



CHRISTIAN REFORMED Church Cadets held a pancake breakfast Saturday morning, raising over \$133. Cadets Louis Groenendyk and Ralph Lamberink were just two of the cooks on duty.



Billy Gordon, on the other hand, got the less favorable and of the breakfast—the dirty dishes. All had a good time for a good cause.

## Thieves notch 2nd gun loot

The second theft of firearms this month from the Acton area was reported to Halton Regional Police last week.

One Winchester pump action 12-gauge shot gun, a 30-30 rifle and a .22 calibre Remington rifle were taken from a Nassagaweya home at about the middle of the month. Also taken were two clocks, some jewelry and coins.

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with Nancy Gordon

Dear God:

I am 61 years old and when I look back at my long career as a railroadman I have so much to be thankful for.

I served overseas in World War I. Upon my return I looked around for a job. I enjoyed the outdoor environment and mobility that railroad life offered, so I started my career as a brakeman in 1922. I thoroughly enjoyed my regular route from Windsor to Niagara Falls and on to New York.

At this time my wife, Serena and I lived in St. Thomas and in 1923 You blessed us with a strong son—Emerson.

One day in 1924, just two years after I began working with the railroad, as we were backing the engine around a curve in order to hitch the engine to the tender, the coupling mechanism, through an error, slipped, causing the tender to lurch forward and I was pinned between them.

I was almost killed in this accident. My back, my hips and lower intestines were crushed. The two McManus brothers, who were the engineer and conductor on this route were near me at the time. They moved the engine forward to free me. When they removed the pressure created by both cars the pain I felt was unbearable. Thank You God for having the McManus brothers near just when I desperately needed their help. They picked me up and having no available medication, rushed me to the Chatham hospital. However, that short trip in miles seemed like an eternity in time.

The internal bleeding was so intense that I received three blood transfusions on both my first and second day in the hospital. After a two month duration in the hospital

they let me go home to completely recover. Thank You God for saving my life and enabling me to return to work once again which I enjoyed so much, as a brakeman on my regular route. But I was not well.

Years later I took several courses to learn the five railroad lines for Chesepeka, Ohio; Detroit; New York and the Canadian Divisions. After successfully completing these required courses I was promoted from a brakeman to a conductor in 1939. My regular route ran from Windsor to New York making numerous stops.

Serena and I have enjoyed many years together watching our family grow. We grew through Emerson's wedding and the blessing of four grandchildren. Serena returned home to You in 1975. I miss her. I couldn't understand You leaving me all alone as I was weak and have had such difficulty with my legs since that accident.

However, I have had a rich and rewarding family life, and a career I enjoyed until 1964 when I retired at 66 years of age. I thank You for making all this possible, for if You had not been there that day in 1924 these years would never have been possible.

One day in 1977 when I was reaching for my coat and hat I fell. However, unlike other times I couldn't get up this time. Thank You, that I fell within reach of the phone. I called my grandson who came over immediately. My son insisted I give up my

apartment and live with them in Brampton.

I still lead an active life. Penny, our pet Terrier and I do everything together. She helps me make my bed and using the electric sweeper we do the carpets upstairs and downstairs. Penny then takes me for our daily walk and we rest for the balance of the day.

Thank You for my ability to work and maintain my dignity, and the ability to move about enjoying life.

George Clark,  
 Brampton, Ontario.

This letter is shared with you because there are many people who do not know that God's help is an everyday experience. Please share with us what God has done in your life by phoning Nancy at 853-2195 or write of your experience and mail to:

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## Obituary

### Ken MacColl dies in St. Michael's

Friends and relatives of Kenneth Bruce MacColl were shocked and saddened last week to hear of his death in St. Michael's hospital, Toronto, on November 12.

Mr. MacColl of 42 Cameron St., was born on April 21, 1950 in Guelph, youngest son of Colin and the late Mary MacColl. He attended Robert Little public school and Acton high school, before becoming employed at Beardmore.

### Councillor jibes

Outgoing Halton Hills regional councillor Garnet McKenzie had a few words to say about the influence of Burlington representatives. Speaking at the public works committee meeting Wednesday Nov. 15, McKenzie said it was his impression Burlington councillors were always trying to have the region do things as they are done in Burlington.

Although Burlington representatives denied this, further on in the discussion, a man from the city prefaced his remarks, "In Burlington..."

He is survived by his father, Colin, of Acton, and brothers Bill of St. Jacob's and Colin Jr. of Ile Le Cross, Saskatchewan. He was predeceased by his mother in 1976.

Funeral service was held at St. Joseph's church on November 14, with the Rev. Leo Speagle officiating. Interment was at Fairview Cemetery. Pallbearers were Bud Anderson, Jim Smith, Tim Coles, Mike Gervais, John Gibbons and Bill Nelles.

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With this change, UI benefits will more accurately reflect your local employment conditions.

It's all part of a plan announced over a year ago.

Each of these new 48 regions will have its own unemployment rate. This will set the length of time a claimant must have worked to become eligible for Unemployment Insurance benefits. And it will govern the length of benefits as well.

There's nothing new about the system itself—it's just being measured more finely in 48 regions, rather than 16.

The length of time a claimant must work to get UI remains the same. It varies from 10 to 14 weeks, depending on the unemployment rate where the

claimant lives. And regionally-based benefits have the same maximum.

The change will only affect those whose UI claims start after November 12.

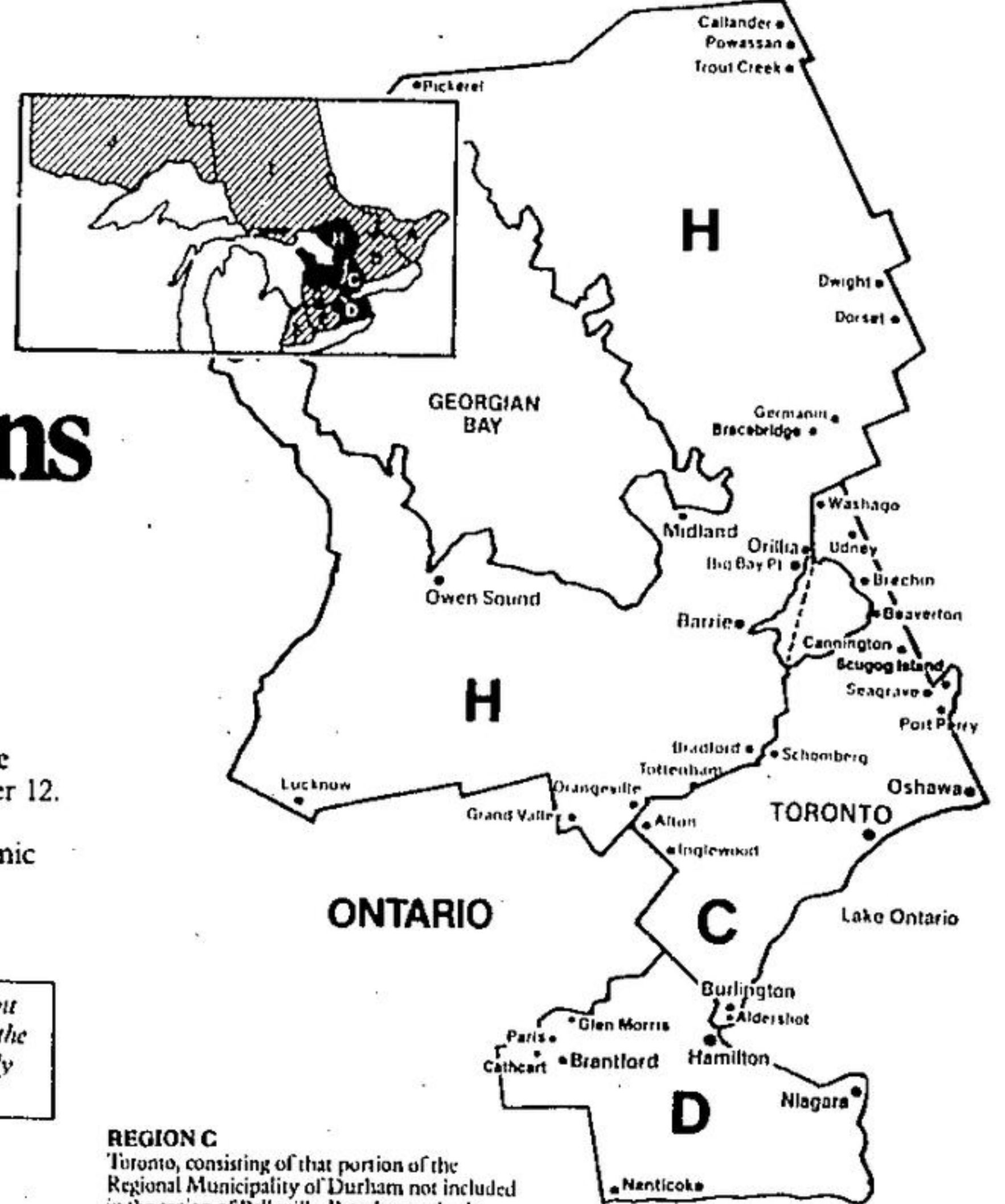
This map and the information with it will show you the new economic boundaries in your area.

Clip the map and save it for reference, if you like.

Note: Further changes to the Unemployment Insurance Program have been proposed by the Government. They will come into effect only when enacted by Parliament.

**Canada's Unemployment Insurance Program Working with people who want to work.**

Employment and Immigration Canada  
 Bud Cullen, Minister



**REGION C**  
 Toronto, consisting of that portion of the Regional Municipality of Durham not included in the region of Belleville-Peterborough, the Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto, the Regional Municipalities of Halton, Peel, and York, and the townships of Rama and Mara in the county of Simcoe.

**REGION D**  
 Niagara, consisting of the county of Brant, the former county of Haldimand and the Regional Municipalities of Hamilton-Wentworth, and Niagara.

**REGION H**  
 Georgian Bay, consisting of the counties of Bruce, Grey, Dufferin, the District Municipality of Muskoka, the District of Parry Sound, and the county of Simcoe (except the townships of Rama and Mara).

(Map and description of economic regions, if a question arises, the Unemployment Insurance Regulations must govern.)