



Liberal meeting

Area Liberals met the two candidates running for the party's federal nomination in Simcoe North Tuesday night. About 55 of the party faithfuls came out to the Athenian Hall to chat informally with candidates Dr. Jack Ramsay, shown here, and John Atkinson.

The two men delivered short speeches outlining the reasons why they are seeking the nomination. The nomination meeting will be held Saturday at Midland Secondary School.

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'Unused parkland people don't go near,' Stonehouse says

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Old Folks
The parkland in question is "unused parkland that the people don't go near," according to Stonehouse. He says he does not see the sale of it to Jarlette as a loss, since the old people who live at the Villa Nursing home are very much residents of the community, have gained it.

Mr. Stonehouse says people have to remember that the old folks need their gardens and visitors too, and there isn't sufficient parking at the

nursing home. He says he also understands that greenhouses will be put in on the property.

"I am satisfied that selling the land was a good move and I am against selling parkland," he added that the land was appraised and \$19,000 seemed to be a fair deal.

"If the land was to be sold for the expansion of a gas station it would be over my dead body," he says.

Justification
Mike Owen says the justification for selling the property to Jarlette

this time, was based on the same justifications used in 1974 when they sold him the original piece of land for expansion of his home.

Owen says according to the committee report from 1974, the piece of property Jarlette wanted to buy was considered surplus to the park, since there was a job in from the parkline. At that time Jarlette was considering buying the entire parcel including the part which council has recently agreed to sell to him.

Jarlette paid \$13,000 for

the original strip of property in 1974.

Owen says the committee report also points out that it was undesirable to have campers in that area by the nursing home. He says he can remember complaints of noise, debris and trespassers.

Owen says the use as a nursing home is a nice blend between the commercial uses on Yonge Street and the park. He added, "It's an attractive piece of property to have abutting the park."

Owen says it was the feeling of the parks board that they should accommodate Jarlette by providing certain lands that are considered surplus.

Zoned Park Open Space

According to Planning Administrator Doug Clute, the land in question is zoned park open space. However, he adds, that this doesn't make any difference, since the municipality can sell any land they want.

At the council meeting on Monday, Mayor Moreland Lynn outlined that because the land was sought after, it was not tendered, but sold to the adjacent landowner who could put it to the most beneficial use. This is municipal policy.

Mike Owen says that a nursing home was a more desirable use than the commercial uses it could have been made into by the other adjacent land owners.

Not pleased

There are a number of people in town who aren't pleased about another piece of Little Lake park being eroded away.

Deputy Reeve Bill

Big brothers are a kid's best friend

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A big brother is generally expected to spend about one night a week with his charge, although more contact with the boy is certainly not frowned upon. Big brothers are advised to keep out of the affairs of the boy's family, because, as Mr. Summers states, the man is "the kid's friend and nothing else."

Often a big brother is a man with a family of his own. It is generally left up to him to determine the extent to which he wants his little brother to participate in family activities, but again, if the family is doing something that might interest the boy, the big brother is encouraged to ask him to participate.

Not all fatherless boys in the area are lucky enough to be matched with a big brother, however. Even so, Big Brothers try to provide companionship through its recreational night program. Meeting once a week at Bayview Public School, Mr. Summers and interested men from the community play alongside the boys in competitive activities, and become, as Mr. Summers calls it, "ex-officio big brothers." Activities are generally based on the ages of the participants, with boys under 10 years of age competing in sports such as wrestling and ball games, and the older boys playing more aggressive sports such as floor hockey.

Mr. Summers feels that the recreational program fills a gap for the boys until a suitable match is found for them. But, unfortunately, sometimes the gap is never filled beyond this sort of arrangement. Men who approach the organization, says Mr.

Summers, are desperately few and far between.

He feels that the lack of applicants approaching the organization has its roots in two factors: the sense of family unit historically characterizing society tends to limit a man's contact with children to his own siblings, and secondly, many men have the mistaken impression that big brothers have to come from the upper economic brackets.

"People tend to think you have to be a doctor or lawyer or an executive to be a Big Brother—that the guy who works in a factory won't make as good a match," he remarks. "But doctors and lawyers are no more schooled in human relationships and sen-

sitivity than anyone else. All we're looking for are guys who sincerely want to help the kids out."

Mr. Summers thinks that involvement with Big Brothers can be rewarding experience, and notes that it doesn't really take too much time, effort, or involvement. He says that anyone interested in the movement can get in touch with Contact, the Midland YMCA, or anybody presently involved in Big Brothers.

He assures that the time spent with a fatherless child is more than made up for in the warm attachments that almost always develop, and in knowing that being a Big Brother to a young boy goes along to making a responsible citizen of him.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the week commencing February 19th, 1978 has been proclaimed

SCOUT/GUIDE WEEK IN CANADA

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Moreland A. Lynn,
Mayor, Town of Midland

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In Midland

Area Liberals meet candidates

North Simcoe Liberals had their first opportunity Tuesday night to meet the two candidates vying for the federal Liberal nomination in this riding.

About 50 Liberals turned out to the Athenian Hall to meet informally with Dr. Jack Ramsay, who is presently the Director of the Simcoe County Board of Education, and John Atkinson, Development Commissioner for the City of Orillia, and to hear the two men present short speeches outlining the reasons why they are seeking the nomination.

Missing from the meeting was Jack Andre, a former mayor of Orillia, who just prior to the meeting, announced that he was withdrawing his candidacy. It is reported that Andre decided not to run for personal reasons.

In his introductory address to the meeting, Mr. Atkinson noted that he had been considering running for the Liberal nomination for "four or five months." He said that at first, he was unsure about declaring his candidacy, but as more people approached him suggesting that he run, he decided to announce his

intentions of seeking the post.

Remarking that he "is not used to running second", Atkinson recounted his work experience, which has ranged from gold mining to insurance sales, boasting that in every endeavour he has undertaken, he has succeeded through hard work.

"You can bet your bottom dollar that I won't fail because I lacked the ability to work," he said.

Dr. Ramsay commented during his speech that he expected a first ballot victory at Saturday's nomination meeting. Ramsay claimed that no one had approached him about running, that his decision was a purely personal one.

He said he felt his 30 years as a public servant qualified him for the position he is seeking, commenting that "if the nomination is mine on Saturday, I will be in Ottawa as soon as the Prime Minister calls an election."

Happy Cooker

McCall's Food Editor, Mary Eckley says one should always choose a recipe from a reliable source, and the following recipe for Cheese and Vegetable Chowder comes from a source which Miss Eckley would surely approve—McCall's Greatest Recipe Card Collection. This chowder would go well for apres ski or skate. It's filling, inexpensive and easy to prepare, and this is how you make it:

Cheese and Vegetable Chowder (6-8 servings)
4 tablespoons margarine
1 cup finely chopped onion
1 cup chopped green pepper
1 cup pared, sliced carrot
1 cup pared, sliced potato
1 package (10 ounce) frozen peas
5 tablespoons flour
2 cans (10 3/4 ounce size) condensed chicken broth, undiluted.
3 cups grated sharp natural cheddar cheese. (3/4 pound)
2 cups milk
1/4 teaspoon salt
dash pepper
chopped parsley
1/2 cup croutons-optional

Method:

1. In hot margarine, in 3 quart saucepan, cook vegetables covered and stirring occasionally, 20 to 25 minutes, or until tender.
2. Remove from heat. Stir in flour: Mix well. Cook one minute, stirring occasionally.
3. Add chicken broth to vegetable mixture. Bring to boiling, stirring constantly.
4. Gradually stir in cheese. Cook over medium heat until cheese has melted. Gradually add milk. Season with salt and pepper. Bring just to boiling but do not boil.
5. Sprinkle with parsley and serve with croutons or maybe corned beef sandwiches if everybody's hungry. If you are serving this for after ski, you can prepare everything ahead of time, but steps four and five can be left until just before serving time.

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NOTICE

The internal team of the Evaluation Project for the Penetanguishene family of schools will hold two meetings to hear briefs on the subject of education in this area.

Time and place will be assigned to each group presenting a brief in the hope that all will have a fair chance to be heard. Please submit written copies to: Mr. I.C. Harris, Chairman, Internal Evaluation Team, General Delivery, Penetanguishene, Ontario, L0K 1P0

Individuals or groups in the area who wish to present a brief should notify the Chairman in advance of their intention to make the presentation. Call Mrs. Style at 526-9316.

The meetings will be held at

St. Joseph's School Penetanguishene 7:30 p.m. Monday, February 20, 1978.	and	Ste. Croix R.C. Separate School in Lafontaine 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, February 21, 1978.
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Des presentations auront lieu au comite interne du projet d'evaluation co-operative a Penetanguishene ainsi que des memoires au sujet de l'education des etudiants de la famille des ecoles a Penetanguishene.

Atin de permettre au comite de prendre connaissance de votre presentation, veuillez en soumettre une copie aussitot que possible a: M. I.C. Harris, President, Comite d'evaluation Interne, Bureau de poste, Penetanguishene, Ontario L0K 1P0

Les membres du comite interne recevront les memoires avant la date de presentation afin d'etablir un horaire qui permettra a chaque groupe de se presenter a un temps prevu.

Les reunions auront lieu a

L'Ecole St. Joseph Penetanguishene 19 heures 30 Lundi, le 20 fevrier, 1978	et	L'Ecole Ste Croix Lafontaine 19 heures 30 Mardi, le 21 fevrier, 1978.
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