

Free University Tuition Sought by School Group

Should university education be free? Should the milkman's son have the same opportunity to enjoy the benefits of college as the son of the stock broker? "Yes," is the opinion of many Canadians, though not too many have said it aloud. It now is being said more strongly, by more people. The latest voice is a big one. The Canadian Home & School and Parent Teacher Federation, which represents 307,000 parents across the nation. The 1959 annual meeting of the Federation resolved to promote public acceptance of the idea of free university tuition for all academically qualified children of Canadian residents.

The Federation urges that university education should be free — but not that it should be universal. Admission to college must be controlled. The question, who should go to college and for what purpose? is asked in an article by Margaret Cowan, in the October issue of "Canadian Home and School" magazine. Here are some of the points made:

The greatest untapped resource in Canada is rural youth. We take great pride in the vastness of our resources and our high standard of living, yet we are falling miserably in the development of the richest resource we have (our youth). We are spending millions educating our children through the secondary school level, but most of those who have the desire and ability to go to university are prevented, by lack of finances. We bring them up so far but for some reason seem to be unwilling to help them to the top.

Rate of failures in first and second year university is unnecessarily high, and we cannot afford the luxury of keeping university places for young people who are there just for the ride — students whose intelligence and aptitude combination show no possibility of successful completion of the course. One in thirteen of our

college-age youth is going to university at present, and many who are going are not fitted for it. Many students are sent to colleges by their parents merely for social or matrimonial reasons. Universities should be so crowded by the able and willing that there should be no room for the unable or the unwilling. There should be more young people in college with brains, and fewer with bucks!

The universities want the young people with talent and those with ambition; those with analytical power and those with staying power; those who will think and those who will study. Of course, the identification of these "wanted" types is not always easy. Students cannot be selected by a mechanical rating of intelligence and in disregard of other factors of character and achievement. Brilliance in intellect is not always accompanied by character, moral fibre or stability. Many average students who work hard get more out of college, and more out of later life, than more gifted conferees.

Many men have achieved greatness without a university education; many more will follow. But today, as we watch the awesome advance of science, with its potential both for mass betterment and mass destruction of mankind, we realize that perhaps more than ever before, the future of our country depends on knowledge; it depends primarily on the men and women with those qualities of mind and character that can only be produced in sufficient number by the universities.

We have the raw material for great leaders and great thinkers in tomorrow's complex world. But until higher education is available to all those who have the desire and ability to go through university, without reference to their financial standing, we are wasting much of our country's greatest resource, and throwing away potential strength that we need to hold and develop our place in the future.

WHAT COUNCIL DID

Trophy Turned Down, Flag Pole For New Park

While sympathetic to a request for a trophy (desired by a local sports club, Mayor Armstrong warned of the danger of starting a precedent when Cr. Fred Harrison relayed the request to council at Monday's meeting.

"I will see what I can do personally for I know there are clubs and individuals who are always willing to help such a cause," said the mayor, as finance chairman McGillivray supported his stand that council must be cautious in allocating public funds for sports trophies.

Cr. John Elliott said he thought one of the service clubs would cooperate and that it would not be difficult to obtain the trophy privately.

Notice was received from the Ontario Municipal Improvement Corporation that interest on debentures purchased from municipalities by this government corporation would now bear 7 per cent interest.

The matter of a \$50 flagpole in the new park on James St. drew comment from Cr. Ernie Hyde that council must watch its finances and a lot of \$50 expenditures could affect the budget.

Cr. John Gunnop pointed that there should be a master plan for the park rather than piecemeal expenditures.

Informing that ten members of the fire department will be assisting police in patrolling.

TOWN OF GEORGETOWN

Notice to Water Consumers

In cooperation with the Town Water Department, the Town Fire Brigade will be testing hydrants and flushing water mains in the following streets on

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1959

commencing at 7.00 p.m.

All Streets East of Maple to Sargent Rd.

G. R. BLIGH, Supt. of Works

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SIGNING THE REGISTER following their recent marriage at Hornby United Church are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruce Marshall, R R 1, Milton. The bride is the former Joan Wrigglesworth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford S. Wrigglesworth, of R R 2, Georgetown, while the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Marshall, R R 1, Milton. Photo by Chinn, Brampton.

Girl Critically Injured In Guelph St. Car Accident

Fourteen year old Sandra Murdon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Murdon, 114 Prince Charles Drive is still unconscious and in critical condition after being struck down by a car at the intersection of Guelph Street and Mountainview Road Saturday night.

Sandra was crossing the highway after getting off a bus at the intersection when she was hit by an eastbound car driven by Arnold Darragh of 200 Queen Street, Dunnville. Two others who got off the same bus witnessed the accident.

The impact knocked the girl 75 feet from the intersection. Dr. J. H. Chamberlain treated her at the scene and she was rushed to Toronto General by Georgetown Volunteer Ambulance Service unconscious with a fractured skull and broken right leg. The accident happened at 9:10 p.m. and was investigated by Cst. Evan Rollins.

25 Classes Enrolled At Georgetown High School

Georgetown night school opened Tuesday, October 20 with 25 classes ranging from Oil Painting to Old Time and Square Dancing. The courses and the teachers are as follows:

Tuesday: Typing, B. Armstrong, bookkeeping, A. Sumner, keep for women, Mrs. Ray, Car Safety, W. Vano; (Chapel Street School); Welding, A. Zeravlev; Lincoln Motors; Beginners Sewing, Mrs. Hess; Dressmaking, Mrs. Stewart; Draperies and Slip Savers, Mrs. Brown; Needlecraft, Mrs. Fyfe; Oil Painting, F. Black and D. Stone; Amateur Theatricals: To be announced; Leathercraft, Mrs. Brown; Square and Old Time Dancing, Mr. Lindsay; Wrigglesworth School; Wednesday: Millinery, Mrs. Black; Effective Speaking, Mrs. Goss; Keep Fit, Men; Mr. McLaren; Typing, Mrs. Hess; Conversational French, Miss Luke; Childrens Clothing and Dressmaking, Mrs. Moss; Metalcraft, Mrs. Austin; Oil Painting, F. Black; Upholstering, Mr. Briggs; Public Library Basement; Wood carving and Clay modelling, Miss Sisler; Thursday Ballroom Dancing, Mr. Hansen, Wrigglesworth School.

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Patti Wilson, daughter of F. O. and Mrs. John Wilson, Edmonton, Alberta was a Thanksgiving guest with her grandmother, Mrs. Arthur Wilson, Victoria Street. Patti is a student at the School for the Blind in Bramford.

Rev. Alex Calder had the pleasure of officiating at the marriage of his cousin Calvin Calder at Angus on Saturday, when he married Margaret Kaches. Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell were guests at the reception following the marriage where they enjoyed meeting many old friends and relatives.

Steven and Thomas Fitzmaurice helped their brother Michael celebrate his fifth birthday at a party on Sunday. His other guests were Roberta and Ruthie Howat, Brian and Cynthia Day, Marion Hogan, and Sandy Sullivan. Michael is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Fitzmaurice, 36 Henry St.

Rev. Alex Calder and Mrs. Calder attended the 100th anniversary services in the Bookton Presbyterian Church last Sunday when he was guest minister. Bookton was the church where Mr. Calder served prior to coming to Georgetown eleven years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rossiter, the former Irene Young, of Van Nuys, California, have been visiting with her father, Mr. Joseph Young, of 9 Margaret St. for the past two weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Rossiter motored up through the mid states. It is two years since she has been home and remarked about the many change that had taken place in that time.

Board Sidesteps a Precedent

NEW GYM NOT FOR DANCING

Halton's Population, 106,017 Greatest Increase In History

Halton's population as of Sept. 30th, 1959, stands at a record 106,017 county assessor Ford Rogers reported last week. The figure is an increase of 10,494 over last year and represents the biggest one-year increase in the history of the county, he said.

Mr. Rogers noted the local increase was a big one in comparison to figures reported by county assessors across Canada. Largest increases in the county were seen in Burlington, Trafalgar and Georgetown, while all others had small increases and Oakville's total was down slightly (nine) from last year.

Three-Car Collision On North Main Street

Rain and greasy pavement played a big part in a three-car collision near the north end of Main Street Saturday.

Involved in the accident were cars driven by Murray McMullen of Clairmont, Ont., Erich Nickel of 329 Duke St., W. Kitchener and Edward F. Arnold of 51 Charles Street. The McMullen car was not damaged in the mishap however. Cst. Ron Rankine who made the investigation placed the damage at \$100 to Arnold and \$50 to Nickel.

All three cars were travelling east on Main Street north when Nickel stopped to make a left turn into Ewing St. The following car driven by McMullen stopped, but the Arnold car skidded on the slippery pavement and bounced the McMullen car into the air ahead. There were no injuries.

Cars Collide Saturday \$250 Damage When

Cars driven by George Dickson 26 Windsor Road and Ray Bell of Glen Williams came together at the corner of Guelph and Queen Streets Saturday night and the meeting cost them \$250.

Dickson was driving south on Queen and went into a skid when he hit the brakes at the Guelph Street corner. His car slid partly into the Guelph St. traffic and collided with a taxi driven by Bell. The cab was making a left turn onto Queen when the accident occurred.

Stewarttown Institute Donate to Hall Kitchen

The October monthly meeting of the Equestrian WI was held at the home of the president, Mrs. Herb Reid. Nine members braved the elements and lunch served. A silver collection will be taken to pay for the use of the hall.

WHAT COUNCIL DID

Bairstow Answers His Critics Committee To Deal With Stalemate

Another committee meeting is planned this week by council to discuss the release of 1163 building lots requested by Delrex Developments.

General manager Harold Bairstow who appeared again at Monday's meeting, was told by Reeve Sargent that in view of last week's stalemate it had been decided to have a "cooling out" period and another committee discussion before the question appears on the council agenda again.

Mr. Bairstow took strong exception to being called, as he termed, "a liar" by a ratepayer at last week's meeting, and said inferences that Delrex had an industry signed up are erroneous. "Nor is there a plenitude of mortgage money available, he said, for his firm has found that money cannot be borrowed under 11 per cent.

"If this gentleman knows where we can borrow at a fair rate, he might do something constructive for a change and tell us where we can get it," he said.

Decision on Requests Held Until Contractor Finished

"The new gymnasium should not be looked upon in the community as a place for public, semi-public or private dances," was the opinion of high school principal J. L. Lambert as the high school board sought a stand on a request for use of the hall by the local Hospital Auxiliary.

The North Halton high school district board, in one of their final meetings before dissolution took evasive action Monday night to sidestep a precedent which they opined would have every organization in town asking for the hall. The board particularly frowned on dances there by any group outside the school. The gym is presently being used for keep fit classes by the Night School and the Georgetown Recreation Association have asked for it for Monday nights for basketball and badminton.

Rotary Club To Sponsor Midgets

The Georgetown Rotary Club will pick up the tab for the 3rd year in a row when the local midget hockeyists plunge into another season this winter. The Club decided to again sponsor the young team at their regular dinner meeting Monday night at the North Halton Golf and Country Club.

Still in a sponsoring mood, the Rotarians also considered backing a much discussed junior chamber of commerce. However, a decision here was reserved until the next meeting.

December 14th was the tentative date set for the annual dinner for the town's senior citizens. The party this year will be held again in Knox Church Hall. Donation Department: \$25 to the Poppy Fund.

Rear End Collision Opposite New Delrex Shopping Plaza

A rear end collision on Guelph Street opposite the new Shopping Plaza parking lot resulted in \$200 damage to a 1956 Dodge coupe driven by Alexander Marshment, 23 Hale Dr. The Dodge car collided with and \$150 to a 1959 Chev driven by Robert Franklin Foster of 20 Trueman St., Brampton, Fri-15.15 p.m.



MR. AND MRS. FRANK WILSON were married recently in Ballinacraig Church. The bride is the former Margaret Elizabeth Gibson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gibson and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Wilson, R R 3, Georgetown. Photo by John Lindsay, Streetsville.