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Foster Russell

## Outspoken writer, Russell, dies

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A survey of the accomplishments and contributions of former Cobourg Sentinel-Star publisher, the late Foster Meharry Russell, would fill a book. The often outspoken editor was also a politician and school trustee, the founder of CHUC radio, author,

poet, athlete and historian during his lifetime.

Russell died in mid-September of this year.

He owned, edited and published the Sentinel-Star from 1946 until its sale to James Johnston in 1969, winning numerous awards for his editorials, including the prestigious Elijah Parish Lovejoy award for courage in journalism in 1965.

Born in 1907, he was associated with newspapers all his life, working variously as a columnist for the Trenton Trentonian and the Peterborough Examiner and as one-time owner and editor of the Coldwater News.

He is the author of about eight books and had completed an autobiography prior to his death from cancer at Cobourg hospital in September 1984.