

Pierre's performance praised, attacked at meet

Trudeaumania has become Trudeau-fobia, charged the Progressive Conservative candidate for Halton-Wentworth, Bill Kempling at a meet-the-candidate seminar at Fairview School, Lowville, last week.

Kempling, Liberal runner Norm McGuinness and NDP hopeful Dickson Bailey arrived at the school at almost the same time. The three men were on an open-line radio show in Hamilton and didn't reach the school until about 10 p.m.

All three candidates were allowed five minutes to deliver a speech outlining their beliefs and aspirations and tell why their particular party should form the next government in Ottawa.

The youngest of the three battlers, NDP'er Dickson Bailey, 25, delivered his political pitch first. "A local candidate should have a clear concept of his role," he suggested.

"An NDP government will provide more protection for the small businessman," he promised. Bailey also said there was a need for greater protection for Canada's export and manufacturing industries.

He knocked the Trudeau government for its lack of an employment policy. "Not since the Diefenbaker years has a government been so unwilling to come to grips with unemployment," he claimed.

Increased prices for clothes and housing, urban growth, and the need for a re-definition of what communities are all about, are key problems the next government will have to face, stated Bailey.

A hard hitting attack on Prime Minister Trudeau—his personality and governmental record—was launched by PC hopeful Bill Kempling.

"I've been talking to people every day and I've found this election comes down to personalities. My opponents get upset at this—they are saying I'm scraping the bottom of the barrel," Kempling pointed out.

Kempling said the public is becoming increasingly concerned with the arrogance of Prime Minister Trudeau. "People are asking 'What are we going to do with Trudeau?'; Trudeau-fobia has become Trudeau-fobia," he thundered.

The Liberal government is wooing the public with false images of "walking into the future through a field of clover," Kempling suggested.

He cited the example of the proposed name change for the R.C.M.P. as one example of how the Canadian public has been deceived by the Liberal government.

Deceived

"Solicitor General Pierre Goyer denied there would be a name change. But we now know that there are plans to change the R.C.M.P.'s name. It doesn't matter whether you're for the name change or not—the point is, we were deceived," reiterated Kempling.

Kempling also knocked Liberals who compare the Prime Minister to American president Richard Nixon because of both men's tours to foreign nations. "Comparing Trudeau to Nixon is like comparing Mickey Mouse to Angelo Mosca," he quipped.

"A double dose of gloom" was how the third speaker, Liberal candidate Norm McGuinness described Kempling's talk.

"What we've heard is the typical Tory platform—nothing to do with the future; just poor mouthing and belly-aching," snorted McGuinness.

Higher level

He also chided his Tory counterpart for dealing with personalities. "Personally I like to keep the campaign on a much higher level."

McGuinness said if the real issue in the election was to be based on party leaders, then a close look should be taken at the performance of the Prime Minister.

"This government has been the hardest working ever—passing at least 65 bills per session."

When the American government imposed the 10 per cent surcharge on imported goods, the "cool" nerve of the Trudeau government helped the Canadian dollar to remain stable, McGuinness told the audience.

"Measures were taken by the Trudeau administration to control the Canadian dollar, when John Corbin—in big Texas style—made a frontal attack on Canada," claimed the speaker.

Tax reform

Tax reform legislation, an economic growth which outpaces the U.S.A., laws for the protection of the environment, increased housing projects, and a willingness to listen, to the public were some of the accomplishments and by-products of the present Liberal government, McGuinness remarked.

Although the three political aspirants hammered away at a variety of issues, it appeared in a question and answer period which followed their talks, that economics and the tax structure were the main topics of concern

to the North Burlington audience. A Guelph Line resident Eric Gudgeon wanted to know why secondary manufacturing hadn't increased with the Gross National Product.

Kempling said Canada has a "balance of payment problem", caused by purchasing other nations' finished products with our raw materials.

Part of the problem is because service industries are Canada's fastest growing concern, observed McGuinness. When Gudgeon seemed skeptical, McGuinness retorted, "don't nod your head. It's a fact."

Branch plant economy

"We also have a branch plant economy which doesn't have access to markets," was another reason why secondary manufacturing was behind the economic measuring stick, he pointed out.

McGuinness also said Canada suffers at the hands of the "multi-national corporation"; and that every nation would have to come to grips with it.

When the audience seemed to knock this observation, he stated that "The General Motors Corporation has a larger Gross National Product than most nations. The multi-national corporation looks at a global market."

Stronger controls and aid to industries would be pushed for by the Liberal government if it were returned, noted the speaker.

McGuinness, who tended to take more time to answer questions than his combatants, apologized for getting on a "soapbox".

"But these are things I feel strongly about," he explained.

Lifted

Many of his proposals were lifted from the New Democratic Party's platform, Bailey quipped. "Some of what the NDP has been advocating has had some effect. It's very fine to hear these comments expressed."

The term "corporate welfare bum" coined by NDP leader David Lewis, was brought up during the night, when Gudgeon

switched his questioning from aid to industries to the status of unions.

"Your party has talked about corporate burns; would it force unions to pay taxes on their investments and to keep their money in Canada?" he asked Bailey.

Somewhat hesitantly, Bailey said the NDP would push for greater economic controls on unions, but added that unions were not businesses.

His remarks brought hoots and derisive laughter from the audience. Gudgeon retorted with, "oh yes they are" and Kempling agreed with him.

While economic matters dominated most of the night's discussion, two questions dealing with other issues were brought into focus by a Kilbride man, Tom Patience.

Death penalty

Patience asked the guests how they would vote on re-establishment on the continued ban on capital punishment, which he considered a key election issue.

Kempling said he would probably vote for the restoration of hanging, while McGuinness said the matter would have to be studied. Bailey said he would vote against the re-establishment of the death penalty.

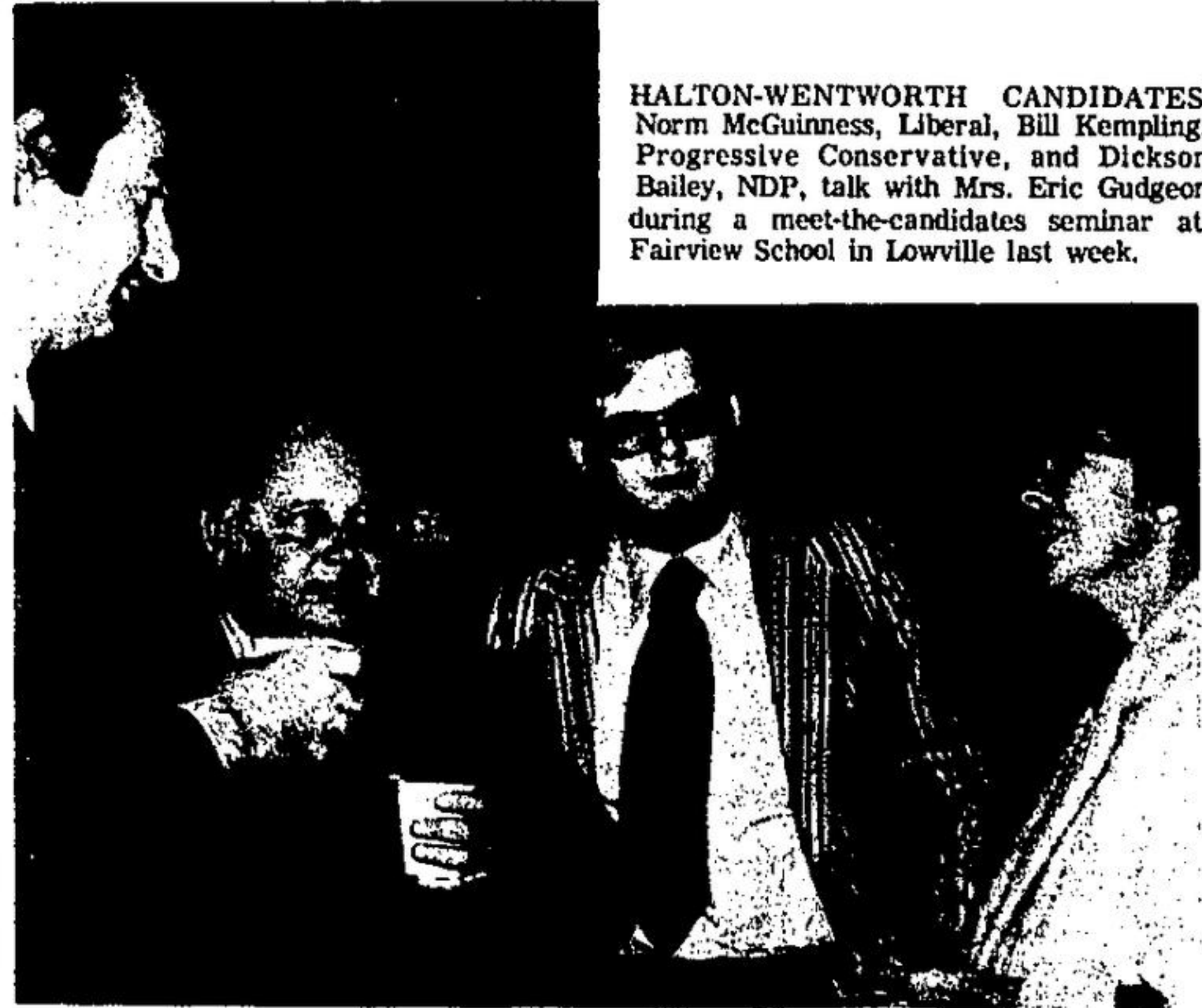
Patience's second question started a somewhat heated municipal debate which took the spotlight temporarily off the three guests.

Patience asked the delegates how their respective parties would deal with recent requests by Bell Canada to increase telephone rates. Patience said many people in the North Burlington area were forced to share party lines with 15 neighbors.

Increased rates

Bailey said the NDP was against increased rates; while Kempling said North Burlington residents should push for better service, and that Bell would have to have a good case before it would be allowed to raise charges. McGuinness admitted he didn't know how he would vote.

After the three political hopefuls had declared their position, Mrs. Ella Foote, who is the councillor for North Burlington (Ward 3) stood up. "I don't know of any line (telephone line) in the north with 15 people on it," she quipped.



HALTON-WENTWORTH CANDIDATES Norm McGuinness, Liberal, Bill Kempling, Progressive Conservative, and Dickson Bailey, NDP, talk with Mrs. Eric Gudgeon during a meet-the-candidates seminar at Fairview School in Lowville last week.

Council opposes delay on garage

Although considerable opposition was expressed, Halton County Council has agreed to ask the contractor to begin work on the new county garage this year with the understanding no ballings would be made until 1973. No work can be done until the OMB approval of the rezoning from the Town of Oakville goes through.

The garage has been a subject of debate at the county level for two years now and regional government talks have successfully forced the county to back off from any positive action with regard to the garage. It is to be located on Steeles Ave. east of Milton.

Oakville Reeve Allan Masson and his deputy Harry Barrett agreed the garage shouldn't be constructed until something was known definitely about regional government.

Resolution

Masson said he had moved a resolution and had it passed earlier to the effect the garage should be delayed until concrete action on regional government was taken. "I don't even know why it was on the agenda this month," he said.

Roads chairman Don McMillan of Nassagaweya corrected Masson and said his resolution in

September simply deferred the matter for consideration in October.

McMillan said those at the roads meeting in October felt the garage should be proceeded with in the near future instead of delayed continuously. "Regional government or not, there will still be roads and they have to be taken care of, and the current facilities are not adequate."

Ask extension

McMillan indicated the roads committee's chief interest wasn't in getting work started necessarily, but in finding out if the contractor would extend his contract for another month or two.

A motion to have the resolution deleted was defeated.

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NASSAGAWEYA Notice to Property Owners and Tenants Corrections to the Census List

The Assessment Office for the Province of Ontario has submitted the Annual Census List (Alpha Names List) and it has been posted on October 19th, 1972, in the Office of the Clerk at the Municipal Offices, R.R. No. 1, Campbellville (in the Hamlet of Brookville) for inspection.

Residents and property owners are requested to examine this List to ensure that their names and relevant information are correctly shown therein.

Attention is drawn to the necessity to complete the required form, available at the Office of the Clerk, respecting an Application for Alteration of School Support Entry.

All requests for additions, corrections or deletions from the List will be received by the Clerk at the Municipal Offices, above mentioned, commencing on Friday, October 20th, 1972, through to Tuesday, October 31st, 1972, from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., excluding Saturdays and Sundays.

The last day for filing forms requesting additions or corrections to or deletions from the List will be Tuesday, October 31st, 1972, at 5:00 P.M.

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"I know of six," Patience stated.

Sharpen up

One man in the audience who said he was a Bell employee, claimed the maximum number of people on one line was 10. "If some people would sharpen up, they'd receive better service," he admonished.

Brad Clements, President of the Upper Burlington Citizens Forum told the crowd they were "discussing something which was more of a local issue."

While Kempling, McGuinness and Bailey had clashed on numerous occasions, they supported each other when one member of the audience claimed they were shying away from one of the main issues in the election.

Olympics

Jeff Jewell asked why the question of the cost of bringing the 1976 Olympics to Canada had not been brought up, "when it will cost \$500,000." He also asked why Montreal will be the host city and not Toronto.

Kempling said "there are so many election issues" it was hard to talk about them all. The other two men backed him up. All three rejected Jewell's suggestion their parties were afraid to discuss the Olympics because it could turn into a French-Canada versus English-Canada clash.

At about 11:15 p.m. the formal part of the evening was drawn to a close. The candidates mingled with the audience and held informal talks for about another half hour.



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