

HIGH TALES.

Chatter in the Halls

As everyone should know by now, some students are trying to organize a year book. To make the venture a success, support is needed on all sides and one way in which everyone can give support is by ordering and paying for their year book now. Decide if you want one and see your room rep about it. Year books are something that become a treasure as the years go by.

Assemblies seem to have become a thing of the past in Georgetown High School. The general feeling throughout the school is that we need at least a few assemblies. One of the main reasons for having one is to promote enthusiasm for all school functions.

Several more school uniforms have appeared since the holidays. However, quite a few girls still are not wearing it. It would be very nice to see all of the girls with grey skirts and navy blouses.

The holidays provided a much-needed break. I'm sure everyone enjoyed them.

The New Year entered with a bang for some people. So why did Flatfoot decide to wake the Three Musketeers by phoning them at 8 a.m.

Bob didn't seem to take much advantage of the mistletoe at the Golf Club party. Maybe he doesn't need it.

One girl in fifth form couldn't have been very anxious to attend a party. The car managed to run out of gas and get a flat tire in going a half mile. Who does she hire to "fix" things for her?

The majority of the people who know about it hope that Roger will decide to sing "Annie Laurie". They feel that he can do it.

I noticed that one of the girls in Third Form is wearing a new ornament on her left hand. Congratulations Linda!

A country girl in Grade 9 seems to have an attraction for the big football player in Grade 11.

The formal is only five weeks away. The boys have probably started to think about whom they will take. Boys, I hope you realize that it takes a girl about a month to get a formal.

9C REPORT

Carol Francis

Once again the door opens to those few precious months ahead. These months can either make you or break you, and by the look on everyone's face when we came back it is most likely going to break us. As you walk to your locker there are all the familiar faces but something is different, they just don't look as cheerful as they did the day we left for our holiday, but I guess that will soon change. We go to our rooms and begin the old grind. It is surprising how much you forget over a period of two weeks. So we start our school work in the same old fashion, but what we are looking forward to now is our Easter Holiday.

WAR AND PEACE

by Count Leo Tolstoy

Book Review by Elizabeth Sloan Form 10A

"War and Peace" is an interpretation of Tolstoy's view of life besides being a love story and a historical record. The novel's setting is Russia in the early 19th century, and it concerns the saga of Napoleon and Russia, and the three loves of Natasha, its heroine. The author shows how Natasha matures through the influence of these three loves: the romantic sentiment of her first love, and Andrew; her first glimpse of passion, and Anatole; and the gentle devotion of her final sweetheart, Peter. Tolstoy strays into long passages of philosophy very often, but these are so beautifully written that they make good reading.

Tolstoy can be forgiven for his somewhat rambling style because of his colourful character studies. The bubbling but sometimes moody Natasha is a vivid example. Andrew was bored with the world until his love for Natasha gave him a reason to be living. Peter is quiet, intelligent and moody, subject to those fits of depression typical of a man with an inferiority complex. Although the author was Russian I think Napoleon is his real hero. His respect and admiration for the conqueror is evidenced in many instances throughout the novel.

I particularly enjoyed this book because of its variety of subject matter. It is a great epic of the Napoleonic wars and it contains particularly brilliant descriptions of the Battles of Austerlitz and Borodino and the burning of Moscow. There are many beautiful love scenes other than those of Natasha, and it gives an excellent conception of the social history of the period. Tolstoy even described feminine attire as early as the 18th century.

SHOULD HAVE EXAMS BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Susan Whitton

In this aspect, I take the positive point of view. I personally do believe that we should have our exams before Christmas, if not all of them, at least two or three. You figure, the sooner you get them over, the better you'll feel. I like getting things that I don't particularly enjoy done up first and foremost. Wouldn't you enjoy your vacations much more with the burden of exams off your mind? Spend a pleasant warm New Year's eve party with your closest friends—now could you honestly enjoy yourself knowing you should be at home studying like crazy instead of whooping it up here. Also in this respect I've had our exams over, the teachers could have them marked. This would be a load on their minds and they could enjoy this festive occasion. I think I've made this point quite clear. I'm all for having exams before Christmas—'n'est pas?

NEED AN AUDITORIUM

Well, now we do have something to gripe about. Workmen are digging outside and there is no room for us even to play a decent game of basketball or kick a soccer ball around. So I think G.H.S. needs a gym. This would solve our problem. We could have our basketball or volleyball inside regardless of the weather in the winter. I can see other's point of view as it will cost a pretty penny. If there is a gym we could carry on our sports activities and also social activities like our annual dances. This would prove economical as well, as we wouldn't need to rent the Rose Room. I sure hope Georgetown will provide one for us.

10A REPORT

Karen Scott

The holidays were very successful from the point of view of my comrades. There were a couple of parties at the golf club, one of which was a toboggan outing on Saturday night. Many bruises were recorded and one was thought to be on his way up King Street. The young man is resting quietly at school in Toronto. The accident happened about 9.45 p.m. when a speeding toboggan came down the hill. Going off course a little, it hit the jump. While the occupants were flying in the air the toboggan went on without them. The wind and stomach was knocked out of one, while the other practically had her tongue cut off by the force of her upper jaw settling on the lower.

Because of the good weather much skating has been done on outdoor rinks and ponds. Skiing is the highlight for many. Last Sunday a group including a few from our school went up to Collingwood for a fun-filled day on the hills. There were some weary looking people in school on Monday.

That last skating party the Lower School held was quite a success. Our room was well represented. Our relay team, which included Linda K., Bill B., Dan S., Carolyn B. reached the finals. I was very sad to report that the G.H.S. old boys were defeated by those little Bells from Grade 9. The old boys were dressed in plaid-hats, and SEE-Gars. And the Bells wore frilly skirts and corsets. The dog race was won by Gr. 10 B & C. Their prize, those lucky kids, was de-lish dog bones. After the races there was free skating.

9B REPORT

Luke Janssen

Well, this is another year, old headaches are gone and new ones are coming again. We can start with a clean slate which will look a pretty messy one at the end again. Meanwhile we have found out that one and a half weeks of holidays does a lot to our memory. But we are catching on again and we shall have to because there are four months done and six to go. The tests are coming up again and now they all count towards the next report. The year book is coming up now and it will probably be May before it's out but first there will be a lot of money needed and a lot of work will have to be done to get it that far. The week before Christmas we had a skating party which was a success. First we had a relay race in which 9A had the victory. Following that was a toboggan race. The toboggan games were fun. It was played between the Russian Mad Hatters and the Bells of St. Nicholas. The Bells of St. Nicholas were the winning team. As I was a member, we shall have to be prepared for the next year.

Ernie Forgrave in New School Board Chairman

At the regular monthly meeting of the North Halton High School Board on January 3, in Milton, the elections of officers were held.

The following are the results—Chairman Ernie Forgrave, Georgetown; vice chairman, John Hall, of Milton; finance and management committee, Messrs. Kelly, Crichton, Carbert, Hood, Anderson; transportation committee, Messrs. Goodie, Brown, Anderson; building committee, Messrs. Masterson, Coon, Hall, Kelly, Brown; property committee, Messrs. Coles, Pickett, Masterson, Force; secretary treasurer Col. G. O. Brown.

ISN'T IT A SHAME

Mike O'Brien

There's a doper in G.H.S. this year even if you don't see it on the surface. One little thing went as follows. On Thursday all the boys from 9th came to school with their white shirts and ties for they were to have their pictures taken.

Bill Cobson got out a camera and snapped all their pretty little faces, to be published in the year book. They did, at the same time, have questions asked of them about their desires and ambitions and I understand that many interesting answers were given. Referring to the pictures again: what did we see sitting on a little stool at the bottom of the stairs in the old building but dear old Barry with a yard stick from the end of his nose toward a camera's lens, and being held by helpful Laurie Reed.

The date of the formal is rapidly approaching and most of the boys have started asking the familiar questions, both to themselves and to others. A few examples are: Where will I get the money? I wonder if dad will lend me the car? Will you go with me, please? and if you listen in on some conversations in Georgetown you might hear this: Dad can I have the car for our dance on the 22nd of February? Dad: Well I don't know, really you should have asked me sooner.

And now for some more of it! One yoke I know of and recently heard about was said to make a phone call to a certain person who lives on P. street and ask: "Would you, could you, and will you go to the G.H.S. formal with me?"

Person: When is it?

Yoke: About the 22nd of Feb.

Person: Where are they going to hold it?

Yoke: I don't know but I'm sure they will pick a good spot.

Person: What day of the week is the 22 of Feb.?

Yoke: Why it's the Friday I think.

Person: I'm sorry but I've already been asked!

Useless gossip isn't it? Well you go and do something exciting and stupid, then we will change our ways.

Oh! not the ambulance again. —R.V.O.K.

11B FORM REPORT

Linda Mine

Welcome back! I suppose everyone is rested, and full of vim and vigour after the holiday from school and all its ties. I hope you all had a very merry Christmas, and that this year holds all the best for you.

We got a welcome-back-to-school present. The exam timetable for middle and upper school was posted in the hall. As our room has noticed, we only have five left to write, as we were lucky enough (7) to write two of them just before Christmas. So, it lessens the burden. I would like to wish all my classmates the best of luck in their exams, and hope they all pass.

The formal is fast approaching and so are the plans that go along with it. Any of you girls got, or picked out, your formal yet? And what about your date?—Is he all picked?

The formal is the highlight of the high school year, and if last year is to be taken as an example it should be well attended.

On Tuesday, Jan. 8, Mr. Schenk showed us a film on West Africa concerning what we are currently taking up in geography. I think the whole class will agree it was much better than just talking or reading about it. "It made it much clearer and you could understand the reason why people live like they do. I realize this cannot be done in every subject. But if possible, I think we should see more of this type of film."

Here is a final thought: One night at the movies this exchange was overheard between a teen-ager and his date: "Can you see all right?" he asked. "Yes." "Are you in a draft?" "No." "Does the man in back of you have his feet on your chair?" "No." "Mind trading places?" he asked.

POULTRY MANAGEMENT NEW FARM BOOKLET

The latest in the Canadian Bank of Commerce series of farm booklets is a well-illustrated guide to good poultry management, entitled "Something To Crow About!" The booklet has been prepared with the assistance of Professor J. P. Walker, Department of Poultry, Guelph Agricultural College, and of poultry authorities in Government agencies and agricultural colleges throughout Canada. The new booklet traces every phase of poultry raising right from the initial need for an adequate local market condition, to the necessity for keeping accurate records of production and sales.

Jack Cockburn, of Drumbo, Ontario, has contributed a series of cartoon-style illustrations for the booklet which help to emphasize some of the more important points in poultry management, such as the need for adequate space for the young chicks during the first few weeks in the brooder.

Selection of the most suitable breed of poultry is in itself a highly important consideration, the booklet suggests. It notes a trend over the past few years toward specialization, with some strains bred to produce large numbers of eggs, and others for their ability to put on flesh rapidly. Results can be more satisfactory, even at the cost of a few more cents per chick, if the poultry producer makes sure that his chicks have a well-developed breeding programme behind them.

Size of the flock is another prime factor. The Bank-Booklet suggests that a laying flock of at

least three hundred pullets is an efficient size, and is also practical for brooding, as one brooding unit would be sufficient for starting sexed chicks, or two brooding units for mixed chicks.

Feeding, sanitation, range management and successful marketing practices are other subjects thoroughly covered by the booklet. Both for the beginner, and the experienced poultry producer, it offers a host of practical information and advice, which should help make for better and more profitable poultry flocks.

The new free booklet is available at any branch of The Canadian Bank of Commerce, or by writing to Mr. F. S. Taylor, Advertising Manager, The Canadian Bank of Commerce, 25 King St. West, Toronto.

DAUGHTER WAS FORMER TOWN SCHOOL TEACHER

James Cleghorn, 59 of R. R. 7 Guelph died Friday in Guelph General Hospital after a brief illness.

Mr. Cleghorn was born on the same farm he operated up to the time of his death. Surviving are his wife, Marion Hood, a son John at home and two daughters, Margaret, Mrs. William Toth of Acton and Mary at home. Mrs. Toth was a member of the local Writingsworth School staff before her marriage. He also leaves three brothers and a sister, Douglas, William and Katherine of Guelph and Rev. Hugh Cleghorn, Leamington.

The funeral service was held on Monday at the McIntyre & Wilkie Funeral Home, Guelph, with interment in Woodlawn Cemetery.

GLEN WILLIAMS HOLDS 1st MEETING GUIDE ASSOCIATION

The Local Association formed to sponsor Guides and Brownies in Glen Williams, held their first official meeting Monday evening at the home of the president, Mrs. George Johnson.

Two new members joined that evening, Mrs. A. Hunsdale and Mrs. J. W. Davis, bringing the total membership to nine. A euchre is planned the latter part of January in St. Alban's parish hall. Proceeds will be used to further the Guide and Brownie work.

WHY GHS NEEDS A GYMNASIUM

Toni Lee

Georgetown High School certainly does need a Gym. Where are we going to spend our P.T. periods this winter? Up in room 11 playing ping pong. Where are we going to hold our school dances? In the Rose Room. We can't do very much at all because of the lack of a gym or auditorium. The increase of Georgetown's population and the population of the high school makes it necessary that we also should have a gym. Most other schools had already have one. I think it's about time we had one too, don't you?

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