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Temiskaming Member A. Peters Mad at Haileybury Town Council

COBALT — "I'm peeved about this," says Arnold Peters, CCF Member of Parliament for Temiskaming. "I am getting a dirty deal from municipalities when they play party politics."

At an address in the Legion Hall here Sunday night, the M.P. was strongly critical of town councils at Haileybury and Kirkland Lake in particular which had "dealt through the back door instead of coming to the member with their problems."

"I have to represent all the people of the riding and don't care what political party they support, what religion they are or what creed they adhere to," he added.

Mr. Peters was referring largely to a council motion in Haileybury calling on defeated PC candidate C. Foster Rice to approach the government at Ottawa for a Federal Building, which, among other proposed offices, could house a post office.

"I have discovered that Allistair Groshart (national organizer for the Conservative party) had approached some members of council who are either related to the defeated candidate or have strong party affiliations," he stated. "The idea was that council should deal through the back door."

Mr. Peters reported that he had asked the Post Master General in the House whether there was a pattern to follow when a post office was asked for... including an investigation into the need for same, whether it would be more economical to rent or own and data based on the facilities to the amount of population.

The MP said that on Saturday he went into the Haileybury post office which he termed "a dirty hole in the wall". "It was dingy and ill lit."

He said it was closed for some lengthy time following the arrival of the train when mail was being sorted and said other post offices remained open to serve the public.

"This post office, I find, belongs to the mayor of the town, Arthur H. Cooke, who would lose the rental of this dingy little building if a Federal Building was erected."

The MP stated that he intends finding out whether Mr. Cooke "has training and qualifications for the job as Haileybury post master."

"The municipality should present its case to the member backed by a resolution and if no action is taken it will then have the right to criticize the member," he stated. He said all that petty policies of the municipalities was doing was to rob him of a chance to do his job as MP.

"In New Liskeard the town council had a meeting and decided the Federal Government was not going to assist them with dock improvements," he added. "They are going ahead themselves."

"Because council did decide to go their own I have been asked to help and have met with the Public Works officials," he said. "The Federal Government has made commitments and will be doing some work on the dock and turn it over to the town for \$1."

Mr. Peters was strongly critical of the fact there was what he termed "not one winter works project in the Tri-Town area." "The municipalities should seek more assistance."

He said New Liskeard, where a beach improvement park scheme was underway, was interested in assistance and qualifies for a 70 per cent government grant toward the program.

Rapping municipal "politicians" for sacrificing the needs of the people so as to keep Peters' name out of the newspapers," he criticized the Diefenbaker government for being "stupid in not planning the legislative sphere for the session."

"We don't know yet what legislation there is going to be this year and I don't think John Diefenbaker has looked into his crystal ball and come up with an answer yet," he concluded.



Bun Keays, owner of Keays Service Centre on Highway 65 east of New Liskeard which was broken into and robbed between 10:30 Monday night and 7 o'clock Tuesday morning. The thieves broke a window and door in order to enter. Approximately \$750.00 in tools and tires were stolen. The break-in is being investigated by Cpl. Sid Daley and Glen Moody of the Haileybury Police Det. O.P.P.

NHL Franchise Sold No Team For Cobalt

Ambrose O'Brien, a hockey magnate at the turn of the century, advises Cobalt to forget its search for a 50-year-old document that would give it a National Hockey League franchise.

"I sold it around 1912 to a man from Toronto and even if I still had the franchise it wouldn't be any good," O'Brien said Thursday night.

The 75-year-old business executive was commenting on a report that council in the silver mining town of 2,000 had instituted a

search of municipal records to uncover what it understood was a 1910 document granting a 99-year NHL franchise.

O'Brien, who was founder of Montreal Canadiens before their entry in the NHL, said he held franchises for the Canadiens, Cobalt, Haileybury and Renfrew in 1910, when all four clubs played in the six-team National Hockey Association.

Then a resident of Renfrew, he sold the franchise after two years and in 1917 the league and the franchise "died a natural death" with the formation of the NHL.

By the time the NHL was formed, all O'Brien's franchises had been sold and only Canadiens remained in the big league.



A short time ago a letter from Mrs. Sadie Wakefield of Prescott, Ontario, was received at this office, asking if we would publish a picture of her sister, Agnes Court, in an effort to locate her. She is presumed to have moved to Haileybury from Woodstock in 1919 and has not been heard from since.

Four other sisters and a brother were recently reunited in Ottawa. Their parents, who originally came from England, died in Ottawa in 1916, the mother on January 10, the father just 20 days later, on January 30. The family, who at the time of their parents' death, ranged in age from fifteen years to five years, were separated and grew up in various parts of the country and were only reunited by the efforts of Charles, the only remaining brother, the other one, William, being killed in 1917 with the 32nd Battery of the Canadian Field Artillery in Europe.

If anyone in Haileybury remembers Agnes Court, who was 13 when her parents died in 1916, and came to Haileybury in 1919 (whether on her own or with another family, is not known,) would they write to Mrs. Sadie Wakefield, Poplar Hall, R.R. 1, Prescott, Ontario, with whatever information they have, in the hope that it may lead to reuniting the entire family.

CIMM

Members of the Cobalt Branch of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy will elect their officers for 1961-62 to-morrow evening at Haileybury.

The meeting will be held in the Canadian Legion Hall. A color film of the Grey Cup game will also be shown.

The Weather

Week ending April 18, 1961.	Max.	Min.
Wednesday	54	39
Thursday	47	39
Friday	46	33
Saturday	56	37
Sunday	50	38
Monday	55	34
Tuesday	54	32

Will Sell School At Moore's Cove

The Moore's Cove Public School in Bucke Township will soon be closed. The Township School Board is now advertising the building for sale, and next September all the children previously attending the school will receive their education at either Haileybury or New Liskeard Public Schools.

About 90 children will be affected. These include about 60 attending the school, as well as grades seven and eight pupils from Moore's Cove who are being

educated at the North Cobalt Public School. In addition, a number of parents in the area pay to send their children to either Haileybury or New Liskeard.

Tom Willis, chairman of the School Board, said that negotiations are being completed with the two neighboring school boards and contracts will be signed in the near future.

Children residing close to New Liskeard will be sent to the New Liskeard School, and those closer to Haileybury will go there.

No Political Paradise Says New Party M.P.

COBALT — "I'm not the type of politician who believes in a political paradise on earth," Douglas Fisher, Porth Arthur Federal MP, told a gathering of CCF'ers here Sunday night. "We have too many human weaknesses regardless of party adherence."

"But by planning and taking into account the experience of the past, we can make a better society," he added. "And I think the New Party will have these principals."

Mr. Fisher, voted one of three top politicians by the Ottawa press gallery, was guest speaker at a meeting arranged by the CCF riding association.

"I have been labelled a critic of the New Party," he stated. "There is nothing wrong with labor entering politics, but we must face the problems and not say we are right and the others are bad boys."

He said the principal shortcoming of the CCF has been in educating the people of Canada, but he foresaw a better chance for this educational program through the field of labor with its 1,200,000 adherents.

"The popularity of the old political parties is not high and the timing is wonderful for a New Party," he commented.

He said that in addition to auto-

mation, which was cutting out jobs for thousands of Canadians, there was a move from the rural to urban centres which will change the picture entirely in the years to come.

"The white collar workers face the same problem as the laborer, he felt. "We as a political party aren't going to smash the IBM machine, but we will have a more human approach to the problems which beset us."

Mr. Fisher said Canadians, as individuals, would have more of a voice in politics than they have had under either of the old parties. "In the old parties people hold grudges," he said.

He said he was personally attracted toward the CCF (and now the New Party) because their policies stand for equal educational opportunities for all, the co-operative spirit which opposed one that out of ruthless competition will emerge the victorious few, and because the human being will best be able to use his rational brain under the system.

He said the present political powers engender a society based on "fear and insecurity".

"Mr. Diefenbaker says the next election is going to be between free enterprise and socialism," he concluded. "Free enterprise is a phony issue."

Touring North

During the early part of May, Mrs. Winifred Cropper, President of Ontario Federation of Home and School Association, Inc., whose home is in St. Catharines, will tour Area A, which stretches from Moose Factory to Wawa.

She will be attending a Workshop for the Temiskaming District Home and School Association to be held in Englehart on May 3rd. All persons interested in Home & School work are cordially invited to attend this Workshop.

Holds Silver

Convinced that a rise in the price of silver is a strong possibility for the near future, Siscoe Mines is withholding substantial amounts from the market.

The company's balance sheet, just issued, shows silver inventories valued at close to \$500,000 on hand at year end — double the figure of a year ago.

Price of the metal held at 91.375 cents per ounce in New York over the entire year. "Such stability is without precedent in the peace-time history of any free metal," J. B. Lynch, president, states in Siscoe's annual report. Sales of 21.5 million ozs. by the U.S. treasury provided an effective ceiling on the N.Y. price at which the mine's production is sold.