

Stress Religious Tolerance Board Committee Recommends

Halton must teach tolerance in its schools for those who ignore religion as well as those emotionally tied to religion.

That was the core of the final report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Religious Education as explained to the Halton board of education last week.

The 20 member committee, which held 19 regular meetings since last fall, was named by the board to examine the MacKay report in the light of specific needs of Halton students.

Recommendations for an overhaul of religious education in public schools.

The Halton committee differs from the MacKay report in at least three major areas.

(1) It urged a 'compromise' between religious devotion and secularism, with discretion left in the hands of the school and the local community, instead of favoring one or the other.

The MacKay committee explicitly favoured a non-religious emphasis as the basis for development of morality. "Both Christian and non-Christian, religious and non-religious ways of life should be presented in open forum in public schools," summed up committee member Dr. William Klempa.

(2) Rather than eliminating daily opening exercises in the high school classroom (National Anthem, Lord's Prayer, etc.) as the MacKay Report recommended, the Halton committee has encouraged the opening exercises to take a wide open variety of forms, to be determined by each school principal.

By consulting with his staff and keeping in mind his students and the community, the principal could, said the committee, make the exercises a "meaningful" part of a general widening of student knowledge of different religious forms and practices.

(3) The Halton committee goes a step beyond the MacKay report in urging that a definite curriculum of religious studies be developed to meet local needs, by a large representative committee to be named by the board of education.

OVER HAUL

Served On Church's Missionary Council

A Georgetown resident since her marriage in 1941, Mrs. Richard Forster, 57, of 29 Park Ave., died in Georgetown hospital on September 2nd.

The former Norma Isabel Soper, she was the daughter of Tom and Maude Weatherall Soper, and was born in the Cheltenham district. She attended school there.

For three years during World War II she was employed at Smith & Stone, Ltd. She was a member of Georgetown Pentecostal Church, the True Blue Lodge and Acton Women's Missionary Council of Acton Pentecostal Tabernacle.

She leaves her husband and a son Richard, Jr., and two brothers, Gordon Soper, Acton and Cecil Soper, Georgetown. A brother Clifford of Acton predeceased her.

Rev. J. McCallum of Georgetown Pentecostal Church and Rev. and Mrs. S. M. Thoman of the Acton church conducted the funeral service at the Harold C. McClure Funeral Home. Interment was in Greenwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Perc Barker, Limehouse, Peter Blinnie, Acton, Harry Norton, Limehouse, Joseph Stanley, Ross Norton, and Eric Newell, Georgetown.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Hair Length Principal's Concern, Board Rules

The length of students' hair is no concern of the Halton Board of Education, chairman Douglas Wood said this week.

Asked to comment on the action of the principal of General Brock High School in Burlington in sending home some 60 long-haired students, the chairman said that a matter of this kind was left to the principal to decide.

Principal Keith Steven said the General Brock school is one of the few schools in the province that insist students maintain high standards of dress and deportment.

There are 900 students, most of whom take training in trade and special skills.

They are told they will be expected to dress properly and conduct themselves in an orderly manner if they obtain jobs. All but two of the 60 students sent home were back at school the next day with haircuts.

Board chairman Wood said the principal's decision to send the students home might have been influenced by safety or hygiene considerations.

He pointed out that the vocational school has a number of shops where machinery is used in training and where long hair or loose clothing might present a safety hazard.

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DISAGREES

Trustee Jim Price, however, disagreed with Goodin later in the meeting.

"I would not want a return to teaching methods of 50 years ago," said Price. "I think the open rapport between teachers and students now is better."

He said that a healthy rapport is more conducive to moral development than teaching of specific values, as Goodin urged.

For example, one young girl was so crippled she couldn't hold a spoon to feed herself. This year, after two years of treatment, she was able to write her grade 12 exams. "And got 87%," adds Peter.

The first objective of the Georgetown branch is to raise \$1,900 "which is a peanut portion of what CARS spends in Georgetown," says Peter.

The industrial and commercial campaign is well under way and so far, the returns are 30% higher than last year's.

"I'm impressed at the number of people who have volunteered as team captains for Monday's fund drive," said Peter. The team captains are: Roger Cummings, Jim Clarke, George Mieh, Mike Kennedy, Kevin McLeod, Joe Johnston, John Kavanagh, Del d'Entremont, Bill Kent Sr., Patrick McAuley, Eric Stone, Gene Adams,

Angus Stone and J. McLean. Monty Hyde is in charge of commercial and Bill Kent Jr., is in charge of the CARS request for industrial contributions.

NEWS OF GEORGETOWN AND DISTRICT

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CORRECTION

Through a typographical error the open air meeting time was incorrect in last weeks ad. It should have read as follows:

OPEN AIR MEETINGS
held on FRIDAYS... SEPT. 18 - 25. Time 7:00 p.m.

Location
Georgetown Park

Music, Choir, Message and Testimony will be given by the Georgetown Park Baptist Church.

MAPLE AVE. REV. ROBERT C. LOHNES
"But God commendeth his love to us in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." - Rom. 5 - 8.

Teach Golden Rule? Trustees Disagree

Two Halton school trustees disagreed last week over the old and new of education.

Richard Goodin, asked "why aren't teachers teaching moral development? What have our colleges been doing to qualify them? Discarding of old guides such as simple down-to-earth practice of the Golden Rule, integrity and honesty is a symptom of the breakdown of society."

He warned the board to "be very concerned" with a detached school's effect on a child. "In take-it-or-leave-it mass production there is no dialogue or involvement," he said.

\$1,900 GOAL IS SET FOR ARTHRITIS CAMPAIGN

"Our first objective is to raise funds," explained Peter Heslin, first president of the recently formed Georgetown branch of the Canadian Arthritis and Rheumatism Society.

"But after campaign night, the main purpose of our organization will be to tell about the help and hope available to anyone in Georgetown with arthritis."

"It's amazing the number of people - even people with arthritis - who think the only thing to be done is take aspirin. It's amazing the number of people who think arthritis only afflicts old people."

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