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EDITORIAL

Education Valuable Asset As Automation Approaches

by the Editor

Are students turning away from our high schools, colleges and universities and abandoning their one chance of advancement? Why is it that so few students reach university, if any? These are questions which are puzzling school boards all over Canada.

It is an acute problem when you consider the thousands entering our high schools today as compared with the few entering university. It is almost frightening!

The first question is, why would a boy or girl wish to leave school at the age of 16 to get a job, probably in a factory? He may earn \$1.50 an hour, but ten years from now he'll not be earning much more and he will still be doing the same job. There is no advancement of any kind here, but if this same boy had so much as obtained his Senior Matriculation there is no telling where he could go. He could work in a factory today, tomorrow, if he liked he could further his education and acquire a Bachelor of Arts or Science degree. He could then enter any field — scientist, doctor, lawyer or engineer, then he would have a good paying, dependable job.

Many students claim they quit school because their parents cannot afford to send them to university. If this is the case they are making a very bad mistake for there are Bursaries and Scholarships available to outstanding students. There are also colleges where you can work your way through school, such as Waterloo College. Also you could obtain your senior matriculation get a job and work until you earn enough money to complete a university course. So you see, if you possess initiative, and hop to it, there is no reason why you should not obtain the profession of your desire.

Out of 100 students entering high school today, roughly 3 grad-

uate from university. This may seem fantastic, but it is true. Consider that in this world of science, the age of complete automation is drawing nearer day by day, and with it increased unemployment for the labourer. Therefore, possibly in 1969, machines will be performing our workman's job. What then will become of the skilled or unskilled worker? He will be jobless; too old to further his education and too young to retire.

SKI CAMP TRIP IS EVENT OF I.S.C.F.

by Lynda Whitmee

March 7th at 7.30 Saturday morning, we were off! A group of approximately 25 ISCFers gathered at the high school on this early, brisk morn.

Jumping into cars, after having loaded our skis, skates and bed rolls, we left Georgetown to reach Arrowhead ranch in the outskirts of Collingwood about three hours later. On this three hour ride the five chauffeurs had the experience of driving through blinding shields of snow blowing constantly across the roads but all arrived safely.

When we arrived at the ranch, we were immediately made welcome. After we had registered and had been given our certain cabin for the night, we spent most of the day skiing, horseback riding, and having a wonderful time, on the hills around the ranch.

During the time spent there, we worked with other ISCFers and IVCFers in friendly get-togethers with singings, skits and quiet times in which we studied certain passages from the Bible. There was a devotional service on Sunday and of course horseback riding and more skiing.

Under the wonderful leadership of Jo Rudd, Ross Leigh and many others, I am sure our group left on Sunday afternoon not only refreshed physically but spiritually as well.

Many thanks to Mr. Dobson who was in charge of our group and did you know, he is a wonderful ballet dancer!

MR. SUMMERELL

Lesley Brown

Mr. Summerell is the newest teacher to join our staff this year. He was born in Meaford, Ontario, and has travelled extensively through Ontario ever since he was young. Mr. Summerell wanted to teach, because he likes children. Although he teaches science at GHS he majored in Mathematics. He finds it easy and interesting. Boy, I wish it was that way with us! He studied at Toronto university, but he went into business for ten years and was in the army too, before he became a teacher. He never taught in Toronto, and likes Georgetown because of its locality. As soon as he sells his house in Toronto he is going to buy a house out in the new subdivision. He likes fishing, and it is closer to his favourite fishing spot in Haliburton.

CADET REPORT

by Cadet Lt. Dixon

A night scheme was held during February and even though the snow was quite deep and winter was in full force, there was a good turnout. The week following the scheme films were shown on the 'Trooping of the Colour,' and 'Desert Victory.'

During this month there has been advanced training in the CI rifle and the introduction of Map Using. The cadets have also been receiving rifle drill in preparation for the coming inspection.

The girl cadets were out at the armories last Wednesday night and the Wednesday night before to begin their drill for this year's inspection and they engaged in shooting afterwards. If more girls could find time to come out to the armories next week it would be greatly appreciated because unless more girls turn out there will not be a girl's precision squad.

Quite a few of the first year cadets have passed their elementary shooting and have advanced into a higher class. So you fellows who have not qualified for crossed rifles put a little more effort into it and see if you cannot get better results. The attendance has dropped considerably, so those who have not been coming out try and get out next week.

Exams... What Value?

Tom Forgrave

Once again the annual January bout with the exams has come to an end. All that remains now is to clean up the messy battlefield (the exam papers) and to correct the mistakes which have been made. The dreadful days of waiting until the papers are returned become days of joy or days of grief as the results of each exam are discovered.

As at each writing the question has again arisen, are exams necessary? Do they serve the purpose which they are intended to serve? Also once again both staff and students are expressing their beliefs and their reasons for these beliefs.

Naturally some are for the exams and some are against them. The following are the results of a series of interviews with the staff and students in Georgetown, high with the impromptu answers as they were received.

The first person interviewed was a high school board member. He said that he thought examinations were very valuable.

"The real value is that it gives the teacher an indication of the student's progress, it gives the student an idea of his own progress, and it provides a measuring stick with which the parents may measure both students and teacher."

I think that there should be Departmental examinations from Grade X up to accustom the student to writing exams and ensure that curriculum is up to Departmental standards.

"This year Grade XII students will have Departmentals in some subjects. Do you think that one year of training is enough?"

"No. Many students have a fear that they are not well enough advanced to conquer Grade XIII. They feel that they were marked high in the lower grades. The poor Grade XIII standings of many students seems to indicate that this is true. I think that Departmentals should start in Grade X with an exam like the old Entrance Paper. By the time that the student is finished Grade XIII he will be an old pro "at writing exams."

A Grade X student said "I don't know. I guess they're alright but they don't show the true value of a student. Students 'bone up' the night before the exam and then forget all they have learned the day after the exam."

Then he added, rather sheepishly, "I know, I've done it."

A Grade XI student says: "I don't think exams should be for marks, just to make you learn your work."

And so it goes, some pro, some con. The dominant idea seems to be however, that there must be a better method than the present system. Perhaps some of our present students will be responsible for the remodelling of the present system or the invention of a new one. For the present though, it seems that we must struggle through this year as in previous years, dreading the impending doom of the June exams.

THE MAIL BAG

LETTER FROM McMASTER

McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, February 23, 1959

Most Honourable Convener of the Stardust Ball:

It gives us great pleasure to pen this epistle, announcing our intention to attend that most eagerly anticipated bash, thrown by those soon to be emancipated men and women of the graduating classes of that noble institution, the Georgetown High School.

We are most honoured in having the pleasure of once more participating in an event sanctified by the most honorable pedagogue, Mr. J. L. Lambert. We feel similarly honoured in escorting two of the more refined young damsels of the now defunct Grade XIA with which we had such close and pleasant association during our final year within those crumbling but not yet ivy covered walls.

To once again gather around the punch bowl with our colleagues of yesteryear will fill our cups to overflowing with happiness and our eyes with tears of sadness. The embers of loyalty which smoulder in our hearts will once again be rejuvenated and burn with loyalty for our dear Alma Mater.

Thine evermore most honourable sir, whilst these machines are to us,

J. Douglas Wrigglesworth, Esq.
William J. Cohoon, Esq.

THANKS DUE TO MANY FOR STUDENTS' ACTIVITIES

The month of March has been a very busy month for the Student Council at GHS. We have sponsored the Commencement, March 5, 6, the Stardust Ball, March 13, and the CWOSSA hockey tournament on March 21st. These events have been successes only through the support of the Student Body and the people of Georgetown. We would like to say thank you to everyone who participated in and supported these events.

We would also like to offer a special word of thanks to McClure's Home Furnishings for providing furniture for the plays at Commencement, to Lan's Haulage for the use of their trucks and drivers and to Credit Valley Bottling Works for the use of their truck for moving scenery and chairs; to Mr. Buller, Mr. John Hughes, and Mr. Egmont Pries, building superintendents at Knox Presbyterian Church, Howard Wrigglesworth public school and the Georgetown Memorial Arena respectively; and to all those who officiated at the hockey tournament as referees, timekeepers and goal judges. Your help was greatly appreciated.

The Student Council is now finishing one of the most active and successful years in its history. It has sponsored the annual bazaar, football and hockey teams, the Commencement, the Stardust Ball, and has given a helping hand to various organizations in the school. We who have had the privilege of

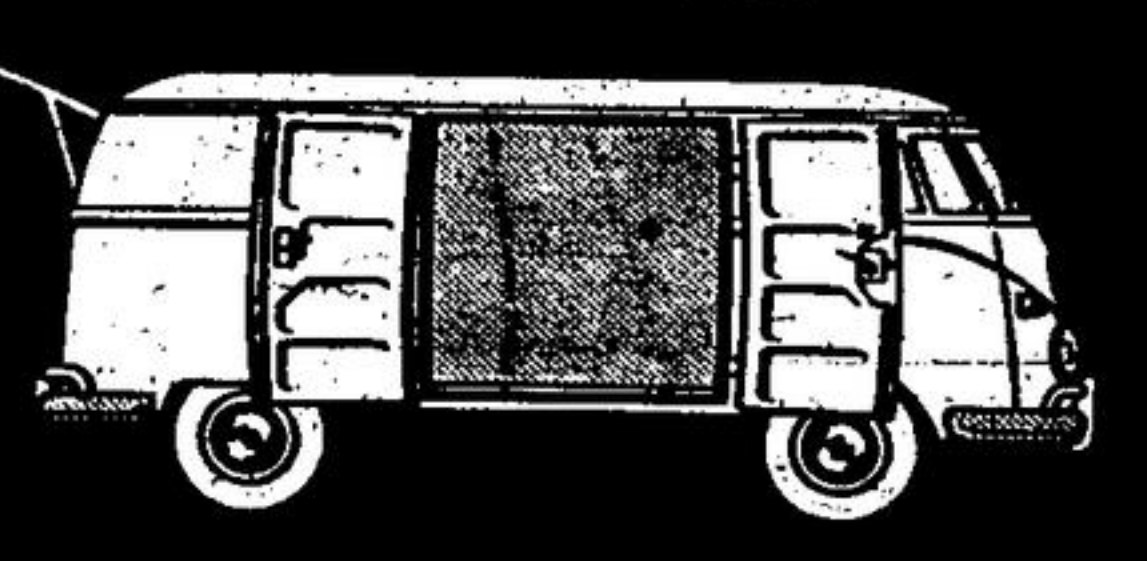
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Thanks to everyone,
— STUDENT COUNCIL



D. GAY, D.C.

HEADACHE NOT A DISEASE

A headache is not a disease. It is a symptom. It reflects a disturbed state within the body. This may be precipitated by a number of factors: fatigue, worry, improper eating, digestive disturbance, constipation, lack of sleep, overwork, high blood pressure, etc. In dealing with the headache by means of powders and pills, one is treating only a symptom and not the actual cause.

It is important to remember that unless there is nerve irritation to begin with, the body can deal with many stresses and strains without undergoing a headache symptom. It is when the nervous system is off balance or in an irritated state that the headache starts. Nerve irritation causes spasm of certain blood vessels in the brain, this in turn causes congestion of blood which creates the typical headache symptom; pain on one side of the head, nausea and disturbances of vision.

Chiropractic research was first to determine that this irritation is often the result of minor displacements or "subluxations" of vertebrae. These occur primarily in the upper spine. Chiropractic care is directed toward the correction of these structural disturbances, by highly skilled manual means. This removes the cause of nerve irritation; in this way the symptoms are removed at their very basic origin, at the spinal column.

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Stardust Ball Highlight Of School Social Season

by Mike O'Brien

On the evening of Friday, March 13, the graduating class of Georgetown High School held its spring formal called the Stardust Ball at the Howard Wrigglesworth auditorium.

The music was supplied by a band from Guelph under the direction of Mr. Ben Alexander. The band was a 5 piece consisting of drums, trumpet, guitar, alto sax and electric organ. The band was well received and because of its good repertoire and the characterization by the trumpet player it appears that most of those present would be in favour of having them back again.

The decorations were exceptionally good and it exemplified the ingenuity of Lynn Scott who created most of the ideas. It consisted of a false ceiling of cheesecloth beaded with thousands of stars of many colours. Two 6 foot stars of gleaming aluminum foil were also in view, one of which was surrounded by strings of blue lights that added a dreamy atmosphere to the dance. All in all, decorations are said to be the best of all our formals.

A new custom was inaugurated at this dance, however, and that is the crowning of the "Queen of the Ball." Robert Hooper, last year's president of the student council crowned Miss Virginia Walker queen, and presented her with a dozen red roses and a check to be used in the furthering of her education.

All during the dance, punch and cookies were being served in the hall under a veil of more blue light, just to add to the mood of "Stardust."

Mr. R. M. Turkington, a professional photographer from town was present and it is hoped that a picture of the Queen of the Ball will soon appear in this paper.

On behalf of all those at the dance and this year's student council I would like to thank all those who helped with any part of the formal this year. Without you it would not have been possible.

The following are the names of those who attended this year's "Stardust Ball."

Judy Bonathan, Grant Caseley, Dorothy Thomson, Walter Dixton, Marilyn Wilson, Bill Gowland, Virginia Walker, Mike O'Brien, Diane Wrigglesworth, Ron Sproule, Pat

GHS WINS VICTORY IN ACTON HOCKEY

John Cummins

As far as hockey games go, I have seen better and I've seen worse, but not much. I was as surprised as a six year old who has just seen Santa Claus take off his beard, when Georgetown won. It looked like the morning after the night before, for our team, considering their age they should still have a Spartan-like constitution.

In the first period McDonald started the scoring with a goal for Acton. Campbell got Georgetown's first goal with an assist from Popiel. Falkingham slipped in a goal thus putting Georgetown in the lead at the end of the first period.

A goal by "Ridley" in the second period tied the score. The rubber across the line for Georgetown, assisted by Dixon and Richardson. Acton followed up with a goal by Malcolm, assisted by Lawson. Campbell snapped right back with a goal for Georgetown. Lawson followed up with a goal for Acton and Riddall in turn popped one in for Georgetown. Lawson tied the score up again but with about 15 seconds to go Riddall managed a hat trick.

The final score was 6-5 in Georgetown's favour.

PLATTER CHATTER

Carol Symons and June McGowan

Paul Anka, a famous Canadian singer, has written many songs. He wrote Johnny Nash's record 'I Lost My Love Last Night.' Paul's top records for ABC Paramount are Diana, You Are My Destiny, Let the Bells Keep Ringing, Just Young and the latest, My Heart Sings.

Jimmy Clanton is a tall, dark, handsome 18 year old guitar-strumming singer from Louisiana. "Just a dream" was his first big hit, followed closely by "Letter to an Angel."

Connie Francis has a new release "If I Didn't Care." It sounds like it will be another hit. Tab Hunter's new record "Apple Blossom Time" is climbing high on the hit parade charts as well as "Rawhide" by Link Wray.

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