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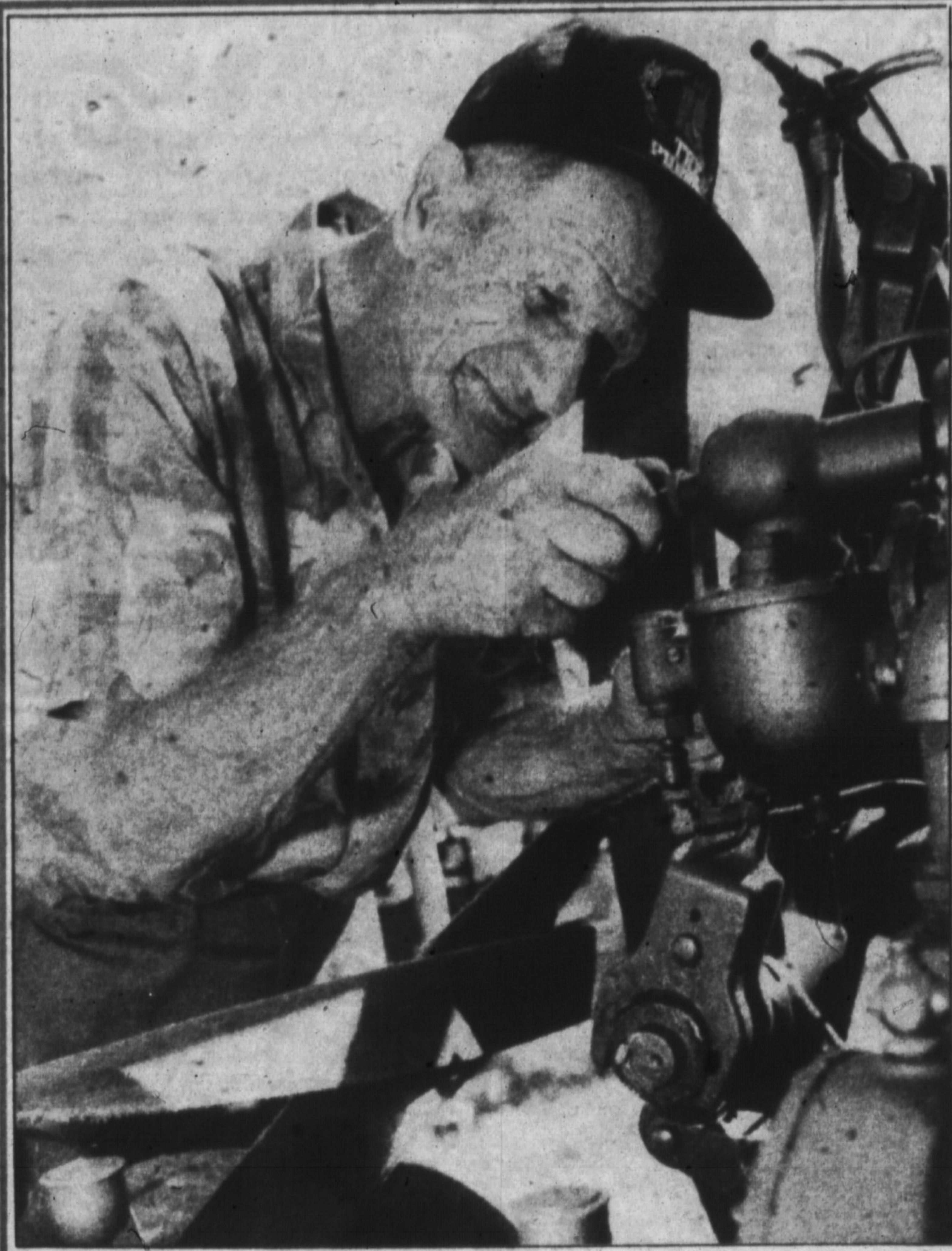


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**A steamy affair**

Harold Gaddy of Binbrook looks like he's performing a labor of love as he works on a 1928 Ruston-Hornsby steam engine at the Milton fair grounds. The annual Steam Era extravaganza takes place this weekend. Please see story page 4.

**Elliot defends  
Liberals lashed  
by opposition  
at election debate**

By SCOTT KLINE  
Special to The Champion

Halton North incumbent MPP Walt Elliot continued his defence of the Liberal government at a Georgetown meet the candidates night Wednesday.

"The Liberal government has made its goals clear for the last three years," Mr. Elliot said. "You have to ask yourself who has a vision of the future and who best can carry out that vision."

About 100 people were on hand at Georgetown District High School for the all candidates meeting — the third in the riding — sponsored by the Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Elliot's colleagues continued their attacks on a wide range of government policies. "This election was called on the barest of excuses," New Democrat Noel Duignan said. "Nothing the Liberals have promised could have not been done in the last three years."

He called Liberal campaign promises "simply recycled versions of unkept commitments from 1985 and 1987."

Meanwhile, Progressive Conservative Dave Whiting fired salvos at both the Liberal and NDP candidates. "What a waste," Mr. Whiting said. "Forty million dollars for an election that only David Peterson wanted."

Based on a recent public opinion poll, Mr. Whiting said Ontario will likely have a minority government following this election.

"Historically, minority governments only last as long as Peterson and his Liberals already had... two years," the Tory candidate added.

He also attacked Mr. Duignan, challenging him to name 10 corporations in north Halton that have not paid taxes.

Throughout the campaign Mr. Duignan has insisted that Liberal

"big business friends" have not been carrying their share of Ontario's tax burden.

"Now you've made the allegation, I'd like you to back it up with some facts," Mr. Whiting said.

While he was unable to name such local corporations, Mr. Duignan listed half a dozen based in other centres which, he said, earned between \$54 million and \$157 million

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