

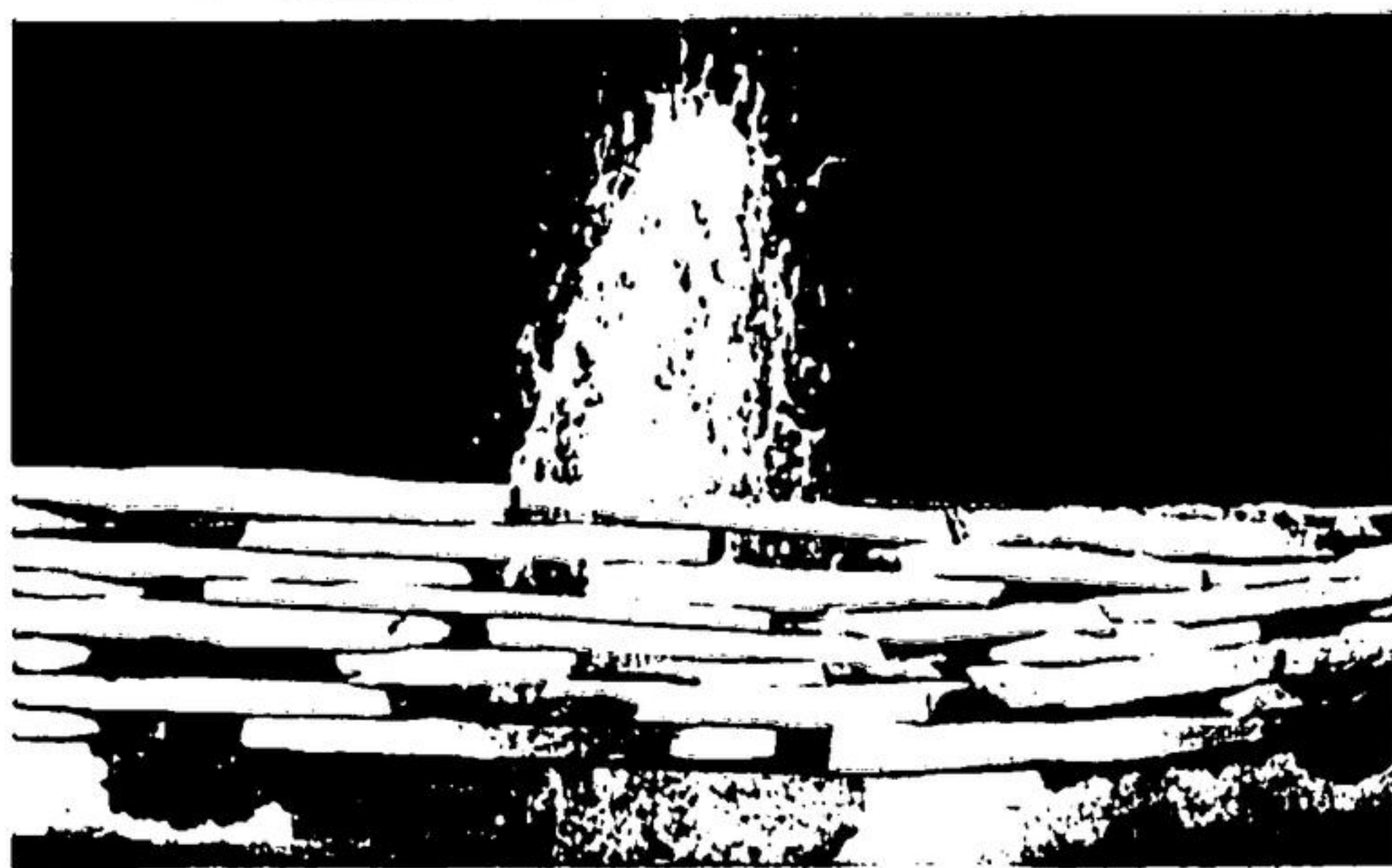


MR. AND MRS. K. C. LINDSAY celebrated their golden wedding anniversary over the weekend at the family homestead on Hwy. 7 near Georgetown. A family dinner Saturday evening at Linthouse Presbyterian Church was also a part of the celebration. Many friends called on Sunday afternoon and evening to wish the well-known couple many more years of married life.

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THIS LOVELY FOUNTAIN which changes colour at night is fed by spring water which flows all winter long. The pool around the fountain is inhabited by king size goldfish.—(Staff Photo).

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Beardmore's observe anniversary beautify grounds, place fowl on lake

All summer a pair of cygnets (young swans), and a pair of Muscovy ducks have made themselves at home in Beardmore's new Rainbow Lake and last Thursday they watched curiously and apprehensively as officials from Kortright Waterfowl Park moved in new tenants including two pairs of Canada Geese and five pairs of wild ducks (Mallards and Redheads).

All of the new arrivals are

youngsters with the exception of the Canada Geese. It was felt that the adult birds would add stability to the flock and give protection to the young ones.

It is expected that they will winter well without shelter if the water is kept open.

Long an eyesore hidden behind a high hedge inside the main entrance to the premises, company officials have been trying for years to fill in this swampy area. Old time

employees mentioned that this would not be an easy project because it was the site of a strong spring. They pointed out that in earlier years, many residents in the Town of Acton used this as their main source of water.

Hoping that the water would return, the company decided to pump out the swamp and dredge it to form a small landscaped lake. After several weeks of work by Nellis Construction

Company, the area became a deep landscaped hole and bets were being taken that this was just what it would remain. However, two weeks later the water had risen to fourteen feet and an overflow had to be installed to drain it into the Black Creek. The level of pure spring water has remained constant ever since.

The first residents were 150 rainbow trout, many now up to 14 inches in length. These were joined later by the young cygnets, compliments of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart G. Bennett of Scotsdale Farm, R. R. 1, Georgetown.

The newest arrivals were donated by Hugh Kortright, General Manager, and G. Crossar, President of A. R. Clarke Leather Company Limited of Toronto. Hugh Kortright is the son of Frank Kortright, after whom the waterfowl park in Guelph is named.

In asking Beardmore and Co.

officials to accept this gift, Mr. Crossar suggested that these birds would be a constant reminder that Beardmore has strong competitors in A. R. Clarke who are one of the largest tanneries in Canada, having started tanning in 1852.

In accepting the gift, Mr. Braida, president & general manager, wondered why it had taken the Clarke people so long to get started since Beardmore had commenced operations in 1844, and are this year observing their 125th anniversary.

Special projects in their anniversary year included a new rock garden with a waterfall and a spring-fed fountain.

Visitors to the grounds are welcome any time during regular hours, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. from Monday to Friday and until noon on Saturday, at which time Pinkerton guards are on hand to admit them. Picnic tables and benches are provided for their convenience.



RAINBOW LAKE has been a welcome addition to the grounds of Beardmore and Co. as the Company celebrates its 125th anniversary this year. The lake has been stocked with 150 rainbow trout in addition to the assorted waterfowl that arrived from Kortright Waterfowl Park last week.—(Staff Photo)



SET AGAINST A BEAUTIFUL rock garden background this waterfall jokingly named "Fiedler's Falls" after Plant groundskeeper Erwin Fiedler, is fed by water which flows by means of gravity from Fairy Lake.—(Staff Photo)



THIS PAIR OF WILD DUCKS appear to be quite contented in their new home in Rainbow Lake. The pair were one of seven brought to the Beardmore lake last Thursday.—(Staff Photo)



A CANADA GOOSE takes its first step into Rainbow Lake on the grounds of Beardmore and Co. after arriving from Kortright Waterfowl Park, last week.—(Staff Photo)

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