

Stanfield at YPC Dinner 'Bearpit' Style Debate

Robert Stanfield was in a "bearpit" last Thursday night but the bears were more tabby than tigers.

The Halton Young Progressive Conservatives, who brought Stanfield to Oakville last week had said the opposition leader would take part in a "bearpit style debate."

The young Tories had the bearpit set up — two leather chairs for Stanfield and the moderator close to the audience — but the strong debating and questioning expected in a bearpit failed to develop.

It never turned into the wild type of meeting that took place when the Halton YPCs had Morton Shulman or Judy LaMarsh on the hot seat. Of course, there was not the feeling of hostility that existed at the earlier meetings.

Even Liberals and New Democrats would have had a hard time getting hostile towards Stanfield who as Halton PC president John Kilmer said "answered honestly" and didn't try to evade any question.

He looked quite modern in his bronze-colored suit with cuffless trousers and pale orange shirt. In fact his dress was more up-to-date than most of the audience of about 150 who were far from being young Tories. Only a few persons were under 25 but the \$6 dinner cost probably kept some away.

YPC officials were somewhat disappointed with the turnout but pointed out they only had two weeks to prepare for the meeting and also Thursday is not the best night since there are numerous other activities taking place.

When one of the younger members of the audience said he was "overwhelmed" to hear that Stanfield had been proposing a guaranteed annual income, Stanfield replied: "It's nice that I finally overwhelmed someone."

He urged Conservatives not to close their mind when they heard a slogan such as "guaranteed annual income."

There are grave defects in Canada's welfare system for it inhibits people from breaking

out of the "welfare prison." He said welfare should provide an incentive for people to break out of the system.

Stanfield said it is not consistent with the Progressive Conservative party's thinking to discourage people from working which the present welfare system does.

He urged debate and discussion on various possible solutions including guaranteed annual income.

The questions to Stanfield touched on topics ranging from the lowering of the voting age to the party's policy on French Canada and only rarely did any one debate Stanfield's straightforward answers.

When asked what effect the lowering of the voting age to 18 would have on the Conservatives, he admitted the party has a problem with young urban voters. "It is a problem we have to overcome."

He pointed out however it is impossible to predict where the new voters' votes would go. He said the Liberal party in Quebec was defeated shortly after it lowered the voting age.

The opposition leader said his party does not make an effort to adopt a different policy on constitutional measures from the Liberals.

"If we agree in principle it is so much better for Canada," Stanfield also said.

The Conservatives oppose the cutback in Canadian NATO forces at this time because Canada has more chance of being influential in NATO than in a US-Canada defence government.

The only way to control the number of civil servants is to control the number of programs. New programs such as medicare require new people. However, old programs that have outlived their usefulness should be scrapped or changed.

He opposes arbitrary retirement for civil servants at age 60. Those who require a few more years service to reach a full pension should be kept on. However, a retirement age is required for without it there would be all kinds of difficulties.

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Hydro Employee Weds In Trinity Church, Acton

Married in Trinity United Church, Acton, on September 6 Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Charles Hodge are making their home in the Winston apartments, 192 Churchill Road South in Acton. He is an employee of Georgetown hydro electric commission, and she is with the G. Alec Johnson Real Estate firm in Acton.

The bride is the former Ruth Annie Clow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick G. Clow, Acton. The groom, formerly of Stewarttown, is the son of Mrs. Lena Hodge and the late Edward Hodge.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white brocade gown with fitted bodice, long sleeves and round neck, with an attached train held by a bow and a five tiered scalloped edge veil held by a tiera of white organza rosebuds. She carried a cascade of orange ice roses.

The bride's sister, Mrs. Grace

SILVER-WOOD

4-H Club Chooses New Name, 'Pro-Teens'

Mrs. Anderson is leader of the 4-H girls for the fall project. The girls have chosen Pro-Teens as the name of their project and have had two lessons at Mrs. Anderson's home.

Congratulations and good wishes from Silverwood community to Bill Wilson and his bride, Brandee Cumpsty, who were married Saturday, September 27 in First Baptist Church.

William J. Scott of Lafayette, Indiana and Bruce Scott, Toronto, were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Scott recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Duncan, Hopetown, Mr. and Mrs. Laurie Duncan, Smiths Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Stenhouse, Freelon and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nelson, Guelph, were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Clare Wilson.

— Alicia F. C. Scott

Life Member Entertains WI at Rockwood Home

The October meeting of Georgetown Women's Institute was held in Knox Church hall with eleven members present. The usual opening exercises were followed by the roll call. What to do and what not to do as a guest.

Directors' report was given by Mrs. Frank Fitch. Plans were made for placing an exhibit at Georgetown fall fair and for a euchre party to be held in Stewarttown hall on November 1st when a draw will be made for the quilt on which members have been selling tickets.

Mrs. Ken Davidson read the motto prepared by Miss Luena Campbell "Education is not merely the road to earning a living, but that which makes living worthwhile." A singsong was enjoyed and Mrs. S. Robin read an interesting paper on Thanksgiving.

Two weeks previous, several women of the Institute were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bailey, Main Street, Rockwood. Mrs. Bailey is a life member of the Georgetown branch. The arrival of the three o'clock bus was the beginning of a pleasant afternoon when several games of euchre were enjoyed, followed by a pot luck supper. Two close neighbors of Mrs. Bailey were invited to the party, adding another pleasure to the group, who returned home on the nine o'clock bus having had a most enjoyable visit.

BRIDGE CLUB

With twelve tables playing in last week's game at Georgetown duplicate bridge club, Mrs. Wallace Thompson and Mrs. Anne Pritchard proved best in the east-west division and Cam Sinclair and Mrs. Jack Campbell were tops for north-south.

In East-West, George Ellenton and Mrs. Sue Sullivan were second; Jack Coats and Tom Barber third; Kay Harmer and Vi Naylor fourth.

Fred Allen and Joe Maurer were second in North-South with Art Norris and Dave Hager third; Jim Sargent and Mrs. Elizabeth McCree fourth.

HORNBY

'Hayride Happening' Fun For Eden United YPS

The Eden United YPS recently enjoyed a hayride happening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Williams. Following the entertainment everybody enjoyed hot dogs and toasted marshmallows.

The second meeting of the Hornby North Meat Bells was held at Al's Butcher shop on the 7th Line, on Monday night, September 29. The meeting was opened with the 4-H pledge followed by the roll call. "Family's favourite meat dish" which was answered by the thirteen members present. Various cuts of beef and pork were shown by Al who also answered many questions which were asked by the girls.

The recreation committee of the Boyne Community Centre held their first euchre party of the fall season with 14 tables of euchre in play. The euchre prizes were won by the following winners: Mrs. Bob Crozier; Mrs. John Roberts, Bill Clark and Tom Brownridge. The lucky draws were won by Mrs. Stafford Curtis, Mrs. Tom Brownridge, Gerald Carton and Mrs. Tom Howden.

Anniversary greetings are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brocklebank who will celebrate their wedding anniversary on October 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Plant spent the weekend at Wasaga Beach.

The annual hayride and corn roast of Thermo-Electric Ltd. employees was held recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fries. Following the hayride music was supplied by Ronald Break on the guitar for a lively singsong. Following a bountiful lunch of corn, chicken, potato salad, rolls and coffee everyone enjoyed a visit and a few more songs by Ronald.

Mr. and Mrs. Hart Pomerantz of Toronto, visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Snelling visited on Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ian Break and family.

— Mrs. Jim Hamilton



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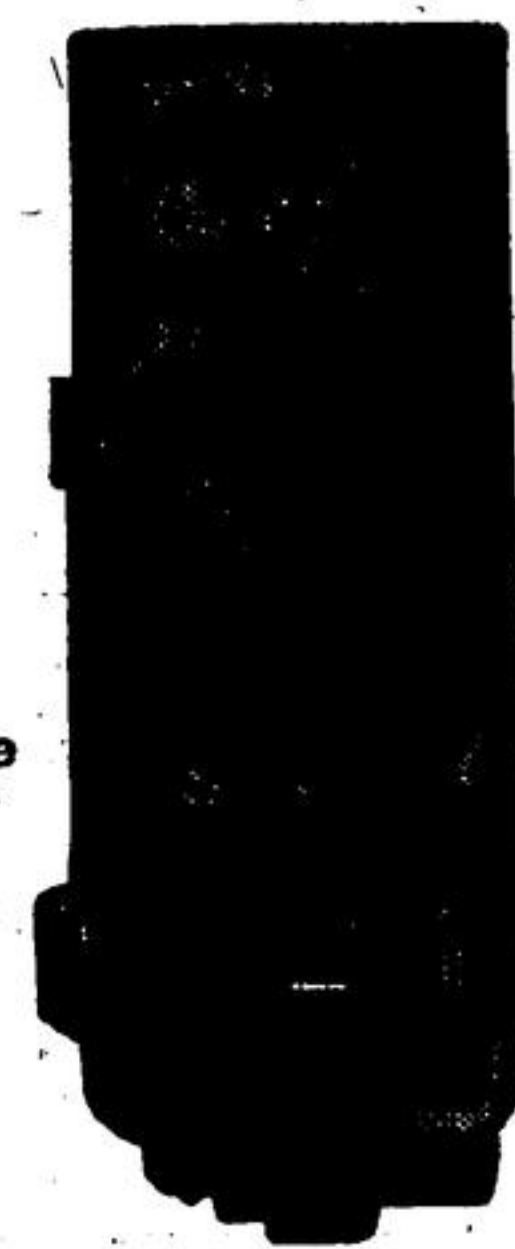
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