

EDITORIAL

A Quiet Election

Comment generally is that we are having a very quiet election. Compared with what we heard when the republic to our south chose a leader for the government we presume it is quiet but it's a kind of quiet that Canadians may well appreciate.

We question if a rip-roaring, gigantic parading, sensational headlines and charges and verbal mud slinging between individuals who aspire to the highest posts as leaders of country will make for a better Canada. We like to think that those who represent us in Canada's parliament give some consideration to the intelligence of those who elect them.

We have had mouthy and noisy elections and we for one appreciate this one which seems a little more dignified and a little less blatant. With nearly three weeks to go, we hope the present election will continue to be a "quiet one." The weather is sufficiently warm without putting in any cross currents and creating a tornado with the subsequent destruction that such uncontrolled gusts create.

We have had some election literature come to our desk already that would tend to warm up an election campaign or anything else if it were not so ridiculous. A new paper is being sent out from Ottawa called The Ottawa Sentinel that may cease publication after the election if not before. This week an organization which we had never heard of previously sent a pamphlet published by "The Society of Gods."

There are attempts being made to put heat in the election and move the quietude out. There will be more within the next fortnight.

There will be thousands of Canadians who will be disappointed in the August elections. Reasons will not be vacations, harvest or work, but simply because they are too little concerned to bestir themselves to go to the polls.

As Others See Us

How do you think and talk about your town? If a stranger came into town to make inquiry what would be his reaction after he had talked to business men and citizens? These days before an industry locates in a town they usually make a survey of the place they are going to live and work.

Here is an incident told about in the Durham Chronicle: "Last fall a representative of an English firm came to Durham and called on merchants along the main street asking questions."

"Although the merchants did not know it, this man was making arrangements for his company to establish a manufacturing plant in Canada and he wanted to find out where the firm would be most welcome.

"Durham Chamber of Commerce followed up the inquiries but were disheartened to hear the report of the company's agent at Toronto. He said business men to whom he had talked did not seem enthusiastic, information was reluctantly given, and the general impression was that outsiders would not be too welcome.

"Although this firm was impressed with the physical assets and facilities of Durham, the reputation was warmer at Smith's Falls and there its Canadian plant is being established."

Councils and Chambers of Commerce cannot attract new industries when individuals are not enthusiastic. The kind of town in which an industry wants to locate is a friendly centre. When anyone asks about the town whether it be stranger or well known friend, it is well to point out the things our town offers. If the folks who live and work here are not proud of our town it cannot be expected that the visitor will view it enthusiastically.

You don't need to be a member of council, Chamber of Commerce or any other public spirited body to be a booster for your town or yourself. Every citizen can help by his attitude in making Acton a better place to live and work. Nobody wants to locate in a town where the knockers are in the majority.

A man's ideal like his horizon, is constantly receding from him as he advances toward it. — W. G. T. Sheela.

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Reading Between The Lines

SECOND LARGEST MAJORITY EVER AWARDED CLEAVER IN '49 RACE

by Jim Dills

Elections are things that are pretty important to the community of Acton, the district, and in the case of the federal election on August 10, the whole of Canada. The last federal election was in 1949 when Hughes Cleaver was elected to represent Halton by the second largest majority ever polled in Halton. At that time 19,500 registered their votes. Of this total 9,488 voted Liberal, 8,072 voted Conservative and 1,816 C.C.F.

Candidates for the 1949 election were Sybil Bennett, Conservative; Hughes Cleaver, Liberal, and Bert Shanc, C.C.F. From all reports it seems evident there is a pattern of similarity in the last election campaign and this one. The Liberals claim-ed there were no issues and the Conservatives were presented some. Any issues there might have been went under the headings of health insurance, old age pensions, the removal of controls, inefficiency or North Star aeroplanes and high taxation.

Prime Minister St. Laurent received the greatest majority ever accorded a Prime Minister since Confederation and led the Liberals with 182 of the 202 possible seats in the house.

The campaign around Acton featured a brief stop at the C.N.R. station by the prime minister when he was officially welcomed. Public school children were given a holiday and marched to the station with the Boys' and Girls' Band.

Rallies, social meetings, political meetings, free bingo, free dances and door knocking were among the methods used by the candidates to meet the Halton and Acton electorate in an effort to win votes.

It is interesting to note that since 1890 the Conservative party has been led by Powell, Tupper, Borden, Meighan, Bennett, Hanson, Munton, Graydon, Bracken and Drew, while the Liberal party has been led by Laurier, King and St. Laurent. Since 1890 the Liberals have won 10 elections and the Conservatives two.

Election campaigns seem to have lost a lot of the color that old-timers recall from the earlier elections. Probably the farther away from Confederation we get the less we appreciate the hard-won rights. At the nomination meeting in 1949 about 100 were present. At the nomination meeting for the last provincial election there were more reporters and photographers than citizens. If the trend continues there will be a mere handful and candidates will not, throughout the whole election, meet face to face on the same platform for some "free speech."

The most important thing of the whole election is, of course, the casting of an intelligent ballot on August 10. Be sure and draw your own conclusions on who will best serve the interests of Canada and Halton county.



Halton Host
It's nice to think that Miss Canada has been chosen right in our own county! Of course, the eyes of Canada were on Burlington this week, when the young lady to represent Canada was chosen at the Brant Inn.

As well as taking part in the contests, the beauties visiting Halton toured Hamilton Rock gardens, went to Trinity church Sunday morning, saw Niagara Falls and attended a dance.

Burlington Ladies are acting as chaperone-hostesses.
Cabinet Post? Halton county will have a cabinet minister if the Progressive Conservatives win the August 10 election, according to the Georgetown Herald. Mrs. R. B. Downing, Conservative ladies' organizer in Ontario, stated at a tea in Georgetown that it is an "open secret" that Halton is slated for a cabinet post if the Conservatives are in power.

Margaret Aitken, Toronto Telegram reporter, spoke at the tea telling that her family had been great friends with the family of Sybil Bennett, Halton's Conservative candidate.

She declared when the Conservatives were elected to office, one of the first appointments would be a woman to the cabinet and the logical choice was "none other than Halton's Sybil Bennett."

Buffalo Bill
Did you know Buffalo Bill was born near Cooksville and some of his descendants live as near as Wellington, Middlesex, Perth, Oxford and Brant counties? Buffalo Bill, the famous American Indian fighter, also has survivors at London, where he often visited. Celebrations for Col. William Cody, "Buffalo Bill", were held at London last week-end by the 25th

Cody Association convention. Maybe they played cowboys and Indians instead of baseball and kick the shoe.

Carnival
We read in the Oakville Record-Star, in the account of the Lions three day carnival: "Harvey Black, the Milton youth who won the car, had been coaxed by pals to buy a ticket, as the lads stopped at the carnival enroute to a drive-in theatre. It was Black's first car."

Make Gun Powder?
It's hard to know just what will make an industry locate in a certain place—but here's one that has admitted it's reason is strange! The manager of a cosmetic firm at Oakville has announced the firm is moving to Barrie after five years in Halton. "It may sound odd," he says, "but we find that our customers appreciate our efforts to acquaint them with the great outdoors. So our plan is to have a guest lodge in connection with our Barrie operation."

The firm is a subsidiary of an American one and the customers like hunting and fishing as well as cosmetics. So do the firm's own employees, the manager admits.

New Houses on Way
Work progresses steadily on the new housing subdivision in Milton. Tenders have been called for the construction of public washrooms in the town.

Fraging Rich Client
A lady in Switzerland wants to keep up-to-date on what's going on in Halton—and also has heard how wealthy we all are on this continent. She wrote one of the Oakville papers; said she would appreciate it if one of the rich clients would send her the paper "without any costs." She also adds she is not married.

AT THE Churches

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

Acton, Ontario
A FRIENDLY CHURCH
Rev. E. A. Currey, B.A., B.D., Minister
Parsonage—29 Bower Avenue
Phone 60
Miss O. M. Lampard, A.T.C.M., Organist and Choir Leader

SUNDAY JULY 26th 1953
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School For character development.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship
7:00 p.m.—Union Service in Knox Presbyterian Church
Thought for the Week
This is what Christianity is for to teach men the art of life. And its whole curriculum lies in one word, "Learn of Me."
(Anonymous)

BAPTIST CHURCH

ACTON
Dwight L. Patterson, Pastor
19 Wilbur St. - Phone 62j
SUNDAY, JULY 26th 1953
10:00 a.m.—Sunday School
11:00 a.m.—Mr. Ray Costerus, pastor of Cobalt and Haileybury Baptist churches.
3:00 p.m.—B. Y. P. U. service in Snelgrove
7:00 p.m.—Evening Service in Knox Presbyterian Church
Friday, B.Y.P.U. cancelled this week

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

IN CANADA
KNOX CHURCH, ACTON
REV. ROBERT H. ARMSTRONG
M.A., B.D., Minister

SUNDAY JULY 26th 1953
9:45 a.m.—Church School
11:00 a.m.—Divine Worship
7:00 p.m.—Evening Worship
Rev. Captain J. M. Anderson for moderator of Knox Church will preach at the morning service
A Warm Welcome Awaits You
"They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength"

ST. ALBAN'S CHURCH

(Anglican)
Rev. Ralph E. Price, B.A., B.D., Rector

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER

TRINITY
July 26, 1953
11:15 a.m.—Matins and Address Mr. Walter Carpenter, Lay Reader
7:00 p.m.—Evening Service in Knox Presbyterian church
ALL WELCOME

A honeybee can pollinate flowers at the astonishing speed of 30 flowers a minute.



THE GOOD OLD DAYS MAY HAVE SEEMED BETTER

Back in 1903

From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, July 23, 1903

Leo XIII, Pope of Rome, has been battling with death for a fortnight past and yielded to the grim enemy of all mankind on July 20. None of the valiant old men of his generation—neither Gladstone nor Bismarck made such a wonderful impression as has the latest of the Popes.

The seven rooms of the school are now in the hands of the kalsaminers and will all be cleaned and whitened.
A resolution having been introduced in the House of Commons to increase the circulation of Dominion bills is was announced by the Minister of Finance that \$5 bills might be issued by the government.

Mr. Jos. Lynd, son of Mr. Wm. Lynd Esq., Main Street, returned on Saturday, 11th inst. from an extensive trip of a couple of years duration, during which time he visited South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, England and other points. He went to South Africa with a Canadian contingent and last Christmas ate his Christmas dinner, which by the way, consisted of bully beef and hard tack, on the banks of the Assigeyi river in Swaziland. The natives are a very rough and disagreeable lot, he says. After his discharge, he shipped as a sailor.

An interesting, though rather rough, football match was played in the park on Saturday afternoon between Storey's employees and a team from the Acton Tanning Co. Storey's won 1-0.

If there is a cavity in your aching tooth, plug it with a piece of Dr. Low's Toothache Gum.
Advertisements in this issue in-

clude those for Castoria, Buchingham's Dye for the Whiskers, Red Rose tea, Lydia Pinkham's, Dunlop pneumatic tires (increase the pleasure of wheeling and minimize the troubles), and up-to-date buggies.

Back in 1933

From the issue of the Free Press of Thursday, July 20, 1933

Acton bowlers took part in the Halton-Burlington League tournament at Burlington last night.

Mrs. Charlotte Nicklin and Miss Laura Nicklin, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, have been visiting relatives and friends here.

St. Alban's Church was the scene of a pretty wedding of local interest yesterday afternoon when Miss Miriam Clifford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Clifford, became the bride of Mr. William Holloway, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Holloway. A youth by the name of William Konrat is the first person ever to swim the rapids and whirlpool at Niagara Falls and reach the other side alive.

On Saturday evening the home on the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon on the Erin and Esqueating town line, was completely destroyed by fire. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon were in town shopping when the neighbors noticed the fire.

A pretty summer wedding took place at St. Joseph's Church, on Tuesday morning when Miss Mary E. Gibbons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Gibbons, became the bride of Mr. Victor Basil O'Donnell, of Toronto.

DIED
KIRKWOOD—At his late residence Ospringe, Ontario, on Saturday morning, July 15, 1933, James Kirkwood, in his 88th year.

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