

# Aimed gun at cops, mother will do 30 days

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A 31-year old Georgetown woman was sentenced last Wednesday in Milton Provincial Court to 30 days imprisonment for pointing a firearm at police and civilians.

Linda Burbine, a separated mother of three, was also sentenced to two ten-day jail terms, to be served concurrently, for convictions of common assault and escaping custody.

Judge Doug Latimer also sentenced three Mississauga residents involved in the same incident last Aug. 2 in the parking lot of Fogg's Restaurant and Tavern on Mountainview Road in Georgetown.

Miss Burbine's boyfriend, George Day, 28, was sentenced to three months imprisonment for obstructing and assaulting police and for common assault.

Thomas Negus, 27, convicted of assaulting two police officers, was sentenced to four months imprisonment. His common-law wife, Roberta Percival, 25, convicted of obstructing police, was given a suspended sentence by the judge and put on probation for two years.

The disturbance began inside the restaurant last summer when a diner, David Pickett of Georgetown, asked Mr. Day to refrain from making remarks about a woman in Mr. Pickett's company.

During Miss Burbine's trial Feb. 4 the court was told that Mr. Day struck Mr. Pickett, prompting the Pickett party of five to leave the restaurant.

Mr. Day followed them outside. Mr. Pickett immediately drove to the Georgetown police station and alerted Constable Joe Prasad, who caught up with the Day party by then in the parking lot of the restaurant.

Moments later, Const. Joe Martin arrived to see Mr. Negus punch Acting Sergeant Prasad. The three other convicted members of the party attempted to stop Const. Martin from intervening.

Miss Burbine removed Const. Martin's revolver from his holster and pointed it at the two officers in turn. Both took cover and Miss Burbine then turned the loaded revolver on a gathering crowd, the court was told.

He called Miss Burbine's behavior that night "completely out of character and totally unusual for her."

"It was an hysterical reaction on her part to what was going on around her," Mr. Goldman claimed.

Acknowledging that Miss Burbine's assault on a civilian was not in its nature severe, crown attorney Brian Calhoun pointed out that what made the assault serious was the fact that Miss Burbine struck a civilian attempting to assist police.

"When a citizen does come to assist police, hopefully, he will receive some protection," Mr. Calhoun said.

He also denied the claim by defence lawyer Goldman that Miss Burbine's behavior was a just, singular loss of judgment.

"It wasn't a question of playing around or not knowing the gun was loaded," the crown attorney said. "She had to undo the holster, go into it, and get the gun—all while the police officer was being assaulted."

Mr. Calhoun sought the maximum penalty of six months incarceration. Mr. Goldman asked the judge that some form of community work be required of Miss Burbine as punishment instead.

Mr. Goldman said he opposed jail for his client because "it had the potential of causing persons, including Miss Burbine, a substantially greater amount of grief." He was referring to the distress a jail term would cause Miss Burbine's three children, ten, eight and three years old.

However, the judge felt a period of incarceration was necessary to serve as a warning to the public.

"What you did was absolutely foolish. The court hasn't much sympathy for what you did that night," Judge Latimer told Miss Burbine. "Like I say, you're lucky you're here."

To the defence lawyer's request that the sentence be served on weekends from 7 p.m. Friday to Monday 6 a.m. instead of in one block of time, the judge agreed.

"You've got the intermittent sentence, not for you; you really don't deserve it, ma'am," Judge Latimer said. "I'm going to do it for your children."

Miss Burbine's mother and sisters have offered to care for her three children during her absence.

Judge Latimer commended the officers involved in the fracas for their restraint in dealing with the dangerous situation.

## Canada has a surplus of chickens, Norval processor can't get enough

By PETER HUGHES  
Herald Special

The price of chicken is dropping because of a 19-million-pound surplus in storage but the co-owner of Maple Lodge Farms says his firm can't get enough.

The Canadian Chicken Marketing Agency set a 1982 production quota of 640 million pounds, estimating that processors would have about 21 million pounds in storage at the end of 1981.

But at the end of the year there were 40 million pounds leaving processors — most of them in Ontario — with an extra 19 million pounds to sell.

Bob May of the sales oriented chicken processor, said his company does not store chickens and sells them to companies like integrated processors who buy live chickens, process them and then sell them.

"We haven't been able to get live chickens in the last two years," he said. "Because they (integrated processors) do not want to supply us with live chickens so we have to buy viscerated (already dressed) chickens."

Being a sale oriented processor and with no facilities for storage, Mr. May said these companies are pushing out companies like his and one way is over producing.

He said if the integrated processor has an over supply the price drops and buyers go to him.

"We can't get enough live chicken here," he said. "So we want a permit to import them from the U.S. but haven't gotten it yet."

Mr. May said the integrated processors could sell Maple Lodge Farms live chickens for processing but instead do it themselves to make a larger profit.

"They control the live market with the exception of some independents who we buy from," he said. "But they process the chickens and put them in storage."

He said if more chickens were sold live to businesses such as his — that are in sales — they wouldn't have to put so much in storage.

— Courtesy Brampton Times

## Club seeks outstanding farmers

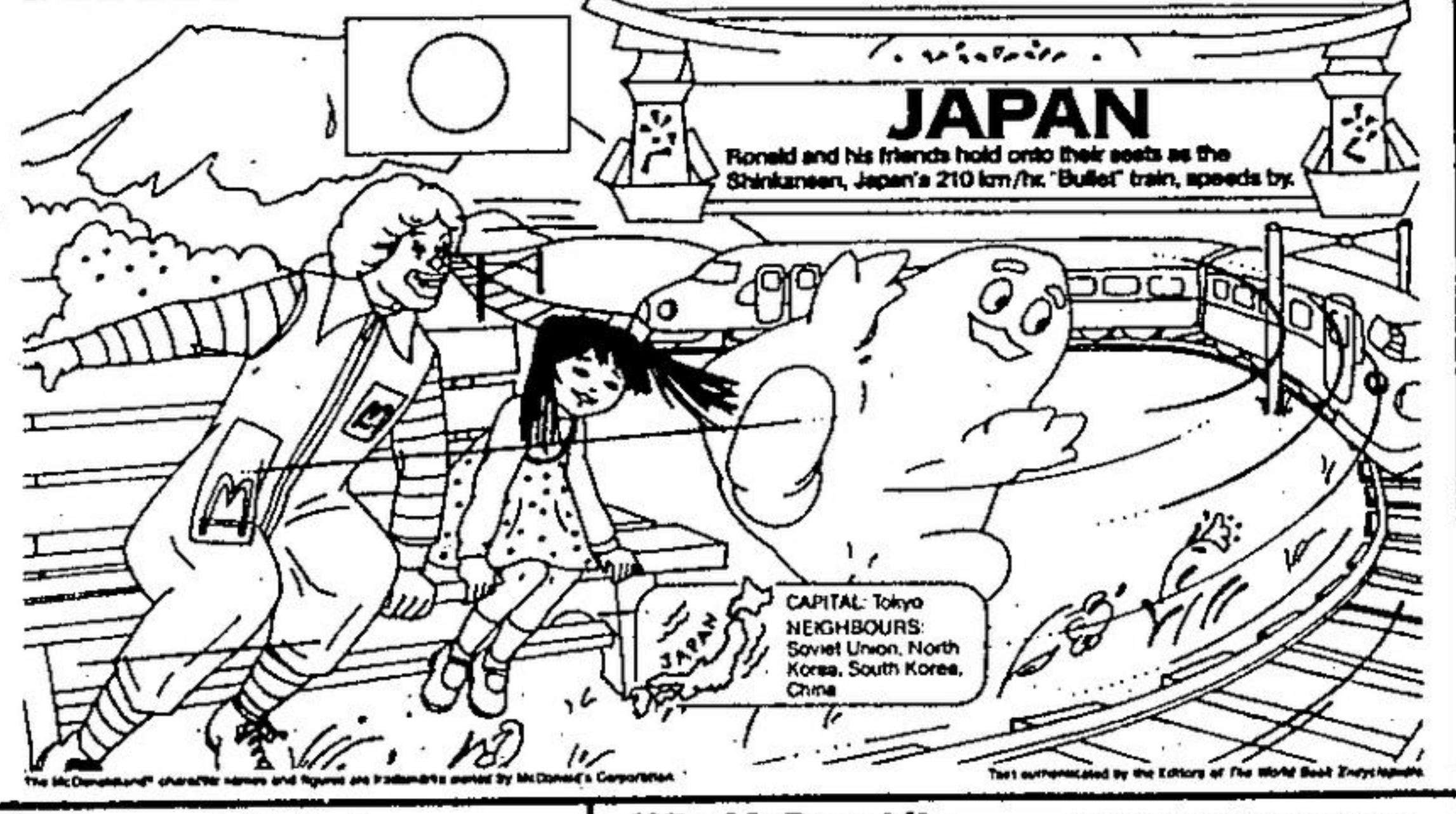
The Georgetown Jaycees have announced the availability of entry forms for the 1982 Outstanding Young Farmers Award Program.

The competition for the local area covers all the rural district around Georgetown and Acton and will also include the western portion of the Peel Region.

Entry forms may be obtained from any rural branch of the Bank of Montreal and at participating Ralston Purina and United Co-op Dealers. Entry forms and further information can be obtained by contacting Dennis Borotak at 877-6407 or Al Stittard at 877-1813.

All entries must be in by May 1. The winner will be announced by May 15. To qualify for the competition, candidates must be between 18 and 39 prior to Jan., 1982. He or she must also be an actual farm operator and derive a minimum of two-thirds income from the farm.

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