



SUMMER SINGERS

Tammy Grozelle (left) and Janice Powers led their group of youngsters in some summertime singing at the Joseph Gibbons School MAD recreation program. Actually, the kids

were singing Christmas carols as part of their mid-summer Christmas party last Friday.

(Herald photo)

Local Bell Canada workers take part in full-scale strike

Members of the Communications Workers of Canada union in Ontario and Quebec, including those responsible for servicing the Georgetown area, took part in a rotating walk-out Monday in response to the lock-out by Bell Canada of 2,100 employees in Southwestern Ontario.

When Bell Canada locked out the employees, all members of the Communications Workers of Canada, the other union members stayed off the job in support, union representative Glen Dundas told The Herald. Bell Canada has been selectively locking out employees and the union wants assurance from the company that these "unfair lock-outs" won't be continued before coming back to work, he said. Contract negotiations be-

tween Bell Canada and the union began last September, and according to Mr. Dundas, as far as the union is concerned, there remain six major issues to be resolved. These issues are the term of the agreement, compulsory overtime, wages, wage scales in different zones, the benefits package and vacations.

About 30 communications workers work in various capacities in the Georgetown area, but all of them work out of the Brampton office, Mr. Dundas said.

UNION DEMANDS

Mr. Dundas said all the union's demands are negotiable, although no date has been set for the union and the company to meet again. Mr. Dundas said the union executive has sent a telegram to Labor Minister Lincoln

Alexander, requesting assistance with mediation.

Ron Devaney, a spokesman for Bell Canada, said the company objects to the fact that the union is asking the company to stop locking out employees, but is not willing to give up its right to strike in return. He estimated that Bell is three to four weeks behind in phone installations in Toronto and the surrounding areas and two to three weeks behind on business installations.

Mr. Devaney said whatever happens next is still up in the air. The two sides haven't been back to the bargaining table since July, when a conciliation report was handed down. At that time, Bell Canada voted to accept the conciliation report, Mr. Devaney said, even though it was more than what the company had offered. The

union rejected the report, however.

Mr. Devaney said the company's position is that the union should make a new offer, since it rejected the conciliation report. But the union seems to think that since it rejected the report, it's up to the company to come up with a better offer, he said. "We'll just have to wait and see," he said.



Michael Hollett

Herald editor

Festival fever comes with film

If there isn't a song in some Broadway musical about every day being the Fourth of July, there should be. And that's what we Canadians, living in Georgetown are getting - four weeks of the USA's Independence Day celebrations. I returned from my summer vacation last week just in time to see my town being taken over by Americans. It's like getting six weeks vacation this year, two in Eastern Canada and four in Madison, New York. It's a great way to beat the American's energy crisis, rather than fight gas lineups down there, simply bring the US up here.

But the film's shooting really has created a Fourth of

July feeling in town, seven days a week, like something in a Broadway musical.

Beginning last Monday when the first bunting and flags made their appearance, hanging in Georgetown's downtown I'm positive I detected more smiles than usual on the faces of people working and living in the downtown district.

Coming to work early last Tuesday morning, I enjoyed watching the faces of store workers light up as they stepped into the street to take a good look at their newly decorated place of work.

And people seem to be lingering later downtown in the evenings after the stores have closed, enjoying the scenery and talking with their friends.

And of course things really got going Monday with the first of four week's worth of local filming. Crowds were pretty healthy during the morning shooting of a Main Street scene and by the afternoon's shooting at Jarvis Collision the crowd had become sizeable.

Festive mood

The mood on the streets during the shooting, and, in fact, most of the time these Fourth of July days is festive. And that's what people from Westfront Productions, producers of the film, said they wanted when they first came to town. Set director David Jequest told the Herald in an early interview he hoped there would be a festival atmosphere during the film's shooting and he's got it.

Deep down (maybe not so deep) we're probably all still kids at heart and enjoy a little make believe. And that's what making a movie's all about. Instead of the Bank of Commerce, we've got the State Bank of Madison on Georgetown's Main Street. Instead of Goodlet's Hardware, we've got Townsend's and on and on and on.

Personally, I'm enjoying it. I know we at the paper are supposed to be reserved about things like this, but we're all having a lot of fun covering the film's production. The Herald's gladly helped out with a few props for the film and I think most people in town are only happy to co-operate.

Their chance

Hilton Hills residents will really get their chance to have fun with the movie this weekend on Sunday and Monday, August 19 and 20. On these two days, the major scene in the movie, a July 4 parade through Madison, New York will be shot in Georgetown. The film's producers have extended the sincerest invitation to everyone in the area to drop into town, watch the parade and the filming, and, of course, help swell the movie's parade crowd.

You should drop down and enjoy the party.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Women's Place says thanks

To the editor of the Herald: This is just a brief note of thanks to express, once more, the appreciation of the Board of Halton Women's Place for your latest coverage on August 1st, by Paul Dorsey, of the Regional Health and Social

Services' Committee recommendation for a per diem grant for the hostel of our organization.

With gratitude, I am yours sincerely, Ann Burlison, Publicity H.W.P.

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VIEWPOINT

By GERRY LANDSBOROUGH
It appears that MP Don Blenkarn (Mississauga South) has committed the unpardonable political and social sin of stepping on our great national taboo the Canadian Indian and Eskimo.

Now I don't know that I am in complete agreement with all of MP Blenkarn's statement but I believe that he hit the nail on the head with the idea that Indians should not exploit the fact that their ancestors were badly used by some of the ancestors of the white man.

One of the reasons our native people did not fair as well as the majority is the fact that they are not treated as the majority.

I've watched the antics of some of the more militant native young people on the reserves and like young people everywhere they are rebellious and anti-system - looking for a cause and it has little to do with national heritage.

Indians that remain on the reserves cut themselves off from the mainstream of Canadian life.

The idealism of a life close to nature of hunting and fishing and the "old ways" is about as realistic as the rest of the populace getting a horse and playing cowboy.

We are not talking culture here - we are speaking of the natural changes that time brings to all of us.

Many members of the Canadian government, past and

present, enjoy the power structure of doling out monies to our less fortunate. I'm sure you know the ones - Indians, old age pensioners, welfare, invalids, mentally retarded, etc. To keep a certain segment of the population humble and grateful. It's very sad. Indians are not national pets to be taken from the zoo (reserve) dressed up in buckskin and feathers, paraded up and down a few main streets and then sent back to the cage to be forgotten until next time we need a token native.

Such treatment perpetuates the myth - "no good drunks - welfare bums - lazy - different from the whiteman."

How different in culture and heritage is our oriental population, our Jewish people, our Pakistani, Arab, Polish, German, African on and on ad infinitum. All cultures are different, but the rest of all these different races and nationalities are out in the mainstream of the Canadian melting-pot. They are not sitting waiting for special funds to be allotted, they are not waiting to grovel at the feet of the whiteman's generosity.

I believe in "Indian rights" but I believe those rights should be basic "Canadian rights" not more or less than anyone else has.

Indians have a higher mortality rate, a greater portion of school drop-outs, higher portion of social problems, higher portion of health problems, why?

The main reason is something like this... "I live on the

reserve - I don't get a break - I'm an Indian - I'm different... so much garbage.

Let our native people retain the spirit of the "old ways" in their hearts, while their feet are planted firmly in the 21st century, let them get out into the mainstream of Canadian life and shed the yoke of the subservient - the "welfare case."

The Tories are apparently in a flap over MP Don Blenkarn's letter to Noel Starblanket, president of the National Indian Brotherhood. Personally I think some of the remarks are straight from the shoulder and good for all concerned - Indian and whiteman alike or how about good for "all" Canadians.

It reminds me of the old saw - give a man a fish and you feed him for the night - give a man a pole and teach him to fish and you feed him for a lifetime.

To be thrown into the mainstream is not a cruelty, it is a blessing, the blessing of true equality.

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