

Clients are people to town's newest lawyer

Michael Heller, Acton's newest lawyer, has a lot to give his clients and plans to give them his all.

Called to the bar on April 13, Mr. Heller has already set up his own practice in Acton and Brampton. He is in partnership with Frank Weinstock, a university and Osgoode Hall classmate. Heller and Weinstock, Barristers, Solicitors, Notaries are now taking clients.

It has been a long road for Mr. Heller, but he feels the obstacles he had to endure to get to where he is will make him a better lawyer. He will better understand the feelings of some of his clients because he himself has been placed in the same situation.

A native of Toronto, Mr. Heller found high school was getting him nowhere and decided to quit. He travelled extensively throughout North America. When ready to settle down, he got a job in a small store. From there he worked his way up through larger and larger stores and found himself with a good position. In the meantime, he was married to the daughter of a very successful lawyer.

It had always been Mr. Heller's goal to become a lawyer, but when he left high school, the goal faded away. However, seven years after he left, he decided he was going to return to school and achieve his goal. He knew he did not want to work in retail

sales—he wanted to be a lawyer. Because of this decision, however, his marriage began to fall apart, and eventually ended in divorce. Mr. Heller admits he gave a lot away to become a lawyer, but has never regretted it. He explained that by now, had he continued on the same route, he would probably own a few of his own stores, and have a very good income. His wife's family was wealthy.

Entering York University as a mature student, Mr. Heller earned straight "A's", and found himself in Osgoode Law school two years later. After graduating from there, he articulated with the Attorney General's office, seconded to the Ministry of Consumer of Commercial Relations in Toronto for the first six months, and the Crown Attorney's office in Milton for the second.

It was while attending law school that Mr. Heller met his second wife Barb. Without her, he says, he would never have made it through school and to the position he is now in. "I would not be where I am today if not for her support financially and morally," Mr. Heller is busy in his Brampton office during the day, and available in Acton evenings and weekends. This could change however, if business becomes so great that it demands a full time person in the town. He is also available to Acton people during the day if they need him. He arranged this schedule because he feels most of the people in town work during the day. Older lawyers have told him he will not be able to keep up the pace of day and night for long and will want his own life. "This is my life though", he said. "I chose it, and I want it."

Mr. Heller explained that when he has to go into a jail to talk to a young client who has dropped out of school and got into trouble, he explains to him that just because the client did not finish, it does not mean a life of crime is the only direction to take. Mr. Heller explains to them that he also left school, and he has "made it" in the world. In the cases of divorces or separations, he explains, he understands the anguish and sometimes frustrations of his client. He feels he can give these people better service because he knows exactly what they are feeling.

The young lawyer doesn't think he will be too popular with other lawyers in the province. He explained he is a perfectionist, and carries this trait into his career. He intends to make waves with other lawyers and will not take the easy way, but will take the right way. He explained many lawyers, especially in large law firms in cities, never see their clients, who are just numbers, not faces. They will do cases quickly in order to get to the next case and the next dollar.

"I demand a higher standard from myself than

from anyone else," he stated. "and will not be satisfied with doing half a job."

Mr. Heller said he is looking forward to his practice in Acton. He explained he feels there is good competition in the town and hopes he can become as well respected as the other lawyers.

Partner Frank Weinstock, who is also an engineer, mainly handles the real estate and small corporate business, while Mr. Heller handles the matrimonial law (divorce, separation, marriage contracts, adoption, etc.) and civil and criminal litigation. However, each keeps his partner aware of what cases he is working on in case one is not in the office when a client comes in. By working together, Mr. Weinstock could speak to Mr. Heller's client, instead of that person making a wasted trip to the office. "In some instances," Mr. Heller said, "the person just wants to talk, and we are here to

listen."

The Acton resident explained that "The bottom of the line for a lawyer is service—the most important thing to offer is service and he has to care." Mr. Heller, stated he turned down a job with a successful firm because he wanted to know

his clients, and not their file number.

Mr. Heller and his wife lived in Acton for three years and intend to stay here. Even if they decide to build a larger home, he said, it will be in the Acton area. He wants to give the town the same fine service it has given to him.



MICHAEL HELLER has opened up a law practice in Acton and Brampton. He is in partnership with Frank Weinstock and they are in a position to serve clients from Toronto to Guelph.

Pastor Renwick ordained tonight

Pastor Brian Renwick of the Evangel Tabernacle will be ordained tonight (Wednesday) in Brampton.

The district executive will take part in the ordination of the young man.

Pastor Renwick attended Eastern Pentecostal Bible College in Peterborough for three years. He received his public and high school training in Mitchell, a small town not far from the small

Degree awarded

A former minister of Knox church, the Rev. R. Forbes Thomson, was honored with the degree of Doctor of Divinity at the 134th convocation of Knox college, Toronto.

Mr. Thomson is now the minister of St. Andrew's church in Guelph. He was minister here from 1942 until 1946 and is fondly remembered by parishioners as well as the men who were members of his scout troop then.

Convocation was Tuesday, May 2, and members of his Guelph congregation went by bus to attend. The convocation speaker was the Rev. Dr. Peter Richardson who recently came to Toronto from Montreal to become principal of one of the arts colleges of the university, University College. He is a graduate of Knox college.

Canvassers ready to go

The monthly meeting of L'Arche Auxiliary For The Mentally Retarded was held at the home of Pat Jackson, R.R. 3, Acton.

The secretary Lynda Paul and treasurer, Ruby Lausten gave their reports along with the correspondence secretary, Pat Jackson.

Final plans for the annual "Flowers of Hope" campaign were finalized and canvassers will be ready to begin the week of May 14 to 20th.

Workshop cancelled

The animation film workshop at the library had to be cancelled last Saturday, May 6. The technician who was instructing the course could not attend due to illness.

Organizers reported a god turnout at the pre-registration session held earlier for the workshop. The course has been postponed indefinitely and may be fun during the summer months.

Golden Age meet

The regular afternoon meeting of the Golden Age club was held on May 3. The meeting was opened by Mr. Davidson having all join in singing O Canada followed by the theme song.

Mrs. Betty Cole and friend were there to give a talk on conservation so Bert turned the meeting over to them. First they showed a movie followed by a short talk. They also had pamphlets for members to take and read.

Reading and motion on the secretary's report was given by Jean Precious, seconded by Mrs. McIntyre. Treasurer's report was read and moved by Lena Mann, seconded by C. Leishman. Moved by Les Graham and seconded by Anne Berry that Mrs. Cutts be given money for cards and stamps. Harry Beasley and John Watkins offered to take care of the tickets on the picture.

Greta Perkins arranged the baking which was to be in the store by 9 a.m. May 5.

On Friday, May 5, a very successful bake sale was held despite the weather. The picture was drawn for and went to Mrs. Lou Fountain of Gore's Landing. Thanks to Mr. Dawe for the use of his office for the bake sale.

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