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On The Main Street

While listening several days ago to stories and eulogies regarding the late Pope Paul VI of the Roman Catholic Church the thoughts of the writer reverted back to the days when the Spratt family was prominent in Lindsay and when Father Jack Spratt and his brother, Peter, were stars in the hockey team financed by Eaton's and later as members of the famous Eaton team, champions of the Ontario Hockey Association. Father Jack Spratt was short in stature but tall and effective as a centre player in the team from St. Michael's College.

The Spratts and the Killens played a prominent part as hockey players. The Spratt grocery store was one of nine grocery stores in Lindsay. Peter Spratt became owner and operator of a garage in Whitby.

Mrs. Helen Spratt, wife of Peter Spratt, was a popular and talented soprano soloist in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Lindsay, and later was a vocalist in a Whitby church.

Thos. J. Spratt was the successful owner of a grocery store.

The Spratt family operated Lindsay's miniature golf course on the Spratt lawn on William Street south at the corner of Melbourne. Orchids to the Spratt family.

Mrs. Eliza Spratt, wife of Thos. J. Power, moved to Oshawa and was for several years Hostess at the palatial home of Sam. McLaughlin, founder and operator of the McLaughlin Carriage Company and later Owner Operator of the McLaughlin Automobile Factory and Manufacturing Company. A number of employees of the company commuted from Lindsay to the factory in Oshawa every working day.