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THE HONORABLE GEORGE HEES, minister of trade and commerce, and Halton Conservative Candidate Sandy Best paid a brief visit to Acton Wednesday morning to meet Acton supporters. Pictured above left to right are Mrs. Paul Nielsen, Mr. Hees, Frank Prouse, president of the local Association; Sandy Best, Mrs. Jack Hargrave and Mrs. H. R. Force. The two men had to dash to Milton for an informal visit there before continuing to Oakville for a luncheon.

If Elected Would Represent Everyone Dr. Harley Assures Luncheon Guests

"Behind every successful man stands a determined woman and a very surprised mother-in-law," quipped Liberal candidate for Halton, Dr. Harry Harley as he reviewed his bid for a seat in the Federal government, during an informal luncheon of businessmen Friday at the Station Hotel.

Continuing his humorous anecdotes of events leading to his decision to represent the Liberal party in Halton county, Dr. Harley stated he did not intend to give a great political speech but did outline two main issues of the election, "unemployment" and "government financing."

Wealthy County

Dealing briefly with the unemployment situation, the south-end candidate stated Halton is one of the wealthiest counties in Ontario and is at present enjoying almost full employment. Canada-wide, he emphasized the problem had more serious implications since it affected 75 of the country's working force.

In reviewing the second issue on government financing, Dr. Harley told the small group of businessmen "We have to balance our budget. We can't continue to dip into the park barrel forever as if it were bottomless. We must learn to pay our way or our children will have to do it for us. I certainly don't wish to saddle my children with my debts."

The Liberal candidate told the gathering that prior to the luncheon a group had discussed how old-time politicians of both parties had served the County faithfully and had been less concerned with partisanship. "This is a prime job of an elected representative. If elected I intend to represent everyone in Halton regardless of party affiliations," the candidate promised.

"I am proud to be a member of the Lester Pearson team," Dr. Harley stated, as he told his interested audience that Mr. Pearson would make one of the finest in Canada's history.

Chairman Roy Goodwin, area manager for the Liberal Association, announced the gathering is meant more for a social time than for a political function. He personally made no secret of his party affiliation as he stated "I am proud to present Dr. Harley as Liberal candidate for Halton and I personally intend to work for him in any way possible."

Reporting on several humorous aspects of the Lester Pearson-Red Kellys visit to Oakville recently, Dr. Harley was matched in wit

by Mayor John Goy, who was asked to speak on a non-political basis as council's representative. Mayor Goy outlined a recent incident when a certain local Liberal supporter, involved in a discussion with backroom politicians with other views, was told by one, "Red Kelly won't even make defense this year." To this challenge the Liberal supporter replied "Oh yes, he will—the National Defense."

Mayor Goy told the Liberal candidate, "If you want an honest opinion about any political issue get a group of working men together over a pint of beer and they'll give you their views straight from the shoulder and in no uncertain terms."

In conclusion Mr. Goy told the candidate, "After meeting you for the first time, I am positive you will have no trouble being well received in the town of Acton."

92 Today

Mrs. John Mowat, Willow St. is celebrating her 92nd birthday today (Thursday) and her many friends and neighbors join with the Acton Free Press in wishing the nonagenarian best wishes.



PASTOR JAMES M. RUDD of Acton Baptist Church was given a farewell party Friday evening at the church prior to leaving for the mission field in India. Members of the congregation presented him with a purse of money and church organizations expressed their regret at the pastor and his wife leaving. Pictured above left to right are Lyle McCutcheon, Mr. Rudd, Mrs. Rudd and church moderator George Harrap. Back row left to right are members of the choir: Elda Fryer, Joan Evans and Helen Landsborough.

Truckers Out on Strike Freight Up 50 Per Cent

While major trucking firms are at a standstill with the province-wide trucking strike which began Sunday night, railways are having their headaches coping with the increased trade. On strike are truckers who are members of the Int. Brotherhood of Teamsters.

At the Acton freight office business has increased 50 per cent and an average of three merchandise cars are being loaded daily. Goods which are usually picked up by truck at local industries and taken to Guelph to be loaded piggy-back for Montreal are now loaded directly here. Acton industries affected by the truck strike are Beardmore and Company, H. K. Porter, Micro Plastics and Force Electric Products.

Meanwhile non-union truckers are having their headaches. Reports indicate that some transports have been stopped while other drivers are undergoing verbal abuse from the strikers. Guy Cartage and Tyler Transport companies are being kept busy in an attempt to keep up with the extra work.

Non-union truckers are able to pick up goods from the manufacturers and deliver directly to the customers but are prevented from entering the striking yards to transfer merchandise.

Some perishable goods for stores, this week arriving by train rather than truck, are rushed from the station.

Hydro Shed Roof Slated for Repair

During a brief meeting of Acton Hydro Commission Thursday evening, May 24, it was agreed to repair the storage building roof on Alice St. following the recommendation of the property committee.

Commissioner Gordon McCutcheon told his colleagues the storage shed roof is badly in need of repairs and suggested other sections of the building be repaired at the same time. It was also agreed to instruct the superintendent to supply the necessary hydro pole and wiring for a light at the new Post Office on Bower Ave.

It was agreed to send a delegate to the O.M.E.U. conference at Ottawa if any commissioner was interested in attending. The conference will be held June 14 and 15. Commissioners were also invited to visit Ontario Hydro head office June 2.

The following accounts were approved for payment:	
Canadian General Elec.	\$ 40.94
Town of Acton	65.56
John Inglis Co.	18.54
Reliance Electric	1,242.18
James R. Kearney Corp.	5.67
Ellis & Howard	3.27
H.E.P.C. of Ont.	15,551.67
General Steel Wares	69.53
Northern Electric	158.74
Ontario Hospital Serv.	21.20
Bell Telephone Co.	44.41
Confederation Life	314.90
Van Gils Construction	110.00
G. McKeown, P.M.	99.88
Dept. of Nat. Rev.	137.45
H.E.P.C.	34.40
Retail Sales Tax Br.	16.16
Payroll	1,499.10
	\$19,433.60

Knox Engages Architect For Education Building

Wednesday evening of last week the building committee of Knox Presbyterian church retained as architect Dan Dunlop of the Toronto and Oakville firm of Architects and Consulting Architects of Dunlop, Wardell, Matsui and Aitken for the long-planned Christian Education building here.

Mr. Dunlop will proceed to draw preliminary sketches of the building for submission to the committee at their next meeting Wednesday June 6.

His firm has designed buildings for Streetsville, Oakville, Brampton, Preston, Palmerston,

Parry Sound, Sudbury and Toronto as well as a number of hospitals, schools and commercial buildings.

Auditorium For 400

It's planned to have the Christian Education building include an auditorium to seat about 400, a minister's study, secretary's office, kitchen, washrooms and cloakrooms, a church school office and library as well as departmental rooms for the Church School.

Meetings have been held for some time to plan for the much needed addition.

Hasty Handshake For George Hees

Looks of disappointment appeared late Wednesday morning on the faces of Acton Conservative Association members and their guests when it seemed very doubtful Trade and Commerce Minister George Hees and Halton Conservative candidate Sandy Best would make their scheduled appearance here. The two men showed up, however, three quarters of an hour late, and the coffee party in the Y.M.C.A. continued with suddenly-revived enthusiasm.

Pacing the floor at the committee room on Mill Street, Association president Frank Prouse and several of his helpers had placed long distance calls to Oakville and Georgetown to ferret out the two guests. First call indicated Mr. Hees was at an important uranium deal meeting and would not appear.

"The Georgetown visit was cancelled," warned the next report.

Digester Plant Back in Service

Out of commission since March 7, the digester plant at the sewage disposal station was put back into service at 2 p.m. last Friday.

Engineers first informed the council the digester plant could not be used until the floating lid was repaired and treated with clear water. Since that order was issued it was found the floating lid could be treated separately and the digester was returned to service.

Meanwhile work on the lid is continuing and steel work has been completed and the wooden section is underway. This phase of the project is expected to be finished shortly.

John Goy Jr. Establishes New Junior Record To Take Ontario Pole Vault Championship

A new Ontario junior pole vault record was set by John Goy Jr. Saturday at East York Stadium when he competed against athletes from secondary schools throughout Ontario. The young high school student cleared the crossbar at 10 foot 5 1/2 inches to beat the former record by 1 1/2 inches.

His feat was not unexpected. Already this year he has set a new inter-school record and tied the present CWOSSA 'A' record. The Acton athlete was competing against the best in the province and his achievement will go down in the records. The quiet, unassuming student had his name broadcast over the news several times during the day and many residents in town heard the news before he arrived home.

First Time at Meet

The Saturday meet made history as far as the school was concerned since it was the first time

the school was invited to enter the meet.



JOHN GOY

Four students took part in the events with Stuart McDonald placing seventh in the senior pole vault, Allan Hall seventh in the junior mile with a time of four minutes and 57 seconds and Keith Rainey placing seventh in the 800 yard open race with a time of one minute and 59 seconds. Unable to take part in the meet on account of an ankle injury, Pete Lawson had to be content to watch the proceedings from the sidelines.

Wayne Cook, physical education teacher at the school is very pleased with the young athletes and this week stated determination and willingness to practice was the real test in the boys' sport. The girls' coach, Mr. Bruce Andrews, a former student, who has made a name for himself in track events throughout the province, Jones has been coaching the young track stars.

Baptist Pastor Past Two Years Rev. James M. Rudd, Wife Feted

A dedicated citizen, devoted pastor and friendly and unselfish worker among church groups, Pastor James M. Rudd with his young wife Marion were guests of honor Friday evening when they were bade farewell by the congregation of Acton Baptist Church. The young couple will depart shortly for the mission fields in India after a two-year stay in Acton.

During the evening, the Rudds were cited for their guidance, untiring efforts with the young people of the church, spiritual and social association throughout the community and close co-operation with the Acton Ministerial Association.

Spirit of Co-operation

Speaking on behalf of the Ministerial Association, Rev. A. H. McKenzie of the Presbyterian church thanked Mr. Rudd for his wonderful spirit of co-operation as he reviewed the enjoyable association other ministers had with him. On behalf of the Association Mr. McKenzie presented the Baptist pastor with a book of sermons entitled "How the World Began."

Rev. Jelle Nutma of the Christian Reformed Church told the audience their minister had been an asset to the entire community as well as the church. Rev. Dwight I. Engel of the Acton United Church reviewed the fine relationship he had enjoyed with Mr. Rudd through the Association and expressed his pleasure in the ministers getting together for occasional meetings. Called out of town during the afternoon, Rev. D. H. West of St. Alban's Anglican Church sent his regrets.

Looks to Future

Expressing his words of appreciation on behalf of himself and his wife, Mr. Rudd stated, "As a family we extend our appreciation

to you for your prayers on our behalf and we are grateful for your anxiety of our future. We both have been privileged to worship with you Sunday after Sunday during the past two years and to be co-workers with you in the Sunday school and various groups in the church."

In conclusion, Mr. Rudd remarked, "God bless you all as we look toward the future."

Given Purse

On behalf of the church, Dean Lyle McCutcheon thanked Mr. Rudd for his church work during his stay in Acton and presented him with a purse.

Church moderator George Harrap acted as master of ceremonies for the program and following the opening hymn gave a prayer and read a passage of scripture. During the singing of the next hymn, choir members and Mr. Harrap left the altar and took their place among the congregation for the informal portion of the program.

Words of appreciation and thanks were given by the various church organizations with Mrs. Charles Lambborough, leader of the Mission Band and her daughter Ruth, leader of the Explorers, expressing their groups' thanks in the form of a skit.

Janice Wagner, president of the Baptist High Fellowship group relayed appreciation from her group and Miss Helen Landsborough, choir leader and organist, paid tribute to both Mr. and Mrs. Rudd for their part in the choir.

Marion Rudd Circle

Colin Baillie speaking on behalf of the adults thanked the minister for his guidance and

read Psalm 91. Lloyd Bulmer, school superintendent, thanked the couple for their untiring efforts with the Sunday

school children and Mrs. John Chapman expressed the Mission Circle's thanks as she told the congregation that Mrs. Rudd had started the Marion Rudd Mission Circle and the group is interested in Indian Missions where the Rudds are going.

Following his closing hymn everyone gathered in the church basement for a social time and personal chat with Mr. and Mrs. Rudd.

Mr. Rudd, who came to Acton two years ago and married his wife a few weeks later, has been an ardent disciple of the gospel, excellent citizen and good friend to all. He always has adopted a cheery attitude with a keen interest in the community. His loss to Acton Baptist Church will be India's gain and the Free Press joins with the congregation and his many friends in wishing both him and his wife the best of success in their venture in the mission field of India.

Charge Erin Youth Following Car Crash

An 18-year-old Erin youth, Bruce D. O'Connor, has been charged with failing to stop at a stop sign as a result of a two-car crash at 645 a.m. Tuesday morning at the corner of John and Church Streets.

Constable Ron Ripper investigated and reported the O'Connor car was proceeding south on John Street when it was in collision with a vehicle driven by John Gordon, Acton Boulevard, who was proceeding east on Church Street. Total damage was estimated at \$325.

Farmers welcomed the heavy rain this morning (Thursday).



ORAL POLIO VACCINE was distributed to over 1,000 residents Thursday evening at the Robert Little school auditorium during the clinic staged by the Halton Health Unit. Pictured above Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Streets and daughter Dawnne, age 7 1/2 months, Roseford Terrace, take their vaccine. Public and high school children have received their vaccine at school in special clinics. Adult response was good.