



SUNDAY SCHOOL BENEFIT

David and Glenn English look over some of the children's books available at the St. John's Church, Stewarttown, rummage sale held Saturday. Glenn was manning a table for the church's Sunday School.

Larger classes predicted for Limehouse

Classes may be larger at Limehouse school next year unless the Halton board of education accepts a recommendation to twin Limehouse and Joseph Gibbons schools, a board official warned parents at a meeting last week.

Speaking to about 40 parents gathered to decide what further action, if any, should be taken in their fight to keep a principal in the school, north area superintendent Don Gentlemansaid the area will be short two from its allotment of teachers if Limehouse and Speyside schools are not twinned and each keep a principal.

The twinning proposal would see Limehouse receiving a vice-principal who would teach 75 per cent of the time while Gibbons would have a full-time principal to handle the administrative work of both schools. Speyside and Robert Little schools will face the same situation with Robert Little having a full-time principal and Speyside a vice-

principal. If however the vice principals are not left as teachers with classrooms of their own, and are instead put back to full-time principals then the area will be short two teachers. Mr. Gentlemansaid that these vacancies would not be filled but would instead necessitate a shifting of pupils among the existing staff so that every child is fitted into a classroom.

Mr. Gentlemansaid that they are correct in saying in their brief that no allowance was made for new students entering the school from houses to be built on the Fifth Line above Highway 7.

He said he has no way of knowing how many of the proposed homes will be built for sale by next year. Nor can it be estimated how many of the houses that are built will actually be sold, nor whether the buyer will be a public or separate school supporter.

Every time he overprojects by 23 students the board must hire another teacher costing

\$16,000. If a school is understaffed he says, he can hire a teacher in half a day because teaching jobs are so scarce that teachers are readily available.

Mr. Gentleman told parents to dismiss from their minds that "someday, someone is going to come in here and close the place up." That will only happen if and when the enrollment drops to 90 pupils and a number of steps including the organization of a committee consisting of three parents, the school principal, a teacher, the area superintendent, and a board-appointed trustee to investigate the situation.

He said he has heard rumors that Grade 6 and Kindergarten classes would be removed from the school in order to "engineer" its closing. While he admits he favors middle schools (Gr. 6, 7, and 8) over seniors schools (Gr. 7 and 8) he isn't going to be permitted to take a sixth grade out of the school just so the enrollment can be lowered, he said.

He warned parents that it is possible the school might lose its Kindergarten class some year if the class enrollment was so small that it could be fitted in with another school without the need for hiring another teacher. If another teacher is needed however, she might as well be in Limehouse as in some other school and pupils would not be moved.

Parents disputed Mr. Gentlemans contention that hiring a vice-principal who is also a teacher would save approximately \$15,500. Marnie Wilkie pointed out that to get as experienced a vice-principal as Mr. Gentleman promised them would cost the

board considerably more than the minimum wage offered a regular teacher. The extra secretarial help he suggested will also cost the board and so will the travelling allowance for the principal who must now

go to both schools. Parents were told by Flo Gordon and Marnie Wilkie that they had learned from Frank Danna, superintendent of finance for the Halton board of Education that no matter

what the school's enrollment it would still be considered a small school. The group voted to continue their battle against twinning by writing a further letter to the board.

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Road names under discussion

Halton Hills Works committee will meet next week to discuss the proposed name changes on regional roads in Halton Hills.

Coun. Pete Pomeroy told the committee that as a result of the stories in local newspapers about the proposed name changes, he had been contacted by a number of area residents who expressed several concerns in connection with the proposal.

People think there should be an advertising campaign to make residents aware of the proposals, and a "proper" program of identifying the roads should be set up after the changes are made, he said.

Municipalities with abutting boundaries should also be in agreement over the names of roads which run in more than one municipality. A number of people were also worried about the cost of changing addresses for business purposes.

Coun. Pomeroy recommended that all these concerns should be dealt with before making any comments on the proposed name changes. The recommendation was passed. Coun. Mike Armstrong pro-

posed that a sub-committee be formed to discuss the proposed name changes and report back to works committee. The meeting will be held next Tuesday evening, but will likely be held in camera.

"I'd like to see the money spent on fixing the roads instead of renaming them," Coun. Marilyn Sergeantson said after the recommendations were passed.

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Several factors delay Silver Creek park

The Credit Valley Conservation Authority's (CVCA) plans to develop a 2,300-acre area east of Acton in the vicinity of Silver Creek are still awaiting approval by the province, but according to an authority spokesman, the plans' implementation is being delayed by several other factors as well.

Information officer Joan Rollings reported Monday that the last correspondence from the ministry of natural resources pertaining to the project came in February, when additional information about specific zones in the

proposed park area was requested. The request came nearly three months after the draft master plan for the park won authority approval.

William E. Coates and Associates, the firm which developed the plan for the authority, provoked some discussion in March when it suggested that the need for additional work on the proposals would require an increase in its fee.

Mrs. Rollings cautioned that, regardless of how long the plans remain in ministry hands, it implementation cannot begin until sufficient authority funds are available.

Budget cutbacks this year forced the proposal to be deleted from funding consideration. Work on the project, as a result, must wait at least until 1979 to begin.

When the start-up money does become available, Mrs. Rollings said, the park's educational centre, proposed for construction on an 8.3 acre site, will be among the first features to be built.

Beyond that point, however, the plan's proposals stretch out over the next half century. Ultimately, the authority hopes to acquire 2,311 acres between Terra Cotta and Ballinacree.

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