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CATHOLIC WOMEN DONATE SUPPLIES TO OBSTETRICS

Holy Cross Catholic Women's League recently donated 84 blankets and 84 nighties to the Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital. From left are CWL president Mrs. Alice DeBattista, OB head Mrs. Earldine Robinson, and Mrs. Chris Galbraith and Mrs. Pat Simmons of the CWL. —Adams Photography.

School Board States Position Contract Offer Rejected

After six months of negotiation of which three months was spent on the salary aspect, a salary agreement was reached between the Executive of the Halton Secondary Teachers, an O.S.S.T.F. negotiator and the Halton County Board of Education. This agreement on salaries was recommended to the teachers of the County by the Executive as an acceptable package.

The secondary school teachers of Halton County rejected the salary offer by a very narrow margin (52 per cent of those voting, voted to reject).

After the rejection, the District President issued a press release. Unfortunately, no copy of the release has been received by the Board. From the communication in the press, it would appear that the District President has withdrawn his approval of the salary package, has enumerated a number of reasons why he thinks the Board offer was not accepted and has converted his members' rejection of his recommendation into a vote of support.

The Board salary committee feels that the public should have available both sides of the story. For this reason, the following five points made by the District President should be answered.

(1) The District President made the statement that the Board made its proposal at the eleventh hour. Negotiations have proceeded through sixteen meetings from January 29 to June 24. Many early meetings were spent on negotiations procedure and the teachers' request for a signed collective agreement on all aspects of the contract. This was rejected by the Board on the grounds that each teacher has a signed individual contract. Thus negotiations on salary matters did not start in earnest until March 15. Since March, the Board proposed a merit plan similar to the one accepted by the Metro teachers. The Halton County secondary school teachers rejected this plan without study.

The teachers requested a sixteen month contract which would have caused the contract year to run on a calendar year rather than a school year. The Board proposed a two-year contract similar to the one accepted by the Toronto teachers and this also was rejected by the Halton County Secondary School Teachers. On May 3, the Teachers' Committee took a salary offer to the membership recommending rejection. The teachers rejected the offer by a large percentage.

Following this rejection meetings resumed on May 19 and resulted in a salary offer satisfactory to O.S.S.T.F. and the District Executive. This offer was made on June 24 but the Teachers' Executive was unable to present it to the membership until June 29. The offer was recommended to the teachers by the Executive and by the negotiator from the Provincial Organization.

(2) The President has made the statement that 20 per cent of staff get no increase in the offer.

This year the minimum salaries remained relatively unchanged. This was caused by a study undertaken by the Metropolitan Toronto trustees and teachers which showed that high school starting salaries

were equal to or better than the starting salaries of other groups such as engineers. Because the minima did not change, about 10 per cent of the staff in their first year do not receive a special raise this year of 4 1/2 to 5 1/2 per cent on present salaries. The number of people in this category represents 10 per cent of the secondary school teaching staff.

(3) The District President claims that the Board failed to claim \$75,000 in Provincial Grant.

The ceiling imposed by the Provincial Government allows a maximum expenditure in Halton County of \$979 per pupil. The Board's budget when struck in March showed a proposed expenditure of \$974. It could be implied from these figures that the Board could have moved a total of \$75,000 (5.00 times 15,000 students). If the expenditures had been increased by \$75,000 as suggested by Mr. Ramautarsingh, half of the money would have come from the taxpayers of Halton County and the other half from the Provincial Government.

The original budget included provision for a salary increase lower than the latest offer of the Board and, therefore, the implication that \$75,000 remains below the ceiling is no longer true.

(4) The District President stated that negotiations were at a low ebb.

Negotiations extended from January 29 to June 24 but discussions on salary did not begin until March 15. From March 15 forward, difficulties arose because the increase requested by the teachers did not take into account the economic guidelines and ceilings proposed by the senior levels of government and ignored the state of the economy.

Considerable time was spent moving both the teachers' and the Board's position to a closer common ground. Unfortunately, a gap still existed which appeared to be unbridgeable.

(5) The District President has urged that we progress to a discussion of working conditions

By agreement between Board and Teachers' Committees, salary was to be negotiated to a conclusion before any discussion took place on working conditions. To urge that they now occur simultaneously is to retract unilaterally an agreement already made.

The Board Committee had every reason to expect that this salary offer which is acceptable to the O.S.S.T.F. negotiator and the District Executive would be acceptable to the secondary teachers of Halton County. They regret that the teachers did not have enough confidence to accept the Executive recommendation.

Unfortunately, Mr. Ramautarsingh has stated in the press that he is unable to reopen negotiations until September. The Board Committee is prepared, as it always has been, to meet and to negotiate the difficulties to a mutually satisfactory conclusion.

Frederic Auguste Bartholdi designed the Statue of Liberty.

Says Asphalt Plant has Okay, Yet Permit Refused

Waving a piece of paper in the air, W. MacDonald, of Woodway Construction Ltd., who has been trying to set up an asphalt plant, told council Thursday he has a certificate from the Air Management Branch to operate anywhere in Ontario.

He claims he has the latest equipment, causing no pollution. He pointed out the company operates a construction yard on Armstrong Avenue, where equipment and materials are stored. "We will continue to have a business there, whether or not we operate the asphalt plant", he stated.

MacDonald reminded council he employs 25 people and is a local taxpayer, as he asked why his request for a building permit was rejected.

Cr. Phil Siddall said he should approach the building inspector for his reasons. "I don't think we have jurisdiction after the by-law is passed", he added.

Cr. Joan Smith said she had been talking to the Air Management Branch, who told her these certificates merely approve the type of equipment used.

Cr. Harry Levy, examining the certificate, stated only Brampton is mentioned in the approval, not Georgetown. He claimed council has the authority to refuse if they feel it is not in the best interest of the town.

The mayor suggested MacDonald get the motions passed on the subject and see the building inspector.

"I already saw the building inspector and he said council

instructed him not to issue a permit", replied MacDonald.

Cr. Joan Smith said council did not direct the building inspector, but let him know how they felt.

Visited Quebec, Now 5 Local Girls are Hosts

Five Quebec high school girls are the guests of five local girls, as part of a student exchange program sponsored by the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews.

Louise Cote, of Thetford Mines, is staying with Connie Allan, R.R. 1 Georgetown, Helen Savoie, Thetford Mines is with Elizabeth Carney, Ann Street, Andree Brochu of Levis is with Debi Caruso, Charles Street, Helene Plamondon, of Cap-Sante, is with Patricia Syme, Baylawn Crescent, and Johanne Lalier, of St. Hyacinthe, is with Cathy Krowchuk, Pennington Crescent.

Wednesday night the ten girls arrived at Georgetown station to be greeted by Mayor Bill Smith, who welcomed them in French

The five local girls had spent two weeks in Quebec, where they were taken on tours of famous places such as the Plains of Abraham, Zoological Gardens, House of Parliament, and Chateau Frontenac.

The two week visit concluded with a dance for the 300 girls from all over Ontario and Quebec. Escorts had been provided.

All the girls say their French has improved by being forced to speak it all the time. They were somewhat surprised to see English T.V. programmes dubbed in French. "We could follow them but we had seen them before", commented Debi Caruso.

Has Apartment Permit, But Planners Say Not Satisfied

An application by George Thomas to build apartments on Mountainview Road, at John Street, originally made in December, 1967, was discussed again at council Thursday night, when Planning Board asked the town to state it is not satisfied with the proposal. The Planning Board contends the lot frontage is less than the minimum, and the density would be too high. The land coverage includes a right of way, shared by houses, which the Planning Board felt should not be included in the acreage. They claim the removal of the right of way area

would increase the density from 44 units per acre to 74 units per acre. In May, 1968, the court ordered a building permit to be issued, and this was done in August, 1968. However, at that time, the sewage lift station on John Street needed repair, so building could not go ahead.

The lift station was completed last year, and Thomas wants to proceed.

The new plan reduces the number of units from 83 to 76, and chops one whole floor, reducing the height by twenty feet. The plan shows underground parking

for 45 cars, a sauna and exercise room and increased green area. Cr. Ernest Sykes wondered how the town stands legally since the court had ordered the issuance of a building permit. "He must feel he is within his legal rights to do so" he added.

Cr. Ern. Hyde stated Thomas could go ahead with the old plan with the larger number of units, if council does not approve the new plan. The town solicitor will be asked to study the Thomas application, and the Planning Board recommendation, then advise the town of its legal position.

Says By-Law Could Create 'Ghost Town'

In a letter to council Thursday night, Mrs. Laura Quinby, 17 Elizabeth Street, objected to the anti-littering by-law, which she claimed could turn Main Street into a "ghost town". She suggested residents debate whether to stop on Main Street, since they fear being told to move on.

She claimed the young people say they hate Georgetown and make a plea for the police to "get on the side of youth".

In conclusion she reminded council the same young people are the town's future citizens. Mayor Bill Smith admitted some areas of the by-law need looking into, and said it would be discussed in committee.

Georgetown Council Briefs

Council on Thursday authorized Phillips Planning and Engineering to call for tenders for the re-construction of Delrex Blvd. from Sargent Road to Edward Street.

Fifteen inches of granular material will be applied to Armstrong Avenue from C. N. R. tracks to Boehmers, and on Sinclair Avenue, from Todd Road to Armstrong. A double surface treatment will also be given.

Looking well ahead, the Georgetown District Cubore asked permission to hold a soap box derby on Maple Avenue, from Tyers to Main Street, in June of next year.

Loretta Subject was hired as secretary in the Town Clerk's department.

Planning Board was asked to consider a suggestion by Cr. Phil Siddall, that any plan of subdivision older than 8 years, be deemed not a registered plan of subdivision.

Deputy reeve Art Speight was authorized to attend the Fire Fighters Convention, in Aurora for one day. The convention actually lasts from July 23 to August 1.

Council accepted with regret the resignation of Robert W. Francis, from the Industrial Commission.

They also accepted with regret the resignation of Mrs. Judy Shrubsole, from her position as deputy-clerk.

Council gave final reading to a by-law to expropriate part of Maveal property on John Street for a sanitary sewer to connect to the second phase of the trunk sewer system.

Dude ranches have sprung up in the Australian Outback.

New Manager for Downtown CIBC Branch

Succeeding Don Wingrove, manager for 15 years of the downtown branch, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, Lorne Stephenson became the new manager the first of the month.

Mr. Stephenson came to town from Kapuskasing, where he had been manager for 11 years.

His banking career started in his home town of Timmins and was interrupted for five years during World War II when he enlisted in the airforce and

served with 11 Bomber Squadron in the R.A.F. coastal command. After the war he was at bank branches in the Timmins, Porcupine area, then at Sault Ste. Marie and had his first managerial position in Hearst.

With his wife and family he has moved into the bank house at 15 Durham Street. Mrs. Stephenson is the former Dolores Callon of Orillia. Son Lorne, Jr. will enroll at McMaster University this fall. Younger son Glen will be in Grade 11 at Georgetown District High school.

Many Sheridan Grads In Georgetown Area

Several from Georgetown and district were in the graduating class this year at Sheridan College of Applied Arts and Technology.

Among them were: From Georgetown, Velma Barlow, business division (intensive secretarial); David Battison, technology (construction technician); Claire Blashop, communications (advertising); Andrew Dewhurst, honours, applied arts (general arts); Deborah Ann Duncan, business (intensive secretarial); Gary Hamilton, visual arts (creative art); Dwayne Hay, technology (mechanical drafting); Mary Hay, computer studies (electronic data processing);

Donna Kavanagh, honours, applied arts (general arts); Peter Lemieux, computer studies (telegraphic data processing); Donald Parsons, honours, technology (construction technician); John Quackenbush, honours, applied arts (urban & regional planning, community planning); Lee Ursel, honours, visual arts (graphic design, technical illustration major); Peter Walker, applied arts (general arts).

From Glen Williams, Lawrence Kirby, business administration (marketing management).

From Norval, Stephen Brown, applied arts (urban & regional transportation).

Trophy Honours Mets' Shortstop Gerry Nash

Winning team in the Intercounty Men's Fastball league this year will receive a new trophy.

Sunday, members of the Norval Mets presented the Gerry Nash Memorial trophy to the league.

It honours one of their players, 19-year-old Gerry (Nipper) Nash, victim of a motor accident July 10. He was killed when his car swerved and hit a tree on the Bullinford sideroad.

The presentation took place before a ball game at Glen Williams which ended in a close 3-2 win for the Mets.

Earl (Red) Cuthbert had composed a poem in tribute to Gerry, and after reading this, the teams and spectators observed two minutes' silence for the Mets' shortstop.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Nash, sister Judy and brother-in-law Dave Shrubsole and younger brother Ronnie were present.

Mr. Cuthbert's tribute in verse reads:

Time, Mr. Umpire, we're one player shy - Just give us a minute, I'm sure he'll be by. He's our short-stop you know, and he plays it with ease, As he fires to first, for the out, on his knees.

He's only 19 but he's fast and he's slim, And not many balls ever get around him. A runner is coming to second, sliding in - But Nip tags him out and steps back with a grin.

Oh! There's a line drive down the third base line, But Nip's there to cover, so everything's fine. It gets by third base, but Nip's on the ball - He throws to the plate - "Out at Home" is the call.

I'm sorry, Mr. Umpire, he'll have to pass. We've got word that he's moved to a much higher class. He's secured a position for a team in the sky; So play good position, Little Nip, and Goodbye.



GERRY NASH Shortstop for Men's Fastball Team



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