

Fishing and camping

# Huck Finn would support phys-ed. council's report

If Huckleberry Finn or Tom Sawyer had been present at the meeting of the Halton County Board of Education Thursday, they surely would have been delighted to hear a group of teachers recommending an outdoor education program that would include camping and fishing.

A committee of the program council on physical education recommended the Board embark on a project that would allow groups of students to go camping and fishing as an extracurricular program in Halton's secondary schools. There was a time when a youngster would skip a day or sneak out of class a wee bit early to head to a nearby trout stream.

**Teach camping**  
The committee recommended an in-service training clinic for interested teachers be arranged and workshops be held to teach teachers about camping programs. The report also recommended funds should be set aside from the field trip budget to help cover expense.

The overnight camping program could be divided into four phases ranging from overnight stays on the school grounds for nature studies, to extended trips to Algonquin Park.

The report was accepted by the board and any action taken will depend on future discussions of the board. The recommendation dealing with camping and outdoor education was part of a three volume report dealing with physical education and health.

**Credit course**  
Other recommendations in the report urged that a grade 13 physical education program be established as a credit course within the next two years and that \$1,000 be made available to cover the cost of purchasing testing equipment, special

resource material, textbooks and transportation.

The committee report noted schools interested in arranging such a program in their schools should contact the committee well ahead of time so arrangements could be made to initiate the programs. The suggested program is being considered by the Department of Education and the committee told the board the

course would not be implemented until approval is given by the Department.

A film produced and narrated by Halton County teachers illustrates the program now underway from kindergarten to grade 13 in Halton County Schools. The film was shown to the Board Thursday and will be shown to the public at meetings later.



COMING TO MILTON for the Community Toronto's entertainment centres as well as Service Clubs' gala Festival '71 dance June 5 other centres in Canada and the United States. is the Bill Berle Orchestra. Mr. Berle and his Mr. Berle is the musical director at Royal orchestra have performed in many of Alexandra Theatre.

Urges education

## H. Hinton heads county TB, Health association

H. H. Hinton, Acton, was elected the new president of the Halton County Tuberculosis and Respiratory Diseases Association at the annual meeting in Oakville Wednesday of last week. He immediately urged a strong education campaign aimed at young people to help them live longer.

The emphysema problem particularly interests the new president, and he declared it is urgent to point out to young people what they can do to relieve themselves of this hazard to their older years.

"We have to reach the younger generation to give them the opportunity to defend themselves," he said. Emphysema is a disease of the lungs and is aggravated by smoking and air pollution, among other things.

Commends clinic

Out-going president is C. L. McFadden of Burlington. He reported that the pilot project on pulmonary testing carried out at Beardmore and Co. in Acton last November by planning committee had proved invaluable to the association in mapping plans to continue with this kind of testing. There were 335 people tested with 12 per cent who showed some kind of abnormality advised to consult their doctors.

All-time high

The financial statement showed receipts of \$46,402 from the Christmas seal campaign—an all-time high. Balance at the end of the year available for the 1971-72 program was \$47,996.

Other executive

J. W. Ostler of Milton was named vice-president. Directors elected for the year were C. L. McFadden, Dr. R. W. T. Haddon, Mrs. M. C. Beardmore, Mrs. J. V. Armour, Mrs. Mary Tilden, R. G. Freckleton, Burlington; J. M. Ledwith, Dr. I. A. Hunter, Milton; William D. Savage, Ewart F. Carberry, Mrs. C. N. McKim, Mrs. W. R. Hayter, E. G. Adamson, Allan J. Fish, Nick Volpe, C. E. Hope, Dr. D. S. Kober, J. H. Simpson, Oakville; Mrs. Stanley Robinson, R.R. 1, Campbellville; Mrs. Horace Blyth, R.R. 1, Acton, Dr. J. H. Chamberlain, M.O.H., William Kinrade, Keith Barber, Georgetown, E. C. Foster, R.R. 3, Campbellville.

About 100 people representing a number of organizations attended the dinner meeting in Oakville Arena Pine Room.

Among those who spoke briefly were Reeve Allan Masson of Oakville, James Snow, M.P.P. for Halton East, Mayor Les Dube of Acton, Halton Warden Dr. Frank Oakes and councillor Art Melanson of Milton.

Blames smoking

The guest speaker, Cameron C. Gray, executive vice-president of the Ontario Tuberculosis and Respiratory Diseases Association, spoke on Asthma—Myths, Mysteries and Management. Chronic bronchitis is increasing because of cigarette smoking, he asserts. Most people do not develop emphysema unless there is cigarette smoking. There are only three major

respiratory diseases, asthma, chronic respiratory diseases in early stages and to increase the public awareness of chronic respiratory disease, its causes and prevention.

Pamphlets and other resource material are supplied year round by the Association. The association reported greater emphasis on cardio-respiratory fitness is being placed in the schools' health curriculum.

Life expectancy of non-smokers of 35 years of age is eight years longer than for a person who smokes 20 cigarettes a day.

He also spoke on allergies, saying allergic persons shouldn't have a pet in the house. Air pollution, too, is an important factor, he said.

In his report the outgoing president Mr. McFadden said "We must never forget that TB is by no means completely under control." There are TB patients receiving care and visits by social workers.

He also reported on equipment being used by patients in the county for patients suffering from respiratory diseases. During the year equipment was donated to Milton and Oakville hospitals.

On behalf of the Ontario Department of Health, Dr. H. T. McClintock commended the high standards of the association and praised their clinics.

New program

A county-wide screening program is planned to and will take three to five years to cover all the county. The testing will start this fall. The purposes of these tests will be to find cases of

chronic respiratory diseases in early stages and to increase the public awareness of chronic respiratory disease, its causes and prevention.

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