



Halton Conservatives Attend Toronto Convention

Several hundred people from Halton county attended the Conservative convention at one time or another, during its tenure at Varsity arena.

There were 14 delegates from the county, and two extra for the two members of parliament, plus three delegates at large, who live in the county.

The county executive were responsible for picking the delegates and tried to combine the various areas plus the population breakdown, to give a fair representation. In this way the northern end of the county with less than a quarter of the population came out ahead on the percentage of the 14 delegates.

Milton received 1. Acton, 1 and Nassageweya and Esquesima 1. Georgetown 2. Oakville 2. Trafalgar 2. Burlington 2, and what used to be Nelson, and is now the rural part of Burlington, 2.

Many Georgetown people attended during the convention, as did district residents. The delegates from north Halton included, Franklin Prouse, who operates a car business here and in Acton, David Green of Milton, Merle Bekd, Esquesima and Doug Latimer and Les Clark of Georgetown. Dr. Carl Martin of Milton, attended as an adviser.

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AVIAN'S SOLUTION TO THE TRAFFIC PROBLEM — TAKE A GYROPLANE
ONCE THE DEPARTMENT of Transport gives Georgetown's Aircraft the green light they'll be faced with with producing the sky vehicle in mass to meet an apparently hungry market. The 2-180 is designed for private use but has also received attention from the military.

THE AVIAN STORY . . .

Dreams of Group Materialize In New Flight Concept, Avian 2-180

AVIAN Industries Limited was formed in February, 1959, for the purpose of designing and subsequently producing a VTOL gyroplane for personal and business use. The nature of the market for this product indicated that this aircraft would have to be docile to fly and economical to operate by existing fixed wing pilots, without holding a helicopter licence.

Convinced of Tremendous Potential
A start was made with a design-group provided by a number of aeronautical engineers, who were convinced of the tremendous potential offered by the 2/180 concept. The Department of Transport was informed of the project, and were most generous in providing every assistance and advice. Initial funds needed to launch the project were offered by a group of far-sighted Georgetown businessmen. A Private Dominion Charter was granted, and the company began operations as Avian Industries Limited, with a 100,000 authorized share capital.

Within a year of the formation of the company, a prototype had been designed and built. Taxi tests continued through the early winter, and in the light of experience gained, improvements were made to components in the basic design. The programme was carried forward into the spring and was progressing satisfactorily until a taxing accident damaged the first prototype. Certain components were reusable, but the airframe was beyond repair. This of course, entailed a revision in the programme. Work on the second prototype started at once, and this is the aircraft that is now performing the current test programme.

The first circuit flight, a department of transport specification, was made on Tuesday, October 10th at the Wellington Waterloo Airport when test pilot Harold Koehler took the craft to 1200 feet and flew a pattern around the airport limits. Prior to that the gyroplane had taken off and landed close to 200 times on the air strip.

Rotary Wing Flight
Basing the design on the long neglected auto-gyro (a name, by the way, which has since been superseded by the term gyroplane) the team was able to incorporate design advances made during the development of the later types of helicopters. Credit for early accomplishments in the science of rotary wing flight, as applied to the

***Mrs. W. Willett New Rebekah Noble Grand**
Miss Kay Perron, district deputy president of Centre District No. 11 installed the officers of Verdun Rebekah Lodge on Tuesday evening, October 17th, with the members of her installing staff comprised of representatives from each of the eight lodges in the district. Mrs. Ed. Fyres from Buffalo, a member of the lodge was here for the occasion as were several guests from Brampton, Milton and Toronto. Mrs. Merv Cook was installed as Past Noble Grand; Mrs. Wellington Willett, Noble Grand; Mrs. Al Zeravlev, vice grand; Mrs. Robert Allen, chaplain; musician, Mrs. Fred Johnston; warden, Mrs. J. Walsh; conductor, Mrs. Thomas Eason; right supporter, noble grand, Mrs. Peggy Wylie; left supporter, Mrs. Ernie Rawson; right supporter vice grand, Mrs. Gordon King; left supporter, Mrs. J. MacMillan; colour bearer, Mrs. Phyllis Lloyd; inside guardian, Mrs. Jack Gudgeon and outside guardian, Mrs. Wm. Gibbs.

The large crowd adjourned to the banquet room where the tables were decorated in a beautiful autumn motif for the delicious salad luncheon which had been prepared and planned by the four group conveners and their members. Mrs. Ernie Pearce did the table decorations and Mrs. Ernie Rawson had made the table favours.



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