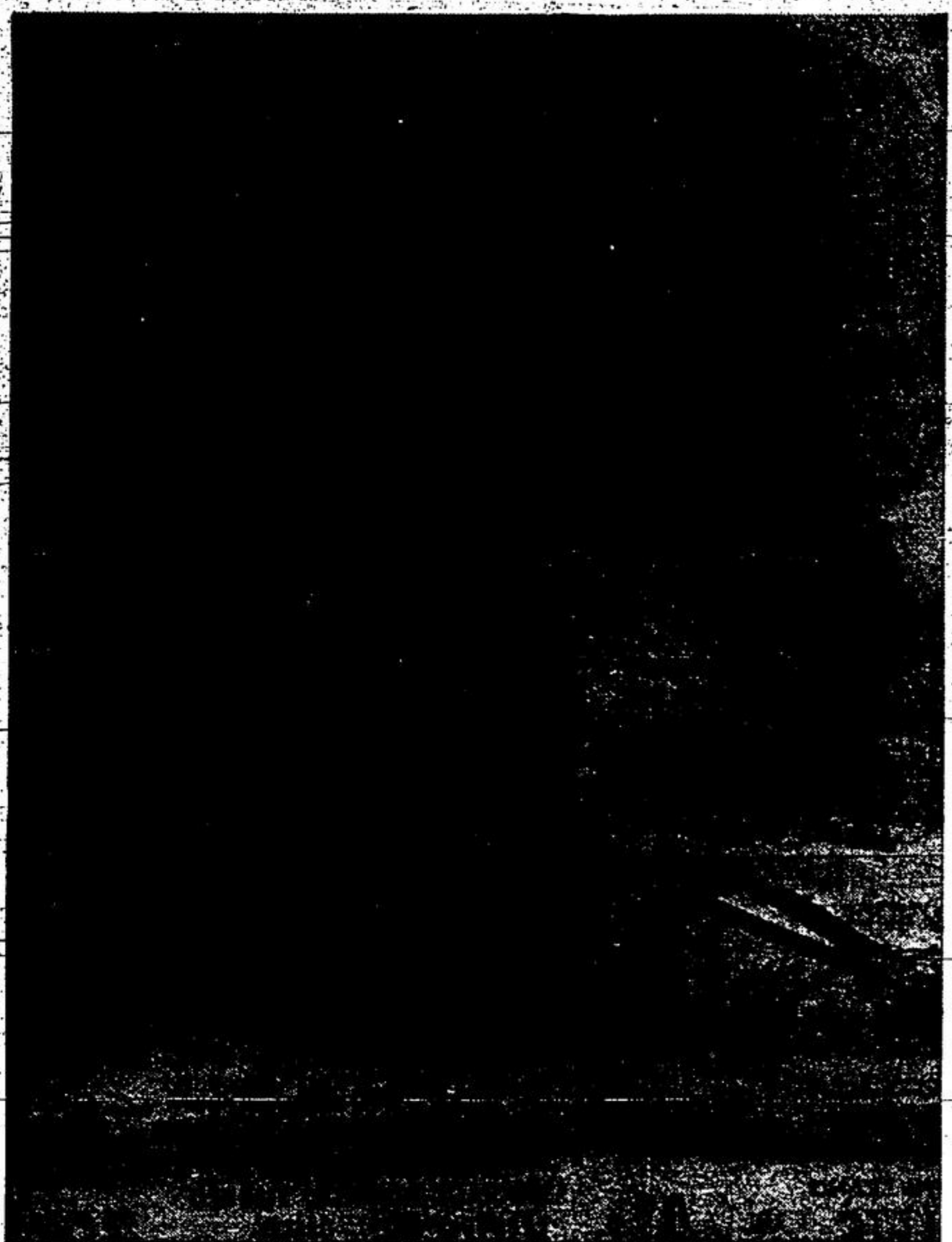


## Rehabilitation Goal in March of Dimes Campaign



AREA CAPTAIN DONNA ROBBINS and general Georgetown chairman Mary Cooper point to message "The Ability Fund—March of Dimes" which appears on billboards throughout the province. This one is at the corner of Main and Guelph Streets.

The March of Dimes opens its annual January campaign for funds with a new symbol and a changing role in the rehabilitation of disabled adults.

Mrs. Mary Cooper, general chairman in Georgetown, said she hoped that the new look of the organization would help the canvassers in the area to exceed last year's campaign total of \$1650.

"We need the money," said Mrs. Cooper, "to do a good job for disabled adults in this area as well as throughout the province. Through its parent organization, the Rehabilitation Foundation for the Disabled, the March of Dimes assesses the abilities of the physically handicapped, operates workshops in which new skills are taught, and helps the disabled to find employment when they are physically and psychologically ready for it."

The campaign in Georgetown runs through the month of

January, ending with a blitz of homes between 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. on Monday, January 27. Some 250 volunteers are needed for this project. All residents who can spend an hour to call on ten or 15 homes in their neighbourhood are asked to call 877-4476.

Mrs. Cooper explained that different departments of government had taken over the casework services of the Foundation, but it was still responsible for physically disabled adults who were unable to leave their homes to work.

"We supply these people with various appliances, such as wheelchairs, crutches and special lifts," she said, "and when we feel it will help their rehabilitation, we try to find work for them to do at home."

The government take-over of casework, she said, made it possible for the organization to devote more time and effort to finding suitable employment for those able to work. "And

this is our main interest," said Mrs. Cooper, "because there is no better way to feel you are part of the community than to be able to do work and to be paid for it."

There are incidental benefits, she said: the disabled who go to work are glad to come off the welfare rolls, and the money they earn becomes new spending power in the community.

A few months ago the March of Dimes changed its symbol from the red maple leaf, which it has been using since the organization was founded in Ontario in 1951, and adopted a green fir tree with a branch missing.

"It is indicative," said Mrs. Cooper "of the fact that although the people we are concerned about have a disability, they still have plenty of abilities left. That's why the billboards this month show our symbol and the words, 'The Ability Fund—March of Dimes.'"

Appointments to advisory committees from outside the board may be paid a maximum monthly honorarium of \$75.

### Get Mileage

Also approved was a mileage allowance of 10 cents per mile for travelling to and from meetings for each trustee due to the greater distances now entailed for some trustees.

## Survey to Reveal Religious Affiliations in Local District

The regular meeting of the Georgetown & District Ministerial Association met at the home of Rev. Robert Duncanson, on Wednesday, January 8. The first part of the meeting was spent in sorting cards from the recent religious survey of Georgetown. About 100 men and women from the various churches visited over 2,500 homes during the early part of December to determine religious affiliation. The results were recorded on cards and have been given to the ministers concerned.

Several matters of interest and concern were discussed during the business period. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Jan. 18-26 was the first matter to be considered. In many areas throughout the world joint services of ecumenical witness are conducted during this week, but it was decided that each minister should emphasize the need for unity in his own church with the hope that a combined service may be held next year.

The subject of publicity and public relations of the Ministerial and the churches was discussed. It was decided that Rev. Robert Duncanson and Rev. Robert Lohnes be a committee to consider this matter and report to the next meeting. The need for a sharing of concern by men and women within specific occupations or areas of work was a matter of considerable discussion. Rev. John Kilfner and Rev. Richard Ruggie are to consider this matter and make recommendations at the next meeting. Rev. Norman Young and Rev. Robert Scrivens were appointed to

REV. R. D. DUNCANSON  
Ministerial President

look into the possibility of a combined Good Friday Church service for those churches which do not already have their own service. A fourth committee consisting of the Rev'd Eric Mills and Rev. Leslie Wilton was appointed to consider a marriage counselling course, with the assistance of a doctor, lawyer, home economist, etc.

Those in attendance at the meeting were Reverends N. Young, R. Duncanson, R. Ruggie, L. Wilton, R. Scrivens, R. Lohnes, K. Johnston, J. Kilfner, O. DeVent, E. Mills and W. Ridley. R. D. Duncanson is chairman and R.W. Ridley is secretary-treasurer of the association for this year.

## Approve Service Station Moore Park Subdivision

Moving with unusual speed, council received an application for a Texaco service station in Moore Park, Wednesday, and approved it the same night.

Mayor W. Emmerson pointed out the area was zoned properly for a service station, and approved by the building inspector. He claimed too many applications, which conformed to the by-law had been turned over to the Planning Board unnecessarily, in the past.

Councillor Ernie Hyde maintained the responsibility lies with the building inspector and zoning administrator, "If they are satisfied, we should accept that."

Cr. Sandy Mackenzie agreed, saying "If it conforms to all requirements, it should be passed tonight."

"What we do with this, should be our policy throughout the year," emphasized Cr. Hyde, "It is a matter of placing the responsibility where it belongs, on the building inspector and zoning administrator."

"I could look at it for hours," said Cr. Ric Morrow "and be no wiser, it is up to the people who do the job to take the responsibility."

The motion granting permission to issue the building permit passed unanimously.

## Carols Raised Money For HOPE Shop Heater

A heater has been purchased for the woodworking shop at HOPE Workshop, Hornby, by three young girls who raised the money carol singing.

Cheryl McLachlan, Heather Moores, and Susan McCartney raised \$36.36 singing in the Prince Charles Drive, and Raylawn Crescent neighbourhoods.

Money left over from the heater purchase was donated to the HOPE workshop birthday fund.

## \$31,500 Salary Puts School Official Top Pay Bracket

The annual salaries of Halton County's top education officials, including the figure of \$31,500 for the director of education, were approved by a narrow vote margin.

J. W. Singleton, recently appointed director of the new Halton County Board of Education therefore becomes the county's highest-paid civil servant.

The salary figures were settled during a committee of the whole meeting attended by 18 of the board's 20 trustees following a five-hour meeting in the council chambers of the county administrative building.

The press was re-admitted to the meeting for the formal vote which was 10-8 in favour of the motion approving the salaries.

The reason for the narrow margin was not divulged by Fred Armitage, chairman of the board.

Salary Figures  
He also emphasized that the salary figures have been reduced as those for the senior positions on the board, not for individual persons now serving on the board.

The salaries will be effective from January 1, 1969, when the board officially assumed jurisdiction for county education.

Also approved was the annual salary of \$29,000 for the assistant director Douglas L. Lawless. Singleton and Lawless were ser-

ving as director and assistant director of the Burlington Board of Education up till amalgamation of the town boards.

The approved figures also include the salaries of \$25,500 per annum for each of the three academic superintendents of Instruction, Program and Special Services.

Earlier during the regular meeting, the board also approved of the payment of an honorarium to trustees and members of advisory committees as provided for under the Schools Administration Act.

The figures for the honorarium were based on the county enrolment figures in public and secondary schools (44,074) on September 30, 1968.

Trustees elected for secondary school purposes only may be paid a maximum monthly honorarium of \$150 and those elected for public and secondary school purposes may be paid a maximum monthly honorarium of \$200.

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