

Nassagaweya Votes "Yes" or "No" Saturday

Township of Nassagaweya voters go to the polls this Saturday to make a choice between a dry and a wet township.

A large percentage of the 1,260 eligible voters is expected to turn out to mark "yes" or "no" on ballots asking their verdict on liquor beverage rooms, women's beverage rooms, liquor with meals, liquor cocktail lounges, and cocktail lounges for beer and wine.

Vote Is For Track

A proposal to erect a \$3,500,000 harness racing track on the Guelph Line near Campbellville has caused the vote. Approval of the five ballots by a 60 per cent "yes" vote will give the track a full restricted club licence. If better than 40 per cent of those who vote cast "no" ballots, the township remains dry — the way it has stood since around 1908 when a

local option vote closed up the existing liquor outlets.

Vote "yes" and vote "no" forces have been marshalling for weeks and both groups have conducted literature, telephone and public meetings. Campaigns throughout the township, on election day the polls will be open at the Orange Hall in Campbellville, Brookville Hall, and the residences of Duncan Moffat and Hugh Patterson from 9 a.m. D.S.T. to 8 p.m. D.S.T.

"No" forces are providing transportation if you call UL 4-2233, 2576, 2465, 4433 or 4432. "Yes" supporters will provide transportation if you call the committee rooms, UL 4-9911 or UL 4-9921. This group is also supplying free baby sitters for women who want to get out and vote.

Results "Unofficial"

Results of the voting at the five

polling places will be strictly unofficial, said township clerk and returning officer Don McMillan, until the following Monday at 1 p.m. However, the unofficial figures of each D.R.O. will be posted on the township hall's bulletin board Saturday evening as poll figures are turned in. Interested ratepayers can also get up-to-the-minute results by telephoning The Canadian Champion, TR 8-2341.

According to the act, 60 per cent of those voting must cast "yes" ballots for any of the five questions to carry. Voters are reminded to vote early to avoid an expected last-minute rush, and to be sure to mark each ballot with a plain "X" in the space

provided, with the pencil supplied by the clerks.

The five questions are reprinted here as they will appear on the ballot.

List Questions

"Are you in favor of the sale of beer only under a public house licence for consumption on licensed premises to which men only are admitted?"

"Are you in favor of the sale of beer only under a public house licence for consumption on licensed premises to which women are admitted?"

"Are you in favor of the sale of liquor under a dining lounge licence for consumption with meals on licensed premises?"

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"No's" Say "Who Owns It?"

A Vote "No" Committee headed by Jack R. McPhail of Campbellville and supported by ministers and volunteer township residents, has been campaigning against the liquor, beer and wine outlet vote in Nassagaweya Township which goes before the voters this Saturday.

A public meeting in Nassagaweya Township Hall Thursday evening of last week drew a crowd of nearly 75 to hear Mr. Moulton of the Ontario Temperance Federation speak on the perils of more liquor outlets. Several ratepayers are reported to have walked out of the meeting when they were told by Rev. R. Hadcock of Ebenezer United Church that if they planned to vote "no" they might as well leave the meeting.

Speak In Churches

Ministers have spoken about the coming vote in the township churches and the committee has prepared literature for distribution to all township residents. Polling subdivision supervisors

have been named and transportation will be provided for Saturday's vote.

The committee bases its stand on the thought that the people are not thinking about the moral problems involved in a wide-open township. Committee organizers are disturbed about the heavy emphasis on the financial side of the coming vote.

Who Owns It?

The group feels that the individuals promoting the track and subsequent liquor vote should have declared their identity long ago. Voters have been told that the promoters are a Canadian company, one committee member told The Champion, but to date nobody has been able to learn just who the financial interests really are. "We are asked to give a vote for them without knowing who is building the race track and with no assurance that it will be built after approval is given to sell liquor and beer," he said.

Hecklers at "Yes" Meeting

About 125 vote "yes" campaign supporters and a few vote "no" hecklers attended a second public meeting of the Nassagaweya Township Vote "yes" committee at Brookville Hall Tuesday night to hear details of harness racing tracks and the proposed liquor vote prior to Saturday's voting day.

The committee had earlier called a meeting by invitation, but Tuesday's open meeting was a surprise and drew a few who opposed the vote as well as many supporters.

Hon. Earl Rowe, a well known Canadian standard bred horse breeder, was guest speaker and told the crowd many of the details involved in the operation of a harness track such as the one proposed for Campbellville. He explained the track would be well managed and controlled by Canadian interests, chartered by the Ontario Jockey Club and run by the Ontario Racing Commission.

Night harness racing has "revitalized and cleaned up Canadian racing" and has especially given the horse breeding industry a shot in the arm, the M.P. speaker declared. "I have been in his many years of racing, he has yet to see a drunk or rowdyism at Woodbine, Saratoga, or many other district tracks."

Dr. B. D. Young reported his committee had toured the Woodbine racing with Ontario Jockey Club officials and they were amazed at the efficient operation of the track. He also mentioned that the Liquor Control Board of Ontario had promised to hold a public hearing before granting any licence if the Saturday vote is successful.

Rev. R. Hadcock, pastor of Ebenezer United church, also addressed the meeting and said, "I am in favor of good, clean sport and I agree with the speaker."

ker (Mr. Rowe). But this whole thing is tied in with beverage outlets and this is disappointing to me." He agreed the race track would be a fine thing for the community, without the betting or drinking facilities. "The church is against it and I'm sure God is against it," he said.

In answer to questions from the floor, committee members said the firm proposing the track plans to spend \$3,500,000, the track's taxes would be high, the township wouldn't have to service the new industry, during racing season the firm could employ up to 900 employees and there would always be about 40 permanent employees, no tax concessions were being granted, the track would draw other industry to the township, it will probably operate about 42 days a year, police and fire protection will be the responsibility of the track, and many other points of general information.

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EVERTON

Visitors Prominent In Community Homes

Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Jestin, Bobby and Mr. Ted McCutcheon were Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCutcheon and Dianne of Kitchener, Mrs. Evtov Rae, Mrs. Mabel McQuinn, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Aitken of Harrison, Mrs. Pearl Miller of Brampton.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hunter and family, Brantford, visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ted Jestin and family.

Mrs. Lloyd Cutting and Raymond spent the weekend in Sarina.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Palframan, Guolph, were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Horp and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Maitland, Elora, were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Benham.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Simons of Detroit spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Percy Peavoy.

Mrs. Annie Mac Spence is visiting with her brother, Mr. T. D. McCutcheon and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Jestin.

Mr. Clifford Talbot and Mrs. Alan Talbot and family of Oakville and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hindley and family of Hillsburg were Sunday visitors with Mr. Roy Hindley.

Local Views

The anniversary services at Church of Christ Disciples were well attended on Sunday. The turkey supper the following night proved to be a success.

Mrs. Percy Peavoy attended a shower for Miss Donna Boughner Monday evening at the home of Miss Dorothy Bagg of Guelph.

BALLINAPAD

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Janet Aitken Tops 4-H Calf Club Show

All members of the Acton 4-H Club completed their club project at Acton Fair on Saturday. 16 members took part in the club program. The showmanship class was very keen.

Judge for the Achievement Day was Dan Rose, assistant agricultural representative for York county.

The Acton 4-H Calf Club is under the sponsorship of the Acton Agricultural Society, in co-operation with the Canada and Ontario Departments of Agriculture.

Club Leaders

The club program is under the direction of J. Douglas Burnside, assistant agricultural representative, and club leaders Nino Braida, Sandy Buchanan and Mel McCullough.

The results of the calf club, based on an award of 1,000 points, are as follows: Janet Aitken 935, Russell Murray 930, Jim Aitken 912, Frank Anthony 908, Thea Tryssehaar 902, Murray Fair 901, Nettie Tryssehaar 900, Wayne Aitken 900, Bruce Coles 890, John Kranendonk 882, Chris Kranendonk 866, Gordon Van Gils 828, Grant Van Gils 796, Brian Phillips 779, Jim Howard 736, Roy Rognavaldson 690.

The president, Mrs. H. R. Force, welcomed the society after their summer vacation, opening the meeting with a hymn and prayer. The recording and secretary's reports were heard and approved as read, forty-two visits had been made during the last month. Cards of cheer were signed to be sent to members in the hospital.

The president reminded members of the executive meeting called for September 19 at 2:30 at her home. Notice was given of the joint rally of the W.A. and W.M.S. Mrs. Force announced the speaker for the fall Thank offering meeting would be Mrs. Kate Aitken, who is a United Nations representative.

The program was in charge of Mrs. Amos Simons and her group. Miss Dorothy Simmons read a paper on social drinking and also one on tithing. Psalm 121 was read by Mrs. Sterritt. This was followed by a paper given by Miss Bennett on the four frontiers of this Pilgrim Psalm, a further contribution of "Migrate" by Mrs. Cleave added much food for the soul. Hymn 637 was sung, the meeting closed with the mizpah benedictions.

A word of thanks was given the hostess who along with the group committee served a cup of tea and sandwiches.

Present Life Membership Pins During Knox Auxiliary Meeting

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The service of worship was led by Miss D. Folster and Mrs. R. M. McDonald. The missionary topic was given by Mrs. R. Parker, who introduced the new study book, "The Church at Work in British Guiana." She gave a word picture of the country and its people and the growing of the Christian Church there.

Present Pins

Mrs. H. L. Bennie gave a brief history of the Life Membership department of the Women's Missionary Society since 1899, emphasizing the fact that life membership certificates and pins were presented to those who had rendered service in any branch of the church's work. Presentations of pins were made to the following: Miss M. Somerville by Mrs. H. L. Bennie; Mrs. Joe Jany by Miss R. Clark; Mrs. R.

Writer Suggests Band Should be out Front

Dear Mr. Editor,

Please do not push Acton Citizens Band into the background. Every year my two daughters coax me to take them to Acton Fall Fair and each year I say to them, I hope you will hear the band play.

But every year I am more surprised. This year, when the band played last year, was the dancing doll tent. After watching these people advertise themselves, my youngest daughter said to me, "Mummy, what kind of people are they?" and I said to her, "Let's get out of here." With that, we watched the horse judging, which was much more appealing.

As a small child, I can remember standing beside my father and listening to Acton Citizens' Band, and the audience applauded for the band and you could be sure of seeing such music lovers as Al and Jack Leishman, Norman McLeod, Emerson Anderson and Jack Black listening to them play.

Music is the highest of all the arts and please, let's give credit where credit is due and keep it in its rightful place, where it most certainly belongs.

The leader of the Acton Band is very highly qualified and I do not think the taste of the people who go to the Acton Fair has changed that much. You also have some fine players in Acton Band. I should know as I played with some of them 20 years ago under Charlie Mason in Acton Concert Orchestra.

Let's put the band where it belongs — out in front. I think every one will agree with me that the band makes a Fair what it should be and also keeps the standard much higher.

I am not one bit afraid to sign my name.

Dorothy O'Rourke

P. S.: Let's hear from someone else on this.

Four in Acton House-to-House Canvass To Assist 68 Halton Blind

The annual financial appeal of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind in Acton will begin on October 2, 1961. Taking the form of a house-to-house canvass, the drive will be headed by a committee under the chairmanship of Mrs. E. G. Franklin, assisted by the Duke of Devonshire and Lakeside Chapters of the I.O.D.E.

Sight is so commonplace, few think about it. Yet more than 2,000 Canadians lost their sight last year. To them and to the thousands already blind, the importance of good eyesight will always be recognized.

Training Program

To make up for the loss of sight, the C.N.I.B. has established a training program designed to meet the needs of both children and adults. Through this program, blind persons in all walks of life become useful citizens, earn their own living and take up again many activities they thought gone forever, along with their vision.

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The meeting closed, with a social half hour over a cup of tea.

Congratulate Parents

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ted Worral on the birth of their daughter, Carry Lynn.

Women's Institute Plan Fall Events

The Silverwood Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Tom Appleyard with the president, Mrs. C. Wilson, in the chair. The meeting opened with the Institute Ode, followed by the Mary Stewart Collect.

Members answered the roll call "How to Keep your Figure". The minutes of the last meeting were read and business was dealt with. Mrs. William Norton is to be the delegate to the area convention in Guelph on September 28 and 29.

Mrs. Harry Marchington and Mrs. Clare Wilson were named to attend the training school in Milton on October 11 and 12. The theme will be "Sew to Save Dollars and Make Sense."

It was decided to have a sewing kit shower at the next meeting to send overseas. A euchre and bake-sale will be held in Stewarttown Hall on November 10.

Make Season Plans During Dance Meet

The Acton Scottish Dance Club held a pot luck supper in the YMCA on September 16.

Dr. Buckner welcomed everyone following the summer recess and reviewed last season's activities.

He announced that as a result of the club's Community Night in Acton Park on June 24 the building fund of the North Halton Association had increased. Children benefited by \$700. He thanked all those who had worked for this cause.

Dr. Buckner also outlined the recommendations which had been drawn up at the last executive meeting. Everyone present agreed on one dance a month. It was also agreed the work load should be more evenly distributed for the coming season.

It was agreed also that the second Saturday of each month should be set aside for instruction in charge of Mr. Dave Leati, as last year, with two hours for the young people and two hours for the older members.

A recent newcomer to Milton, with a good Scottish background, was introduced and welcomed, namely Irene Waldie (Mrs. Waldie) who will shortly be visiting Acton each week to teach Highland tap, ballet and folk dancing.

The evening concluded with Scottish dancing.

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OBITUARY

Resident for 23 Years Mrs. O. Oakes Dies

A devoted wife and mother and well-known Acton resident Mrs. W. J. Osmund Oakes, 27 Knox Avenue, died Monday in St. Andrews Nursing Home, Fergus, following a six week illness. She was in her 89th year.

The former Ida Louisa Sharpe, a daughter of the late Captain George Sharpe and Elizabeth Coping was born in Rowdon, Quebec. She married W. J. Osmund Oakes in Joliette, Quebec in 1905 after which the couple lived in Joliette, Quebec.

In 1923 the couple moved to a farm in Eramosa Township, where they farmed for 15 years. After retirement from the farm they made their home in Acton, where they have lived for the past 23 years.

Mrs. Oakes had few outside interests other than her family and those associated with her church and had been a member of St. Alban's Guild.

Mrs. Oakes is survived by her husband, one son Dr. Frank Oakes, Acton; three daughters, Hazel at home; Mrs. R. Bruce Friere (Marv) of Guelph and Mrs. Gordon Swanson (Margaret) of Rockwood. Also left to

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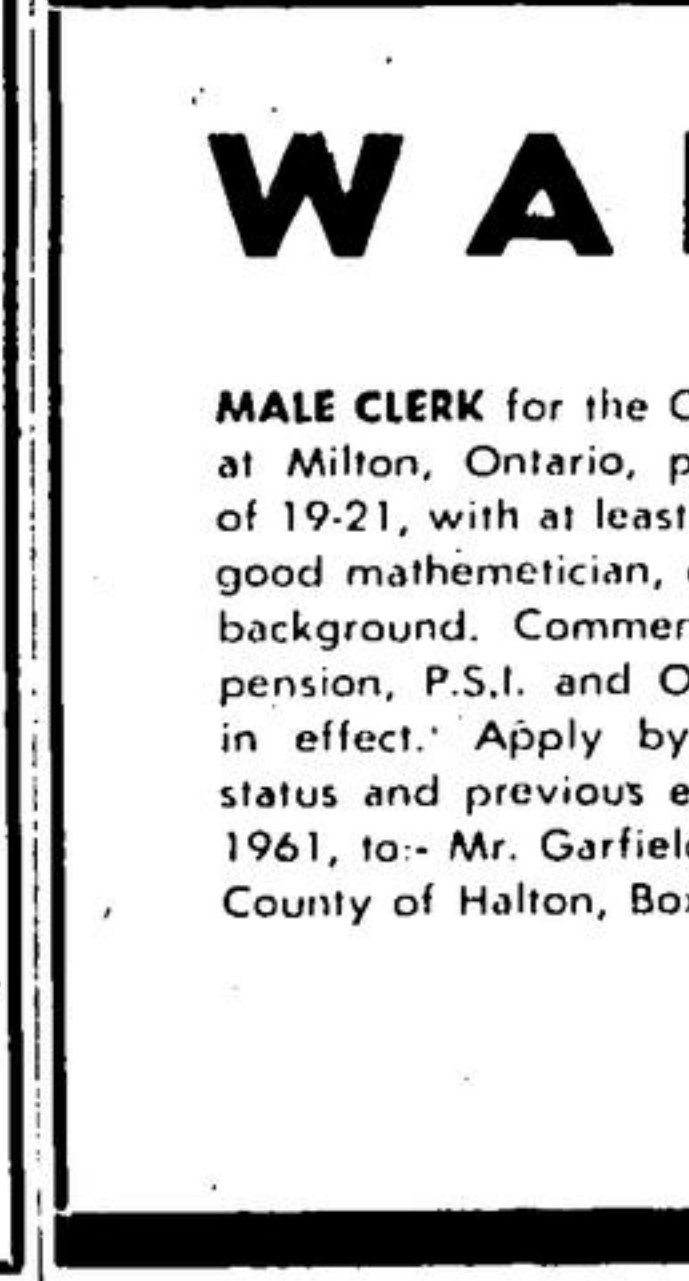
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