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## Municipal Elections And Nominations In Other Centres

### Some Municipalities Have Not Enough and Others Have Elector's Choice

Following are some Municipal Nominations in centres where Nominations are held early and in which many of our readers will be interested.

**Acton**

With three nominations for the Reeve's chair, all withdrew and accorded Reeve J. M. McDonald an acclamation. Of 17 Councillors nominated, five are contesting the four seats, W. J. O. Oakes, J. H. Boulton, J. H. Creighton, Harry Ware and J. F. Davison. There are two contestants for Public Utilities Commission, J. Robert MacArthur, present Chairman and J. B. Chalmers. School Board elected by acclamation were: F. S. Blow, V. B. Rumley and N. Baird.

**Georgetown**

Mayor Harold Cleaves and former Mayor Jos. Gibbons are contesting the Mayoralty in Georgetown. There is also an election in Ward 3 for Council with T. L. Lyons, S. W. Orr and James Goodlet contesting the election for two Council seats.

**Burlington**

Burlington will have an election for Mayor and Council next Monday, as a result of qualifications signed on Saturday evening. Mayor J. Gordon Blair is seeking his sixth term and will be opposed by Reeve John Blair, who has been Reeve for the past six years. Nine nominees qualified for Council and six of them are to be elected. Those qualifying were: A. P. Cadeau, Dr. W. G. Fraser, E. R. Leather, Chas. Palmer and John Wilkinson of last year's council and Rollo Busby, Richard Emerson, Robt. Mozham and Russell Stackhouse, new men seeking office.

Norman Craig moved up from the Deputy Reeveship to Reeve and was given an acclamation for that office. Councillor E. W. Smith, a member of the council for eight years, was elected as Deputy Reeve by acclamation also.

Dr. J. G. Walker and Newton Ghent members of the public school board, and Austin Fitzpatrick, a new man, were elected by acclamation as school trustees. Fred Ross was re-elected as Water Commissioner.

**Nelson Township**

At the nomination meeting held in the Township Hall on Friday afternoon, all the offices were filled by acclamation, as follows: Reeve, W. J. Robertson; Deputy-Reeve, Mrs. Mary Pettit; Councillors, Elmer C. Foster, Wm. Dales and Hylton Long. School Area Board trustees: W. L. Smith, W. E. Breckon, and Charles Readhead. Mrs. Mary Pettit was nominated for the office of Reeve, and Elmer Foster, Deputy-Reeve, but they both withdrew.

**Eramosa Township**

Two of last year's councillors are contesting the new deputy reeve's office in Eramosa. W. J. Pinkney and Roy I. Leslie qualified for the position. Five men, including Councillors Ernest Benham and Joseph R. Rutherford, are seeking the three council seats. The other candidates are Thomas G. Hutchinson, Fred L. Cox and Hugh Sampson. The reeve, D. D. Gray, was re-elected by acclamation.

**Peel Township**

Peel Township saw a former reeve, John O'Donnell, stand against the sitting deputy reeve, John McNabb for that office, and a former reeve and warden of the county, Robert Ritch, entering the contest for a council seat against the sitting councillors Rilett Cherry, Wesley Fletcher, and Charles Starr. Reeve W. A. Walker was re-elected by acclamation.

**Erin Township and Erin Village**

With insufficient candidates qualified to fill the vacancies, new elections must be called in both Erin Village and Erin Township. The village still needs one councillor, while the township is in the same position.

In Erin Township, only Reeve Edgar Huxley qualified for that position, the other two nominees refusing to cause an election. Arthur Swackhamer was re-elected deputy reeve when none of the other three nominees ran against him. Goldwin Burt and Robert Kirkwood were returned to the council.

In Erin village, Councillor G. Corbett, E. Teeter and J. Justice were re-elected by acclamation, with one seat still to be filled. Reeve Roy Ferguson had been returned by acclamation on nomination day.

### NO LONGER RATIONED

Sorghum molassess, sorghum syrup, apple butter and maraschino cherries have been removed from the list of rationed commodities requiring D coupons.

## Officers Elected at Annual Meeting Halton C. C. F.

The Annual Meeting of the C.C.F. Halton Riding was held in the Milton Town Hall on Friday, November 24th. Carlyle C. Brown, federal C.C.F. candidate addressed the meeting.

He spoke of the encouraging number of new members of the movement. In reviewing recent events of world importance, he dwelt at some length on the re-election of President Roosevelt in the States. With seventy per cent. of the press against him, he had again become the head of a great nation because of the will of the people. This power of the people is one of the most significant and rapid growths in the world to-day.

Touching on the conscription issue so much in the eye of Canadians, Mr. Brown reviewed some of his own experiences in World War I. Some of the conditions of our boys at the present front was contrasted vividly with those of Mr. Brown's experience when they were constantly relieved by fresh men. Answering a question, the candidate said that until the whole financial system of Canada is overhauled the money given to soldiers for rehabilitation was very likely to find its way into the clutches of mortgage companies. That the C.C.F. will protect the returned soldier by reconstructing the financial world is one of the first intentions of the C.C.F.

An election of officers took place, the President, Mr. Robert Duncan, who was chairman of the meeting being retained in office. Mr. Duncan spoke briefly, but constructively on the plans for the Halton Riding. Only by sacrifice of time, money and whole hearted effort can we hope to win the next election, he said. Other officers were: Vice-President, S. Elliot; Second Vice-President, J. Adamson. The Secretary, Dorothy MacDonald, was re-elected.

### O. C. R. A. ANNUAL MEETING TO BE HELD IN HALTON

The Annual Meeting of Zone 2 of the Ontario Conservation & Reforestation Association will be held in the Palermo Community Hall, on Thursday, December 14th, states Warden Howard May. This meeting which is open to the public will also bring delegates from seven counties in the districts as well as representatives of the Ontario Forestry and Agricultural departments.

It is expected that Dr. G. I. Christie of the O.A.C. will be the guest speaker at the noonday luncheon which is being catered by the ladies of the Palermo W. I. The gathering this year is being sponsored by the Committee on Agriculture and Reforestration of the Halton County Council, and with conservation a vital problem demanding immediate action, it is anticipated that many Halton folk both rural and urban, will be anxious to avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing some of the Province's outsanding conservation leaders.

### BOY SCOUTS ARE WORKING FOR THEIR NEW UNIFORMS

In order to have a Cub Pack or Scout Troop take pride in its neatness and general appearance, it is necessary that every boy should have a proper uniform. It is definitely understood in Scouting that each boy should earn his uniform and not receive it as a gift from his parent or from the Group Committee. Sometimes a boy finds it difficult to obtain the funds to purchase a uniform, with the result that he may not enter Scouting or he may leave the organization after he has only been in it a short time.

The leaders of Milton Pack and Troop have considered the matter of uniforms at some length and decided that if the boys collect newspapers, magazines and cardboard, they can obtain sufficient funds to purchase their uniforms and at the same time perform a worth while war service. Mayor Dawson has kindy agreed to permit the boys to store whatever salvage they collect in a part of his garage and other persons in Town have agreed to loan their trucks once a month to assist in the collections. In view of the interests shown by the boys and the kind assistance of citizens who have made the collections possible, the leaders have arranged to make a monthly collection of clean newspapers, magazines and carboard.

It has been arranged that the next collection will be held on Saturday afternoon, December 2nd. Will you please try to help the boys by having your newspapers, magazines and cardboard tied in bundles and easily available for collection. If you wish any information about the collection, please telephone Jim Bell 89r2 as he is in charge of the work.

## Halton Member Gave Ottawa Report On Friday Night

### Hughes Cleaver Used Radio to Get Message to Constituency on Last Week's Features

I am very grateful to this station for this opportunity of at once reporting to my constituents that their wishes have been fully granted and that adequate re-inforcements for our troops have been at once provided.

The House of Commons held a short sitting on Wednesday of this week to decide the manner in which we would proceed. It was then decided that on Thursday our Minister of National Defence, General McNaughton would make as full and as complete a report to the House as was possible at an open session. In time of war there are some matters which for security reasons cannot be publicly discussed. The Prime Minister announced that General McNaughton would at the conclusion of his address answer questions and further that if the House desired it General McNaughton would make additional disclosures of a confidential nature to a secret session.

At the end of the short session held on Wednesday a Caucus was held of the Liberal members and again on Thursday before the opening of the House. At the opening of the House on Thursday afternoon the Prime Minister announced that an Order-in-Council had been passed conscripting a sufficient number of the infantry trained draftees for overseas service to secure adequate re-inforcements for our Overseas Army.

General McNaughton appeared before the House and gave a complete report of the entire situation stressing particularly the problem of re-inforcements. He stated that 16,000 infantry trained draftees were required and will be sent overseas. Transportation has been arranged and 5,000 of these men will be sent over in December; another 5,000 in January and the remaining balance of 6,000 at the rate of 2,000 monthly thereafter. He stated that in addition to these draftees substantial numbers of men already in General Service were being re-mustered and trained for infantry both in Great Britain and Canada and would be sent overseas. He stated postitively that the present arrangements would provide adequate re-inforcements for all the branches of the army down until next May and that this time the casualty forecasts had been revised upward in the light of information gained from actual battle experience.

General McNaughton explained to the House that the estimates of army casualties which would occur had proven to be quite adequate as to the overall picture and that the total re-inforcement pool overseas was even now quite satisfactory but he said that infantry casualties had greatly exceeded the estimates. The infantry units represent only about one-fifth of our overseas strength. This small but very important part of the Canadian Army has been assigned extremely important and perilous tasks which have been performed with heroic bravery but at a great price in human lives. As a result the re-enforcement pool as to infantry will be depleted by the end of December or early in January. It was too late to remuster and train other already in the forces for the purpose and the only available men sufficiently trained as infantry, were 16,000 infantry trained draftees. General McNaughton and the Prime Minister made an earnest appeal to these men to go active. They did not respond so we have conscripted them.

While I have always favored the voluntary system for the recruitment of both men and money I stated at the outbreak of war and re-affirmed at the time of the plebiscite vote that if the voluntary system should ever prove inadequate I would support conscription. No matter who is to blame for it the emergency has arisen. Conscription has become necessary and I have carried out my pledge. I have always held the belief that human lives are much more sacred than money. I have always stated that I would vote for the conscription of money in priority to the conscription of men and I still hold this view very firmly. If there had been any faltering in any of the Victory Loan campaigns I would not have hesitated for a moment to vote for the conscription of wealth but in this regard there has been no falterings. As to the present re-enforcement crisis I had to choose between failure to send adequate re-enforcements overseas in time and conscription. I believe the choice which has been made is the correct one. I should add however that their is a distinct difference between conscription where it is necessary and con-

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## THIS WEEK

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TORONTO (CP)—The biggest news in many months for Ontario's municipalities broke with Premier Drew's announcement that the government will assume 50 per cent of the gross cost of provincial education in 1945.

The premier made his announcement in an address before the Public School Trustees and Ratepayers Association at Toronto. He said that on December 15 the government will send out notices to school boards explaining the system under which the province will share half the education costs. Queen's Park authorities estimated the step would cost the government between $21,000,000 and $22-000,000.

Mr. Drew did not discuss the details but he did say that "the amount to be paid to each school board will assure as far as possible equality of opportunity throughoht the whole of Ontario."

Ontario has 5,827 school boards, hardly any two of which have exactly the same local system and there is wide diversity in assessments in the various localities. The Premier said these factors made it difficult for the government to take its share-the-cost action, but he added the method to be adopted will recognize the wide variations in the financial positions of the many communities.

Mr. Drew reviewed the reorganization of the department of education, of which he is minister. He said that "far-reaching results" have been achieved and mentioned introduction of religious education in the schools. He added, however, that in this connection there was no thought of having anything in the nature of denominational teaching.

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Ontario's Minister of Planning and Development, Dana Porter, believes the most useful planning in the future will be done by local bodies such as county and municipal councils. In an address to the York County Council at Toronto, Mr. Porter urged that all municipal and county bodies plan their public works needs for 10 years ahead, deferring all but the most necessary during times of full employment to provide a backlog of work for any possible depression periods.

The Ontario Association of Real Estate Board believes such a backlog of work already exists in Ontario. Meeting at Toronto the Association endorsed a resolution saying there is ample backlog of essential work in the province's municipalities to absorb all available materials and labor for a considerable time after the war and that luxury spending now would only delay necessary works and unnecessarily increase civic debts and tax rates.

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One of Canada's leading industrialists and a former lieutenant governor of Ontario, Col. Henry (Harry) Cockshutt died at Brantford November 26. He was 76, headed the Cockshutt Plow Company enterprises and was regarded as the dean of the agricultural industry in Canada. Col. Cockshutt was chancellor of the University of Western Ontario at the time of his death.

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The "Shut-in-Pals Club" has lost its president. Mrs. Ruby Sheppard "Tiny" Cawley, an invalid whose discovery 16 years ago that she could write led to the formation of the organization now numbering 5,000 invalids, died at Toronto, Nov. 21. She was 46. Mrs. Gawley was so crippled that she couldn't feed herself but she found that she could write if a pen were placed in her hands. So she began writing cheery letters to other shut-ins. After formation of the "club" she arranged and supervised annual picnics for club members and saw that incapacitated persons were able to enjoy the circus when it came to town.

### THOMPSON-STOKES WEDDING AT THE RECTORY IN MILTON

A quiet wedding was solemnized by the Rev. S. A. Kirk at the Rectory of Grace Anglican Church, Milton, on Saturday, November 25th, 1944 when Anna Mary Stokes, younger daughter of Mrs. Stokes and the late Joseph Stokes, of Campbellville was united in holy matrimony to Thomas Gordon Thompson, son of Robert Thompson and the late Mrs. Thompson of Lowville.

The bride wearing a dress of blue crepe with black accessories was attended by her sister, Mrs. Margaret Stokes of Campbellville who wore a dress of orchid wool with black accessories and a corsage of talisman roses and fern.

The groom was attended by his cousin, Mr. Victor Thompson of Hamilton.

After a short wedding trip to Northern Ontario, the happy couple will reside at Lowville.

## Fine Representation At Annual Meeting District Fairs

### Mr. J. A. Carroll Addressed the Meeting at Brampton on Saturday

The annual meeting of the Agricultural Societies of District No. 5 was held in the office of the Department of Agriculture, Brampton, on Saturday, November 25th, with a fine representative attendance, well over fifty. Mr. E. M. Readhead, District Director was in charge and Mr. J. Cooney, Orangeville, secretary.

Reports were received from the secretary's of the following ten fairs: Brampton, Orangeville, Georgetown, Woodbridge, Acton, Streetsville, Beeton, Cooksville, Markham and Milton.

Mr. Bruce Beer, District Representative of Feel spoke on "Cattle Field Days" stressing the fact that the Fair Boards are strengthened by the local Breed Directors, who support their different breeds in a very efficient way. Vigorous leadership is given these clubs and the work is well advertised from the spring on, consequently there are increased numbers of cattle, more exhibitors, keener competition and outstanding quality.

Mr. Doug. Findley, President of Orangeville Fair, substituted for J. W. Pawley, speaking on "Small Fair Management." He gave the points which he considered made their own fair a well planned, successful show.

Fair Management from the secretary's viewpoint was ably handled by Mr. G. McGilvray, secretary of Georgetown Fair. He emphasized that prize lists should be kept up to date adding more classes in some sections, advertise all the year round and get in personal touch with your exhibitors.

Mrs. Harold Marshall, Lady Representative, Orangeville, gave a talk on "How to Increase Women's Work." She stressed knowing your district and revising your prize list early to suit the district and interesting your women by having a meeting of the exhibitors with the directors. She outlined several new suggestions.

Mr. Victor Hall, President of the Streetsville Fair added his views on "How to Improve our Exhibits." Everyone has something to show and if encouraged would show it.

The Junior work was taken up by Mr. N. G. Wallace, Woodbridge, who urged all fair boards to win your children early and in the years following they will continue to uphold the fair.

Mr. R. H. Crosby, Secretary of the Markham Fair spoke on "Field Crops."

Mr. J. A. Carroll, superintendent of Fall Fairs, Toronto, addressed the gathering on "Fairs in General." He attended eight fairs in this District this year, and stated there had been 229 fairs in Ontario in 1944 and 27 Fairs on one day.

Two fairs celebrated their centennial in 1944, and special programs were arranged; nine more fairs are to receive this recognition in 1945.

Mr. Carroll urged fairs to expand Art; to encourage hobbies, especially for boys and girls; to have handicraft exhibits which will be a new feature for many. He congratulated the District Director on his fine selection of speakers and splendid meeting.

In the election of officers for 1945, the District Director is to be appointed later. Mrs. McKinney of Brampton is the new Lady Representative.

### HALTON POLICE OFFICERS FORM COUNTY ORGANIZATION

Lee J. Smith, Burlington chief constable, was elected president of Halton County Police Association at the initial meeting in Milton Thursday night. Other officers are: Vice-President, Chief Frank McNiven, Milton; Secretary, Chief John Derry, Oakville. Board of directors: Chief William Marshall, Georgetown; Chief E. E. Harrop, Acton; Constables Thomas Hall, Burlington; Harvey Hunt, Nelson and P. Devonish, Oakville.

The new association will now become affiliated with the Ontario Police Association, Chief Smith said.

## Speed Lodge Guests of Masonic Lodge in Milton

St. Clair Masonic Lodge was host to about 75 visitors on Wednesday evening of last week when they entertained Speed Lodge of Guelph. Guest speaker on this occasion was Mr. Ken Greenaway, Governor of Kiwanis in Ontario. R. W. Bro. T. E. Green D.D.G.M. of Wellngton District was among the distinguished visitors on this occasion.

The visiting Masonic Lodge conferred degrees in the Lodge and the choir of the Lodge gave some very good musical numbers.

## Procedure taken for Halton Children's Aid Society

Proceedings were taken at a meeting in Milton last week that will dissolve the present Peel and Halton Children's Aid Society and formulate a Halton Children's Aid Society. The two counties will act independently in this work when the arrangements are completed. Further steps will be taken at a meeting of the new board in Milton next Tuesday evening.

Mr. Amos Mason, Acton, was chosen President of the new society and Rev. J. B. Moore of Milton, Vice-President. Mr. G. F. Thompson was chosen Secretary; Miss E. Anderson, Treasurer. The Halton Board is made up of sixteen members, two representatives from each of the five towns one from each township and two representatives from County Council.

The first Board comprises the following: Acton, A. Mason and G. A. Dills; Burlington, Mrs. W. A. Weaver and A. D. Pelleren; Georgetown, D. Reid and Mr. Deans; Milton, Mrs. M. Nixon and Rev. J. B. Moore; Oakville Mrs. F. Pullen and Mrs. R. H. Archibald; Esquesing, Mr. E. Harrop; Nassagaweya, Mr. E. Mahon; Nelson, Mrs. Mary Pettit; Trafalgar, Mr. Victor Hall; County Council Norman Gilbert, J. M. Campbell.

Mrs. Hood, president of the Peel and Halton Children's Aid Society presided and conducted the meeting and Mr. Geo. Elliott of Milton presented the new by-laws and other legal steps in dissolving the former society and forming a Halton Society.

## Events Just Ahead

Announcements of Meetings, Concerts, or Other Events, under this heading, are charged, 10 cents per line, average 6 words to line, with a minimum charge for any announcement of 25c.

Milton High School Commencement, November 30 and December 1.

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Dance, Oddfellow's Hall, Milton, on December 1st, Bloomsbury Orchestra. Admission 40c.

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John Milton Chapter I.O.D.E. will meet at the home of Mrs. G. King on Thursday, December 7th, at 8 p.m.

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There will be a sale of all sorts of Christmas gifts at the Red Cross Tea in the Legion Hall on Saturday, December 16th.

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The Canadian Club of Milton, Milton Inn, Friday, December 15th. (note change of date), guest speaker, S/L Rev. Gordon W. Porter.

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The December meeting of the Scotch Block W. I. will be held at the home of Mrs. D. McGibbon, Thursday, December 14th.

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Ash Literary are holding a Euchre and Dance at Ash School, Friday, December 8th at 9 p.m. Music by Thomas and Mary Joyce.

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Quatre Bras School, S. S. No. 2, Esquesing will hold their Christmas Concert December 18th. Adults 25c; Children 10c. Everyone Welcome.

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Christmas Concert, followed by Dance, held at Ligny School, December 20th. Concert commences 8.30. Ladies provide. Admission 35c. 27-3

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Come to St. Paul's United Church, December 6th at 8 o'clock and enjoy the concert to be given by the choir and assisting artists. Tickets 25c each.

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"Sugar an' Spice, an' everything Nice" That's what the Red Cross Christmas Cake is made of. Ten Cents a Ticket or Three Tickets for Twenty-five Cents.

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The pupils of Kelso School are having a Christmas Concert and Dance at school on Thursday, December 14th, at 8.30 p.m. Admission 35c and 15c. Ladies provide lunch.

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The Ladies' Guild of Milton Heights Church are holding a Bazaar in the School House on Saturday, December 2nd, at 2.30 p.m. Baking, candy, fancywork, aprons, touch and take booth. Afternoon Tea will be served. Everyone welcome.

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Grace Church W. A. will hold their annual Bazaar Wednesday, December 6th in the S. S. Hall, there will be Baking, Candy, Fancy Work, Aprons, Woolien Goods, Touch and Take, Booths, also Afternoon Tea will be served from 3 till 5. Everyone Welcome.

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The Ladies' Aid of St. Paul's United Church will hold their annual Bazaar in the school room on Saturday, December 2nd at 2.30 p.m. Articles for Sale: Quilts, Aprons, Gift Shop, Dolls, Touch and Take, Baking, Candy. In connection there will be a tea room where with friends you may enjoy a cup of tea.