

and father Lester clapped their hands and stamped their feet to a tune set by young

CLAP ALONG. Rud Whiting, his wife Anne cheerleaders, "If you're a Liberal and you know it, stamp your feet."

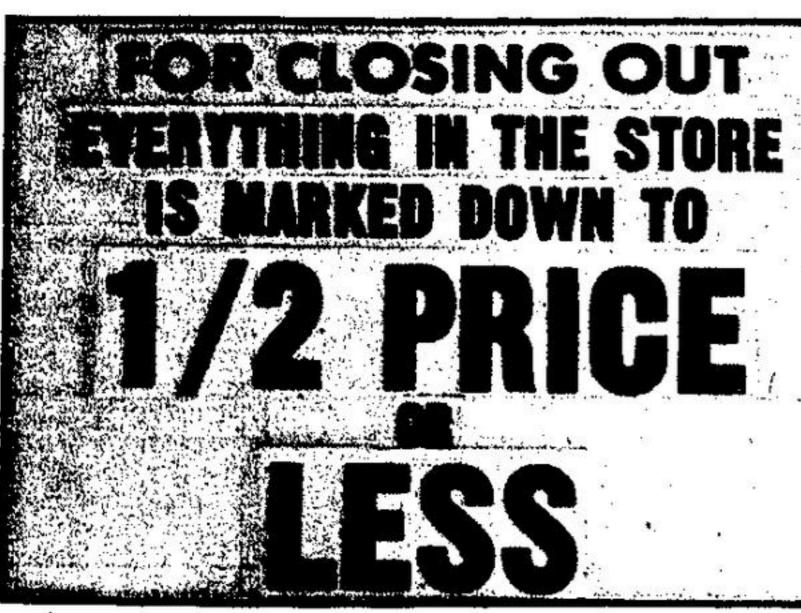


WITH A RAH RAH and a sis boom bah, pretty young girls cheered 500 Liberal partisans at

Rud Whiting's nomination meeting in Oakville.

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Cheering Liberals support Whiting

second term as Halton MP. The something," he added. incumbent was not challenged.

"standing room only" in the Galaxy Club in Oakville where Whiting.

The large crowd gathered at p.m. and was entertained by a Dixie band and about a dozen chanting cheerleaders who added color to the otherwise routine

Signs were posted throughout the hall that read "Whiting works for people". Whiting and guest speaker Bob Andras, who is Minister of Corporate and Consumer affairs, were paraded into the room. Little encouragement was given to anyone who had the idea of putting their name forth as a dark horse candidate.

Whiting and his cavalcade marched into the hall behind pipers, cheerleaders and the Dixie band after a representative from the Toronto and District Liberal Association had started to read the rules by which the nominating convention would be

March underway

During his speech Whiting predicted Liberals would start their march back to Ottawa from the prairies to Newfoundland. He suggested Canadians have the indisputable conviction that good leadership will continue.

"In 1963 the Pearson government took over and had the terrific task of removing debris of Tory mismanagement. Nine years of Liberal government has brought greater security and a place of dignity," Whiting said.

He said participatory democracy was never as great as it is now. Whiting disputed claims that backbenchers were ineffective and could not be heard by the Prime Minister or cabinet ministers.

Great freedom

"The Prime Minister and cabinet ministers will meet with private members any time. I'm amazed at the freedom to criticize we enjoy. It's not in the wheat," Deacon quipped. Whiting tradition to be a puppet. If being a puppet was the only way I could be a member of parliament, I'd get out of politics.

Andras agreed Whiting was no puppet and told Halton Liberals

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With overwhelming support their MP had haunted his office from 500 exuberant Liberals, Rud when he was Urban Affairs Whiting was nominated Tuesday Minister. "He worries about you night of last week to run for his and he worries us until we do

Andras suggested the choice of With the exception of a few leadership will be a key issue in seats in the front row, it was the campaign. He said the record should be examined and judged.

"Contrary to opposition Liberals crowded in to be part of forecasts of doom and disaster the official campaign kickoff for for the country, we have had good management," Andras said.

He agreed it hadn't been perfect but suggested it was remarkable under the circumstances. He reviewed the Quebec crisis and the steps taken to handle the fastest growing labor force in the world, and noted there had been 57 per cent more jobs provided in Canada than the United States.

Andras said inflation had been effectively controlled in Canada while other countries suffered heavily.

Terming the Liberals as the party of reform, Andras said the party was sandwiched between the Conservatives who charge Liberals as "Chicken Socialists" and the NDP who campaign against the Liberals on a

"corporate welfare bum" theme. are the party of reform, not revolution.

Dry lish, wet wheat

Liberal MP Wally Deacon spoke briefly and knocked what the PCs called a new team. He said one of the new team was Claude Wagner who was a loser when he ran against Bourassa for Liberal leadership of Quebec. He said Paul Hellyer lost to

Trudeau and then thought he'd try something new called Action Canada, and when that didn't work out there was nowhere else to go but to the Conscrvatives.

He noted Allan Lawrence, who moved from provincial to federal politics, had suffered a loss at the hands of Bill Davis when he ran for Ontario PC leadership. "They're all losers," he said.

Anti everything Deacon suggested the PCs

were still split, with some westerners supporting Diefenbaker, some Nova Scotlans supporting Stanfield and a number of other camps who were anti this, anti that and arti every-

"Sometimes I wonder why I'm in the House of Commons. All I hear about is dry fish and wet

Milton Mayor Brian Best spoke briefly, bringing greetings from the town. He suggested a Conservative friend had told him it was a pity Rud Whiting wasn't a Conservative. "That's the way they feel about Rud."

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At a press conference prior to the nomination meeting, Andras sald there was no immediate answer to the problem of high food costs. He indicated, however that wage and price controls were too drastic to be implemented on the basis of a two-

month trend. Touching on other issues, Andras said people could expect to see the competition act rise again. It was presented in draft form earlier.

Andras said there is still and remains a need for small businesses. He . indicated monopolies and big business tend to get sloppy if they don't have opposition.

Discussing incentive grants Andras said the chief purpose of the grants was to provide jobs by keeping companies in production-not corporate ripoffs.



"DID YA HEAR the one about . . ." Bob Andras and Rud Whiting share a joke at a press conference before Whiting's nomination meeting Tuesday night in Oakville. Whiting was acclaimed to again carry the Liberal banner in Halton.

opposed to this suggestion,"

Symmes told the commission.

"Nowhere in this province is the

expropriation of land not a large

The brief also charged that as

long as the province gives Hydro

right of way land on demand,

development of transmission

"Hydro's own magazine has

proclaimed that it is on the brink

of some major developments in

"anti-galloping devices which

will greatly increase the circuit

carrying capacity of a tower or

significantly reduce tower

leight, or both," Symmes pointed

Symmes said the Coalition has

never suggested that the whole

grid system should go under-

maintained undergrounding

should be used for short distances

where it will materially reduce

environmental impact or shorten

that it is too early to consider the

incorporation of sections of a high

capacity 500 KV proto-type cable

into our operating system,"

Symmes stated, "How far behind

we have to get before our utility

starts to consider technical ad-

Need co-operation

the days are long past when a

utility may plan in isolation the

most economical route

regardless of other effects. It

addeded that in Great Britain and

the U.S. there is wide co-

operation between utility,

government at all levels and the

people right from early planning

On the subject of the parkway

belt, Symmes said that if

government planners have not provided sufficient width to make

it feasible for Ontario Hydro,

Commenting on Hydro's previous submission to the

Solandt Commission, Symmes

charged that there was no proof a

corridor was needed beyond a

statement by their. own

Ontario's requirement for

electrical energy is growing fast and we concede that a grid

system is a practical method of

satisfying it," Symmes explained. "However, we do not agree

that a corridor such as Hydro

proposes, involving a 610 foot

wide swath with five towers

abreast up to 160 feet high is the only way of achieving this end, or

Symmes also claimed that

mature trees which protect

watersheds are being too rapidly

sacrificed and areas which are

subject to erosion and slow to develop new cover are being bull-

even a good way."

"We are fully aware that

they must provide more.

engineers.

The brief went on to say that

vances seriously?" he asked.

"The Hydro submission states

techniques will be returded.

Reject request regainst the Liberals on a corporate welfare burn' theme. "We don't want extremism. We are the party of reform, not the party of reform of the party of the party of

In a brief presented to the Solandt Commission in Toronto Monday, the Coalition of Concerned Citizens has asked that Ontario Hydro's application for what it calls "10,000 acres of prime Southern Ontario land" to construct its 500 KVA power transmission line from Pickering to Nanticoke be rejected.

The brief recommended that Ontario -Hydro be required to provide for its transmission capacity needs to the end of 1975 by upgrading or increasing the number of circuits on its existing rights of way and that the government set up an independent funded non partisan Environmental Council, charged with investigating and advising on the environmental planning of all major utility projects in the province.

Further recommendations made were that Hydro not be granted more than five years' requirements in rights of way at a time, that the parkway belt proposed in the Toronto-centred region plan be reconsidered as a site for the power line and that Hydro be required to cease advertising or restrict its messages to campaigns directed to reduce peaks in load.

Lee Symmes, chairman of the Coalition presented two-thirds of the six part brief, concentrating on major recommendations, comments on Hydro's sub-

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mission, system design considerations and conclusions and recommendations.

Women speak

Mrs. June Barnes, a resident of Lot 27, Con. 2 Nassagaweya spoke on the impact of the line on properties of historical interest and Mrs. Carol Davis reported findings of a study taken by concerned citizens in King township. A total of 30 citizens from Nassagaweya, Esquesing, Erin, Eramosa, Chinguncousy and King townships attended the hearing.

The brief, the first to be received by the Solandt Commission from a public group has been endorsed by Nassagaweya Council.

It stated six reasons why the ground, but that it has present Hydro application should be rejected, namely that Hydro has failed to show it has made use of its existing rights of way, that Hydro has failed to show that its the route. three proposed routes are the best, that Hydro has failed to show why they should be granted a separate single use corridor remote from the parkway belt, that Hydro has failed to show any one of its proposals has the theother utilities in the world do approval of all municipalities, that Hydro has failed to submit a reliable system and that Hydro has failed to submit an acceptable system design.

Mr. Symmes called an admission by an Ontario Hydro spokesman that some of its rights of way wouldn't win any prizes and were built in a time when most people were unconcerned about ecology and the environment, "quite valid", but reminded the commission "we are dealing with the requirement for the 80's with the skepticism of the 70's."

Emphatic reply

Symmes made an emphatic reply to a previous statement by a second Hydro spokesman that three single circuit lines are preferable in sections where they are adequate for ultimate requirements and where width of right of. way is not a large factor in selection of the route.

"We in the Coalition are vehemently and diametrically

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Among recommendations the brief made towards design of a transmission line were that corridors be limited to two towers abreast, that all towers have provision for more than one circuit, that lines generally follow the topography of the land, and that lines have frequent bends at major road crossings in order to avoid long visible tunnels.

To illustrate desired designs, Symmes showed slides of single standard towers now in use in the