



Peter Jones, Georgetown

**LEADERS TRAIN LEADERS TO TRAIN LEADERS**

DR. JIM ANDERSON of Cooksville (seated) headed the Leadership Training Course here Saturday where some 66 members of the Scout and Guide organization learned how to lead and how to train others to be leaders. The sessions lasted from mid-morning to 10 o'clock at night. Around Dr. Anderson are District Commissioner Vic Gurne, Commissioner of A Pack, Mrs. Darlene Barrager; Scouter Bob Hardman, and Scouter Mrs. Dawn Livingstone.

**Proud of Facilities For Blind Residents**

Mr. J. Lawson, Canadian National Institute for the Blind representative for Wentworth, Peel and Halton, appeared before Halton County Council Tuesday, in support of a written brief submitted earlier to the individual members, asking for an appropriation of \$1,000 to carry on the CNIB work. He told of some newer and lesser known services of the Institute. An intensified adjustment training programme with no more than eight taught at a time has been inaugurated. He added that it is very difficult for a person blind for a long time, and sheltered at home, to adjust. Consequently, they like to start training people as shortly after the loss of their sight as possible. Since 50% of all blindness could be avoided, according to Mr. Lawson, the Institute offers a wide Preventative Program. At the moment there are 38 children in Halton being treated in the Preventative Clinic. In addition there are 68 totally blind people in Halton availing themselves of the CNIB services, which are free to them. Very proudly Mr. Lawson stated "Ten years ago there were two blind students in Canadian universities, now there are 62. We feel this is mainly due to the Dept. of Special Education of Ontario, and the CNIB training." Deputy Reeve H. Merry of Oakville asked that applications be sent to county councillors, and wondered how many donations had been received. In reply, Mr. Lawson said that 321 donor eyes were received in the last year, and 12,000 donor cards signed since 1956. "All eyes are valuable to the eye bank," he concluded, "even those with impaired vision." Warden Martin assured Mr. Lawson his request for an appropriation would be considered by the Finance Committee.

**Children's Aid Will Move to New Location**

Tuesday afternoon County Council rejected three of five Grand Jury recommendations made after their January 19th inspection of the new County Administration Building. Rejected was a recommendation that an additional pillar be erected on the front lawn designating the building a Court House as well as an Administration Building. Council felt too much would be involved in this major change. However, consideration is being given to the addition of the words Court House to the present pylon. Another suggestion turned down was the marking of the separate Court Houses as No. 1 and No. 2, and the third idea rejected was the provision of press tables in the Court Rooms for members of the fourth estate. Accepted however, were suggestions that additional changing facilities be provided and that "no parking" signs be installed along the entrance driveways. Favourably Impressed. On the whole, the grand jury were favourably impressed by the new building and commended Halton County Council on their accomplishment. The Halton Centennial Motor and its Superintendent, S. Allen, came in for high praise by the Grand Jury. Their only suggestion was the installation of an elevator to the basement recreation and Physiotherapy area. Costs are being investigated by County Council. Shift Offices. In the words of the Grand Jury report, "The Children's Aid is operating under abominable conditions, with 3 or 4

**THE MAIL BAG**

**More Thoughts on Langdon Articles**

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Dear Mr. Editor

Judge Langdon has been concerned about the legal rights of unmarried mothers (mostly teenagers) when these result from rape. Young girls wear short skirts and halters tops and sometimes even bathing suits around town, instead of in the proper places. Naturally this helps to encourage assault. Some high school recommendation girls wear short tunics. The Judge speaks about stirring some women who continually have and cannot afford child after child. I feel this would be fine in some cases but eventually it might be abused. Young couples might feel they do not want children but in later years find they do want them and are in a position to afford them. This would cause hard feelings against each other. The parents are often guilty of siding with a child against the teacher so that even if the teacher feels the child is in need of discipline, he does not dare say so. This often helps to cause delinquency. The police arrest a teenager for a charge such as speeding and when the case comes to court things are often twisted around to make the police officer in the wrong. What encouragement is there for them to do their duty? Fine alone does not seem to discourage teen-age offenders. They laugh as soon as it is over and wonder what will happen the next time. This repeats until possibly they kill a child with this foolish driving and then blame it on the child for running out into the road. Sometimes a sensible person will have a slight mishap and he will be fined and have his license taken away resulting even in losing his job if he depends on his car for his livelihood. A while back I was stopped on the road by a constable who asked to see my driver's license. When he saw my name he asked me how long I had been in Canada. I was born here. I thought I was not only going to lose my license but he put me in jail and have the key thrown away. This was only a road check.

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**Harold Henry Panelist Education Discussion**

A Georgetown man will be a member of a panel which will discuss all levels of education in Williams Ave. Public School in Milton tonight. Harold Henry, of 15 Market St., who is principal of a North York public school will join Harold Vail of Brantford, principal of a school for highly gifted children, Miss Nola Boyer, teacher of an auxiliary class in Oakville and Mrs. G. Jeffares, principal of the Sunshine School for Retarded Children on the panel. The moderator will be Dr. Ben Goldberg of London, Ontario, staff Psychiatrist of Children's Psychiatric Research Institute. The speakers have donated their time and some have travelled many miles to make the meeting which sponsoring organizations hope will draw a full house. They are relying on parents in Halton County who are interested in the education of the children to make the meeting a success with their presence and questions. The evening begins at 8. The sponsoring organizations are the North Halton Association for Retarded Children; and the Home and School Associations of the W. I. Dick, Bruce Street and J. M. Denyes schools in Milton.

County desks crowded into rooms for one person. Seven people of a staff of sixteen are working in areas with no outside lighting or ventilation. To alleviate this condition, County Council decided to move the Children's Aid Society into the house now used by the Halton County Health Unit. The Health Unit, in turn, will be moved to the former Registry Office on Milton's King Street.

**Endorsed Idea, Not Specific Plan: Warden**

"County Council did not endorse the P.S.I. medical plan," Warden Carl Martin told a delegation from the Halton Co-Operative Medical Services of Halton County Council meeting yesterday. "A plan is available to Halton residents. The motion was not limited to or did it name any specific company. You (the Halton Co-Op Medical Association) are on exactly the same footing as they are. We gave no special consideration to P.S.I.," concluded Warden Martin. Mrs. Roy Coulter, secretary-treasurer of the Halton Co-Operative Medical Services, traced the history of the organization since its inception in 1947, when the charter was granted. The service was provided in the beginning for rural and self-employed people who could not obtain it from any other service. It now extends complete coverage to any resident of Halton, Mrs. Coulter stated. She pointed out that the directors are all unpaid voluntary workers. Our service is provided by the people of Halton for the people of Halton," she concluded.



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