

Supply teachers protest proposed pay cut

Halton Substitute Teachers' Association has condemned the Halton board of education for its third attempt in five years to cut members salaries. In a brief, the group repudiated a recommendation

that teachers who work less than two consecutive days in one classroom be given a 10 per cent cut in pay. The board's ad hoc committee on teacher absenteeism feels that since the first day a

substitute teacher is in a classroom, the teacher should not receive regular rates unless they stay in a classroom long enough to become accustomed to the children and the

current rates are \$41.31 for non-degree teachers and \$59.25 for those with a degree. The teachers say that "the first day is as difficult as, if not more difficult than any subsequent day. Each day presents an equal level of challenge to any other day and consequently, salary rates should remain equal."

The substitute teachers counter the suggestion that their pay scale be removed from the salary grid with a reminder that they are fully qualified, experienced teachers who are expected to fill the regular teacher's role. "Many have five, ten or even 20 years teaching experience behind them," the brief says. "Yet upon becoming a sub-

stitute teacher, all of that accumulated experience is disregarded for salary purposes."

It continues with reports published last spring (1976) that showed the "average daily pay rate (in Halton) was \$75 and \$95 respectively for elementary and secondary teachers plus fringe benefits. We could be considered a bargain. It seems only logical that our pay rate should remain on the grid."

The teachers also question a third committee recommendation that individual schools be encouraged to use supply assistance to reduce the cost of supply teachers. The

Schools Administration Act states that only qualified persons may be employed to teach in elementary or secondary school. The teachers question the qualifications of the supply assistants the board suggests hiring.

In last week's brief the teachers said the committee's report to the board is biased and incomplete because only one of the eight briefs presented to the committee is included in the material passed on to the board. It is a brief which did not support the teachers.

The brief which the substitute teachers made to the

committee in February is not included nor is any mention made of a joint brief made by the principals associations, the Halton Elementary Teachers' Association, and the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation. This brief favored the use of substitute teachers.

Asked after the meeting why these briefs had not been given to the board, committee chairman W. J. Priestner told The Herald that the committee's job had been to hear the briefs and sort out what was important. If all the material had been passed on then there would have been no point in having a committee, he said.

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Deputy chief

Robert Hyde of Georgetown has been hired by Halton Hills council Monday as Deputy fire chief. Mr. Hyde was formerly district fire chief in the Georgetown Volunteer Firefighters. His duties are expected to commence July 4.



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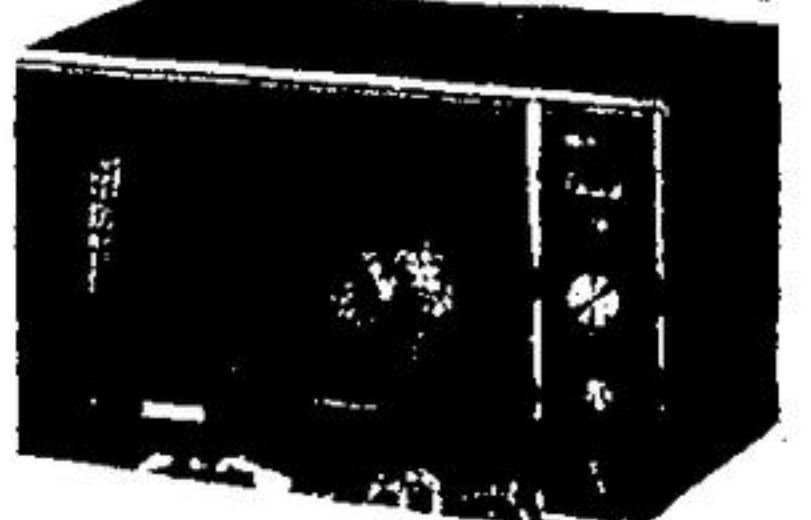
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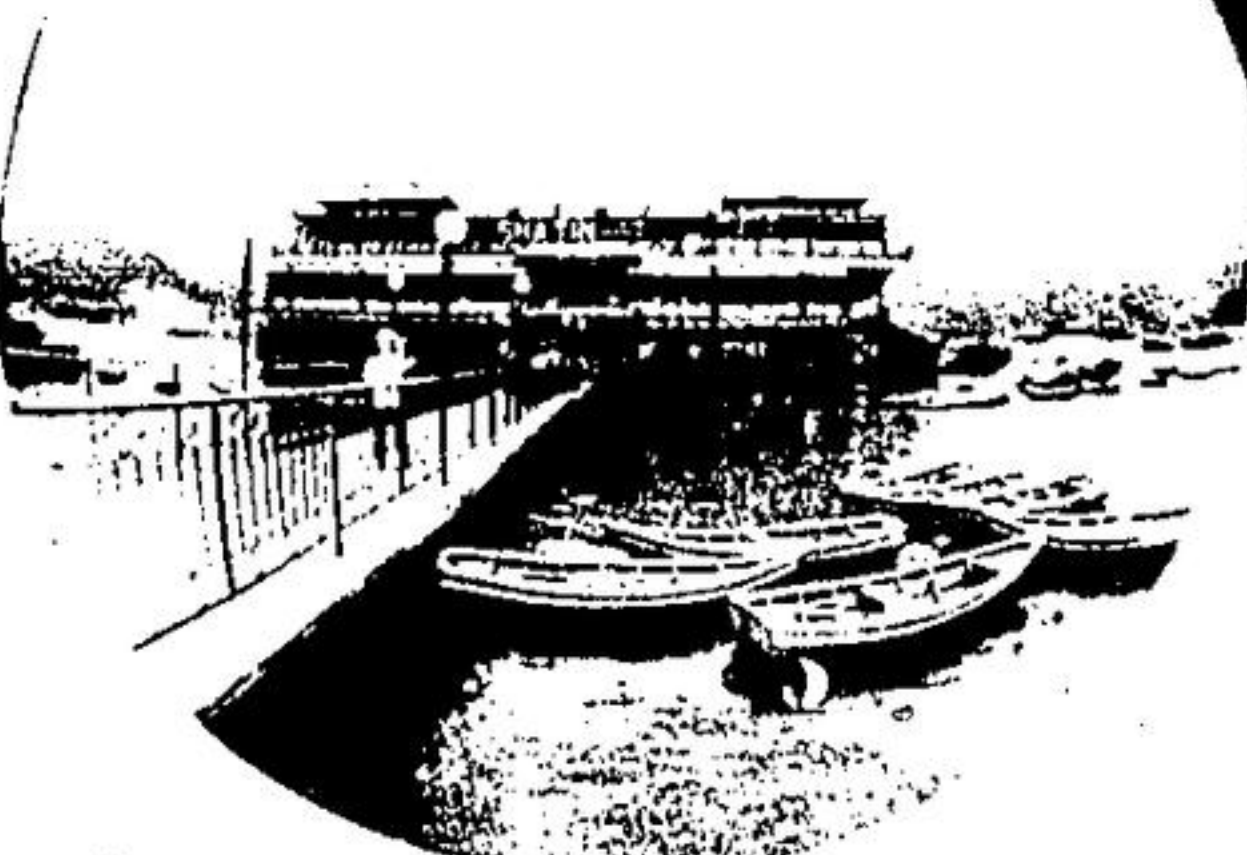
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Taipei, located on one of the loveliest islands on earth, is the capital city of Nationalist China. The National Palace Museum, Botanical Gardens and the National Historical Museum portray the rich pageantry of the Chinese way of life. Called "Ilha Formosa" (Beautiful Island) by Portuguese explorers, Taipei offers many art and architectural splendours which may be seen by visiting the National Historical Museum, housing one of the most priceless collections of Chinese art in the world, the National Palace Museum and the world-famous Botanical Gardens. Taipei is one of the few cities in the Orient where you can savor genuine Chinese culture; atmosphere and the wide gamut of Chinese provincial cookery. The friendliness and hospitality of the islanders have made Taiwan a must for travelers to the Far East. The distinct character of the Japanese culture makes Japan one of the most interesting and exotic countries in the world. The delightful contrasts of Tokyo provide the visitor with a multitude of sights and sensations which leaves one fascinated by this mixture of Western influence and

Oriental customs and hospitality. The ancient capital of Thailand, Bangkok is a beautiful city with exquisite temples, superb craftsmanship and is renowned for the splendor of its festivals. The Temple of the Reclining Buddha and the Temple of Dawn are both fantastic examples of Oriental architecture. Bangkok is a fairyland rich with history; an ancient kingdom in which many Asian races mingled long ago to produce the enchantingly cheerful people who live in this "Land of Smiles" today. Bangkok is a city linked by canals and a visit to the Floating Market is a must as is a tour around the Grand Palace. The Buddhist monasteries contain many fine examples of Thai frescoes and sculpture along with such magnificent creations as the Emerald Buddha and the Marble Temple. This favorite city of Canadian travelers to the

Orient, Bangkok offers the visitor a staggering array of distinctive and fascinating sights: Thai-style boxing, a myriad of exotic flower stands, the Floating Market, beautiful temples, fabulous bargains in jewelry and silks, spicy Thai curries and superb Chinese delicacies. Pattaya, the "Land for All Seasons", is a beautiful resort area just two hours away from the hustle of Bangkok. Located on the Gulf of Siam, the long expanses of sandy beaches offer the visitor some of the best recreation and relaxation in the Orient. Distinguished for its graceful, Moorish-style architecture, Kuala Lumpur, this capital city of Malaysia, has picturesque streets and thatched kampongs on stilts. This excitingly exotic land is a delightful potpourri of cultures, crafts, traditions, festivals and national costumes - something unusual and surprising to enjoy every moment.



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