



On the Main Street

"It is several years since I was last in Ottawa, the capital city of the Dominion and despite it was not tulip time the massive tourist attraction, I nevertheless enjoyed the brief visit" remarked Earl Jackson, recently popular proprietor of Jackson's Restaurant, Kent Street. "I was in Ottawa years ago when in the service of Canada. It was war time and I had many fine buddies. In fact I am going to call on a war buddie and renew acquaintances and 'shoot the breeze', to use a vernacular saying."

This Lindsay Real Estate salesman was able to pick out several buildings, familiar sights years ago, but expressed surprise at the many new towering brick and stone structures now a vital part in the Capital. "Ottawa has grown, but so has the Town of Lindsay and when I revisit my old home town of Port Perry — then I see a great change in the town and the residents. Such is Life," added the Lindsay Restaurateur. "I always linked Ottawa — I wonder if Bill Scott, our popular Member, could 'lay on the charm' and secure for me a reasonable soft and cushioney job? On the other hand I would not want to leave Lindsay, as the people there have been exceedingly kind, generous and good to me. I like Ottawa as the Capital city, but I love Lindsay as a town in which to live."

According to a news item in the Daily Post, a suggestion has been made that the town ambulance should be moved from the fire hall location to the Ross Memorial Hospital. This but of news recalls the time when the Kiwanis Club many years ago "staged" a tremendous financial drive to buy a motorized ambulance. The campaign appealed to the citizens and ex-residents living in Toronto and a large

and beautiful vehicle was presented to the Board of Governors which was headed by J. D. Flavelle. At the time the ambulance was "housed" in the Thos. Arnold garage on Kent Street. The ambulance served the hospital and the country and around Lindsay for many years. At the time the Club held meetings in the Arnold Hall, above the garage. During the years which followed the Kiwanis Club actively supported the Hospital and raised funds for the installation of a small Chapel. At the same time an engraved Kiwanis plaque was placed in the Hospital, marking the event.

Barrister T. H. Stinson, President of the Club, later on succeeded the late J. D. Flavelle as Chairman of the Board of Governors, a position he held for a number of years.

Another passing thought: T. H. Stinson was born near Minden where the Stinson dam and water falls later became an Hydro Electric project, the present location of a large dam. Following an active life as a strong political supporter of Sam Hughes, the then young Thos. Stinson, accepted the challenge and made a successful campaign for political honors, representing Victoria and Haliburton in the federal house. He was also a staunch member of Cambridge Street United Church and Chairman of the Board of Stewards for several years. In athletics he played baseball. The success of the Santa Claus Stocking Fund is largely due to the many annual appeals this gentleman made to the people when he was a member of the Kiwanis Club which sponsored the Stocking Fund several years ago. T. H. Stinson was a fine public spirited man who gave many years of his life to the welfare of people.