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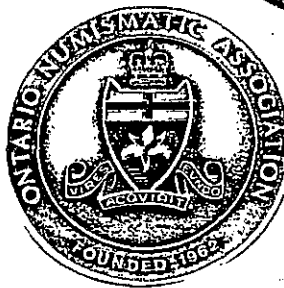
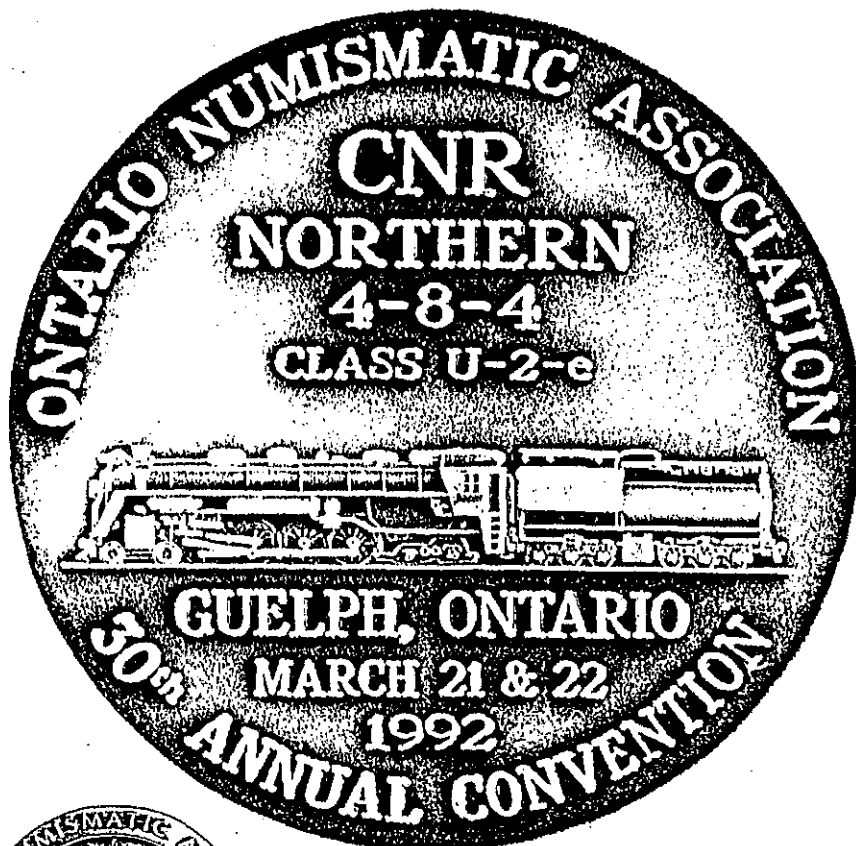
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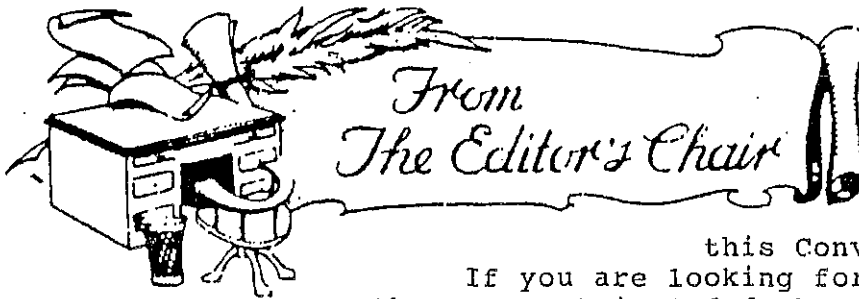
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## CONVENTION



## ISSUE

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My comments to you in this issue is an up-date on why certain articles and notices are in, or not in, this Convention issue.

If you are looking for display rules and points they are not included, because for the lack of space for displays, there will be no competitive displays this year. Displays are by invitation only, and many past award winners will be displaying a high calibre display. Don't feel bad if you didn't get an invitation--I didn't either. Our turn will come next year.

This year's official Convention Medal features a train, and our cover feature centers around Guelph (where the Convention is being held), and the town that owns a railroad. This Medal should be very popular. Let's look at what happened when the mint issued a commemorative dollar featuring a train - prices rose higher than many other commemoratives. With a mintage of only 35 silver you will be lucky to get one at this late date. You could have better luck with the gold plated one (mintage 75), that can only be acquired through the Pre Registration package. That Medal could be worth the price of the whole packet within a very short time. Even the bronze with only 125 available sounds like a real deal.

I have been asked who is the Host Club for this Convention? No-one offered their services, so in order that you the members could benefit from these events, the O.N.A. Executive, with some outside help are running their own show. It's up to you now to show your support for their dedication and hard work, and attend this event. Also, the challenge has been put forth to all Clubs to host this annual event in 1973 and 74. Let's hear from those Clubs regarding this challenge.

Earlier our Draw Chairman mailed each Club five books of tickets, and each member at least one book. He reports that the Clubs and members are very slow in returning those books. Five books for each Club multiplies into 30 tickets. I'm sure most of those tickets could be sold at one of your meetings. Let's make a real effort. I'm always surprised when I read the final results from some Clubs who sell only a book or two. The final results from this draw reflects the low membership fee that we all enjoy.

Let's just take a moment to dwell on some of the activities. Friday Night's Get-Together gives us all the opportunity to renew acquaintances. Saturday's Auction - the chance to purchase the coin needed to complete a series, also to attend the O.N.A. Annual Meeting. Attendance at these past meetings have been low. Come bolster that attendance and see just how the O.N.A. conducts their affairs. Various groups will be holding meetings. Banquet Speaker is Earl Salterio, President of the C.N.A. Delegate Breakfast Speaker is Denis Cudahy, Vice President of Production Royal Canadian Mint, and Educational Forum conducted by Ross Erwin, and let's not forget the Bourse Dealer, where you can buy/sell coins. Yes, the O.N.A. Annual Convention can be an exciting event, but we need your support.

The MARCH-APRIL ISSUE will be later than usual in order to include as many Convention reports as possible. Deadline extended to APRIL 3. No extension will be granted.

T. Masters

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# O.N.A. "92"

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## 1992 O.N.A. CONVENTION PROGRAM

Friday, March 20:

- 6:00 PM Security begins  
 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Registration Table open.  
 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Bourse Room open to Dealers and Exhibits set up.  
 9:00 PM Full Bar Reception: Free admission to Dealers, Pre-registered Guests and Committee. Nominal charge of \$7.50 to Unregistered Guests. Room 203

Saturday, March 21:

- 8:00 AM Bourse Room open to Dealers and Exhibits set up.  
 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM Registration Table open  
 8:30 AM Canadian Numismatic Association Executive Meeting Boardroom 103  
 10:00 AM Official Opening and Draw for \$50.00 in Bourse Vouchers.  
 Bourse Room open to Public.  
 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Hospitality Suite open. Room 203  
 12:00 PM Canadian Tire Coupon Collectors Club. Pinetree C.  
 1:00 PM Canadian Association of Token Collectors Boardroom 103  
 2:30 PM Charles Moore Auction Pinetree C.  
 3:00 PM Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors Boardroom 103  
 5:00 PM Penny Draws.  
 6:00 PM Bourse Room closes.  
 6:30 PM Pre-Banquet Reception: Cash Bar  
 7:00 PM O.N.A. Banquet: Speaker Earl Salterio President, Canadian Numismatic Association  
 Banquet Draw. Dining Room  
 All Banquet attendees will be invited to a Reception after the Banquet.  
 Hospitality Suite Room 203

Sunday, March 22:

- 8:30 AM O.N.A. Club Delegate Breakfast Meeting  
 Speaker - Denis M. Cudahy.  
 V.P. Production, R.C.M. Dining Room  
 9:00 AM Bourse Room open to Dealers  
 10:00 AM Bourse Room open to Public  
 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Hospitality Suite open: Room 203  
 11:00 AM O.N.A. General Meeting Pinetree C.  
 1:00 PM Educational Forum: Pinetree C.  
 Speaker - Ross Irwin - Researcher  
 "Wellington County Collectibles."  
 4:00 PM Penny Draws  
 4:30 PM O.N.A. Draw: "DREAM VACATION"  
 5:00 PM Bourse Room Closes  
 5:30 PM Security Ends

1992 O.N.A. CONVENTION ENDS  
 "AU REVOIR"

## *DELEGATE BREAKFAST SPEAKER*

### *DENIS CUDAHY*

What will be remembered as the "Year the Mint Came to Speak" at our Delegates Breakfast, will no doubt provide plenty of information for everyone to take back to their Clubs.

John Regitko, this year's Delegates Meeting Chairman, has arranged for an outstanding speaker to present information on new issues and answer questions on new and old problems. Certainly a most timely topic with the current coin program into it's third month of launch.

If someone wants to know what is going on at the Royal Canadian Mint, the person to hear it from would be someone who is involved in the planning and execution of the decisions affecting design, production, and other factors involved in the production of our coinage, both for general usage and those designed for the collector market.

That person is Denis Cudahy, Vice President - Marketing, Royal Canadian Mint, who has had extensive experience in pre-production planning and manufacturing. His past speaking engagements at Stratford Coin Club, T.I.C.F. and O.N.A. Banquets have always revealed major projects that were unknown to the numismatic community, or brought the audience up-to-date on ongoing major projects involving commemorative coinage, proposed changes in design or composition, or other details of interest to numismatics.

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## *O.N.A. EDUCATIONAL FORUM*

2:00 P.M. Sunday March 23, 1992

SPEAKER: ROSS IRWIN, FCNRS

The Convention Committee decided to take advantage of the location of the Convention and have a well known and extremely knowledgeable person speak on the collecting aspects of Wellington County. No one fitted the bill better than Ross Irwin and we are pleased he agreed to share with us some of the highlights in collecting Wellington County Numismasia.

Ross is from Guelph and is well known to local collectors. His work as a collector, researcher, and writer, has established his reputation throughout North America. Lately he has expanded his horizons to include Canadian Tire Coupons, and he has now completed the widely acclaimed Charlton Standard Catalogue of Canadian Tire Cash Bonus Coupons.

Ross is Deputy Chairman of the J. D. Ferguson Historical Research Foundation and Editor of "Transactions of the Canadian Numismatic Research Society". In 1988 Ross received the O.N.A. Award of Merit, and the Canadian Mint Award. Then in 1988, he was further honoured by being awarded the prestigious J. D. Ferguson Gold Medal.

The O.N.A. is proud to have Ross appear as a speaker at the 1992 Educational Forum. Don't miss out on this opportunity to hear one of Canada's best known Numismatists.

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## *HELP!*

Is this going to be the last O.N.A. Convention until 1995?

At time of writing we have no location to hold the 1993 or 1994 Convention. While I believe in dramatics, this is going too far! Unless we have a Club or Numismatic Organization come forward by this years Convention, the future of the next two years looks bleak.

While it takes work to host a Convention, the O.N.A. can assist in many areas. The main thing at this time, is a proposal of the location, site, size of main area, and rental costs. Bring the information to the Convention or contact the President, Gary Oblinsky, 416-227-1229.

*Be a White Knight and come  
to the rescue!*

## *1992 O.N.A. CONVENTION MEDALS*

With the Convention only a short time away, it is nice to be able to say we are looking at an outstanding success with our Convention Medal.

Using a Steam Locomotive as subject on the Medal is turning out to be a wise choice. At time of writing we have received orders for over 1/2 the available Silver Medals. Minting is limited to 35 and there will be no additional struck. An order form is elsewhere in the Numismatist, and to avoid disappointment it would be advisable to order your Medals before the Convention.

The feature article this month is on "Guelph, the City that Owns a Railway" It ties in nicely with our Medal.

Full technical information on the Locomotive is available with the purchase of any Medal.

## *DREAM VACATION DRAW*

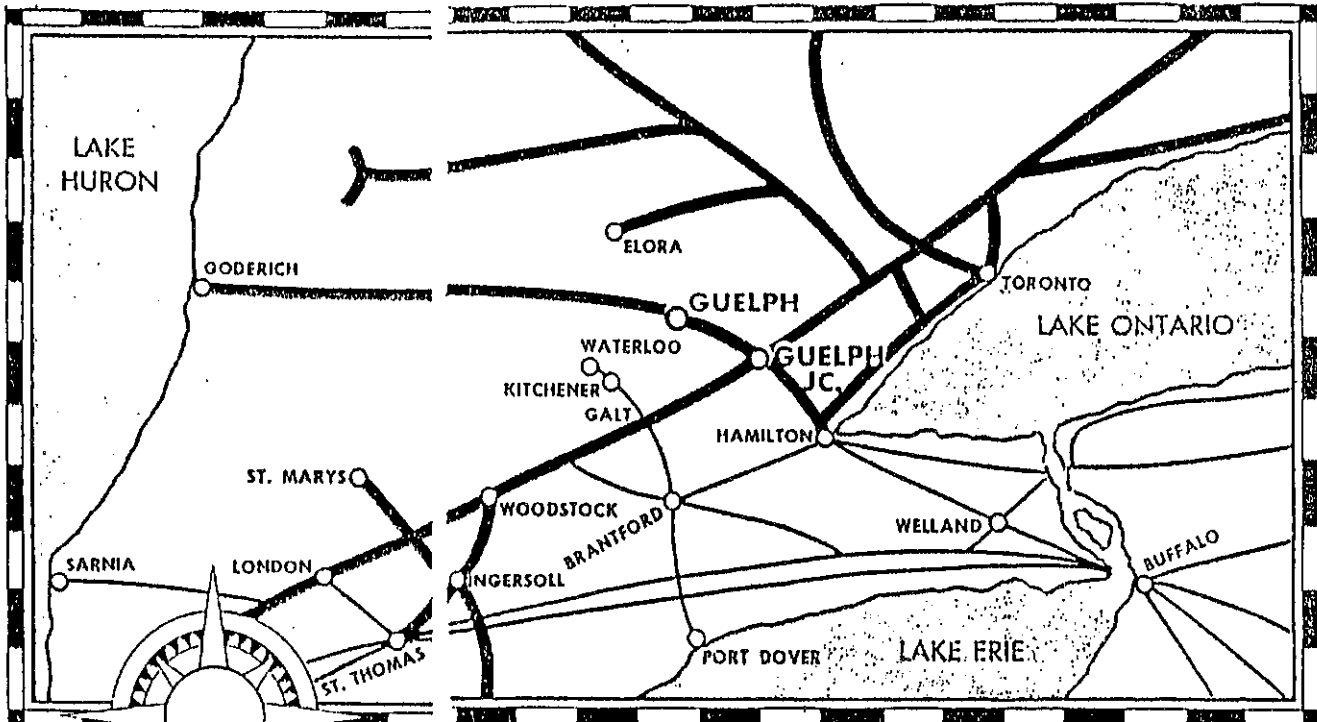
We really need help to make this year's Draw a success. Get the ticket stubs in as soon as possible. It is only going to be with a concerted last minute effort that we will succeed. Please give us your support.

*Kenneth Wilms*

# Guelph

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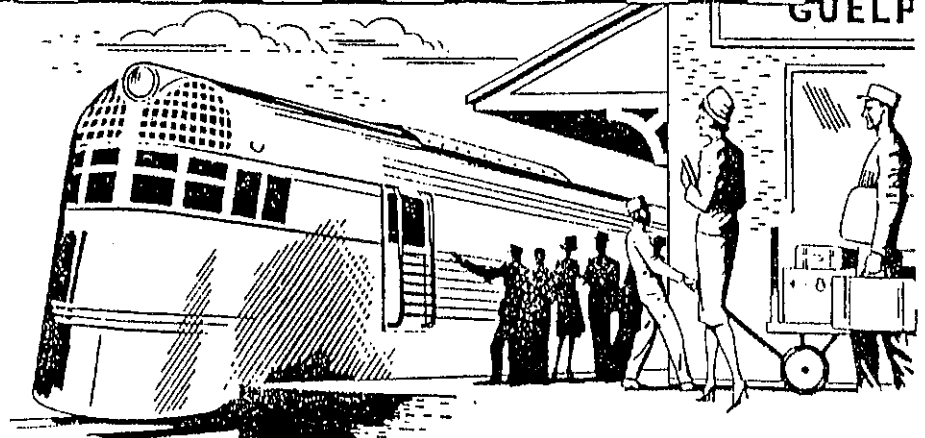
## THE CITY THAT OWNS A RAILROAD



GUELPH    ONTARIO  
CANADA

Population 48,332,  
 69.6% British origin.  
 Nearest city to the centre of population in Canada. Area in acres - 16,031. Assessment for 1966, \$53,431,590.

City owns municipal services including electricity, water, transportation. 145 diversified industries, 13 branches of Chartered Banks. Educational and other institutions include 27 modern public and separate schools, Guelph Collegiate and Vocational Institute, John F. Ross Collegiate and Vocational Institute, (University of Guelph, which includes the Ontario Agricultural College, Ontario Veterinary College, Macdonald Institute), Wellington College, Ignatius College, Loretto Academy, Bishop MacDonell High School, Homewood Sanitarium, St. Joseph's Hospital and Guelph General Hospital. 10 miles from 401 Highway.



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THE CITY THAT OWNS A RAILROAD (Cont'd)

Do you ever go hunting curious stories, for fun? Wandering along in an old tweed suit, with a trusty pipe for a friend, picking up queer yarns where you can, along the familiar highways and byways? If you have ever indulged in this fascinating pastime, you will realize how many strange things have happened in the making of our Canadian towns and cities....waiting to be uncovered.

One of my favorites is the story of the "City that owns a railroad".

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One sunny morning in May, just after trout season opened, we climbed out of our car and walked over to the river Speed. We had heard there were brown trout there, and had intended driving farther along the river when a stone tablet caught our attention. It was put there in honor of the city's founder.

The morning was warm and still. We stood there, smoking, with an unhurried feeling of luxury in our little adventure.. trying to imagine what strange history lay behind the inscription.

"Interesting--ain't it, young feller?"

We turned quickly. An old man was looking at me with a twinkle in his keen grey eyes.

"That is the spot where John Galt cut down the Tree."

"The Tree?" we asked, hopefully.

"Yes, the Tree that marked the beginning of the city of Guelph. Curious thing, but this town had a knack of success from the beginning. Do you know, it's the only city in Canada that owns a steam railroad?"

"But the Tree," I suggested, "do you remember it?"

"Lordy, no!" said the old man. "But my grandfather did. that was in 1827 or thereabouts."

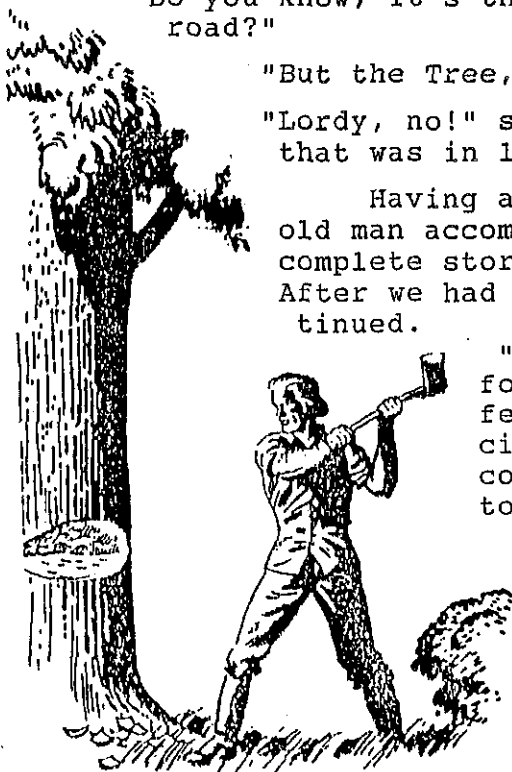
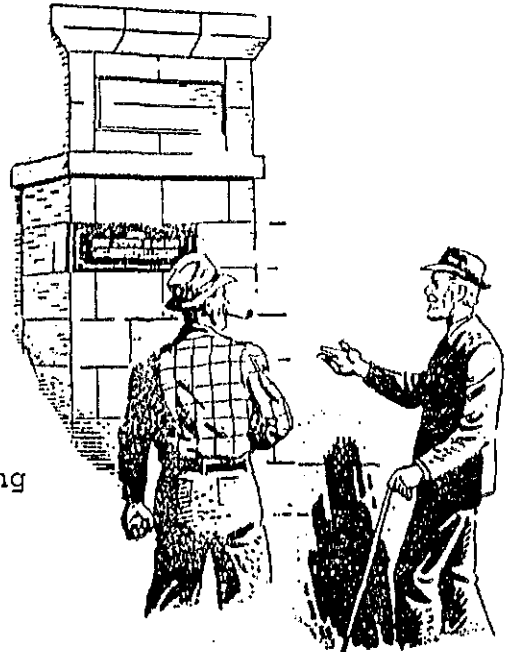
Having a spare rod in the car, we suggested that the old man accompany us down to the dam, hoping for a more complete story while we fished. This seemed to suit him. After we had got set and made a few casts the Old Man continued.

"In those days, you know, this place was a forest. One oak measured more than thirty-three feet around. John Galt, the man who founded the city, came out to this country for some English company....Canada Company they called it..... to develop these parts."

"He heard about the River here, and thought it might come in handy for running mills and such like. So he set out to found the town."

"You mean?" we prompted, "that he just started off to found a town in the bush... just because of the river?"

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The Old Man nodded, and flipped his trout fly into the stream.

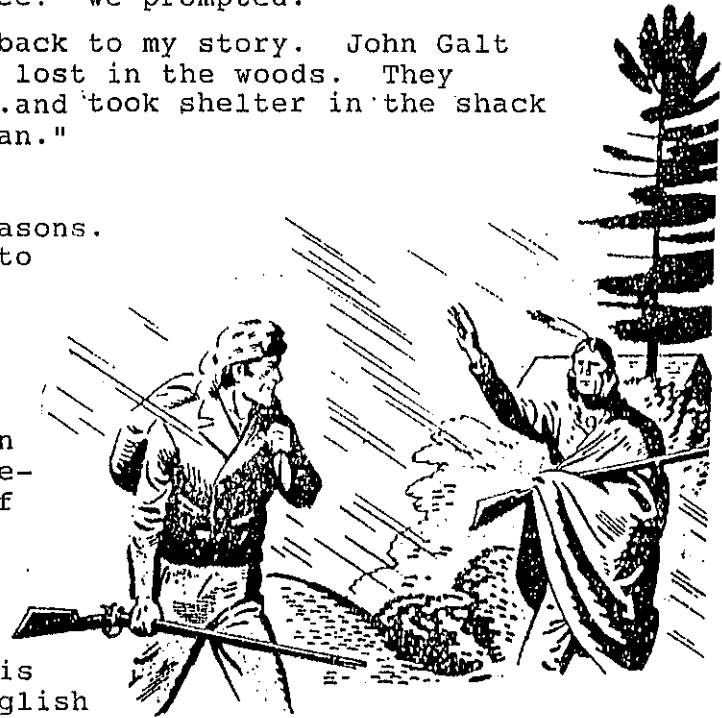
"Yes. Fellers didn't follow success in those days. They started it. You know, this railroad we own...."

"But what happened to the Tree?" we prompted.

"Oh, the Tree? Yes, to get back to my story. John Galt and a doctor friend got soundly lost in the woods. They wandered all day in the rain....and took shelter in the shack of an Indian who had killed a man."

"Sounds creepy."

"Maybe the Indian had his reasons. Can't say. But it didn't seem to bother John Galt. Anyway, some more of his friends met him on the banks of the river Speed, and they kindled a fire to dry themselves. There in the red light of the blaze they cut down a big maple tree, to mark the beginning of the new settlement of Guelph."



The Old Man had a strike. As he slowly reeled in his brown trout I wondered if John Galt had also fished in this river, dreaming of his still English waters with their roach and bream.

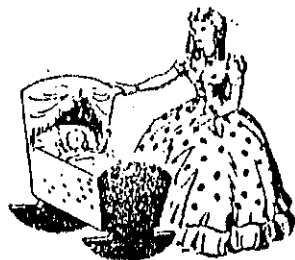
"How did they get along?" we asked.

"Get along?" he slipped the trout off the hook. "As I was saying, this town had a curious knack of success from the beginning--like some folks. Soon there were log houses. Then someone started to quarry limestone....you see a lot of it in the buildings now. And they had a baby contest...."

"Away back then?"

"Yes....the Canada Company promised 50 acres of land to be deeded to the first baby born in Buelph. Not that the land was worth so much then, but the honor of the thing was considerable."

"Who was the lucky heir?"



"Well," the Old Man grinned, "my grandfather said there was considerable fuss about the matter. Just as some of our best families felt sure of gaining the unusual distinction, a pair of emigrants arrived, and a baby girl was born. They hadn't any sense of appreciation, however, and the family moved away soon after. Someone else got the land by paying the overdue taxes."

"They had taxes in those days, too!" we exclaimed in disappointment.

"Yes, the Old Man shot back, "and what's more, about half the taxes were set aside for education!"

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THE CITY THAT OWNS A RAILROAD (Cont'd)

"You seem strong on it still," we prompted, thinking of the Ontario Agricultural College, Macdonald Institute and other famous schools.

"We put a sun-dial on the stump of the old Tree," my friend broke in, "and the towns-folk seemed to take the hint. They sure made every hour count. Funny thing about that Tree. They say a man named Pryor laid his hand on the freshly cut stump, with his fingers spread out, and they pattered the streets of Guelph after that plan."

"Do you believe it?"

"Maybe so--maybe not--but the streets of Guelph are laid out like the fingers of a man's hand. But I was getting around to our railroad. You know, I'm a shareholder....we all are."

We waited, sensing the best part of the Old Man's story.

"Folks who cut a town out of the woods sort of get the habit of doing things. As time went by we had grist mills, iron foundries, tanneries, cloth factories and what not. New industries kept springing up by the river, and the water power kept the wheels turning, just like John Galt said it would. The first railroad came through in the Fifties."

"Your railroad?" we asked, hopefully.

"No, that was the old Grand Trunk. After a while, our mills were turning out a powerful amount of stuff, and a tie-up to the new C.P.R. line sixteen miles away became mighty urgent. You know how those things are?"

We didn't know much about railroads, but nodded wisely.

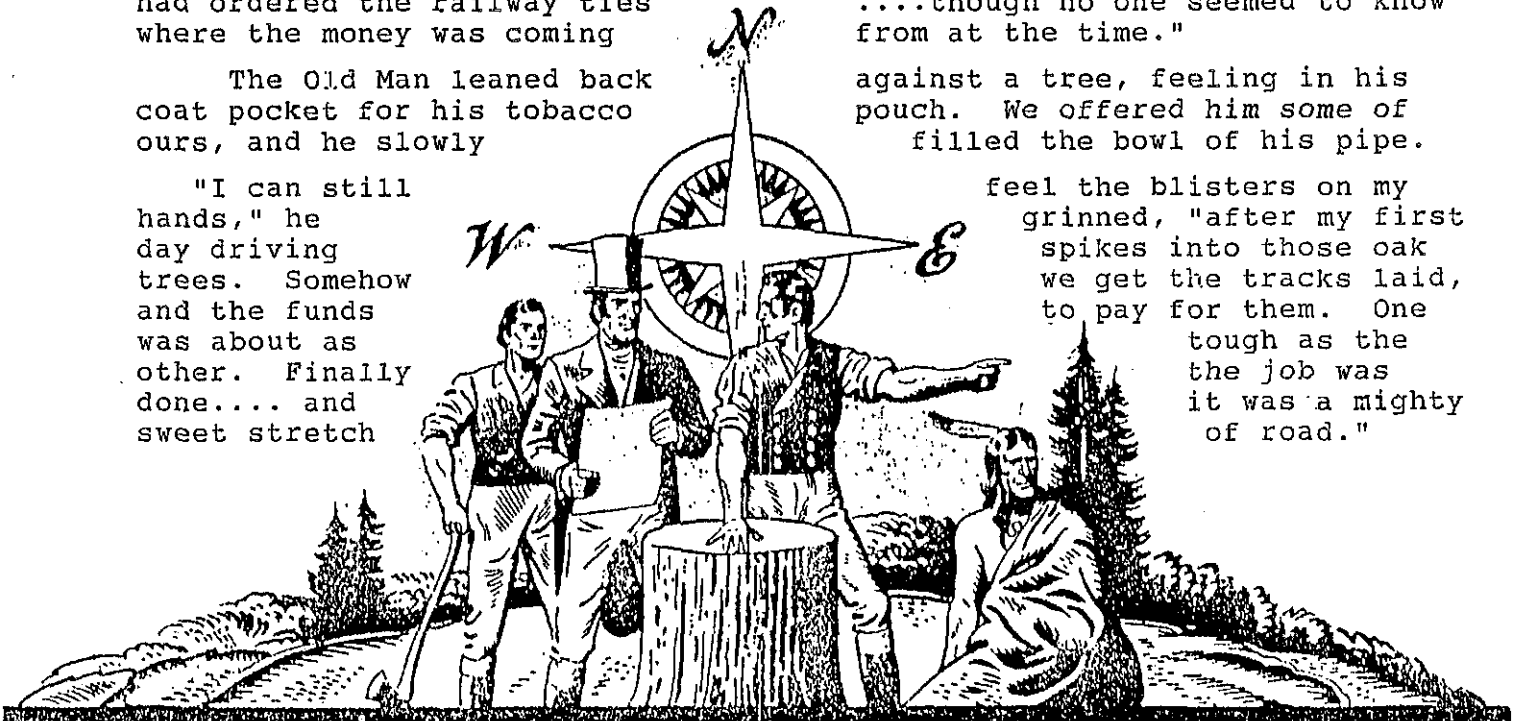
"Well, our people got together and formed a Company. I was just a young fellow at the time. I remember father came storming into the house. He had been attending a meeting of some kind, and they had ordered the railway ties where the money was coming ....though no one seemed to know from at the time."

The Old Man leaned back against a tree, feeling in his coat pocket for his tobacco pouch. We offered him some of ours, and he slowly

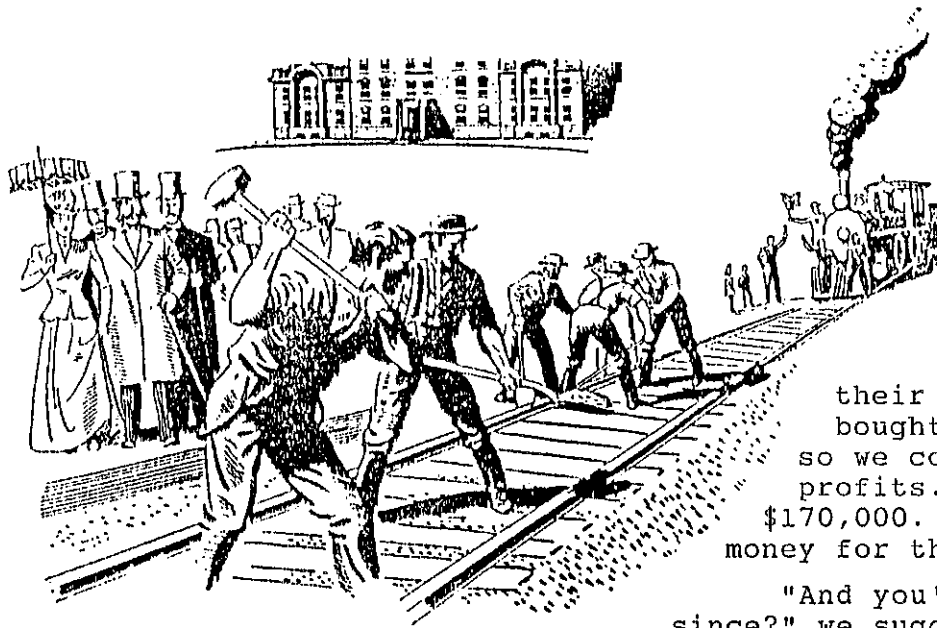
filled the bowl of his pipe.

"I can still feel the blisters on my hands," he grinned, "after my first day driving spikes into those oak trees. Somehow we get the tracks laid, and the funds was about as to pay for them. One other. Finally it was a mighty sweet stretch it was a mighty of road."

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The Old Man paused, smoking contentedly. "You mentioned that you are a shareholder?" we prompted.

"That's right. As I said, this city was born with the knack of success. The town council got their heads together and bought out the railroad, so we could all share in the profits. The thing cost about \$170,000. which was a pile of money for those days.

"And you've been paying ever since?" we suggested.

He turned to me with reproach in his grey eyes. "You young ones are too skeptical. We leased our railroad for 99 years to the C.P.R. in 1888. Over the past 76 years our dividends have averaged 22.78%. This money is used to reduce our tax rate."

I looked at the Old Man with new interest.

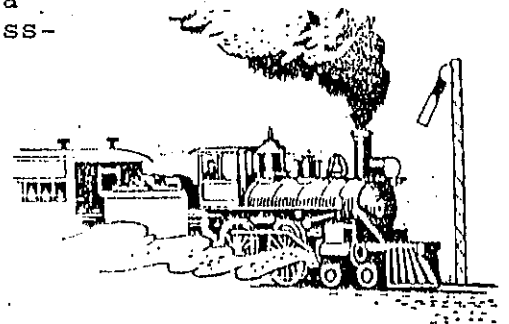
"Every passenger, every ton of freight that goes over our railroad puts money in our pocket. Even in 1930, when business wasn't exactly booming, our Guelph Junction Railroad paid us over \$47,000. I am told." The Old Man chuckled. "Just to show how far-sighted those city fathers really were, their agreement called for an allowance on all freight accepted by the Railway that would normally be routed via Guelph Junction, even if the Railway found it desirable to dispatch it by any other method, for speed or convenience, or for any other reason. Thus with uncanny vision long before motor transport was dreamed of, diversion of freight by truck or other means was prevented."

"Just how much did your city....I mean you ....get back from your investment of \$170,000.?"

The Old Man paused.

"Well, we made a pretty good job of supplying passengers and freight, and the C.P.R. made a good job of running our railroad. In 76 years we got back almost three million dollars!"

The Old Man picked up his trout with a satisfied smile. After all, we figured he had a right to a little quiet enjoyment. It is not every city that "Owns a Railroad."



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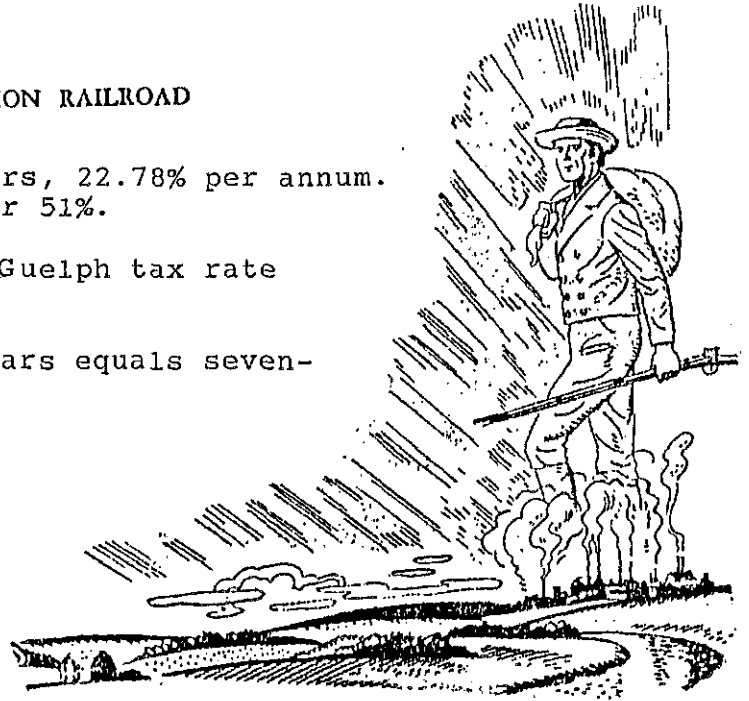
Perhaps there are other things, too. Maybe the spirit of John Galt...who helped hew Ontario out of the forest, is still marching on. Looking over the rich farm lands and thriving industries of Guelph. We feel sure it is so.

NOTES ON GUELPH JUNCTION RAILROAD

Average dividends, 76 years, 22.78% per annum.  
Lowest year 9.8%. Highest year 51%.

Current dividends reduce Guelph tax rate  
almost 2 mills.

Total dividends for 76 years equals seven-  
teen times capital investment



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Guelph was named in honor  
of the family name of the  
then reigning Royal House  
in Britain.

George IV was King.

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ASSOCIATION NEWS

MEMBERSHIP

The following application has been received. If no written objection to this application is received, acceptance will appear in the next issue of the Ontario Numismatist.

1333 William Waychison Timmins

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## THE LIGHTER SIDE

The following article appeared in the Stratford Beacon Herald recently and I thought all Members should have an opportunity to read what I consider one of the funniest articles I have ever read!

Helen Barker, the author, is the same person who spoke to the Stratford Coin Club last June at their Annual Banquet. Permission has been received to reprint the article, but before reading same I must warn you that it contains some rib tickling humour!

*Kenneth Wilms*

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### **On My Mind**

#### A sudden case of deafness

*By Helen Barker*



I poured myself a cuppa at 6 p.m. (we eat early because the girls are starving when they get off the school bus), opened ye olde family journal and settled into my rocking chair.

The phone rang.

I tried to ignore it, but the ringing persisted. Thinking it might be my daughter, Spunky or the Prime Minister, I answered.

It was none of the above. The voice started out speaking like an old friend but I soon detected the finely honed lingo of the salesperson.

I let her finish and then said, "I'm terribly sorry, but you will have to speak up because I have a hearing problem. I didn't catch what you said."

The bubbly, friendly voice repeated her pitch, only this time, much louder.

When she finished I said, "I'm sorry, but I didn't hear the first part. Just what is it that you are selling?"

Still sounding cheerful and chummy she enunciated loud and clear, "BOOKS".

"HOOKS?" I said. "For WHAT?"

At this point the voice began to develop an edge. It sounded not unlike that of my high school math teacher after she had spent 40 minutes trying to explain an algebra problem to me.

"BOOKS," she repeated, loud enough to be heard in Newton. "B-O-O-K-S."

"Oh, BOOKS," I repeated. "What kind?"

"I just told you," said the voice, a thin wedge of ice now coming through the receiver into my ear.

"I'm sorry," I said. "I must have missed that part. Would you tell it to me again?"

"AGAIN?" Her voice was now out of control.

"Please," I said. "I'll switch the phone to my other ear. It has better hearing."

I recognized this as being the company that during THREE previous

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A SUDDEN CASE OF DEAFNESS (Cont'd)

phone calls I had asked to have my name removed from their computer files.

There followed a long silence.

"Excuse me," I said, "This ear must be worse than the other one. I can't hear a word you are saying. Hello, HELLO. Are you there?"

She was breathing so loudly into the phone that the receiver throbbed. Then I heard her whisper to someone at her end of the line. "Boy, this old girl is stone deaf and I don't think her elevator goes quite to the top."

"I heard THAT," I shouted and hung up.

I hope the company she represents has finally got the message!

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## JOIN IN THE FUN

The Ontario Numismatic Association have reserved a block of rooms at the College Inn, Gordon Street and Stone Road in Guelph for their upcoming Convention.

The 30th annual Convention will be held on March 20th, 21st and 22nd, 1992.

While the Convention has been geared to put the fun back into Collecting, many activities are available to the serious collector.

The Canadian Tire Coupon Collectors Club will be holding their meeting on Saturday, along with Meetings of the Canadian Association Token Collectors and a Meeting and Auction of the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors. During the afternoon, Charles Moore will be conducting an auction of desirable numismatic items. The Canadian Numismatic Association will also be holding and Executive Meeting on Saturday.

Sunday will feature the O.N.A. Delegates Breakfast, followed by the Annual General Meeting. Another feature for Sunday will be the Educational Forum with Ross Irwin. Ross will be speaking on Collectibles of Wellington County.

While all this is going on, the Bourse floor will provide plenty of opportunity to fill in the coins required in your collection

One sure way of enjoying the convention is to reserve your room at the Convention Rate of \$60.00 Single, \$75.00 Double. This guarantees you plenty of opportunity to participate in the many activities. Reservations can be made by calling 800-563-9240. Please quote reservation number 38-363.

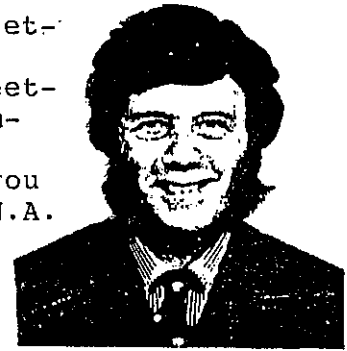
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A NUMISMATIC GAME CAN ADD FUN TO A COIN CLUB MEETING

A numismatic game can add fun to the monthly meeting of your coin club. It will give all members present a chance to participate actively in the meeting and to get to know each other better. And members will feel more at home and more relaxed.

Described below are two numismatic games. If you know of other numismatic games, why not inform C.N.A. members with a short article on the game which can be published in this journal.....

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QUESTION AND ANSWER GAME OR NUMISMATIC TRIVIA

A simple short question and answer game can be part of each meeting. The answers will add to the numismatic knowledge of everybody present.

Divide the members present at a meeting into groups of 4 or 5. If the seats for the meeting are in ordinary rows, then this is easily done. Each group of 4 or 5 people is given a cardboard with a different number on it to identify them. If there are six groups of people, then cardboards numbered 1 to 6 are given out. Numbers on small pieces of wood or cardboard from 1 to 6 are put into a box. The person asking the numismatic questions draws a number from the box. The question is then asked the group whose number has been drawn. The group has 30 seconds to answer. They can confer and then answer. If the answer they give is correct, their number is put aside for the winning question draw. If the answer is incorrect, the number of another group is drawn and they are asked the same question.

After each group has had the chance of being addressed one question, the cardboards or woods with the number of each group that correctly answered their question, are put back into the box for the final question. One number is drawn and the final question is asked. If the group answers correctly they are the winners. If not, the number of another group is drawn.

A small prize such as a foreign banknote or a foreign coin, etc., can be given to each member of the winning group. We at the Societe Numismatique de Quebec are most fortunate as our prize for each member of the winning group is a \$5.00 merchandise gift certificate from our local coin store: Comptoir de Monnaie, Place Laurier, Ste. Foy, (Benoit Doyen-owner). Perhaps a local coin store in your area might do the same. Even a \$2.00 certificate is generous.

Keep most of the questions simple so as not to discourage those present. A sample question might be "What animal is pictured on the reverse side of the 1967 Canadian 50 cent coin?"

WHICH OF MY THREE NUMISMATIC STATEMENTS IS FALSE?

This game is longer and can easily be the evening's entire program. It can be played several times a year. The game must be prepared a month in advance.

The person in charge of the game chooses three members, and asks each of them to prepare three statements relating to numismatics that interest them, or could interest them. Two of the statements must be true, and one must be false.

For example, in my case I might prepare the following three statements. "I write articles for Canadian Coin News on foreign coins", "I belong to over 30 numismatic clubs and associations", and "I collect trade dollars of Canada". In my case the first statement is false but close to the truth, as I write articles for Canadian Coin News on

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A NUMISMATIC GAME CAN ADD FUN TO A COIN CLUB MEETING (Cont'd)

foreign banknotes and foreign coins.

Before the next meeting each of the 3 members place their three numismatic statements on 3 large pieces of cardboard in large letters, that can be read by the audience. An alternative is to put the three statements on a sheet of paper and pass out the paper sheets to those present at the next meeting.

The three people with topics are put at a table in the front of the room. Each of the three people in their turn will have to defend each of their three statements either against a panel of 3 people or against all the members present.

The game starts by one of the three people placing their three statements on cardboard upright along the table so all can read, or handing out a sheet of paper with the three statements (less dramatic I feel, but O.K.

Either a panel of three people present is chosen to question the three people on their statements or the audience at large can do it by raising their hand. If three members are chosen to do the questioning, each in turn has one minute to ask the person questions about his/her three statements in an effort to see which is false. A second round of questioning of 30 seconds for each question is allowed and that is all. If the members at large ask the questions they can be given say 5 minutes for questioning.

After the questioning is over on the first person's three statements, it is time for each member present to vote on which statement he/she thinks is false. This can be done by giving each member present three strips of paper with a large 1, 2, or 3. At voting time, each member holds up the number corresponding to the statement he/she thinks is false.

The number of votes for statement 1, 2, and 3, are counted by 3 people, each taking one number. The totals for the votes for each number is announced. If there are 3 people asking the questions, they are then, in turn, asked which statement they believe is false and why.

Then the person that presented the three statements explains which statement is false and why. The person may also comment on the two true statements.

The game continues in the same manner with the second person presenting his/her three statements, then being questioned, and then the vote.

Then it is the turn of the third person, his/her three statements and the vote.

At the end of the game ask those members that correctly guessed the false statement of each of the three people and voted for it, to raise their hands.

In our first game, only 2 out of 29 people present correctly guessed the false statement of each of the three people, and voted for it.

The fun and interest in the game is reward enough. No prizes are needed.

I found I got to know better each of the three members who gave their statements just by listening to them talk, as they had never had a chance to say much at our previous meetings.

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# SHOW AND BOURSE

- March 21-22 O.N.A. 30th ANNUAL CONVENTION & SHOW. College Inn. Stone Road & Gordon Street, Guelph, Ontario. Tele: 1-800-563-9240. Admission \$2.00. Info: O.N.A., Box 33, Waterloo, Ontario, N2J 3Z6.
- April 4 (Saturday) HAMILTON COIN CLUB SE ANNUAL COIN SHOW. Royal Canadian Legion. Branch 58, 1180 Barton Street East, upstairs, Hamilton. Hours 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
- April 5 KENT COIN CLUB (CHATHAM) 24th ANNUAL COIN & SPORTS CARD SHOW. Wheels Inn - Corner Highway 2 and Keil Drive, Chatham. 24 Dealers. Displays Invited. Raffle & Door Prizes. Hours 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Free Admission & Parking.
- June 14 BRANTFORD NUMISMATIC SOCIETY ANNUAL COIN SHOW. Community Centre, 491 Grey Street, Brantford. Info: B.N.S., P.O. Box 351, Brantford, Ontario, N3T 5N3.
- July 28- August 2 C.N.A. ANNUAL CONVENTION. Sheridan Centre Hotel & Towers. Info: S. Laramee, P.O. Box 131, Boucherville, P.Q., J4B 5E6. Tele: (514) 449-1888. FAX (514) 655-9134.
- September 13 WOODSTOCK COIN CLUB 3rd ANNUAL COIN SHOW. U.A.W. Hall, Beale St., Woodstock. Info: Woodstock Coin Club, 549 Grace Street, Woodstock, N4S 4N7. 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
- September 26 (Saturday) ST. CATHARINES COIN CLUB ANNUAL COIN SHOW. Russell Ave. Community Centre, 108 Russell Ave., St. Catharines. Hours 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Info: St. Catharines Coin Club, P.O. Box 1492, St. Catharines, Ontario, L2R 7J9.
- October 25 STRATFORD COIN CLUB 30th ANNUAL COIN SHOW, AUCTION AND BOURSE. Kiwanis Community Centre, Lakeside Drive, Stratford. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Free Admission. Info: Stratford Coin Club, P.O. Box 262, Stratford, Ontario, N5A 6T1.
- November 1 TILLSONBURG COIN CLUB ANNUAL COIN & HOBBY SHOW. Mount Elgin Community Centre - 5 miles south of 401 and 5 miles north of Tillsonburg on Highway 19 - Exit of 401-Highway 19, Ingersoll-Tillsonburg exit. Note change of date and location. Info: W. Baxter, 462 Queens Street, Tillsonburg, Ontario, N4G 3G9.
- Second Sunday Each Month OTTAWA COIN & STAMP DEALERS ASSOCIATION SHOW. at the Nepean Sportsplex, Woodsroffe Ave., 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Info: Allan Davis, P.O. Box 307, Carp, Ontario, DOA 1L0.

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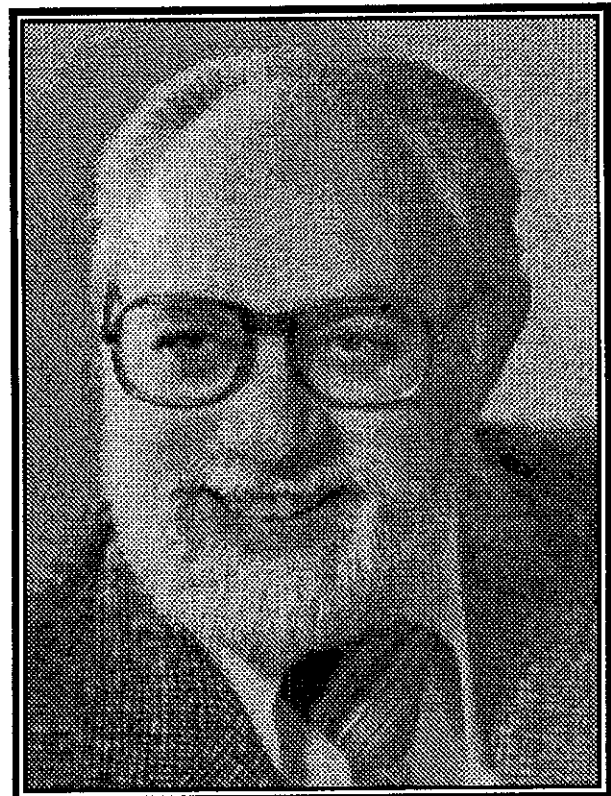
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