

Oakville First In High School TB Testing Plan

High School Teachers and students in the Oakville-Trafalgar area of Halton County are to be tuberculin tested in the early part of the new year. The tests will be carried out at A. H. Blacklock High School and Oakville-Trafalgar High School, by Halton County Health Unit, Dr. A. F. Bull, Director and Medical Officer of Health for the Halton County Health Unit indicated that, eventually, all Halton County High School teachers and students will be included in the Health Unit's tuberculin testing project. The Oakville-Trafalgar area was chosen as the starting point, according to Dr. Bull, because it's very facilities for the follow-up of positive reactors are more adequate at the present time.

"With the completion of the new hospitals at Burlington and Milton," Dr. Bull added, "we will have the necessary follow-up x-ray facilities available in those areas to extend the project to the whole county."

Assistance to this tuberculin testing project will be given by the Halton County Tuberculosis Association. Mr. McNab, Milton, Association president, disclosed that at its last meeting, the association voted to purchase the necessary instruments for applying the tuberculin test. "In addition," he said, "Association members have offered to assist in setting up the schedule within the schools as well as with the processing of record forms to be used in the project." The Association spokesman stated that they have agreed also to pay for the cost of any additional professional assistance required by the health unit personnel in carrying out the project.

Members of the local medical

profession will help administer the test during some of the testing periods. This was confirmed by Dr. G. K. Phillips and Dr. D. H. Campbell, medical advisory committee members of the Halton County Tuberculosis Association. School officials already have been notified of the project and have indicated their willingness to co-operate. Before the tests begin, students will be given consent forms to be signed by parents or guardians. Included with the consent forms will be printed information for the parents describing the test, its benefits and safety, and the significance of the results. Advance visits to the schools will be made by the public health nurses under the direction of Miss J. Levey, Supervisor of Nursing for the Halton County Health Unit. The nurses will explain the test, and the teachers and students to be certain that they understand what the tuberculin test means. As an additional service to the teaching staff, supplementary material will be made available on tuberculin which the teachers can relate to their regular science periods. This material is to be prepared by the Health Unit staff and the Health Education Consultant of the Ontario Tuberculosis Association working in the area.

The tuberculin test is a simple procedure to determine which students or teachers have been affected at any time by contact with tuberculous germs. "By the time many persons reach adulthood," explains Dr. Bull, "they have been infected with tuberculin without any apparent ill effects. They differ from those who have never been infected only in the way they react to the tuberculin test." Thus, he continued, "a

positive reaction to a tuberculin test is not in itself a cause for worry or alarm. Normally, the chances are extremely slight that a positive reactor will have active tuberculosis. Nevertheless, those who do react positively, are always urged to have a follow-up x-ray just to make sure." The high school students reacting positively in this project will be x-rayed," said Dr. Bull and the members of the household where a positive student resides will also be tested. If by chance a high school student is found with active tuberculosis, then in all likelihood, he will have been discovered at a very early stage of the disease, when treatment is easiest and most successful. Dr. Bull, explaining why high school students only and not elementary school children are being given the test, said, "Smaller children, because they have limited contacts with other people, run little chance today of becoming infected by tuberculous germs and very few of them nowadays are found to be tuberculin positive. Authorities in tuberculous control suggest that the level of infection in elementary or primary school children does not warrant applying large scale testing to this group. For this reason," Dr. Bull concluded, "we are not doing the elementary or primary schools."

Planning this tuberculin testing project with Dr. Bull is Dr. C. U. Cline, Assistant Medical Officer, who has long experience in tuberculin testing. Mr. J. Luman, Oakville Executive Secretary of the Halton County Tuberculosis Association will help to direct the activities of the association members in their phase of the project.

LEGION NOTES

by Lee Clark

Well, that was quite a party on Thursday night, wasn't it? It's still the biggest evening of the year, and a cheap one, at that.

To give everyone an idea of the rules and bylaws governing how sports activities, we have reprint Zone B-7 rules and By-laws.

1. All paid up ordinary, life, and active service associate members are eligible to compete in zone sports tournaments.

2. Teams competing in zone sports must produce paid up membership cards or receipts for dues paid for current year.

3. Any branch, upon evidence, found to be using an ineligible player or players in any zone sports tournament shall be brought before the zone sports committee, and zone commander to be dealt with.

4. The Branch winning zone tournament shall be host branch the following year. In the event that the winning branch cannot hold same, the Sports Committee will arrange the location for the event to be played.

5. All sports tournaments must be started at the time laid down by the Committee. Any branch team having trouble on the road to contact the host branch where tournament is being held, when the zone sports chairman will arrange to allow a certain time for arrival of said team.

6. We should judge that this is to be the greatest year in the history of the Branch, both financially and otherwise. Several things point to this, and not by any means least is increased interest in sports among the members. It is our experience during our terms as zone commander that given a branch in which sports held a dominant role, and there you had a perfectly functioning group, that created interest in the rest of the membership. As a case in point we think of Port Credit, who without a doubt is by far the most active branch sports-wise in the zone. Speaking a bit further of this branch, we were recently surprised to be told that the sports committee in that branch are in charge of the dances, and are allowed to use the profits to finance their sports activities. We do not say this as a perfect solution, by any means, but it does seem to be working, with sports convenor and his committee entirely responsible for the operation of the dances, and in turn use the funds for the sports events, subject, of course, to the scrutiny of the branch officers.

Actually, although ultimately we support the branch still the one that foots the bill, it does give the sports people a certain sense of responsibility, and also gives the branch a supply of free help, as they do the job voluntarily (for free).

Other sports committees in other branches are responsible for raising their own funds, but in most cases are given, in an event, or branch draw, or other project of that nature, to help the committee in their efforts.

Branch 120 has been fortunate in having sports-minded members who have always been willing to sacrifice considerable time and money to look after the interests. We think of the present sports convenor, whom we would have a guess has spent a lot of money in running around to various meetings, etc., organizing things.

Of humorous mention, is the memory of Branch 120 sending a couple of golf teams to a district golf tournament some years ago. Among those attending were Gob, Ken Nash, Jolly Jawn, Harry Chappel and several others. They arrive at the tournament... \$3.50 per member... dinner \$2.50 each... So after finishing their golf effort of the day they lost,

Scotty, who was team manager, decided to figure out just how much they had been allowed by the sports officer of that time for expenses... and it worked out to the magnificent total of 75c per man! Scotty was quite overcome by this generous gesture on the part of his "body," so overcome, in fact that he phoned him on arrival back in town about 3 a.m.

We don't suggest for a moment that everything should be underwritten. Most of the fellows who go out, do so for the outing, but a reasonable figure should be allowed, for entry fees, etc.

Novices Fail To Score on Brampton

In their first real test against a team in their own age group Georgetown Novices were held to a 2-0 shutout by Brampton in an exhibition game at Brampton, Saturday afternoon.

The local youngsters displayed speed and potential but lacked the positional polish and finesse of the Bramptons.



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Hydro Teamwork Repairs Damage Done by Recent Ice Storm

Remarkable teamwork has been demonstrated during the severe ice and sleet storm that caused so much havoc to electric power lines in Toronto Region. In this emergency, members of the closely-knit Hydro family were shifted quickly from different parts of the province to the trouble zones. This is part of the function of the committee which co-ordinates Hydro affairs in times of disaster, and was set up as part of the Civil Defence programme.

The severe and freak ice storm that hit the heavily-populated sections of Toronto Region, causing more havoc to Hydro lines than Hurricane Hazel, was the first opportunity to test the efficiency of this co-ordinating group.

While the men were moved with remarkable efficiency from areas not affected into the trouble zones, the emergency also pointed up the loyalty of line crews, forestry crews and mechanical staffs. In times of trouble these men rise to the heights of performance, working under difficult and frequently hazardous conditions and often going without sleep for many hours to get lines back into service.

Hardest-hit areas in the Region were Richmond Hill, Scarborough Twp., Markham Twp., Brampton area and Woodbridge. At the height of the storm more than 150,000 customers were without power for a brief period. However, the line crews converged on the trouble sectors and soon had principal power circuits restored. In addition to the line crews from distant towns, help was rushed in with men, trucks and equipment from neighbouring municipalities, such as York Twp., Hydro, Oakville P.U.C., Swansea Hydro and Etobicoke Hydro.

Crews have been shifted from place to place throughout Toronto Region with amazing precision and effectiveness to repair the damage. The co-ordination and direction have been carried out from Toronto Regional office, so that the most urgent work was done right at the beginning.

First consideration was to protect the hospitals and homes for the aged. Special efforts also were made to save farmers from losses, especially dairy farmers and those operating chicken hatcheries. Greenhouse operators also were protected. In one case in the Unionville area, a greenhouse operator could have lost more than \$3,000 if the restoration of power had been delayed longer. The Hydro crew moved in and had the line back in service in time to save hundreds of valuable plants.

North of Muskegon's Lake, a chicken hatchery with more than 3,000 young chicks was

saved when power was restored in record time. Chicken hatcheries in many sections of Toronto Region were quickly located and power was brought to them in time to prevent losses.

Most dairy farmers with large herds had their power swiftly reconnected to protect their refrigeration, the milking of large herds and the provision of water.

In the Woodbridge and Brampton areas special attention was given to the pumping stations. The crews had to return several times to repair the lines to protect the Brampton area pumping station, which supplies water to a large section of the population in that area.

Ontario Hydro forces acted swiftly in co-ordinating the moving of critically ill people to hospitals. In cases where worried relatives called to check on the power situation, and said that they had seriously ill persons in the home, they were advised to get them to nearby hospitals. Doctors were also contacted by Hydro crews in cases of emergency.

Special attention also was given to restoring power to industry and keeping the circuits alive that were supplying factories in the various trouble zones in the region.

The main concentration of the Hydro forces was on the circuits with the largest number of customers. These were repaired first and patrolled constantly to keep the service intact. As soon as those circuits were restored, crews were shifted rapidly to isolated areas. Ladder trucks, rushed to the scene of serious breaks, moved invaluable in repairing damage quickly. With this equipment line crews were able to get

above conductors to work on lines.

Regional Manager, A. W. Smith, who personally toured the areas of greatest damage, was warm in his praise for the efficiency of the Hydro crews.

"Lanemen and forestry crews who came from distant places, such as Sudbury, New Liskeard, North Bay, London, Chatham, Sarnia and other parts of the province, worked effectively as one big team with the Hydro line men from Toronto Region, and those rushed in by various municipal hydro systems in the Region. It was a great example of teamwork and devotion to duty, with men going all out and expending themselves to the limit to get the damage repaired. This remarkable work has enabled the Toronto Region to recover from a crippling blow by the forces of nature in record time," Mr. Smith said.

Kinsmen Bantams Shut Out Hamilton

Georgetown Bantams christened their new royal blue and gold Kinsmen sweaters with a 7-0 shutout over Hamilton in their best crowd of the season. Saturday night.

Jack Gudgeon spearheaded the Georgetown attack with 4 goals, one in each period, while Komshad, Norton and Davidson rounded out the scoring with singles. D. Vivian was credited with the shutout.

Assists were picked up by: Norton, Gudgeon, Lane (2), Komshad, Reid, Robinson, and Cummins (3); and Georgetown players penalized included Gudgeon, Adams, Held (3), Cummins, Robinson, and Cofell.

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