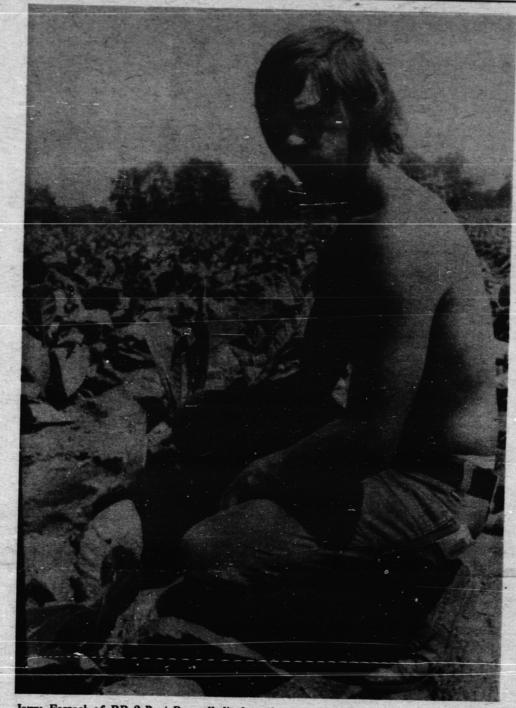


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Wilson's Studio



Jerry Fasseel of RR 2 Port Burwell displays the tattered leaves of one of their tobacco plants. Six to eight leaves on pretty well the entire crop of Camiel Fasseel were damaged in this way. (staff photo)

Store celebrates 100th

by Richard Houghton

anyone living in the area lake front. between Port Ryerse and St. The Normandale Store away recently, probable was indispensible.

buggies in the summer, and anniversary. store was six miles away store in Normandale in 1875. in those early days," said from Normandale in Vittoria. A close friend of the

The general store has This made an exceptionally Kozaks, was a neighbor and always been the focal point of cold winter drive for people historian who lived next door a rural community, but for living further down along the to the store for 68 years.

Williams one hundred years turns one hundred years old, knew more about the store ago, the Normandale Store this year and the present than anyone else around proprietors, Sam and Marj- Normandale When the only mode of orie Kozak are holding an Another neighbour of the transportation for people in Old Boys Reunion on July 13, store is Mr. Ernest Post. He this rural area was horse and to celebrate the hundredth is 69-years-old and has lived

Grace Guiler, who passed

sleighs and cutters during John Dey Post built and. "People in Normandale the winter the next closest operted the original general really depended on the store

Official plan discussed

by Richard Houghton

Council met Monday after- Regional Official Plan. Van De Slyke. "This is what noon to discuss Interim -Planning Guidelines set down by the region that will ultimately lead to the drafting of an official regional

area municipalities for their vice, open space recreation, opinions regarding the gui- and conservation, and social delines which will eventually development.

statement. These consist of our comments." interim urban policy, interim industrial policy, rural and resource development, tran-The region has asked the sportation and public ser-

Township of Norfolk in turn be incorporated into a dure," said Mayor Jerome The planning guidelines set their suggestions are and I down six areas of policy feel they will have to listen to

> cation of a number of points in the general policy objectives to the planning guide-

Tobacco damage extensive

tobacco farmers always view approaching storm clouds with mixed emotions. The clouds often bring much und. But also, in the back of the mind of the farmer, is the fear that the clouds may be bringing a hail storm that will damage the leaves.

These fears were realized for many area farmers last

for

Belgian Fair

Langton is gearing up for the 32nd annual Belgian Fair which will be held this Saturday and Sunday, at the

The fair started out as a church picnic but has grown

over the years to be the large public event that it is

The official opening of the fair will be Saturday at four o'clock when the Reverend Father Bernard Robert will

be commemorating his 25th anniversary as priest at

Such notables will be present for the opening as

Provincial Opposition Leader Robert Nixon, local M.P.P.

James Allan, William Knowles local M.P. Elgin M.P.P. Ronald McNiel, and Norfolk Mayor Jerome Van De

Fair Board President Daniel Van Eenoo will open the

fair. The fair board will also be presenting free draws

each day when a total of four boys and girls bicycles will

Along with the midway and games of fun, some of the

other events planned are bicycle races, air balloon

launching, an archery tournament, a teen dance each

night, skydivers, a soccer game, and a baseball game.

it looks like the Langton Fair will be a resounding

With the extensive amount of planning done this year

today, where everyone from all the surrounding

arena and fair grounds in Langton.

Langton Roman Catholic Church.

At this time of year, Thursday when a hail storm Officials of the tobacco ripped through much of board were optimistic that

Commission and private - age. insurance companies have Tobacco board chairman had more than 250 reports of Ted Raytrowsky said he

southern Ontario's flue- the damage from the hail was not too high.

Most of the damage was Frank Goodyer, a specialist done in the western portion with the Ontario Crop Insurof Norfolk Township, but ance Commission, recomthere was also considerable mended growers with claims damage done in a large area leave the tobacco for a couple The Ontario Crop Insurance accurately assess the dam-

thought the tobacco was still small enough to come back The damage to him seemed Langton gears up to be "spotty."

However local farmers were not as optimistic as the insurance commission, and the tobacco board.

Camiel Fasseel operates a farm in the Houghton area, and although he couldn't give an estimate of the damage at the time said that at least six or seven leaves were damaged per plant on his farm. The plants average 18 leaves per plant after they are fully grown.

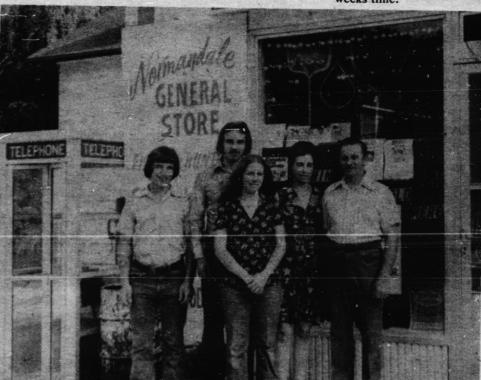
"The adjuster was around on the fourth, and said it was the worst damage he had seen so far," said Mr. Fas-

Mr. Fasseel has 32 acres of that all 32 acres were hit about the same, with six or seven leaves damaged per

"I have it insured through a private company," said Mr. Fasseel, "But the insurance

won't really cover the loss." insurance on per acre as he wants, but if he puts so much on that he is completely covered for loss, it will cost him so much that it isn't worthwhile to grow the crop.'

Mr. Fasseel said that most of his plants that are hit now, will lose the leaves within a weeks time.



be incorporated into a - "All they are asking is, do the Ontario Municipal Board, 19, Roger, 17, and Louise, 14, are inviting everyone to an old boys reunion, continued page 5 commemorating the 100th anniversary of the store. (staff photo)