### BILL SMILEY

# Love Him A Little Kids Show Teacher

This year, as I mentioned preiviously, my wife taught English in a private school. It was her first crack at teaching, aside from kindergarten and music, and she taught a Grade 13 class so it was no cinch. She worked hard at it.

But the strain on me was something else. Every day when I got home from teaching 150 students. I had to endure a two-hour monologue about her "kids" and what they'd said and done today. Once in a while I'd try to get in a word or phrase about what my "kids" had said and done but it was like trying to stop Secretariat, in full gallop, with a piece of thread.

WORRIES At the first of the year, she was worried about a few of them, who gave promise of becoming recalcitrant. But by sheer charm, and her innate interest in other people, she was able to establish a close and friendly relationship with every

single one of her huge class By the time the last day of school came around, she was almost in tears as she realized she'd probably never see any of them again. or only as comparative

This is something that happens to most teachers who really like youngsters. especially when it's a graduating class. There is

generally a mutual warmth on the last day of school. The students suddenly realize that it's their last day in high school, surely one of the happiest times of their life. The teacher suddenly realizes that this is the last

day, that he's made it once

again without going around the bend, and that this is a pretty good lot of kids.

SCARED

actually scared when it comes upon them that another umbilical cord has been cut and the great big hard world is waiting to swallow them. Oceasionally there are tears. One young lady wanted to

know, as she wept, "How did happiest day of my life."

At any rate, the last day of school usually produces a feeling of fondness and exchanges of, "Have a good summer, sir:". And the response, "Will do. You too. See you in the fall". Or, if they're graduating, "Come and see us when you're home from college." They usually

unintelligible mumble. present me with a hand-

Now, when the kids are choosing their class president, at the beginning of the year. I assure the reluctant nominees that, "There's nothing much to the job, except to collect the money for my Christmas and end-of-year gifts," It shakes

### QUEEN'S PARK

## Old Automobiles Eyesore of Land

BY DON O'HEARN Queen's Park Bureau Of The Herald

TORONTO As you may remember last year's Throne Speech made a promise that the government would be taking action on abandoned automobiles.

The promise was that it would do something about the unsightly mess that abandoned cars make of the country-side. As of now the promise still

has to be kept. The only substantial step taken to date has been to find

out just what the size of the problem might be. Last summer students were employed to make a

survey of abandoned cars throughout the province, And from their findings it is now estimated that there

are somewhere between 400,0000 and 500,000 aban-

doned cars to be disposed of. But just how they may be disposed of is a problem the ministry of the environment, which is responsible for the program, still has to meet.

LITTLE VALUE: The root of the problem is that old automobiles aren't worth mueft for scrap.

in areas such as Toronto which are close to the Hamilton steel mills which use the scrap the situation is not too bad.

The hulks can be sold and still show a return of a few dollars.

Some of the youngsters are

you feel when you left high school?" She obviously meant that she was almost heart-broken. But she received the realistic answer, "Great. It was the

Of course, the longer you teach, the tougher you get. In my first couple of years, over a decade ago, I was almost stunned by the good will on closing day. The class president would advance to the front, watched by 35 hawklike pairs of eyes, each pair of which had kicked in a quarter, and, after a shy,

somely-wrapped gift. NOMINEES

### But in areas farther away from the mills the tran-

sportation costs are too high. There is little use in trying to dispose of the hulks. And so most people just take them out on a country

road and abandon them. To try and come up with some answers the ministry this summer is sponsoring pilot projects in Pembroke. Sault St. Marie and probably Sudbury,

These projects will cover techniques of collecting old cars and the costs involved. whether incentives for disposal by owners might work and whether perhaps a freight subsidy for transportation to Hamilton might be worthwhile.

Along with this a plan is being considered which might turn into a bit of a shock for car owners if it is

ever applied. Under this when a new car was being initially registered a special disposal fee, of say

\$25, would be collected. This would carry through the life of the car. Then when it finally was disposed of the final owner would collect the fee from the

government. The main value of this approach, it is claimed, is that the public at large wouldn't have to pay the cost of disposal. Also, of course, there would be an incentive for cars to be disposed of properly.

THE OLD OTTAWA SOFT SHOE

them a bit, but it pays off. Over the years, I've been the recipient of dozens of golf balls, a bettle of good wine, a smart desk set, a lawn chair, and shelves full of fancy shaving lotion and exotic tale and stuff I never use.

This year, I didn't have a home form. No present. But I got a pleasant surprise. Last class I had with my four-year Grade II, a group I would have considered least likely to do it, they kicked through Marlene came up and said,

"Mr. Smiley, this is for you, for being such a nice teacher." Not a good teacher, mind. Just a nice one. And speaking of nice, it was one of the simplest and nicest speeches I have ever heard.

Half suspecting a practical ioke, for this was a group I'd tangled with in the fall, I opened it, standing well back. No joke. There was a handsome little book of inspirational poems and prayers. I thought this might be a pointed suggestion that needed both, and was still slightly wary.

LONG MATCH

Then I opened the other package. It contained an eternal match. This is a fancy type of cigarette lighter. You pull a sort of stick out of a little round barrel, it strikes a flint, and you have a long match-like light. It would be great for a

pipe-smoker. Unfortunately, it wouldn't work when I tried it Typically, Marlene had tried it thoroughly before wrapping it, so thoroughly that she'd used all the fuel. She tried to get it going for me, and was greeted with hoots of derision when she couldn't. However, the thought was there, and they yelled at me

that I could take it back to the store A small thing, in their busy lives and mine. But it's warming to know that somebody loves you a little bit, even though you are a teacher, and is willing to ante up a dime or even a quarter

to prove it. I'd rather have that, once a year, than a gold watch and a stupid scroll at the end of

twenty-five years.

### Bible Verse

He that bath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls". Proverbs

25:28 To give in to every whim of the flesh is an invitation to evil for a "take over" of everything that is good and

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## Page 12 GEORGETOWN BERALD, THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 1973 Really Just Privilege

Georgetown council this week lent its support to an Oakville resolution that would institute a form of ticket issued to owners of

pets that run at large. The idea is to make owners more directly aware of the infraction, and at the same time, provide some greater measure of

It probably won't work. Pets, especially dogs, are supposed to be man's best friends, but man often isn't the best friend of most pets. If he were, then there wouldn't be the large number of cats, dogs and such destroyed in

pounds every year. It's a nasty suggestion to make, but the only sure form of pet pet control Municipalities have to institute stiff measures about pet ownership if they want to control pet populations, expecially the population that runs at large.

## Little Kea Hen

Once upon a time, there was a little red hen who scratched about and uncovered some grains of wheat. She called her barnyard neighbors and said, "If we work together and plant this wheat, we will have some bread to eat. Who will help me?" "Not I," said the cow. "Not I." said the duck, as did the goose. "Then I will plant it," the little red hen said. And she did.

Much later, when the wheat started to grow, the little red hen was again denied help. At length, the wheat was ready for harvesting. "Who will help me reap the wheat?" the little red hen asked. "Not I," said the cow. Same thing from the duck and the goose. "Out of my classification," said the

So the little red hen harvested the wheat herself. Then she ground the wheat into flour. Now, at last, she asked help with the baking. "That's overtime for me," said the cow. "I'm a dropout and never learned how," said the duck. "I'd lose my welfare benefits," said the pig. "If I'm the only one helping that would be discrimination," said the goose. "No thanks." So the little red hen baked and

This means banning pets altogether, or rigidly limiting their numbers. Strict enforcement also is required, much more so than generally is followed now.

Pet owners, of course, can be expected to scream. But the law usually has been bent in their direction. Non-pet owners, who don't like to see lawns and gardens festooned with droppings, are often regarded as mother-haters, childbeaters and even Communists if they protest too loudly.

the Even occasional molestation that might involve a dog and a child, for example, rarely ever seems to produce much counter-reaction against pet ownership. It must be regarded as a simple hazard of pet ownership.

A few rigid applications of rules might be what society needs to drive home the lesson that pet ownership is a responsibility. It's a responsibility that derives from privilege, not right.

showed her neighbors the five loaves. "I want some," said the cow, as did the duck. "I want my share," said the goose, while the pig also demanded his share. "No soap," said the little red hen. "I'll just take it easy for a while and enjoy my bread." "Excess profits!" cried the cow. "Company fink!" shouted the goose and the pig also demanded equal rights.

Pretty soon, the farmer came to investigate the commotion. "You must not be greedy," he told then hen. "Look at the oppressed cow, the disadvantaged duck and the under-privileged pig., the less fortunate goose. You are making second-class citizens out of them.

"But I earned the bread." the little red hen said. "Exactly!" the farmer said. "That is the free enterprise system. Anybody can earn as much as he wants. In other barnyards, you would have to give all five loaves to the farmer. Here, you keep one and give four loaves to your suffering neighbors."

And they lived happily ever after, including the little red hen, whose neighbors never ceased to wonder why in the world she never raised any more wheat or baked any more bread.

# Fussbudgeting Pays Off

If a Georgetown householder received \$100 a week to spend on necessities, and had \$10 left by the time the end of the week rolled around, the natural temptation would be to spend the remaining amount on anything, necessity or not, to avoid the possibility that the next week's stipend might be cut to

That situation is something like the one which happened to several Ontario ministries, which it was later shown, hurried to spend approved budgets to avoid future cutbacks. An investigation discovered that last-minute shopping did, in fact, occur, along with unusual transfers of funds that helped exhaust budgets before

the end of fiscal years.

Now, at least two Ontario ministries, health and natural resources, operate under directives that order staff not to follow irregular practices.

Does all this seem to be an exercise in fussbudgeting?

Perhaps, but it should be some consolation to all Ontario taxpayers that better budgeting might result, with more realistic appraisal of needs and some expenditure according to priorities.

Out of all this comes the chance that taxpayers will receive better value for their tax dollars. And that's not such a bad thing, is

# **ECHOES FROM THE PAST**

10 YEARS AGO

A move designed to bring an extra \$15,000 yearly in water revenue to the town, and overcome a present \$42,000 deficit in the water department, was given initial council approval. On a split 5-4 vote, council gave two readings to a new water bylaw. The present minimum gallonage of 6,000 was reduced to 5,000; and the minimum water charge was increased from the present \$3 to \$3.35. Sewer service charge was to remain at an extra 50 per cent of the water bill.

Approval of a \$5,000,000 conservation project which will include dams at Georgetown, Silvercreek and Glen Williams was granted by Georgetown council. But council will continue to press for earlier construction of the Mountainview Road dam slated near the end of the 15-year program.

It was a rewarding night for Hospital Board Chairman Ted Evans, when he was the guest of the Rotary Club at its Monday meeting. Not only did he partake of barbecued steak but also he received a \$500 cheque from local club, bringing the amount turned over to the hospital by the club to \$1,000 since last June.

20 YEARS AGO

Council held a court of revision to deal with local improvement charges for sewerage extensions. Council heard an appeal from Mrs. A. N. Cole about the charges for a sewer running along Charity Lane. She said she felt that this charge was unjust, due to the fact that she had previously been required to book up to a sewer at the rear of her property on back oneet. The court was in sympathy and the charge was written off. Alterations in the size of three lots along the highway were also adjusted. Dominion Seed House appealed for a deferred payment on its sewer charge of \$2,635, until such time as its property might be subdivided, but the court of revision left if had no purisdiction in this matter, the seen tiouse had the option in appealing to a higher court.

By special bus and car, dozens of Georgetowners went to Oakville to hear Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent, who was speaking in Wallace Park during a preelection tour of Ontario.

Tenders will be received by the Esquesing Township school board for construction of a new elementary school building in Norval. Tenders were to be postmarked by registered mail not later than 5 p.m., July 13, 1953.

30 YEARS AGO

Since joining the RCAF in June. Sgt. Leslie M. Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Clark, of Georgetown, and a former employee on The Herald Staff has seen plenty of territory in the Far East, and has also seen enemy action while a member of the Air Transport Command. On one of these trips the plane and crew with which Les has been attached met up with enemy fighters, and only by sheer luck was the crew able to bring its craft back home safely.

Spider Island, presented to a full house in the Gregory Theatre by the United Church YPU players, held the audience spellbound with the tale of mystery it unfolded. All players were girls except one man who made. an appearance on the stage for about three seconds and spoke one word. The action of the play, the direction and the suspense were so absorbing that the audience didn't notice the absence of the male element. Rev. R. C. Todd directed the play.

Housewives were reminded that dealers could refuse to accept coupons for rationed commodities from an unsigned ration book. Ration regulations stated that each page of coupons must be signed by the person to whom the book is made out. This was meant to protect the consumer as well as the butcher and the latter was said to be within his rights in refusing to accept coupons from a sheet of coupons which did not bear the proper signature

## Health Hazards Feared

Sir: On June 5, 1973, a group of about twenty Pollution Probe Georgetown members went or a four of the local sewage treatment plant. We were cordially escorted by Win Smith, chief operator of the plant, who explained the processes involved in handling

READER'S FORUM

Georgetown's sewage. We were truly impressed with the fantastic efforts made by the staff in handling the presently overloaded sewage treatment system. Mr. Smith informed us that despite the plant's capacity

of 1.5 million gallons, the average flow of sewage was

at 2.8 million. On rainy and heavler than normal days, the plant becomes overburdened and sewage must be diverted almost directly into the river being partially treated only. This to say the least

problem to people not only in

presents a health hazard

the Georgetown area but also those living in municipalities further down the Credit River. Not a few of us may have observed that our children are playing in

## Aerial Spray Studies Look at Side Effects

CARBERRY, MAN, --Environment Canada has faunched a concentrated study of the possible side effects of an aerial spray operation conducted this month in the Spruce Woods

Forest Reserve. Researchers from the Canadian Forestry Service and the Freshwater Institute are taking detailed notes of any observable effects caused by the chemical Fenitrothion, on birds, fish and other aquatic life. (Approximately 7,000 acres within the 232 square mile reserve were sprayed earlier this month to control a severe outbreak of spruce budworm in the area.)

"We've seen no effect of the chemical on fish so far... explained Dr. Lockhart, research scientist with the Freshwater Institute. "We've placed four cages of yearling rainbow trout at various spots along the course of Pine Creek, Two cages in the spray area, two upstream from it. It's too early to tell yet-we've many tests to finish-but the fish

seem healthy now. Dr. Lockhart and his staff make counts of any mortality in their caged trout, and take blood and brain samples, plus entire specimens for later laboratory analyses. Eight measurements of the blood samples alone will be conducted, he said. LIFE FORMS

Fish are not the only forms of life in a river system, although the easiest to see. Harder to find, but many millions of times more plentiful, are the tiny animals and plants called "benthos" that live in the sediment at the stream bottom. These play an important role as part of the food chain of fish, and so they too are under intensive study.

On Pine Creek, Freshwater Institute staff worked around the clock collecting benthos samples during the spray operation. Three collection stations-nets set in groups of four-were cleared every two hours, day and night. Thousands of snails, mayfly nymphs, stone Ny nymphs, caddis fly larvae

## Bill Bucked By Chamber

and other small in-

OTTAWA- "It has become apparent that short-term political considerations are being given priority over the long-term national interests. and the Canadian Chamber of Commerce has no alternative but to appeal to your committee to recommend that Bill C-132 be

withdrawn. This was the message given to the Commons committee on finance, trade and economic affairs by A.O. Wolff, chairman of the chamber's foreign investment and national in-

dustrial strategy committee. "Notwithstanding our sincere and, we believe, objective approach," he said, "we were dismayed with the Minister's apparent determination not to consider any constructive suggestions with respect to eliminating certain evident

shortcomings in the bill. "It is difficult to understand how the minister can be so inflexible, when this issue is critical to the economic growth of this country and to the future well-being of every Canadian.

Mr. Wolff said, "Of prime concern is the section of the Bill relating to the concept of 'significant benefit'. This should be substituted by the test of 'detriment' or 'prejudice'. thus empowering the federal government to block any investment which it considers contrary to Canadian interests or objectives.

"Moreover, as long as the test of 'significant benefit' is retained, the Chamber is convinced that great difficulty in the implementation of this legislation will result from conflicts of abjectives between the provinces and the federal government. The chamber met with

Alastair Gillespie, minister of industry, trade and commerce, and other ministers and senior officials on June 1, to present to them the results of a two-year undertaking by 13 major husiness and trade associations on national strategy.

At that meeting, representatives from the chamber were led to believe that the results of their efforts were timely and, indeed, coincided with the manister's views with respect to n coordinated and co-operative approach in this area.

vertebrates have been collected for later analyses in the Institute's Winnipeg

laboratory.

Before-and-after samples of the stream bed have also been sent to the laboratory to check for possible reductions in animal life. Water and sediment samples as well; these allow scientists to observe the effects of the spray on bacteria. Algae populations have been monitored by studying their growth on glass slides suspended in the stream, Cray(ish too play a role in the study. Thirty six of the crustaceans have been placed in cages along the creek and are under close analysis. SAMPLING

A further water sampling method, less costly and timeconsuming than direct chemical analyses, is being tried by Jim Reinke, chemist with the Freshwater Institute. Using a monitoring system of polyurethane foam in glass tubes. Reinke has taken streamside readings at intervals of 30 minutes, one. two, four, eight and twentyfour hours. If his method proves accurate measuring the chemical runoff, the technique will probably get wider use in other Institute projects.

Birds and small mammals are also under investigation by scientists from Environment Canada's Chemical Control Research Institute. Their work is supported by a University of Manitoba study on 140 Japanese Quail which have been set out in cages at various locations in the forest.

Bacteria have also been employed to control the budworms. The idea is to fight nature with nature. Released in a suspension of molasses over a small area by airplane, the bugs are expected to infest and kill the hudworms without risking the side effects of a chemical. This method of attack is called 'biological control'. Because the bacteria do their work slowly, results won't be known for several weeks.

The spray operation is being conducted by the Manitoba Department of Mines, Resources and Environmental Management. A full report of the research findings dealing with the side effects of the insecticide will be presented to the Clean Environment Commission at the end of the year.

and around Silver Creek (west branch of the Credit). wading, swimming, picniking, etc., with the potential danger of acquiring some detrimental viruses or other deleterious health problems.

We must emphasize that, after our tour, we are fully satisfied with the manner in which the plant staff is attempting to handle the increased levels of sewage flow, considering the inadequate facilities which are available to them.

It seems that the culprit in these circumstances is poor planning by our local politicians. This narrowness of insight is leading us into disastrous living conditions which one finds in today's overcrowded metropolitan centres, thus destroying the natural beauty of the area we

reside in. It is true that we are being assured that additional facilities for the handling of sewage will be built sometime in the future (a minimum of two years before these additions can be made).

At the rate Georgetown population is growing, and considering the new subdivision being planned on the south side of the plant, we wonder whether or not the problem will not merely continue on, unabated, Pollution Probe,

Georgetown.

### UNICYCLING

Sir: Georgetown has so clubs many organizations now, we need

something unusual How about a unicycle club? My 12-year-old sister, 14year-old brother and me, 16, can ride one. I'm sure there would be some people interested to learn to ride one. and go for trips.

It's not hard to learn, it just takes a lot of practice. Anyone interested?

### Norval

Rebecca Pettingill,

SEWAGE AGAIN Sir: This is a copy of a letter submitted to the council of the Town of Georgetown.

residents of Chinguacousy Township, we are disturbed by the present overloading of the Georgetown sewage disposal plant and its adverse effects on the Credit River.

The Credit is one of the least polluted rivers in the general Toronto area and we, and many other persons, would like to see it remain that way.

Present average daily throughput of 2.8 million gallons, for a plant designed for 1.5 million gallons, would, in our opinion, indicate a need to curtail further expansion of Georgetown, at least until adequate treatment capacity can be achieved, including tertiary

trealment. Would you please advise us when your plant will be undated, and whether huilding permits are currently being witheld for

the reason mentioned above? May we hear from you? Robert Hansen Helen Hansen

RR2 Norval

# O'CONNOR'S **OTTAWA**

By TERRY O'CONNOR (PC-Halton)

Most Wednesday evenings

in June, there can be heard

on Parliament Hill, strange

gutteral yells, grunts, groans

and the occasional cheer. No.

the Members of Parliament

have not resorted to physical

methods of persuading each

other of their points of view.

The scene is the front lawns

of the Parliament buildings.

and the occasions are the

annual softball games

between the Members of the

Commons Protective Staff.

Overweight and out-of-

shape bodies are forced to

dive headlong for a line-drive

or made to lumber down to.

second base. Points of order

or privilege are raised only

when a batter "knows" that

that third strike was a ball

and the umpire "knows"

differently. However, when

the umpire is someone of the

imposing size and authority

Hamilton, the protester is

Party differences are set

aside and national unity

prevails. A Quebec

Nationalist can hit a home

run as well as a B.C. socialist

as well as a Newfoundland

The people of Canada will

be proud to know that their

elected representatives can

do more than just talk. We

whipped the Commons

Protective Staff 21-3, and

cleaned up the Press Gallery

19-9. And the people of Halton

will be proud to know that

Itheir (honorable?) Member

starred in these victories as

second-string right-fielder

and first-string third-base-

Highlights of the games

coach.

wasting his time.

NO DIFFERENCES

Tory. Or as poorly.

Line Alexander from

and the Press Gallery.

included the efforts of Warren Allmand, who, when not playing a tight secondbase and wielding a heavy bat, is Canada's Solicitor General in charge of the penitentlary system. After

return it. Great Pipeline debate right into the tulp bed to the West of the Peace Tower.

Lorne Nystrom, the best NDP sidearm pitcher ever to come out of Yorkton. Saskatchewan, - also the only one - is largely responsible for our successes. It is indisputably in the interests of our team, if not so indisputably in the interests of the country, that

Despite the distinct lack of athletic conditioning and skill, injuries are generally limited to aching muscles. One ambitious press gallery rightfielder, however, did skin his knee chasing a foul ball into the Eternal Flame fountain at the foot of the main walk.

he continue to be re-elected.

As the cliche goes, an enjoyable time was had by all. Bring on the Expos.

If you have a problem. idea, comment or criticism, or if you simply wish to get in touch with me, please call Mrs. Fran Baines at 877-6475. or stop by my Rlding Office at 326 Lakeshore Road East. Oakville.

stealing third base, on act quite unbecoming of the country's chief law enforcement official, he was immediately ordered to John Reynolds, a Tory member from B.C., hit the longest homerun since the

NDP SIDEARM