



W. C. "Will" Barrie, 70-year-old squire of a 400-acre farm at Galt, Ont., has two hobbies. One is his collection of historical newspapers; the other is winning seed grain prizes. His newspaper files extend to the dark days of slavery in Canada. His trophies

tell of 15 consecutive years of supremacy in winter wheat at Waterloo County Seed Fair. Seen above with sample of grain which recently won him his 15th award, Mr. Barrie admits to having scored a first in alfalfa seed and malting barley also.

Skating Carnival Plans Underway At Unionville

There is a great buzzing of activity at the Unionville Arena these days as the skaters prepare for their third annual Carnival. Bigger and better and more glamorous than ever this year. The skating is much improved. There are forty more participants, a new record playing machine to provide the music, and all sorts of surprises in the way of costumes, decorations and general effects.

providing this type of entertainment has been a great asset and everything is well under way to a successful event. Tickets will be on sale at the Arena during skating class hours beginning the second week of April and the date of the carnival has been set for April 23rd and 24th.

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TO THE RATEPAYERS of PICKERING TOWNSHIP

We are faced with another Election which has been forced upon us, and I can assure you I am presenting my name before you to re-elect me as your Reeve for the balance of the year 1954.

Never has there been an Election held when some minor irregularities could not have been found, every one reading this knows that, Province wide.

There is a great deal more than the Election, being Reeve of Pickering Township.

Down through the years our Township has been one of the Banner Municipalities, and during my term of office I have endeavoured to keep it as such, if maintained with careful guidance, it will still continue.

The former Councils and ourselves have done a great deal of work and planning, for the important future, and I can assure you if elected I will still continue to do so.

Some may wonder why, an Election at such an early date, and the use of the last Voters list.

A new-Election according to the Act shall be at the latest within 45 days after receipt of warrant, the Voters list Act states that immediately the Assessment Roll is returned you shall make up a Voters list, there is no provision in the Act for any other Voters list to be made up.

The business affairs of this Municipality must go on. The Judge ordered a new Election.

Regardless of what you have read in the Press or otherwise, I have never intentionally or deliberately done anything with intent to effect the last Election, nor was it proven so by the judgment given by Judge Pritchard.

It is regrettable that men come into our Municipality with the intent to gain control of the management, without at least having some former Municipal experience, as it is more essential in County Council than even in Township Council.

Would you as a Ratepayer with a business of \$8,618,552.00 consider employing an inexperienced man to administer your affairs?

It takes more than a title to make a man a good leader, and you must have faith in your leaders, who have proven themselves. You know what I stand for, which is honesty and a fair deal, taking into consideration the whole Township according to my best judgment.

Owing to unavoidable circumstances, being on the County Road Board it requires my services 3 days this week, so if I don't call on you I am still working for your interests.

Thanking you for your past support and trusting it will continue at this Election.

I will endeavour to serve in the interests of all Township residents.

GEORGE T. TODD

OTTAWA REPORT

By Michael Starr, M.P., Ontario Riding

On March 18th and 19th I had the pleasure of welcoming to the Parliament Buildings here in Ottawa, Mr. William Parish and thirty-one students from the Pickering High School. Their visit in Ottawa included the Experimental Farm, the Museum, and all of the afternoon in the House of Commons. They heard an interesting portion of the Session of the House, and then had the opportunity of listening to the Honourable Paul Martin, Minister of Health and Welfare, the Official Opposition Leader, Honourable George Drew, Mr. Coldwell of the C.C.F. Party, and Mr. Low of the Social Credit Party. These gentlemen addressed the group of students in the Railway Committee Room and the speeches delivered by them to the students were worthwhile and educational.

To me it is always a pleasure to greet individuals or groups in the House of Commons, particularly when they are from my own Riding of Ontario. I am sure that those students who had the opportunity to come to Ottawa were impressed and their impressions of Parliament will remain with them for many years. Mr. Parish deserves a great deal of credit for the interest he has shown in the past two years in bringing his class to the Capital City of Canada.

Recently Agricultural Minister Gardiner suggested that if farmers want cash for some of Canada's surplus grain, they should feed it to livestock and sell the livestock. He made the statement on C.B.C.'s free time political series, the Nation's Business.

Mr. Gardiner estimated that though his Department will have 30 million pounds of unsold butter, which is the highest in price-support history, at the end of the butter year, April 30th, this would not be a surplus. In fact the only surplus in farm products would be in cereals, principally wheat.

As a price support measure the Government buys butter at 58 cents a pound wholesale and sells it at a regulated price

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during the winter months. If we allow the quantity in our possession to get below about 25 million pounds we have trouble holding the price down, Mr. Gardiner stated. Mr. Gardiner seems to have a different view of the situation than most farmers and milk producers have on the same subject.

We have had a very interesting debate on External Affairs and the theme of the debate has been Prime Minister St. Laurent's statement in the Far East to the effect that Canada should recognize Red China. The Conservative Party, as well as the Social Credit Party, have taken a firm stand in this respect, arguing that the recognition of Red China at the present time cannot be entertained. The C.C.F. Party, however, have taken a stand that the recognition of Red China should be made at once. Some of the Members of the C.C.F. Party have been sufficiently outspoken to sympathize with Russia to some extent.

The question of the exploding of atom and H-bombs was also discussed by various

speakers in the debate on External Affairs. Some suggested that the H-bomb blasts should be cancelled and that the United States took too much upon itself in holding these explosions in the Pacific.

A very significant statement was made recently by Health Minister Martin, speaking at the official opening of the Canadian Civil Defence College at Arnprior, Ontario. The Minister warned that the atomic bomb was now almost as obsolete as those filled with conventional explosives. The result, he said, and I quote—"The whole free world is faced with the urgent necessity of re-appraising the whole concept of the nature and scale of civil defence preparations". It means that the present situation with respect to these modern fearful weapons necessitates the making of sweeping planning changes in respect to civil defence imperative.

Under Government Notices of Motions the Minister of Veterans Affairs has placed a resolution for the appointment of a committee to consider the

Bill to amend the War Service Grants Act and the Bill respecting benefits for Members of the Canadian Forces, and such other legislation relating to Veterans Affairs as may be referred from time to time to the said committee.

From the conversation I have had and letters I have received from the Minister of Veterans Affairs, I am led to believe that some very sweeping changes will be made in this Act affecting veterans as a whole and particularly in the field of home construction; and he has intimated to me, although he would not reveal anything definitely, that some alleviation will be made in that respect.

There is also under Public Bills and Orders a Motion to consider the advisability of amending the Canadian Elections Act so as to exclude the holding of a general election during the months of July or August except in a state of emergency. It is very doubtful whether the Government will see it to pass this Motion and amend the Act.

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