

OUR READERS WRITE:

REPORT OF ATTACKS UNTRUE, UNFOUNDED

Dear Sir:

In regards to your report on the presentation of its brief by the Halton Renaissance Committee to the Halton Board of Education, (Aug. 28), reference was made by your reporter to "personal and malicious attacks that had earlier become the hallmark of the Renaissance Committee". That characterization of the Renaissance Committee is totally untrue and unfounded in fact. It is a fact that some of us in Renaissance have been the objects of gross misrepresentations by educators and even, on occasion, in the press.

You refer to "Mr. Jim Singleton who had suffered blunt, personal attacks during the early stages of the Renaissance Committee campaign." You failed to report that whatever charges were made by anyone in Renaissance in this connection related to Mr. Singleton's unethical comments to the press about the protests of a parent over some shocking irresponsibilities in the system,—and of protests over Mr. Singleton's equally unethical conduct in response to a personal parental request for an appropriate apology in the circumstances.

Moreover, your reporter failed to note the following comments I made in my statement introducing the brief to the Board of Education:

"Because of the integrity of our concern, we have not hesitated to use plain language. We bear malice toward none. As I stated to Mr. Keith Craig (principal of M. M. Robinson high school) in an open letter, February 28: 'I have already offered my apologies for any hurt that I have inadvertently caused anyone in the process of presenting my protest and calling for a renaissance in our school system. Surgery may be painful and inconvenient but better to suffer while seeking a cure than to die because we didn't.'

"As I offered those apologies to Mr. Craig and his staff in his office on Feb. 27, 1974, I do so now publicly to anyone in the system or beyond, whom I may have inadvertently harmed in the course of this crusade."

We appreciate the apology extended to us by Oakville trustee Len Crosier for the offense to our conscience caused by the

unannounced visit by "Gay Lib" to the high school our daughters attend—which incident triggered our initial protest. Apart from Mr. Crosier's voluntary phone-call in that connection, it is a matter of record that no-one in the system who has been responsible for offending us, has suggested that an apology to us might be in order. The mayor of one of the municipalities in the Halton region commented to me several weeks ago that if there'd been such an admission of irresponsibility by an appropriate educational official initially, there probably would never have been such a protest movement amongst the people over the unresponsiveness of the educational system. The fact that there was no such response then or since only emphasizes the unresponsiveness of the system to the people.

The Renaissance Committee has recommended "The Open-Door Policy" to alleviate such unresponsiveness but if the policy is going to be effective, it will be necessary for the educators as well as the parents to recognize that the door swings both ways.

Sincerely,
Ken Campbell,
Halton Renaissance Committee

PROPERTY OWNERS CLEAN-UP HALTON

Sir:

Have you noticed this past year that your rural neighbor has been tidying up and painting his buildings, etc? Ten chances to one they are one of the competitors in the Farmstead and Rural Home Competition in conjunction with the International Plowing Match.

How about you showing a pride in your county as well as your home by cutting the weeds, moving those old wrecks of cars and trucks out of sight, gathering up the dead limbs, etc. Even without paint, cleaning up will make your place look much better. So let's start today as the plowing match is only a few weeks away and probably 200,000 people will visit the match south of Georgetown Sept. 24 to 28 this year.

The Farmstead and Rural Home Committee,
G. H. Carlton,
Chairman.

Holmes wants job defined

Acton Fire Chief Mick Holmes would like to see a definition of roles between fire areas one and two in Halton Hills and would also appreciate closer consultation on all matters pertaining to fire safety between himself and area two chief Ken

Bulkema. "I'd like to see this committee define the roles of the two fire areas. Are we working as a whole or two separate fire areas?" Holmes asked the administration committee at their August 28 meeting.

Holmes was disappointed that he was never consulted concerning amendments to the fireworks by-law or the regulations covering fire safety at the International Plowing Match. Bulkema said that both men's holidays had made it

impossible for proper discussion since they were out of town for an entire month. "The Plowing Match is rapidly approaching and I felt it had to be done right away and Mick was away on holidays", Bulkema explained. He expressed regret that the problem had ever arisen.

"I feel that the committee should sit down with the two fire chiefs and bring this situation to a head," Holmes said.

Councillor Les Doby agreed that the situation would have to be looked into. "Anything from the committee should be looked at by both Fire Chiefs and they should be equally informed," he said.

Holmes was to have been the chief for the whole of Halton Hills but Georgetown residents became upset and so the Town was divided into two fire areas and Bulkema appointed to handle area two. Holmes became chief of area one, Acton, and Bulkema continued in his old area of Georgetown.

Saves lives

Ric Morrow, councillor for Ward four, was credited with saving the life of two people two weeks ago, but word was just heard here recently,

since the hero of the occasion refused to talk about it. An Oakville couple who were holidaying in the area broke the story to an Oakville newspaper when they returned home.

Car breakins, turkey

Four vehicles were broken into at the Dominion Hotel-IGA parking lot Saturday. After investigation one out-of-town man was charged with possession of narcotics and possession of an 8-track tape

deck, stolen from one of the vehicles; and another out-of-town man was charged with theft. They'll appear in court Oct. 30.

On Friday an out-of-town man was charged with theft

when he was apprehended with a live turkey in the trunk of his car. It was returned to the farmer who owned it. The man appears in court Sept. 11.

A local man was charged with assault causing bodily harm after his father was beaten up on Bower Ave. Friday. He'll be in court Sept. 11.

A person wanted by Niagara region police was arrested in Acton Sunday on outstanding warrants and returned to Welland.

There were two liquor seizures and two impaired drivers, police tallied.

Musical Roundup

Last Thursday's O.F.Y. Musical Roundup at the band hall was described as "smooth, better organized, more interesting, and faster" in comparison to other band concerts sponsored by the O.F.Y. band grant group. About 50 students par-

ticipated in the concert. The band hall was packed, standing room only.

Thursday was the end of summer lessons by the band grant instructors while Friday was devoted to general cleanup and the finishing of all business.

Outdoor service for Evangel

Outdoor church service was held Sunday evening by Evangel Pentecostal Tabernacle. The service was at Foodland parking lot, with a good amplification system which made the music audible for several blocks around.

Some sat in parked cars to listen to the service.

Harold Roberts and Harv Hillier played guitars; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Roberts sang duets, Gary Foster, Brian and Harv Hillier sang trio.

Rev. S. Thoman conducted the service.

The first outdoor service three weeks ago was held at the vacant lot at the corner of Queen and Churchill Rd. The next week the congregation met at the new band stand at the park but found there was no power available.

Next week's service will be indoors again.



Urge girls join 4-H

Girls who are 12 to 26 years of age are invited to join a 4-H Homemaking Club in your area. Members must be 12 by Sept. 1, 1974. If there is no club in your area, why not form one? All you need are at least four members and one or two leaders. The leaders must attend a two-day Leaders' School to introduce them to the project material, teaching aids, etc.

For further information, please contact Miss Lorraine Holding, Home Economist, Ministry of Agriculture and Food, 2 Elizabeth Street South, Brampton or telephone 451-5474.

Homemaking Club members in Halton County will have a chance this fall to study many aspects of hospitality in a project called "The Club Girl Entertains".

Pet of the week

NINO is a registered Doberman Pinscher and has a compulsion to lick anything that is a baby. Right now, Tweets, a bantam chick is taking up Nino's time. Nino has also adopted a kitten. Nino lives on a farm in Halton Hills and is owned by Nickki Van Dam.

"A lot of fun" says Ann Luty

Although the C.N.E. queen contest is on a much larger scale than Acton's Miss Fall Fair, it was similar, said Ann Luty, 1973-74 Fall Fair Queen.

Anne was in competition with 90 other girls at the C.N.E., and even though she was not chosen as one of the finalists, she said "it was a lot

of fun." It took two days for the judging. Anne travelled to the C.N.E. by taxi, due to the T.T.C. strike. On the first day two judges talked to her for three hours. The following day she was judged on pose. Anne admitted that at first she was nervous, but the judges soon put her at ease.

KEY SAVINGS

Due to Recent Statements Made by the Big Three Car Manufacturers of increasing the '75 Models by As Much As \$600⁰⁰ in Canada. We at Mike Tarp's Georgetown Chrysler Have Predicted Such a Price Increase. Therefore We Bought As Many '74 Cars and Trucks As We Could Get Our Hands On From The Factory. Approximately 100 Brand New and Demonstrator Cars and Trucks Will be Cleared Out at Absolutely Rock Bottom Prices. So We Say

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