Wants Georgetown Strike Aired in Parliament

43 Queen Street,

Dear Mr. Editor:

The continuing stalemate between Smith and Stone and its employees seems to need a thorough airing in a form of public debate. To a mildly interested observer it has become abundantly clear that this dispute no longer has the characteristics of a bona-fide management - labour dispute.

The question arises, why hasn't this question been raised on the floor of the provincial legislature? Jim Snow, MPP represents all the people of this riding at Queen's Park and this includes the striking employees of Smith & Stone. Has our local MPP ever visited the strike headquarters on Mill Street? If not — why not? Does labour's view not count in the matter?

No one disputes the right of any company to phase out uneconomical lines of production which may or may not be uneconomical by virtue of managerial incompetence rather than market conditions. The tactic of companies to bait their employees into strike action in order to furnish political soldiers of fortune with clubs to clobber the working man is a proper subject for public debate.

The charge that labour is out to destroy the economy has an ancient history. It was hurled against the slaves upon whose backs the Roman Empire flourished. Today we do not need to stoop to the level of intellectual bankruptcy to even attempt to refute these charges.

Yours truly,
Albert A. Tuchel
Area vice president
New Democratic Party

Visiting Organist At Choirs' Concert

Mrs. Joyce Trapp, ARCT, LTCL will be featured at St. John's United Church in conjunction with the Choirs' concert. This concert will be presented on Sunday.

Mrs. Trapp is a student of the noted Australian organist and composer Barrie Cabena. She is presently organist and choir director of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Petrolia, Ontario. She received her ARCT in organ from Toronto and was a silver medalist. She earned her performer's diploma for her Licentiateship from Trinity College of Music, London, England.

CLERGY COMMENT

Christian Principles Exemplified

Rev. Kelvin C. Johnston, St. Andrew's United Church

A long time ago a certain wise man wrote "Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are the sons of one's youth. Happy is the man with a quiver full of them!" There are people today who would take issue with that statement. They would say that large families are more of a liability than a blessing. And there may be a good case for that opinion in today's over-populated world.

When we speak of God to a young boy whose father has deserted the family, or whose parents are divorced . . . when we speak of God as a loving father, the boy is likely to get a pretty poor impression of what God is like. It can be most difficult, then, when confronted with a fatherless boy, to convey to him the image of God as a father who is truly interested in him and who loves him.

The world is full of fatherless boys . . . many without mothers as well. For some of us it is fairly easy to 'adopt' a child under the Foster Parent Plan or through some other agency, and to spend a little money for all his support. It is quite another matter when we consider supporting a child in our own community, supporting him by personal contact and involvement. There are fatherless boys in our own area who need some mature man to give them love and companionship. And one of the channels through which this may be done is the Big Brothers of Canada Association. These men act as elder brothers to fatherless boys. They don't attempt to take the place of father, but they are pledged to give male companionship as well as moral, ethical, and, hopefully, Christian guidance and direction to the Little Brother.

What prompts a man to become Big Brother? There are many reasons, perhaps he has no son of his own and a Little Brother can fill this need in his life. Or, because he does have a son of his own and is so grateful for this blessing he wants to bring some measure of happiness to a boy who has no dad of his own. Or perhaps he simply loves kids.

In these days when there is much talk about the 'generation gap' and when parents are wringing their hands in despair because youth is going to pot, it is good to know that there are men who apparently have not heard of these difficulties, because they are quietly going ahead communicating with youth and finding them to be wonderful people. There still appears to be a great deal of happiness or blessedness in giving . . . not necessarily money, but of self. This love and concern for a child is clearly seen in the life and teaching of Jesus, and surely this world can't be totally bad while there are men about who are trying to follow his way . . . in one manner or another.

Group Concept Education Shown in Slides, Comment

Despite the disappointingly small turnout at the second General Meeting of the Park Parent School Association held on Wednesday, April 1st, an eager and interested audience watched the audio visual presentation 'Theatre in a Box'.

Dr. Douglas Crawford, Assistant Professor in educational theory with the Ontario Studies in Education, was introduced by the president of the Association, Ron Dodokin.

The presentation consisted of film slides and simultaneous comments on the group concept of education known as individualized programming, and was followed by a lively question and answer period during which time coffee was served.

Peter Oprica, principal of Park School, outlined briefly future plans of the school, and the evening closed with the award-winning film 'A Place to Stand.'

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Mrs. Ira Gregory Once Smith & Stone Employee Here

Interment took place in Greenwood Cemetery here on April 1st, following funeral service in Toronto for Mrs. Ira Gregory, 48.

Mrs. Gregory, who lived at 486 Clendenan Avenue, Toronto, died suddenly at her summer home at Haliburton Lake on March 29.

She was the former Jessie Marie Allingham and was born in Hanover, daughter of J. Hartley Allingham and Margaret Brown. She attended Chapel St. public school when the family moved to town, later Sarnia Collegiate, and then returned to town where she was employed with Smith & Stone from 1939 to 1943.

She had been employed with Canada Manpower in Toronto for the past twelve years.

She leaves her husband, whom she married in Toronto in 1946; two children, William and Margaret-Anne; her mother, Mrs. Margaret Allingham, a sister Donna and brother John of Toronto.

Rev. Hugh Macdonald of Victoria Presbyterian Church conducted the funeral service at the Wm. Speers funeral chapel. Pallbearers were Hartley Robinson, London, Brown Eccles, Peterborough, John Marsarow, Cornwall, Percy Eccles, Donald Ward and Richard Logan, Toronto.

Thomas McBride, 94, Was Thresher, Farmer

A farmer at Norval, Milton and Georgetown for most of his life, Thomas McBride, 94, died at Halton Centennial Manor, Milton on March 27.

Son of James McBride and Annliza Brown, he was born, at Glen Williams and attended Clay Hill school. While living at Terra Cotta, he had a threshing business with his brother Joe. In 1912, he went west and homesteaded at Coronation, Alberta for twelve years, then returned to this area to farm.

He had been a member of the Glen Williams Orange Lodge and was a member of the Presbyterian church.

His wife, Annie M. Campbell whom he married in 1912, died in 1951. He leaves four daughters, Mrs. Mary Hunter, Toronto; Mrs. J. S. Tost (Margaret) and Mrs. Wray Bessey (Prairie) of Georgetown and Mrs. G. Job (Jean) of Guelph; 8 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren. His brothers Joe and James predeceased him.

Rev. Norman Young conducted the funeral service at the Harold C. McClure Funeral Home and interment was in Greenwood Cemetery. Pallbearers were grandsons Kenneth Job, Guelph, Paul Job, Milton, Keith Job and Neil Tost, Georgetown, and Sean Tost, Terra Cotta, and a great grandson, Donald Hunter, Streetsville.

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