

Feels government must ensure telephone service

CSAO asks Premier Davis to intervene with Bell

Toronto - The union representing Ontario's 50,000 provincial employees has asked Premier William Davis to intervene, stopping "nothing short of nationalization" to ensure that Bell Canada provides telephone service to all Ontario residents.

In a letter sent to the premier, Charles Darrow, president of the Civil Service Association of Ontario, said "the board of directors of this union feels the provincial government must be prepared to act and to stop at nothing short of nationalization, if necessary, to ensure that Ontario residents have the telephone service they expect."

Mr. Darrow said the CSAO is seeking the support of other unions in Ontario to "petition both the provincial and federal governments to take measures to halt this gouging by Bell and ultimately to nationalize the telephone system in Ontario so that residents can reap the benefits of reduced costs in services rather than have those benefits steered into corporate profits."

The letter pointed out that Bell's profit for 1974 was \$224 million and that its increase in net earnings between 1970 and 1973 was 43.2 percent.

At the same time, Mr. Darrow drew attention to the

publicly-owned Manitoba telephone system where for the first time in 54 years, the rates are increasing October 1. This increase will mean Winnipeg residents will pay \$4.90 a month for telephone service. At present Winnipeg residents pay \$3.90 per month.

"Surely this says something for public ownership of a telephone system. We believe public interest must be placed before private profits and dividends."

"I should think that in the light of the current election campaign, you should take seriously the interests of Ontario residents with

respect to the alarming, if not criminal, rate, at which telephone rates have been imposed by this privately-owned monopoly."

Mr. Darrow urged Mr. Davis to work with the federal government to establish a public inquiry or a Royal Commission with full disclosure of Bell's financial status, as the first step towards reaching the truth of the matter.

He said that a corporation that has \$224 million in profits in one year and a 43.2 percent increase in earnings over a three year period can surely be called to account to the public for its "gouging" tactics.

Over the counter drugs can produce negative effects

Health and Welfare Canada has issued a new series of information folders on three of the most common over-the-counter drugs to bring public awareness to the negative effects that could result from improper use.

The three most commonly used over-the-counter drugs are cough remedies, antacids and laxatives.

According to the department, excessive use of cough depressants may produce undesirable side effects. Coughs lasting longer than a week or ten days or associated with fever, shortness of breath, or bloody sputum indicate a respiratory disorder more serious than a common cold and should be treated by a physician. Use of cough remedies during the first three months of pregnancy is not recommended except on the advice of a physician.

Copies of the folders may be obtained by writing: Public Relations Officer, Health and Welfare Canada, 789 Don Mills Road, Don Mills, Ontario, M3C 1T5.

With laxatives, the danger occurs when they are used too frequently and the individual comes to rely totally on medication to produce a

bowel movement. Continual use of harsh laxative products may result in cramps, diarrhea and dehydration and may mask symptoms of more serious illness.

The problem with self-diagnosing stomach pain and discomfort as "indigestion" and then self-treating with an antacid is that many serious conditions such as ulcers, heart trouble, hiatus hernia, pancreatitis, and gallstones mimic the symptoms of "indigestion".

Above all, the department recommends that users of over-the-counter drugs should always remember to play it safe:

- 1: Read the label and follow directions carefully.
- 2: Avoid frequent use. See your doctor if symptoms persist.
- 3: Keep all medicines safely out of reach of children.

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Quitting smoking? Get the facts

Smokers who intend to kick the habit should obtain as much available information as possible before giving it a try, advises Health and Welfare Canada, the federal government department that has been urging people to quit the habit.

According to the department, it's easier to quit if you have all the facts and "pros" and "cons". There are, it argues, very few pros and very many cons.

Countless studies have led to the conclusion that cigarette smoking is not only harmful to the health, but contributes to many deaths

as well. Smokers run a greater risk of lung cancer, chronic bronchitis and emphysema as well as premature heart attacks.

Two recent publications that provide hints and information on smoking hazards and how to stop smoking are available from the department. One is a Smoking Self Testing Kit, the other is called "So - I'm Living Dangerously". Simply write to O.D. Lewis, Smoking and Health, Health and Welfare Canada, The Journal Building, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 1B6, requesting either one or both.

Health department to set ground meat standard

Health and Welfare Minister Marc Lalonde has announced proposed mandatory microbial standards for ground meat which, when enacted, will provide assurance to Canadians that the ground meat they buy is safe from harmful microbial contamination.

When the standards are enacted into regulations, Canada will become one of the first countries to have mandatory national standards for microbiological quality of ground meat, Mr. Lalonde said.

The Health and Welfare Minister stressed the fact that the levels suggested for ground beef have

deliberately been set to give a considerable margin of safety, recognizing the technical impossibility of providing ground beef or other uncooked food completely free of bacteria.

The proposed standards are based on the evaluation by Health Protection Branch staff of results of a survey initiated last year to examine the microbiological content of ground beef on the Canadian market. They will be submitted shortly to other government bodies at the federal and provincial levels, as well as to consumers associations and industry, for consultation.

Freezing tomatoes

Tomatoes CAN be frozen. Food specialists at the Ont. Food Council, Ministry of Agriculture and Food, report that many consumers are wondering how they can make the best use of the surplus of tomatoes growing in their backyards. They suggest that freezing is the simplest way to preserve tomatoes for later use.

Select fully ripened tomatoes. Wash and scald for 1 minute to loosen skin.

Cool in cold water. Peel and core. Freeze as is or stew for 2 to 3 minutes, adding 1 tablespoon salt per quart of tomatoes. (Tomatoes tend to be tough and stringy if not stewed before freezing.) Package in plastic containers leaving 1-1½ inch headspace, and freeze.

Once frozen, tomatoes cannot be used as fresh. Use as a side dish or in cooked dishes.

Hagersville highlights

HAGERSVILLE FIREMEN CALLED

The Hagersville volunteer firemen received two false calls to the area of Hewitt Drive during Friday and Saturday, August 22 and 23. These calls were placed by a boy, and the matter will be thoroughly investigated.

The firefighting crew were also called on Saturday Aug. 30 at 4:55 p.m. to an automobile fire at Dawson City, R.R. 2, Hagersville. Fire Chief, William McClarty, quickly extinguished the flames with a fire extinguisher from his station wagon. The car which erupted into flames, was owned by Gord N. Bowerman of R.R. 2 Hagersville.

SPLASH PROGRAM CLOSURES

The SPLASH program with a staff of four secondary students, held their closing program and exercises at the Hagersville Secondary School, on Tuesday August 26, from 1 to 3 p.m. Many interesting hobbies and crafts were on display, and offered for sale at a reasonable price.

These attractive items that the SPLASH class had enjoyed making over the past three weeks included plastic laced articles, wax candles; dip-it flowers, belts, beaded chokers and bracelets, and tie dye motifs.

The class also enjoyed a hike to Hewitt's Dairy Farm north of Hagersville on No. 6 Highway, as well as an entire day's trip to Gage Park in Hamilton. Following a play-period and lunch time they later attended the hilarious movie comedy, the "Apple Dumping Gang."

Their final trip was on Friday August 22, when Heaslip's bus was chartered to take the children to Fantasy Island in Grand Island New York. A sincere word of thanks must be given the capable staff for their constant concern and never-ending patience in looking after the large group of mixed-ages of children. Some can't wait until SPLASH of 1976, so thanks for a job well done!!!

WINNER AT IGA BOOTH IN FOOD BUILDING AT EX

Mrs. A. Esselment, Main Street North, Hagersville was one of the lucky winners at the IGA booth in the Food Building at the Toronto Exhibition for 1975. This cash register game was a great attraction, and was largely attended, with most winning entrants receiving a jar of instant coffee. Mrs. Esselment won a cheque for the amount of money she had entered on the entry slip, when the cash register stopped on those four digits.

GRADUATES

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Meahan, Church Street, East Hagersville are happy to announce the graduation their daughter, Susan. She received a diploma in Community Services Correctional Worker from Centennial College in Scarborough. Susan formerly attended Hagersville's Elementary and Secondary Schools.

WILL ATTEND COLLEGE IN USA

Miss Annette DeBoer, R.R. 1 Selkirk, has recently been accepted for admission to Wheaton College in Illinois. She will be attending the 1975/76 academic year which commences on September 18.

Annette is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur DeBoer and a graduate of the Hamilton District Christian High School. Wheaton College, is located 25 miles west of Chicago, and is a co-educational liberal arts college which combines conservative christian faith and practice together with high academic standards.

MEL HENDERSON SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER

Mel Henderson will represent the Elementary school supporters of Hagersville on the Haldimand Board of Education. He is replacing trustee Mrs. Jennifer Eustace who has resigned since moving from the area. During December of 1974, Mel (Scotty), and Mrs. Eustace were the only contestants for

the seat on Ward 4. Mel and his wife Maragret reside on Howard Street Hagersville, and have two daughters, Gail and Faye who attend Hagersville Secondary School, and a son John, an elementary student at Parkview.

W.I. SPRINGVALE HOSS HELD

The members of the Springvale Women's Institute organized a successful progressive hoss night in the spacious auditorium of the Canadian Legion, Hagersville.

This well-attended event, saw 17 tables of progressive players present on Thursday night, August 28, commencing at 8:15 p.m. Public Relations Officer of Branch 164, A. Esselment, welcomed all in attendance, and expressed a thanks to the Legion for the generous use of their hall. Rules and regulations for the game he extended for those who were newcomers to our regular weekly games.

Following ten progressive games, the winners were announced as follows - Lady High (352) - Mrs. Sid Cronk, Fisherville; Lady Second - (343) - Mrs. Olga McBurney; Lady Low - (207) - Betty Forbes of Caledonia; Lady Most Hosses (3) - tied between Mrs. Olga McBurney (who refused to participate in the drawing of cards, since she had already won a prize), Mrs. Elizabeth Kauk, Leah Duncan of Jarvis, and Mrs. Marg Gowen, with the latter being declared the winner. Men's high (381) - Ruth Jepson, playing as a man; Men Second - Sid Cronk of Fisherville - (357) and Men Low (206) Marjorie McKeen; Man most hosses (4)

declined by Mrs. Ruth Jepson who had already won a prize, therefore a tie with 3 hosses, between Mrs. Mary Ford, Mrs. Edith Joyce, and Mr. William Brooks of Cayuga, who won the cutting of the cards. Hidden Score for anyone present was 225 - which was won by Mr. Arthur Harvey with a score of 223. Mrs. Clara Winger drew the lucky tickets for the special prizes, with Mrs. Debbie Henry winning the food voucher from Browns Red and White, and Lydia Schumacher of Fisherville, winning the lovely cake made and donated by Mrs. Marj McKeen.

Various members of the W.I. donated the cash prizes of the evening, which netted seventy-seven dollars at the door, and an additional eighteen dollars from the sale of special two raffle prizes.

Mrs. Vera Slack on behalf of the Springvale W.I. thanked the Legion, Essie, and all who supplied lunch and prizes, also the many in attendance, which resulted in making it a rewarding night for a good cause. Essie thanked the Friendship Club for the use of their new card tables, since they keep them at the Legion, as the Club will henceforth meet each Thursday in the Legion Hall for their weekly get-togethers.

Following a bounteous lunch of assorted sandwiches tea and coffee, Essie announced that two more hoss parties would be held in September, the first on Thursday September 4, and the second one on September 25. Both of these will be for charitable purposes, and admission will be the usual one dollar. Bring your friends and neighbours along and have a good time with the rest of the regular crowd.

Sunshine club

by Ruth Hagan

The Jarvis Sunshine Club met in the IOOF Hall on Thursday August 28th with four tables of Hoss in play. The winners of the games were: ladies high Elsie Phillips and low went to Leah Duncan. Men's high went to Geo. Reu and low went to

Alec Duncan. The Travelling Hoss was won by Geo. Reu which was a Toothbrush. Geo said he did not know what he could use it on.

Our regular meetings will start again on September 4th at 1:30 p.m.

Nanticoke News

There was a shower held Tuesday evening in the Parish Hall for Mr. and Mrs. Ken Motley nee Sharon Field.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ellison of Toronto spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Tomkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Porritt, Lorna and friend spent the long weekend at their cottage. Their visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Allan Crawford.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dennis spent the weekend with their daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Robert Elliot and family of Williamsford.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Field on their 40th Anniversary.

Mr. Dana Creaser visited friends in Nanticoke on the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Clark and family spent the week-

end with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lindsay and attended the wedding of her sister Susan. Mr. and Mrs. David Royal have moved into the United Church Manse and will begin his duties on September 6.

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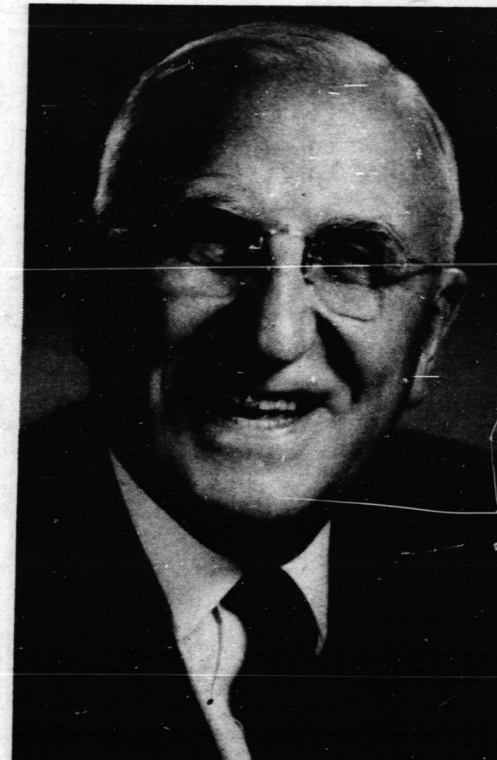
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