

Abitibi honours Quarter Century members

Art Stamp, William Campbell, Sam Finnamore and Ralph Thompson were all honored to receive engraved gold watches for their 25 years of service at Abitibi Paper Mill in Georgetown at the annual Quarter Century Club's banquet, held Saturday night.

Mr. Mathew (Junior) Beaumont was also honored to receive a gold watch, however, due to a death in the family—Mr. Jim Dobbie—Mr. Beaumont could not attend the dinner. The late Jim Dobbie was also a member of the Quarter Century Club as he worked for a total of 33 years at Abitibi Mill.

The watches were presented by Mr. Barry Voss, the plant superintendent, at the Abitibi club's 27th annual dinner held at St. George's Anglican Church hall.

The new executive was also elected Saturday evening with new members acting as the executive: Junior Beaumont, president; Ralph Thompson, secretary; Sam Finnamore, vice-president and Art Stamp as treasurer.

Those who are presently active members of the Quarter Century Club and their years of service are: Cyril Engleby, president for 1975, 30 years; Herb Arnold, 1975 secretary, 28 years; Don Hurren, 1975 vice-president, 29 years and Ormie Carter, treasurer for 1975, 29 years.

Other active members include:



TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE HONORED. The Quarter Century Club of Abitibi Paper Mill saw five members join the club following 25 years of loyal service to the paper mills. Left to right stand; William Campbell; Ralph Thompson; Cyril Engleby, president of the club for 1975; Barry Voss, plant superintendent; Sam Finnamore and Art Stamp. Missing from the photo is Junior Beaumont who also received an engraved gold watch.



CHARTER MEMBERS. The 27th annual banquet of the Abitibi Paper Mill's Quarter Century Club saw a number of charter members turn out for the evening affair. Left to right stands charter members John Bus, Nick Carter, Harry Hale and George Louth Senior.

W. Stansel, 39 years of service; Miss E. M. Treanor, 38 years of service; W. Marchment, 37; G. Norton, 37; A. Tuck, 37; W. Gradley, 36; C. Davies, 36; N. Herbert, 36; Miss H. McDonald, 36; L. Rayner, 36; T. Williams, 36; J. Boyd, 35; J. Gambell, 35; J. Hooper, 35; and H. Shorthill, 35 years.

R. Williams, 35 years; C. Valentine, 34; Miss A. Wylie, 32; H. McPherson, 31; T. Wylie, 30; Mrs. R. Valentine, 30; H. Allen, 30; J. Inglis, 30; J. H. McPherson, 29; K. Davidson, 29; T. Parry, 29; W. Grieve, 29; G. Lockwood, 29; E. Hall, 29; D. Herrington, 28; H. Hale, 28; A. McDonald, 28; W. Chaplin, 28; S. Emmerman, 28; C. Freestone, 28; I. Leslie, 28; D. Herrington, 27; J. Kemahead, 27; and R. Hawes, 26 years of service.

Associate members of the quarter century club who have retired from the paper mill include; G. Smith, 50 years of service; A. Carter, 45; S. Eason, 42; Miss J. McDougall, 41; C. Allen, 40; R. Pomeroy, 40; W. Louth, 39; G. Louth, 39; I. Hale, 38; R. Shorthill, 37; R. Grace, 36; B. Weston, 36; R. Beaumont, 36, the late J. Dobbie, 35; R. Eason, 34; R. Hardman, 34; J. McMeney, 33; D. Wallace, 33; R. Packer, 33; I. Crabtree, 32; W. McClements, 30; N. Breen, 30; C. Soper, 30; F. Ward, 28; N. Norton, 28 and J. Addy, 28 years of service.

383 donate blood

The 'Gift of Life' was given at a successful Red Cross Blood Donor Clinic last Monday.

A smooth flowing operation of 441 donors filled 383 blood packs. Surgery, flu, cold sores and low blood count were some of the reasons for the higher number of 58 rejects. In the afternoon 177 attended and in the evening 264 offered their blood.

There were 60 new donors, of which 29 were first timers. Last year 447 donors came out and only 28 were rejected.

This Christmas Clinic was a happy affair with the vocal instrumental group 'Thyme' for entertainment, the Christmas-decor and special treats from the kitchen.

The staff and volunteers felt that they could have comfortably accommodated more donors without waiting periods.

Mrs. Marilyn Sannucks and her telephone committee again were very busy contacting registered donors, which contributed to the success of this clinic.

Next blood clinic will be held Monday, March 8, 1976; Acton has planned a clinic for Monday, January 19.

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Building in town drops sharply

Building in Halton Hills came close to a grinding halt in November according to the building permit report for the month.

Only 24 permits were issued last month, half of which consisted of alterations, a swimming pool installation and a garage that was constructed.

Total value of the 24 permits issued was \$399,879, well below the monthly average that has been in the first 11 months of this year some \$13 million worth of construction carried out in Halton Hills.

There were no building permits issued for homes being built under plans of subdivision. However eight

permits for other single family dwellings were issued. Total value of the new homes will be \$287,500.

One permit for a new industrial building valued at \$40,000 was issued in November.

The total value of building in Halton Hills thus far this year amounts to: 144 single family

dwellings under plans of subdivision, \$4,019,039; 83 other single family units, \$3,093,000; 50 other residential dwellings, \$1,516,120;

163 residential alterations, \$627,010; 143 swimming pools, \$548,512; 42 garages, carports, \$80,639; 10 new commercial projects, \$1,121,500; 14 commercial alterations, \$130,350;

13 new industrial projects, \$1,352,351; 8 institutional projects, \$746,175.

Total value is \$13,698,511 for 740 various building or renovating projects.

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Environmentalists will have say in region's Official Plan

Responding to requests from naturalists groups, the region's planning committee has agreed to set up a special advisory group to assist in the drawing up of the region's Official Plan.

The group to be known as the Ecological and Environmental Advisory Committee, will be established as a standing technical advisory committee made up of professional biologists, planners, environmentalists, members of concerned government agencies and members of the general public.

The group will also specify areas which "have a high social value for the management of such features as: unique cultural features, recreation, water quality, unique natural features, wildlife, ground water recharge, forested areas and agriculture."

The decision to go ahead with the formation of the group came after a long and heated debate as to its merits and membership.

Milton's Mayor Anne MacArthur felt that the membership was not broad enough, favoring the experts and not the general public. "It's completely biased in its setup... We won't hear from the general public. I feel we'll be getting a great deal of input from the environmentalists and little from the general public."

snowmobiling clubs, from the federation of agriculture from quarry firms and hunting clubs. Their input at the early committee stage would "avoid confrontation later on" she said.

Councillor MacArthur from Oakville felt that the entire study was unnecessary. "It's so full of gobbledegook that it's just not going to give us what we want. It's not necessary."

Councillor Jim Watson of Milton complained, "We're looking for loopholes to slow down the planning process. This is certainly one of them." He felt that the time taken by the volunteer committee to produce their report would be better spent by regional staff handling the problem.

Members of the planning board, however, remained firm that the committee would prove important in providing an environmental viewpoint in the finalizing of Halton's Official Plan.

"We're attempting to work within the budget and timetable set down," commented Councillor Archie Donaghy. "With this committee we're looking for a lot of free advice from some very knowledgeable people."

Halton's planning committee will appoint the members to the new group.

One of the jobs to be taken on by the committee will be to "recommend studies to be conducted in areas where any development might have an impact on the environment and to review, comment and undertake those studies based on information contained in development reports."

Mayor MacArthur called for a larger committee including all persons involved with the environment including a representative from

Region hands over inspections

Each municipality in Halton has decided to come up with its own method of taking care of inspections of construction projects, originally a joint project involving both regional and municipal staff.

Burlington has decided that it wants to have the full responsibility for inspections of both the building itself and such other related projects as sewer and water installations. Regional works staff will be called on "only in spot inspection."

Milton has decided that the old ways were the best and thus will still require two inspectors for their projects.

Oakville has called for a compromise. All inspection of underground work, excluding storm sewers, will be done by the region while the balance of construction inspection will be done by Oakville's works staff.

Halton Hills has still not decided which route to take but is expected to report its decision to the region's works committee in the near future.

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