

For students

Job situation 'bleak' but help on way

Students seeking temporary work may have an advantage over those seeking permanent full time employment, according to Barb Black, supervisor of the Canada Manpower Centre for students in Brampton.

Ms. Black explained that many employers prefer to hire students who will be quitting in the fall, rather than lay people off about the same time. Students are also willing to do "unpleasant jobs" because of the short term basis of the work, and they will work for less money, the supervisor claimed.

Since Ms. Black was hired in February, there has been a fairly steady stream of applicants, she says, which has surprised her. She noted that all ages came in to register for jobs when the office first opened. Right now, she explained, applicants are mostly college and university students. In June, the office will be busy with high school students seeking employment.

Ms. Black and her staff of seven university students service students from Airport Rd. to the east, Acton to the west, Steeles Ave. to the south

and as far north as Shelburne. The Halton Hills office will be open in Georgetown commencing in June. Mary Vieira from the Brampton office will be in Georgetown every Friday, registering students, seeking out potential employers, and matching the two together. Students from Acton will also be served by this office at 7 James St., Georgetown.

Students may also register through their regular Manpower Centre, or apply directly to the Canada Manpower Centre for Students at 8 Main St. S., Brampton. Response from students in the Acton and Georgetown areas has been good. Ms. Black stated, High school guidance offices are also taking registration in this area.

Some students are going farther than just applying for jobs. They have set up their own businesses, and registered their business rather than themselves at Manpower. Two magicians are available for parties and landscapers can be hired, both through the Manpower Centre. Ms. Black explained her office encourages students to set up their own business, and suggested lawn-mowing as one example.

Besides the waitress and factory jobs usually available for students, Ms. Black said, the centre sometimes has secretarial employment, openings for engineers etc. Sometimes, she says, the employer will request that the students be in a specific course at school.

Although any age of student can register for a job, there are some restrictions, by law, as to who can work where. Ms. Black pointed out. Students under 16 cannot hold industrial jobs, as Workmen's Compensation does not cover anyone under that age. Students under 16 must also be finished work by 10 p.m., according to Ms. Black, which rules out shift work. The average age of applicants is 15 to 24 years old.

Minimum wage for those under 18 years old, or under 28 hours a week of work, is \$2.15. Those over 18 receive a minimum of \$2.65 an hour, \$2.90 an hour if the person is working on construction. The minimum wage for those serving liquor is \$2.50.

Ms. Black stressed that an application through Manpower does not guarantee a job. She suggested the student also seek employment on his or her own.

Once a student has filled out an application form, the Manpower officer will discuss the job possibilities and techniques of how to get a job, i.e. proper clothing, language etc. Ms. Black emphasized that once a student has registered at the centre, he or she should keep returning to look at the list of job possibilities.

Ms. Black said the job situation looks bleaker than in years past, but explained if everyone, or most of the employers who applied for the Youth Secretariat Grant of \$1 per hour for every student they hire is accepted, the market will be wide open.

This grant came out a few weeks ago, so the Centre does not know yet if anyone has been accepted. However, the supervisor was optimistic. Ms. Black explained that response to this grant has been tremendous.

With 1000 students registered so far, and another 2000 expected to register before the end of the summer, the motto of the Canada Manpower Centre for Students could come in handy—"fire a student. It's the opportunity of a summer time."



MARY VIEIRA (sitting) will be the student placement officer for Acton and Georgetown area. Students are encouraged to visit her in the Georgetown Manpower office at 7 James St., Georgetown, on Fridays, or in head office in Brampton the rest of the week. Barb Black is the Brampton office supervisor.

Another petition: shelve library

The voice of 3,100 voters on a petition was heard clearly at Halton Hills council meeting, Monday night, and resulted in temporarily shelving the library on the Cedarvale site, until further discussion with the library board.

Over half the people who signed the petition favored an extension of the present Church Street library.

More than 50 people crowded the council chambers, carrying signs saying "Don't take parkland," "We want our toboggan hill," and several other catch phrases.

After a two hour discussion, a motion stating council and the public at large are op-

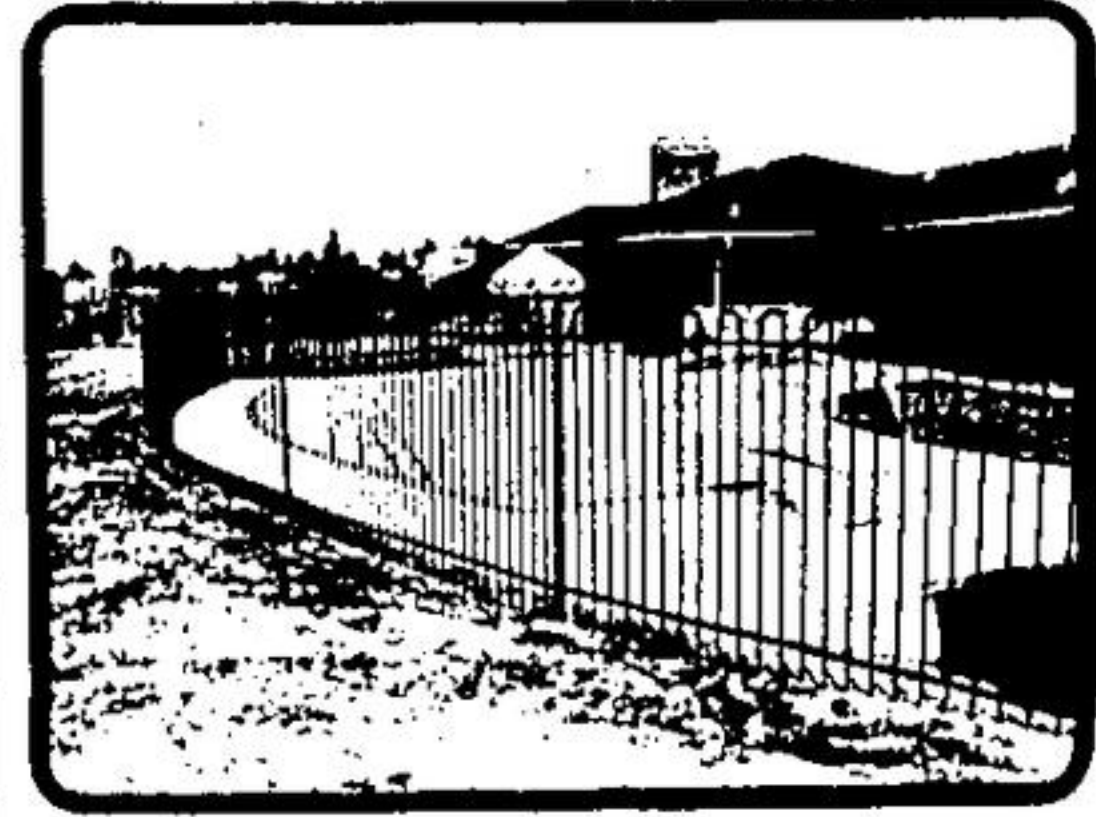
posed to construction of a new library on the Cedarvale hill site, and asked the library board to meet again with council to resolve the matter, was passed, with Councillors Peter Morris and Pat Patterson were absent.

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Sunbathing with a sheep leaves a lot to be desired. I think I'd rather sunbathe with anything else than a sheep - except maybe the peacocks.

Lucy Lamb is a recent spring addition to the farm and being a hand-reared pampered darling demands special attention. She is tethered on the lawn for combination lawn mowing and lunch but she gets very lonely and spends most of her time bleating.

Which is why I sunbathe with her.

Rubber for lunch. Now sheep eat a variety of foods. They seem to be particularly fond of foam rubber, bikinis, and toenails. I let her chew the chaise mattress to keep her mind off the more interesting parts of my body. But very shortly she had a fair size hole in it and settled down to chew placidly on a piece of foam rubber for a half hour.

Lucy is the personification of the nursery rhyme lamb belonging to Mary. She's totally imprinted by people and spends her life following any human available - she's not choosy. I don't know why I bother to tether her because there's no hope of her running away from home.

Even though this lamb and the one we plan to purchase to keep her company actually belong to the youngest member of our household, I'm the one whose bedtime reading has consisted of sheep tending books.

Palpy kidney? It's amazing the wide variety of diseases sheep can catch. Things like pulpy kidney, "struck", and foot rot, are all lurking around the corner ready to pounce on an unsuspecting sheep. If the rot don't get them, worms and ticks will. Sheep suffer from an even wider variety of internal and external freeloaders.

Even at birth, a sheep can cause unbelievable trouble. Many a lamb has managed to get base over apex and bolus up the birthing process.

Wonder why I bought that lamb in the first place. Erica plans to become a successful shepherd, selling lambs and going to college on the profits. I hope she has enough left over to finance her mothers' holiday in the mental hospital.

Correction: The new moon is on MAY 16 not June 16. This month was mis-stated in last weeks column. So get out there and PLANT!

NOTICE OF SALE Town Owned Property

The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills invites sealed tenders, appropriately labelled "Tender for Block "F", Plan M-132", to be delivered to the undersigned by Friday, May 20th, 1977, for the purchase of this residentially zoned parcel of land that will permit a single-family detached dwelling only. The property has a frontage of sixty-six (66) feet on the south side of Mary Street and a depth of one hundred and twenty (120) feet.

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Last date for receipt of tenders will be 12 NOON on Friday, May 20th, 1977. Tenders will be publicly opened at that time.

Bids shall include a certified cheque of \$1,000.00 as bid deposit. The winning bid shall be confirmed by Council at their meeting of June 6th, 1977, or as close thereto as possible.

The winning bidder shall undertake to complete a formal "Offer to purchase" form within 24 hours of being advised of award. Such offer shall agree to a closing date of no more than 30 days after receipt of formal offer to purchase. Failure to comply with these terms is subject to forfeiture of deposit. All other deposits shall be returned immediately signed offer to purchase is accepted.

H. D. Patterson, Purchasing Agent, 36 Main Street South, HALTON HILLS (Georgetown), Ontario.

Freeze on nursing homes may start to thaw here

Georgetown may be the sun that soon thaws the provincial government freeze on nursing home construction if plenty of people concern themselves, says Halton Region chairman of the board of health.

The chairman, George Gray, told about 60 people at the Georgetown senior citizens meeting that if enough signatures go on a petition for a nursing home near the hospital, he'll take it the rest of the way.

"I guarantee if you get me the signatures, we'll crack the freeze," said Gray. Gray is also the progressive Conservative candidate for Halton-Burlington riding.

Gray, who said he's met three times with minister of health Dennis Timbrell, also

said he'd like the petitions completed within a couple of weeks—two weeks before election day on June 9.

The minister of health and other cabinet members, said Gray, indicated popular support for the nursing bed cause, through a petition, would help promote the attention the cause deserves.

Queen's Park put a lid on new nursing home proposals in October 1975 to keep health costs down. Gray agrees with the freeze, except as it applies here. There are no active nursing home beds north of Highway 401 in Halton, he said.

South Halton has about 650 nursing home beds, including Milton Manor, said Gray.

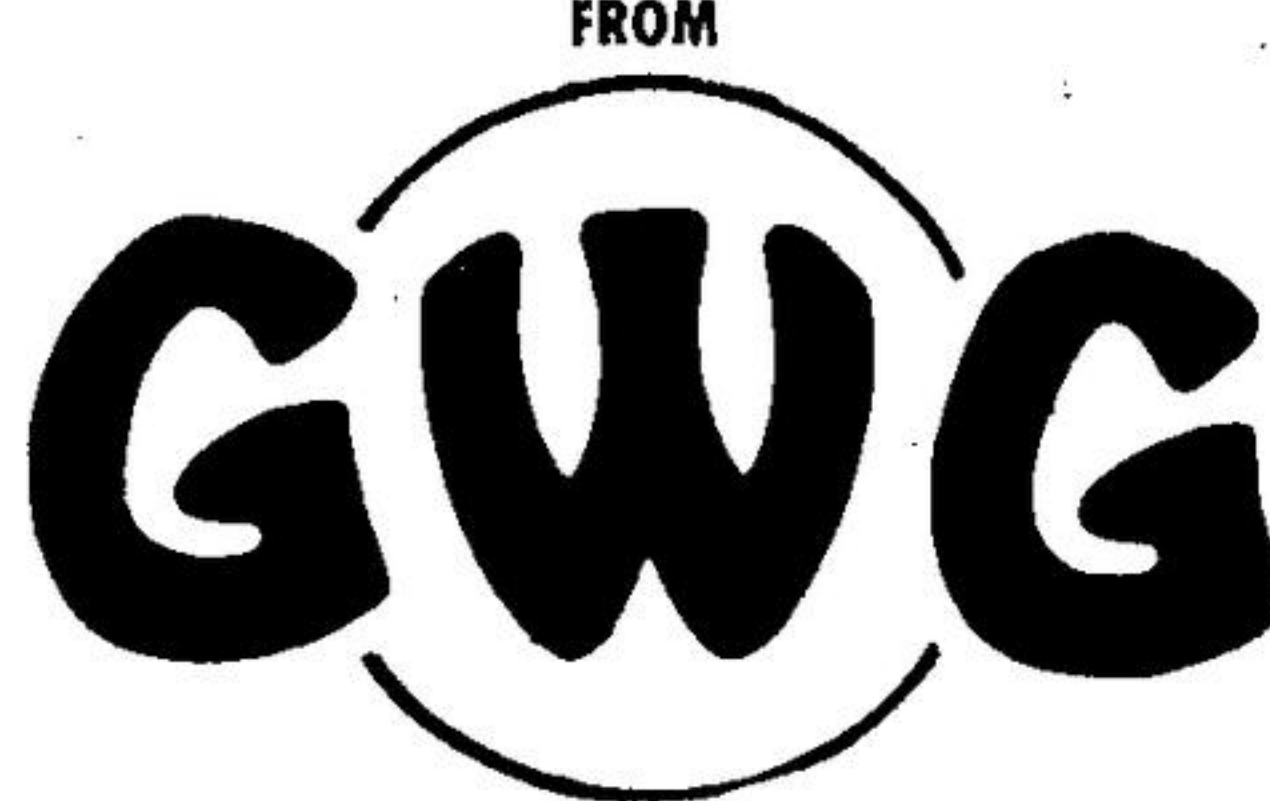
In the north Mrs. Katharine Kelly used to have a license for 10 nursing home beds, when she operated a nursing home on Highway 25 just south of Acton. She now operates Kelly Rest Home in the former Legion building on Main N.

Mrs. Kelly handed back her license for nursing home beds in April of last year.

Georgetown hospital board approved 100 nursing care beds, at no additional cost for utilities, Gray said. It's a matter of construction. There's no way people are going to pay taxes on this, Gray said.

Halton District Health Council has yet to OK the 100 bed proposal, but said Gray, he'll be meeting it soon.

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