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Yes or No

Next Monday Acton electors will vote on the question of a two-year term for Council and Boards and decide on this controversial issue. The question opposite which voters will put their mark is Yes or No. It is well to point out some of the things a vote in the Yes column will signify.

The Act applies to local boards as well as Municipal Councils, and every member who is in office on the 1st of February, 1941, and elected or appointed for the term of one year or part thereof shall continue in office for a further term of one year and until his successor is elected and the new board is organized.

There is another rather peculiar point. "Where a vacancy occurs during the year 1942, in a municipality where this law is in force, the vacancy shall be filled by a person chosen by vote of the remaining members of such local Board or Council. But there is no provision for filling a vacancy should it occur in 1941 without the usual election procedure. Apparently an oversight by the Provincial Government, and maybe there are more.

Judging by local and comment from other municipalities, the Act finds little favor with any of the electors. It takes away the right of the electors to decide and elect for themselves their representatives for two years. If you like such a measure, vote "Yes," but if you consider this question, contrary to your views of the best municipal government vote "No."

Scattered Here and There

Over our desk are several group pictures, but with this cold weather coming on, the one that just now attracted our attention was that of the Championship Hockey Team of 1938-39. And where are they now?

Flint Terry, Norm and Bus Morton, of that one line, are in the army, stationed at Niagara. Herb Woods, Geo. Bayliss, Rus. Brush, Frank Holmes are in the battalion stationed at Stratford. Geo. Molozzi is in Brandon with the R.C.A.F. Ilio-Marzo is with the London Senior Club, and Johnny Brush is playing in Hamilton.

We've got to admit the bunch is pretty well scattered, but we note some stalwarts who are still available and could form the foundation of a team. There are Jack Kentner, Minute Walters, Frank Gibbons, Ezio Marzo and Doug Dawkins, and all the executive and officials who make up that group picture.

Perhaps the hockey analyst will say there is nothing but defence and executive left, and what we need is a forward line. That is, no doubt, true. We talked with some of the boys when they were home on army leave. Those with whom we talked were all of the opinion Acton should carry on in hockey. Perhaps a championship is not possible, but there is the need to carry on. The training is of the best. It has been helpful to those boys who have joined the active service force and we note some of them are now wearing officers' stripes.

Yes, the team of this year will certainly be different. But we think the boys, scattered here and there in the Dominion and elsewhere, would like to read about and occasionally see some hockey encounters with a team wearing the Acton uniform.

Canada's Promise or Hitler's?

It was our privilege last week to attend a meeting in Toronto of the Chairmen of the War Savings Committees in this district. We came away with this feeling that we in Canada are not fully seized with the enormity of the task that confronts us. We read

of the terrific pounding that England is taking and yet it seems impossible to grasp the seriousness of the situation.

We cannot all do the spectacular thing. It is not possible for everyone to serve in the armed forces. This present war is one of material as well as man power. Everyone can and must share in the effort. Trying to guard and hold material and failure to put in a full effort will eventually lose that material we are withholding. Great Britain has no assurance that she can withstand the German drive. Her resources and power have had a severe testing. A year ago we thought France would never be conquered. The Maginot Line could not be broken. Holland could flood the lowlands and Belgium would stop the Hun hordes. It's all history now what happened. Perhaps we say these countries did not put in their full effort. Are we Canadians putting our full effort into the task?

There is only one choice. Either a full effort or we don't win. And there's a place for everyone. Don't worry if you are not in the armed forces. You can do your share by regular purchases of War Savings Stamps or Certificates. The objective has been set for \$120,000,000. This year every penny you can devote to your country now, lend it. When we win, Canada promises to pay it back with interest. If we lose, you will have Hitler's promise to take all you have.

A New Situation Here

Acton faces a new one in municipal elections this year. Never, in our recollection, has such a situation occurred here before. There were not enough qualified for the Council seats to meet the requirements.

The result is that Acton will be faced with two nominations and a possibility of two elections. The present election on the question of a two-year term and on the School Board will proceed. The new Council must provide, as soon as possible, for another nomination and, if necessary, an election for one member of the Council.

Such a situation has occurred in other municipalities, but this is the first time in our recollection for Acton to meet such a situation. We are sorry to see this occur because it seems to indicate a lack of interest by the citizens in municipal affairs. Nominations were not as numerous as they should have been on Friday night. Acton has plenty of men capable of making good Councillors and their names should have been placed in nomination and brought before the public. We know it's a busy time for all men but surely there are those who could give this effort to municipal guidance.

We know, too, that often men who do conscientiously attempt to do good work in municipal affairs come in for much unfair criticism. This often is a deterrent to accepting public office. It's regrettable that in a year when election difficulties might have been minimized to have such a situation. The only remedy now is to see that at the next nomination sufficient names are put in so that the office will be filled.

The "Hired Man"

Word from Washington that the supply of farm workers is the lowest since 1937 serves to recall vividly that all-but-forgotten factotum whose modest but unremitting efforts contributed to place agriculture on its present pedestal—the "hired man."

He was a familiar figure on the farms of a generation ago. Literally "one of the family," since he shared their home and meals, he was in reality an ex officio "uncle," helping the youngsters with their studies, squiring elder daughter to "sociables."

Since he had as a rule worked on farms in other places, he sometimes filled the place of the present-day farm adviser. But, however far his wanderings may have carried him, he was not necessarily itinerant by nature.

We all know him, whether we live on farms or not. Because James Whitcomb Riley remembered, and in "The Ragged Man," told how

He splits the kindlin' an' chops the wood;
 An' then he spades our garden, too,
 An' does most things 't boys can do—
 He clumbed clean up in our big tree
 An' shooked a' apple down for me

An' the Raggedy Man, he knows most rhymes
 An' tells 'em, if I be good, sometimes.
 —Christian Science Monitor.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Sunrise and sunset This War Saving Time makes certain we see both.

Elections next Monday. Get out and poll your vote. If you like democracy well enough to fight for it, use it.

Building permits issued in 204 municipalities in Canada during the first nine months of 1940 totalled \$81,324,052.

Your Christmas shopping can usually be done locally just as well as elsewhere. Make it a point to try and buy locally first. It will save time and money in most instances.

Britain Delivers the Rayon

Soaring Exports from Lancashire Mills

(From a Lancashire Correspondent)

In the great cotton and rayon centres of Lancashire the printers of cotton and rayon centres of Lancashire the printers of cotton piece goods are dealing with 620,000,000 square yards of cloth a year; with 55,000,000 square yards of rayon cloth; with 44,000,000 yards of mixture fabrics—a total of 710,000,000 square yards. The textile finishing trades alone are in fact employing no fewer than 100,000 people. The Color Style and Design Centre—established in Manchester will be of special assistance in maintaining the new achievements of the rayon industry.

Rayon prints are being shown to-day which equal the coloring and design that made the prints of Hungary famous.

Lancashire is determined to develop rayon prints of the type once supplied by that country and by Italy to South Africa and South America in particular. During the first August of the war Great Britain was already exporting £813,913 worth of silk and artificial silk yarns and manufactures, or £290,140 worth more of them than during the last August of peace time. Reports received here from every market state that these goods have been arriving with clockwork regularity. The British rayon industry is now placidly preparing to develop the volume and the variety of these products.

NO MYSTERY AT ALL.
 Woman of the House How can you tell when your iron is too hot?
 Mary—It's easy. The clothes always begin to burn and turn brown.

AN EVEN BREAK

Teacher: Can any one tell me what happened after Napoleon mistered his army?
 Pupil: Yes, sir, he peppered the enemy and took the Citadel by assault.
 Teacher: Sit down, my lad. I'll have no more from you.

AN EVEN BREAK

"The names of animals and birds," explained the teacher, "are usually more fully developed than in man. Can you, Smith's minor, name a creature which sees better than a man?"
 "An eagle, sir."
 "Correct. And you, Jones, name an animal which hears better than a man."
 "A dog, sir."
 "Quite right. And now, Wilkins, name something that smells better than a man."
 "A rose, sir."

Business Directory

MEDICAL

DR. J. A. McNIVEN
 Physician and Surgeon
 Office and Residence—Corner Bowe Avenue and Elgin Street.

DR. E. J. NELSON
 Physician and Surgeon
 Medical Officer of Health for Acton
 Electro Therapy PHONE 88

DR. WM. G. CULLEN, L. M. C. C.
 Physician and Surgeon
 Office Hours—1-4 and 7-9 p.m.
 Sundays by Appointment
 Mill Street, near Frederick Street
 Telephone 128

DRS. FREED AND STEVENSON
CAMPBELLVILLE
 Phone Milton 2363 — After 10 p.m. Milton 2W
 Office Hours: 8-9 a.m., 1-3 p.m., 7-8 p.m.
 Sundays by Appointment only

LEGAL

C. F. LEATHERLAND, B. A.
 Barrister and Solicitor, Notary Public
 Issuer of Marriage Licenses
 Registrar of Births, Marriages, Deaths
 ACTON
 Office 22 Phone Residence 183

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 Barrister, Solicitor, Notary Public
 Offices:
 Georgetown—Gregory Theatre Building
 ACTON—Over T. Seyoum's Cafe
 For Appointments Phone Acton 88—
 Georgetown 88
 Office Hours — Acton, Tuesday and Thursday, 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Evenings on request.

DENTAL

A. J. BUCHANAN, D. D. S.
 Dental Surgeon
 Office: In Leishman Block
 Hours: 9 a. m. until 6 p. m. Evenings by Appointment
 One for Extractions X-Ray
 Closed Wednesday Afternoon Phone 140

VETERINARY

B. D. YOUNG, V.S., B.V.Sc.
 Veterinary Surgeon
 Office: Brookville, Ontario
 Phone—Milton 1464

F. G. OAKES, V.S., B.V.Sc.
 Veterinary Surgeon
 Office and Residence — Knox Avenue
 Acton — Phone 130

AUCTIONEERS

FRANK PETCH
 Auctioneer and Representative Commercial Life Assurance Co.
 Phone 391
 Charles Street Georgetown

TIME TABLES

ADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

AT ACTON STANDARD TIME
 Going East
 Daily, except Sunday 6:04 a.m.
 Daily, except Sunday 9:49 a.m.
 Daily, except Sunday 8:28 p.m.
 Sunday only 8:19 p.m.
 Flyer, at Georgetown 9:41 p.m.
 Flyer, at Onulph 9:15 p.m.

Going West
 Daily, except Sunday 8:48 a.m.
 Saturday only 1:29 p.m.
 Flyer, at Onulph 6:46 p.m.
 Daily, except Sunday 7:09 p.m.
 Sunday only 11:43 p.m.

GRAY COACH LINES

COACHES LEAVE ACTON Standard Time
EASTBOUND — To Toronto
 6:58 a.m.; 9:01 a.m.; 11:31 a.m.; 2:06 p.m.; 3:51 p.m.; 6:31 p.m.; 8:58 p.m.
WESTBOUND — To London
 9:53 a.m.; 12:23 p.m.; 2:23 p.m.; 4:23 p.m.; 6:18 p.m.; 8:08 p.m.; 10:53 p.m.; 11:53 p.m.
 a—except Sun.; b—Sun. & Hol.; c—Sat. only; d—except Sat., Sun. & Hol.; e—Sat., Sun. & Hol.; f—except Sun. & Hol.; x—to Kitchener; y—to Stratford

BANK OF MONTREAL

Established 1817

A presentation, in easily understandable form, of the Bank's

ANNUAL STATEMENT

31st October, 1940

LIABILITIES

LIABILITIES TO THE PUBLIC	
Deposits	\$848,865,349.96
Payable on demand and after notice	
Notes of the Bank in Circulation	19,816,520.50
Payable on demand	
Acceptances and Letters of Credit Outstanding	11,677,303.17
Financial responsibilities undertaken on behalf of customers (see off-setting amounts in "Resources")	
Other Liabilities to the Public	3,892,125.64
Items which do not come under the foregoing headings	
Total Liabilities to the Public	\$884,251,299.27
LIABILITIES TO THE SHAREHOLDERS	
Capital, Surplus and Undivided Profits and Reserves for Dividends	77,083,656.50
This amount represents the shareholders' interest in the Bank, over which liabilities to the public take precedence.	
Total Liabilities	\$961,334,955.77

RESOURCES

To meet the foregoing Liabilities the Bank has

Cash in its Vaults and Money on Deposit with Bank of Canada	\$ 83,034,576.56
Notes of and Cheques on Other Banks	32,254,269.70
Payable in cash on presentation	
Money on Deposit with Other Banks	61,382,283.44
Available on demand or at short notice	
Government and Other Bonds and Debentures	461,827,040.63
Not exceeding market value. The greater portion consists of gilt-edge securities which mature at early dates.	
Stocks	196,182.87
Industrial and other stocks. Not exceeding market value.	
Call Loans outside of Canada	19,552,470.11
Secured by bonds, stocks and other negotiable securities of greater value than the loans and representing money quickly available with no disturbing effect on conditions in Canada.	
Call Loans in Canada	4,606,348.55
Payable on demand and secured by bonds and stocks of greater value than the loans.	
Bankers' Acceptances	332,264.27
Prime drafts accepted by other banks.	
TOTAL OF QUICKLY AVAILABLE RESOURCES (equal to 75% of all Liabilities to the Public)	\$663,185,436.13
Loans to Provincial and Municipal Governments including School Districts	35,313,063.39
Other Loans	233,560,368.24
To manufacturers, farmers, merchants and others, on conditions consistent with sound banking.	
Bank Premises	13,900,000.00
Two properties only are carried in the names of holding companies; the stock and bonds of these companies are entirely owned by the Bank and appear on its books at \$1,000 in each case. All other of the Bank's premises, the value of which largely exceeds \$13,900,000, appear under this heading.	
Real Estate, and Mortgages on Real Estate Sold by the Bank	974,202.89
Acquired in the course of the Bank's business and in process of being realized upon.	
Customers' Liability under Acceptances and Letters of Credit	11,677,303.17
Represents liabilities of customers on account of Letters of Credit issued and Drafts accepted by the Bank for their account.	
Other Assets not included in the Foregoing	2,724,581.95
Making Total Assets of	\$961,334,955.77
To meet payment of Liabilities to the Public of	884,251,299.27
leaving an excess of Assets over Liabilities to the Public of	\$ 77,083,656.50

PROFIT and LOSS ACCOUNT

Profits for the year ended 31st October, 1940, after making appropriations to Contingent Reserve Fund, out of which Fund full provision for Bad and Doubtful Debts has been made, and after deducting Dominion and Provincial Government Taxes amounting to \$1,927,824.40	\$3,435,941.59
Dividends paid on payable to Shareholders	\$2,880,000.00
Appropriation for Bank Premises	500,000.00
	3,380,000.00
	\$ 55,941.59
Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 31st October, 1939	1,265,700.56
Balance of Profit and Loss carried forward	\$1,321,642.15

HUNTLY R. DRUMMOND, President
 JACKSON DODDS, G. W. SPINNEY, Joint General Managers

The strength of a bank is determined by its history, its policy, its management and the extent of its resources. For 123 years the Bank of Montreal has been in the forefront of Canadian finance.

