

Lindsay - History

On The Main Street

With FORD MOYNES

More about "Firsts" in the Town of Lindsay.

The first tennis courts were at the south-east corner of Mill and Russell Streets. One of the first baseball diamonds was at the south-west corner of Victoria Ave. and Melbourne Streets.

The first curling was on the Scugog River and the first alley bowling was in the basement of the YMCA at the south-west corner of Kent and Lindsay Streets.

S. J. Petty was one of the first jewellers and another first jeweller was a gentleman named Britton with a store at the foot of Kent Street, now Polito's Store.

Phil Morgan had a drug store, as did Andy Higinbotham and W. Fowler, and a man named Oliver was a photographer, followed by Miss Morton and Frank Lee.

Teddy Allin made bread in

a shop on Victoria Avenue, north of Bond Street, and other bakers were McWatters on Queen Street, Bobby Wells on St. Peter Street, and Wileman on Kent Street East.

John Berry and A. J. Williamson made horse harness, the first mentioned gentleman having started in business at Manilla. Incidentally this gentleman represented Canada at the world famous Bisley rifle matches held in London, Eng.

The first water pumps were made by a man named Dennis.

When Lindsay people walked the main street at night years ago, the dim street

lights were the gas type and the gas depot was a large underground reservoir at the south-west corner of Kent and Sussex Streets. At one time there was a gas plant at the corner of William and Wellington Streets with a large gasometer on the lot near the bridge.