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The Editor's Corner

ELECTION IN ONTARIO

Announcement last Thursday that the Progressive-Conservative government would seek a mandate on November 22 to remain in office for a maximum of another five years was hardly a surprise. For weeks there had been speculation and some of the daily papers had even predicted the election date a few days earlier.

The Conservative party has been in office since 1943 when they coasted in on a landslide which displaced a Liberal administration. The party was reelection in 1945 and in 1948 led by George Drew, who has since resigned to lead the federal Conservatives as opposition leader in the House of Commons. Mr. Drew was succeeded briefly by Hon. Thomas Kennedy, Member for Peel and minister of agriculture, and then by Leslie Frost.

In the 1948 election the Conservatives took 53 seats, the CCF 21, Liberals 13, Labor-Progressives 2 and one seat is held by a Liberal-Labor candidate who voted with the Liberal group.

Standard bearer for the CCF will be the present Opposition leader, E. B. Jolliffe. The Liberals are led by Walter Thomson, a federal member of parliament who does not at present hold a seat in the Ontario legislature.

Halton County joined the Liberal rout in 1943 when Stan Hall, Hornby farmer, was voted in over the sitting member Liberal Thomas Blakelock. Mr. Hall has been elected each time since and it is expected that he will again seek the party leadership in the county at next Monday's nomination meeting. The county Liberals have already chosen Dr. F. R. Deans of Oakville to contest the seat. Dr. Deans gave Mr. Hall a close run in 1948. Plans of the county CCF are as yet unannounced.

BLOOD IS NEEDED

Announcement of a blood donor clinic in Milton is worth consideration by Georgetown people who appreciate the good work which the Red Cross did in the war and the fine part the organization plays in peace time.

- . It is not generally known that patients in hospitals in Hamilton, Guelph and Milton may obtain free blood through this Red Cross activity. It is entirely possible that a donation of blood to the Milton clinic which will be held a week from Friday may actually be used for a patient from Georgetown.

Whether this be so or not, you can be assured that this gift of blood will be put to good use, whether it be in one of these hospitals or as far away as the Korean battlefield where the cross of mercy is doing its usual good work:

It is some time since a blood clinic has been held locally, and this gives Georgetown people an opportunity to take part in a great humanitarian work.

POT POURRI

Main Street continues to change. In one week we have seen B. F. Murfin close his furnace and sheet metal headquarters and move to Toronto; sale of one of the oldest clothing businesses, P. F. Blackburn to a man from Toronto, and opening of a new clothing store in part of the Cordaro building, plus an announcement by the Bell Telephone Company that they have bought the Ruston property and will erect a building on the site for the new dial system. Certainly there is nothing static about the Main Street scene . . . Walter Carpenter, former high school principal here and now head of the Dept. of Engish at the OAC always encloses a nice little note with his subscription renewal and this year gives a pat on the back to the editorial and Chatting (when they are in, as he puts it) . . . A long delayed reprint, with pictures of the article on Georgetown in the Toronto Telegram appears in this issue, we hope. Last week the press was all ready to run when it was discovered that there was too much local news and advertising to use it . . . The Herald will soon be known as the junior Telegram if this keeps up, for we also have a series of six cartoons which appeared in that paper, plus a reprint of a feature writerup on Ross McGilvray, who was chosen as a typical carrier boy for a Tely feature A miserable Thanksgiving weekend for travellers, but nice for those who sat at home, as the editor did, and enjoyed a quiet holiday . . . Last week was "Take-it-on-the-chin" week for the editor. An unfortunate mistake was made in a last minute item in which we reported that Mrs., rather than Mr. William Kirby had had a severe stroke. Then, a small item in the council notes brought an irate property owner on her shone to remind us that the health unit had not ated an apartment as unsanitary, but had said it cileted. As for another item in council news, ted criticism by Cr. Lyons about an expenwalk replacements, store owner Sid Silver

wants it known that the sidewalk was not torn up with any idea of installing an oil tank in the store. The fact of the matter was that when the old sidewalk was torn up Mr. Silver, who had at times thought of putting in oil heat to his building, realized that this was a good opportunity and went ahead with it. All labour was his own responsibility and he even supplied five yards of gravel and smoothed off the sidewalk base, so that no extra work was caused the town staff . . . While Cr. Lyons had some technical grounds for his complaint that a committee can only spend \$50 without bringing a matter before council as a whole, in practice this is a hard rule to follow. Often jobs need doing and a committee chairman must take the responsibility without delaying matters or burdening council with all the details. As long as town business is handled speedily and without favouritism, we cannot expect the exact letter of the law to be followed



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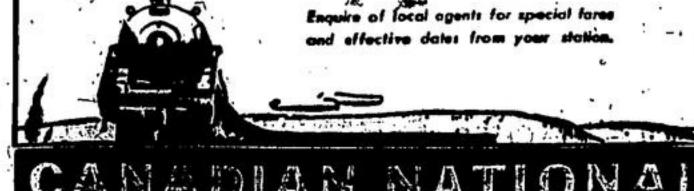
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