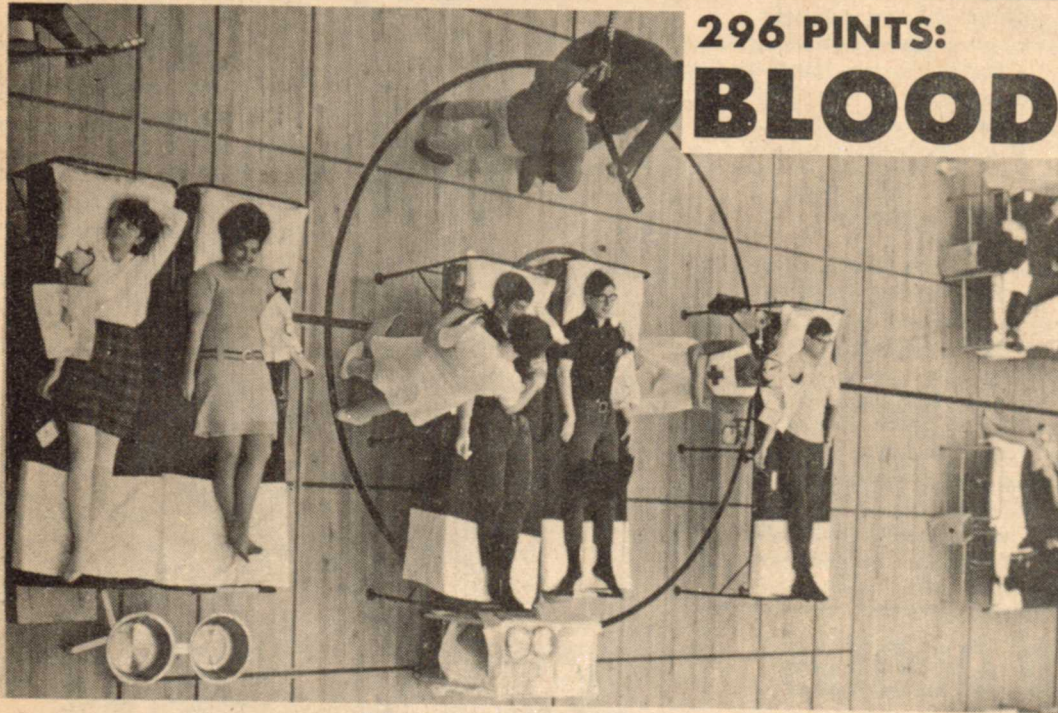


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296 PINTS: BLOOD FLOWS

Four years ago through the efforts of Mr. Davey, blood donor clinics were initiated in North York and in Metro Toronto.

This year our clinic was held on December 8 which was chosen because it is the anniversary of Pearl Harbour. Again the clinic was successful and an all time high of 296 pints of blood were donated. (37 gallons)

MRS. ELIOT STEALS PENCIL CASES

Through the grapevine, the editors have learned of yet more antics of the physical education department. Recently, several girls returned to the dressing room after a vigorous gym period, to find that all their pencil cases were missing! They had often been warned to take personal belongings into the gym with them, but no one considered pencil cases to be personal. However Mrs. Eliot promptly confessed to the thefts: she wanted to teach the careless girls a lesson. What will she think of next?

BUT RETURNS THEM

VANDAL PROOF LAVATORY OPENS

LIVERPOOL, England -- Local authorities here have proudly opened a new public lavatory specially designed to foil vandals.

A hidden infra-red spotlight starts a siren going if any damage is inflicted on the \$7,200 installation. The lavatory is also fitted with indestructible equipment, and has black tiles to frustrate the would-be obscene scribbler.

NO COPS IN CAF.

Contrary to rumours the cafeteria supervisor is not an undercover agent from the narcotics squad. Exactly what his background is has not been established, but all narcotics agents in Bathurst Heights can breathe a deep sigh of relief.

POOL GETS REWired

SPECIAL: After the electrocution of a Humberside student all Metro High School pools were closed down and checked for faulty wiring. According to informed sources close to the principal, our pool though found in acceptable condition, was nevertheless rewired as an added safety precaution.

Remember! At your next pool class let the teacher dive in first!

THIEF MAKES \$65. HAUL

Last Monday while a class was in the pool the above sum was stolen from five wallets. The person responsible for the theft was told over the P.A. that he could leave the wallets in the hall on a desk. As the material contents e.g. licences and birth certificates have more value than the \$65 any honest thief would naturally return them. The wallets remain unreturned.

GET WELL

Mr. Fraser

The Banner Staff wishes Mr. Fraser a get well after his leg operation. The school is looking forward to his return on January third. We would also like to congratulate Mrs. Fraser on her award-winning dogs.

ANTI-SMOKING

The Canadian Medical Journal reported that the Canadian Government spent \$129,612 on anti-smoking propaganda last year and \$465,609 on assistance to tobacco farmers.

The Journal notes that Canada's five-year, \$600,000 program to educate Canadians to the health hazards of smoking is now in its fourth year.

And for the first time the government "shows signs of weakening" and giving in to pressures to curb or ban cigarette advertising.

Meanwhile here at the school smokers are treated like criminals and punished by suspension for this squalid act.



Bathurst Heights is still awaiting the installation of locks on some lavatory doors as well as rubber door handles for the Blue Room (which is really grey and yellow) to rid us of the hazards of electric shock due to static electricity from the broadloom.



**BOB CAIRNS
ADDRESSING GRADE 13
GRADUATING CLASS**

RECIPE FOR WINTER FUN

It is impossible for me to recall an instance when the time has been taken to examine the extra-curricular activities of our janitorial staff. Students seem to occupy their time with the administrative and teaching staffs. Villis Egle, one of our traditionally clad (blue and navy) janitors does, what may be Northern Europe's most intriguing sport -- "ice-fishing".

Mr. Egle's native land was Latvia. There he fished for his living. In his extra time he would often go ice-fishing which was quite popular in his habitat. When he came to Canada he continued the custom. Almost every weekend (weather permitting) Villis Egle journeys to Lake of Bays to ice-fish. The following is Mr. Egle's own special course, regrettably given to me, on how to ice-fish in "1" easy lesson.

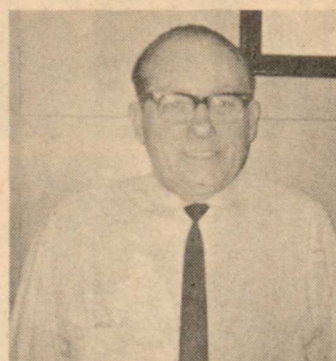
Materials Needed:

- "ski-doo" (a snow mobile)
- 2 lines
- 3 hooks (speckled-trout type)
- reel and spring clamp
- government regulations for ice-fishing (read them carefully!!)
- ice-pick
- minnows

Weather Conditions:

- very cold
- as you will be happy to learn one may even fish in a blizzard. The fish is so far under the ice he just doesn't notice the difference. However -- you may.

Please read the following directions twice before an actual attempt is made. It may be of great benefit to you in the long-run.



DIRECTIONS:

- The ice-fishing season opens January first and closes November first. I thought that this was quite a generous amount of time, however as you will recall - it's very difficult to go ice-fishing in August for the simple reason, there's no ice.
- About two miles across the lake is an excellent place to dig your hole. (Personally, I wouldn't trust the ice.)
- The hole should be about eight to ten inches in diameter. Keep digging until you reach water.
- The depth of the hole should be measured with a line. One hundred to one-hundred and fifty feet is a good depth.
- The line must be lowered into the water ten feet from the bottom of the lake. (This line is supposedly attached to your reel.)
- OH! I hope you remembered to put a hook and a minnow or two on the bottom of that second line. If not, you didn't read the directions before you began.
- Now you simply wait until some little trout happens to bite on your bait. Let the line go until the fish is pretty well worn out. Then reel him in.

Perhaps you might still have a few questions about ice-fishing. However for your own good I'll have to avoid your queries as my feminine instincts and knowledge concerning fishing are not only limited but misleading. You might try a good book or some department of the Ontario Government.

GOOD LUCK

Cathi Mandell

THE GOLDEN PHUQUE

Another new folk-rock group has hit Toronto. The group with the unlikely name of THE GOLDEN PHUQUE is a well balanced quartet of musical ability and style. It is centred around a long-blond haired female vocalist Cheryl (just Cheryl) whose voice surpasses the singing of Miss Grace Slick of the Jefferson Airplane.

Harmonizing and sharing the vocals with Cheryl is the rhythm guitarist Harvie Friede. He has a unique singing style. He mixes a basic rhythm and blues voice with a touch of folk and an ever present blend of soul.

The relentless beat of the group is supplied by the intricate manoeuvres on the bass by Dan Cornacchia. Dan, a versatile member of the group who switches to lead and rhythm when the mood hits him, is also the ever faithful scapegoat.

The lead guitar is skillfully mastered by Harvey Fainer. He has an original technique of bringing out folk-rock modes in a pulsating manner.

When I heard them at a recent practice they played twenty to twenty-five songs ranging from the soft melodic folk tunes of Phil Ochs and Tom Paxton, through the folk-rock phenomena of Bob Dylan and the Mamas and the Papas to the hard driving soul crusade of Eric Burdon and the Animals.

The highlight of the evening, in my opinion however, was the well handled rendition of the popular "House of the Rising Sun", by Cheryl. Her powerful and moving interpretation of this song cannot help but leave the hardest critic more than satisfied.

Hearing this group is a delightful and exciting experience. I feel they have the potential and the know-how to become Canada's next great folk-rock sensation.

Pardon the cliché but THE GOLDEN PHUQUE is WHAT'S HAPPENING.

Sheila Palmer

*For information on the GOLDEN PHUQUE call Steve Klein 782-3373.

NOTES AND QUOTES

- Gina Lollobrigida: I don't like sexy films.
- W.H. Auden: It looks as if traditional morality is to be succeeded by fashionable morality; heroin and Sade will be in one year, cocoa and virginity the next.
- Walter Lippmann (U.S. columnist): There is a point -- somewhere, let us say, between the first and second family automobile -- when the money for the second automobile ought to go to paying for a better school.
- Henry Landis (Sr. Solicitor, Ontario Water Resources Commission): Education is the process of transferring the contents of the teacher's notebook into the student's notebook without any disturbance to the minds of either.
- Abba Eban (Israeli Foreign Minister): One cannot believe that politicians always say the opposite of what they believe.
- Lloyd Erlick: To are not in grade 13 to learn; you are in grade 13 for marks.
- Edmund Blunden (Oxford professor of poetry): If I can reduce the number of people who hate poetry, I shall be happy.
- Joseph Fisher: Death is the pinnacle of the greatest life and the ebb of the poorest.
- Mr. Ashley: If all else fails, try reading the question.
- Eugene Ionesco: Mediocrity is more dangerous in a critic than in a writer.
- Orson Welles: I passionately hate the idea of being with it. I think an artist is always out of step with his time. He has to be.
- Muhammad Ali: Kings and presidents have their own personal planes and they are just kings and presidents of one country. I am the champion of the whole world.



The Spectacular Skylon

Cheryl Crompton

The first landmark a visitor sees when visiting Niagara Falls is the multimillion dollar SKYLON. It is one of the most striking and remarkable buildings in the world, both in design and stature. It combines the world's most modern exhibition building here, free of charge, one may

enjoy interesting and exciting exhibits from around the globe, with a majestic tower tapering to a height of 520 ft. above the ground and 775 ft. above the river. It is the tallest reinforced concrete structure in the world, weighing 60 million lbs. It took approximately 365 days to

build it and it cost ten million dollars.

It is a thrilling experience to ride in one of the three glass enclosed elevators which can be seen running up the sides of this towering structure. You reach the top in 55 seconds climbing 520 ft. The view from this enclosure is breathtaking.

One can view the complete Niagara panorama from the glass-enclosed observatory or step outside of this onto an open terrace. Landmarks as far as 30 miles have been seen from here on a clear day. In the evening the illumination of the Falls is a never to be forgotten experience.

The guide explained to us that in the event the elevators failed there are 662 steps that lead the way from the lower level to the top, but personally I'm grateful that this did not happen during my visit.

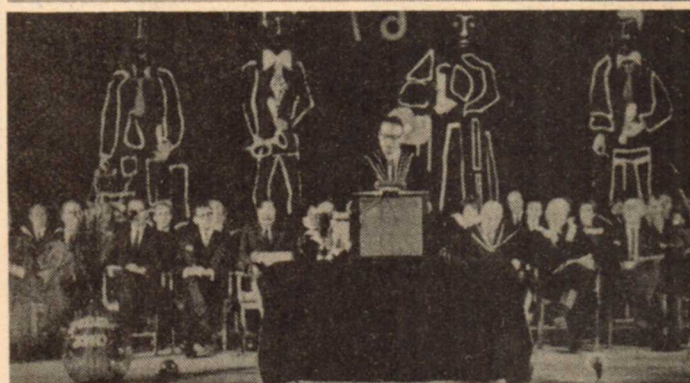
Of course you can well imagine the challenge this affords

the enthusiastic photographer be he novice or expert.

To me the most impressive feature was the revolving dining room. This unique room actually revolves one complete turn every hour. This affords the patrons a complete view of the Niagara Falls and city and countryside. If you should leave your seat during the dinner you may return to find your dinner, and friends disappearing to the other side of the circular building.

The area where the tables are situated is powered by one and a half horsepower and seats 300 people. An adjoining lounge seats 200 guests.

I do hope you will make every effort to see this magnificent structure on your next visit to the Falls. It is just one more reason you will feel proud to be a Canadian, and your experience will be one to be remembered for a long time to come.



Mr. Davey addresses audience at commencement.

PHOTO: J. SHINER

"VOLUNTEERS UNLIMITED" COMES TO BATHURST

"Youth is Canada's largest untapped natural resource." With that underlying theme, four people representing the Community of Toronto's social services addressed the senior

students at Bathurst Heights.

Moderator of the programme was the acting liaison between the North York Board of Education and the social organizations of our city. He presented

an outline of the three institutes represented -- Brown Camps, Crippled Children's So-

ciety, and the Mental Retardation Centre -- and then went on to emphasize the immense importance of volunteers to the success of these services. He pointed out that in this "buck-conscious" world of ours, are still people willing to give of themselves for the sheer enjoyment of helping others, and not for remuneration.

Without further ado, a movie sponsored by the Crippled Children's Society was shown. This was an extremely informative presentation as well as being intensely emotional and sympathy-rousing. Living examples of the sad results of thalidomide were given, not just cold statistics. And every person could not help but be touched by the courage of these severely handicapped little children.

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EDITORIAL PURE STUPIDITY

It is time that the Ministry of education woke up to the facts, and used some grey stuff before making rash decisions that a minute can reverse. We advocate that it is pure stupidity to exempt grades ten, eleven and twelve final exams until such time as universities find a better method of judging the progress of an individual.

Under the new system, an average student could conceivably reach university without ever having written a final exam. We feel that the problem with a

great number of students is not that they lack the knowledge necessary to do well on exams, but that they lack the ability to express themselves properly or that due to nervous tension, they freeze up under the pressure of exams. The only way to overcome these problems is to write more exams; for as the wise ones say, "practice makes perfect". This system will certainly be of no aid to the student when he reaches university and is confronted by a two or three hour final.

NO TIME

We just got the word that the boys in Queen's Park are at it again. This time it concerns grade thirteen students - young men and women who in another part of the continent would either be in university or business. They have decided that even though the courses could easily be completed by May 15 as they were last year and that we should stay here until June 5. This means that the

people who have to write final exams will not have two weeks of home study, and that those who don't have to write, will be missing out on the best summer jobs and an opportunity to earn some extra money toward university tuition.

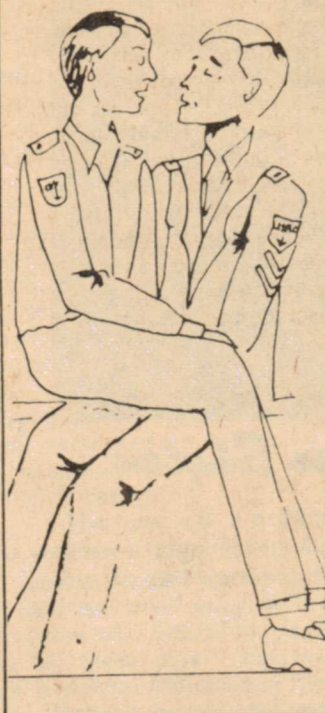
Speaking for ONTARIO students, the Banner would like to thank the Ministry of Education for its thoughtfulness!

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VOLUNTEERS
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After the movie, a representative of the Mental Retardation Centre explained the functions of therapists and volunteers in working with the mentally retarded, and made a plea for helpers, be they professionally qualified or simply eager to help other fellow human beings. To end the assembly, a man from Brown Camps gave a brief elaboration on the difference between mentally retarded and emotionally disturbed children; in aiding the latter, he, too, told of the necessity of anyone interested in assistance - the only prerequisite being the ability to give love.

Thus for 80 minutes, the Grade 12's and 13's got a taste of what it was like to be "volunteers unlimited."

Constitution to be Revised

The Students' Council has set up a committee to revise the present outdated constitution and bring it up to date. Under the able leadership of Ricky Cooper 13A there seems a hope that after three years something will be done.

An Exercise In Frustration

After years of quiet requests by former student councils and promises by Board of Control candidates, Mel Borins and Howard Seiden got together with our principle Mr. Davey and Alderman Paul Godfrey of Ward four, to demand that a light be installed at the corner of Lawrence and Shermount Avenues.

At first, we requested a crosswalk, which was promptly refused. We then sent a letter to the Metropolitan Toronto Transportation Commission, requesting an appointment to appear and present our case. After a few weeks the reply came that they do not see anyone who does not come through the proper channels. These channels were the North York Traffic Commission. We then requested a hearing before this council, which was granted after a series of traffic counts and a "run-in" with police over "J-walkers". So Mel, Howard and Bob Newton took a morning off school to describe to North York just what was happening. Some of the Aldermen were not very receptive, (The Star quoted Alex McGivern as saying something about how far he had walked to school when he was a lad). However, after a great discussion the committee recommended that temporary lights be placed at Shermount and Lawrence. This had to be passed by the North York Council and then directed to Metro Roads because Lawrence is a main artery hence being a Metro road instead of a North York road.

Anyway, in June Howard was notified that the light was to be moved from Varna to a position in front of the school making it accessible to everyone. I suppose this decision was made by Metro Roads Committee which has members from East York, Etobicoke and Leaside etc., who probably have never heard of Lawrence and Shermount.

Conclusion: We now have a traffic light in the middle of nowhere which hampers turns off Varna, Shermount, Englemount and Lawrence and we still have "J-walkers".

All this is the result of what Mr. Godfrey has termed as "an exercise in frustration". What's next you ask??? A bus stop beside our light ---- what else. Ralph Day -- See ya soon!

FREEDOM OR HITLER

Again and again we were told of the joys of freedom and democracy. Oh the wonder of free speech, free press and free schools! And yet one freedom is consistently denied to the student body -- the freedom to form political clubs.

How can a school permit three election candidates (in this case Vern Singer (Lib.), Max Schechter (Con.) and Murry Chusid (NDP) to come to Bathurst Heights, make speeches, and arouse the interests of all concerned, then forbid its student body to study each party's policies in depth by forming political clubs? In North York (Downsview riding) especially, the opinion of the voters would warrant such formation, since the Liberal candidate defeated the NDP one by only 21 votes -- that is, the loyalties of our parents are very evenly divided, so let's find out why!

Considering that in a scant 3 or 4 years, the senior students will be able to vote, does it not make sense that they should start getting used to the idea of being responsible, informed voters? Or should their political expression be restricted, so that they will become the same kind of apathetic, ignorant citizens that allowed Hitler to win his election?

by Marshall Korenblum, 5A12G.

YOU THERE!

As you girls may already know a large fun-loving crowd in Bathurst -- ah but of course the Girls' Athletic Association (G.A.A.). We plan terrific social events, are behind the success of any school games (along with the B.A.A.), are ... there's just no way in telling you, all in which we are involved annually.

With the arrival of each new G.A.A. president, this organization becomes greater in power, in range of activities for the green masses, and in that which it has to offer the Bathurst perplexed individual. Our programme includes the encouragement of converts in Israeli

folk dancing to running onto the celebrated tray or oranges during an action-filled basketball game. Surely, school is not only the prison one often pictures at the mention of the word. To relieve that painful pressure upon your pretty heads girls, take out your anger with a particular teacher on a volley ball. A key word is involvement, not only in the activity itself but with people as a whole.

When you become an adult it's your ability to deal with others that counts, rather than your ability to recall a certain statistic. Is the G.A.A. your answer to emotional stability? Undoubtedly!

STONE-AGE LAWS

ONE BIG LAUGH

OTTAWA -- Sixty-five year old Mrs. Elizabeth Drayson has been charged with swearing at a neighbor under an 1860 Carleton County bylaw which also prohibits stone throwing or any activity likely to scare horses. --The 107 year old law provides a fine up to \$50.

NORTH YORK -- Bowlers and moviegoers are violating bylaw 4412 which prohibits operating amusements for a profit.

In fact the borough appears to be breaking its own law by charging admission to Don Mills arena. Householders in North York according to bylaw 330 of 1925 are allowed to keep no more than two pigs at home.

"The leading, riding or driving of horses or cattle" in the borough is also illegal and invites a \$50 fine.

In Toronto proper a section of the streets bylaw states; "no

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CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

The only light streams forth from the books.

Tiny high potential sub-atomic particles radiate from

Instructors' lips (radiate out in a certain ratio as

The square of the distance).

Upon striking random funnels the

Particles are quickly absorbed (the time of course

negligible)

And passed through various complex channels

Causing a series of reactions

concerning ink and the previous line.

When the bell vibrates (periodically according to a principle), a narrow light shines efficiently on one way

Corridors.

Should a compound particle not follow according

To laws and principles therein stipulated

It will sit before the Vice Principle and absorb sub-atomic

Particles (composition unknown, but function

Definite), which will, through various stimuli

Cause a multi duplicated reaction

Concerning ink and the previous lines.

So when this compound particle is fully (or partially)

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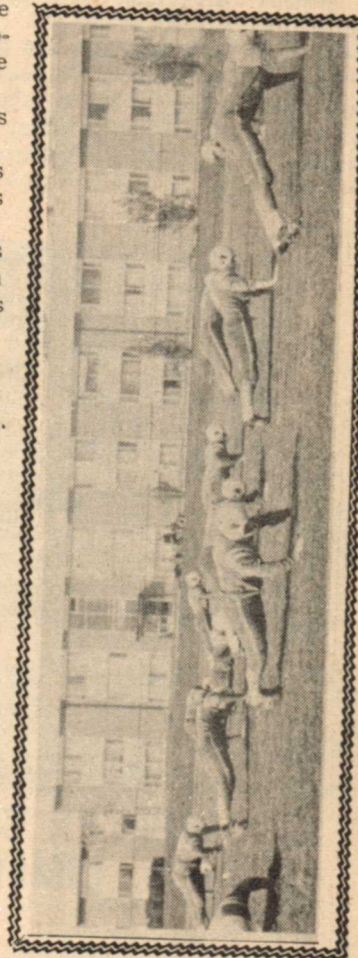
Expelled into the environment, it will either instantaneously

Absorb the

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Of natural light or be struck down by
It's intensity (which varies as the square of the distance) of course.

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MR. KNOW-ALL ADVISES

Dear Mr. Know-All,

Everything has been quite quiet since that dirty, grubby, beatnik bade farewell to the Hall of Shame, (which runs parallel to the Hall of Fame).

Ironically enough, we had a Grub Day a few weeks after he left us. Everybody was himself on Grub Day. People in the cafeteria were talking and laughing and screaming -- you know, people were people. But it didn't seem like most teachers could take such "sinners" for more than a day.

You might think that boys and girls had come dressed with the atmosphere. Well, they didn't, because the atmosphere was too smoggy for anybody to see anything anyway. So the majority of students didn't go to extremes. Girls, for the most part, wore nice, comfortable slacks; and the boys exposed their muscles (if any), their hairy legs (if any), and their general masculinity (if any).

Spider Webb



Dear Mr. Webb,

It seems that the polluted air has affected more than one phase of people's lives. Breathing is vital, and seeing things eye to eye is necessary for a harmonious existence. The atmosphere, no doubt, must be clear.

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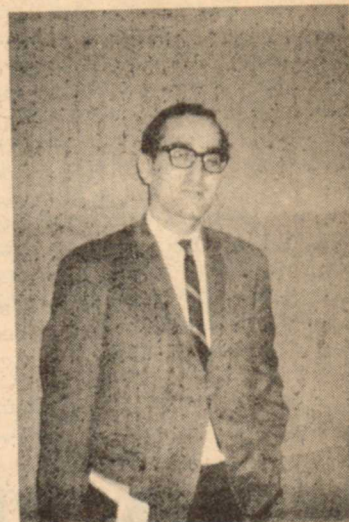
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Teacher of the Month

Mr. Freedman, has not been an English teacher at Bathurst Heights long. He attended Vaughan Rd. and Harbord Collegiates. After receiving an Honours English Degree at Waterloo Lutheran University he was somehow misguided to Bathurst Heights although he thinks he came here because of "our high intellectual standard". For extra-curricular activities Mr. Freedman coaches the football team and enjoys being a spectator at some of the rougher sports.



MR. FREEDMAN

The greatest problem for teenagers today, he said,

is apathy. According to Mr. Freedman's philosophy, apathy shows itself in many different disguises in our society; discouraged or rebelling students, people on LSD, conformity and mediocrity. Yet society may still be redeemed if we could only learn from those valuable words Mr. Freedman spoke unto me (and probably not too long ago were spoken unto him). . . "blessed is he who expects nothing, for he shall not be disappointed."

Mr. Freedman is in the true sense of two very over-employed words: conservative and romantic. He distrusts contemporary literature having a great fondness for Browning and Chaucer. This teacher thinks the driving age should be raised to twenty-one; is dead set against miniskirts; and dislikes any literature which is too philosophical. However there is some hope for the poor man as he admits that the new morality has not changed from the old, the drinking age should be lowered and censorship should be a personal responsibility.

Like all teachers Mr. Freedman thinks he is underpaid and like all new and idealistic teachers he's filled with a driving incentive to get his students "thinking". But he'll learn won't he?

Dear Mr. Know-All

I have just been to the dentist, and he told me I have sixteen cavities.

Smyrna Skullkofsky

Dear Miss Skullkofsky,

You know something? It could just be the Krest.

Know-All

Dear Mr. Know-All,

I have written my OZAT, OKAT, OECAT, PSST, and ZIGZAG tests and I don't think I did very well.

AZ/03/637B

Dear AZ/03/637B,

Don't worry about it. These tests are designed to see how much a student can take. At the same time, they manage to discourage you and make you lose faith in yourself.

Know-All

Dear Mr. Know-All,

I am in love! Now that I know how it feels to be in love, I don't know how people can live without it.

Julia Capulet

Dear Miss Capulet,

Don't worry about them, they seem to be doing alright.

Know-All

WHY I AM AN ATHEIST

by Ulli Diemer

If you have ever asked an atheist why he does not believe in God, you have probably heard many of the arguments which reduce atheism to self-evident mathematical logic. And yet you do not find these arguments convincing. Quite possibly you reply to them with reasoning which proves the existence of God to the full satisfaction of any rational person.

But it happens that there are very few rational persons in existence and so logic becomes useless. Religious beliefs are neither formed nor changed on an objective basis; religion is a matter for the emotions, not for logic.

Consequently, I did not become an atheist because I weighed the probabilities for and against the existence of God. Although I will gladly point out dozens of contradictions and impossibilities in the Bible, although I know many of the excellent arguments against the existence of God (and I am NOW convinced by them), although I will counter your portrayal of God as the necessary creator of the universe with the question "Who made God?", nevertheless these were not my reasons for BECOMING an atheist. I do not claim to be reasonable in my atheism.

In fact, I believe that the only reasonable religion (or non-religion) is agnosticism, not atheism. Nor do I think that a belief in God is necessarily unreasonable, for it cannot be proven that God does not exist.

My reasons for becoming an atheist were of a different nature. I cannot believe in a benevolent God who could watch while six million of his "Chosen People" were murdered. I cannot believe in a religion which teaches that man's suffering on earth is a just God's punishment for sin, not when I know that children are dying in acute pain in the fields of Vietnam before they could possibly have sinned. I cannot believe in commandments which teach that a child may be punished for the sins of his father. I cannot believe in a God of love when I read of a slum child dying after its face was eaten away by rats which did 'God's work' while the child's mother slept, drunken. I cannot force myself to believe in a compassionate God who could be content to see the people of India praying to him in their hunger and ignore them while they starve. I refuse to believe that God, OMNISCIENT God, would allow a mother to give birth to an Eichmann. I cannot conceive of a sin so horrible that it could be expunged only in the hell-fires of napalm. And I will never believe that God saw the bombing of Hiroshima on August the sixth, 1945, and then was content to calmly observe what happened at Nagasaki on August the ninth.

I see the contributions of religion: the Inquisition, the Crusades, the promise of everlasting torture in hell for sinners and non-believers, the defense of slavery on the grounds that God meant the black man to be a hewer of wood and a drawer of water, teaching that justice means "an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth", the teaching that "all men are conceived and born in sin", and I am ashamed that I ever believed.

When I read in the "Word of God" that a parent may stone a disobedient child to death and that a girl must marry the man who rapes her, as it is written in Deuteronomy, then I need not ask from where Hitler got his inspiration. I cannot endure the obscene excuse that we are so far beneath God that we cannot comprehend his reasons for allowing indiscriminate pain and suffering to exist. Man need not suffer before he can be happy.

When I hear of a God who sent Christ to die for the sins of man, then I see a nightmare God, not of forgiveness, but of revenge, who cannot forgive man, who errs because he is human, until someone has suffered for those sins.

I think that if I were a supreme being possessing omnipotence omniscience and all the time of eternity, then I could create a better world than that of chemical warfare and atomic bombs, of starvation and cancer, of jails and fallout shelters, of fathers who beat their children to death. Were I God, I would be ashamed.

But since I do not believe that an omniscient being could be evil, therefore I do not believe in the existence of a God.

For some, a belief in God gives security and hope for the future. They cannot see how a person without the prospect of life after death can lead a meaningful life, or how he can be happy. For myself, I believe that every person makes his own life meaningful by what he does for his fellow man. I agree with Bertrand Russell, who said: "I believe that when I die I shall rot, and nothing of my ego will survive. I am not young, and I love life. But I should scorn to shiver with terror at the thought of annihilation. Happiness is none the less true happiness because it must come to an end, nor do thought and love lose their value because they are not everlasting."

STONE AGE

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person shall break in or train any horse, mare or gelding, or shall exhibit or let to a mare any stud in any street or public place".

In Etobicoke keeping a "disorderly house" or harboring "persons of bad character" have been outlawed way back in 1880.

Another Etobicoke bylaw still on the books, requires every vendor of bread to place weigh scales in a conspicuous place to ensure the customer receives the minimum of two pounds of bread.

In 1943 the borough decided that chicken houses had to

be built at least 25 feet from the street or any dwelling.

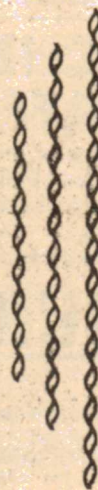
Sleigh, sled or car drawn by a horse or mule is quite permissible on a highway as long as you attach two bells to the harness or vehicle.

In conclusion beware the next time you hitch your horse in front of the City Hall, you could end up as a guest of the City!

**DATES TO
TAKE NOTE OF**
Winter Exams: Week of Feb. 26
Winter Vacation: March 18-22
Good Friday: April 12
Easter Monday: April 15
Final Exams: June 5

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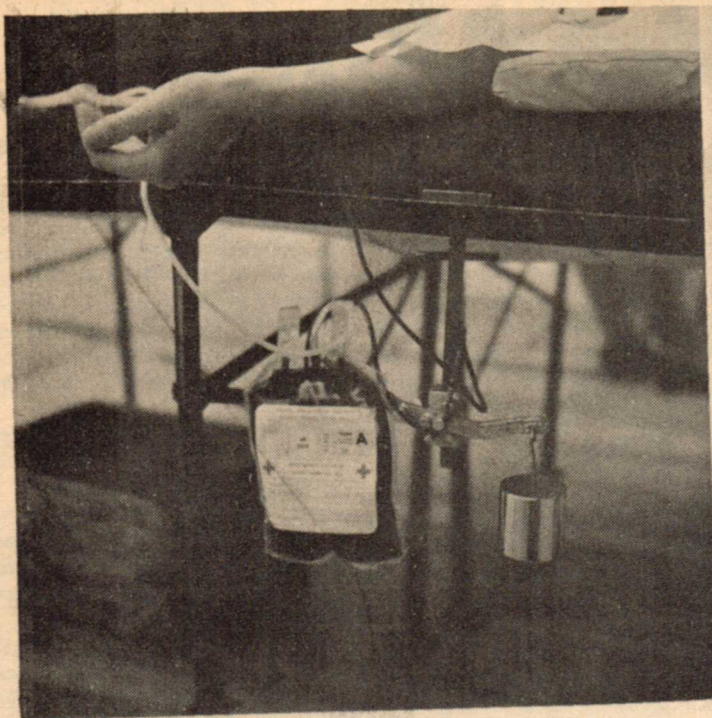
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Madness is a Monday Morning
 Madness is being told by a teacher that you look better on
 Grub Day than you have all year.
 Madness is having two left feet during square dancing;
 it's fun though.
 Madness is Latin during ninth period on Friday.
 Madness is fire drill during lunch.
 Madness is 100% error on an experiment.
 Madness is a surprise test.
 Madness is homework on holidays.
 Madness is your mother showing a bear-rug picture to your
 boyfriend.
 Madness is, was, and always will be, the opposite sex!

FOUR NEW TEACHERS TO JOIN STAFF

Miss Cameron, Mr. Firzzell, Mr. Lieberman and Mr. Lishmen will be officially joining Bathurst Heights faculty. They will be replacing Mr. Dickson, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Walks and Mrs. Millard who have gracefully retired.

FOR OUR HONOUR

It looks like a good bet that skipping classes by grade 13 students will be a thing of the past. After years of clamouring, whimpering, complaining and debating, Bathurst may be getting the Honour System. At this moment a brief from the Honour System Committee is before the staff and it is hoped that a decision will soon be handed down.

The Honour System Committee, consisting of Elaine Zuker, Reuben Devlin, Paul Bain, Jay Reingold and Alan Morinis, was appointed in September by the Students' Council to prepare a brief on the possibility of bringing the Honour System to Bathurst. Several meetings were held at which the Honour Systems of St. Michael's, Forest Hill and Vaughan Rd. Collegiate were thoroughly reviewed and their values discussed. The best and most applicable systems of each school's

plans were applied to the Bathurst situation, revised and then incorporated into the brief. The plan, as set forth in the report, would permit grade 13 academic students to choose which classes they wish to attend. They could, if they felt it more beneficial, miss a class and study on their own. The responsibility of covering the work would be with the student. Although this sounds like a radical step when the present situation is considered, it must be remembered that students of grade 13 age in almost any other North American location are going to university, where all the responsibility of attendance is on the students.

The proposals have been presented to the staff. It now remains to be seen whether or not they feel that grade 13 students are mature enough to decide what is best for themselves.



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