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Neighbourhood Notes Mingay at Grace Church Mark- home and later contracted the ham Sunday. Later Mr. and measles.. Now her older sister Mrs. Paul Mingay entertained Marcelle has measles. at a family party.

Children where she took her event. nurse's training.

and brother at the Rodick farm home last Sunday. this week.

The John Storey family has fashion show presented by the had plenty of excitement late- GHVS branch of the York Cen-

place Amalco workers pay the same prices as

workers who receive these higher rates. The

super market, the drug store, the gas station, the

appliance store, the tax assessor have no lower

price for us. And prices in Markham are generally

seeks to achieve is a low-wage island in Markham

between Toronto and Oshawa where people from

the community and area can be the victims of

super exploitation. The Company concept is a

colonial one which victimizes both our citizens

rates do not live in Markham. They spend their

pay packets outside of the community. So do

LOW WAGES EFFECT COMMUNITY

wages here. We are the ones who suffer. Local

merchants and professional people suffer too.

Community cash registers are not overworked on

to the early settlement here by the Reesor family.

Down through history we have always held our

heads high in our own community and elsewhere.

humiliates and degrades our citizens and our com-

workers brought here from Toronto when the

company moved. We operate similar equipment.

We have mastered the skills required. Yet we are

paid about half of what the Company pays to

the required skills, too. But the company pays

our women citizens \$1.05 to \$1.15 an hour for the

same work they paid substantially more for at

towards citizens of this community is a shame and

a disgrace. Controller Herbert Orliffe, of Toronto

city council, charged last year that this company

sought to turn the hands of history back to the

"dark ages". What they want to do in Markham

is precisely this. At a time in history when countries throughout the entire world are shaking off

colonial rule, the British-owned Amalgamated

Electric is trying to impose a colonial status on

us fairly and justly as first-class citizens of a

first-class community. We will seek within the

next short period of time to impress the company

We are determined that this company treat

We are anxious to get a peaceful settlement.

We have no wish whatsoever to be forced to take

strike action. But we do want Council to under-

stand we will not continue to be humiliated and

degraded by the second-class status this company

seeks to impose on us. We can assure you we will

be patient, reasonable and conciliatory in pressing

Those of us who live in Markham spend our

Markham has a proud tradition dating back

Today, Amalgamated Electric wage policy

Many of us work along side older service

Women from this community have mastered

Amalgamated Electric Corporation's attitude

What Amalgamated Electric Corporation

The workers at Amalco who are paid higher

as high as Toronto or Oshawa.

and the community.

company officials.

munity.

Toronto.

these other workers.

citizens of this community.

with this determination.

DO NOT WANT STRIKE

our demands for fair play ...

wages paid at Amalgamated.

son Arthur's graduation at Mt

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Clark Mrs. S. J. English spent Sun- of Hughson's Drive are execu-day with Mr. and Mrs. K. C. tive Board members for St. Gray in Toronto. Last week Matthews Lodge, a senior citi-Miss Margaret Gray graduated zens' home on Broadview Ave. from McGill University in Hos- Last Saturday the Lodge held pital Administration. She will Open House and Mr. and Mrs. work in the Hospital for Sick Clark were both active in the

Mrs. Shenfield and Alf were Mrs. Morrison Sellar of guests of Lloyd and Gloria Brantford is visiting her sister Grove at their Mongolia farm

Among those attending the

Sobinson, Mrs. George Kelly, Mrs. John Donaldson, Mrs. Charles Hooper, Mrs. George Hooper, Mrs. Howard Brumwell, Mrs. Sammy Snider, Mrs. G. Fritz, Miss Mary Rodick, Mrs. G. Francy and Mrs. F. Leaf. Mrs. Howard Brumwell won a door prize and among the prize donors were B & M. Motors, Don Mills Rd., south of No. 7 Hwy., Green Circle Hardware and Perkins Hardware,

Tea was served in the garden when Mrs. Waiter Brumwell entertained for her daughter, Darlene, whose marriage to Robert Grimmer of Scarborough takes place in Brown's Corners United Church next Saturday June 6 at 4 p.m. Assisting in the trousseau rooms and serving tea were the bride's sistersin-law who will be her attendants, Mrs. Dean Brumwell, Mrs. Neal Brumwell and Mrs. Howard Brumwell, three coussins of the bride, Mrs. John Brendel, Mrs. Don Muirhead and Mrs. Fred Denby and Mrs. Douglas McMaster, Mrs. Donald McMaster and Mrs. Marilyn Francis.

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On May 5, 1964, Ed. Maynard, chairman of the union at Amalgamated Electric Corp., wrote Markham Council asking permission to present a statement of "community concern". Acknowledgement of receipt of the letter was made to the union by the Village Clerk.

meeting on May 19. We were kept sitting in Council Chambers until 9:55 P.M., at which time Council refused to hear our statement. Grounds for refusal, that the matter was to be heard by a government conciliation board which made the question a judicial one, are entirely

A delegation of 25 women and men from Amalco appeared at Council

unfounded. The situation at Amalco is completely public and of public concern. The outcome will deeply effect everyone in the community. Although Reeve Walker, as quoted in the public press, said she would not "promise to read" the union statement, we feel many other citizens will want to read, discuss and understand the basic issue at stake in the dispute at

Amalco. The union statement is re-produced here.

VERY SERIOUS SITUATION

We are a delegation representing employees at Amalgamated Electric Corporation. We are citizens of the town and communities in this immediate area.

We take this ster of seeking an audience with you because of the very serious situation at Amalgamated.

Right now we are on the eve of the final round in trying to peacefully win a reasonable and just agreement with the company on wage rates and conditions of work. We refer to conciliation proceedings which have been ordered by the Ontario Labor Relations Board. We are advised that the hearing will commence on Tuesday, June 2, 1964.

It is our honest hope that this corporation will find it within its heart to put forward a reasonable basis of settling our dispute. However, unless the company has a major change of heart and acts in an honorable way towards citizens from Markham and area, there can be no basis of settlement.

TWO WAGE STANDARDS

Boiled down to hard facts Amalgamated Electric seeks to impose two standards on employees at the plant. One standard is for the 60-odd workers brought from the previous plant location. The second standard - a second-class one - is reserved for employees hired locally.

What the company offers is \$1.05 an hour for women - \$1.30 an hour for men - as hiring rates with maximum rates of \$1.15 for women and \$1.55 for women and \$1.55 for men. In startling contrast to this 'offer' by Amalco

is the most recent tabulation of average wages in

Ontario. At January, 1964, the average wage paid to men and women working in industry was \$86.93 per week. Amalco offers a top gross wage to men hired from this community of \$62.00 a week for skilled work, scaling down to \$52.00 gross pay a week for men and as low as \$42.00 for women. Thus it is readily seen that Ontario's average weekly pay

rate is \$24.73 higher than the maximum offered

by Amalgamated and more than double that offered to women. It should be realized that Amalgamated Electric Corporation is the wholly-owned Canadian subsidiary of the multi-million dollar General Electric Company of Great Britain Although the Canadian company does not make its balance sheet available, the parent company reported net profit in the last fiscal year more than 60 per cent

higher than 1962.

COMPETITORS PAY MORE Also to be considered is the fact that Amalgamated competes with companies which pay wages far in excess of Amalgamated Electric. Square D. Company, Toronto for instance, has a minimum rate for women of \$1.85 an hour and a labor rate for men of over \$2.00 an hour. Other competitive firms pay rates comparable to Square

It must also be underlined that in the market-

This advertisement is placed as a community service by Local 542 to acquaint citizens of this area with the facts in the labor dispute at

Amalgamated Electric Corp. We solicit community support in our determined program to win a living wage from this British owned corporation.

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MARKHAM PLAZA, MARKHAM

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Miller Allison University, New Brunattended the christening of swick, daughter Roberta had their youngest grandson Philip an emergency appendectomy at

lly. While they attended their tral Hospital Auxiliary last

Unionville. Tronsseau Tea

YCHA Meeting Mrs. A. W. Miller will be hostess at a coffe party Friday morning of this week for the meeting of Buttonville Branch

The Young People's Union from the Victoria Square Charge sponsored a Variety Night Saturday and everybody had a ball, particularly the audience. The program opened with song sequences from the 1930's through to the '60's and ended with a well acted One-Act Play. John Crawford was a masterly M.C. and there was able assistance from solists Marguerite Jones, Joan Hooper, readings by Maude Wilkins and Bessie Gardiner, Larry Lent, Tommy Arnold, Mervin Gohn and a friend (pinch-hitting for Marcelle Storey who had the measles) entertained in the guise of The Beattles. Later, Tommy Arnold's version of Patti Page singing "How Much is that Doggy" brought the house down. Support from senior members of the community came with presentation of a Mock Wedding. The dainty bride was none other than Mr. Milt Sherman, his blushing attendant was Garnet Stewart, (dressed to kill at 40 paces was one account), Mrs. Aubrey Stephenson was the quaking groom and the best man was Douglas Hood. The bride's father was Edgar Fuller and Mr. Aubrey Stephenson performed the ceremony. Music for the occasion was supplied by Mrs. J. English, bewigged and wearing a pink flowered hat. The soloist was Mrs. Alick Gardner in best voice. The junior choir led by Mrs. George Hooper sang three delightful songs. The cast of the One-Act Play "Rooting for Ruth" included Sylvia Kerna-

sisted with music. The audience loved every minute of it and showed their appreciation. At the conclusion of the evening gifts were presented to Mrs. Wilkins, Mrs. English, Mrs. Magee and John

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