

Best Reports From Ottawa

Hold Important Conference

Perhaps nothing that the new Government has done since it took office quite equals the importance or potential of the Dominion Provincial Conference that took place this week. Its effects will be far reaching, and certainly will influence our own problems here in Halton.

The Premiers of the ten provinces and their advisers met Prime Minister Diefenbaker in the Great Rooms Railway Committee Room in the centre of Parliament Hill. I was fortunate to be able to hear much of the discussion, between my own committee meetings and the normal sittings of the House of Commons. John Diefenbaker, standing beneath a huge map of Canada, and a large group of pictures of the Fathers of Confederation, welcomed the provincial leaders and set the atmosphere for the meeting.

The Prime Minister's tact and ability as chairman were soon evident, and at the end of this Monday and Tuesday meeting, the provincial premiers remarked on the smoothness and amiability which was the characteristic of the gathering. There is no doubt that it has been the most successful conference to date, and while somewhat preliminary in nature, it was indeed a most necessary step towards a re-examination of financial matters between the Dominion government and the ten provinces.

This is a problem we had pressed for long before the election, and one which it seems evident, is now about to come to pass. Possibly once again the true meaning of Confederation in this country, a spirit of unity and co-operation, will replace some of the conditions which existed before.

The Honorable Leslie Frost, Premier of Ontario, began the presentation of the provincial briefs. Speaking for his province, he outlined the tremendous growth which we all know so well. Last year, almost half of Canada's total population increase took place in Ontario, to nearly a quarter of a million additional people. The tremendous burdens of added education costs, hospital services, roads and other problems are felt in Ontario per-

Walter Cook Named New Mayor of Acton

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FOR PUBLIC UTILITIES COM. (First two elected for two year terms)

Ward	Oakton	Everdell
1	319	293
2	137	119
3	176	158
4	152	133
	784	703
Ward	Johnson	Page
1	170	144
2	68	31
3	127	86
4	70	58
	415	319

Returning Officer J. McGeechko reports a 62 per cent. vote on Monday with 1,200 voters going to the polls, out of a possible 2,033 on the voters' list.

To the Citizens of Acton:

MY SINCERE THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT ON MY ELECTION FOR TRUSTEE

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO ALL.

Murray Smith

TO THE ELECTORS OF ACTON

I AM PROUD AND HONOURED TO TENDER MY MOST SINCERE THANKS TO ALL WHO TURNED OUT TO VOTE ON MONDAY, AND A SPECIAL THANKS TO THOSE OF YOU WHO HELPED TO ELECT ME TO THE OFFICE AS MAYOR.

BE ASSURED, I WILL HONESTLY AND CONSCIENTIOUSLY PROTECT AND PROMOTE THE INTEREST AND BETTERMENT OF OUR TOWN AT ALL TIMES.

MAY GOD, BLESS YOU ALL,

Walter H. Cook

Harrison School To Get Addition

GEORGETOWN — A statement by the Inspector for public schools, Lorne Skuce, at a special meeting of the Georgetown public school board to the effect that the portable classrooms being considered by the board for Harrison are only a temporary solution to a problem that could go on for the next 10 years brought a motion from the board that the necessary steps be taken immediately to start plans for a new four and possibly six room wing on the school. The wing would cost approximately \$60,000.

The problem was brought to a head at the meeting when a survey report distributed to board members indicated that Harrison school was absorbing an average of 15 pupils per month, and at this rate could continue to do so only until January, or by taking over the suggested quota of 36 pupils per room, until March. For the remaining four months, the board must decide whether to return to the staggered classes or drop kindergarten to provide another standard classroom. Regular classes would resume with the fall term and the opening of the new wing.

Search for Gold On Peace River

FORT ST JOHN, B.C. (CP) — Oil and uranium may be the big money in the Peace River valley, but three brothers from Edmonton hope to strike it rich with gold.

Roy, Leslie and Emil Erickson, having made their stake by working on the DEW radar line, decided to take a chance on a gold prospect on the Peace River that has been worked and re-worked for at least 100 years.

The Ericksons moved in a bulldozer and earth-moving equipment, stripped off an acre of over-buried and washed the gravel with water pumped from the river.

They said they had found enough "float" gold dust so fine that some of the particles will float on water to encourage them to double their equipment.

Geologists have assumed that somewhere around the headwaters of the Peace there is a large deposit of old gold and the Ericksons hope to prove them right.

The Arctic Tern often cover 10,000 miles of flight during migration.

LYONY-DUFFERIN

G. Browns Hosts To Farm Forum

Mr. and Mrs. George Brown entertained Ligny farm forum at their home on Monday night. The forum members were pleased to have with them James White and Bob Donald OAC students. These young men will be observing at intervals during the farm forum season.

A standard Canadian brick weighs about six pounds when composed of usual clays and shales.



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PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Harrison of Toronto called on Acton friends last week.

Mr. Ern Brown of Toronto was visiting with Acton relatives on the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Dills attended the funeral last Friday of the late J. J. Harrison at Waterdown.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Redmond of Sault Ste. Marie visited Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Stewart over the weekend.

Dr. and Mrs. D. C. Mapleston and family of Ithaca, New York, visited with relatives over the weekend.

Mr. C. Ashton and Mr. H. Ashton of Oshawa visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. Rogivaldson on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wainwright of Owen Sound are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Shumaker this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Henry and Mrs. James Currie of Wingham, visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Frank, Willow Street, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Lindsay are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary at the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Lindsay.

A former public health nurse here, Miss Jean Rowe, was back visiting in town. After a trip out west, she has now taken a position in industrial nursing in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Rogivaldson spent the week-end in Oshawa and attended the wedding of the latter's nephew, Mr. E. Campbell to Miss Irene Fudge.

Mrs. Victoria Dawkins, 36 Agnes St., was the recipient of happy birthday wishes December 3 when 12 ladies of the W.M.S. of Acton United Church made a surprise call. It was her 70th birthday.

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Realizing Chances In Bicycle Safety

Bicycles are predominantly vehicles of youth, and, as such, are controlled by rash, unthinking drivers, warns the Canadian Highway Safety Conference. Motorists who encounter these unpredictable, flitting two-wheelers must always be on their guard. The parents of youngsters who own bicycles have a grave responsibility to install in their free-wheeling offspring the fact that no motorist wants to run down a cyclist as well as the sense of responsibility required in the operator of such a vulnerable vehicle.

Motorists are puzzled, often angered, at the surly attitudes of bicycling children. The appearance of a bicycle on a street, usually sudden and unexpected, is enough to make any driver tense. Aware of the potential danger and the inevitable uncertainty of the cyclist's intentions, motorists will sound their horns to let the young men know that traffic is near. So often the cyclist will take offense, and a nasty word or two at the driver as though the motorist had no right to even exist, least of all to toll a warning. "Don't be stupid," a cyclist says, "you try to stop driving and I'll tend to mine."

SCOUT NEWS

Monday, December 2, the meeting opened with a stalling game but the game was misunderstood and no points were awarded.

The president, Laurence Duby, called the Court of Honor to order. The greatest part of the discussion was about the need of extra scouts for the Monday troop. Any interested please contact one of the scouts.

With the idea of applying first aid, eight scouts rushed to the scene of a car smash at the junction of the second line and no. 1 highway only to find no patients. Three of the group assisted the police in hunting for the escapee from one of the cars involved in the accident.

BIG CELEBRATION
OAKVILLE, Ont. (CP) — Hubert Chisholm, oldest descendant of Oakville's founder, Col. William Chisholm, was on hand to mark the town's centennial when thousands of native sons and daughters joined the celebration.

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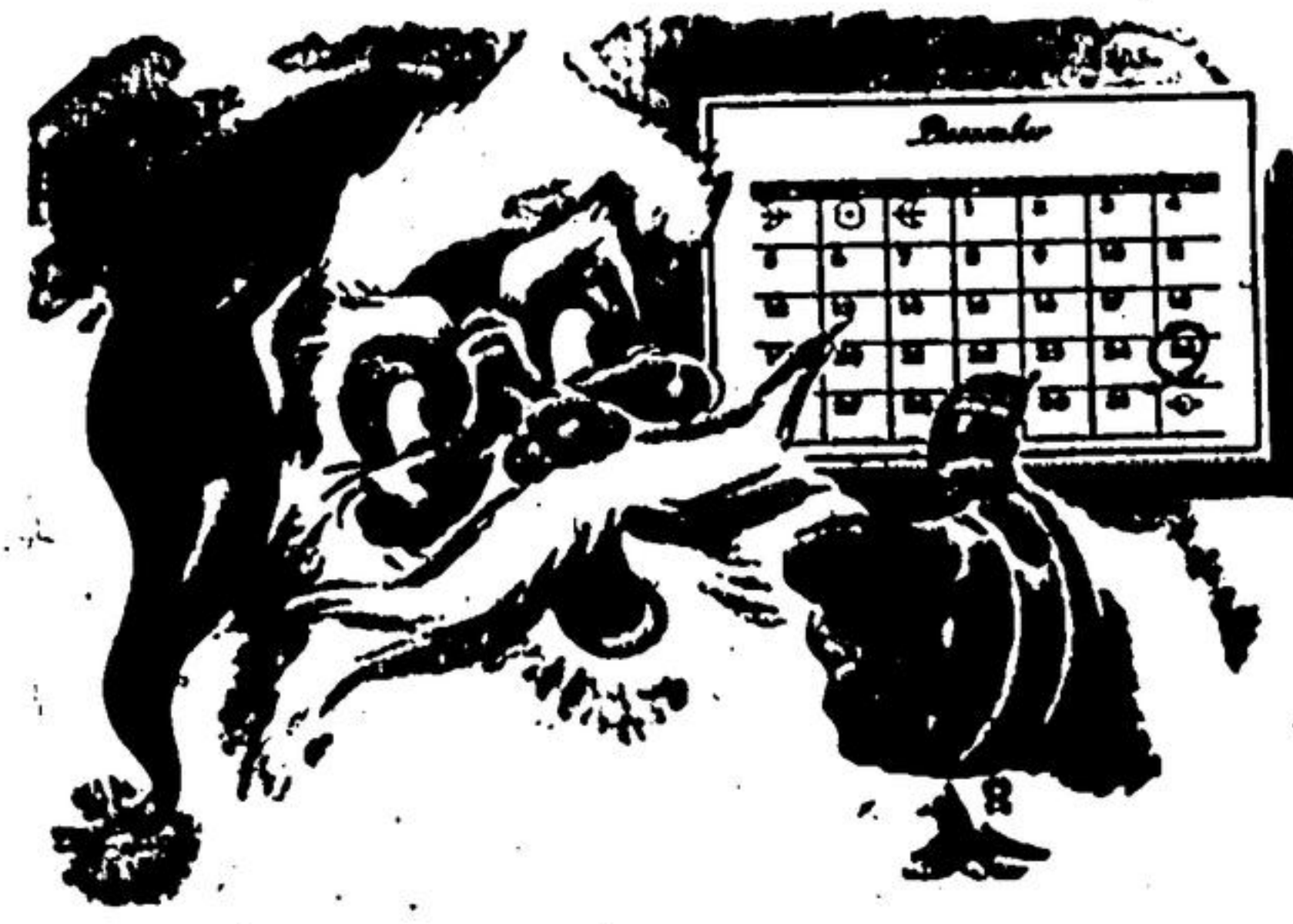
May I once again thank you for your vote of confidence in our Municipal Election.

The Best Wishes for your Merriest Christmas, and Most Prosperous New Year.

SINCERELY
G. V. Barbeau

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