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CARRIED FROM Fairy Lake blue and apparently lifeless, no pulse or heartbeat detected, 17-year-old Elizabeth Ziegler was brought back to life by Ron Douglas of Acton and Ken Hawes of Georgetown. Training taken years ago enabled the men to revive the girl with artificial respiration. When a capable crew of firemen and two doctors arrived the girl was breathing on her own and recovering her normal color. She was pulled from the bottom

of the water by James Taylor of Grimsby after being in the water three to four minutes. Pictured above are Mr. Taylor (arrow), two unidentified swimmers who assisted in locating the girl, firemen Bill Spielvogel, Henry Bittorf, Sam Tennant, Wilf McEachern and fire chief Mick Holmes, Doctors D. A. Garrett and W. G. C. Kenney.

Cheat Fairy Lake of Drowning Victim As Boyhood Training Recalled Sunday

Boyhood first aid training flashed back to Ron Douglas and Ken Hawes Sunday afternoon as they worked feverishly applying artificial respiration to cheat Fairy Lake of another drowning victim. The blue, lifeless body of 16-year-old Elizabeth Ziegler of Everton was recovered by James Taylor of Grimsby, and laid on shore where Mr. Douglas failed to detect a pulse or heartbeat. Mr. Hawes at once began applying the Holger-Neilson method of artificial respiration. Brian Ruddy of Guelph, engaged at the park as a lifeguard, was on the scene, assisted in searching and helped during the application of artificial respiration. Park attendant Roy Arnott

rushed blankets to keep her warm while Jim Pope of Acton ran to a nearby resident, Mrs. Clark Armstrong, to call firemen and a doctor. Mr. Arnott was commended for keeping the crowd back to allow the two men to apply artificial respiration. Shortly after the young girl began to breathe firemen and Doctors D. A. Garrett and W. G. C. Kenney arrived to continue treatment. After she was fully revived Miss Ziegler was allowed to go return to her home with her cousin, Jerome Cudney, who had tried to save her. After midnight she was taken to Guelph General Hospital and placed in an oxygen tent. After several hours of treatment at hospital, she was allowed to return home Monday afternoon, where she has completely recovered from her ordeal with death. Miss Ziegler accompanied by a younger brother and sister John and Ruby was driven to the park by her cousin Jerome Cudney as well as other cousins Beverly Cudney, Jean Cudney, Margaret Cudney, Eddie Cudney and his friend Grace Seviering of Kitchener. This was their first visit to Acton Park. A week ago the Zieglers moved from Erin to live with the Cudneys. There were many people en-

Best Leading Election Service Vote Tells Tale

A 61-vote plurality was awarded Sandy Best, Hutton County Conservative candidate in Monday's federal election, over Liberal party candidate Dr. Harry Harley -- but the election isn't over yet.

Both candidates are awaiting the result of the 450 Service Votes, due to be counted next Monday, before officially claiming a victory. And both candidates are prepared to demand a recount of the 45,430 cast in Monday's heavy balloting, if the result is not in their favor.

It was the closest vote in Hutton's history. A total of 45,430 eligible voters cast ballots, to make it an average 80 per cent turnout.

Mr. Best received 18,282 votes, nearly 300 less than he polled in the 1958 election. In all the polls the Liberal and Conservative votes were fairly close, but in Burlington Mr. Best went ahead by 2,000 votes.

He was first elected to Parliament in 1957, when he took the seat vacated by the death of the late Miss Sybil Bennett of Georgetown. He won it again in the March 1958 election, when the Tories swept into strong power at Ottawa. That time he commanded the county, polling 21,000 votes to Liberal K. Y. Dick's 10,000 and C.C.F. Jack Henry's 3,400.

Dr. Harley received 18,221 votes Monday, and showed his power by winning in five of Hutton's six 5000-municipalities. He won ahead 400 in Esquimes, 300 in Acton, over 300 in Milton and Oakville, and over 700 in Georgetown. It was the Oakville politician's first try at politics.

The returning officer's figures show New Democratic party candidate Carl Rouleau receiving 7,990 votes, and Social Credit candidate Irving Wilson with 571.

Mr. Rouleau, in his first try at a county's federal seat, was not too discouraged. Although his total was far below the two leading candidates, he polled more votes than Mr. Best in 28 polls, and he beat both leaders in eight polls. In four others he tied with Dr. Harley.

Although many voters across the country lent avid support to Social Credit, Mr. Wilson's paltry vote in Hutton was not significant.

Both Mr. Rouleau and Mr. Wilson will lose their \$200 deposits. A candidate must poll half the number of votes of the winning candidate, or their deposit is forfeited.

Observers, citing the 1958 election, are inclined to feel the Service Vote will give Dr. Harley enough of a majority to wipe out Mr. Best's plurality. But everyone is waiting until the Monday count is final before making any rash statements. In the 1958 election armed forces gave Liberal candidate K. Y. Dick a 27-vote edge, voting 161-134 for him over Mr. Best in a 307-vote ballot.

If this is such, Mr. Best is ready to ask for a recount. If the vote is still in Mr. Best's favor, Liberal party campaigners are prepared to apply for a recount. Either way, the Hutton chair on Parliament Hill may not have a rightful owner for another two weeks.

Throughout the evening, the votes for Best and Harley swayed back and forth in teeter-totter fashion. First results coming in the returning officer's and local party offices showed Dr. Harley taking a slight lead. Eventually the P.C. and Liberal committee rooms began quoting different figures, due to errors on the part of party scrutineers at each balloting place.

Adding to the confusion were radio and television reports. At one point in the evening a radio station announced "Hutton's Sandy Best has conceded. Dr. Harry Harley has won it for the Liberals." A scant few minutes later a television announcer was offering congratulations to Sandy Best on being re-elected, with the announcement that Dr. Harley had "just conceded" the election. Both were wrong -- neither candidate had conceded yet.

Monday night many Liberal supporters went home from their local committee rooms, pleased with the idea Dr. Harley had won. There were an equally confused number of Conservatives who

went home thinking their man had again been victorious.

Due to the delay in ballot counting and the fact neither party was sure of a win, the usual victory celebrations in the early hours of Tuesday morning were rather subdued. Many parties went on, however, the biggest of them being a Conservative gathering at Kelly New's, Oakville, where Sandy Best and his wife ended the night of confusion and

turnout. "Here we are, bloody but unbowed," said Mrs. Best as she came in the door. Party-goers offered "tentative congratulations" to the candidate, "in case you won."

Meanwhile in Burlington, Dr. Harley faced a similar situation. One moment his headquarters there would receive word he was leading, and a few minutes later another few polls would put him behind Mr. Best.

Harley Wins Acton Vote Takes Eight of Nine Polls

Telephones in both Liberal and Conservative committee rooms began to jangle imperatively shortly after the polls closed Monday and the first results of the federal election began to come in. When final tabulation had been made Harry Harley, Liberal candidate, had defeated Sandy Best, Conservative candidate, in all but one of the nine polls in Acton.

Both committee rooms were crowded and noisy. Results were listed as they came in and many inquiries were answered.

In the Liberal headquarters excitement ran high. The room was filled with interested supporters watching the figures being tabulated and cheering every time their candidate scored an other victory in a poll.

In the Conservative room, supporters were not so jubilant as their candidate gradually slipped away from a victory in Acton.

Lib.	Con.	N.D.P.	Socred
Y Front Door	111	61	46
Y Gvn Northend	70	81	19
Y Gvn Southend	63	60	20
Tom Jones	103	93	38
G. Jaggett's	43	33	27
Civil Leighton's	92	31	38
Council Chambers	107	96	23
R. H. Elliott's	123	91	35
Mrs. K. Ball's	91	68	32
Totals	803	614	288
Advance Poll	14	17	—
Grand Total	1781		

The soldier vote is expected to be tabulated by next Monday.

Over 80 per cent of the Acton voters went to the polls and cast their ballots in spite of a slow start early in the day. By evening voters were queuing for the voting booths and Deputy Returning Officers, clerks and scrutineers were being kept busy.

After campaign headquarters had been darkened and everyone left, some drove to Burlington and Oakville for a victory celebration after radio reports indicated Best was leading his other opponents.

However, official results from the headquarters of Returning Officer Dick West were not available until Tuesday morning. At that time it was learned that Mr. Best led over his closest opponent, Mr. Harley, by 61 votes with the Armed Services poll still to be heard from.

The following is the result of the Acton poll.

Rescuers, Cousin Tell Story of Near Drowning Sunday



ELIZABETH ZIEGLER



RON DOUGLAS



KEN HAWES

A 16-year-old Everton girl, Elizabeth Ziegler, survived a brush with death Sunday afternoon when she was revived by artificial respiration after being carried from Fairy Lake. The young girl returned from Guelph General hospital Monday afternoon after being confined in an oxygen tent.

In a personal interview with the Acton Free Press he told the following story.

By Elizabeth Ziegler
After arriving at Acton park with my cousins a brother and sister, we decided to enjoy the

Ron Douglas, R. R. 1, Acton, owner of Cornerbrook Nurseries, was one of the swimmers Sunday who helped to revive a drowning girl, Elizabeth Ziegler of Everton.

In a personal interview with the Acton Free Press he told the following story.

By Ron Douglas
Accompanied by my family, in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pope and Mr. and Mrs. Ken Hawes, we were sitting on the grass when suddenly Ken who was facing the water shouted, "There's a man in the water with his clothes on or something like that. The

Ken Hawes, Georgetown, man who applied artificial respiration to revive Elizabeth Ziegler of Acton, who was drowning in Fairy Lake Sunday gave the following report in an interview with the Acton Free Press.

By Ken Hawes
My wife and I accompanied by Ron Douglas and wife and Len Pope and wife were sitting in the centre section of the park when suddenly I saw a girl in a bathing suit come out of the water and then a man in shirt and trousers speak to the girl and then he ran into the water.

I said to the others, "Something

A cousin of the near drowning victim, 13-year-old Beverly Cudney, who was in the water when the incident took place, in a personal interview Monday told the Free Press the following story.

By Beverly Cudney
Elizabeth and I had gone into the water. Neither of us can swim. I was standing up to my waist in the water and Elizabeth was farther out in the water up near her shoulders. I was facing toward shore and had glanced over my shoulder to call to Elizabeth to come back in when suddenly she shouted for help.

When I turned around toward her all I could see was the top of her hair and hands showing above the water. I moved as fast as I could toward her, caught hold of her hand and then in her struggle I was pulled under too.

All I remember after that was being on the bottom of the Lake reaching out and grabbing what I thought was Elizabeth's hair. I tried to keep my mouth closed and not swallow water. It might have been seaweed as people told me there was quite a bit of it there.

By Ken Hawes
Although I am not a swimmer somehow or other I managed to get within distance of the shore where I could stand up and shout. Elizabeth is a swimmer, but the large crowd of onlookers seemed to laugh at me. No one moved. Suddenly my brother Ken came fully clothed.

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Proposed \$25,000 Industry in Acton Construction to Begin Next Week

An estimated \$25,000 leather processing and glove shop complete with equipment will be erected within a two-month period on two- and a half acre of land recently purchased on Main Street South. Co-owners of the business, Julian Zarac and Frank Geng of Acton are hopeful of having the new plant in operation within two months. The land was purchased from William Duval Sr. and Archie Papillon.

Tuesday evening council paved the way for the new industry when they agreed to receive a building permit to allow for the leather processing part of the business. A building permit had been issued previously for the erection of a glove works in the Scene Street area but since that time the co-owners decided to include a leather processing operation as well.

The two men recently purchased the glove shop formerly owned by the late Bert Mowat. They have been operating from the premises on Main Street North and have decided on expansion.

The new building will be one storey, cement block construction and is expected to cost in the neighborhood of \$10,000 and equipment is estimated in the area of \$15,000. It is expected the first phase of the building will accommodate the glove shop area and production in this part will start as soon as completed. The leather processing operation will be of a secondary nature, according to the owners.

Presently the company has eight employees and expects when in full production to employ 20 personnel. Plans have been completed for the Boardman Company to handle shipment from the company.

By some means of starting parking control and if this method didn't work out the by-law would have to be rescinded. He also stated the Department of Highways builds roads to travel on but not park on, and said they would be quite pleased if they restricted parking on highways adjacent to the town.

Mr. Wood groups that we clear off the streets we will have a perfect roadway. Cars will be travelling two abreast.

Mayor John Goy told council that if the control only restricted parking for the business hours it would be impossible to control overnight parking to allow town workers to plow the streets in the winter time. Both Mr. Wood and deputy reeve William Demay stated they had received complaints from citizens objecting to restrictions on parking after business hours.

By Ken Hawes
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Another First Council Decees

Acton registered another first this week when they scored a victory in the Community P.S.I. plan by hitting the 77 per cent mark for enrolment. According to P. S. I. authorities today (Thursday), Acton is the first town to obtain such a high registration of any community they have visited.

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A Dog's Life for Town Mutts Control, Higher Tax Passed

Beginning immediately dogs running at large in Acton will be picked up by Cecil Robertson from Williams who has been re-engaged as dog control officer for the town. Tuesday evening council approved the new dog control by-law and agreed to sign a contract with Mr. Robertson. Details of the by-law were reported in last week's Free Press.

The by-law received the unanimous approval of the members although one or two did state their regret that dog owners who asked after their animals were being penalized by increased dog tax. Members agreed the price of dog tags was being increased but some means of control had to be adopted.

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Stone School Gets Overhaul

Next fall grade 12 and 13 classes will be held in the old stone school beside the Robert Little public school and it's hoped the new allocation will be almost ready by the end of the year. Board property chairman Wallace Swackhamer and assistant principal Michael Bevan are supervising the work.

Plumbing is being done, shelves and cupboards installed and some desks are moved over. Science equipment goes in next week.

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