

# From sea to shining sea

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The Acton Tanner

Halton Peel MP Garth Turner saw both oceans last week in his bid to succeed Prime Minister Brian Mulroney.

"I haven't been to Manitoba and I haven't been to Newfoundland yet," Turner said in a car phone interview Monday, as he headed to an open-line cable tel-

evision show.

Running a no-frills, grassroots campaign, Turner is wooing delegates and supporters with a debt-reduction platform.

Turner, who has hopped across the country, said people are appreciative that he is in the race.

"They like that fact that I'm focusing on a lot of ideas, including across-the-board spending cuts," Turner said.

"The campaign has been personally tougher on me than the front-runners because I travel light. I don't have assistants to do advance work for me around the country, so it's tougher and it's slower," Turner said.

"That's okay. I'm doing it for what I believe, not for grandeur."

Latest polls show Turner running a close fourth in a field of six candidates, including Defence Minister Kim Campbell, Environment Minister Jean Charest, Toronto-area MP Patrick Boyer, Alberta MP Jim Edwards and Guelph

foundry owner John Long.

Turner, who vowed to spend as little as possible to run his campaign, said he does not know how much has been spent to date.

"It's not my job to know how much is being spent, but we're in the black. We raised the \$15,000 needed to register as a delegate and we have enough for a campaign office in Georgetown and office supplies," Turner said.

The candidates meet tomorrow (Thursday) in Toronto for their first televised debate and delegate selection to the June leadership convention is underway.

The Halton Peel riding association will select its delegates at a meeting Wednesday, April 28 in Georgetown.

## FoodShare in 'fair shape'

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"We need powdered milk, canned fish and stew and items for children's lunches. Our whole goal, everything is for the children."

FoodShare secretary-treasurer Arlene Fritz said FoodShare wants to put itself out of business.

"We want to help our clients get to the point where they don't need us. All of our programs are aimed at helping people with temporary food supplies, until they become independent," Fritz said Thursday.

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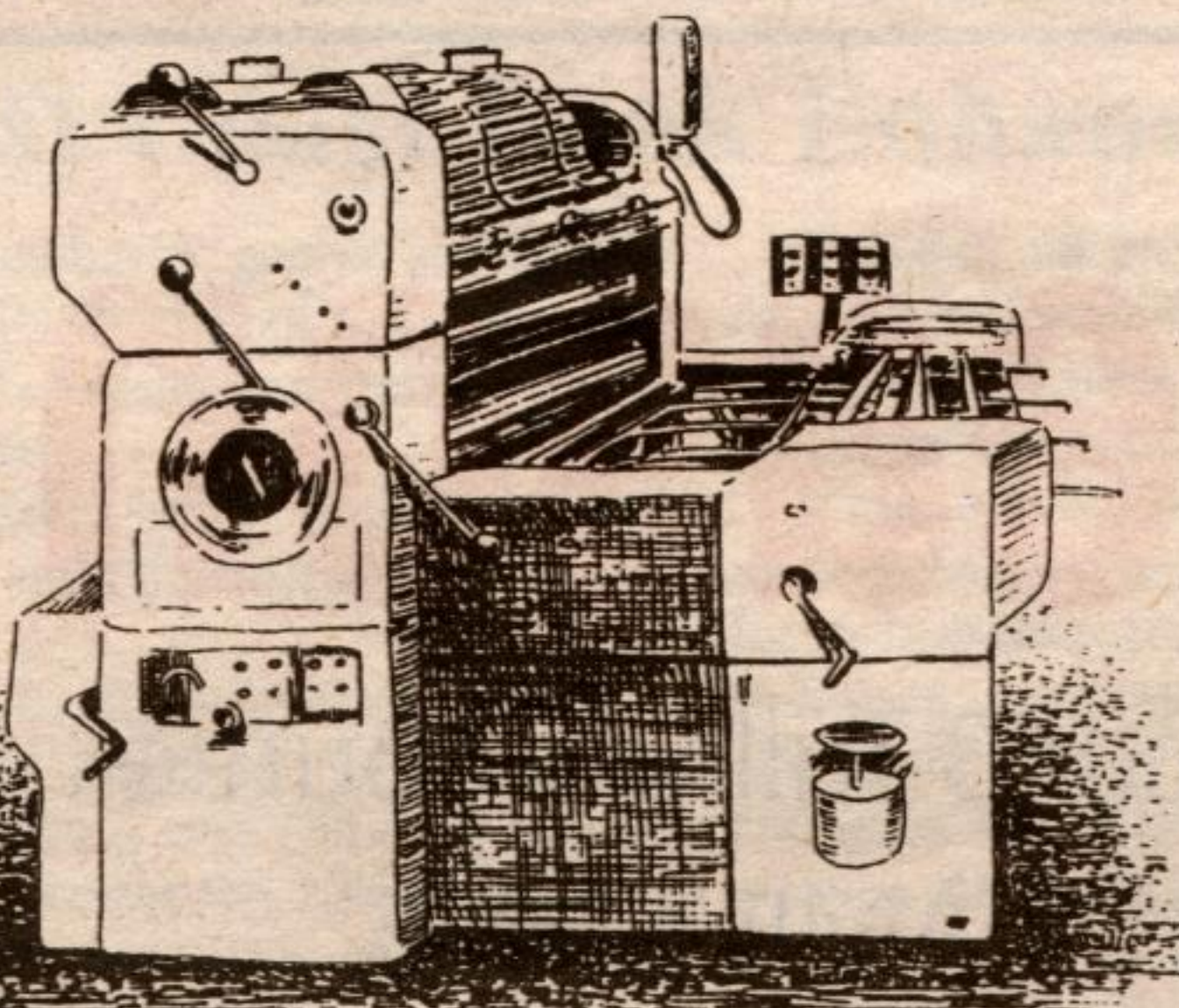
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## NEWS SHORTS

### Bail hearing Friday

A 20-year-old Acton man will appear in Milton court Friday, April 16 for a bail hearing in connection with the alleged sexual assault of a 15-year-old Acton girl, overnight on Monday, March 29.

The accused, who was arrested without incident on Saturday at his apartment, was to appear for a bail hearing in a Burlington Court yesterday (Tuesday), but was held-over.

The unidentified victim, who knew her attacker, was lured from her home on the false pretence of meeting another person, in what police described as a "clever ruse."

The victim reportedly was taken to an abandoned vehicle in a garage at the Beardmore complex on Elgin Street, and sexually assaulted.

Police said the victim, who was then taken to her home by her attacker, called police.

She was treated and released from hospital.

Police will not reveal any more details, but charges of sexual assault with a weapon, weapons dangerous, forcible confinement, uttering a death threat and breach of probation were also laid against the accused.

Charged is Matthew Adlam of 17-B Mill St. E.

### Library vandalized

Unknown person(s) caused \$1,000 damage to the book drop-off chute at Acton Library, sometime between Thursday night and Saturday morning.

A passerby notified police that the metal door had been bent and the chute filled with sticks and sand.

Police have no suspects.

### McKenzie-Smith thefts

For the second time in a month, cash has been stolen from staff at McKenzie-Smith Middle School.

Last Monday a teacher left his wallet, containing \$600 in cheques and cash, along with credit cards, in the pocket of his coat in the staff room. When he returned the wallet was gone.

On March 17 the vice-principal left her purse and wallet hanging on the back of her office door and \$125 was stolen.

Police have no suspects in either incident.

### Pellet gun prank

An 18-year-old Acton youth was "strongly cautioned" by Halton police after he was seen with a pellet gun early Sunday morning in the IGA parking lot.

Acting on a tip, Halton police confronted the suspect who retrieved a handgun-type pellet gun from behind the seat of a car. Police said the suspect had displayed the firearm to some friends, not realizing the seriousness of his actions.

### Licence to walk

A 23-year-old Acton man, arrested for numerous traffic violations Saturday, will appear in Milton Court Monday, May 10.

Police report a check of a motorist, pulled over for a routine violation, found that he was driving while under suspension and did not have insurance or current licence plates.

Charged is Ross Walsh of 90 Mill St.

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"We have too many planners. These people have been bouncing around between the Region and the Town and the Town and the Region."

— Rick Bonnette, Councillor, Page 4

### DID YOU KNOW?

The handshake is a friendly gesture today, but it originated in ancient times out of suspicion. Strangers shook hands to show that they were unarmed.

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