

Recognition for Halton For Fire Prevention Work



Georgetown Fire Chief Erwin Lewis (center), accepts the Special Recognition Certificate as president of the county fire prevention bureau from Ontario's Deputy Fire Marshal John Turnbull. Inspecting it possibly is Milton Warden Gordon Gallagher (right).

Your Halton County fire associations received awards for year-round fire prevention efforts Saturday evening, at the annual banquet of the Halton County Mutual Aid Fire Services Association in Milton Fire Hall.

The Halton County Fire Prevention Bureau received a "special recognition for an outstanding county-wide campaign," and a certificate from the National Fire Prevention Association which conducts annual contests for Canadian and American fire prevention groups.

John Turnbull, Deputy Fire Marshal from the Ontario Fire Marshal's office in Toronto, presented the certificate.

He also awarded a third prize certificate to Action Fire Fighters, who won the award in the 2,500 to 4,000 population class of the contest; an Honorable Mention to Oakville Fire Department which participated in the 25,000 to 100,000 population class; and an Honorable Mention to Milton Fire Department which took part in the 5,000 to 10,000 class.

The 1963 Fire Prevention Bureau chairman Chief Erwin Lewis of Georgetown accepted the county's certificate. Chiefs M. Holmes of Acton, Douglas Wilson of Oakville, and A.E. Clement of Milton received the other awards.

During the banquet several speakers praised the efforts of the county's Mutual Aid fire-fighting system, and the work of their respective fire prevention agencies. Deputy Fire Marshal Turnbull noted that the Halton groups are known throughout the province for their leadership in mutual aid and fire prevention activities. "Your efforts have been outstanding," he added.

Mr. Turnbull reviewed Canada's fire loss last year, which included 21,000 fires (one every 18 minutes) which caused 200 deaths and over \$2,000,000 in property damage. Although the number of fires and deaths were slightly over 1962, increased by \$8,000,000.

"You have a big field before you, if you hope to reduce this terrible loss of life and property," he told the firefighters. "I know you are all pulling to-

Demands Council Rescind Sewage Rebates to Industry

Georgetown, Ontario, 21 Byron Street, March 21st, 1964

To the Mayor and Councilors, Georgetown Municipal Council, Gentlemen:

For the benefit of the taxpayers of Georgetown, I submit the following in regard to sewage payments.

During the year 1962, when the Ontario Water Resources Commission had submitted its plan for the 30-year repayments for our new million dollar sewage plant, the following is noted in my reporting of our council session:

On April 23rd, Councillor James Emmerson was fully in accord with the metering of sewerage not returned to the sewers as a basis for any allowance to any water users. Councillor Fred Harrison stated he would vote against this unless it also included commercial premises.

On June 4th, ratepayer Robert Letts appeared before council to protest taxpayers having to subsidize industry regarding sewerage payments.

On August 27th the then Mayor stated that the onus was on industry to establish by metering what it claimed was NOT being returned to the sewers. Council fully backed this stand.

A submission by the management of one industry for relief without metering and on figures arrived at by other means elicited this reply from council:

1962, and I have been directed to reply as follows.

It is the feeling of council that any matters of dispute, under the Sewer Service By-Law can only be effectively settled by Sewerage being metered.

In fairness and justice to all users under this By-Law, Council must adhere to the terms set out therein, since they are charged with raising the necessary revenues.

It is for this reason that the Proctor & Redfern Report is used as the basis for Sewer Service Charges.

In view of this, any user wishing to dispute this report should be prepared to install a meter so that actual evidence is available for the Council to act upon. Failing this evidence, Council has no alternative but to abide by the Proctor & Redfern Report.

In view of these feelings by Council, it is suggested that the water accounts plus service charges, as set forth in Proctor & Redfern's Report, be paid at this time, and then adjusted when satisfactory evidence becomes available from your company. Accounts are being forwarded calculated as mentioned above, on Proctor & Redfern Report.

Yours very truly,
C.G. Beahm,
Clerk-Treasurer.

Also this statement made Sept. 24th, 1963, to Proctor & Redfern, Engineers, by Deputy-Clerk A.C. McBride: "Town Council, on the other hand, is gravely concerned with the loss of revenue which would result from complying with their 'industries' request."

But this has all changed. On June 19th, a motion sponsored by Councillors Emmerson and Brown on behalf of the largest water consuming industry, passed to permit allowances at the low percentage of 5% without metering.

On July 23rd, a motion by the same two Councillors passed by council, permitted another industry "the same concession but at a rate of 17%."

To date four major industries have been given this concession, the last two at 7%, which is certainly not in accord with the letter written and endorsed by council on July 30th, 1962.

In the meantime, the hard-pressed taxpayer had been threatened with a 50% increase in rates, while these concessions were made to industries.

WHY?

When questioned a few weeks ago at council session by Mayor Joseph Gibbons, Councillor Donald Power, water chairman, admitted no sanction had been obtained from the OWRC regarding these concessions, but should have been.

The policy laid down by the OWRC was equitable and just fair to one and all and should never have been changed.

Metering does not involve percentages but is based on reading of the consumption meter less that of the meter for that not being returned to the sewers and will vary from reading to reading.

What it has cost the taxpayers of Georgetown because of these unwarranted concessions is evidenced from the following figures taken from the water accounts as submitted to the four industries for the years 1962 and 1963 and which so far continue into 1964.

FOR 1962 Water Billing					
Firm	for year	50% %	Charged	Industry Paid	Difference Less to Tax.
A	\$5,772.56	\$2,886.28	7	\$404.08	\$2,886.28
V	4,479.88	2,239.94	7	813.59	1,205.85
S & S	1,787.17	893.58	17	303.83	689.75
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Totals for year	\$29,018.17	\$14,807.58		\$1,000.31	\$12,707.27

FOR 1963					
Firm	for year	50% %	Charged	Industry Paid	Difference Less to Tax.
A	5,002.84	2,501.42	7	\$350.18	\$2,151.24
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S & S	2,607.89	1,303.94	17	458.63	845.31
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Any taxpayer is eligible to examine and verify these figures in the Town Clerk's office. I would thank him for readily making these figures available to me.

What has to be done about this deal?

Council, in fairness to the taxpayers who voted them into office has no alternative but to pass a motion or motions rescinding any previous motions which permitted these concessions to industries. The same concessions are not available to the householder.

I call upon this council to table such motion or motions at its present sitting.

ED A. PETERS

Cancer Research is Key And Research Needs Funds

April, as it has been for many years past, is campaign month for the Canadian Cancer Society.

Where do we stand today in our battle against cancer?

In the past few years, Canada has marched into the big leagues of cancer research - and this year the Canadian public is being asked to contribute \$1,000,000 for public education, welfare and research funds to keep that march moving forward.

Cancer research is a giant puzzle in which thousands of pieces of knowledge of hundreds of different fields of study must be fitted together.

And, slowly, painstakingly, these pieces are fitted together. The great volume of research being done is, bit by bit, yielding us answers.

While the cancer death rate keeps slowly rising in Canada - it's now this nation's No. 2 killer - the number of people saved from the disease each year is rising too.

The key to the cancer riddle lies in research, and last year more than 200 Canadian Scientists and technicians were at work in a score of laboratories of 117 different projects - 117 new and different pieces of that giant puzzle.

The miracle of cell division, cell differentiation and replacement; the mystery of the substances that make up the nucleus of cells; the effects of certain cancer-causing substances; and the therapeutic value of certain cancer-inhibiting chemicals are all being checked and cross-checked.

Canadian scientists are working close to this life-and-death problem by probing the structure of viruses and even, oddly enough by probing the fighting urges of mice.

Cancer is such a complicated disease, it takes so many forms and attacks in so many ways that this multiple approach is a necessity.

To this kind of research we can only hope for a final answer to the scourge of cancer, which this year will take the lives of some 25,000 Canadians.

The Canadian Cancer Society is putting its tremendous energy into supporting every worthwhile cancer research project that might possibly bring the answer closer.

able pointed out, is also a harbinger of spring.

At the next meeting, May 8, the members will be contestants in a cherry pie and muffin baking contest. Winners will go on to compete with winners from other branches at the District Annual.

A vote of thanks was given all who had contributed to the meeting. Mrs. Matthews conducted the closing.

Ella-Bred Bull is Named Superior Sire

Rock Ella Diane's Director, Excellent, Silver Medal Sire, has been designated a Superior Sire by the Canadian Jersey Cattle Club, with a rating on 34 tested daughters of 8.514 lbs. of milk, 483 lbs. of fat, m. e., 5.67% and 10 classified 88.08%. This bull was bred by Kenneth L. Ellis, of Hornby, and was proven in the herd by D.J. Begg, of St. Thomas.

His sire is Valleyanna Design Dreamer, Excellent, Superior Sire, and his dam is Rock Ella Sporting Diane, Supreme Excellent twice Ton of Gold-winner, with a Lifetime Production of 112,214 lbs. of milk, 6,623 lbs. of fat in 10 lactations. She has also won three Silver Medals and two Gold Medals and is a tested dam with a high rating.

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