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### EDITORIAL What's the Matter With Us ???

**Marilyn Souther**  
To some people the word teenager conjures up the picture of a mixed up young hoodlum. Noise, ill manners and a complete disregard for higher authority would be their definition of a teenager. It is easy to see from where this idea would come. Newspapers carry many stories of the comparatively few teenagers who fit this description. However because of this many people class teen agers in this category. We aren't all like that! From a survey of teenagers taken in the United States it was shown that an amazingly high percentage had some church affiliation while the percentage of parents with church connections was much lower. In an average town you will definitely find the hoodlum type but stop to take note of all the others who are developing, with the help of churches and schools into solid future citizens.

### CADET COLUMN

**Earl Little**  
The week before last the cadets were marched up to the school to see an interesting 95 minute film about the heroism of certain individuals, when they gave their lives fighting a German paratroop unit which landed in a village disguised as British soldiers.  
Next month the cadets will be marching in the Armistice Day parade, and to get ready for this coming parade, it was decided that all rifle and Bren gun lectures would be postponed until after the parade. The words at cadets will be entirely devoted to drill, which up to now lads, looks very good — keep it up.  
9C

### Platter Chatter

**Judy and Gail**  
This week, our "singer of the week" is Gene Vincent, a handsome young newcomer who is making his way right to the top.  
Gene has a million and a half Elvis Presley fans throughout the country growing "imitator." Ever since his flash entry into the field of Rock 'N Roll with his hit song "Be-Bop-a-lula", the Presley fans have resented him for his efforts to imitate their hero.  
Gene began singing only eight months ago after winning a contest sponsored by Capitol Records. The songs in his repertoire are the songs made famous by Presley and his impromptu dances on stage are very suggestive of Presley. Comparing the two there is little difference anywhere.  
In spite of this general opinion, Gene still maintains he is different. "Ah really don't imitate Elvis," he drawled in his Virginia accent, "why he's one of my rock closest friends." What do you rock 'n roll fans think of that? Since Elvis' style was recognized first, naturally Gene is accused of copying his style.  
Meanwhile Gene has recorded more songs (including Blue Jean Bop which we think is terrific) and is waiting for the release of his first movie with Jane Mansfield. He proved himself and enthusiastic performer when he completed three shows a day in Toronto recently, wearing a full leg cast as the result of a prosthetic accident.  
"Who says Elvis and I are competitors?" laughed Gene pointing to the cast. It was autographed by Elvis Presley. In spite of all the controversy about Gene imitating Elvis, we think he's tops. (that we still like our boy, Elvis.)  
New expression . . . anything that is "read cool" is now "real Elvis."  
As we didn't go amiss on our last prediction for the hit of the future we shall venture again.  
What's this we hear about another young lady from 'C' Special and that song "Love Me Tender"? Could it possibly be because her dream man looks more like Presley than Elvis himself.  
Who is the "Hound Dog" and what new step has he or she invented for Tutti-Frutti? (hmmmm)  
Our boy Elvis appeared on Ed Sullivan's show on Sunday night at 7:00 in case you're interested. We have heard a rumour that Elvis is "going steady." It is our opinion if this is true that half his fans will forsake him, but don't take that personally, we don't want to get clobbered.

### GRADE 10C

**Karen Tuck**  
One of our classmates, Jo Ann Hodge entered St. Joseph's Hospital in Guelph on Monday night and on Tuesday morning had her tonsils removed. She is coming along quite nicely and should be home Wednesday afternoon.  
This may seem like a casual column but Doug Mitchell who is also in 10C broke his arm last Monday. It seems that Doug was playing football in a P.T. period when his accident happened. We all hope that Doug is all right soon again and back at school.

### Milton Sinks GHS

At Milton, Oct. 15th, Milton blanked Georgetown by a 19-0 score, with the inability to set up a defence against the Milton end runs a deciding factor in the result. A costly fumble in the first quarter on the Georgetown 25 yard line contributed to the first Milton T.D. Glen Wilson scooted right around the right end for the six-pointer. Bainbridge later added to the Milton score when he galloped around the right end for the first of his two touchdowns. One of the reasons for the success of the end runs was that Milton were sending out three blockers with the ball carrier, to take out two Georgetown linebackers. Incidentally all the T.D.s were run around the Milton right end.

Georgetown suffered its second straight setback at the hands of Milton, when they were shut-out 13-0 at Georgetown, October 18th. Milton opened the scoring early, when on the first day of the game Bainbridge scooted around the Milton left end and galloped 40 yards to Touchdown Toronto. After that the game settled into a tug of war with the Georgetown defensive line effectively stopping the Milton end run. Unfortunately for Georgetown, however, in the second quarter Milton recovered a kick on the GHS 15 yard line and Bainbridge again was the target when he was hit with a pass in the end zone to finalize the scoring at 13-0.

If the second half the Milton offense was held in check, but the GHS offense was unable to move into gear and time and time again stalled in mid-field. Georgetown used a six man line as the defensive set up and, except for the apparent lapse on the first play of the game, it was effective against the Milton offense.

Incidentally — in two games Bainbridge of Milton scored 4 consecutive T.D.'s against Georgetown. Georgetown lost almost all chance of winning the Halton trophy which appears headed from GHS to MHS.

### GRADE 9B

**Luke Janssen**  
Why do we go to school? Some people don't like school, but when you ask them the reason most will say "I don't like learning."  
Unless we can not go to school due to some problem in the family, there is no reason why we should not go to school. After all, from Grade one to Grade thirteen the education is free to the student, and he or she only has to buy books.  
In school we learn how to cope with our problems and figure out a way how to solve them. From the education, you will learn and understand what is going on around you, here and around the globe.  
Also we don't have to act mute if anyone comes to us with a problem he can not solve himself. One other thing is discipline; it is easy for you if you can control your temper anywhere and anytime.  
As the school years pass by, you will get more intelligent and sure of yourself, you will handle problems easily and be sure of success in one form or other. If you are looking for employment you are rated higher and get a suitable job.  
So if you have the brain, go on and try for twelve at least.

### CHATTER IN THE HALLS

**Mabel**  
Things always manage to pop when the yearly trip is made to the United Appeal (formerly Red Feather) football games. Cider and cigars sure must feel good, especially when they are on the same stomach at the same time. I wonder if many boys woke up Saturday morning with a slight reminder of Friday night's activities.  
Another boy's fancy has turned to cheer leaders or rather a cheer leader — did you know that it isn't considered proper to go calling on a girl rather late on Saturday night?  
A number of First Formers have found that it doesn't pay to miss the bus that takes them to Shop at Acton.  
One of the fifth form girls is not satisfied with just her driver's licence. A few weeks ago she attempted to get her flying license coming down the stairs into the new part of the school.  
Weekends must be pretty exhausting when you have to catch up on your sleep in English class? Still sleepy, Brian?  
Either little has been said around the school lately or I have been indulging too much in my favourite pastime — talking. Whichever is the reason, there's nothing more to say. Adios.

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### THE BAZAAR

**Rhoda Dixon**  
As you should well remember, last year's fourth form organized a very successful bazaar. In fact, about \$200 was made and given to the student council. The money was used for several things, among them the formal and the trip to Ryerson. The decision after this first successful attempt was that the bazaar was to be a yearly event and to be organized by the fourth form girls. The reason that the job was to be Grade 12's was that the majority of Lower School girls haven't the experience to organize such a project and Upper School girls haven't the time to do it justice. No attempt has been made as yet to start the ball rolling. Last year, organization did not start until about six weeks before the bazaar. It was held on December 6. More time would have made the bazaar an even bigger success.  
Come on girls! It's up to you to begin organization. The fifth girls are willing to help you get started. If the plans aren't soon underway the bazaar will not become a realization this year. This can't happen. The profits mean too much to the general welfare of the student body. Anyone who is interested should contact Marna McKenzie.

### GRADE 10A

**Karen Scott**  
On Wednesday afternoon last, 10A was blessed with a new student by the name of Charlie. After living at Acton for a short time he has returned to bring back old times with all his buddies and to renew friendship with the teachers he had last year. We are all glad to see you back Mr. Jewell.  
Jim from 10B was transplanted to 10A last week due to circumstances beyond our control . . . and his He was such a good boy! His favourite pastime: women and study. P.T. Well, our number of boys has risen to 6 making the average 3.50 girls per. That's about all for now!

Jasper . . . Question Box . . . This school must be a very happy one for there hasn't been any problem at all, socially or otherwise. So until further notice Jasper has been forced out of business.

### GRADE 9C

**Erol Francis**  
Our room is all tense and uneasy when the teachers walk in. We look at them wondering "Is it today?" Then the teacher starts in on his work and we have a sigh of relief, not today, but maybe tomorrow. We can't go on like this; we have to know or we shall be nervous wrecks before the week's out. Yes, it's getting close to our reports, so we have to have tests for it. We've had our geography test today and it was a "dilly" but we will be glad when it's over so we can come into the room with peace of mind. So come on kids do your best and it will be over soon.

## How Our School Is Financed

**Doug Wrigglesworth**  
It is surprising to note how many of our high school students including myself do not know just who is financing our school and how this is being done.

After conferring with Lt. Col. G. O. Brown, secretary treasurer of the North Halton High School district board, we found some very interesting information about this phase of our education.  
The district consists, as you may or may not know, of Acton, Milton, Georgetown and the townships of Nassagaweya and Esquesing. The yearly levy from each of these five municipalities is based on the equalized assessment for the previous year.

In 1956 the percentages paid are: Acton 17.03 per cent; Georgetown 27.39 per cent; Milton 22.03 per cent; Esquesing 23.85 per cent and Nassagaweya 9.70 per cent. The levy for the district is \$119,200, while the government grants are \$107,200.

The following are some interesting facts and figures about costs in GHS. The gross cost per student per day in 1956 will be about \$1.90. A student absent for one day costs the district about 55c in reducing grants so it behoves us to attend school regularly as our absence actually costs the district money instead of saving it. In the three district schools, the total high school registration is about 800 students.

Government grants are of two types: (1) a percentage grant (75 per cent in 1956) on approved expenditures for Debiture payments, bus transportation and smaller items. (2) A grant for average daily attendance for the preceding year. This amounts to about \$106.00 per student.

Expenditures for auditoriums, gymnasiums, shop and home economic rooms are not approved for grant purposes.

In Georgetown the tax levy for Secondary School purposes is 4.8 mills out of the 49.00 mill tax rate or about 10 cents or every tax dollar. In many municipalities the levy for this is over 50 cents on every tax dollar.

For a bit of information about who spends this money, and where some of it goes, here are some "odds and ends" — there are 36 teachers on the regular staffs in the district plus two part time music teachers. Besides their salaries, there are building and equipment maintenance, transportation costs and a million and one other expenses.

There are fourteen board members: nine are appointed by the municipal councils, 3 by the county council, 1 by the town having the largest public school attendance (which is Georgetown) and one by Milton public school board. Regular meetings are held monthly with

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special meetings as required. The present board chairman is Mr. G. R. Carbert of Acton and the vice chairman is Mr. E. Forgrave of Georgetown. These worthy gentlemen are rendering a real service to our communities, serving as they do with no remuneration.  
The president of the Royal Bank in answering a High School student's query as to why she should continue on to higher education said in part: "the main purpose of education is to teach one to think. It is only by learning how to think and by learning how to sift out things worth thinking about so that you can put yourself in the best position for enjoying a happy life." Surely, when we realize the time and the money spent for our benefit in our high schools the least we can do is to make the very best use of the facilities provided for us

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Tomorrow night, a welcome to Georgetown is being extended to new residents of the district who have emigrated to Canada from Britain and European countries.

Countess of Strathmore Chapter, IODE is the host, and there will be entertainment and refreshments for guests who are asked to attend the party in the Legion auditorium.

It is one of several ways that public service organizations like the IODE show their worth.

Gestures like these are worthwhile, and the IODE ladies are to be commended on this practical way of making newcomers to Georgetown feel at home in this friendly, progressive town.



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