

Wedding bell bargain

The Salvation Army store at Derry Road and Ontario Street will have a new feature come February 1 — bridal gowns. Some have been donated by manufacturers (new) and others have been dropped off by the public. The dresses will be sold at greatly reduced prices, says store manager Mark Page (left), Modelling a dress is Carolyn Mayerink.

Photo by Graham Paine



Show a hit with kids

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Each video episode is 15 minutes long and packed with enough content to drive the class for two weeks. There are 14 episodes in each series.

"It's hands on, minds on science," said Heather Friesen, an educational consultant with TVO.

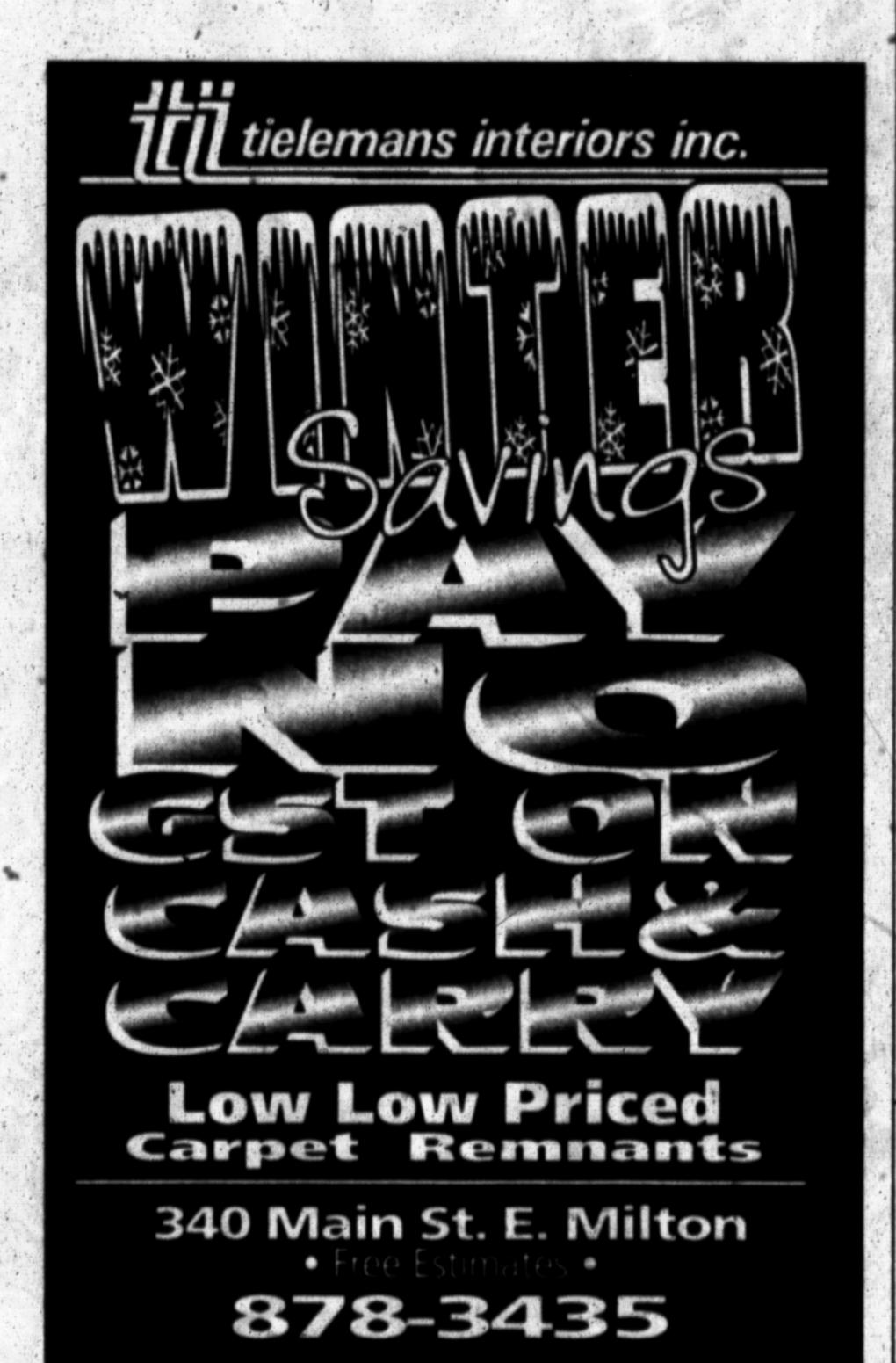
"The contact with other schools provides an audience for students' work and is really motivational for them. When they are writing for other children they are more interested in details, quality ideas, and even getting their spelling right."

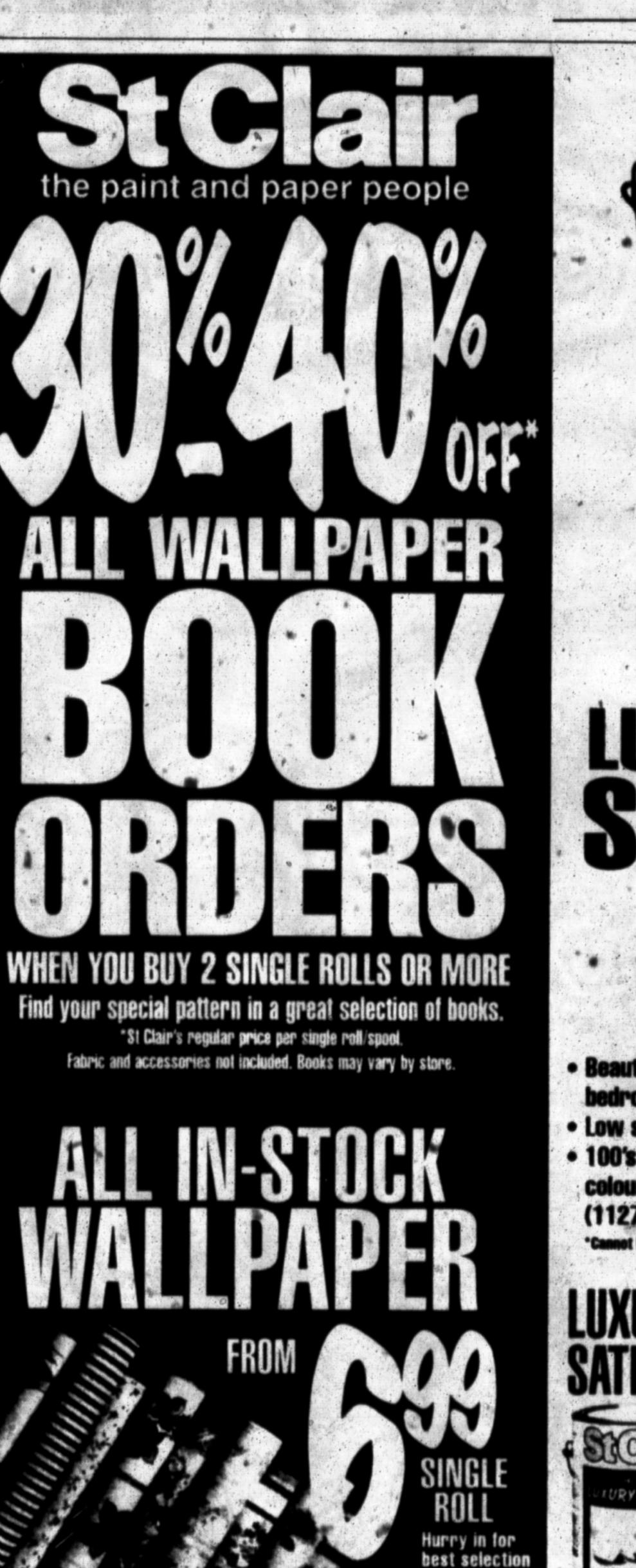
Ms Friesen said the communication with other schools brings geographical knowledge into the mix as well as using technology as a tool rather than a toy.

"The kids get really excited if their work makes the show, they like the idea of seeing their names or the name of their school on television, it gives them the sense that their work has been published," said Ms Friesen. "Faxes between schools are often posted so ideas can be considered."

"By faxing their test results to other schools students can quickly double their sample size and draw more exact conclusions," said Ms Friesen. "The faxes are also great for younger children who are much better at drawing their results than writ-

Ms Friesen said she saw no difference in how the program is presented or its effectiveness in the deaf school.





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