

Wage issue a stumbling block

To inform the ratepayers of Dunnville of the offer made to members of C.U.P.E. Local 1591, the following statement was released from the Clerk's office Wednesday morning.

The working contract between the Town of Dunnville and C.U.P.E. Local 1591 expired December 31st and the Union presented a proposal for a new agreement to Council on November 26.

Two subsequent meetings followed with little or no success and the parties then involved the aid of Government conciliation and mediation services. The parties were able to agree on all outstanding issues except for wages, as the Union would not move from its

original request for an average increase of 44% or \$1.48 per hour.

The total package as requested by the Union would have cost the ratepayers of the Town of Dunnville approximately \$68,700.00 and representing a 3.6 mill increase on the 1975 tax rate.

The Town has offered an average wage increase of \$1.09 per hour, ranging from 62½c to \$1.60½. This represents an average increase of 32% over the present rates.

In addition, substantial improvements to fringe benefits, including a new Extended Health Care Plan and an increase of

Weekly Indemnity payments from \$70.00 to a maximum of \$120.00, has been offered.

All such benefits including Life and Accidental Death and Dismemberment insurance, Long Term Disability and Ontario Health Insurance Plan being paid 100% by the Corporation.

Improvements to Statutory Holidays and annual vacation were also offered.

This offer has been rejected. The outstanding issue is that of wages.

The Council deeply regrets the inconvenience this strike is creating but feels that the offer is fair and generous to the outside workers, and does not believe that the ratepayers who provide the funds for the workers' wages and benefits, many of whom do not earn comparable salaries, should be expected to absorb any further tax costs in order to settle the strike.

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RATE REVISION

**Customers of Jarvis Water Supply
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The Council of the Regional Municipality of Haldimand-Norfolk at its meeting of March 13, 1975 passed By-law number 23-75 increasing the rates payable for water supply and sewage disposal to those users of the systems in the Jarvis area.

Effective immediately the rates are revised as follows:

WATER SUPPLY RATES	OLD MONTHLY	NEW MONTHLY
Domestic Flat Rate	\$3.00	\$5.25
Commercial Flat Rate	5.00	8.75
Commercial Metered Rates		
Livingston Industries Ltd.	75c/1,000 gallons	\$1.31/1,000 gallons
Others	60c/1,000 gallons	\$1.05/1,000 gallons

The surcharge for sewage disposal which forms part of the water billing is 33 1/3% of the water bill.

A typical monthly charge for water supply and sewage disposal would be:

FLAT RATE USER	DOMESTIC MONTHLY RATE	COMMERCIAL MONTHLY RATE
Water Supply	\$5.25	\$8.75
Sewer Surcharge (33 1/3% of Water Rate)	1.75	2.91
Total Charge	<u>\$7.00</u>	<u>\$11.66</u>

The Regional Municipality of Haldimand-Norfolk,
K.W. Benner,
Regional Clerk.

Fashion show big success

The Selkirk Kinettes Fashion show, held at the Community Centre, Selkirk, was a big success.

The clothes were sponsored by many area merchants, among them, George Laidlaw's Store in Selkirk. The models, who all looked lovely, did a magnificent job.

The event was convened by Linda Millard, with Charlotte Ross and Diane Hoover as commentators. Gayle Hare provided background music on the piano.

The child models deserve a round of applause for their job. Paul McInnes, Brent Millard, Cheryl Horvat, Valerie Willis, Ronnie Williams and Sanja Murphy, displayed fashions from the Tot and Teen store in Simcoe.

John Ross was the only male model in the fashion show, but he received a lot of whistles from the predominantly female audience. Peggy Hare, Muriel Clark, Allison Gloyd, Leah Woodruff, Danny Fredeksen, Susan Willis, Madelyn Thompson, and Doris Fess were some of the other models.

Kinettes who helped make the show a success are, Sharon Williams, Maxine Murphy, Lorraine McInnes, Judy Horvat,



Peggy Hare made a beautiful bride for the Selkirk Kinettes Fashion Show. Peggy is to be married in the fall.

Cathy Cooper, Mary Ann Marshall, Bonnie Schneider, Sharon Wilton, Ruth Hare, and Peggy Uimonen.

Special thanks go to the "opps, I've got it on" lady, who wore the living girdle.

Walkers, Budds, Hi Lo Fashions, Tot and Teen, Uniform Shop, She She Boutique, and Gord Laidlaw, sponsored the event.

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For Farmers Only

Stan McRae, classifier for the Holstein Friesian Association of Canada, recently gave a Holstein cow Hungary the "excellent" classification. The event is more than usual local

interest because the cow originated on the farm of John VanderMarel, Hagersville.

Application of ammonium nitrate to the wheat crop has been

considered by several recently. These farm operators hope to get their top dressing of nitrogen made on the wheat fields so that it is available as soon as growth starts and while the

fields are still firm enough with frost to carry equipment. Some have doubts about getting maximum results with later applications made when fields are dry enough. By this time wheat growth is usually too far advanced to get the desired results.

West, Toronto, or 84 Barrie Street, Kingston.

interested in helping them to develop farm skills.

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The Junior Agricultural Program will be continued in 1975. It is designed to give urban young people a working experience on a farm. Application forms will be available soon for urban prospects ages 16 or 17 and for commercial farm operators who may be

Coming events include: Drainage Night, Kohler, March 24; Holstein Club bus trip, March 26; 4-H Organization Meeting, Kohler, March 27; Soybean Night, Kohler, April 2; Area Soil and Crop Clinic, Kohler, April 3; O.A.C. Farm Week, Guelph, July 8 - 10.

Federation news

By Otto Crone

At the O.F.A. Board of directors' meeting, February 19, Directors approved in principal, revisions for an Ontario farm Income Protection Act, for farmers.

Facts for farmers

rop in temperature

Canada has seen the last sunny summer days with temperatures of 90 degrees the shade.

From now on, a hot day will be somewhere between 5 and 35 degrees.

The reason for the sudden drop in temperature is the conversion from the Fahrenheit thermometer to the Celsius one.

On April 1, the weatherman will stop giving the familiar Fahrenheit temperatures and start to tell Canadians how hot or cold it is in degrees Celsius.

It is most dangerous to livestock when growing in

Canadian dairy and beef farmers must decide whether to live with brucellosis or get rid of it. Dr. Ken Wells, veterinary

director-general for Canada, says farmers cannot have it both ways. Because vaccinated animals confuse brucellosis test results, the disease cannot be fully tracked down and eradicated unless vaccination is discontinued. The timber milkvetch problem

Two to five per cent of British Columbia rangeland cattle are affected every year by a poisonous weed called timber milkvetch.

But, Agriculture Canada researchers at Kamloops, B.C. have found that the potency of the weed varies.

It is most dangerous to livestock when growing in fescue grassland and when in the bud stage. The weed is less potent in forested areas.

labour, management, return on investment, and the premium for such a plan.

The necessity for enabling legislation for such an Act is urgent. Input costs will continue to rise in 1975 — net farm income may go down by 12 per cent, according to Agriculture Canada.

It seems an opportune time for O.F.A. to demand such a plan. British Columbia has one, the Quebec Government is in the process of providing one. Ontario farmers have to compete with producers in other provinces which have subsidy or stabilization programs.

It is imperative that all farmers understand and support the proposed plan. To achieve it, O.F.A. must have active backing and participation of farmers in the county.

Haldimand Federation of Agriculture will be holding an information meeting to more fully inform farmers of the implications and workings of the program.

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