

Celebrating 100 Years



TOWN BAND — By 1898, almost every village in Clarington had its own Town Band. In fact, the first band in Clarington was established in the 1840s, according to research by David Climenhage. The tradition continued Saturday evening when the present-day Clarington Concert Band performed a concert featuring music that might have been played 100 years ago at the Orono Town Hall. Special guests were members of the Country Four Barbershop Quartet. Most of the band members wore costumes reminiscent of the late 1800s to add extra authenticity to the evening's program.

Orono Town Hall Hits the Century Mark



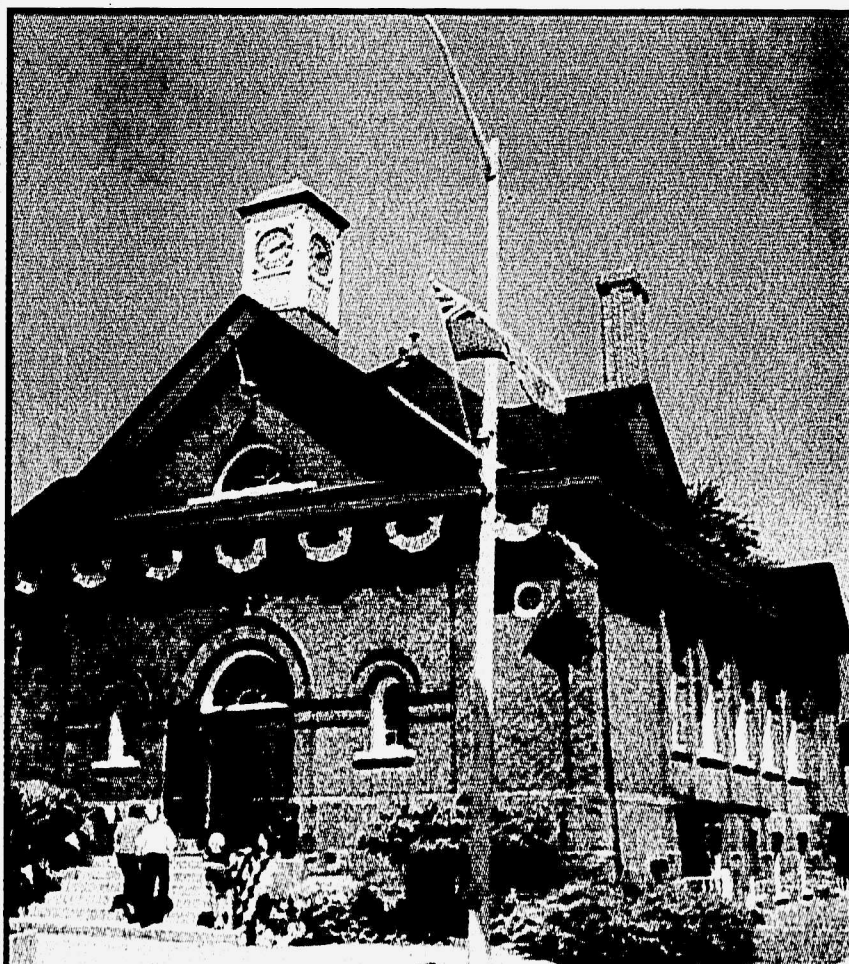
SOUNDS OF MUSIC — This Graphophone was made at the turn of the century and is still in fine working order. Mabel Goode, one of the organizers of the Orono Town Hall centennial celebration was playing records on the machine during the special events last Friday and Saturday.



PLANE TO SEE — Vic Suppan was one of the volunteers at the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee (LACAC) display. He's showing one of two hand-planes used in producing tongue-and-groove siding.



MEDLEY OF INSTRUMENTS — Jack Gordon brought along his collection of fascinating musical instruments. Many of them date back 100 years, to when the town hall was completed. He's holding a rare, Swiss-manufactured pocket phonograph. On the table is a variety of other instruments such as a ceremonial horn from Tibet and an Indian multi-stringed instrument. From closer to home were a trombone, trumpet, hand-cranked organ, and an unusual Strohviols guitar which includes a traditional guitar fretboard combined with a metal horn.



ALL DRESSED UP — Red, white and blue bunting added to the festive atmosphere outside Orono's beloved, 100-year-old landmark. For more photos and a story of the celebrations, see page two.