

# HIGH TALES

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EDITORIAL

## Too Many Frills? We Don't Think So

Marilyn Souther

Have we too many "frills" in our education system? According to some people the answer is very definitely "yes." Their reasoning seems to be that these frills are overshadowing the essential three R's. If this slogan "readin', 'ritin' and 'rithmetic" is any indication of the effect of this method, certainly these three subjects are important. But are they not considered so? In fifth form high school three different types of "rhythmic" courses are offered and the two R's are receiving their due attention. Aside from these fields however there are several others which lend variety to the student's days. Thirteen years of the same subject is a very long time you must admit but a choice of subjects induces a student to stay on at school. Perhaps we students of today are pampered in the eyes of those who remember the good old days but this seems to be paying off. More students are getting better educations. This is the equipment we need for our world of today.

## 9A Report

Sharon Cook

Well, here we are in the first column of the year. By now most of us have made our New Year's resolutions and broken them. (Judgy, what did one of the teachers say yours should be?) Everybody seems to have had a good Xmas and all those new red sweaters show it. Over the holidays one of our favorite teachers took a trip to Florida but didn't go in swimming. We have had the loss of a member of our class. The back rows are pretty dead without him. Bill, what was it that you said about the boy soprano? We all wanted to hear about it. Hope it hasn't been too boring.

## Grade 12 Report

Jim Gill

The New Year is here and accompanying it is the ominous warning in the too near future of soon reappearing exams for middle and upper school.

A dance is planned for January 17th. This dance is probably thus dated to give relief to hard studying students.

The formal is to be held February 21. It is hoped many will participate.

The bazaar under our leadership went over well with a good profit being made by the school.

A pleasant surprise greeted us on our return from our two week parole in the form of a completely new wing. We are hoping that the repugnant odour of fresh paint will be no longer wafted in our direction.

Joan Cummins placed 2nd in the Girls section of the Public Speaking Contest while I managed to squeeze into first place among the boys. The contest was sponsored by the Lions' Club.

One note of discord that was sounded on our return in the absence of Mr. Baxter who is away sick. Hope he gets well soon.

## THE COW THAT JUMPED OVER

(Part 2)

Meanwhile, back at the ranch, Ivan had been arrested by the MVD, for sticking to his original story about his cow's disappearance. He was apprehended for not keeping up with his milk production to further the glorious cause of Communism by keeping the population well fed. With the disappearance of his cow, Ivan had let one hundred and forty-three people go thirsty.

The meteor with its strange passenger, by now had passed high over the moon, bringing about this historical event. This brought a flood of calls and warnings from amateur astronomers, who reported sighting a strange object and a possibility of an attack from outer space.

From here Bessyovitch was car-

ried earthward, where she landed unhurt on a cushion of soft double talk, which was emitting from the Kremlin at that time.

Ivan was released immediately from jail and he and his faithful cows were given a heroic's welcome. They were given a glorious parade, down a one way street, led by a large three piece band and the seventeenth ex-minister of defence.

Now we go back to the glorious rewards which were mentioned before. Ivan became the second foreman in a salt mine in Siberia. Bessyovitch accompanied him there, and was given the honour of being able to eat all the salt she could, to her heart's content.

What does the future hold? Will Bessyovitch be the first cow to reach Mars? Don't laugh, this is very likely for she is the logical choice because of her space-travelling adventures and experiences. Or will she have a statue erected outside the Kremlin in her honour? And last, but not least, will Comrade Ivan be promoted to second foreman at a vodka factory.

## 10A REPORT

Well, here we are again! Back in old (and new) GHS Ten A, marked the new year by adding a new member in their rank. Bob Cowbrough from Brantford last attended B.C.I. and V.S. Welcome aboard Bob, we're glad to have you.

Pat Sykes was the lucky winner (it wasn't all luck) of the first prize gold spoon in the Lions Club Oratorical contest. She spoke January 7th in the Legion Hall on "How it Feels to be in Public Speaking." She is going to Streetsville to try her luck against the Brampton and Erin winner. Good speaking, Pat, and we'll all be rooting for you!

Another winner was John Cummins. He won second place in the Boys' Division.

A certain boy should be glad of our move into room 2. These desks don't collapse under one, do they, P.G.?

The flourishing romance going on in a corner of the home room has still not abated.

## CHATTER IN THE HALLS

By the Chatterbox

Joan sprays household deodorant all over her hair instead of spray net and asphyxiates the Latin class.

Bob, who's Gunther anyways? What teacher locked himself out of the Latin class and shortly said that the way he felt he didn't care if he ever saw us again.

There's a man back there who can count and who doesn't 'Hyde' his light under a bushel.

What young lady fell in love at the reference library on Tuesday afternoon. Neil what were you doing among those dinosaurs?

What young lady of 5th form Lit. is obviously not a rugby player?

Bob, when a fellow says longitudinal and symmetrical he is not swearing at you.

What teacher obviously watches "westerns" on TV? Bang, bang, Mr. Prousel!

We have suddenly discovered why 10B is the terror of Georgetown High.

Jim what is the exchange on an American dollar bill.

What 5th former has Santa stuck in his chimney and why can't he get out?

## 10B REPORT

Martha Rulder

Hello. Ten B reporting. We want to wish you a Happy New Year first of all. The last two weeks did a lot to brighten our spirits and dull our memory, the latter we will prove when our math and spelling papers return.

How are the New Year's resolutions coming? — one girl said she was going to do her homework every night before watching TV. I tried that last year but it didn't work. Another was going to be a little bolder and not so shy, especially when someone she liked very much asked her for a date. She was afraid of refusing again last time because of an unbalanced nervous system which had developed rather suddenly.

Here are a few jokes I hope you will enjoy.

A guest speaker was addressing the student body:

You men are the cream of youth!

A co-ed in the back of the hall raised a dissenting voice. "Lord help the skimmed milk!"

Youth is a wonderful thing. What a crime to waste it on children.

A small boy was in his backyard eating worms. His mother came out of the house and started to scold him. "Ricky, don't you know that little worms' mother will be lonesome when she can't find her baby worms?"

"Don't worry," replied Ricky. "I ate her, too."

## 11B Report

Sharin Harley

Well, Christmas holidays are over and everyone is sorry to be back at school. I imagine that that is the way most everyone will start their column so I'm not going too far if you corner the individual, fire the question "Are you glad to be back at school?" at them, I'm afraid nine out of ten would hang their heads and in small half-faded voice, murmur yes. Sure holidays are a necessary evil, but where can one find so much fellowship and have so much as at school. Right?

We're very sorry to say Audrey Perigood is leaving us. Apparently she prefers to be a Torontonian. Audrey was very quiet but she certainly got into as much trouble as the rest of us. Right, Charlie? On behalf of 11B, we want to wish you the best of luck. And!

What were the "Companions of Crime" doing Monday after four, or rather, not doing? That'll teach you, boys.

Well as the snowflake said as it melted, "I'm a goner" 'cause that's all.

## 10C Report

June McGowan

Well, since everyone's back to school they must be feeling gay and lighthearted (for a while). I hope everybody had a lovely Christmas and received all the objects they desired. I know I did.

The new addition to the school is now completed and we are able to use all the rooms. This means more moving from room to room and more exercise between periods while changing places.

The last Friday afternoon before the Christmas holidays a dance and skating party was held at the arena. From one o'clock to about two-thirty skating and dancing was carried on, dancing being up in the Rose Room. We all then went upstairs to the Rose Room where the gifts were given out. The party was a great success.

One change I have noticed in the room where the girls eat their lunch is that the desks are the ones screwed to the floor. This prevents us from moving the desks and the chairs where we want them.

A few tests may be given to us so we will have to do some studying to prepare for them.

I'll say goodbye now and hope to see you again in a couple of weeks.

## Mrs. Heslop Host For Bldg. Convention Wives

Mrs. Rex Heslop will be hostess to about 60 ladies from all parts of Canada on Friday at a luncheon at her home on Heslop Court in Georgetown.

The occasion is the annual convention of the National House Builders Association, being held at the King Edward Hotel, January 14 to 16. House holders and their ladies will be attending from across the country, and a delightful program for the ladies has been planned. Mr. Heslop is chairman of North Halton Builders Association. Special guests at the Open House on January 14th included Mrs. Nathan Phillips and her daughter, Mrs. Arthur G. Brodey of Sarnia. Controller Jean Newman was present at a dinner that evening at the Granite Club.

Special guests at the banquet and ball on January 16th will include Mrs. Howard C. Green, The Hon. Mr. Green is federal Minister of Public Works, and will be the main speaker on this occasion. Mrs. Stewart Bates, whose husband is president of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation is also expected to be there. Mrs. R. C. Berkinshaw will accompany her husband to the convention; Mr. Berkinshaw is chairman of the Canadian Housing Design Council. Also present will be Mrs. Walter Neller of Lansing, Michigan, whose husband is a special delegate from the U.S. House Builders Association.

Other ladies who will be attending various functions during the convention are the wives of the regional supervisors of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation and those of members of the federal parliament with special interest in housing.

On Wednesday the ladies program will feature a tour and tea at the Toronto Art Gallery, with a theatre party in the evening. Larry Henderson, well-known CBC personality and world traveller, will be special speaker at Thursday's luncheon.

## Warden Says Handouts Only

Reeve Thomas Millward, at a labor institute banquet in Oakville recently, said it was a disgrace that a man has to go to jail before the municipality could provide for his family.

He said that as municipalities couldn't provide funds to assist the unemployed through taxes, they could only provide a "hand-out" to those out of work. Only way the unemployed could get assistance from his municipality is to go to jail when the municipal welfare department would have to assist his family.

Guest speaker George Burt, vice president of the Canadian Labour Congress said the \$870,000,000 unemployment insurance fund was being used to stabilize Canada's bond market. It should be used to provide work, he said. Mr. Burt said it was disgraceful that management assumes no responsibility for its unemployed workers.

Labor unions were going after the shorter work week as one way to ease unemployment, said the C.I.C. vice-president. Trafalgar reeve-elect Alex Phillips said the township council had tried to provide work by having a new administration building constructed, but ratepayers had voted down the proposal.

President Jack Taylor of the sponsoring Oakville and District Labor Council, presided at the two-day institute, first ever held in Halton County. Speakers were Max Dods, Ontario Federation of Labor welfare director on workers' compensation; Jim Roberts, C.I.C. field representative on union administration; Henry Weisbach on unemployment insurance, and Lloyd Fell, on the union's role in the community.

## FARM NEWS

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J. E. W.

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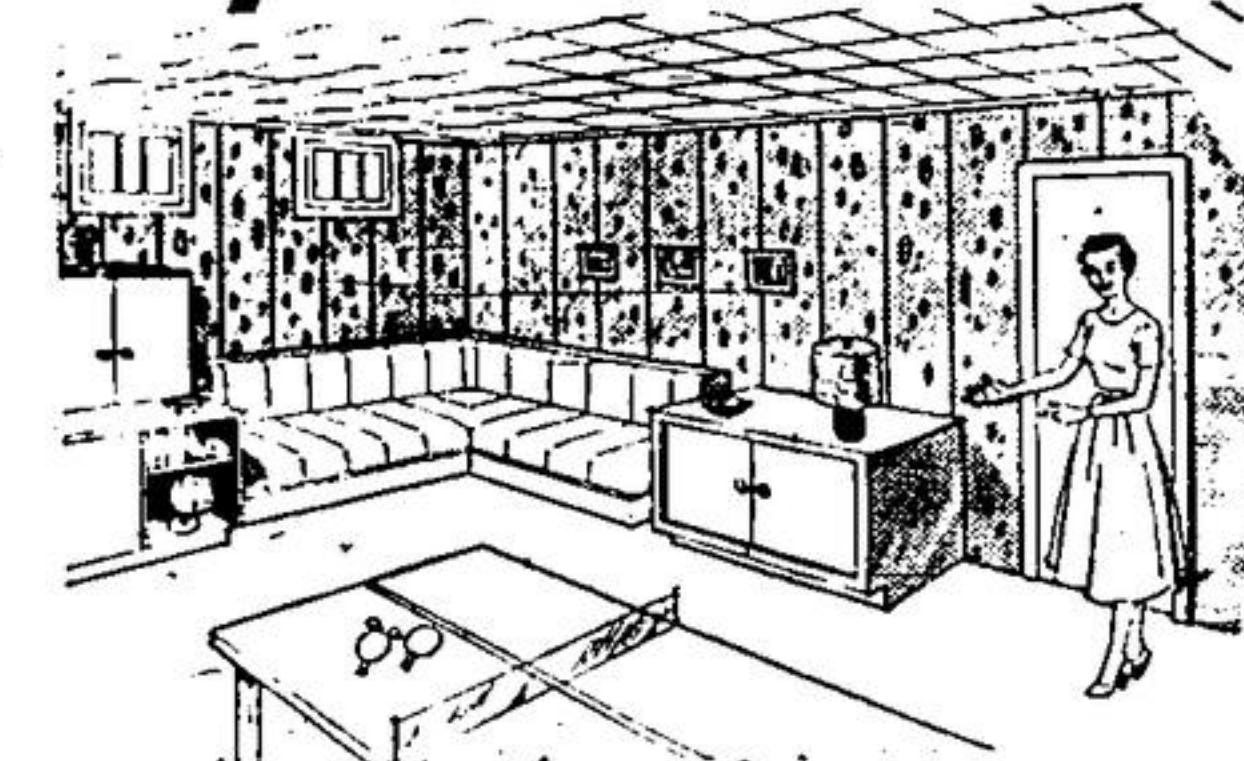
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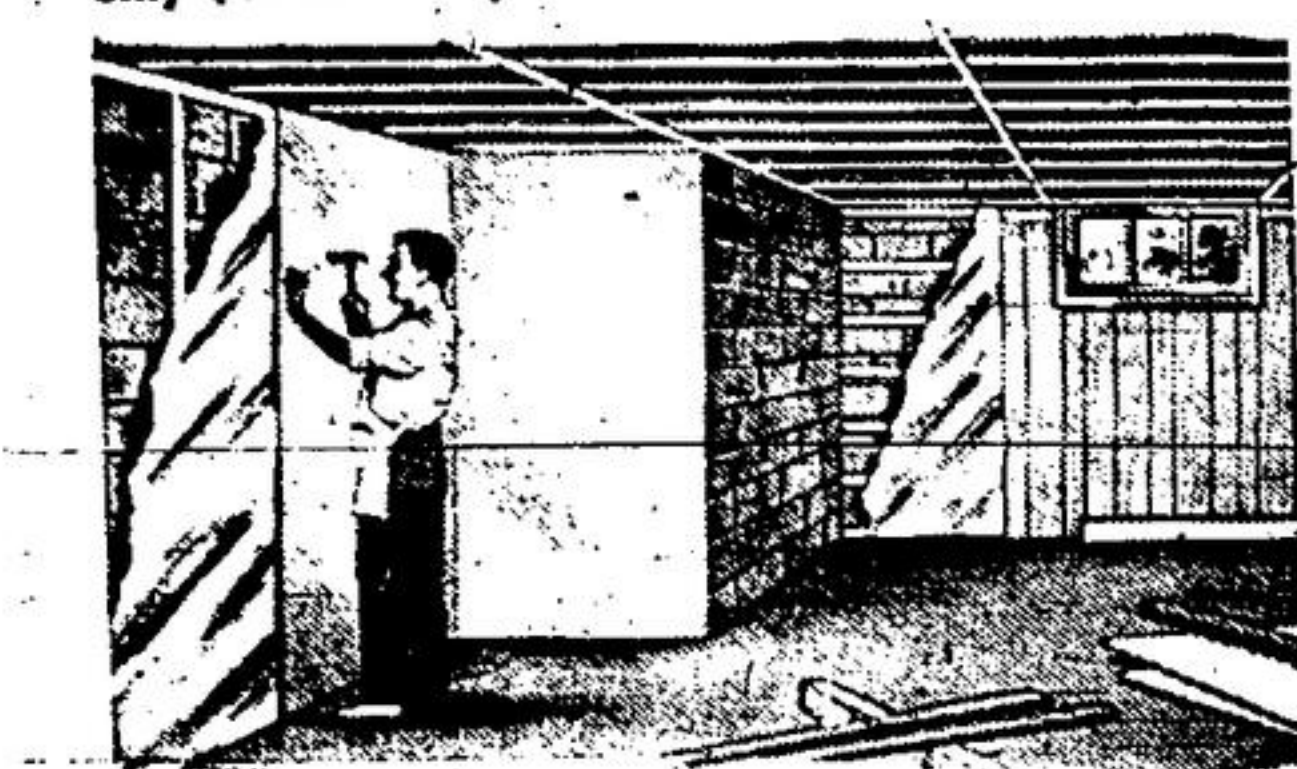
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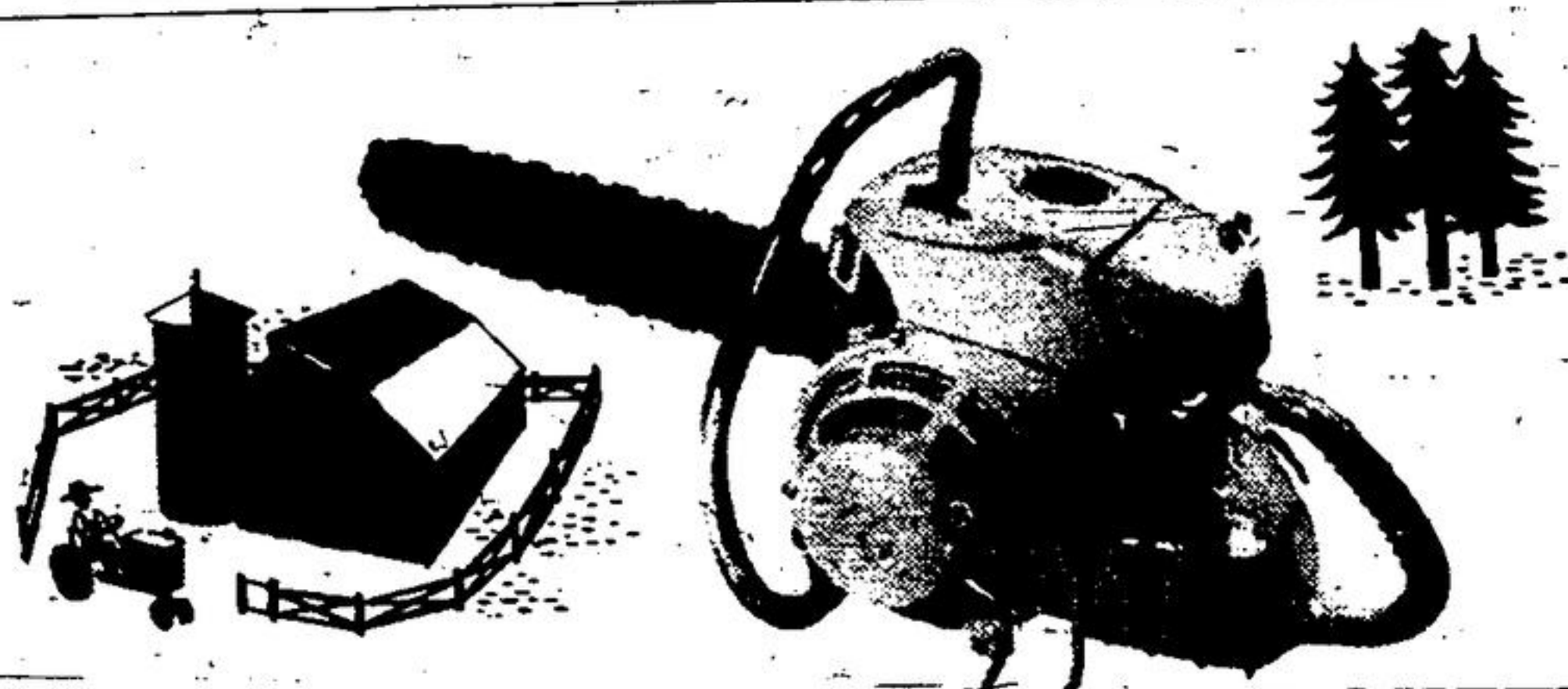
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