

# 'Oklahoma' opens curtain on early America

Globe's revival of the popular musical debuts Feb. 9 at the John Elliott Theatre

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Rehearsals at Knox Presbyterian Church for Globe Productions' 'Oklahoma' began last Tuesday as casting for the Rogers and Hammerstein production concluded.

"'Oklahoma' is probably one of the most popular shows for amateur music-

al companies to do," director Mike Burgoyne told The Herald.

"It's a classic love story --with a melodramatic twist--set in Indian territory (Oklahoma before statehood) around 1907."

Without giving away too much about the plot, Mike explained that a love triangle forms between

characters Curly, Laurey and malcontent Jud Fry. Meanwhile, there is a variety of side stories woven into the fabric of the musical, he added.

New Yorkers were the first to see Oklahoma on-stage in 1943. Four years later, it was performed in London and in 1955 was released as an enormously popular film. Viewers saw

it colorfully splashed across the screen in the vibrancy of Cinemascope.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**  
It's an entertaining way to catch a glimpse of midwest America at the turn of the century.

"Telephones were new and there were elevators and skyscrapers--so the movie, in a sense, offers a bit of public comment,"

Mike said.  
"When Oklahoma first came out, it was the 1940s looking back at the early 1900s. It's even more unusual now as we in the '80s look back at the '40s looking back on the 1900s."

Globe president Bev Nicholas described "Oklahoma" as "a classic in its own line", a musical which has gradually

become part of American folklore.

"There is in Oklahoma a difference--not a conflict, but a difference--between the cowboys and the farmers," he noted, a mild rivalry not unlike that between the urbanites and rural residents of Halton.

This particular production forthrightly announces a close allegiance with

the Brampton Musical Society (BMS). Even prior to Globe's formation last year, talented Georgetown residents participated in BMS productions.

There are BMS members in Globe's Oklahoma-cast and Globe members star in upcoming BMS productions this season--an arrangement, Globe reps maintain, which vast-

ly deepens the talent pool from which the groups can draw.

**MINOR ROLE**  
Lois Fraser's enthusiastic performance in a relatively minor role for "Anything Goes" last season packed plenty of momentum which has carried her through auditions and into the role of Oklahoma's key love-

interest, Laurey.

She'll be acting alongside Brampton's Peter Richards (as Curly) and Georgetown's Joe Delguidice, who'll play the scurrilous Jud Fry.

"Anything Goes" star Alan Gotlib (Billy Crocker) returns to the stage as Ali Hakim in "Oklahoma". Alison

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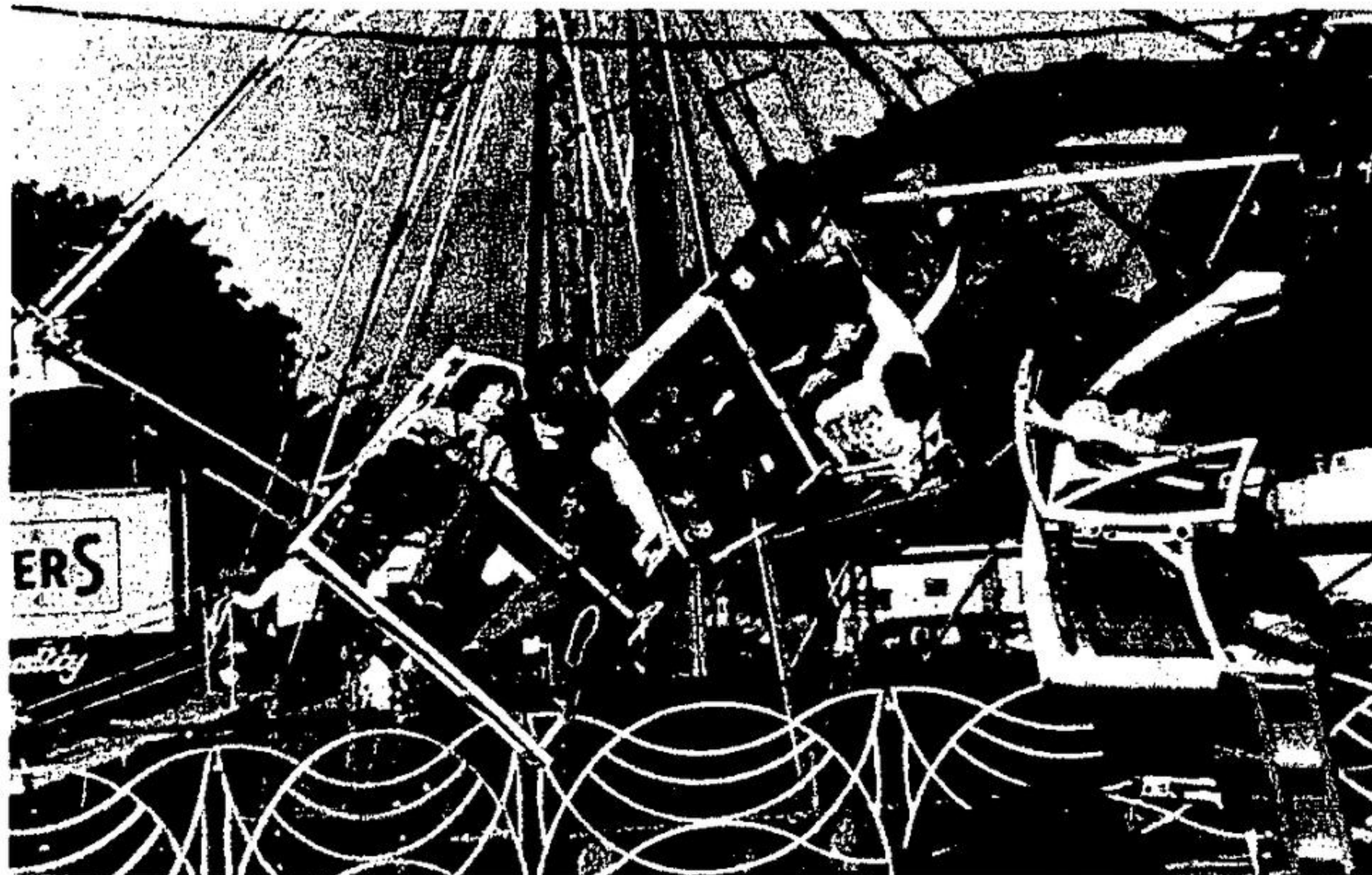
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## ACTON WAS FLYIN' HIGH

Ah, the midway! Fall fairs wouldn't be the same without a couple of spins on the rides. That, of course, is just the start. Acton fall fair last weekend featured a parade, variety night, a hog carcass auction, horse shows, beef and sheep shows poultry galore, rooster crowing contests, a

fiddlers' competition, tractor pull, pioneer games, model boat races, log sawing, haybale throwing, the pet show and a dance. Thousands visited Prospect Park all three days. See our special photo feature on page A8. (Herald photo by Harold Branch)

## Sheldon 'fearful' of aggregate designations

# Too many 'ifs' in plan

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There are just too many "ifs" in policies outlined by the province's ministry

of natural resources for mineral extraction which must be settled before they can be included in the town's official plan, Coun.

Pam Sheldon said last week. Her sentiments were echoed by other members of the town's general

committee which, contrary to a planning department recommendation, refused to describe a land use strategy proposed by

the ministry as a "useful guideline in the development of (the town's) official plan".

In its strategy, the ministry foresees an increased need for aggregate over the next 40 years from the Cambridge MNR district, of which Halton Hills is a part.

While the ministry wants to see more land set aside or "protected" for gravel and quarried stone production, town officials are concerned that the strategy and its policies were developed without much co-operation from Cambridge district municipalities.

**POINT OUT**  
Officials point out that the ten-point document, "Mineral Aggregate Policy", Continued on page A2.

## GOOD VIBES AT ORCHESTRA WORKSHOP

Striking up a friendship last Wednesday night were Joy Swain, 7, of Georgetown and Hamilton Philharmonic percussionist Jean-Norman Iadecua. Joy said she plays the piano and is in her second year of lessons. The Park School student learned about the skills involved in playing drums, tambourines and keyboard instruments from the 12-year veteran with the Philharmonic. Mr. Iadecua let her try out the keyboard at the first of six music appreciation gatherings in Georgetown's cultural centre. (Herald photo by Ani Pederian)



# 'Box of 6-and-5 goodies' angers dollar-watcher MP

Promoting the federal six and five per cent program is a gross waste of taxpayers money, Brampton-Georgetown MP John McDermid charged Monday morning at a press conference in his Brampton office.

"It's a propaganda thing that everybody knows about anyway," he said. Mr. McDermid was upset because he received a box of supplies from the federal government asking

him to promote the six and five restraint program in his riding. Along with brochures explaining the program, the Conservative MP said he received posters and rolls of stickers in both official languages.

"I'll promote six and five without these tools," he said. "They like to save a dime but they'll spend 25 cents to do it." He said the "box of goodies" cost \$5 in postage.

He'll take the materials back with him on his next trip to Ottawa, saving taxpayers \$5 return postage.

"I feel they should know I'm not pleased they're spending money on these things when it's a time of restraint. It insults the intelligence of Canadian people who know we're going through tough times, and who know all types of restraint are needed."

Mr. McDermid said federal guidelines giving civil servants raises of six per cent this year and five per cent next year was well publicized by the media. The Liberal government's Bill C124 was philosophically supported by Progressive Conservatives, Mr. McDermid said. The bill wiped out collective bargaining for two years for federal employees, yet retained non-monetary collective bargaining.

## Consultants prepare for hearings

# Landfill spending takes a new jump

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After about \$800,000 worth of studies and \$2.5 million worth of expansion projects at the Burlington and Oakville garbage dumps, Halton region has taken a new approach in its search for a new landfill site.

Regional officials and consultants were at Monday night's council meeting to introduce a plan to look at Halton's solid waste disposal issue under guidelines outlined in the province's Environmental Assessment Act.

Council has been asked to comment on the plan by Oct. 15.

Chief administrative officer Dennis Perlin told councillors that the environmental assessment review will hopefully be completed and submitted to the ministry by September, 1983. The expanded landfill site in Burlington, he warned, will be completely filled by March, 1984.

After years of study, regional officials were confident that they had found a location in Milton on which to construct a new landfill site. Its decision to use Site F, a 246-acre chunk of prime farmland at the northwest corner of Tremaine and Britannia Roads, has caused a bitter dispute between the region and Milton town council and a local citizens' group.

Last year, the ministry determined that the region's choice must be examined under the Environmental Assessment Act instead of the Environmental Protection Act, a ruling regarded as a minor victory for Milton since it requires the region to seriously consider alternative sites and methods of waste disposal.

Walker, Wright, Young Associates Ltd. of Toronto have been hired by the region to conduct the

review along with a team of financial and environmental planners and engineers.

Mr. Perlin stressed that the new review, which will be handled in three stages, begins on "neutral terms" and references to Site F as the region's preferred location for a garbage dump have been deleted.

The Walker group, which completed the town's draft official plan this year and presented the town with studies on

the Acton and Georgetown downtown cores in 1981, was hired for about \$107,000, although the region may pay for additional services as the study progresses.

During the first phase, consultants working with the planning department will review previous reports on the region's landfill needs, determining what information can be used for the environmental assessment.

The second phase will

look at specific sites for a dump and suggest ways of limiting the amount of waste currently being buried instead of recycled.

After making site recommendations and proposing alternatives, the review will be published and sent to ministry in the third phase.

Once a site is selected and accepted by the ministry, it may take another \$3 million to prepare it to handle garbage, Mr. Perlin said.

## ELECTION CENTRAL

# McFarlane after school board seat

A veteran of the 1974 citizens' battle to keep Norval Public School open, Hugh McFarlane has announced his candidacy for the Ward 2 Halton board of education seat.

A ten-year resident of Norval and former head of the Norval Community Association, Mr. McFarlane told The Herald Monday his concerns about education involve "how much it's costing and how much we're getting."

He is the only candidate thus far for the Esqueping seat previously held by Betty Walker, who died Sept. 5 near the end of her rookie term on the school board.

Mr. McFarlane, employ-

ed in mid- and senior level management with pharmaceutical firms before he

switched to real estate, believes his type of business experience might be



HUGH McFARLANE

just what the Halton school board needs to administer its budget properly while maintaining a high quality of education.

He now works out of his home near Norval's four corners for a Toronto realty firm engaged primarily in industrial relocation in the Toronto and Mississauga areas.

Mr. McFarlane and his wife Bonnie have three children: Laurier, 29, Diana, 27, and Peter, 24. Diana and Peter attended Georgetown District High School.

Both he and his wife are Guelph natives and lived in Manitoba and Montreal before moving to Norval. Continued on page A5

# MP sees better times ahead for us

Although confidence in the economy is low among businessmen, Brampton-Georgetown MP John McDermid said he can see Georgetown becoming more attractive for industry in the very near future.

"I think in the next two, three years you'll see a resurgence there, once the economy gets back on its feet again," he said.

Mr. McDermid was speaking to local reporters in his Brampton office Monday following a press conference about his upcoming trip to Washington. He left Wednesday to join five other MPs in the U.S. to study how the American government and private sector is dealing with a poor economy and unemployment.

"Georgetown has a lot to attract industry," Mr. McDermid said. With parks, schools and other community services to offer, industries can feel confident of attracting good employees to live in Georgetown.

People are shopping for properties that have good transportation links and are close to a large market, he said, noting Georgetown is not far from Highway 401 or Toronto.



## AMBULANCE ACROBATICS

Georgetown Volunteer Ambulance Service member Nicki Eggleton found herself beel over head Sunday when colleagues demonstrated their new "KED" splint used for auto accident victims with back injuries. Frank Esposito, Lilly George and Bob Sales spun Nicki around to illustrate the device's practical nature during the service's open house. More photos inside.

(Herald photo by Harold Branch)