

S&S - UAW MEDIATION SHORT LIVED — TROUBLE ERUPTS



Duplate people joined Local 1421 picketers on the picket line Saturday

An attempt by the province to mediate the dispute between Smith & Stone Ltd. and United Auto Workers Local 1421 has broken down after 2 days.

The Ontario Labour Board's chief conciliation officer, William Dickie notified Local president Harry Dewhurst on Friday of government mediation.

Local representatives met with mediator Al Howells in Toronto all day Monday, and Tuesday afternoon. There were no talks Wednesday.

NEW SUBMISSION

Local negotiating commission chairman Al Edmunds told The Herald, Smith & Stone asked for a new submission and after studying the cost value claimed it was too much.

Main bone of contention is the cost of living allowance.

"As far as we're concerned there will be no contract unless cost of living is included," Edmunds said.

The strike, which started March 4 when the extended

contract expired for 360 wage earners without a new contract settlement, entered its seventh week, yesterday.

Feeder Orders Gone Duplate Closing Plant

Duplate Canada Ltd. is closing its Oakville auto safety glass plant which employs 100 persons.

A company announcement this week said production will be shifted by the end of June to Windsor. As many as half of the Oakville workers may be offered jobs there, according to a spokesman.

Frank Kowal secretary-treasurer of United Auto Workers Local 1256 which represents the Duplate workers, said he was "flabbergasted" to hear of the closing.

"The chairman of that unit reported at our last meeting that things were going quite well there," Kowal said.

He called the closing "not particularly surprising because operations at Oakville have been reduced steadily since Ford built its own glass plant at Niagara Falls four or five years ago.

Duplate has been in Oakville since the mid-1950s.

Arrest Two Pickets Charge "Impeding"

Two UAW picketers have been arrested as the result of trouble on the picket line at Smith and Stone Ltd., Wednesday morning.

The two pickets, both women were arrested and charged with impeding after a Smith and Stone official Pat Scollia attempted to drive his car onto the plant property through the company's Ontario Street entrance.

When he was stopped, company officials called police and a Georgetown constable escorted

the car through the picket lines.

"Union members cannot help but feel this was a deliberate attempt by company officials to intimidate members on picket duty," Local 1421 president Harry Dewhurst told The Herald. He referred to the fact that up until Wednesday morning company officials had been using a parking lot outside the gates.

At press time the car was still inside the Smith and Stone gates.

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Friday Loss and Raiders Out Of The Play-offs

Midland Flyers eluded Georgetown Raiders' clutches and went soaring on toward the OHA Intermediate A championship Friday night.

Flyers employed a solid team effort to dash Raiders' last hope 9-5 in the fifth game of the best of seven series in Georgetown Memorial Arena.

Georgetown took a 3-2 lead in the second period of the game but couldn't match Midland's crisp patterns which enabled them to take charge in the middle period and widen the gap in the third.

Raiders' preference for carrying the puck was tailor made for the backchecking game the Flyers played and brought about the conclusion to an unsuccessful season for the locals. They floated around the middle of the OHA Intermediate B league which was their home for the regular schedule, and then impressed onlookers in bumping Wallaceburg in their first test as they entered A territory for the playoffs.

In Midland Raiders faced balance and aggressiveness, a combination that has put the end to more than one team's title plans.

Paul Robinson scored twice, Jack Gudgeon, Don Norton, and Ron Lane once each, Friday. Micks (2), Dorion (2), Kennedy, Maric, Ley, Edgar and Bath scored for Flyers.

Georgetown's third loss came Wednesday, April 8 when the visitors shaded them 7-5 in a

game that saw all the scoring in the final two periods.

Midland scored three times in the second and four times in the third. Raiders produced two second period goals and three in the last stanza.

Rearguard Phil Lavell shone offensively in this one scoring a hat trick. His ex-Junior C mates Bill Dwyer and Paul Robinson notched the other two.

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Expect Over 2,000 From Here Join Oxfam Walk

Oxfam walk enthusiasm has broken into a run. At press time 3,200 sponsor sheets had gone into the 13 elementary schools in this area with an additional 1,000 into the high school.

Over two thousand more have been requested for distribution here, which adds up to 'Bingo' for the Oxfam officials who had hoped for something like two thousand walkers from the Georgetown area in the May 2 march.

Georgetown Transportation has donated buses to transport the Georgetown contingent from the Georgetown Market to the starting point at Brampton fairgrounds, and drivers have donated their time. Cars and drivers are still being sought, however.

A challenge has gone out from Georgetown District High School students to their counterparts at Brampton Centennial in cash raising contest rules of which have still to be set down. One thing is sure — the losers won't get off with a hand shake and 'congratulations.'

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TO EASE THE CRUSH

To lessen the crush at the starting point a pre-registration has been arranged for Holy Cross auditorium in the afternoon of April 29 and at Knox Church hall in the evening.

The 31 mile route this year loops south from Brampton via Cooksville.

"I've never seen enthusiasm like this," local Oxfam committee member Mrs. Helen Van Sicker told The Herald. "Everybody wants to help."

Eight Grass Fires

Eight grass fires in the span of a week have kept Georgetown firefighters hopping.

A call as the press deadline approached at 12:50 p.m. yesterday was the second of the day and the eighth since the previous Wednesday when they beat out burning grass behind 236 Delrex Blvd.

Calls at 1:40 and 3:30 p.m. on Sunday were to Hall Drive at the eastern limits, and just off Mary Street.

It was grass again that sent the trucks to the Herb Cleave farm at 4 in the morning on Monday. This one was near a railway bridge.

Tuesday's fires at 9:10 a.m. and 9:50 a.m., were behind the Canada Bread warehouse on Armstrong Ave. and on the Town Line.

The first of yesterday's two was at 67 Charles Street, at 11:45 a.m. and near Norval at 12:50 p.m.

Seek Town Water For Glen

Inability to find a suitable water source in the Glen Williams area has resulted in the Ontario Water Resources Commission asking Georgetown to reconsider its stand on refusing to supply water to that portion of Esquesing township.

There was no comment when the OWRC letter was read at Monday's council meeting.

NOW - Free Parking Mondays Downtown

A point of contention for parking meter charges was removed Monday when council amended a by-law to suspend meter charges on Mondays, a day when stores are closed.

Legal holidays are also exempted in the by-law.

The one cent for 12 minutes, or 5c per hour charge is now limited to 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays; 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays. This time is extended to 10 p.m. for the December 15 to December 24 period each year.

In another change, council voted no parking on the west side of Main Street from George to James Street from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. with the exception of Sundays. A special permit can be issued to allow parking for weddings and funerals.

Terra Cotta Opening For Fishing Season

Despite a news report last week stating Terra Cotta Conservation Area opens on the 24th of May, the popular park will actually be welcoming visitors much earlier, and in fact is open now.

A Credit Valley Conservation Authority spokesman said yesterday the park will open for the fishing season April 25. May 24 is generally regarded as the official opening of the swimming area.

No Halton Only McKeough Insists

At the conference of counties and regions in Toronto last Wednesday, municipal affairs minister Darcy McKeough said he would not consider a Halton-only region.

Halton county council recently endorsed a resolution calling immediate action to establish a Halton-only region. This followed McKeough's announcement that there will be no Halton-Peel region next year as previously anticipated by politicians.

McKeough's announcement followed protests from the rural north municipalities of Peel refusing to join a Halton-Peel region.

Answering a question at Wednesday's conference, McKeough said he would not give regional government for this area any more consideration until after May 1. In any event he would not even consider a Halton-only region.

ARENA ROLLING

A clerk administrator's part year salary at \$7,000 drew no comment. The ambulance budget showed the ambulance service to be almost self-supporting, while the arena needs only \$1,000 from the corporation for normal operations. This does not include any capital expenditure, of course. Ice rental, ice skating and roller skating are the revenue makers, which keep the arena rolling along.

Proposed change-rooms at the park costing \$30,000 met with some opposition but were left in at this early stage.

CRITICIZED

Other items criticized which may disappear in future meetings were a \$50,000 grade-all; \$10,000 for yard surfacing and fencing at the engineering building on Maple Ave E; and 2 new riding lawn mowers at \$2,000 each.

Cr. W. Smith suggested Esquesing should be contacted to see if they will contribute to recreation and library service, since their residents use them frequently. Esquesing has already indicated their willingness to discuss it.

With the province take-over of assessment, there were no figures this year for the assessment department. Similarly with the county take-over of welfare, there was no municipal budget for that. Welfare is now paid for in the county levy.

LOCATE BLASTING CAPS

Some of the 125 'Period 7' blasting caps stolen a few weeks ago from the Glen Williams area were located and discarded by boys according to North Halton OPP.

A spokesman for this detachment said approximately 45 of the blasting caps were found in a cave on the Bruce Trail near Georgetown by several boys, who

TAKE CONSULTANT'S ADVICE CREATE SENIOR TOWN POST

Creation of the position clerk treasurer, as recommended in a report prepared for council last year by Stevenson and Kellogg, a firm of consultants engaged to make a survey of the town's municipal administration, has been given an initial step.

On Monday council voted to prepare a by-law to establish the position. It would pay a maximum salary of \$14,000 yearly.

WITHDRAWN

A further motion to have the firm interview and select a person for the new position was withdrawn before a vote.

If plans go ahead, the town would be reverting to the days when it was much smaller, and had a combined position. Some years ago, duties were divided with C. G. Benham continuing as clerk and A. C. McBride, and later Mrs. Florence Bell becoming treasurer.

Fears Loss of Business In Highway Rerouting

A loss of approximately 65 percent in gas business is predicted by Clarence McPherson, owner of Silvercreek Service station, which is being left high and dry by the re-routing of Hwy. 7. A long sweeping curve, part of the Georgetown to Acton highway rebuilding project, will cut across fields behind him leaving him facing an

almost untravelling road.

Clarence McPherson has operated his gas station 7 days a week, from 7 in the morning till 11 at night for the past 11 years, but up till now has had no offer from the Department of Highways to buy him out, or to offer him any recompense for lack of business.

The new highway will cut

off the back corner of his lot and at one time he hoped to turn his gas station around and have access on the new road, but the Department of Highways has refused to give him the access, so said Mr. McPherson.

At present he and his son Roland, who works with him, are just waiting and hoping for some development.

Seek \$160,000 Chop to Hold Town's Tax Line

The cutting and paring of the budget began at Thursday's committee meeting, when Georgetown councillors sharpened their pencils to attack the preliminary figures.

From these figures, some three or four meetings later, will emerge the final budget for 1970. To obtain a 'hold the present tax line' budget, between \$160,000 and \$175,000 will have to be chopped.

One of the first casualties in the budget was an estimated \$10,000 for a fire chief's salary. "I'm opposed to that," commented Mayor Emmerson, the other members agreed.

UNDER ATTACK

A sharp increase in the recreation budget, brought the immediate response from Reeve Hunter and Cr. Hyde, "Take out the recreation director's salary." The part year salary was listed at \$6,000, with \$5,000 for other help, and \$1,000 for convention and travelling.

An aerial fire truck at \$7,000 and 2 new bays at the firehall for \$35,000 came under attack, with fire chairman Art Speight maintaining they were both needed. They were also circled for further debate.



Clarence McPherson, pumping gas, and son Roland. Soon they'll be without a highway

MAYOR PRAISES BRIEF

"An excellent presentation" was the way Mayor Wheldon Emmerson described Georgetown's opposition to a Canadian National Railway plan to cut two commuter trains from its schedule.

The Mayor said the town's position was defended by solicitor Lorne McDonald, Q.C., of the firm of Helson, Baines, and Langdon, solicitors for town, at last week's hearing in Guelph called by the Canadian Transport Commission.

He said he considers that Mr. McDonald drew the most attention of any briefs presented and that he had done a good job in impressing the need for continuation of commuter train service for local residents.

UNSCHEDULED FLIGHT

A Georgetown man made an unscheduled air hop to New York Tuesday night — the cargo hatch of an Air Canada DC 9.

Archie Hayden, an Air Canada employee at Malton was still arranging baggage inside the doors of Flight 972 when the doors swung shut trapping him inside.

The big jet was at 18,000 feet when Toronto International Airport radioed the pilot about his extra passenger. The cargo hatch is heated and pressurized, but to make the trip more comfortable the pilot dropped down to 13,000 feet for the balance of the flight.