



NEW CUBS INVESTED

Akela Terry Colter is surrounded with recently invested Cubs of the 5th Georgetown B Pack. From left to right they are: Frank Campbell, Mitchell Ghany, Luc St. Pierre, Mark Jones and Andrew MacLeod. In the back row are: Steven Rainbow, Gordon Marinko and Jordan Broadworth. Missing is Calum Munro.

Teachers review role and image

The role and image of teachers in today's society was the theme of the Ontario Public School Men's Teachers Federation, annual meeting, Ron Stephen, provincial president OSMTF from Windsor, said a few years ago, teachers worked long hours, received a small salary and were expected to teach children to be fine upstanding citizens.

Today, teachers are no longer placed on pedestals, and are accepted as human beings.

However, some students lack adequate discipline in their homes. Every decision concerning schools, is politically decided. Teachers have become the target of the media, and have not been trained to cope with these new situations.

The media opposed restrictive schooling, so, freedom became the cry, he said, and schools switched to the open classroom concept. Students had freedom to choose their curriculum. Now, a new wave of propaganda is sweeping the country. The Three R's are being ignored!

Media says we need to get back to basics, but Stephen says we can't let the pendulum swing back too far.

Stephen feels teachers should participate in political decisions - not just be the recipients. Politicians and parties come and go, but teachers will remain and their influence in the classroom will grow.

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He feels teachers deserve higher rewards for their job, and should have a place in political decision making. He said the government will always find it difficult to supply enough money to meet educational demands.

Education was always thought to be the solution for problems, but no one has solved the problems of unemployment, rising crime rates or Canada's inter-provincial crisis. "However, we can always blame the government," he said.

"I think teachers are great, but we must strive for excellence in our personal jobs," he said. Parents will be happy if their children are happy in school.

Mississauga East, MPP Bud Gregory, said, new curriculum guidelines specify what is expected of teachers and supplies a framework for courses of study. But, the guidelines allow individual schools the flexibility to adapt their own classroom programs best suited to meet students needs.

The impact of the guidelines will affect Grades 7 through 10, offering more practical direction. They will be available in the spring, so they can be implemented in the fall. Tom Wells announced last week province-wide standards will be set for subjects in the core curriculum.

A plan is also in motion resulting in better testing and evaluation of pupil achievement, and better reporting of pupil progress to parents. A work group, composed of teacher representatives, had been formed to devise a workable plan for better testing and evaluation.

Canada maintains the highest standards and qualifications for those seeking a career in teaching. Also, international leaders proclaim we have one of the best educational systems in the world, he said.

Terra Cotta Tidbits

By Elle Dryden
Herald Correspondent

The annual general meeting of the Caledon Ratepayers' Association was held recently. As a point of interest, the directors of the ratepayers are a staff of approximately 10 to 12 people who are involved in working with the various levels of government while at the same time representing the taxpayer.

The board of directors meet every month and have not missed a meeting in the last four years. From time to time, a special membership meeting has been called for the public to discuss important issues.

Cliff Coburn presented the slate of officers. They will elect officials in the December meeting.

Following the secretary's report was the treasurer's report by Hoy Trimble. It would seem the biggest expense is the cost of notification of meetings and newsletters sent to the ratepayers.

A break for coffee and a program of "You and Your Taxes" began. Guest speaker was Merv White, treasurer of Caledon, and he discussed the financial status of Caledon. This was based on sample analysis of tax based on \$30,000 residential assessment. Total tax for year end December 31, 1976 is \$5,486,403.00.

Alex Raeburn who attended this meeting and John Clarkson (the mayor) gave a

breakdown of the tax dollar comparing the old system (the county system, broken down into townships) to the new regional system. This new system consists of Caledon, population 20,000 covering an area of 274 square miles having a representation of five. Mississauga, population 98,000 covers an area of 92 square miles with a six member staff of representation. Mississauga has a quarter of a million population in an area of 111 square miles with a representation of 10, but all are classed under the name of Peel Region.

John Clarkson answered questions that were directed to him by the audience and contributed added information to Mr. Raeburn's facts.

Until now \$1,000,000.00 of tax arrears has been collected and a bad tax debt is a tax that is overdue from three to ten years. A writ against the offender may be served after a three year period.

Everyone paying taxes should become if not involved at least acquainted with their area ratepayers group and the work they are doing. This group is concerned about your tax dollar they should be supported for their efforts.

Anyone who would like to join or would like more information, please write to Caledon Ratepayers' Association Inc. Box 172, Caledon, Ont. L0N 1C0

Ballinafad and district

By WINIFRED SMITH
Herald Correspondent

The W.I. met for their December meeting at the home of Mrs. F. Smith. It was the Christmas meeting and in the form of a party to which the husbands were invited. Tables were set up in the living room. All members contributed to the pot luck supper.

There was a bounteous supply of food laid out. It was served buffet style. Twenty-one sat down and enjoyed the delicious meal. While the menfolk had a friendly chit-chat, W.I. members took to the kitchen to wash dishes and talk over the business part of the

meeting. It was moved that a sum of money be allowed the welfare committee to buy a small gift for the communities sick and shut-in citizens. It was brought to the attention of members that in the coming year the branch would be celebrating their 25th anniversary.

Ideas were to be brought to the January meeting on how it should be celebrated, before the short business period ended, coloured pictures of members taken at the June meeting at Kelso park by Mrs. Reta Shortill were given to each member as a gift from Mrs. Shortill, who through

illness has been unable to attend recent meetings. All then returned to the living room for a short program.

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VICTORY DANCE

Pete Pomeroy, whoops it up at a victory celebration held at the Credit Valley Club following the municipal election Monday. Mr. Pomeroy was elected councillor for Ward 3

Human Rights Day celebrated in Halton

The Baha'is of Halton Hills will join with millions of people in communities around the world to commemorate Human Rights Day Dec. 10.

The Baha'i community will sponsor a Human Rights meeting with Catherine MacMillan as speaker Dec. 10 at 8:15 p.m. at Cedarvale Community Hall gym.

Human Rights Day commemorates the signing of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948 by the members of the United Nations including Canada. In recognition of the interdependence of the Human

Rights attempted to express a common code of basic human rights applicable to all nations.

The United Nations Declaration states that the recognition of the inherent dignity and of the equal and unalienable rights of all members of the human family is the foundation of freedom justice and peace in the world.

In 1973 the U.N. launched a Decade for Action to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination.

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FOUNDING MEETING
OF THE
Brampton Halton Hills Liberal Association
Dec. 9/76

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