



SCHOOL'S 'OUT (AGAIN)

THIS IS ONE METHOD OF READING comprehension and improvement which helped students during the summer school just completed at Bramalea Centennial School. The student in the foreground is reading lines flashed on a screen in quick succession, helping her to increase her learning ability by increasing her ability to absorb the content of a printed sentence. Thirty-one students from Georgetown attended the summer classes.

Northern Electric Contract For Workers at HOPE Centre

New director of Halton opportunity Enterprises workshop at Hornby, Henry Lham returned from a six week stay in hospital to find almost unrecognizable premises recently.

An addition to the rear of the building, to be used as the wood-working department, has been completed with the trainees doing much of the painting themselves.

The Kinsmen Club and Kinettes of Georgetown laid a new tile floor and have been helping with delivery of re-ebbed lawn chairs in Georgetown, while Milton Lions Club has assisted with collection and redistribution of chairs in the Milton area.

One of the recent contracts the workshop made was with Northern Electric for the assembly and sorting parts for tele-spring balance parts for tele-phone systems which must last 40 years.

Given three weeks to complete the work, the trainees ac-

complished it in four days, earning a well-deserved holiday which began July 29th and will end August 20th.

THE MAIL BAG

Corrects Councillor On School Statistics

R. R. 2
Georgetown, Ont.
August 9th, 1968

Dear Sir:
On the front page of last week's Herald, you quoted Cr. Patterson as saying that Pineview Public School was a six-room school with an assistant principal. I would like to give your readers the correct information, as this quotation was quite false. Pineview Public School has ten classrooms and no assistant principal.

Yours sincerely,
A. P. Dickson, Principal

Recent Torrential Rainfall Collapses Huttonville Dam

The 48-year-old Huttonville dam, weakened by the diversion of the Credit River nearby during rebuilding of the 4th Line bridge in the village, collapsed early August 13, under added pressure from the torrential rain storm.

Residents say they have notified the Peel County engineering department on different occasions that the diverted water was weakening the old dam, but nothing had been done.

"The dam gave way in the early hours of the morning during the storm," said Jenny Howard, 16 River Road, Huttonville.

"When the dam gave way it dragged the water from the diversion through the break and

down to the new bridge. I had complained to the county engineer myself that the dam would give way."

The dam's loss will not affect the Credit River conservation area program, according to the authority's public relations officer Joan Rollings.

"It's been a pain in the neck for a good many years," said Mrs. Rollings. "I know it has bothered people in Huttonville."

"It shouldn't have any effect on the work we do in the authority. For the past few years it hasn't held back enough water to be of any good anyway."

Marino Rizzolo, a construction engineer with the Covasish Construction firm, Cookville, is building the new bridge, "said

when the men first got to work about 7 a.m. they went to the river trying to salvage some of the lumber being washed away from the new bridge.

"But about 7.15 the water started to rush so fast we had to get out of the river."

Jack Sumpter, Sumpter's general store regretted the dam had broken.

"The Huttonville dam was the landmark the village was associated with."

The dam which broke Tuesday morning was the second one to be built in Huttonville. It was constructed in the 1920's to replace an earlier dam.

Halton Will, Peel Won't So Health Board Stalled

Halton county council has come out in favour of a joint health board with Peel.

Peel council general committee last week considered a request from Halton to endorse a resolution calling for the amalgamation.

"I gathered," said Brapperton Mayor William Brydon, "that a special committee of the board of health met with Halton at the time we rejected the

idea. I think it had moved," said Councillor Reeve Cyril Clark.

"We should shelve it until we talk with the Minister of Municipal Affairs," suggested Mississauga Mayor Robert Speck, "and we know what's happened with regional government."

"That's why we rejected the amalgamation," Reeve Clark said, "and I see where we're go-

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SUGAR AND SPICE by Bill Smiley

We Get Letters

Teachers get some pretty funny notes from parents, explaining the absence of a pupil. Usually it's the harp and tither or father stabs do anything at the last minute, as the kid, heading for the door, and already late, screams in dismay: "Oh, I gotta leave a note."

"Thus, you get such things as 'Please excuse Jane's grandmother for being absent due to her illness.' The baffled teacher finally figures out that probably had the flu and Jane had to stay home and look after her because Mom can't miss a day at the shoe factory, because that is the only way she can muster enough money to buy Jane some decent clothes so she can go to school, so she can be a real whiz and help out Granny and Mom.

Sometimes the notes are not so funny. 'Please excuse Jim for being late as he had to appear in court this morning for drunk and disorderly, but it was the other guys fault.'

Well, teachers aren't the only ones who receive sad and funny letters. The rest of the column will be made up of sentences taken from actual letters received by the Toronto Welfare Department from applicants for aid and assistance.

They may explain why English teachers look so stunned so much of the time. The sentences will be in quotation marks. The comments will be whatever comes to mind.

"I am very annoyed that you have brought my son illiterate as this is a lie. I was married to his father a week before he was born." She didn't mean illiterate. She meant illegible.

"In answer to your letter, I have given birth to a boy weighing ten pounds. I hope this is satisfactory." Really, what would be more satisfactory?

"Unless I get my husband's money pretty soon, I will be forced to lead an immortal life." And good luck to you, Missus. There should be a lot more of

that type of positive thinking in the world.

"Mrs. Jones has not had any clothes for a year and has been visited regularly by the Clergy." No comment.

"This is my eighth child - what are you going to do about it? What indeed? It's certainly time somebody did something." Or stopped doing something.

"I am glad to report that my husband who was reported missing is dead." Now there is a sentence of which Hemingway would be proud. Not a syllable too much or too little. The emotion is restrained. Note that she was "glad," not "delighted."

"And here's one with the same theme, but a different twist. 'Please find for certain if my husband is dead, the man I am living with can't eat or do anything until he finds out.' There's drama for you. There's tragedy. Think of the poor devil, starving to death, unable to smoke or drink or pick the teeth or pull the fluff out of his belly-button.

Here's another that shows a nice respect for bureaucracy. 'In accordance with your instructions, I have given birth to twins in the enclosed envelope.' And they thought the Pill was a bit dear!

Another mom writes: "I can't get sick pay. I have six children. Can you tell me why? There's a beautiful logic there, somewhere, if you could just put your finger on it."

"I have a son who is a bus driver and works day and night. But think of all that overtime."

And finally, it sounds like an old chestnut, but teachers actually get notes like this. "I want money as quick as I can get it. I have been in bed with the doctor for two weeks and he doesn't do me any good. If things don't improve, I will have to send for another doctor."

This is Medicare?

SMILE
The stork is a bird that gives some people the Wilkes.

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Yours sincerely,

John S. Beatty
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