a press conference called after the average, the lowest motor a provincial cabinet meeting. | vehicle rates of any province," The increase ranges from \$1 Mr. Allan said. to \$6 for cars, from \$3 to \$168.50 for trucks; 50 cents to \$120.50 mercial vehicles were based on for trailers; \$5 to \$128 for buses studies of motor vehicle operaand \$3 to \$14 for dual-purpose | tion in Ontario. They showed venicles.

for passenger cars, the present \$2 licence will cost \$3, \$5 lic- hicles yield in-licence fees. ence \$7, the \$7 licence \$10, the \$10 licence \$15 and the present \$15 licence \$21.

Licences for trucks and buses will be increased on a comparable scale up to and including commercial vehicles of 14 tons. Beyond that weight the rate of increase will rise more sharply.

The rate on a 19-ton truck, for example, will be \$502 instead of the present \$313.50. That for a commercial vehicle of not more than two tons, now \$7.50 will be \$10.50.

Mr. Allan said the increase is the first in Ontario's motor vehicle licence fees in more than 18 years, a period during which the cost of almost everything has doubled and the purchasing power of the dollar has been halved.

Ontario's road budget was approaching \$200,000,000 annually with the result that the increased expenditures on highways roughfares were more than the some should let some of it come held on Dec. 21st at 8 p.m.

Highways Minister Allan an- revenues provided by the own-

"Even with these increases in Announcement was made at rates, Ontario will still have on

Higher increases for com such vehicles derived the great-Under the new scale of fees est use from the highways in relation to the revenues the ve-Many of the United States

had adopted new systems of fees for the trucking industry. Some had introduced the " tonmile" method. In many ways it was the most logical and equtable system, levying charges in accordance with the use the commercial vehicles made of highways.

He estimated the increases will produce an additional revenue of about \$10,000,000 for the provincial treasury.

Mr. Allan said the highways department is committed to a greatly expanded program of highway construction, maintenance, and assistance for municipal thoroughfares.

Some authorities had estimated the volume of motor vehicle traffic would be 50 percent higher by 1960 and twice as much in 1965.

All people have a lot of good and subsidies for municipal tho- in them, says a judge. And

ALTONA To Publish The regular meeting of the

The Pennsylvania German Folklore Society of Ontario has been active lately in promoting speaker, Mrs. A. Huston of Vicinterest in what is commonly toria Square. There will be an called "Pennsylvania Dutch" exchange of Christmas gifts made from odds and ends, also a collection of donations to fill

boxes for shut-ins. Note change ems by one of the few folk manager of the Canadian plow- ial. The governor of the prov-Congratulations to Altona gest achievement of the year World Plowing Match in Swe- tall distinguished looking gen-School for winning 2nd prize reviewed by president Dr. G. E. den, has sent home on-the-spot tleman, amazed the audience by on their Red Riding Hood float Reaman at the recent annual reports of his trip with team speaking in Swedish, German, at Claremont on Saturday. They meeting. The group met at Kit- members Joe Tran of Clare French, and perfect English,

The book, for which the so-Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Vaughan ciety holds the copyright, contains poems in Pennsylvania Dutch dialect by Ben Sauder of St. Jacobs.

of Waterloo College, the collect he last leg of the journey to scratch, and at five minutes to tion is called "Der Nachbar an the site of the 1955 World Plowde Shtros" or freely translated ing Match. We Canadians had fired and at noon a red rocket caps for the children playing "The Neighbor in the Street." travelled almost half way ar-Dialect Difficulty

The difficulty in writing down prize money from the floats and the dialect, for which no standthis year the material for their ard dictionary is available, was costumes came from their prize stressed by Dr. Reaman. Mr. money. Now we have some- Sauder gave several of his humorous readings during the pro-Keep in mind the Altona gram. School Christmas Concert to be

Of 3,000 souvenir plates bearing scenes of historical sites oldest universities in Europe, it was established in 1477, 15 around Kitchener and Jordan, only 500 remain unsold; the years before Columbus discovpresident reported. This is the request of the society.

vania Dutch furniture will be spires reaching into the sky. started shortly by Hentschel's Furniture of Waterloo, Dr. Reaman announced. The pieces, decorated with the colorful designs typical of the pioneers, will probably include chests and bedroom sets.

five-franc coin struck for the this point, for we had to get at the end after finishing his Dr. Reaman displayed a silver It had been presented to the so- arrived at the grounds, we heard from the crowd gathered 150th anniversary of Schiller. ciety by the ambassador for the Republic of Germany.

chener-Waterloo, Guelph, Vineland and York County were display. mentioned.

Came to Canada demonstrating to the judges Barbara Heck, founder of Mewhat to look for in the compethodism in North America,

(Continued below)

CANADIAN **PLOWMEN** ABROAD

by WILL C. BARRIE, Manager

lin of Stouffville, Ont. Here is tition open.

the fourth of his reports.

old city of 75,000.

However, we did not have too

much time for sight-seeing at

been connected with the Inter-

national Match for many years

feel that our score card is just

about right. However, when the

ideas of 12 countries have to be

considered, compromises have

On the Wednesday, the plow-

men from the 12 countries were

allotted plots of land on which

to practise, and these workouts

created just about as much in-

terest as a real plowing match.

On Thursday, the time was

day to visit the dairy barn on

this farm where a fine herd of

pose shorthorns and are very

veiled on the Agricultural Col-

first world match was held in

The Swedish minister of ag-

riculture, Hon. Sam Norup,

speaking in Swedish and then

in English, traced the history

came to eastern Canada with

Guelph' told the group.

seum or historic site.

retary-treasurer.

College affiliation.

published.

Will Publish Book

again used for practice.

popular in Sweden.

Unveil Cairn

Instruct Judges

to be made.

Editor's Note:

CANADIAN PLOWING TEAM

W. C. Barrie of plowing from the early days W. C. Barrie of Galt, Ont., a land, with the help of two Swedpast president of the Ontario ish girl students dressed in na-Publication of a book of po- Plowmen's Association and the tive attire, unveiled the memorpoets in Canada was the big-ling team at the third annual ince of Uppsala, Dr. Andren, a mont, Ont., and Ivan McLaugh- and finally declared the compe-

Next the plowmen had lunch Uppsala, Sweden: Of all the in a tent and then lined up plowing teams - from 12 dif- their tractors and plows for a ferent countries - none were parade to the field. They were looking forward any more eag- allowed to set their stakes and Edited by Prof. Kurt Nabert erly than we were, to making line up the tractors at the 12 a blue warning rocket was was fired as the starting signal. Later 12 judges, one from each ound the world, by train, by boat and by plane, and now participating country, started we, along with the 11 other to score the work and although it was not announced until the teams, were boarding a bus to travel the last few miles to the following evening, Ivan Mcmatch site, on the Royal Agri- Laughlin of Canada received cultural Farm, just outside this the highest score for stubble. Joe Tran, his team mate, did as The college is part of the Uni- well if not better than Ivan, versity of Uppsala. One of the but ran into some hard luck

which lowered his score. The next day, when they plowed grassland, the teams were told to be on hand one ered America. On the hillside at second plate produced at the the rear of the hotel is the hour earlier in order to be fin-Uppsala Cathedral, an immense ished and ready for the ban-The production of Pennsyl- red brick building with three quet. The day was ideal for plowing and long before the This is Sweden's largest cathed- starting rocket was fired, an ral, and although the outside immense crowd had gathered. The field was roped off to keep of the building is quite plain and cold looking, inside it is the crowd off the headlands and one of the most beautiful we benches were placed outside

Loud Applause

As each plowman turned out ready for the match. When we land, loud clapping could be could see that preparations had beyond the headland.

While the plowing was in been underway for some time Activities of chapters in Kit- as a large number of imple- progress, a number of airplanes ments of all makes were on were giving a demonstration of crop spraying nearby, and the pilots showed great skill, flying under the hydro and telephone The first day was spent in wires and skimming along about two feet from the ground, tition. We in Ontario who have sending out a spray that would completely cover any crop.

It could be readily seen by this time that Hugh Barr of Northern Ireland, last year's winner of the Esso Golden Plow, had done an outstanding job and was likely to repeat his win of last year. Ivan McLaughlin of Canada and Hugh Barr's team mate, Langford Gilliland, were running neck and neck. Everyone was on pins and needles waiting for the results. The News Is Out

The judges handed in their We also had time on Thurs- score cards shortly after the plowing ended and the auditors were soon busy tabulating the Swedish red and white dairy results. We returned to the cattle is kept. These cattle are hotel and had just finished cleaning up at the hotel when very much like our dual purword came that the returns were out. The fact that Northern Ireland, Canada, and Gt. The official opening the next Britain shared the first six day was attended by about 12,- placings was received with 000 people. To mark the site much rejoicing by Her Majes-

permanently, a cairn was un- ty's loyal subjects present. When it was learned that lege grounds a short distance Ivan McLaughlin had received from the match field. A model the high score in stubble plowof a plow surmounted the ing and Hugh Barr the highest cairn, and a plaque noted the in sod, with Hugh's combined contribution which plows and score a little more than Ivan's plowmen make to the peace of they were soon the centre of a the world. A similar cairn had cheering crowd. We proceeded been unveiled a few weeks ear- at once to send a cable to Tolier at Cobourg, Ont., where the ronto for our trip sponsor, Imperial Oil, and shortly after, John Bradshaw, the Esso farm reporter, telephoned from Toronto to get the results. Because of the difference in the time between Canada and Sweden, people in Canada knew the result

several hours, so to speak, be-

fore the plowing took place!

the United Empire Loyalists, Colorful Banquet The banquet which was spon-Mrs. Lillian Collier Gray of sored by the Swedish Young She gave a comprehensive pa- | Farmers was a most colourful per on Mrs. Heck, saying that affair, with a setting that would a movement has been started to be hard to surpass anywhere. set aside her home between The castle which is now the Prescott and Maitland as a mu- home of the governor of Uppsala was built in the 13th cen-The first settlers in Guelph tury on an elevation not unlike

Township, Pennsylvania Ger- the Citadel at Quebec. mans who came in 1825, were With its six-foot thick walls discussed in a paper prepared it must have been considered by Finlay Weaver and read by almost impregnable in the ear Dr. A. E. Byerly, both of ly days. The stairways leading to the banquet hall and also to Dr. Reaman was re-elected the dance hall are very wide president. Other officers are Dr. and built on immense slatos of

B. Mabel Dunham, honorary stone. president; Dr. J. G. Hagey, hon- By closing your eyes you orary vice-president; Fred M. would almost imagine you could Snyder, Dr. Norman High of see knights in shining armour Guelph, G. W. Keffer of Maple with shields and spears, climband Rev. Lloyd Schaus, vice- ing the stairs. The meal was presidents; Lorne B. Weber, sec- typically Swedish and many kinds of fish and cold sliced Committee chairmen are Mr. | meats, and the amount and var-Dave Hunsberger of St. Jacobs, lety of drinks were unlimited.

publicity; H. B. Disbrowe of When the Golden Plow was Elmira, museum; Mrs. R. M. presented to Hugh Barr, the Lamb, genealogy; Mrs. Keith glare from the TV lights and Staebler, folklore; Prof. Nabert, the flash bulbs was almost blinpublications; Charles Deckert, ding. The second prize winner, our own Ivan McLaughlin, received a large cup, and the 3rd

Following a Pennsylvania place winner a smaller one. Dutch supper at the college, The dance which followed Dr. High was chairman for a was enhanced by the native program. The speaker was Dr. Swedish costumes worn by the John J. Stout of Norristown, orchestra and many of the dan-Pa., of the parent society. His cers. All those who attended book on folklore will shortly be will not soon forget the banquet in the old Swedish castle, signi-Dr. High presented the consti- fying the close of the '55 world tution and by-laws which were championship plowing match.

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the mothers of the school chil-

thing to show for our work.

of date. also receive a silver cup do chener. nated by Taylor's Restaurant. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Jones and

of Don Mills Rd. were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bunker. On Monday evening some of

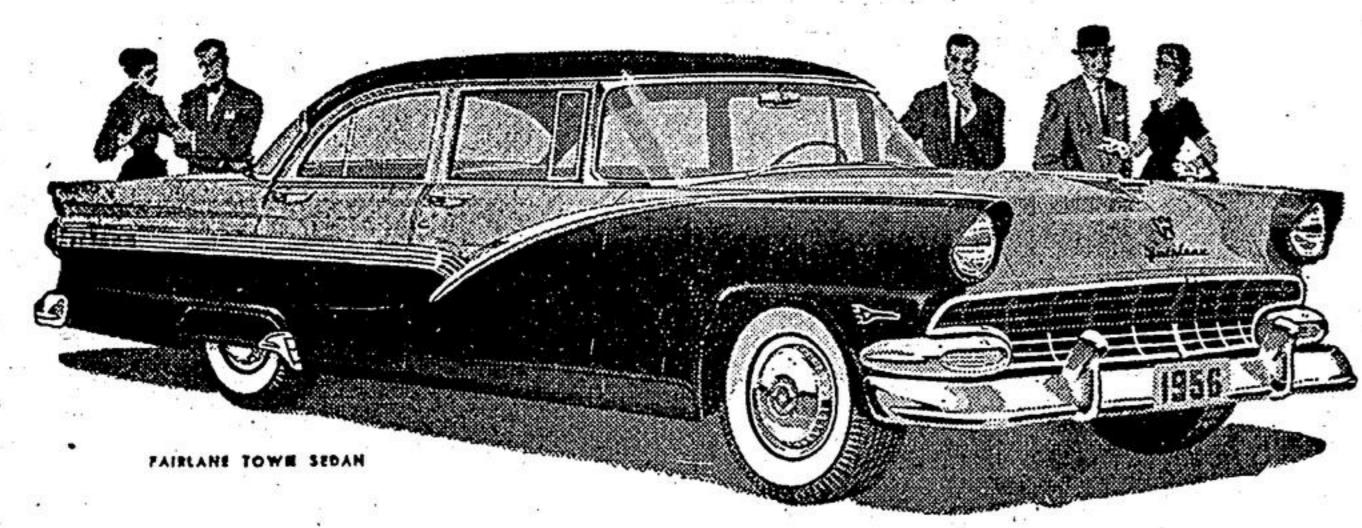
dren met at the home of Mrs. Ted Jones to make capes and in the school rhythm band. The rhythm band instruments were purchased last year with the

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