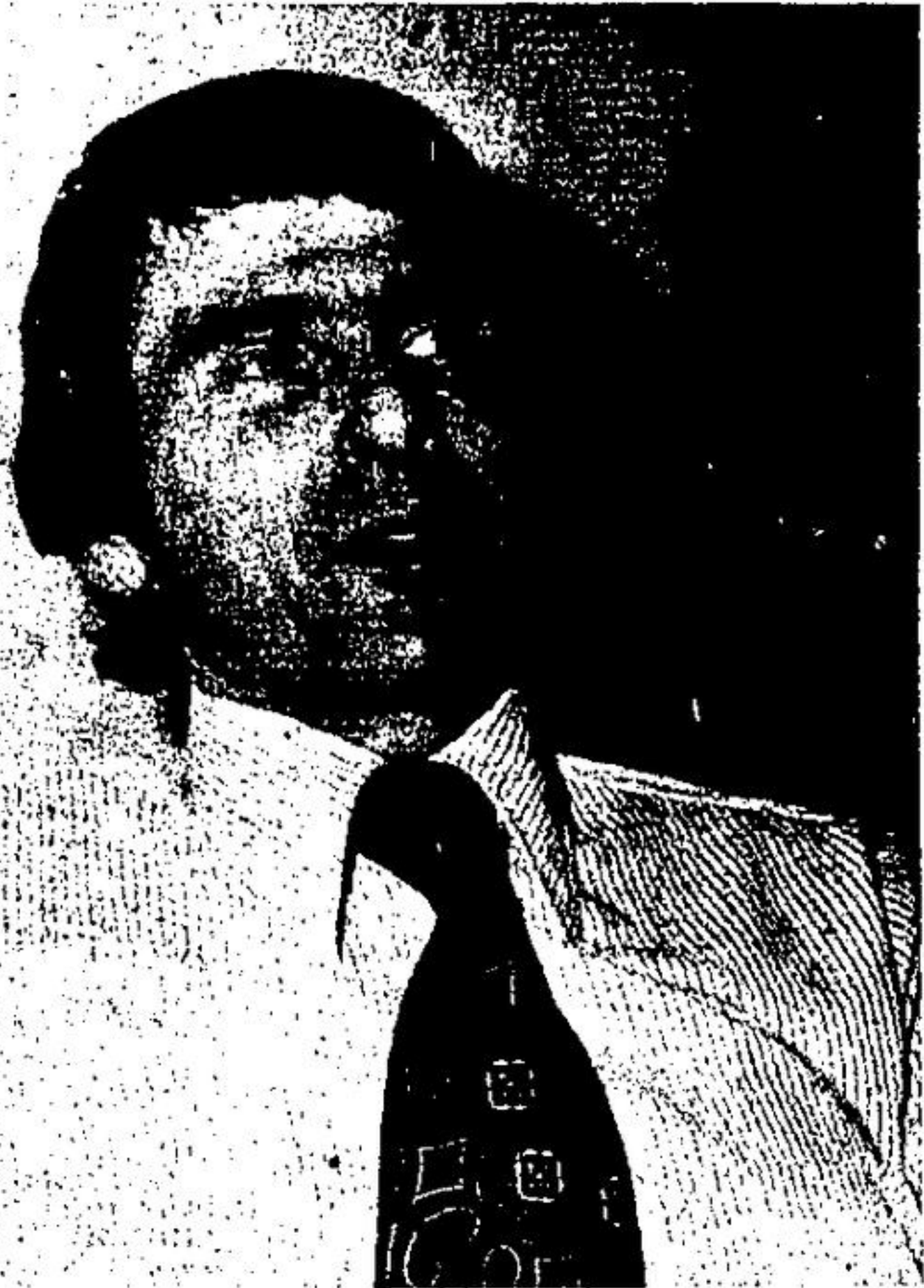


A member of  
the silent majority speaks out



DAVID DOIG feels that "teachers deserve a round of applause instead of criticism... We entrust our children to teachers so they expect some criticism but, there is a way to criticize." Mr. Doig recently conducted a poll of the parents who had children involved in the controversial Three-Dimensional Portrait given at Park School. He wanted to prove that stands taken against the portrait were of a "minority group".

# Support, don't abuse, teachers

By Doris Lindauer  
Staff Reporter

When his son was deprived of completing a special project given at Park Public School because of actions taken by a minority group, David Doig became concerned.

The special project that created this concern was the "Three Dimensional Portrait", a self-analysis questionnaire for the students, which quickly drew a great deal of criticism from a few upset parents.

"I became concerned that people would think that all the commotion read about in the papers was of a majority feeling. I conducted a poll to prove to these minority groups, to trustees, to people involved in education and to parents, that these were stands taken by minority group," stated Mr. Doig.

"How can the approximate membership of 700 in the Renaissance Committee reflect the opinions of thousands upon thousands of parents who have children attending schools in Halton Hills?" questioned Mr. Doig.

"Of all the jobs in the community or of jobs which effect our social structure, I

think that the teachers have the toughest job."

Mr. Doig added that he felt that teachers have been unjustly abused. "The majority of people I talked to respected the principal's judgement. However, they did feel that they were capable of resolving a controversial issue themselves with the principal without having to resort to public, destructive criticism."

Mr. Doig explained the effects of such publicity on the relationship between teachers and students.

"We entrust the teachers with our children. They practically mould our child and naturally they expect some criticism. On one hand we ask the child to respect the teacher and yet we deride the teacher in public and still demand the child's respect. It's all very confusing for the child."

The poll which Mr. Doig conducted only covered the parents who had children involved in the self-analysis portrait. "I didn't think I had the right to interfere with other parents with children in different grades."

There are 33 parents associated in Mr. Doig's son's class, three of whom belong to the "Concerned Parents" group which were against the project. One parent could not be reached and the remaining 29 parents Mr. Doig visited personally.

The primary question in the poll was, "Do you think the 'Concerned Parent' group has the right to interfere with your child's lesson. If you think they do not have this right, sign below."

Of the 29 parents approached 28 signed.

The second question was, "Did you object to the nature of the recent exercise set at Park School. If you did not object please sign below."

Out of the 29 parents approached 24 signed.

The reason for the difference between the number of signatures in questions one

and two? "Because people did object to the nature of the project. However, they felt equally strongly that no minority group should dictate what their child should learn," explained Mr. Doig.

"We should rely on the discretion of the teacher and the principal whether a lesson is suitable for the class. If the teacher or principal deems the lesson suitable then we should respect their professional judgement."

Mr. Doig's opinion of the self-analysis study was that it encouraged the children to make a logical decision.

"Children tend to base their decisions on emotions, leaving any logic aside. If a special exercise could help a child look

at a situation logically, instead of emotionally, then this exercise would be helpful. Perhaps if people began thinking more logically and became less selfish, there would be a betterment in our society," commented Mr. Doig.

Mr. Doig feels that truly concerned parents help and guide their child at home as much as possible.

"It's the responsibility of the parents to teach children social behaviour, not the teachers. It's too easy to shrug off this responsibility as a teacher. The seeds of discipline should be sown in the home. It's easy to just say 'let's have stricter discipline.'"

Mr. Doig went on to express

his idea on corporal punishment in the schools.

"If we allow corporal punishment in the schools then the teacher and principal must examine each situation carefully. If a child behaves to the detriment of the teacher in front of the whole class, disrupting the class, then some type of discipline should be carried out. However, a teacher may become too emotionally involved in the issue so the principal should consider the incident with a detached view. In the end, if a child goes to bed at night and cries because of a teacher's misuse of authority, then we have plunged to the depths of humanity."

Mr. Doig realizes the confusion and pressures placed on children by society and by the parents as well.

"We live in a society where

we expect a dual standard from our child. For example: we expect the child to speak perfect, flawless grammar. However, the child hears the parents use incorrect speech. It's the same thing when a parent tells a child never to swear and yet the same child hears his parents swearing. We have to set the example."

## Walk through Terra Cotta

For nature lovers the Credit Valley Conservation Authority has scheduled a one-hour nature walk on Sunday, April 27. All interested hikers are to meet at the Terra Cotta Conservation Area at either 11:00 a.m., 1:30 p.m. or 2:30 p.m. A bonfire and a concession booth for hot drinks and food will be set up for the completion of the day.

All conservation areas and facilities are marked on a map in a brochure, available at the Credit Valley Conservation Authority, Meadowvale, Ontario.

## Nurses

Halton Hills' tribute to the ladies in white. The town has officially set aside the week of June 1-7 as "Nurses Week in Halton Hills." Details of the week's activities will be revealed in the coming weeks.

## Limehouse WI executive

Of interest to many here is the passing, following a lengthy illness, of Mrs. James Findlay. She had been bed-ridden for some years and passed away at the Manor on March 27.

We're sorry to hear that Sam Gishy is ill in Georgetown District Memorial Hospital, as is Mrs. Osburn. Mrs. Lloyd Fisher has been moved from Georgetown to Burlington General Hospital. We wish the best for all.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Harding visited her relatives at Port Stanley a week ago.

Mrs. Ralph Turner had a successful sale of goods conducted by auctioneer Ward Brownridge on Saturday. The WI had a good sale of foods at their booth. The cool weather made coffee very popular.

The annual Limehouse WI meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Booth on April 7 beginning with a potluck lunch. Some even got in a little quilting before and after the meeting. Eleven attended and the meeting opened with the Collect.

Plans were made to have a booth at a sale on April 2 and Mrs. Booth and Mrs. Anderson volunteered to convene the Manor birthday party.

Convenors of standing committees read annual reports or sent them. Mrs. Roughley presided for the election of officers. The WI's 1975 executives are: president, Mrs. G. Booth; vice-president, Mrs. F. N. Anderson; district director, Mrs. F. J. C. Brown; alternate, Mrs. Anderson; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. A. W. Benton; branch director, Mrs. Jas. Noble; auditors, Mrs. J. W. Noble, and Mrs. G. Davies;

Standing committees: agriculture and Canadian industries, Mrs. Anderson; citizenship and family affairs, Mrs. Booth; family and consumer affairs, Mrs. Davies, resolutions, Mrs. F. Brown, education and cultural activities, Mrs. Devereaux; curator, Mrs. Benton, delegates to district annual, Mrs. Booth, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Brown with Mrs. Benton as an alternate.

District director, Mrs. Brown, read a report of a recent meeting. The district annual will be in St. Paul's Church, Milton on May 21 with rollicall, "Name a famous woman of Ontario, her birthplace and her other achievements."

A gift of \$75 has been presented to the Erland Lee Home in memory of Mrs. George Henderson of this district. Suggestions for studies this year include the United Nations and the drinking problem.

News included: the youth group's holding a multisale on April 21; a father and son banquet on May 5; a mother and daughter banquet June 21; an operetta at the school on April 16 and 17 at 7:30 each evening; and Mrs. R. C. Moffatt, the bell lady, at the church April 20 at 2:30.

Mrs. Joyce Everitt and daughter Anne of Gravenhurst visited the Nobles last week. Mrs. Stewart and daughter of Waubesa accompanied the former's mother, Mrs.

Mable Johnson, last Wednesday as she called on the Jas. Nobles and Mrs. Wm. Mitchell.

First Limehouse Group Committee held their April meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brian Forster with nine members present. The main topics of discussion were the coming multisale and the father and son banquet in May. It was announced the Cubs and Scouts would be canvassing for the "Trees for Canada" project the week of April 14 and there will be another district dance in May.

During the winter break leader Elaine Hannah attended a session in Milton on

Camping and Outdoor Programming. Dave Hannah attended a week-long session at Blue Springs Scout Reserve for Scouters-in-Training. This is a concentrated course on all aspects of Scouting for 16-18-year-old girls and boys wishing to become leaders.

On Saturday, 13 Cubs joined the 5th Georgetown B Pack to go to the Electric Railway Museum in Rockwood. The weather was excellent and the boys had a grand time riding the London and Port Stanley Railway car up and down the one-mile track several times. Lunch was eaten in the station and some souvenirs were bought before coming home.



## TREES! TREES! TREES!

**WHERE?** Silvercreek Conservation Area  
Georgetown Land Fill Site

**WHEN?** APRIL 26

**WHO?** North Halton Cubs, Scouts, and Venturers

**WHY?** To Aid Your Environment And To Further Scouting

**HOW?** YOUR SUPPORT! Please sponsor tree planting when a boy calls. Canvassing starts April 14th.

**KINSMEN**  
**SUPER BONUS BINGO**  
Wednesday, April 23  
7:55 P.M.  
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**Kick the habit**  
The Halton TB and RD Association will be conducting a Smoking Withdrawal Clinic at Maple Avenue Baptist Church, 177 Maple Avenue, in Georgetown.  
This will be held each evening from May 26 to May 30 except for Wednesday.  
All those who are interested in "Kicking the Habit" should contact the Halton TB and RD Association, 184 Balsam Drive, Oakville, Ontario.

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**Notice of Public Hearing**  
Ottawa, March 27, 1975

ISSUE NO. 2  
HAMILTON, ONTARIO  
MAY 6, 1975, 9:30 A.M.

The Canadian Radio-Television Commission will hold a public hearing beginning on May 6, 1975 at the Holiday Inn, 150 King Street East, Hamilton, Ontario to consider the following matters:

Georgetown, Acton, Milton, Ontario (175008500)  
Halton Cable Systems Limited, 37 Main Street South, Georgetown, Ontario

Application to amend its cable television broadcasting licence for Georgetown, Acton, Milton, Ontario

to change its rate structure from a basic service (channels 2 to 13) and optional converter service (additional channels) to basic service with converter service (no option).

RATES	Present Maximum Rates	Proposed Maximum Rates
Installation Fee		\$15.00
Basic Service	\$10.00	\$15.00 (converter at later date)
Converter Service	\$10.00	\$15.00 (installed on same date)
Monthly Fee	\$5.00	\$6.00 (not including converter equipment)
Basic Service	\$7.50	
Converter Service		

(including converter equipment)

**BASIC SERVICE WITH CONVERTER SERVICE**

RATES	Present Maximum Rates	Proposed Maximum Rates
Installation Fee		\$15.00
Basic Service	\$15.00	\$15.00 (converter at later date)
Converter Service	\$15.00	\$15.00 (installed on same date)
Monthly Fee	\$6.00	\$6.00 (not including converter equipment)

The above are maximum rates, however, the applicant has special rates for additional outlets, bulk contracts, F.M. outlets and converters and these are detailed in the application.

Location where the application may be examined:  
37 Main Street South, Georgetown, Ontario.

**INFORMATION ON APPLICATIONS**

Right to comment: Anyone may lodge a complaint with or make any representation to the Commission with respect to any matter within the powers of the Commission that is not directed to an application by submitting a brief submission setting out the nature of the complaint or representation to the undersigned.

Anyone may submit comments on any application by submitting a written intervention to the undersigned at 100 Metcalfe Street, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0N2 and by serving a true copy to the intervention upon the applicant on or before April 21, 1975.

The intervention shall contain a clear and concise statement of the relevant facts and the grounds upon which the intervenor's support for, opposition to or proposed modification of the application is based.

Be sure to attach the postal or messenger receipt to the copy for the CRTC, giving proof that the applicant has received his copy.

Viewing of documents: Anyone can view the applications at either the office of the CRTC, 100 Metcalfe Street, Room 1601, Ottawa, Ontario or at the local address given in this notice for examination of the application.

Procedure at Hearings: Read the CRTC Rules of procedure to find out the rights and obligations of the parties to a hearing. Copies are available from Information Canada.

Information: For additional information on the applications at the hearing, please contact the CRTC in writing or by phone 613-992-6240 or 996-2294.

Guy Lafabvre  
Director-General of Licensing  
CRTC - Public Notice - 1975-26

**at City Centre**

**Education Week April 21-25**

**Monday**  
1 p.m. - Chinguacousy S.S. Junior Band

**Tuesday**  
1 p.m. - Chinguacousy S.S. Intermediate Band  
2 p.m. - Goldcrest P.S. Choir

**Wednesday**  
1 p.m. - Chinguacousy S.S. Junior Band  
2 p.m. - Folkstone P.S. Choir and gymnastics display.

**Thursday**  
2 p.m. - Grenoble P.S. Choir  
2:30 p.m. - Dorset Drive P.S. Choir, Folk Dancing, Gymnastics.  
7 p.m. - Chinguacousy S.S. Senior, Dance Bands.

**Friday**  
2 p.m. - Eastbourne P.S. Choir  
7:30 p.m. - Chinguacousy S.S. Gymnastics display.

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