

Friend gives eulogy at R. Clements funeral

The funeral service held Wednesday for Russell Clements of Milton, who died Sept. 8 at 91 years of age, was largely attended by friends and relatives from Milton and several distant points.

Rev. Dr. Gordon Porter, a former minister of St. Paul's United Church and a personal friend of the late Mr. Clements, conducted the funeral at St. Paul's and officiated over the burial at Milton's Evergreen Cemetery. Dr. Porter is presently ministering at Annan.

In a stirring eulogy, he offered a prayer of thanks for the sturdy stock from which Russell Clements came; for his clean and honorable life and for his "devotion to family, church and community."

Made use of gifts

The minister said he has many happy memories of the late Mr. Clements. "We should all rejoice in the good things he has seen and done in

his life. He laid hold of God's good gifts and made good use of them," he said.

"Russell Clements refused to live in the ghetto of old age—he seemed to have found the secret of staying younger by growing older."

He also described him as "a pitch-in guy" who helped others in many ways and was a strength to others by his good example.

"We praise God today for the good things we knew to be so much a part of our good friend's life," Dr. Porter concluded.

Neighbor, relatives

Palbearers at the funeral were a former neighbor Bryan Harris of Burlington and relatives Jack Sexton of Toronto, G. Bradford Clements and George Clements of Milton, John Clements Butcher of Toronto, and Robert Thompson of Brampton.

Mr. Clements died at his home, Harmony Court senior citizens' apartments,

following an evening of lawn bowling on Sept. 8. He was one of Milton's oldest and most respected citizens. The only local survivor of the Boer War, he also served Canada in the first war.

He was Milton postmaster 20 years and since retiring kept busy with hobbies such as reading, travelling, collecting stamps, playing bridge, lawn bowling and working with Milton Meals on Wheels service, Milton Senior Citizens Club and St. Clair Masonic Lodge.

He was honored by the community at a 90th birthday open house June 26, 1974 and by fellow Harmony Court residents last June when he turned 91. A lifelong resident of Milton, he was keenly interested in the town's history. His life touched virtually every facet of the community, and he was chosen to ring the town hall bell at the New Year's Eve ceremony that welcomed 1975.



THE CORN'S SWEET and so are the children at the old fashioned corn fest being held until Oct. 26 at Mountsberg Wildlife Centre. These youngsters came from Burlington with their parents to enjoy the horse-drawn wagon ride and see the special exhibits. From left they are Phillip and Matthew Clancy and Erin Sisson.

Fall's in the air at Corn Cob Capers

The autumn air was crisp this past weekend as visitors to Mountsberg Wildlife Centre enjoyed a horse-drawn wagon ride to view the changing leaves and see the deer and buffalo in their compound settings.

Geese were making their practise runs off the Mountsberg marsh and a big black kettle of corn was steaming on the outdoor fire. The Halton Region Conservation workers at Mountsberg call their program Corn Cob Capers and it's an enjoyable

Helicopter brings Nixon to rally

Between 300 and 400 waited for more than an hour to hear a short speech by Liberal Leader Robert Nixon, when he flew into Milton Saturday afternoon from Niagara Falls. Nixon arrived close to 7. He was expected at 6 p.m.

A crowd greeted him when the helicopter in which he was flying landed at Roma Social Hall. Nixon walked slowly through the crowd stopping along the way to greet the Liberal supporters.

He was piped to the front of the hall where he jumped to the platform and told the waiting crowd "It's great to be in another winning riding."

"Everything points to a Liberal win on Thursday," he said to an enthusiastic crowd that greeted almost every comment with cheers.

"We have put forward good candidates, good alternatives and with candidates like yours and organizations like yours we will win."

"The Tories are going down

the drain."

He urged supporters to continue working and pushing alternatives and positive programs. "We have criticized big deficits and he doesn't like it and we've criticized regional government and he doesn't like that either."

"You can't afford another Davis Government," he shouted, echoing the slogan he and his candidates have promoted throughout the campaign.

Three hours

Election officials have pointed out that provincial law requires an employer to allow an employee three consecutive hours to vote. The requirement under federal law is four hours.

Some literature going out to homes during the provincial campaign wrongly gives the hours as four.

Name hearing officer escarpment appeals

Appeals against rulings by the Niagara Escarpment Commission will be heard by David Jamieson, a former vice-chairman and 20 year veteran of the Ontario Municipal Board, it was announced this week.

The appointment of Mr. Jamieson as chief hearing officer under the Niagara Escarpment Planning and Development Act, was announced by Housing Minister Donald R. Irvine.

The Niagara Escarpment Commission, received authority on June 10, 1975, to

control land use within a defined zone of the Niagara Escarpment Planning Area.

Appeals against decisions made by the commission under the Act's development control regulations are made directly to the Minister of Housing.

The minister in turn will direct the chief hearing officer to conduct the hearing.

Mr. Jamieson will be in hearing appeals immediately. The hearings are expected to take place in municipalities near the Niagara Escarpment.

Park development stalled for road engineering

Development of Brian Best Park slated for July or August of this year has once again been held up and delayed. At this point no one will say when the park will be developed.

Basic park development was authorized in Milton Council's budget this summer. Work was held up though when the Ontario Municipal Board withheld approval of the project. That approval has since come through.

During Monday night's Community Services meeting members were advised that park development was now being held up pending engineering work on the extension of Commercial St.

Commercial St. is eventually planned to link Derry Rd. with the high school on Williams Ave. and run along the side of the proposed park.

Deputy Clerk Campbell Thompson told the committee that work had been stalled because of council's decision to cut the engineering estimates for the Commercial St. extension out of the 1975 budget. That engineering is a prerequisite to park development he said. He explained the grade level of the park should be the same as the grade level of Commercial St. when it was built.

Councillor Art Melanson asked whether or not work on the park would proceed this year. Mr. Thompson said that the staff was in a position where it didn't know whether to bring fill in, take fill out, move the grade up or take it down.

Councillor Russ Powadiuk said the committee was aware of the problem when it cut the Commercial St. engineering but was assured by Recreation Director Bob Small that the work could be done on the park.

Councillor Powadiuk, Bruce (works superintendent Bruce McKerr) and I spent hours on a report that told you the opposite."

Councillor Marjorie Powys suggested council should look for \$13,000 to have the engineering done.

Powadiuk asked that Mr. Small, Mr. McKerr and Mr. Thompson get together and file a report on the subject. "Pardon me for saying so but all we have to do is photo copy the last report," Thompson said.

Meanwhile baseball enthusiasts are growing tired of being told that the park will be ready next year. Asked by a reporter if he could assure development of a ball park for next season, committee chairman Rick Day would only say that the work is in the budget.

Mr. Day turned to Mr. Thompson and said "the park will be ready next year eh. It's in the budget."

"I wouldn't want to count on it," Thompson replied.

The following is an excerpt from a letter from Joe McCann to Milton Council.

"For the past four or five years, Milton Minor Baseball has been promised a new baseball diamond on which to play. They have to move to other diamonds around the

County on which to play once they have finished Halton County schedule.

"The people of Milton are always concerned because of the lack of facilities for your young people to use and diamonds certainly fall into this class.

"I sat on the Parks and Recreation in Milton for two years until it was disbanded, when Regional Government came into existence. While I was on this Board, a new ball diamond was looked at the first year, but nothing ever came from it. The second year it was put into the budget, but again, was set aside, because the sanitary land fill site was not ready, but would be ready the next year. When the next year came, the same story about the landfill site was made, so again it was not done.

"This year, it was put again into the budget, and the site was going to be made available by July or at latest, August. As of this date we still have no diamond and no move has been made to get things moving on this site. Everyone was waiting for the budget to be approved, and even though it was late coming through, things could have been made ready for part of this season.

"Brookville got a new park with lights this year, and after quite a bit of discussion, the Mayor said it was in their budget, so they got their diamond. I can't understand this, because ours was in the budget for the past couple of years, but we don't get ours, and we have more boys and girls than Brookville, who can use these facilities, but they get theirs."

"For the past few years, we have ball teams who have left Halton County and gone on to play in further O.B.A.

Leave land intact

Opposes separation

Opposition to spot zoning and a concern that the assessment from small rural lots will not support any further residential development in the area has caused Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Newton to launch an appeal against a land separation on 20 Sideroad in former township of Nassagaweya.

Halton's land division committee had granted the severance to Mr. and Mrs. Eli Daigle. Speaking to Milton's Planning and Development Committee Tuesday night, Mrs. Newton said the separation was in contravention of the official plan for the area, it created more ribbon development and would leave

the land in parcels too small to farm.

She said the 100 acres that once existed there had had five separations from it in the last five years.

Effects farming

She complained of more residential development in the area and the effect that would have on farming ventures on neighboring parcels of property when residents complained of farm odors.

"Look at what happened to Keith Anderson and the hardship he endured because of people complaining," she reminded councillors.

That matter is slated to go before the Ontario Municipal Board Oct. 9 at 2 p.m.

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Mothers elated over new crossing guard

"Isn't that fabulous? It's just great!" was the reaction of Mrs. Barbara Thatcher Monday night after the administration committee of Milton Council voted to place another school crossing guard on Ontario St. South.

The Milton mother and two other women appeared before the committee saying the safety of 12 children was endangered because of heavy traffic on the main artery.

Leads children

Mrs. Thatcher said her eight-year-old now leads other younger children across Ontario St. when adults are not around.

The children cross at Parkway Dr. on their way to J.M. Deny's School and Martin St. School.

The woman, pointing to Mrs. Marlene Holey, told committee members how her colleague's daughter was hit two years ago while trying to cross Ontario St. The girl was 10 at the time.

Mrs. Thatcher noted the school crossing guard on Ontario St. at Oak St., near the senior citizens manor, has little work to do.

Declined switch

But the committee declined

to switch that crossing guard over to Parkway Dr., as Town Clerk Jack McGeachie explained the townhouse projects behind Milton Plaza are being occupied and there will be plenty of work for the guard shortly.

Said Mrs. Thatcher: "Traffic is always heavy, especially in the late afternoon. The speed limit is 30 m.p.h. but those who adhere to it seem to be in the minority."

Committee members kicked the idea around for a while, but agreed with Councillor Jim Watson when he said "I think there's a need and we have a responsibility to fill that need."

Councillor Don Gordon proposed the motion to hire a new crossing guard and it was approved unanimously.

The third member of the delegation was Mrs. Pat Pletch who has a five-year-old son.

The committee decision must still be approved by Milton Council, probably next Monday night.

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