Grills, Lee



A testimonial banquet is being organized for Lee Grills, the Conservative MP who represented the Belleville area in Ottawa for nearly 15 years.

The event will be held at the Legion Hall in Belleville, Sept. 18.

Mr Grills was first elected for the old federal riding of South Hastings in 1957. He continued as MP when the riding was altered and extended through Hastings Counl ty as the constituence of d Hastings. During his parliao mentary career he was invold ved in six general elections-

losing one campaign — to eventually retire undefeated. He resigned from federal politics last year before the 1972 election and was succeeded by Conservative Jack Ellis as MP Hastings.

Dorothy Howell, head of the committee organizing next month's testimonial, says 500 \$5 tickets were printed for the

banquet and recently went on sale.

The tickets have sold readily, says Mrs Howell So much so, there now is some concern that close friends or political workers associated with Mr Grills through the years could possibly find tickets unavailable for the event. Any such persons wishing to attend the event should contact the committee, she said. The banquet will see testi-

monials from people who knew Mr Grills in various walks of life. The Intelligencer Aug-27, 1973