Dear Mr. Editor:

As a member of the teach-

ng profession, however, would like to refer specifically to the letter written by Mr. Mann. In referring to a coun-

ldiot, who has been chosen to represent the people on coun-

guage is unbecoming a respon-

sible teacher. One of the of-

ten expressed aims of a teach-

ment of Education, says taking venly written language, she children out of classrooms and says

The teachers meeting repres-

Other teachers from the system were taking part in prof-Miss Matthie, who is also a essional development day acti-

speaking to a convention of THE GEORGETOWN HERALD Halton County Separate School THURSDAY, NOV. 27th, 1969

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## MRS. VAN DER TOORN

Eighty-one year old Mrs. Van Der Toorn of Scheveningen, question and participate in dia-Holland, a resort town on the North Sea, is visiting with logue in the society. How can her daughter, whose name is also Mrs. Van Der Toorn, at a teacher using such abusive 115 Park Street, Glen Williams. Spry and alert for her language be exemplary in this age, Mrs. Van Der Toorn said if she was 10 years younger regard? she would stay in this country. She was particularly thrilled with the beauty of Niagara Falls despite the shut-must resort to "cajolery" dow of the American falls. She plans to return to Holland in the spring.

THE MAIL BAG

## What's Wrong? Teacher Says **New Education System Excellent**

12 McInfyre Crescent, simply collapse after the last

Dear Sir: A recent resolution sponsor Most teachers and nearly all ed by Ken Marshall, Councillor principals are back in their Enquesing Township, schools by mid-August preparsounds as if he has a personal ing for the September opening. by further reference to the are to grind with educational Mr. Marshall has administered people in this county. Rather a stinging slap in the face to than vent his ire on the entire those of us who work hard to especially to the salaries of system Cr. Marshall produce a favourable educatwould be well advised to let ional climate. somebody know what exactly is

bothering him. officials, principals and teach- then his resolutions become not dent of the Bank of Canada. ers have done an excellent job constructive but destructive. of uniting our county schools If Mr. Marshall is dissatisfied with its efficiency after only nine months of operation, am sure that he cannot be aware of the complexities involv-

To suggest that trustees salaries be cut by 50% shows the small town thinking which must inevitably produce regional government. If the Halton County Board of Education is to continue to attract the wellqualified people who now compose it, we as tarpayers must be prepared to pay them. The spending of the millions of dollars involved in education today cannot be left to the inexperienced but must be car ried out by well-qualified businexs minded people. Unfortun ately these people are usually the busiest in the community. Surely our trustees are worth every penny they receive if they are willing to spend the time to successfully expedite our most important national requisite - education.

As a teacher-principal, I have never had so much backup help from a school board. With psychological services now available as well as the assistance of a host of subject co-ordinators, and consultants, teachers can more successfully meet the needs of individual pupils. The suggestion of slashing salaries of any employees is absolutely unacceptable because in the long run it would be the boys and girls of our schools who would suffer. This would ultimately defeat everything our county board has done, to try to equalize educational opport-

unities. If some other segments of the Canadian economy were accepting wage freezes then I'm sure its school teachers would respond accordingly but when prices and wages continue to spiral it is folly to ask the teaching profession to hold the line. The vast majority of teachers work long hard hours preparing lessons, teaching boys and girls, supervising pupils at noon hours and recesses, marking books and tests, and attending courses, workshops, and meetings to further their professional development. The mental fatigue experienced by teachers in our quickly-changing society is an immeasurable quality. While many teachers and principals study during the summer to increase their qualiscation for their chosen professions, there is a large group who really require the rest which they get in July and part of August. Teachers are so flogged out by the end of June . our busiest month - that they

er is to train youth to analyse.

school child leaves in June.

Respectfully yours,

Jack Reed

Give The

of Christmas

Mr. Mann states that help the "kids" get a "better understanding of life." concern is for the children who fall helplessly under the influence of this type of teachir.

Mr. Editor, I would also like to comment on the press release of Mr. Armitage, chairman of the Halton County Bd. of Education. He expressed concern over the salaries of teachers, i.e. high school teacers at \$8550 and public school teachers at \$6200, etc. Ho might have clarified the Issue salaries of board members (expense accounts included) and their employees on the administrative staff.

In conclusion may I re-iter-Mr. Armitage's comparison of ate my original statement: the per capita costs of members Everyone who works for the there are things wrong with of council versus the per capi-Halton County Board of Edu-education in Halton County but ta cost of board members is utcation realizes that the system there are a great many more ter nonsense. The services and has its drawbacks but consider-things which are right. I am numbers of persons involved ing the wide differences in sure that Mr. Marshall could are different. One might just procedures and routines which find proof of those things ab- as well compare the per capita existed in January 1969 I be out education which are caus cost of a part time dog catcher lieve the trustees, director, as ing him concern. He must not, with the per capita cost of the sistant director, administrative however, see only the bad for Prime Minister and the presi-

> The same illogical approach was recently made by one of our Georgetown councillors to

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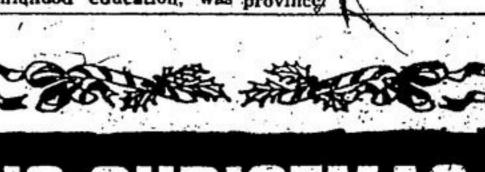
ation due to a lack of more sultant for the Ontario Depart- al language could result in slovalid reasoning I would like to comment on

the response of the teachers I believe that the resolution into the neighbourhood encour. Miss Matthle also recommenand Halton County School Bd. by Mr. Ken Marshall was pre ages youngsters to participate ded the reading of prose and members to the resolutions sented to bring into question in learning situations by using poetry in the class every day. the spiralling costs of educa-vital everyday experiences. passed by the Esquesing Countion. In some respects the This is preferrable to impos ented only about one third of cil. On the whole the arguments in the controversy were resolution contained comments, lng artificial and foreign ideas the separate school board's aca-

much below what one might I believe, that were only in on the student in the classroom demic staff from educators of tended to elicit dialogue from she explains, those involved.

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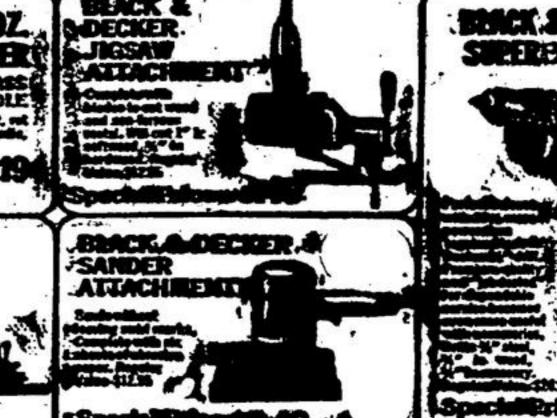


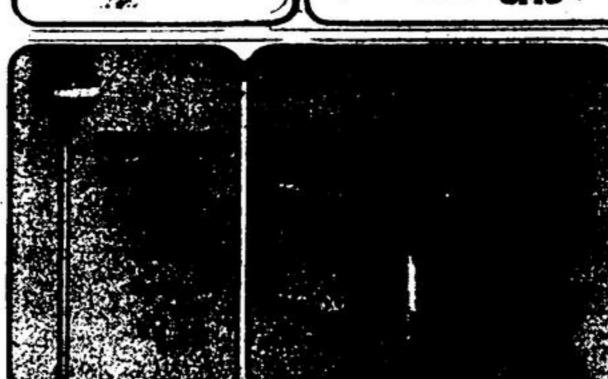














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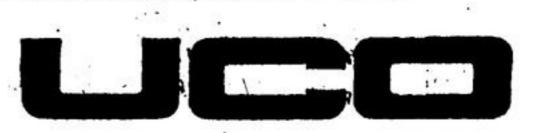
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