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## Challenges figures on Rockwood

Dear Sir:

Here I am again with another controversial letter. A gentleman, in a letter to the Mercury tried to throw cold water on our hoped-for and much needed water and sewers project in Rockwood. The writer is not being fair, and I doubt whether his figures are accurate. Some say he is away

The majority of people in Rockwood urgently need water and sewers. They want to live like other people and avoid disease. They are tired of septic tanks leaking into another man's basement, tired of proximity to out buildings which pollute our garden land, tired of germ-laden wells. They want

something better. We elect a township Council to do our business and they are a group of levelheaded men ready to work for the good of the people. They have the Waterworks Department of the Province of Ontario cooperating with them, and sharing the cost.

The writer was not so critical of the cost of the new school which many of us thought exorbitant. Everything is up-to-date in that sphere. The children in attendance walk on nice new sidewalks, while we oldsters step painfully over crushed stone. After all, we want something more than garbage collection and a school for our money.

He says there are 47 one-occupant homes here, but he doesn't say some of these are the finest residences in Rockwood. Personally, I trust our competent coun-cillors to do a good job, much needed.

Thanking you again for space, I am. Yours truly, Millicent Milroy,

Rockwood, Ont.

### Presentation to C. K. Browne

St. Louis, 63139, Mo. July, 18, 1970

To the Editor The Acton Free Press.

Dear Sir;

A clipping from your June 10th issue came to us in today's mail. It contains the story of C. K. Browne's 100th birthday.

It so happens that we know "C.K." very well, having met him or many Canadian Woodmen of the World Conventions. We belong to the "Omaha" Woodmen of the World and am president of the Missouri-Kansas jurisdiction.

Part of our work is to locate and reward unusual acts of fraternalism and deeds of good will performed by members and-or non members.

We located an antique "1914" vintage silver veterans honor button and along with a letter from our vice-president presented it to him.

> Fraternally yours. Albert F. Hucker

### Says township council inadequate

R.R. 1, Georgetown, Ont. July 25, 1970.

The Editor,

The Acton Free Press

Dear Sir. Esquesing township reeve George Currie, to nobody's surprise can't hear any noise from the dragstrip.

Investigating residents' complaints, he takes a drive "all over the area", presumably cups his ears and triumphantly declares, that the noise from the racing cars is really no worse than that of the trucks

"going up the Stewarttown hill".
His deputy, Tom Hill, on the other hand, must have heard the racket because he offers the singular advise to keep the noise "in" by putting an earth bank around the area, while Councillor Ken Marshall can't think of anything less cynical to say to a complainant than to remind him that the township is not protecting its residents. Sort of "Why don't you leave, if you don't like it

These then, residents of Esquesing township are your municipal politicians. These are the men entrusted by you to make decisions affecting the entire township! This council might have managed to represent the sons of the original settlers, for today's complex society these men are utterly and hopelessly inadequate.

We must make certain to elect an entirely new council for the coming term, a council fully aware of and able to deal with the aspects of modern times This new council must face the realities of the 70's, it must give us a zoning by-law, it must give us protection from speculators, in short, it must have the welfare of the people at heart.

The new council, moreover, will have to unroll the whole question of the dragstrip and will have to find an answer to the incredible decision of Mr. Currie and his cronles to allow the construction and consequent running of the dragstrip in the first place. It will have to dig into why Mr. Currie and company have been sitting on the township's holding by-law since last November.

Yours truly, Charles Hildebrandt.





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