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Are We Serious About Politics?

With a federal election less than a month away, there seems to be a general public apathy which does not speak well for a democratic country.

There is little street corner talk, either about national parties or district candidates. A Toronto aspirant used a novel method of telephone testing to find that many residents in his constituency did not even know what riding they live in, let alone who was running for office and for what party.

We don't like to think this is the case in Georgetown, and yet we might be surprised if we made a similar telephone canvass, for people nowadays just don't seem to be politically aware. The sad thing is that they just don't care.

Perhaps it is the fault of the two old parties. Like elderly people, time mellows and different viewpoints come closer together as the years go by. Back in history, a Grit was a Grit and a Tory was a Tory, and they agreed

on practically nothing. Free trade and tariffs were bitterly debated, along with the other political idealogies, and one could be sure that if there was a change of government, there would be a change of management. Nowadays we aren't so sure.

Radical minority parties like the CCF and Social Credit have up to the present made only a slight dent in the national and political scene. They do serve a healthy purpose in keeping the established parties aware of the possibility of defeat, and neither has been averse to swiping a few good ideas from them.

The national picture at the present time gives every reason to believe that the Liberals will be returned, perhaps with less members, but still with a comfortable majority. In 1949, the distribution was 193 (Lib.); 42 (P-C); 12 (CCF); and 10 (S.C.). The Liberals could safely drop fifty ridings and still be in the driver's seat.

Halton a Puzzle

Getting away from the national picture, there is considerably more interest here in Halton, where a long-time Liberal member is retiring and a newcomer faces a P-C veteran of the 1949 campaign. Contesting the election for the CCF is a man who is much better known than previous candidates, particularly in the northern part of the county.

While it is anybody's guess who will be the winner, the edge is certainly with the older parties. In 1940, two candidates ran and Cleaver had a 1500 majority over Atkins. In 1945, with the CCF in the field and vote total rising from 14 to 15,000, the Liberal majority fell to 700. 1949 saw another 4,000 county voters go to the polls and this time Cleaver got back his 1500 majority. Percentage-wise, Cleaver was approved by 55 per cent of the voter in 1940, 46 per cent in 1945 and 50 per cent in 1949.

An interesting comparison in per-

tages shows that in the two last elections, the Conservatives have held steady at 42 per cent and any variance has been in a shift between Liberal and CCF voters.

The \$64 question is whether the Liberal vote was mainly for party or whether Mr. Cleaver had a personal following which transcended party lines. Miss Bennett is certainly well-known in the county. She has been speaking here and there, particularly at ladies' meetings long before the campaign started. Murray McPhail, though a newcomer to politics, is also widely known in the northern part of Halton, as is Stan Allen who has been a labour union leader for some years.

With three persons so well known in Georgetown, it should be that, regardless of how interested the rest of the country or the rest of Halton might be, there will be a record vote polled in this district.

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Making their home now in Ingersoll are Mr. and Mrs. Vern Bowman and son Kurt. Vern left his position at Thompson's Hardware a few weeks ago for a new job in Thamesford. The apartment which they occupied above the Herald Office will be tenanted by Donald Rand and Mary Dobson whose wedding will take place later this month. We hear a member of a fishing party at Turkey Point recently made a good "catch" even if he couldn't eat it. In company with Dick Prust, Jack Wilson and Jack Harrison, Ron Kitchen was making the last cast in what had been an unsuccessful day when he pulled out a lovely rod and reel, complete with a \$1.50 plug. It's been a long time since we have been in Hamilton and we didn't realize that they had condensed the street cars as a means of traffic control. So we were surprised to read recently in the Toronto Telegram: An unidentified man was fatally injured while walking along the Queen Elizabeth Way. Only item in his pockets was a Hamilton streetcar. Not long ago we mentioned the mysterious lady who sold magazines in town, with no one remembering what magazine they had sub-

scribed to. Two of the supposed "victims" now report that they have received the first copy. Name of the magazine is Canada Sport. Pictured recently in the Globe & Mail is a Limehouse soldier, Pte. Jim Gordon, who enlisted while he was working at the Georgetown Dairy. Jim, who is with the 27th Brigade in Germany was shown with a group gathered around a Canadian concert party, Rainbow Strings, which was playing an engagement for the troops in Hannover. Another item of interest noted in the dailies is that Mrs. W. A. McGowan's brother, Dr. Miln Harvey of Kitchener, past president of the Ontario Medical Association is now chairman of its 150-man council. No man would notice it, but the lady of the house tells us that Jessie Alexander's gown when she was attendant at her sister Margaret's wedding had "rucking" rather than "rucking" as we described it. Checking in the dictionary, just to make sure, to our horror we find there is such a word as rucking: a wrinkle or a crease. So we blushingly apologize and state that Jessie wore rucking: frilled plaited lace.

STEWARTTOWN

Topical Items, History Feature Institute Meet

The July meeting of Esqueving Women's Institute was held at Mrs. Humphreys' home, Mrs. R. Harris, the president in the chair. The meeting opened as usual with singing the Intitute Ode and repeating the prayer. Roll Call was answered with "What I can do to improve my home town." Mrs. H. P. Lawson read a clipping of the Bannockburn Cemetery and how cooperation and work made it into a beauty spot. Mrs. Harris read another clipping about the blight that has affected

Baily read a paper on the social and recreational activities at Stewarttown in days gone by. Mrs. K. P. Lawson and Mrs. C. A. Grant were hostesses for refreshments. Thanks was voted to these ladies and to Mrs. Humphreys for the use of her home. Betty Humphreys played the National Anthem to close the meeting. The summer Home and Country magazines were distributed to the members.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Patterson of Toronto spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Grant. Mrs. Scholes has returned to Toronto after spending a few weeks at the Grant home. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Standish and family of Thorold passed through the village Sunday afternoon. Edward Baily, P. R. Baily and

Stephen were visitors with Mrs. Baily last week. At St. Paul's Guild meeting last Tuesday at Mrs. C. Blizard's home, talent money was returned. All members made good use of their talents. Mrs. Gilbert English won a lucky draw for a fruit cake and Eleanor Spitzer for a tatted dolly.

VISITING FOR SUMMER IN SOUTH AMERICA

Kenneth Langdon, Jr. will spend part of the summer in Bogota, Colombia, with a school chum Brian Smith, who was Kenneth's guest here last month. The boys have been in New York City and left there by air Sunday for South America.

CHURCH NEWS

St. George's Church
Archdeacon W. G. O. Thompson,
Rector



Seventh Sunday after Trinity: Sunday School 10 a.m.; Holy Communion 11 a.m.; Evensong 7 p.m.

St. Alban's Church, Glen Williams
Seventh Sunday after Trinity:
Matins — 9.30 a.m.

Georgetown Baptist Church
Rev. A. J. Barker, B.A., B.D.
Sunday, July 19th, 1953
10.00 a.m. — Church School
11.00 a.m. — "Dynamic Stillness"
7.00 p.m. — "Useless Money"

St. John's United Church
Rev. John M. Smith Minister
Norman Laird, Director of Music
Sunday School 10 a.m. — "The Burning Bush" — pictures on the life of Moses.
Morning Worship — 11 a.m.
Rev. Gray Rivers, B.A., B.D. field Field Secretary, Ontario Temperance Federation.
Nursery 11 a.m. Child care while parents worship.
Junior Worship 11 a.m. — Bible Stories, pictures and songs of the children.

**Norval Pastoral Charge
United Church**
Rev. C. C. Gilbert
For the month of July, Norval will worship with Norval Presbyterian Church at 10 a.m. and Glen Williams with Union Presbyterian Church at 11.15 a.m.

**Knox and Limehouse
Presbyterian Churches**
Rev. Alex J. Calder, B.A., B.D.
Mrs. Edgar Gowland, ATCM
Organist and Choir Leader
Mr. Joseph Young, Carillonneur

Knox Church
Church School — 10 a.m.
Public Worship — 11.00 a.m.

Limehouse
Church School — 1.30 a.m.
Public Worship — 2.30 p.m.

**Norval, Hornby, Stewarttown
Church of England**
Rev. J. A. Maxwell, B.A., L.Th.
St. Paul's Church, Norval
7.30 p.m. — Evensong
(Except 1st Sunday of the month
11.00 a.m. — Holy Communion)

St. Stephen's Church, Hornby
11.00 a.m. — Morning Service
(Except 1st Sunday of the month
3.00 p.m. — Evensong)

St. John's Church, Stewarttown
10.00 a.m. — Morning service
(Except 1st Sunday of the month,
7.30 p.m. — Evensong)

Holy Cross R.C. Church
Rev. Fr. V. J. Morgan
1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays:
Mass at 11 a.m.
2nd and 4th Sundays:
Mass at 9 a.m.

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Rev. F. M. Fletcher
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and 7.30 p.m.
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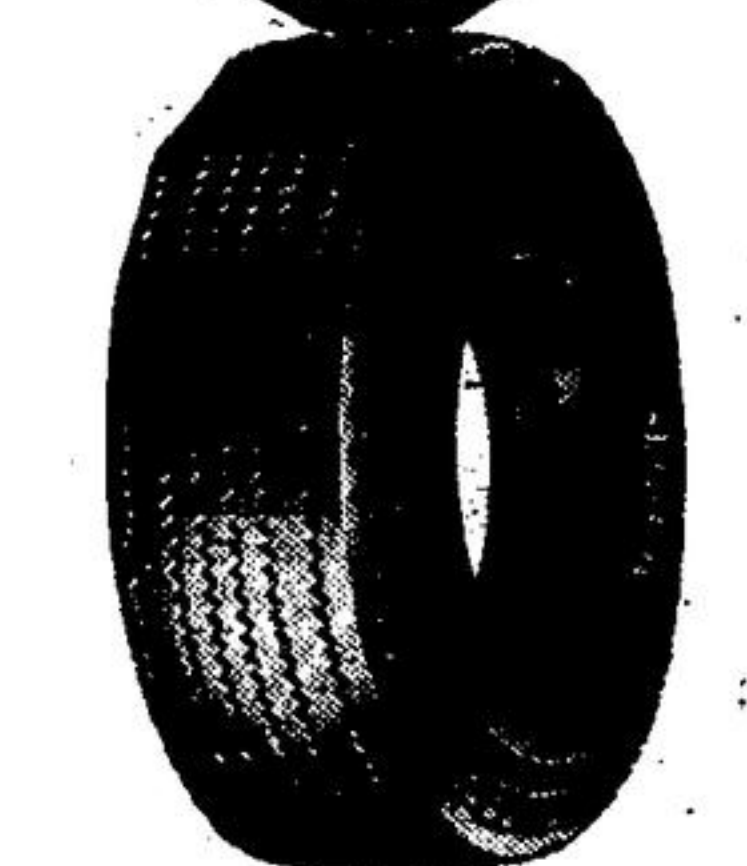
**Norval and Union
Presbyterian Churches**
Rev. G. Lockhart Royal

Norval
10.00 a.m. — Praise Service

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10.00 a.m. — Sabbath School
11.15 a.m. — Praise Service

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