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FOR A BETTER TOWN VOTE NO!!

Seen On King Street During The Week

A fine new Wilson Cleaners truck from Port Hope. A gift from Santa we presume, but more likely a gift from hard work.

Young lads displaying brand new hockey sticks, plain confirmation that Santa didn't bypass Millbrook.

People running in and out of the Bank as though they had money left after Christmas, or didn't have any left so had to go to the "bone-pile".

Homer Ouellette giving his version of how to drive one of those small cars. He sure made the tires squeal and throw the stones. Tut, tut, Homer, you're not in your teens now.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of the late Mrs. Margaret Patton wish to thank all the friends and neighbours for their cards of sympathy, flowers, and kindnesses shown during the illness and loss of a dear mother. Special appreciation to Dr. Tucker of Port Hope and Rev. G. Meades of Bethany.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DINNER THURS., JAN. 23

The annual dinner and Ladies' Night of Millbrook and district Chamber of Commerce will be held in the Armouries, Millbrook, on Thursday, Jan. 23, at 7.00 p.m. The Ladies' Auxilliary of the Canadian Legion are catering with a turkey dinner.

The guest speaker will be the Hon. Matthew B. Dymond, M.D., Minister of reform Institutions. Tickets now available at \$1.50 each.

"ADAM'S ALE"

Cold water is the drink for me, I want no wine or brandy. It's pure and sweet, Beside it's always handy.

So let us drink cold water, boys It brings us health and riches; And we will spend our nights at home Instead of in the ditches.

"Reader"

NOTICE

Meeting for the Wheat Marketing Plan. Speaker: Dick Stewart of Peterborough, in the Community Hall, Cavan at 7.30 p.m. January 14th.

THANK YOU

My sincere thanks to all those who supported me in recent Municipal Elections.

George H. Raymes

WHO SHOULD VOTE NO?

1. Those who know the evils that alcohol has caused and wish to keep down its use in Millbrook as much as possible.
2. Those who believe there are better and more effective ways of boosting business in Millbrook.
3. Those who would not wish to increase alcohol users in Millbrook, and ruin more lives and homes, even if it did bring them some personal gain.
4. Social workers and those who know alcohol never did any person or any place any good, but has left degradation, poverty and accidents in its trail wherever it has been used.
5. Moderate drinkers who, though they themselves can control their use of it, know there are others especially the

young, who cannot control themselves when they use it. Therefore for the general good of the village they will vote "NO".

6. Parents and grandparents who have the best interests of their children at heart, and wish to keep alcohol as far away as possible.

7. Wives and mothers who have suffered enough from this evil of alcohol, and now have a chance to effectively curb its use in Millbrook.

8. Business men who realize that dollars spent on alcohol are not spent in other stores, and who know that the better farmer-customers around Millbrook don't want these outlets here.

See our more detailed information elsewhere in this issue.

Inserted by

THE CITIZENS BETTERMENT LEAGUE OF MILLBROOK.

THAT "LOGICAL ANSWER"

We shall proceed to show that this is neither an answer nor logical.

1. Regarding "the rash of organizations condemning the opening of liquor outlets in Millbrook". Thanks for this honest statement. We too, appreciate the fact that these organizations are standing up to the task for which they were formed, namely, the betterment of our community.

2. The "wets" pretend ignorance of the personnel of the Citizens' Betterment League, when they know very well it is led by ministers, teachers and social workers who have always stood for community betterment even at risk of personal loss. On the other hand, we wonder how many of these "wets" are

expecting a personal gain from these outlets. Think this through, Mr. Voter.

3. As for their comment on the "parable of wet and dry villages," we were amused by their conclusions. We appreciate their "dry" humour.

4. As for the Minden-Haliburton case. Upon inquiry we find there is no evidence to support their contention. Those who know these places say business is good in both places, due largely to the tourist trade. The tourists go to the nearest town to buy their supplies. Fenelon Falls, another tourist town, is dry. You would have difficulty in finding a place to park in Fenelon Falls on Saturday night because of tourists. Millbrook is not near tourist centres. Therefore such arguments do not apply here.

5. We declare emphatically that by voting NO we are helping to cut down the amount of alcohol consumed in Millbrook.

Statistics prove beyond a doubt that an increase in outlets results in an increase of alcohol consumption. Common sense tells us that the breweries would not be in favour of these outlets if they didn't mean new customers for them. Everywhere, the brewery interests are running full page advertisements. They expect, and will certainly get, many new customers in Millbrook if these are opened.

6. We do not believe that our business men will give the wets the support they expect. Of course, our business men wish to improve business. So do we all. But we give our business men credit for the good sense to think things through sanely, and not be led astray by a few who have not considered the evils that attend these outlets.

7. In conclusion we would say that the Logical Answer to the brewers' desire to set up outlets here is to vote NO on January 15th, and keep our village a good place in which to live.

PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. George Loohuizen will be celebrating their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary on Saturday, January 18. They will be at home to their friends and neighbours from 2.00 p.m. that day.

Shall We Talk Business Then, And Taxes?

FORTY-THREE YEARS OF BUSINESS EXPERIENCE have convinced me that alcoholic beverage outlets bleed business. For 5 years before moving to Millbrook, I kept store in Peterborough; and I hope soon to be in business again. For thirty-eight years I was in such close contact with my father's business in Roseneath that I count his experience as my own. I was born and brought up across the four corners from a hotel efficiently run by a total abstainer. I remember boasting (in my childish ignorance) about the large debts owed by my father. The unpaid bills of customers who spent their cash across the street kept him poor. After provincial prohibition closed the outlets there, the hotel-keeper became a store-keeper. The patrons of his bar became his customers for groceries. The bad debts on my father's books became collectable. Competition from the new food stores was so beneficial compared with that from the beverage outlets that my father gradually became well-off, and in his sixties was able to retire with a good income to Peterborough. Moreover, the "dry" owner of the largest store in Roseneath so prospered that he found time and money to build up the small fall fair of beverage days to the noted Roseneath Exhibition of today.

THE FOOT IN THE DOOR is what the traffic seeks in Millbrook- THE RECORDS SHOW that getting a liquor store or a brewers' warehouse is but the first step toward a beverage room-the old bar-room in disguise. Since 1950, those who assured the voters

they would be opposed to wider outlets if they obtained a Brewers' Retail Store or L.C.B.O. Store have three years later forced a vote on Beverage Rooms or Dining Lounges in the following places: Carleton Place, Durham, Brampton, Essex, Havelock and Ingersoll.

BOOTLEGGING ABOUNDS WHERE LEGAL OUTLETS ARE. The liquor that ruined my brother before he was of legal age to drink alcohol at all WAS BOOTLEG LIQUOR. There are legal outlets in Peterborough. Yet one of our most interesting customers there was rather irregular in his patronage. He could not buy food from our store when he was enjoying free board in jail for bootlegging.

MOTHERS-THINK TWICE BEFORE YOU VOTE. In Millbrook, as in Roseneath, THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC WOULD REACH OUT across the street, and up and down the street for boys and girls to provide it with future profits. They would have to drink deep to make the outlets even seem to pay. Of very five dollars of Millbrook money they spent there, four dollars would go in taxes to Toronto and Ottawa, and only a few cents of the remaining dollar remain in Millbrook. Even if local taxes were microscopically smaller because of outlets. THE CONTINUOUS DRINAGE OF MILLBROOK MONEY to Ottawa and Toronto would make them very hard to pay.

WHERE IN ALL THE RECORDS OF HISTORY DID ANY COMMUNITY DRINK ITSELF INTO PROSPERITY?

Bruce Ingham.

RESOLUTION PASSED

At a special meeting of the W.A. of St. Thomas' Anglican Church the following resolution was passed.

"Resolved that the Women's Auxilliary of St. Thomas' Anglican Church place on Record its opposition to the opening of an outlet or of outlets for the sale of intoxicating beverages in the Village of Millbrook."

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