

Our Readers Write

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Your reporter also alluded to my insatiable thirst for the spotlight. I do not write news, reporters do. I am not the one who seeks *The Champion's* reporter when not much is happening in town. I can only assume your reporter calls me when he wants to sell some papers. At all other times he must be above criticism, particularly from those he so readily criticizes.

William A. Johnson

Outraged at armchair athlete

Dear Editor:

After reading the column *From My Perspective* (The *Champion* Weekend, January 26 issue) by Matt Guiney I was outraged. Not so much by the fact that he was writing about salaries paid to athletes but the fact that he had the audacity to call himself a future athlete.

He stated that he could make \$2 million a year playing pro baseball. I've seen this fellow play before and it is my opinion and the opinion of others that he would have to pay \$2

million to join the Blue Jays just to get his name associated with them. Not any old Joe off the street can play in the pros and not all of those who make it to the pros are millionaires. True, many are overpaid but if an owner wants to throw the money around then it is his choice.

Mr. Guiney also talks about fighting Mike Tyson as though anyone can walk up and do it. Besides that, I don't recall a 30 second Tyson fight. You have to prove you're worthy of a shot before you get one.

Then he talks about the Pro Golfers Association like anyone can pin. Only those who are distinguished and talented enough can do so.

I also noticed that football was left untouched. I guess a million dollar plus for playing 16 games is fair. I think that Mr. Guiney should learn that it is all a business. It's every man for himself which means you make as much as you can. It should also be noted that athletes give a considerable amount of money to charities and therefore a lot of people win in the end.

Eddie Rossell
Milton, Ont.

Letters show appreciation best

Dear Editor:

Milton and Campbellville — you've done it again! Because of your generosity we were able to help 170 families during the Christmas Season with food, toys and gifts. These families represent 197 adults and 257 children.

There are times when it is difficult to find words to adequately express the gratitude one feels in one's heart. This is one of those times! What better way is there to convey the appreciation of those who were helped than to share with you some of the thank you notes received in this office. The following are excerpts from these cards.

...words are never enough when we want to say how much we appreciate your loving kindness and generosity.

...there are no words to describe the happiness, joy and magic you gave our family this Christmas.

...your thoughtfulness and kindness are so much appreciated, it res-

tored in me a feeling of faith and hope for the future.

...it is through the thoughtfulness and unselfish giving of people like you that have brought such happy times to my family at this Christmas time.

...when I saw the glow on the faces of the children I realized, there must be a God, and he manifests his love through people like you.

May I add to these my appreciation for your overwhelming generosity and support, not just at Christmas but all through the year.

My special thanks to Ian Oliver, publisher of *The Champion* and the staff who work so hard and tirelessly and to all who supported The *Champion* Christmas Bureau Fund.

Betty Zelinsky
The Salvation Army,
Milton Family Services

Schools out of touch with reality

Dear Editor:

It was heart-warming to see your front page photo story (Jan. 19), featuring the Baha'i rock band, *Groundwork* entertaining Brookville Public School students with songs "promoting peace".

As sponsors of Halton Son City Youth, committed to promoting peace through the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, and freedom through worshipping and serving the Son of God, we were delighted to note that lead guitarist, Corey Bishop, was wearing a Son City button, identifying the wearer as a member of "the unhooked generation" — youth liberated by Jesus Christ from sin and self, drugs

and debauchery, "religion" and rebellion!

The irony is that Ontario Public Schools which welcome others promoting their religious messages, have banned the teaching of "The Prince of Peace", forcing authentic Christians other than Roman Catholics, to establish their own schools, at enormous economic and social sacrifices.

In fact, the Town of Milton effectively banished the Halton Heritage Christian Academy and its host church, to the country. Moreover, last year, the Halton Board of Education which rightly would never allow the Baha'i faith to be misrepresented and maligned, endorsed the presentation of *Inherit the Wind* by a Milton high school drama club, an offensively anti-Christian, anti-science presentation which grossly distorts and ridicules the basic tenets of historic Christianity.

Thus while Eastern bloc European nations are experiencing freedom fueled by faith in Jesus Christ, we're increasingly dominated and tyrannized by the discredited myths of atheistic secularism on which communism is based.

The liberating message of "peace by Jesus Christ, Lord of all" (Acts 10:36), banned from our secular public schools and even from many of our churches who've embraced the secular "religion" of the public schools — is still the only hope for a better generation!

It was great to see that symbol of Christian liberation on your front page! It may be suppressed but it will never be silenced.

Ken Campbell
Halton Son City Youth

Council opposes break-up of Halton

Tuesday June 28, 1859, Milton West — At its meeting here today Halton County Council rejected a motion which would have seen the county broken up.

Reeve William Barber of Esquesing and Deputy Reeve William Hood of Trafalgar presented the motion feeling that because Halton was so small the costs of operation were oppressive for the residents.

The motion observed that Nelson and Nassagaweya were only about half the size of a normal township and this made it burdensome to maintain a

separate county. It was believed by the mover and seconder that Nelson and Nassagaweya would prefer to belong to the County of Wymouth to the west.

On the east it was suggested the Township of Albion and the County of Toronto wanted to be attached to the County of York and this would allow Trafalgar, Toronto, Chinguacousy, Esquesing, Caledon and Erin to be formed into a new County.

The motion provided for William Hood of Trafalgar, Thomas Barclay of Oakville and William Barber of Esquesing to confer with the County Councils of York and Peel on the best method for carrying out this change.

The motion was lost. Council also acted today on a long delayed bylaw for the preservation of public morals within the county.

First proposed by John White of Milton and Thomas Barclay of Oakville in April, the bylaw received only one reading. No action was taken on it at the May meeting but it was passed today, numbered 23 and 250 copies of it were to be printed for public distribution.

It rules that on the Lord's Day "commonly called Sunday in Upper Canada" it will be unlawful to sell or expose for sale wares, merchandise, goods, chattels or personal property or any real estate whatsoever on Sunday and to do or perform any worldly labors, business or work of his or their calling. Conveying travellers or Her Majesty's mail, selling drugs or medicines and works of charity are excepted.

It is specifically unlawful to sell liquor, use improper or profane language in any Inn or Tavern or in any street in the county.

The bylaw also rules out skittles, ball, racket or any other game or to gamble with dice or otherwise to run races on foot or horseback or in carriages or vehicles of any sort or to dance or to play profane music on Sunday within the county.

It was not lawful to go out fishing or shooting or in quest of or to take or kill or destroy any deer or other games or any wild animal, fowl, bird or fish or use any dog, gun or rifle (except in defense of his or her life or property from wolf) on Sunday.

Circulation of indecent placards and the writing of indecent words is prohibited and it is now unlawful to give intoxicating liquor to any child, apprentice, servant, idiot or insane person without the consent of a parent.

The new bylaw prohibits indecent exposure of one's person and bathing or indecently exposing one's self by washing in any water running near any public highway between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

The maximum fine provided for is \$20 and not less than \$1 or 20 days in jail but not less than three.

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