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The Benefits of Being Ageless . . .



SANTA CLAUS SHOWS UP FOR 4,837th DONATION

What could be a better gift during this Christmas season than the gift of life. Santa Claus took time out from his hectic schedule last week to give a gift of life at the Georgetown blood donor clinic in Holy Cross auditorium. Attending the ageless elf as he makes his donation are Ann Gray of the Georgetown Red Cross branch, Dairy Princess Lorene Archekin, who was another special guest, and nurse Iris Dyett. It was the 4,837th blood donation for the old fellow who now has more needle marks on his arm than a Yorkville flower child.

Not Very Valid

School Board Not Sold On 'Concept of 'New Education'

Reservations over the value of "the new education" were expressed by Halton Board of Education last week and a report by a special committee failed to adequately defend the concepts.

The Evaluation Committee of the Innovations Council presented its report to the board for the second time, but even some of its members agreed that it was not very valid.

The report on use of open-concept schools, continuous progress and co-operative teaching was one and one half years in the making.

When it was originally presented to the board last summer it was set aside for study.

NO ACTION

No action was taken on the report last week either.

Board chairman, Fred Armitage told the committee that the report would be used to assist in formulation of future educational policy.

After several board members expressed misgivings about the value of the "new education" concepts, Robert Wright, committee chairman said the program required more study.

He recommended continuation of the committee to conduct additional study.

He said to do an adequate job the committee must have better tools and the help of highly skilled individuals.

MEAGRE

Liberty Pease, board member, said the results of the study were meagre and questioned what grounds the committee had for basing its opinions and recommendations.

Pease said the "new education" must provide better results or he would not support such a program.

He said he was convinced that if the teacher is good, the results are good. "The results depend more on the teacher than the program."

He said there may be a danger in the staff not meeting the demands of the program and that the board may not gain

anything by instituting the concepts on a wide scale.

CONCERN

Other board members expressed concern about the type of reporting system which could be used in continuous progress schools, whether there would still be a spirit of competition among students and if discipline would be lacking.

Wright told the board it must decide whether it wants a school system using open-concept schools, continuous progress and co-operative teaching.

The report was prepared on information gathered from Halton schools now using the three new concepts. Teachers, parents and students were asked for opinions.

NON-SCIENTIFIC

The committee referred to

the report as a "non-scientific analysis of what has been accomplished in the areas of continuous progress and co-operative teaching in the new schools and a collection of recommendations vital to implementation of these innovations in traditionally designed schools.

The report found the open-plan school appears to meet the social, emotional and academic needs of the majority of students whose needs can not be met by such schools.

One of the major recommendations in the report was for establishment of an in-service program for benefit of teachers who will teach in traditional schools as well as in open-concept schools.

Flexibility in school design is essential for continuous progress programs, the report indicates.

WOMEN'S COUNCIL TO HELP POVERTY STUDY

The regular meeting of the Local Council of Women was held on December 5 in the committee room of the Halton & Peel Trust building. Mrs. Florida Nodwell was in the chair.

There was discussion on a report received from the National Council on the current study of poverty in Canada, and a review of the work of the Senate committee to explore this subject in all its ramifications. Local Councils across Canada have been assigned various aspects of the subject and asked to report their findings to National Council for presentation to the federal government.

Mrs. Dick reported for economics and submitted a study guide for Local Councils on such matters as taxation as related to national and international trade, national resources and industries and a fuller recognition of the economic and social contribution of the home maker.

RIGHTS OF CHILDREN

Mrs. A. M. Sutherland reported for education. Since the

special project for the year is a study of the human rights of children a summary of these has been prepared and formed the basis of the report.

Mrs. Buck reported for radio and television, her report covering an evaluation of current programs for children and certain suggested improvements in timing, educational content and general set-up.

Mrs. Walsh gave the report for the Red Cross, outlining the very comprehensive current activities of the local branch which reach into every area of community life. In addition there is the Red Cross continuous and outstanding contribution to world need wherever found.

TREE SLAUGHTER

Mrs. Nieuwhof gave the safety report which introduced a proposal to conduct safety projects in every community, and spoke of the opportunity afforded in this field for community service.

Mrs. Nodwell reported on conservation which was mainly concerned with the unnecessary

slaughter of trees on our highways. The provincial Council has prepared a resolution to be sent to the Ontario government requesting that the Department of Highways be asked to spare trees wherever possible, and that a curb be put on reckless destruction of trees frequently featured in highway widening and extension.

Mrs. R. H. Jones was tea hostess for the afternoon. A sale of baking and small articles was a feature of the meeting.

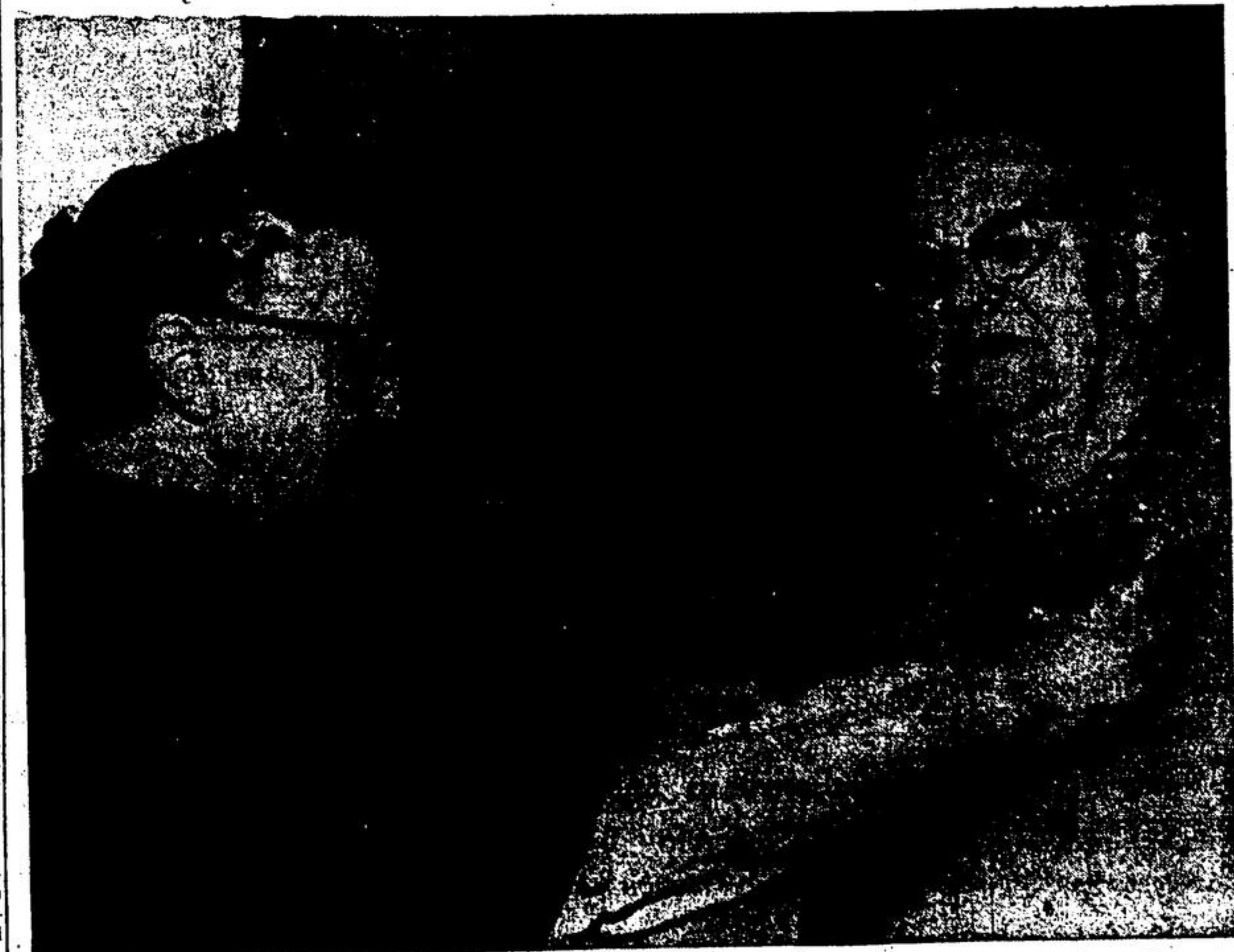
Personals, Please

The Herald will be calling for news of your holiday visits and visitors.

We want to include your news in our next few issues of the paper.

If you have any other type of holiday news, be sure and see The Herald gets it. Phone 877-2201.

Eldest Youngsters Dine . . .



COME YE CHILDREN

Mrs. Dora Petch (left) pins a corsage on Mrs. Lillian Alcott at the Rotary Club's senior citizens dinner in Knox Church Hall last week. Ladies in the silver thread crowd received flowers as they entered the hall. "Come All Ye Children" says the scroll in the background.

Seven Man Board Would Administer Recreation, Parks

\$30 Fee Structure Includes 'Specials'

Georgetown council members will now be paid \$30 per day for attendance at special meetings as well as committee of the whole or council meetings. In addition this will apply for meetings attended in 1969, upon submission to the treasurer.

Members will be allowed to

attend a maximum of three conventions a year, with travelling expenses, and convention registration fees paid, and an expense allowance of \$40 a day.

The three motions passed unanimously Monday night, with no comment.

BLACKOUT

An overloaded feeder line was the cause of a 20 minute hydro blackout which left a large section of the town without electric power early Monday night.

The entire district served by the Cross Street substation went black at 5:25. It included most of the west end of town. Street lights also went out in some other parts of town.

Eastern sections experienced a very brief blackout, lasting about a minute, as power was restored.

Correcting the trouble was simply a matter of transferring to another feeder, but since the failure came after the line crews' regular hours a few extra minutes elapsed before the troubleshooting was completed.

NEW DOCTOR



DR. J. DAVID HOGAN

Dr. J. David Hogan is a new member of Georgetown's medical fraternity.

He has opened an office at 2 Young Street in the renovated building which formerly housed the Sno-White Laundromat.

Dr. Hogan, a Toronto native, is a 1963 graduate of the University of Toronto. His earlier education was at St. Michael's College school and later St. Michael's College where he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1959.

He interned at St. Michael's hospital, then spent three years with the RCAF overseas in France and West Germany.

Following his job with the airforce, he went to Honolulu where he took post-graduate work in internal medicine at Queen's Medical Centre.

For the past year he was a resident anaesthetist at Toronto Western Hospital.

Dr. Hogan, his wife, who is the former Josephine Hashorn of Sydney, N. S. and their 16 month old daughter Leslie Anne are living in Bramalea at present.

Council Gives Two Readings To Community Recreation Bylaw

A 25 clause by-law setting up a community program of recreation was given two readings by council, Monday night. The third reading was delayed to give members a chance to pursue it thoroughly.

The by-law authorizes a seven member committee to be known as the Georgetown Recreation, Parks and Community Centres Committee to direct, manage and control the arena, the swimming pool, and Cedarvale Centennial Community Centre.

The committee will consist of two members of council, and five residents of the town, appointed by council. Council members will be appointed for a one year term and non-council members for a two year term, except for initial appointments when the non-council members will be appointed for a one year term, to ensure continuity as the appointments change.

ACT AS ADVISORS

Area recreation committees may be appointed to operate district programs, with the main Georgetown committee providing the services. Sub-committees may also be appointed to act as advisors.

The seven member Georgetown committee must submit a yearly statement of its financial affairs to the Municipal treasurer, and a budget for the coming year, by February 1st. The budget estimates will be separated into three categories, Recreation Committee general program, Parks operation and maintenance, and community centre operation and maintenance.

Council will set up a bank account known as the Recreation Committee Account, with the books and accounts being kept by the town treasurer. This committee can set fees for participating or admittance to any community program, and may solicit or receive gifts for recreation purposes.

HIRING AND FIRING

All recreational centres, parks, playgrounds, etc. now and in the future will be maintained and managed by the Recreation Committee. They

may also recommend to council the purchase or disposal of park lands.

The Committee can recommend the hiring or firing of a recreational director, but council has the final authority on both.

The committee, however, may appoint and discharge recreation workers, park employees, facilities managers, other staff members. They will also be responsible for assigning the duties and responsibilities of employees and volunteers. Should a recreation director be hired, these appointments and discharges would be subject to his recommendation.

A public relations program is planned to keep the public informed of the recreation opportunities, in the area.

Reeve W. Hunter questioned the advisability of passing the by-law while the Private Bill to disband the three boards is still pending.

HELD UP

Cr. Donna Denison stated in the solicitor's opinion it was perfectly legal.

At the suggestion of Cr. Smith the third reading was held over. Only Cr. Ernie Hyde opposed the two readings of the by-law.

Following this by-law another by-law to rescind all previous by-laws setting up the three boards, Board of Parks, Swimming Pool and Cedarvale was given two readings, over Cr. Hyde's objections.

The third reading was held up because most members said they felt the Private Bill disbanding the three boards might not come up for some time, leaving them with no one in control, since the new committee would not be appointed till next year.

Santa Is Lions' Hospital Cheer

Everybody's favourite hippie will find time to drop in at Georgetown & District Memorial Hospital, Saturday.

Santa Claus who wore his hair on the long side, sported a beard, and was known for his pot long before the current unwashed crop came on the scene, will be spreading a little love around the hospital at the invitation of the Georgetown Lions Club.

Patients will receive gifts from the merry old gent, who makes an annual habit of cheering those who have to spend this time of year away from their families.

St. Andrew's Has Own "Laugh In"

The "Y" may have their Goldie Hahn but St. Andrew's, at their Christmas party on Dec. 10, were entertained by Henry Gibson, in the person of Mrs. Rita Munro.

The evening's entertainment was provided by members of the UCW assisted by girls from the junior unity. Mrs. Mary Ashlee and Mrs. Munro provided a fifteen minute review which put everyone in a happy frame of mind following the modern nativity play presented by Mrs. Pat Bell, Mrs. Florence Skilling, Miss Patti Burns, Miss Jacky Clark and Miss Diane Emerson.

A group of about 60 exchanged gifts, gave an offering to the Nigeria-Biafra fund and finished off the evening with a Christmas buffet.

HOLIDAY PAPERS READERS PLEASE NOTE The next two issues of The Herald, being in holiday weeks will be issued one day earlier, on WEDNESDAY MORNINGS December 24 & December 31