

Mayor Goy Out of Race; Political Pot Begins to Boil

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REMEMBRANCE DAY service at the cenotaph this year was especially well attended as veterans and organizations paraded. Pictured above are Legionnaires as they stand at attention. Following the placing of wreaths, the parade marched to Knox Presbyterian church for a Remembrance Day Service.

Remembrance Day

Bow Heads in Solemn Silence As Bugle Sounds Last Post

The Last Post and, a minute later, Reveille, were solemnly sounded again this November 11 at Acton's cenotaph. There was a larger crowd than usual for the Sunday morning observance at 11 a.m., with most churches slightly postponing the time of morning worship.

The parade from the Legion Hall to the cenotaph was followed by the traditional brief ceremony and laying of wreaths. The parade continued to Knox Presbyterian church where Legionnaires and Legion Ladies Auxiliary, representatives of the I.O.D.E. and Women's Institutes, Scouts, Cubs, Guides and Brownies, with their leaders.

Frank Simoni played the trumpet as the color party, led by the Union Jack on the flagpole. R. M. Storey read the names of Acton servicemen killed during

the war. There were 16 wreaths placed reverently at the foot of the cenotaph — for the province of Ontario by Mrs. A. K. Mann; for the town of Acton by Mayor John Goy; for the Legion by Jim Gunn; for the Legion Ladies Auxiliary by Mrs. W. Buchanan; for the Duke of Devonshire chapter I.O.D.E. by Mrs. A. Mowat; for Lakeside chapter I.O.D.E. by Mrs. W. J. Sprout; for the Women's Institute by Mrs. C. Maples; for the Orange Lodge, by James Higgins; for the Firefighters' Band by Jim Feenstra; for the pipe band by Dave Peel; for local 479 U.P.W.A. by H. O'Rourke; for local 603 U.R.C.L. of P.W.A. by Bob Drunkwaller; for the Chamber of Commerce by Bert Horton; for the Boy Scouts by Bob Watson; and in memory of Thomas and Albert Harris by Harold Harris.

Legion president James Milne conducted the service. Mr. McKenzie pronounced the benediction.

The parade and crowd were unimpaired since Remembrance Day fell on Sunday. The children mostly with parents on their way to church were well behaved.

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Nominations Set for Thursday Nov. 22 Four Decline Further Term of Office

The political pot is beginning to boil in Acton and with nominations exactly one week away, a question mark hovers over several offices. A few incumbents have indicated their intention of dropping out of municipal politics at the end of this term but others are intending to toss their hats in the ring again.

Nominations will be held in the Robert Little school auditorium beginning at 7:30 p.m. Nominations for the position of mayor, reeve, deputy reeve, six councillors, three school trustees and two hydro electric commissioners will be accepted up to 8:30. Candidates nominated will have until Friday evening at 9:30 p.m. to qualify if they intend to run for office.

Choose Chairman
At the close of nominations, a chairman for the evening will be chosen from the audience and reports from various boards and committees presented. At this time, candidates who intend to run for office will have an opportunity of speaking briefly.

In the event an election is necessary, electors will go to the polls December 4 when ballots will be cast from 10 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. in the evening.

Clerk Jack McGeachie will be returning officer and the following is the list of polling places

and names of deputy returning officers.

Ward No. 1 — Polling Subdivision No. 1, Acton United Church, with Vera Ingles as Deputy Returning Officer. Polling Subdivision No. 2, Y.M.C.A., with Kathleen Hurst as Deputy Returning Officer.

Ward No. 2 — Council Chambers, Town Hall, with Hattie Helwig as Deputy Returning Officer.

Ward No. 3 — Laxton Memorial Hall, Willow St. with Virginia Dumatah as Deputy Returning Officer.

Ward No. 4 — Y.M.C.A. with Anne Anderson as Deputy Returning Officer.

Incumbents were all interviewed this week by the Free Press to discover their plans.

Following are reports of these interviews.

Mayor John Goy, who has served the town in municipal government for the past eight years, is retiring from municipal politics this year. Mr. Goy has served as mayor the past three terms, reeve one year, deputy reeve one year and as councillor three years.

"In an interview with the Free Press I feel after serving for eight years I have done my share. Whether it be good or bad I have made my public contribution. I intend to devote more time to my business and family. I greatly appreciate the support of the public at the polls during my term of office and cooperation from other boards and committees throughout town. I have dealt with during this time."

In conclusion the mayor stated, "I hope my successor receives the same type of cooperation I have received and if it is forthcoming there is no reason to doubt the town's future prosperity." He said there is always a possibility of returning to serve the municipality some time in the future. (Continued on Page Three)

Forecast \$6,200 Deficit Due to Unforeseen Expenses

In spite of their austerities program adopted the first of the year, Acton council may wind up with an estimated \$6,200 deficit in December. Tuesday evening finance chairman George Barbeau forecast the unexpected deficit and explained it was the result of purchasing land for cemetery use and expenses incurred in repairing the digester lid.

The cemetery land was acquired last week from the West Combing Corporation of Canada and includes 50 acres adjoining the present cemetery. Council has been faced for some time with the problems regarding cemetery expansion and the land purchased will look after future requirements for some time. The second unforeseen expense involved repairs to the sewage treatment plant digester lid which collapsed unexpectedly over six months ago and had to be rebuilt.

Offices in P.O.?

Crowded conditions in the town office located in the Y.M.C.A. building spurred council to consider a different site some months ago. When work began on the new federal post office on Bowyer Ave. consideration was given to purchasing the present post office on Mill St.

Terms stipulated in the will of the late A. J. Murray confused council members when wording appeared "build or provide a Christian education building on home for the aged in the town for this purpose." Town solicitor, Aida Branda, was instructed to interpret the will before a decision could be made regarding disposing of the building.

During Tuesday's meeting a administration committee chairman deputy reeve William Denny, re-

ported a meeting Monday with three members of the Y board when it had been agreed the Y would assume ownership of the building providing council paid the taxes.

Mr. Denny told council it had been learned at the meeting with the Y board delegates that the building could legally be turned over to them but they wondered what the outcome might be in the event the Y.M.C.A. failed to function in its present capacity.

Difference of opinion between the town solicitor and Mr. Branda and the Y board solicitor, (Continued on Page Three)

21 Candidates Confirmed At St. Alban's Church

Right Reverend Walter E. Bagnall, Bishop of Niagara Diocese, cautioned 21 confirmation candidates regarding the important role they and members of their Parish as well as other churches throughout the world play in the future of the world Sunday afternoon at the Church of St. Alban the Martyr.

In his sermon before the ancient rite of the laying on of hands, the Lord Bishop congratulated Rector Donald H. West and the 21 candidates, and wished them God's blessings in the days ahead.

Bishop Bagnall urged the candidates to remember "Whoever you go, Christ is there." He exhorted them to use their talents as engrained members of the royal priesthood of the church. Rev. West presided at the candidate ceremony consisting of 10 girls, five boys and six adults.

During the service, University of Waterloo Divinity student Laurence Duby acted as Bishop's Chaplain. Crucifixion and servers were Donald Perry and Peter Fox. Mrs. Frank Oakes organized their leader, accompanied their when they sang a special anthem "The Lord is My Shepherd."

Arena Activities

Beginning this week a daily schedule of activities at St. Alban's Community Centre will be published each week. For further information turn to the sports page.

Rabid Animals

Rabid foxes and skunks are making their appearance once again in the Acton area. Dr. F. G. Oakes, veterinarian, reported this week that a rabid fox attacked a dog and cat at the back door of the farm home of Elwood Johnston, Acton, two weeks ago.

The two family pets were so badly bitten they had to be destroyed after the farm owner killed the fox. The head of the fox was sent to the Dominion Pathology Lab in Hull, Quebec and a report stated the animal was rabid.

Dr. Oakes also reported a case of a rabid skunk attacking a horse at the country estate of O. D. Vaughan, in Eastview. The horse is presently under surveillance. In various places skunks have attempted to attack family pets.

Parents are being advised to warn children about approaching foxes or skunks which appear friendly.

The veterinarian stated "When a fox or skunk decides to be friendly with family pets or people, it must be sick."

Store Fire Damage \$12,750 Frank Toth Out of Politics

One week ago Monday Frank Toth's store, in dishevelled and wretched flames engulfed his shoe repair and sales store on Mill St. wounding 30 years of hard work as well as wiping out in a few short minutes.

Prompt action by a neighbouring merchant Harold Wiles in grabbing the blaze and raising the alarm alerted fire officers who responded immediately to extinguish the spreading fire within 15 minutes.

Estimated damage to building and contents has been established at \$12,750. Of this amount insurance coverage is \$8,000. Mr. Toth's hope for a salvageable business and a few years' worth of goods will be of little avail.

No wonder the store has been a hotbed of activity. The news reworded from was bottled up and a cleanup program began inside. Charred seats and furnishings as well as burned lumber were swept up. The three damaged boxes containing new items were removed and stored, and marked for a sale.

Extra help was brought in to search through the debris as insurance adjusters attempted to determine the amount of damage and assess a cleanup program. Temporary hydro has been installed and machinery damaged by the fire has since been removed.

The fire struck a hard blow to Mr. Toth who built his business over the past 30 years from hand tooling and machineless shoe repairs to a modern well-equip-

ped repair and sales business.

Too Disheartened
Equipment is ready to be operated including sewing machine, stitche finishing machine, and skates, chaperone but the owner is still too disheartened to begin.

Numerous charred boxes are still to be opened and items marked for sale. Blackened walls and charred beams have to be covered. A new store front and permanent lighting have to be arranged.

In spite of his setback Mr. Toth will re-open his shoe repair business. But first he has hours of hard work before the building is ready for use. The store had been being attractively renovated last summer.

Explains to Patrons
Apologizing to another party in this issue of the Free Press is an advertisement from Mr. Toth explaining to patrons who had a loss in the fire the proper procedure for settlement.

Acton citizens need only visit temporarily the services of a shoe repairman. Mr. Toth and his staff has left Mr. Toth's shoe repair shop to the town of Acton. He said that he will include his name on the list as a candidate for council during the town election Thursday, November 22.

Blood Clinic

Today is Thursday, November 15, the day a blood clinic is being held in the Legion auditorium. Have you given your donation yet? If not, there is still time to catch the evening clinic from 6:30 to 9 p.m.



THREE TOWNS were represented by Rotarians at a Foundation meeting in the Riviera, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Georgetown, on Tuesday evening of this week. The combination ladies' night and in-club meeting included dinner, a speaker and dancing. Shown are Georgetown president Bob Gougeon, speaker and Rotary Foundation student Dr. Miguel Herrera of Lima, Peru, Acton president Tom Shields and Milton president Bob McCaughey.



FATHER AND SON were among the 21 candidates confirmed Sunday afternoon at St. Alban's Anglican church. Officiating for the ceremony was the Right Rev. W. E. Bagnall, D.D., D.C.L., Lord Bishop of the Diocese. Pictured left to right are Eric Johnston, Rev. Donald West, church pastor, Bishop Bagnall, Laurence Duby, Bishop's Chaplain, and Stephen Johnston.