoff, students and possibly a number who have returned to work without the knowledge of the C.M.C. office but still registered for employment, it is estimated that the employment situation is no worse than at the end of March. At the time, 681 males and 513 females were registered.

Workers in unskilled occupations, truck drivers, clerical, sales and service occupations account for 65 per cent of the males unemployed. Among the females, clerical, service, textile workers and women in a variety of unskilled occupations account for 87 per cent of the females unemployed.

Job opportunities exist in a variety of manufacturing industries, construction, retail trade, finance, community, government and personal service. Well qualified female bookkeepers, stenographers, cooks, waitresses and domestic workers are required. Male protective service workers, farm hands, skilled metal workers, stationary engineers and auto mechanics are required.

You save a lot of unnecessary conversation if you remember that people are not going to take your advice unless you charge for it.

Central theme of the gardens is a reproduction of the original plan of the city, designed by John Galt, when he founded the community, which he started April 23, 1827 by supervising the cutting down of the first tree on the city of the metro-polis-to-be.

The Experimental Aircraft Association of Canada, of which chapter 27 is located in Guelph district, will stage a Centennial air rally at the Guelph Air Park on June 24.

This is not a group of model plane operators but persons who have built their own flying machines, amateur fliers and builders. It will be the first time in Canada such an event has been held.

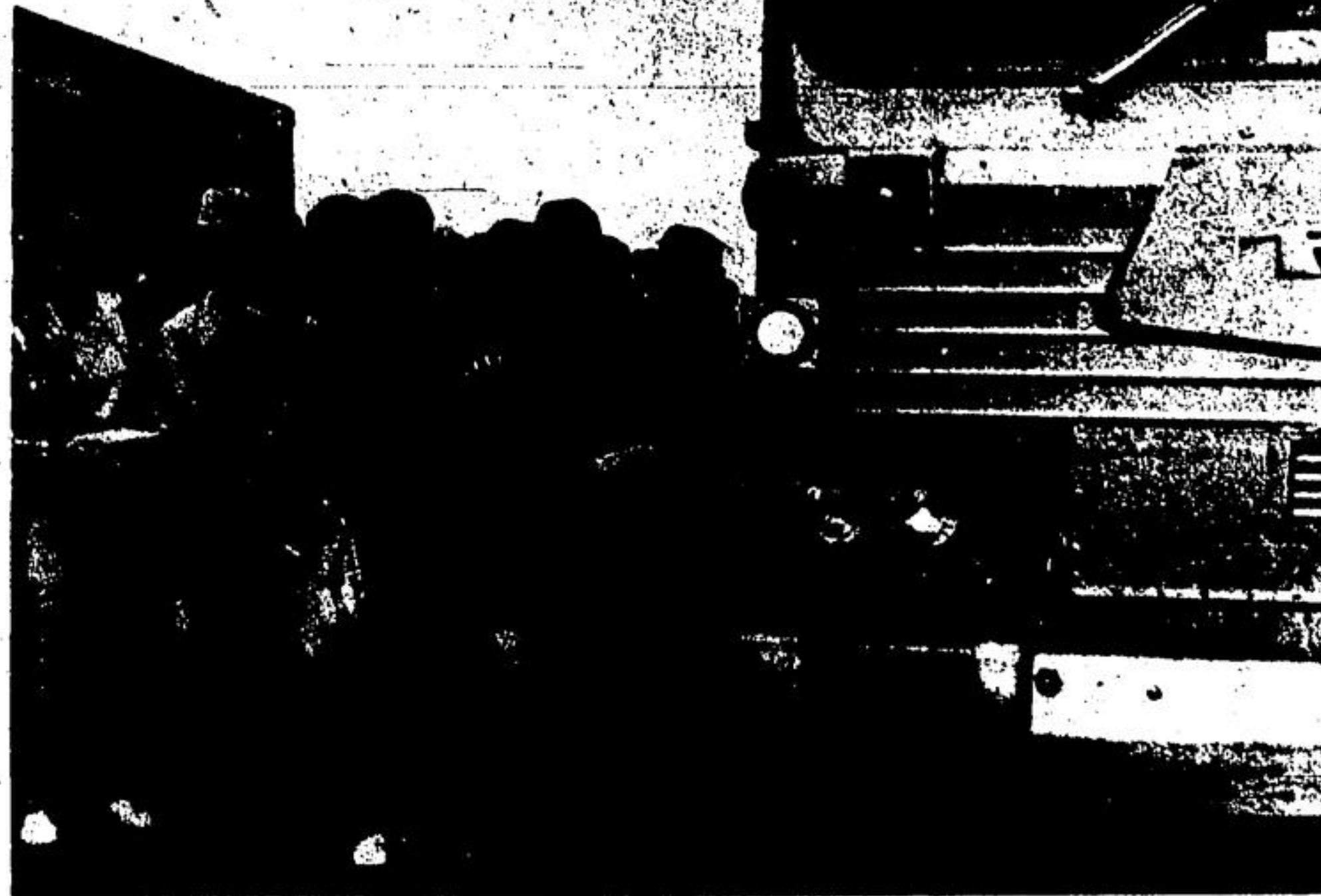
A 150-mile course will be flown by the 40 participants requiring about an hour and a half to complete, with the planes capable of doing approximately 80 miles an hour, although a top speed of 200 m.p.h. has been achieved.

### MILTON

The rash of flag thefts which hit several areas in north Halton, including Milton, has been solved. Milton Police Chief Ray Andress, in whose area some of the flags disappeared, has learned the flags were stolen by high school students as part of a pledge to join fraternities in secondary schools in the town of Oakville.

On a split 5-3 vote, members of Milton Council approved purchase of a \$21,400 front end loader for use at the town's sanitary land fill site.

LOTS OF EXCITEMENT for Speyside public school students as they wait to board the bus that took them to Montreal Monday morning for a trip to Expo. The students were accompanied by principal Gary Dawkins, Mrs. M. Kirkwood, Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. McLeod, Mrs. Clendenning, Miss A. Pilkington and J. Black. The group returns Thursday. Trip takes about eight hours. (Staff Photo)



Sister towns

## Acton, England poet pens centennial verses

A postman who writes poetry in his spare time, Raymond Candy of Acton, England, has been inspired by Canada's centennial to write again. He has sent two of his many poems to the sister town of Acton in Canada.

One is a commemorative poem about Canada and the second, shorter one, is written in honor of Dave Dills' visit to Acton, England, two years ago when he presented the mayor with a new Canadian flag. Two other recent compositions, "Our Queen" and "Sir Winston" were sent to the Queen at Buckingham Palace and Mr. Candy is especially proud of the letter he received in return.

Here are his two poems sent to the Free Press.

**CANADA, O CANADA**  
There's a great land far across the sea,  
Which this year celebrates its centenary  
Of the Conference of Confederation,  
Founding a Dominion and a Nation.

Macdonald founder and Mackenzie King,  
Two great statesmen, and  
Smith and Fleming,  
The two Scotsmen who in the early days  
Were pioneers in building the railways.

Canada has come a long way since then,  
And through the provinces numbering ten,  
Local merchants are being warned to be on the lookout for bogus \$5 bills, in addition to the phoney \$10 and \$20 bills that have been circulating in the district recently.

Three fake \$5 bills turned up in Oakville last week, the first to be passed in Ontario. R.C.M.P. report many phoney \$5's have been cashed at Expo and in Montreal since the World's Fair opened two weeks ago. The counterfeit notes have no face plate or back plate numbers.

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In the Great Lakes, there's a flourishing industry and a tasty dish,  
And there is the great rolling wheat plain,  
Where in the summer stand acres of golden grain.

Up the St. Lawrence River, on its bank,  
The wooded Heights of Abraham flank,  
And Quebec Bridge, with its single span,  
An engineering achievement of man.

On Mount Royal stands the Cross of St. Jean,  
Where a fine view of Montreal is seen,  
The Parliament Buildings are in Ottawa,  
And a fine Memorial of the Great War.

Niagara Falls indeed a majestic sight,  
Especially when floodlit at night,  
The numerous parks, kept by the nation  
For their beauty, as well as recreation.

The Rockies, which are truly eminent,  
And for scenery, truly magnificent.

There, too, is the famous Great Divide,  
A ridge diverting waters on each side.

The Mounties' H.O. is at Regina,  
A police force, there can be no finer,  
Whose uniform is a colorful sight,  
And their motto is "Maintain the right".

Canada, O Canada, land of the free,  
May you flourish as the maple tree,  
And your loyalty to the Queen remain,  
Thus binding the ties with Great Britain.

**THE TWO ACTONS**  
Acton, Ontario, has presented to us  
Canada's new flag without fuss,  
A fine gesture from our twin town,  
We look on this without a frown.

Sir Harry Britain, thirty-five years ago,  
Presented a flag to Acton, Ontario,  
Mr. Dills has returned the compliment,  
To Acton, Middlesex, a nice sentiment.

And our sister township has the same  
Coat of arms, as well as our name,  
The motto "Floreat Actona" is on also,  
But instead of the laurel, maple leaves show.

Now that the new and the old have met,  
This will remind us not to forget

That we are still seen on the map,  
Despite our very recent mishap.

And this, I would like to convince,  
That in neighboring Quebec province,  
another Acton Vale does exist,  
To tell this, I could not resist.

There were two defensive errors and they are opposite in nature. Both involve ace—but let's see what happened.

West led the diamond king and followed this with the ten which East won. East tried a low club, ducked a declarer and won by West. West led a third diamond and South won. Two high clubs were cashed, East discarding a heart and spade, won by West.

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## Let's Play Bridge

by bill coats

How many times have you held a hand with lots of high cards, only to find the opponents with the final contract. So you double and they make the contract.

It is often easier to defeat a hand if the defensive strength is more evenly divided. This is a hand that occurred at the Acton Bridge Club.

Declarer Bill Wandel of Acton took advantage of two defensive errors to bring home the contract. Dealer is South; neither side vulnerable.

North  
S-10 6 3  
H-Q 9 4 2  
D-J 9  
C-J 9 6 3

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

East  
S-7  
H-10 8  
D-A 8 6 4 2  
C-10 8 7 5 4

South  
S-A Q 8 4  
H-K 7 3  
D-O 7 5  
C-K O 2

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

West's first double is a take-out double. When East bid two diamonds, South did not wish to give up and rebid a four card spade suit. Normally, West will not hold spades on a takeout double of spades, but this time he did and he doubled for penalty. South tried two no trump and was doubled again.

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When you are short of high cards, you should tend to hold up, to conserve your entries. When you have lots of high cards, you should tend to play them to avoid being end played.

Last week's winners at the Acton-Bridge Club were: first, Mrs. Beverley Pattullo and Duke Wilson; second, George Soltz and Les Filotas; third, Mrs. Lil Cook and Mrs. Jean Garrett.

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