



Spelling now a fundraiser

Students at Penetanguishene's Corpus Christi Public School are earning money this week from spelling.

According to Principal Henry Bisschop, the pupils are participating in a spelling-a-thon to help raise money to subsidize field trips and purchasing of equipment.

A few weeks back, the students were given a list of 100 words that they have had to learn to spell. Later this week the young scholars will be tested.

To make money many of the students have collected sponsors for the number of words that they will correctly spell.

To entice the students to get behind the fundraising activity, Bisschop said, prizes are being offered to the student who collects the most money and students who gets the most sponsors.

The collector of the most sponsors will take home a Walkman, compliments of Ted Light's TV, with the person collecting the most cash, winning a large ghetto blaster from Radio Shack, according to Bisschop.

Students have until tomorrow to collect sponsors.

This is the only big fund raising event sponsored by the school each year.

Sneaking a peek

There's only tonight left to catch a peek at what is going on at Ecole Secondaire Le Caron in Penetang. The curtains go up on the final performance of "Au bout de tout"

in the gymnasium at 7:30 p.m. Here are only a handful of the 80 or 90 students involved in the variety show either behind the scenes or in the limelight. Bet you

couldn't guess these girls behind the dark glasses are (from left to right) Lisa Dorion, Karen Borky, Carrie Reid, Chantal Cote, Claire Marchildon, and Sara Morion!

Strike averted among Mental Health Centre psychiatric doctors

by MICHELLE GOUETT
Psychiatric doctors at Penetanguishene's Mental Health Centre are on the job after an 11th hour agreement between the doctors and the Chairman of the Management Board Elinor Caplan averted a planned strike by doctors at four of the 10

psychiatric facilities across the province. According to Special Assistant to Caplan Helen Flannigan, the doctors agreed to remain on the job when the government agreed to establish a special board of conciliation that will look into salaries and allowance,

along with the two main issues in the dispute, working conditions and the negotiating process.

The compromise between the two sides came at 10 a.m. Friday morning after an all night session between Caplan and the doctors that started on Thursday, at 4 p.m.

Labour mediator Kevin Burkett, who was brought into negotiations in Hamilton at 3:30 a.m. Friday, will chair the conciliation board as a neutral member along with one representative from government and two medical association.

The board will have 90 days to complete the non-binding recommendations dealing with the concerns of the doctors in the dispute that has left them without a contract since April.

Flannigan said the board will examine the working conditions considering workload, secretarial assistance, safety in the workplace, educational leave, legal representation and the mechanism the doctors have for addressing workplace concerns.

Caplan's assistant added the government has also agreed that no reprisal will be taken against any of the members of the association who took part in the study sessions over the last month.

Penetang Library requests for encyclopaedia return

Penetanguishene Public Library is making a public plea for assistance in the recovery of three encyclopaedia volumes mistakenly taken from the facility.

Chief Librarian Rosemary Marchand said the three reference books, all volumes "C", are from the World Book, the New American Encyclopaedia, and the New Book of Knowledge collections.

The books were noticed missing late last week.

Marchand said she realizes it is a rare request to put in the newspaper, but she hoped that maybe someone would read about it, happen to notice the books lying around and return them.

According to the Librarian, it is not a regular practice to publicize when

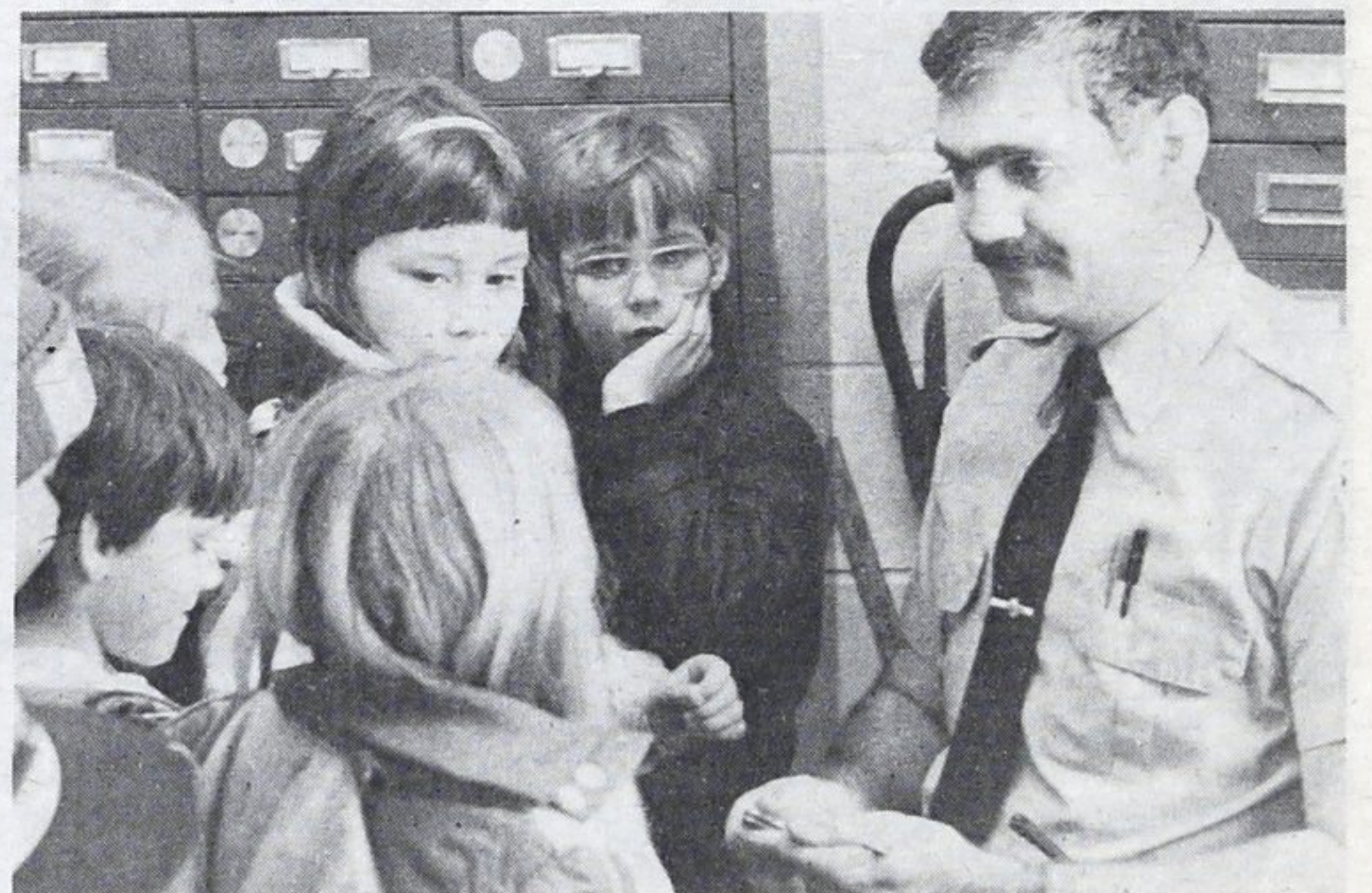
books are missing, but in this case because they are from complete series', to replace the missing volumes they would have to purchase the complete sets again.

Because the sets of encyclopaedias run anywhere from \$800 to \$1,500, Marchand said it would take a couple of years before the Library could restore them.

The Librarian said she is not accusing anyone of stealing them, adding they could have been accidentally taken out without realizing they were to remain in the building.

"I'm not asking anyone to come forth and admit they have the books," said Marchand. "I don't care who has them, I just want them returned."

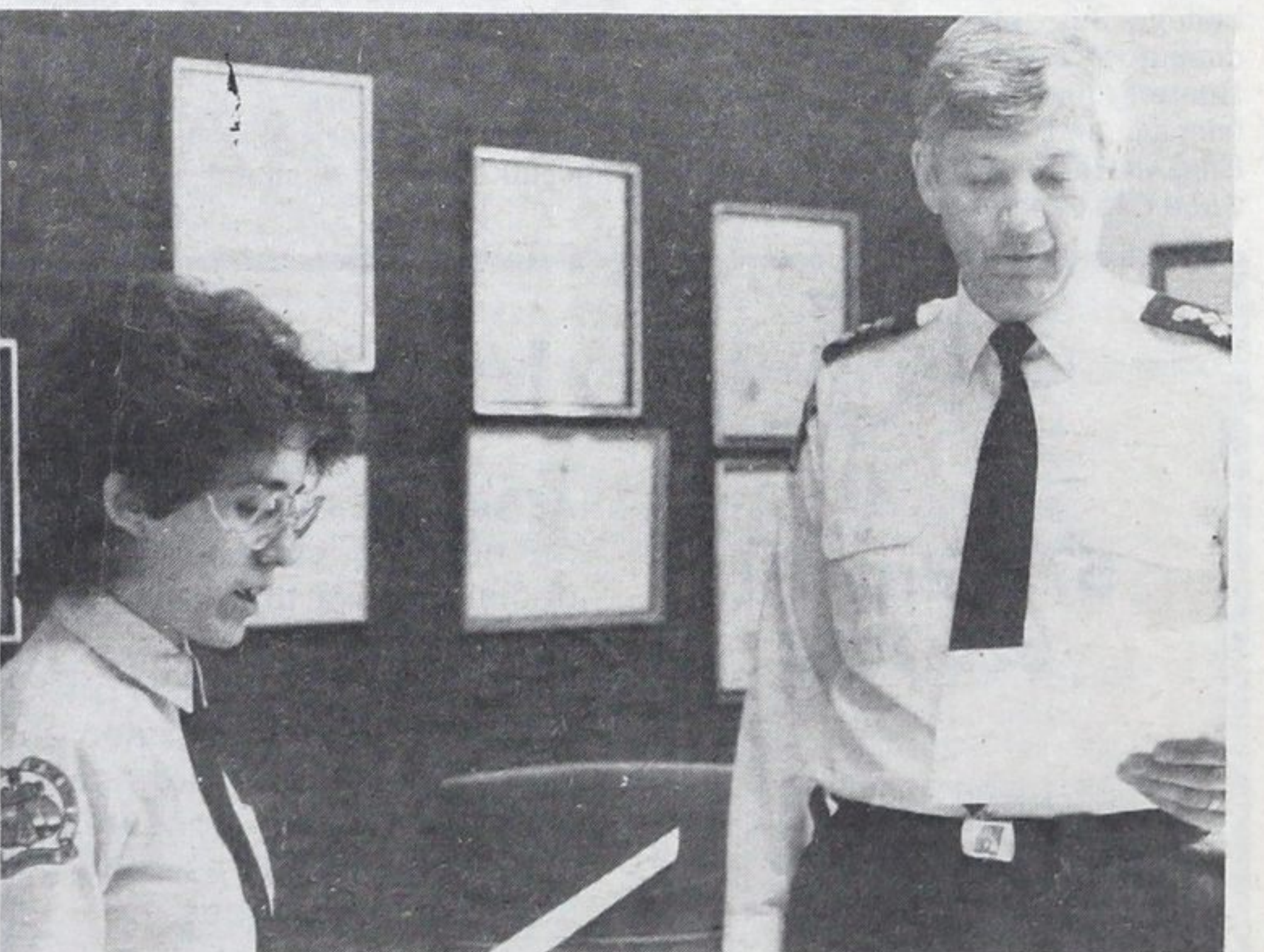
"We have a drop box where they could be left without anyone knowing who it is."



Kids patrol at PPD

Grade one students from Burkevale School in Penetang visited the Penetang Police Department this week to see what the station is really like. The youngsters

spent an hour learning all about what policemen do on the job. Here, the group of 17 made a stop to talk to Constable Tim Vailancourt to learn about handcuffs.



Penetang's newest recruit

Penetanguishene's new Parking Control Officer, Beverly Ward (left), was sworn in by Police Chief Robert Cummings

(right), during a brief ceremony Monday morning. Ward has been hired to enforce the town's downtown parking area by-laws.