



AERIAL VIEW of Victoria falls shows district girls were sightseeing before the rugged terrain in which the two they were slain by Zambian troops.



Keith Aitken

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Keith L. Aitken of R.R.3, Acton, will graduate on Friday, May 23 at Convocation at University of Guelph with the degree of Bachelor of Science in Agriculture.

He is a graduate of John F. Ross Collegiate, Guelph.

### Brenda Coles graduates

Mrs. Brenda Coles graduates today (Wednesday) at the Convocation at The University of Guelph with her B.A. degree in Child Psychology. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McKeown.

Brenda graduated from Acton High School and she now lives in Ottawa with her husband Stephen and son Trevor.

### Whither Centennial? asks Coats

Just where are centennial plans at now? councillor Coats asked council Tuesday night. Referring to the editorial in last week's Free Press, he wondered who has the responsibility to proceed. Former centennial committee members are asking each other the same question, he relayed.

Deputy-revee Marks suggested the clerk write the defunct centennial commission's signing authorities, Ted Tyler Jr. and Jack Carpenter, to get some kind of report. The centennial group had called for renomination of group representatives following a poorly-attended meeting several weeks ago.

Need to move Mayor Doby agreed there was nothing conclusive underway now. We need a meeting and firm conclusions, he declared. Something should be going before summer holidays.

"Rather than be big and flop let's be reasonable and get something we can handle."

Residents at Halton Centennial Manor will have an opportunity to practice participatory democracy. Administrator Stan Allen reports a move is underway to establish a residents' council.

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## Road tour shows needs to council

Both committees of council toured the entire town Tuesday of last week, with their eyes on the state of the town's roads. The tour was made by bus.

After the tour the public works and public utilities committee sat down to check over all the items listed.

The town's engineer was authorized by the committee to prepare information and costs for resurfacing and double surface treatment of streets. When prices are obtained there will be another meeting to set up priorities.

Esqueing township will be contacted regarding road restoration for Churchill Rd. N. and S., on a cost sharing basis. The clerk will write to the Acton Hydro Commission to inquire about removal of hydro poles on Acton Blvd.

The engineer will prepare a plan establishing a proper road width for Acton Blvd., to provide parking on one side. He will also submit plans for ditching Nelson Court to correct the drainage problems that exist there. Two prices will be sought for widening and resurfacing Ransom St. The committee felt road restoration work should be done on Main St. N. from the tracks to the town limits.

At the regular council meeting Tuesday of this week clerk Grant Usher said when the Ministry

calls tenders on the repaving of No. 25 highway the town will be asked if they are interested in participating in this area, on a cost sharing basis.

Corner approved. Mr. Usher also informed council he had learned from the Ministry that approval had been given to the rebuilding of the intersection of No. 7 and No. 25 highways. The plan approved was the one recommended by council. Acton pays 10 per cent, the Ministry 90 per cent.

"That's very good news," beamed roads chairman Earl Masales. Reeve McKenzie said the county roads tour was scheduled for Wednesday (today) and they would be inspecting Mill St. W. to 25 sideroad. It is being considered as a county road, which would entail widening.

Mr. McKenzie added his personal wish that the town roads tour could have included sidewalks, too.

## Request in early

Getting its bid early, Acton council Tuesday night agreed to apply to the appropriate federal and provincial authorities for labor grants for 1974 and 1975. Deputy-revee Marks explained that applications must be on the books early, naming the project and details can be worked out later. The resolution must be in by May 31.

By motion council approved a request for labor grants for \$15,000 for rebuilding and extension to the community centre, and \$300,000 for a new North Halton municipal complex.

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### O.P.P. report

## Minor smashes charges laid

Two collisions were investigated, and charges of false pretenses and theft laid by Acton O.P.P. during the past week.

Last Tuesday a car and truck were in collision on Popular Ave. The car, driven by Mary Elizabeth Kenny, McDonald Blvd., had estimated \$300 damage to the left front fender and bumper. The CN express truck, driven by Garry Kenner, Guelph, was not damaged in the incident.

A hit and run accident in the Golden Gate Apts. parking lot was reported to police. Owner of the parked car is Lawrence

Robb, who lives in the apartments and damage was estimated at a minimum of \$50. The accident occurred either Thursday or Friday.

Passed cheque. Last Thursday a Guelph woman was charged with false pretenses after a cheque was issued locally. She was also charged by Guelph police for several similar incidents of cheque passing. She will appear in court in Guelph May 29.

On Saturday a Guelph man was charged with theft as a result of auto parts taken from a car on Mill St. E. He'll appear in court in June.

Two incidents of coins taken from paper boxes were investigated during the week. On Wednesday the coin box at Canadian Tire was pried open. On Saturday the coin box at the post office was rifled.

Car theft. A stolen car was reported Friday morning. The '66 Ford was taken from Churchill Rd. S. and has not yet been recovered.

The same morning an attempt was made to take another car on Wellington St. The owner discovered the ignition removed from the dashboard during the vain attempt.

There was one liquor seizure and one charge of a minor drinking under age during the week.

### Set trial date

Thomas Bourke, charged with capital murder in the death of his wife, appeared in court in Milton Friday. The case was remanded by Provincial Judge W. S. Sharpe until May 23 (today) when a date for trial will be set.

Bourke, 28, turned himself in to the North Halton detachment of the O.P.P. after Acton police discovered the body of his wife, Colleen, who had been stabbed to death. The couple had been separated for several months; he had been living in Mississauga and she in the Maplecrest Apts. (formerly Seneca Apts.) on Churchill Rd. S. with her two children, Tammy 4, and Glen, 2.

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## Purchase two lots solve blvd. extension

Secretary Hugh Patterson told members of Acton planning board that problems over the extension of Acton Boulevard through the Acton Meadows subdivision had been overcome with the purchase of two jutting lots by the developer.

"I'm glad it was settled this way instead of arbitrarily," said Dave Muckle, expressing the thoughts of board members.

The two lots 318 and 319, jutting into the path of the extension of Acton Boulevard in phase three of the subdivision, which the developer expects to start this summer. Efforts to purchase them were turned down by owners and at one point the town

talked of expropriation. Meanwhile, the owners and McNamara Construction came to an agreement of sale, solving the problems.

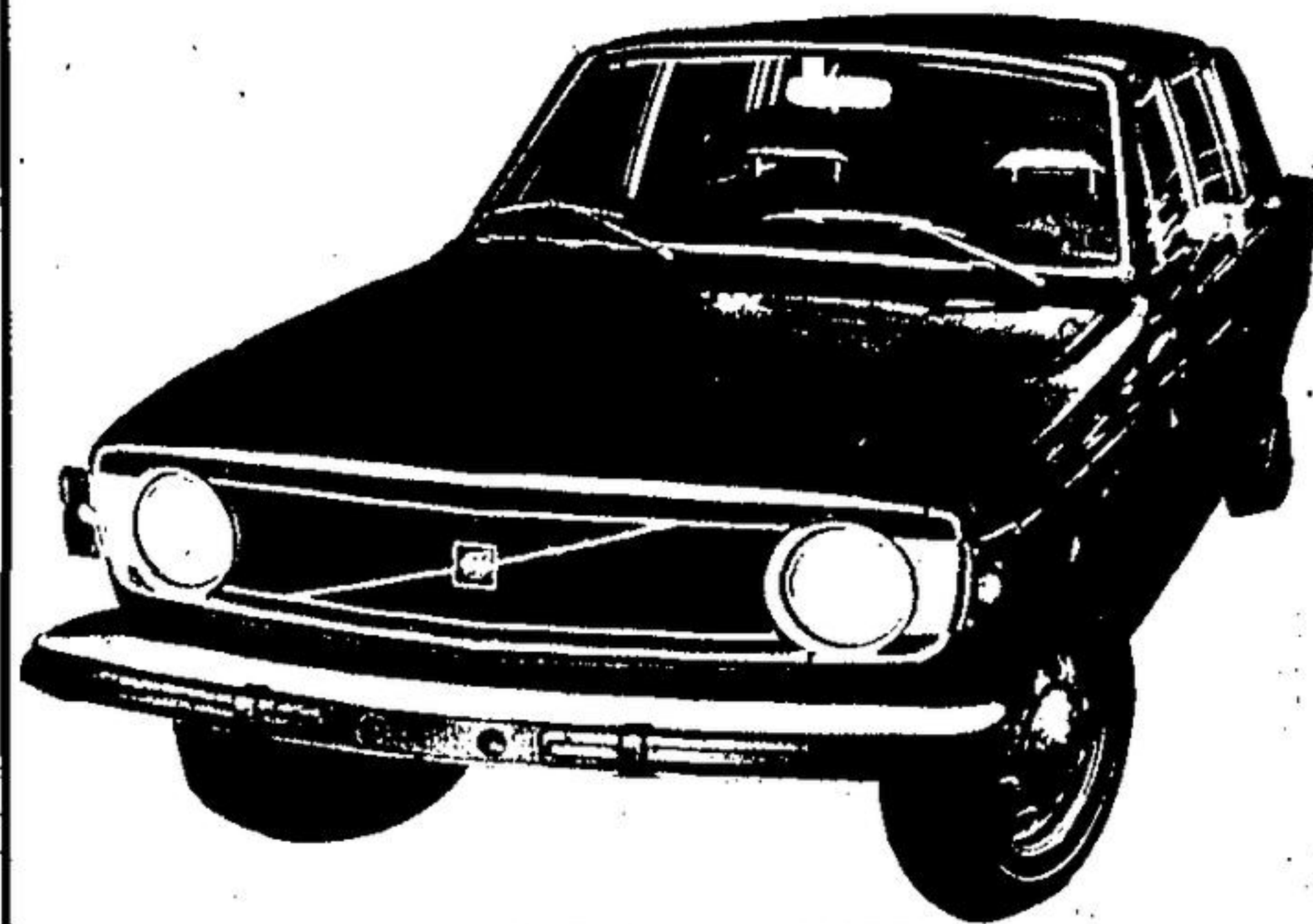
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