



Elect Murray Smeltzer chairman Eramosa township school board

The inaugural meeting of the Eramosa Township School Board was held in the Board Room of Rockwood Centennial School.

Trustees-elect Murray Smeltzer, Ross McDougall, Douglas Buttenham, Robert Leslie and George Smith subscribed to the Declaration of Office.

Murray Smeltzer was elected as chairman for 1968 and Douglas Buttenham was elected vice-chairman.

Committees appointed were: Personnel - Mr. Leslie, chairman; Messrs. Buttenham and Smeltzer; Property - Mr. Leslie, chairman; Messrs. Buttenham and Smeltzer; Transportation - Mr. McDougall, chairman; Messrs. Smith and Smeltzer.

Property - Rockwood Centennial School - Messrs. Buttenham and Leslie; Eramosa Public School - Messrs. McDougall and Smeltzer; Four Corners and Edon Mills - Mr. Smith.

The board decided to place all insurance coverage with CIAG Insurance.

The chairman and secretary were authorized to borrow up to \$50,000.00 from the Royal Bank, Rockwood, as required.

Membership in the Ontario School Trustees' Association and the Trustees' Council were renewed.

JIM COULSON OR MILTON was elected chairman of the Halton County Fire Prevention Bureau at the group's annual meeting in Milton. He is seated in front, left, with vice-chairman Jack Cunningham of Georgetown and secretary Peter Campbell of Oakville. Other officers shown in the rear row are

treasurer L. Wilson and committee chairmen Glenn Stringer, Milton; poster competition, Chief E. Lewis, Georgetown; inspections, District Chief George Wright, Oakville; Christmas fire safety, and Chief A. E. Clement, Milton; public relations.

(Staff Photo)

Fire Prevention Bureau

Jim Coulson 1968 chairman

Jim Coulson, a Milton firefighter, was elected 1968 chairman of the Halton County Fire Prevention Bureau at the group's annual meeting in Milton last week. He succeeds Georgetown firefighter William Hyde, who was chairman during centennial year.

Jack Cunningham of Georgetown Fire Department was elected vice-chairman. All other officers and committee chairmen were re-elected to the posts they held last year.

They include secretary Peter Campbell of Oakville; treasurer Larry Wilson, Oakville; and committee chairman Chief Douglas Wilson, Oakville, literature; Chief A. E. Clement, Milton, public relations; Chiefs Erwin Lewis, Georgetown, and M. Holmes, Acton, home fire inspection; Glenn Stringer, Milton, poster competition; District Chief George Wright, Oakville, Christmas fire safety; Capt. W. Miller and District Chief Wright were named auditors.

Retiring chairman Hyde presented his annual report on 1967 activities, and expressed his appreciation to the members of the five Halton fire brigades for their co-operation and support during the Bureau's busiest year to date. Participation in centennial parades in Oakville, Milton

and Georgetown were among the highlights of the past year's activities.

During the meeting District Chief Wright reported there were

no fires caused by Christmas trees during the past Christmas season. A discussion was held on flame-retardant coatings for Christmas trees.

Dr. Harley backs Hellyer for Liberal leadership

MP for Halton, Dr. Harry Harley said Wednesday he will support Transport Minister Paul Hellyer in his bid for the leadership of the Liberal Party in April.

Harley is a member of the Toronto Committee for Paul Hellyer, which launched its campaign at a meeting January 11.

Dr. Harley said Hellyer's work in carrying through the unification of the armed forces bill as Minister of Defence will stand him in good stead in his race for the leadership.

"And he's the best man for the job," he added.

He said Hellyer has wide support across the country and also in caucus.

Other possibilities, External Affairs Minister Paul Martin and Trade Minister Robert Winters, also have support in the caucus, but Dr. Harley said he would expect they have less nationwide backing than the transport minister.

As for Justice Minister Pierre Trudeau and Manpower Minister Jean Marchand, the Halton MP said they both have "a great deal" of support in caucus and across the country, and if either runs he will be able to count on most of the support from Quebec.

Some of the other names that have been mentioned are Agriculture Minister Joseph Greene, and Registrar-General John Turner. Even Secretary of State Judy LaMarsh has indicated she is "interested" although Dr. Harley said she isn't considered a serious threat to most of the other possible candidates.

Asked what he thinks of charges heard at the time of Hellyer's work on unification that he was using his position to make way for a leadership bid, Dr. Harley said, "I think they were pretty far-fetched."

"It was his job to carry out party policy and he did it," he said.

Nominate Reeve Bill Coulter for 1967 centennial medal

Nassagaweya council honored Reeve William J. Coulter by nominating him as their choice to receive the Centennial Medal for the Township of Nassagaweya at their regular meeting.

Deputy Reeve Bill Hooy said it was difficult to pick one man out of the whole township because of the difficulty of evaluating any man's donation.

Council felt the Reeve deserved the award for his contribution to municipal affairs. Mr. Hooy pointed out the Reeve was partially responsible for the building of the Township's Hall in Brookville.

In thanking the council for the honor bestowed on him, Mr. Coulter vowed he would work hard and in a manner to make himself worthy of the award.

Award George Day centennial medal

George Day, postmaster at Rockwood, received a centennial medal from the secretary of state in recognition of valuable service to the nation.

The medal, conferred on the 100th anniversary of Canada's confederation, was awarded in November.

One claim in 1967 Old Halton "posse" still does business

Just one claim was paid in 1967 from the coffers of the Halton County Protective Association, but the group is staying in business in case cattle-rustling comes back into vogue.

Secretary Henry Peacock reports the H.C.P.A. paid out \$60 to one farmer for a steer that either strayed or was stolen. There are just 25 members so the total income last year was \$25 (\$1 a head) but the Association still has money in the bank from previous years when membership was higher.

In its earlier days (just after the turn of the century) the Association's members would form a posse and go searching for horse-thieves or cattle rustlers who victimized members. But today's modern police protection has taken over the old-style posse gathering.

The group pays members two-thirds of a fixed value for straying or stolen animals.

Harley to Halton

The Government has announced in the House of Commons that Veterans' pensions and allowances will be increased by 15 per cent as of 1st January, 1968. This has been a long-awaited decision and completes the Government's action at this time after the interim increases granted sometime ago.

The Bill abolishing capital punishment has passed the Senate and has received Royal Assent. The matter of the Bill on divorce is now before the Senate and is not expected to be completed until sometime in the New Year.

The House of Commons is proceeding with the Broadcasting Act and it is not likely to be sent to the Senate until sometime in January, 1968.

The Minister of Justice has introduced in the House of Commons an Omnibus Bill dealing with the Criminal Code which will cover many matters such as breathalyzer tests; abortion; tortures; and firearms. This is a very long Bill, 75 pages in length, and has become a public document at this time in order that its many different clauses and provisions may be studied for at least a month before the Government proceeds with them in the House of Commons.

The House of Commons recesses this week and will reassemble in Ottawa to continue the present Session on 2nd January, 1968.

MOFFAT

Christmas services, entertainment visitors, ladies' meeting in news

By Mrs. D. Henderson

Some of the activities of the Christmas Season include a special Vesper Service by the C. G.L.T. in Nassagaweya Presbyterian Church. The girls took all the service themselves. The congregation joining in the carol singing.

The Sunday School held their Christmas entertainment on Dec. 21, with all the children doing their parts. Gifts were presented to each child from the lovely decorated tree. The ladies served lunch after the program was over and a social time enjoyed.

A special service was held on Dec. 24 when the Sunday School children joined the congregation in the morning worship. The organist played special music while the congregation were taking their places.

Christmas guests with Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Robinson were Mr. and Mrs. W. Watkins of Shelburne, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Watkins Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Norton, Acton and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Robinson, Richmond Hill.

Mr. Homer McCarthy of Freeton was a dinner guest of his son-in-law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Dempster and family spent Christmas in Barrie.

Mr. and Mrs. David Henderson spent Christmas weekend at Chippawa.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Best were at home to their friends and neighbors on Friday afternoon from 4-8. Those attending report a pleasant social event.

Mr. John Robertson of Milton and Mr. Paul Robertson of Regina visited friends in the district. Paul is going to Ottawa to continue his course before returning to Regina.

The W.M.S. and Ladies' Aid of Nassagaweya Presbyterian church met on Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Cliff Nicholson. Mrs. D. Henderson

opened the Ladies' Aid and then the Rev. D. Nicholson installed the officers of both societies. He took the scripture lesson from Ephesians Chapter 4 and closed this part of the service with a prayer.

A committee was named to plan the supper for the Junior Farmers which is to be in Brookville school in February. Plans were also made to quilt a quilt in the near future.

Thank you notes were read from shut-in folks for the Christmas cheer.

Mrs. V. Norris opened the W.M.S. meeting with hymn "My Faith Looks up to Thee," followed

with a prayer by Mrs. Norris. It was decided to quilt for the hale this year again.

ACCIDENTS LEAD

The leading cause of death between the ages of one and 45 in 23 industrial nations in North America, Europe and Oceania is neither an infectious nor a chronic disease but accidents, latest World Health Organization figures show.

In the 45-64 age group cancer and heart disease led, each accounting for 30 per cent of all deaths. After age 65, heart disease was first, causing 36 per cent of all deaths.

Dear damaged

Damage to the glass front door of Manning Electric store was reported to police Jan. 11. A small hole appeared to have been caused by a bullet or small stone.

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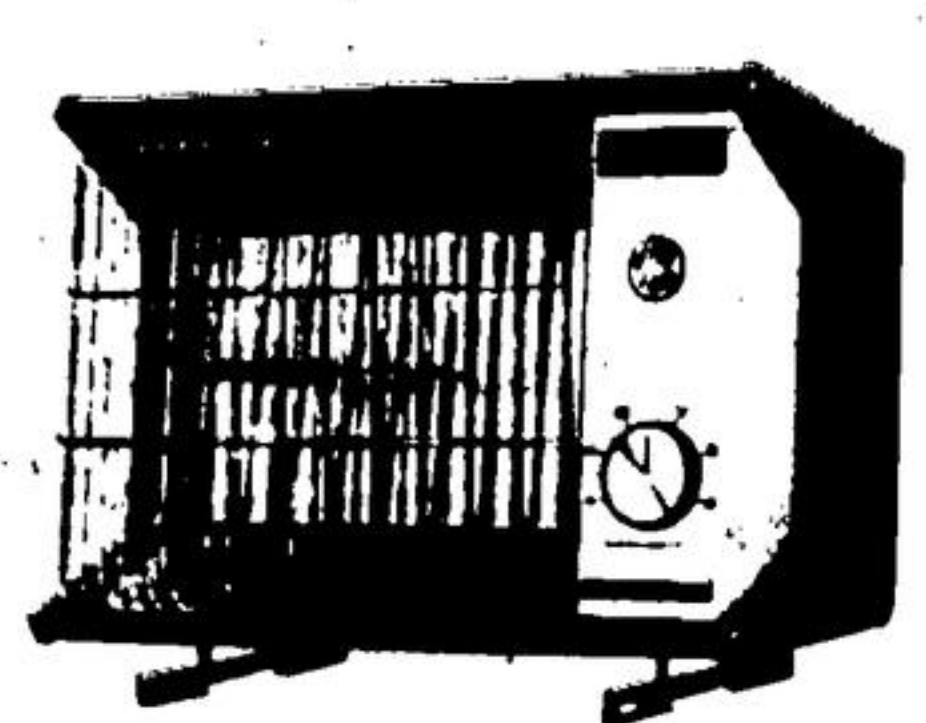
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