

AUTOMOTIVE DEALERSHIPS OVER FOUR DECADES IN LINDSAY ARE RECALLED

Great changes have taken place in the automotive business in Lindsay in the past four decades, both in dealerships and location of the dealers.

The change of ownership from Graydon King Motors to a Toronto businessman Roy Pett recalls the day when the late Jos. A. Carrol had the first Chevrolet dealership in Lindsay. It was located in the store now occupied by J. Houzer and Son, Men's Wear, Kent and Lindsay Streets.

The late Frank King, a successful farmer from Mariposa Township carried on the dealership from a small garage and office on Kent Street which was located immediately west of the King Edward Hotel, near the stores now occupied by Lloyd Flack, Optometrist. Several years ago the present location of Thomson, Thomson and Logan, Barristers, was a laneway leading into a number of stables and sheds.

The present Graydon King garage was originally part of the Sinclair Carriage Works and was a garage operated by Guy Tripp before it became the King dealership corner.

The present set up of E. D. Fee, GM dealer at Kent and Cambridge Streets was formerly the Butler Hotel. It is interesting to note that the late Richard Butler and his partner Ford W. Moynes at one time operated the Briscoe auto dealership from the hotel corner.

The Ford dealership was for many years operated by M. Madison Williams and Charles

Williams at the corner of Wellington and William Streets, where Manley Motors is now located. The Ford franchise was also handled by E. D. Fee several years ago at the corner of Kent and Cambridge Sts.

The late Thomas Arnold was the dealer for many years for General Motors products in the present location of Arnold Motors. For several years Ross Arnold has carried on a successful Chrysler, Dodge dealership in the same location.

Several years ago the late Fred Thomas, Hupmobile dealer, was located on William Street north, across from the Daily Post. The Thomas agency was succeeded by a dealership operated by Walter Curtis and Walter Humphries.

Fred Tilcock was the successful owner of the service station at the corner of Ridout and Lindsay streets and held the Nash dealership.

The Flint car was sold by the garage of J. A. Isaac on York Street South. Mr. Isaac also handled the Durant sales and service.

The late Hilton Manley first operated as a car dealer at what is now the Wilson Welding and Marine building at the Wellington Street bridge, before locating with his son Earl Manley at the corner of William and Wellington Streets.

Ken Western's first Studebaker sales office was in the Sylvester Manufacturing building on Kent Street.

Wilber Race owned a franchise when he was located in the present Wilson Welding shop and later carried on the business at the corner of Kent and Sussex Streets.

**Thomas meets Foster
in tonight's bout**