

EDITORIAL COMMENT

Three Veteran Members

Three members of the public school board have amassed an enviable record of service. Stan Finlay, Harry Shortill and Ed Wilson, when they complete their terms next month, will have a combined total of sixty years in office, surely a tribute to their public spirit and capabilities.

They have seen the school population grow from 300 in one public school to over three thousand in six schools. They have been active in planning all five new schools, in instituting a senior school in one part of town and in laying the groundwork for still another building which will be erected to serve the Moore Park area of town.

They have been dedicated public servants, interested in advancing education in every way. School board members tend to receive less attention from the public than those who serve on council, and yet their job is one of prime importance in a community, and spends a good share of our tax dollars.

That Mr. Finlay, Mr. Shortill and Mr. Wilson have been conscientious in doing the most they can do with the least possible drain on the tax treasury is a tribute to their business ability. They have set a high standard of performance which should light the way for the future county board.

Already Said

By a strange quirk of fate, the editorial we might have written this week, following the death of Mayor Joseph Gibbons, was just being printed at the time of his death last Wednesday night.

His death came with dramatic suddenness only two days after he had addressed a meeting of ratepayers. His municipal chores kept him busy till the last. On Tuesday he presided at a council meeting, afterwards entertaining his council to coffee and sandwiches in the committee room.

On Wednesday he had planned to be present at a hydro commission meeting, but instead he was taken to hospital after suffering a heart seizure.

One cannot help but feel that if Mr. Gibbons had planned what he wanted to happen, this would be it. It is common for people to express regret at a sudden death. Yet it is the way we would all wish for ourselves. And, if it is to happen, what better time than when a man is at his prime, still holding the position in life he loves.

Some Election Pointers

With interest so keen in Georgetown's municipal elections, perhaps a few pointers on voting would be in order this week.

The town council consists of nine elected officers — a mayor, a reeve, a deputy reeve and six councillors.

Every voter has a choice for the top three offices. (In this case, two, because the reeve has already been chosen by acclamation.)

The town is divided into three wards for council elections, and a ward resident can vote for no more than two of those seeking office in his ward. Because of the growth of the town, important boundary changes have been made this year, and voters are advised to check carefully as they may be in a new ward for council voting.

The reeve and deputy reeve have double duties. Besides taking a full part in Georgetown government, they are members of Halton county council, which has charge of such collective duties as administration of justice, care of the aged, county roads.

Two hydro commissioners and two members of the new formed water commission are also elected officers. But, with no opposition, these four men have already been chosen for two year terms.

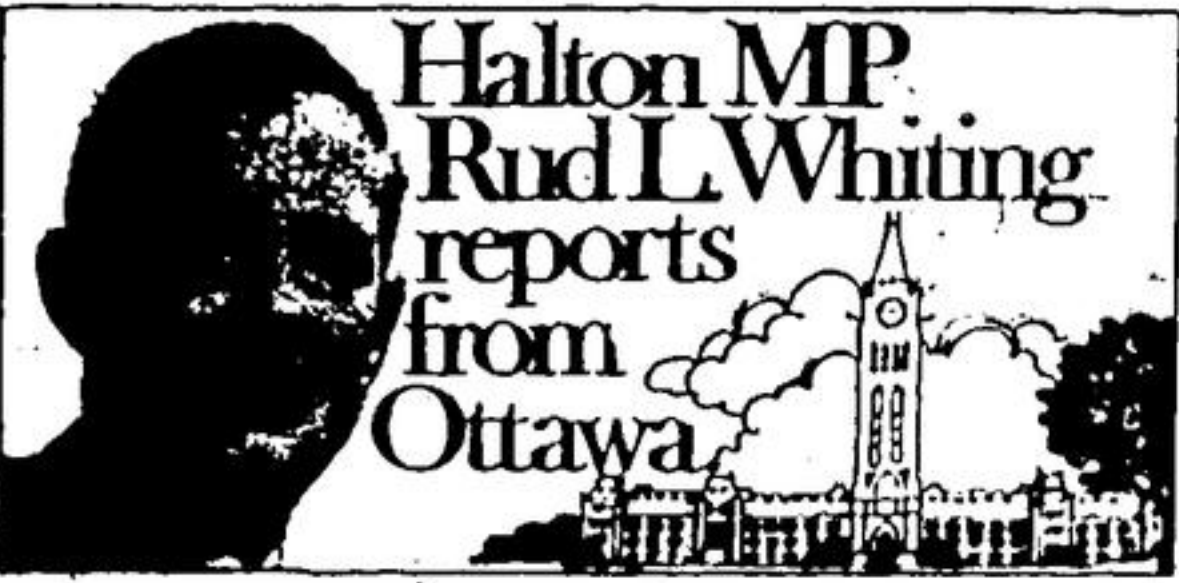
School board voting is somewhat confusing this year. Until now, Georgetown has had an elected public school board, an

selected Roman Catholic separate school board and an appointed high school board.

These boards, common to every county municipality, are being replaced by two county boards. — The Board of Education will have a total of 20 members. Georgetown will have only one seat, and public school supporters can vote for one of two candidates for this. Besides the 18 members who will be chosen in this way (one each from Georgetown, Milton and Acton, one from Esquering and Nassagaweya combined, six from Oakville, 8 from Burlington) the separated school supporters will be asked to choose two members who can come from anywhere in the county. Four men, three from Burlington and one from Oakville, are seeking these two seats.

The new county Separate School board will also have only one Georgetown member, along with 5 from Oakville, 7 from Burlington and one member from the combined municipalities of Milton, Esquering and Nassagaweya — a total of 14.

To summarize, when you go to the polls next Monday if you are a public school supporter, you will receive four ballots — one for mayor, one for deputy reeve, one for council and one for board of education. If you are a separate school supporter, you will receive five — the three for council members, one for your representative on the county separate school board and one for your representative on the board of education.



Halton MP Rud L. Whiting reports from Ottawa

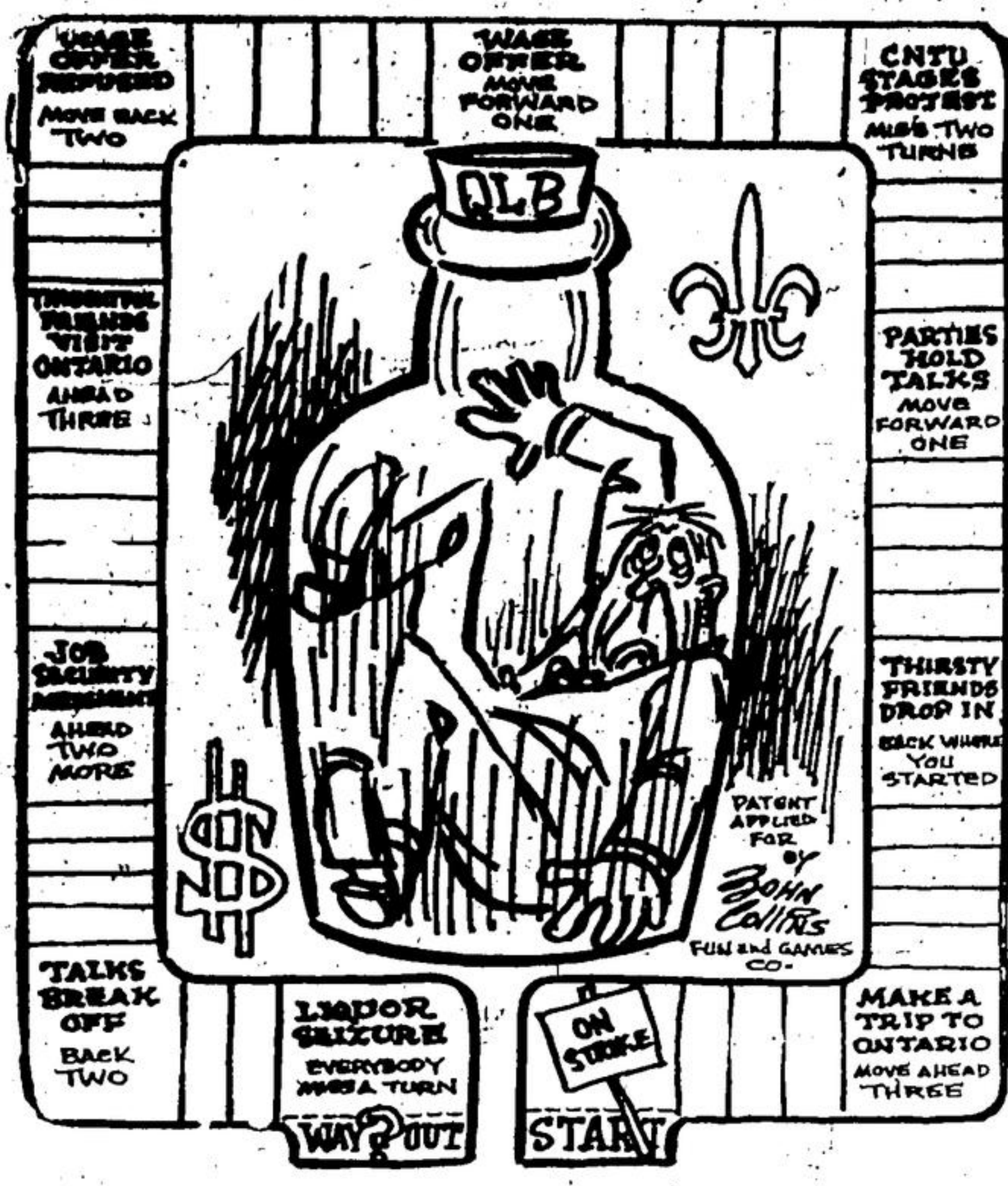
THE STANDING Committee, counsellors must know the real on Labour, Manpower and Immigration is now meeting and well as the desires of the people examining the estimates of the ple they deal with. — both the Canada Manpower Branch. As employer and the employee. It a Member of this Committee, it is most essential, if this Branch would like to discuss the vari- is to function properly and ef- eous services performed by this fection,ly, that an information Branch of the Department of system regarding job vacancies, Manpower and Immigration. tion, employer requirements, education and skill requirements, oc- PEOPLE COME to the more, cupational trends, available than 300 full service Canada training courses and labour Manpower Centres across Can- market conditions, both locally ada seeking employment and in other centres, be kept the services provided by the up-to-date and be further de- that end. For many persons, particularly those with estab-

the essentials needed for that time. Today, however, as the old types of jobs disappear these people find that they lack the education and training required for the new and expanding occupations demanded in the competitive labour market.

CANADIANS LAST year spent over \$8 billion on the education and training of youth. The expenditure of \$150 million on adult occupational training last year will be increased to \$200 million this year. This is substantial but it must be increased even further as resources permit. If we fail to provide training and retraining for adults in our labour market, technological change will leave them further and further behind our young people who are being trained in the light of today's labour requirements.

THE OCCUPATIONAL training for adults is done mainly through Federal payments to the provinces covering the costs of providing such training. The training may take place in a Provincial or Municipal Institution, in industry or, when necessary, in a private training school. The Federal Government pays the full cost of training adults referred to various courses by the Department of Manpower. Those taking courses must have an income to maintain themselves and their families while they are engaged in the course. These allowances are to make sure that the training remains a realistic option for those who need such training and the weekly rates range between \$37. and \$66. per week, depending on the number of dependents a man or woman has.

One of the first and most important pieces of legislation to come before the government will be a new Bill respecting the expropriation laws of Ontario. In addition to including some of the recommendations made by the Honourable J. C. (Continued on Page 5)



Monotony—The Game All Quebec is Playing

HALTON EAST M.P. JIM SNOW REPORTS

SUGAR AND SPICE by Bill Smiley They Do Remember

The second session of the 28th Parliament of the Province of Ontario is now in session and I am again pleased to bring to the constituents of the Riding of Halton East a weekly report on items of interest to my constituents and a brief summary of the major items of legislation brought before the House each week.

Recently I wrote a column about Remembrance Day. It may have been a touch of bitterness in it. But so many things have come up since then that I thought you might be interested. First of all, a light note. A lady in Ontario remembers something from away back there. "During the First World War, my husband came home on furlow from Belgium. Although his pass said he was clean and free from lice, while we were riding on the underground in London, I watched the lice crawling up and down on his coat collar. So I had to scorch all the seams of his

The Lieutenant said that in a renewed determination to hold taxation to a minimum, consistent with a high level of service to the people of Ontario and in its firm resolve to maintain the invisible credit rating of the Province, the Government will continue its comprehensive program to reduce costs and increase efficiency with vigor. Included in the program are increased control over that portion of spending within the direct scope of the province, tight scrutiny by Treasury Board of all matters having financial implications, re-evaluation of procedures, methods, forms and equipment, reappraisal of existing programs, rescheduling of new programs, and renewed emphasis on efficiency and economy in every branch and agency of the Ontario Government.

Then the Roll of Honour from our school. Some of the older teachers can't take this. They went to school with the boys on the list. Last post, silence, Reveille. Over. The students were silent and solemn and involved. Afterwards, in the classrooms, we discussed the service and the day. I'd brought along some photos and souvenirs. They were fascinated. After an incredulous look at the cocky young black-haired fighter, pilot, and then one at the harassed, grey-haired teacher, they palled me with questions. Then came that magnificent CBC documentary on World War I, with Raymond Massey, old soldier, wounded on those fields, narrating. It was spell-binding and horrible. I kept looking for one of my five uncles, dragging through mud, mules, dragging through mud.

To provide further equality of service throughout the province amendments will be made to the Assessment Act which will improve the assessment function. Included in these changes will be certain recommendations of the Ontario Committee on Taxation and the Select Committee of the Legislature report on taxation.

"Dear Mr. Smiley: I have just read your article entitled 'I Shall Never Forget,' and I must write to you." "I am 33 years old and I do not consider Remembrance day a drag, a sentimental journey for old and middle-aged squares." My father fought through many of the worst battles in World War I. He was a machine-gunner. He never talked about his experiences, except for once, when he told me of a little village that he had seen far below him in a valley in France — He said only that he wished his

During the session an opportunity will be afforded members to give serious and responsible attention to the machinery of collective bargaining and related labour and management matters rising out of the recommendations contained in the report of the Royal Commission Enquiry into labour disputes. Also the Legislature will be asked to consider legislation respecting the Mechanics' Lien Act and the manner in which Mechanics Liens are dealt with in the construction industry of Ontario.

"Life was hell for him and for all of us. Manana said he was terribly changed when he came home from overseas. He died when he was 61, and he had a military funeral and he was as much a casualty of the War as if he'd died at Verdun. He just took longer to die." "I was 18 when he died and up until I was 16, I almost hated him for the drinking and the trouble. But I began to under-

stand him and by the time he died we knew and liked each other." "Since then I've learned more about the war, and I've made certain that my children know about it too. So, on Remembrance Day, we go to the parade and pray at the Cenotaph with the veterans, and the kids know that it is not just for a Grandpa, they never stand him and by the time he

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NEWS ECHOES

- 1958
A Glen Williams family was left homeless late Sunday night when fire gutted their two storey brick house beside Glen Williams public school.
Georgetown's new sewage disposal plant will be in operation in the spring of 1960 according to the schedule of Proctor and Redfern, consulting engineers.
The Open House TV program on CBC-TV on Monday will be of particular interest locally.
1948
A Stewarttown boy, Bob Lawson, was the high points member of an Ontario judging team on the Ontario Agricultural College which placed 15th in competition with 31 teams at the International Livestock Show in Chicago.
Norval, already famous as the residence for some years of the late L. M. Montgomery, author of Anne of Green Gables, shares an additional spot in the literary limelight now with the publication of the Canadian Investors Handbook by A. W. Turner.
With entrants from Georgetown and Acton the Roxy Theatre staged a 'Search for Talent' show as an added attraction last Wednesday and Thursday.

Thank you, for a very moving tribute.

VOTE Ken MARSHALL for Esquering Council

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