

DOUBLE CELEBRATION AT NURSE'S GRADUATION



FLANKED BY PROUD PARENTS and grandparents, nursing graduate Maureen Smith was guest of honour when her aunt, Mrs. Carl Dyer of Fergus entertained following graduation ceremonies for St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing in Guelph. Maureen received the prize for highest marks in theory. Among guests were Maureen's grandmother Mrs. Gertrude Poile of Georgetown (left), her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Roy A. Smith and her paternal grandmother, Mrs. Orpha Smith of Fergus, who was celebrating her 88th birthday that day.

Summer Jobs for School Students Not Too Plentiful

As the academic year draws to a close, prospects of summer employment for high school students grow bleaker.

Officials connected with student placement in the area are concerned with the dim forecast. At the moment they are not experiencing too much difficulty placing university students in summer positions — although only 33 to 50 per cent of co-eds have jobs — but the rush for jobs is just beginning.

The only agency at present officially concerning itself with temporary jobs for the student is the Canada Manpower Centre in Brampton. Offering a free service under the federal department of manpower and immigration, it serves an area covering Brampton, Bramalea, Georgetown, Acton, Orangeville, Shelburne and Grand Valley.

As one employee described it, the centre works as "a pipeline with a filter between prospective employer and employee."

Special Officer
For the second year in a row the centre has hired a university student as student placement officer for the summer. This year Rick Maloney, a second year, honours psychology student at the University of Western Ontario, was selected after he himself had applied for work with the agency.

He reports that since February, 675 students, both university and high school, have registered with the Manpower Centre. The majority, 500, were all high schoolers who have still to land jobs.

Of the remaining college students, about 64 or roughly one-third, have been supplied with summer posts. Mr. Maloney indicates that probably 25 have managed to get their own jobs and have yet to report their good fortune.

"Right now we don't have a problem," he said, referring to

the placement of college students. "But if the rate of interested employers continues at its present pace, things look as if they're going to be pretty tight."

He was alluding to the completion of secondary school year and the comparative dearth of employers. For the better part of each day since he took on the job, he has been on the phone trying to sell employers on the feasibility and availability of eager students on a part-time basis.

Keep Plugging
Of every 11 businesses and firms he calls, one registers with the centre, five cancel out and five take a wait and see attitude. "At first it was very discouraging, but the trick is to keep on plugging," he said.

When an employer phones in asking for a certain kind of summer help, Mr. Maloney checks with his applications and his memory for the best available candidate. He has already interviewed most of the registered university students and has a fairly comprehensive picture of individual capabilities.

"When I make a placement it is always on the basis of the qualifications a student has," he said. This is why he feels the high school students are going to find it most difficult to nail down jobs.

"University students are usually preferred over secondary school students because of their higher education," he said. "It looks as if engineering and science oriented students will have the best opportunities. The high school student will just have to content himself with getting any kin' of job and forget about certain preferences this year."

Harder For Girls
Girls coming out of high school will have an even tougher time because the locale does not lend itself to the secretarial type

Most area employers run industrial and factory concerns which cater to the male worker because of dirty and physical work.

The centre has been hard hit by the overflow out of area students from Cooksville, Port Credit, Streetsville, Malton and Rexdale who are also bidding for summer work.

The opening of Shopper's World, the dynamic complex at the corner of Steeles Ave. and Highway 10 has proved a blessing to some otherwise unemployed students. Mr. Maloney reports.

"Many high school students who have signed on part time can count on a full summer job," he said.

Howard Fullard, manager of the Canada Manpower Centre, was asked why this year there seemed a more concerted effort on government levels to help the student.

"Student populations are increasing every year all over the country and this fact alone explains the greater numbers looking for summer employment," he said.

"Right here in Brampton we have got Sheridan College which didn't exist till last year. With over 900 enrolled in the school, it's no wonder there are more students to handle come summer."

Always A Need
Mr. Fullard said there has always been a need to assist students when it comes to summer employment. "The federal government has always mixed in and helped," he said. "But it's been only recently that the provincial government has joined forces."

"What we're working towards is community involvement where service clubs and other organizations will engage their own placement services."

"What the government wants to do is work behind the scenes, lend moral support and its technical know-how. This just may start a snowballing effect."

"But for this idea to take hold there has to be a community interest and community involvement," he said.

Share Guiding Skills In "Operation Outlook"

"Operation Outlook" a project of the Girl Guides of Canada-Guides du Canada, will take 13 young women from across Canada to the Northwest Territories and Newfoundland this summer. Chosen as outstanding representatives of the Guide association, the girls, aged 16 to 20, will form two training teams to share their recreational and cultural skills with young people at opposite ends of their country.

Seven young women from eastern Canada will lead two week long training camps for young adults at Prelude Lake, 22 miles from Yellowknife, July 2-16. They will help their trainees buy of supplies, teach health

and safety rules and share cultural skills such as folk singing, dancing, puppetry, crafts, nature and games. Trainers who will come from all over the Territories, will learn how to organize youth activities in their own communities on their return. Their visiting leaders also hope to learn from them.

Guides in charge is Dr. Mary Habgood of Inuvik, NWT and her assistant is Mrs. A.E. Hayden, Whitehorse, YT.

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billeted in local schoolhouses and will bring their crafts, songs and leadership training skills to people of all ages.

Guides in charge is Phyllis Reid, a public health nurse from Newfoundland, and her assistant is Marjorie Pike, of St. John's Newfoundland.

"Operation Outlook" has been planned for more than a year, and the girls are being thoroughly briefed by monthly letters from leaders. Also being circulated are training kits containing records, tapes, slides, books, craft assignments and scrapbooks to familiarize the girls with their respective areas. Teams will meet in Toronto en route to both projects for a complete briefing and later for evaluation sessions.

The operation was conceived by the areas concerned as a service adventure and an opportunity for young adults to assist the youth of their own country. It is financed through the Ogler Trust Fund, a fund set up to honour a former chief commissioner of the Girl Guides of Canada, Miss E. Henrietta Ogler of Toronto.

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