

Maple Lodge still struck after 3 weeks

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Workers at Maple Lodge Poultry Farms in Norval remain of the job today with little sign that union representatives and company officials will reach an early settlement to the dispute.

About 325 production, live-haul and delivery personnel struck the plant at midnight September 14 demanding better wages, holiday benefits, working hours and union security. The employees are represented by the United Food and Commercial Workers Union, local 1165.

"The company is refusing to negotiate," union representative Don Dayman told The Herald Monday morning. Talks between the union and the company broke down a week before and a union request last Tuesday to have the company's stand in writing was rejected, Mr. Dayman claims.

Mr. Dayman said that the company has "only one desire and it's trying to get rid of the union."

He said that the union would embark on a leaflet campaign at major food chains still using Maple Lodge products in order to advise the consumer of the situation at Maple Lodge.

However, Maple Lodge industrial relations officer Keith Coutlee said the compa-

ny had not had time to draw up a comprehensive report stating its demands.

He said that production is continuing at Maple Lodge as some workers cross the picket lines and that the plant is still able to fill some orders. While certain food chains are no longer buying Maple Lodge products, Mr. Coutlee said, the boycott is "not an immediate concern" of the company.

Workers are seeking an 80-cent increase in the hourly wage in each year of a two year contract bringing the present hourly wage in the first year from \$6.20 to \$7. The company has offered a 65-cent increase in each of two years.

Other demands include shorter working hours, a better holiday policy and a change in the way workers are transferred from department to another.

Meanwhile, Maple Lodge's application to process two million chickens per year which was scheduled to go before the Farm Products Appeals Tribunal has been shelved temporarily because of the strike.

The application was made because the company claims it is unable to process enough chicken to meet the demands of its customers. The Ontario Chicken Producers Marketing Board has contested the application.

About the Hills

Family Fun

Having difficulty adjusting to the fall season? The Mountsberg Wildlife Centre, situated near Campbellville and operated by the Halton Region Conservation Authority, is holding its 1980 Harvest Festival each weekend through Thanksgiving, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For a \$3 per car admission fee, you can take part in a pioneer apple festival, ride a horse-drawn wagon, watch educational and entertaining demonstrations of bluegrass music, square dancing, hard banding and apple cider preparation and enjoy informative puppet shows. For more information, phone 870-4131 weekdays and 854-2276 weekends.

Smokers' clinic

The Halton Lung Association is holding a Smoking Withdrawal Clinic over five consecutive days beginning Oct. 27 at the Milton District Hospital on Derry Road. Admission is free, but registration should be made by phoning 827-7973.

'Oaktoberfest'

Fans of Kitchener-Waterloo's annual Oktoberfest celebrations may be interested to know that Oakville is running a similar event called Oaktoberfest Caravan 1980. The fourth annual Oktoberfest takes place Oct. 25 and features a parade through the city followed by Bavarian-style festivities at six different Oakville locations. For more information, contact the sponsoring Knights of Columbus, UAW Locals 3801, 1256 or 707, the German-Canadian Club or the Oakville or Bronte Legions.

Local shorthorn champ

Seedsdale Negus, a shorthorn bred by S.G. Bennett of Georgetown, was declared Grand Champion Bull in the shorthorn class at the Canadian National Exhibition last month, one of many local entries which did well in the international competitions.

School talks continue

Toronto lawyer David Greenspan will attempt to negotiate an end to the dispute separating the Halton Separate School Board and its 400 teachers at a special conference Saturday. Georgetown's Hartley Sherk, chairman of the board's negotiating team, said last week the Education Relations Commission has warned that the dispute will go before a provincial factfinder unless this weekend's meeting shows some progress. Teachers are seeking a 13 per cent pay hike and a new one-year contract that includes benefits which the board claims represent an overall 16.3 per cent raise.

Hunting at reservoir

Members of the Dufferin-North Peed Anglers and Hunters will be on hand at the Credit Valley Conservation Authority's Orangeville Reservoir Conservation Area each Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday morning until Oct. 30 to register area duck and goose hunters wishing to use the park. Hunters must pay a \$3 gate fee, display their licences and observe the bag limit of six ducks and five geese each. For more information, phone 451-1615.

'Men's night' planned

Town council has no objection to letting Georgetown volunteer firefighters hold a "Men's night" November 21. The event will take place at the Georgetown Golf and Country Club and proceeds will go to Muscular Dystrophy research, as well as the department's rescue tool fund-raising drive.

Antique sale

ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH, 131 Dunn St., north Oakville in Lusk Hall will be holding an Exhibition and Sale of ART, CRAFTS and ANTIQUES, October 17, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Proceeds to World Outreach which assists a wide range of worthwhile organizations. Refreshments will be available.



BARNEY AND BOBBY

Perhaps not the torrid love scene Neil Simon's hero, Barney (Hon Hunt), had in mind when he set out to establish himself as the "Last of the Red Hot Lovers", his tete-a-tete with Bobby Michelle (Melissa Bell) is one of the more hilarious scenes in the Georgetown Little Theatre's newest musical comedy production. Her encounter with Barney is one in a series of accident-prone misadventures the hero has during the play, set to debut a week from Thursday at Georgetown's Sacre Coeur Church Hall.

(Herald photo by Stephen Frost)

HIGH SCHOOL'S FIRST MUSICAL

"Anne of Green Gables", Georgetown District High School's first stage production of the new season, will be presented in the school's cafeteria Nov. 27 through 29 by the music-theatre club. Joan Silk of the social sciences department, who directed the GDIS production of "L'il Abner" four years ago, returns to the stage to direct this Canadian play, based on the famous novel by Lucy Maude Montgomery and set in turn-of-the-century Prince Edward Island. Jane Harrison of the Moderns department will assist Miss Silk, while Rob Morrow of the English department will act as Production advisor. The student cast is enthusiastic and hopeful about surpassing the success of last year's "Oliver".

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Sale raised \$341

The Kinette Club of Georgetown raised another \$41.70 for Terry Fox's Marathon of Hope through a sale of baked goods donated by Kin wives and Kinettes, as well as \$300 to help finance various community projects raised through the sale of many household items at the club's second annual flea market Saturday. The club expresses its thanks to A and P, St. Andrew's United Church, Galyn Shoes and the flea market's many donors for making the event, held in the A and P parking lot, another big success.

(Herald photo)

Audrey Williams, 82, was school teacher

Obituary

A former school teacher and a Georgetown resident for 58 years, Audrey Mary Williams died Sept. 17 in Halton Hills. She was 82.

Born Audrey Parlee in Sussex, New Brunswick, and raised in St. John and Winnipeg, Mrs. Williams attended schools in both provinces, including Mount Allison College in New Brunswick, before becoming a teacher herself in Winnipeg.

Mrs. Williams set aside her

teaching upon her marriage to Dr. C.W. Williams July 20, 1922, in Toronto. The couple's move to Georgetown began many years of community activity on Mrs. Williams' part which included long-time membership in the IODE one year as Regent and participation in arts and crafts groups.

Mrs. Williams is survived by her husband, daughter Helen Boody of North Bay and son David Williams of Georgetown. She was predeceased by sisters Frances Hurlburt of Edmonton, Florence Whit-

taker of Winnipeg and Helen Gilmour, also of Edmonton. She and Dr. Williams had 11 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services took place in Georgetown Sept. 20 by Rev. Jeff Davison, new pastor of Mrs. Williams' church, St. John's United Interment followed at Greenwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Donald, Gordon, Gerald and Michael Williams, all of Georgetown, Bruce Niven of Brampton and David Boody of North Bay.

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