Citizens' forum

French immersion language workshop

Dear Sir.

"I am writing to you about the Language Workshop of Toronto which I think may be of interest to

your readers. In recent years, because of the unsettled state of the world, many students who traditionally would have gone to England to learn English are coming to Canada in-

The Language Workshop teaches English to over a thousand students a year who come from such diverse places as Switzerland, Quebec, Greece, Spain, Colombia, Germany, Japan, Hong Kong and Taiwan during the day time, and in the evening teaches French and other languages

to Canadian and American students. In addition to language training the Workshop arranges for a great many of its students to be housed with Toronto families so that they can become thoroughly immersed in English and in the life of Canadlans.

Marylou Heenan, the founder and director of the Language Workshop put herself through University by

coaching French and decided when she graduated that there was a real interest by foreign students in coming to Canada to learn English. She started sending out letters and pamphlets and began to get pupils through Canadian embassies abroad, and The Language Workshop was born and has flourished ever since.

Amongst Ms. Heenan's students have been ambassadors, M.P.s. executives and government officials. She now sends out teachers to company offices on request.

This year for the first time the Language Workshop is setting up a new French Immersion Course to be held in Quebec at Le College Jeande-Brebeuf (Pierre Trudeau's old school). This course is for students between the ages of 13 and 19. The course will become a regular part of the Language Workshop cur-

> Yours truly, Isobel A.M. Thompson, p.p. Marylou Heenan, (416) 968-1405

SECTION A, THE HERALD. Wednesday, February 4, 1987 - Page 5 Who'll take dirty laundry

Georgetown Memorial Hospital hospitals. In other words, 4 cents needs someone to do its dirty laun- more per pound than they charged

Halton Centennial Manor won't do it anymore.

a laundry service. The administrator of the Manor above capacity. wants the Mahor to stick to doing its own laundry, or laundry for smaller laundry since January 1985. If they organizations like Halton Recovery were to continue with the service to House, E.C. Drury and Family the hospitals, rates would have to in-

the Manor with negligible effect on

the laundry operation. That was the problem in doing laundry for the two hospitals - the increase in equipment breakdowns because equipment was working

above capacity. Doing away with laundry service for the hospitals will mean layoffs for five full-time and seven parttime staff. However, Regional Social Services Director Bonnie Ewart says every effort will be made to place the staff in other positions at the Manor as vacancles come up.

The hospitals got a real bargain in laundry service over the past year, according to Manor figures. It cost the Manor an extra 4 cents for each pound of laundry they did for the

the hospitals.

This increase was due mainly to As of March 31, the Georgetown laundry staff being required and and Milton hospitals will be without higher utility and maintenance costs because the equipment was working

The Manor has been doing hospital Place. These organizations can crease to a level both hospital adgenerate about \$10,000 annually for ministrators say is too high.

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The Manor laundry service is primarily to serve the residents at

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A man of vision



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Samuel Baker lost his sight over 40

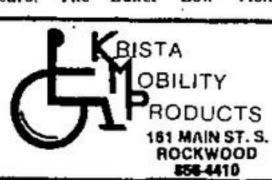
years ago but he is still a man of vi-

At the age of 83, Mr. Baker makes a daily visit to the Samuel Harris Baker Foundation to work on modifications and mounts for visual aids. The Foundation and the Baker Low Vision Rehabilitation Centre in Toronto are the result of this one man's determined effort to help

others see again. For years Mr. Baker was told by experts that there was nothing more that could be done for him. Then one day an old pair of binoculars chang-ed his life. With them, he could see television. A heavier pair allowed him to read two letters at a time and a telescope permitted to see a play

at Stratford. Working together with machinists, Mr. Baker began adjusting the size of devices and modifying them until his "gadgets" were easy to hold and use. His first experience in sharing his knew found insight resulted in the formation of the Samuel Harris

Baker Foundation. Ruth Baker works hand in hand with her father to bring sight back to those who may not have seen for years. The Baker Low Vision



Rehabilitation Centre specializes in what she describes as "low tech" aids. These high quality low-cost op-tical aids include magnifying glasses and telescopes which may help the person read, play cards, look along library or grocery shelves and pursue many activities that they

Ruth Baker sees about 20 people each week, the majority of them over 65, although the Vocational Rehabilitation Services are now referring younger clients.

Enquiries about the Foundation or the Low Vision Centre should be directed to Ruth Baker, 500 University Avenue, Suite 900, Toronto, Ontario, M5G 1V7, (416) 598-2559.

A metabolic disorder, called Phenylketonuria is this month's topic of discussion on Halton Cable 4 "Against the Odds". Mary Carney a Georgetown resident, is my guest on the show which will be aired at 7 p.m. tonight and Thursday, Feb. 19.



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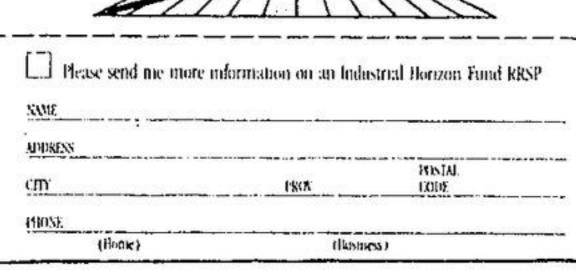
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