

How this page was put together

What goes into the production of a newspaper? That's what teacher Paul Delaney of Victoria Harbour Public School wanted the students in his grade 4, 5 and 6 enrichment class to know.

The result is what's seen below: a fictional newspaper front page created, written and edited as a year-end project for those students in Delaney's class, who have spent

part of their study time looking at newspapers.

Weeks of work went into the pretend newspaper, and during that time the students learned first hand about some of the ins and outs of reporting news stories, writing editorials and designing advertisements.

The Midland Times and Penetanguishene Citizen were proud to have participated in this educational project, and

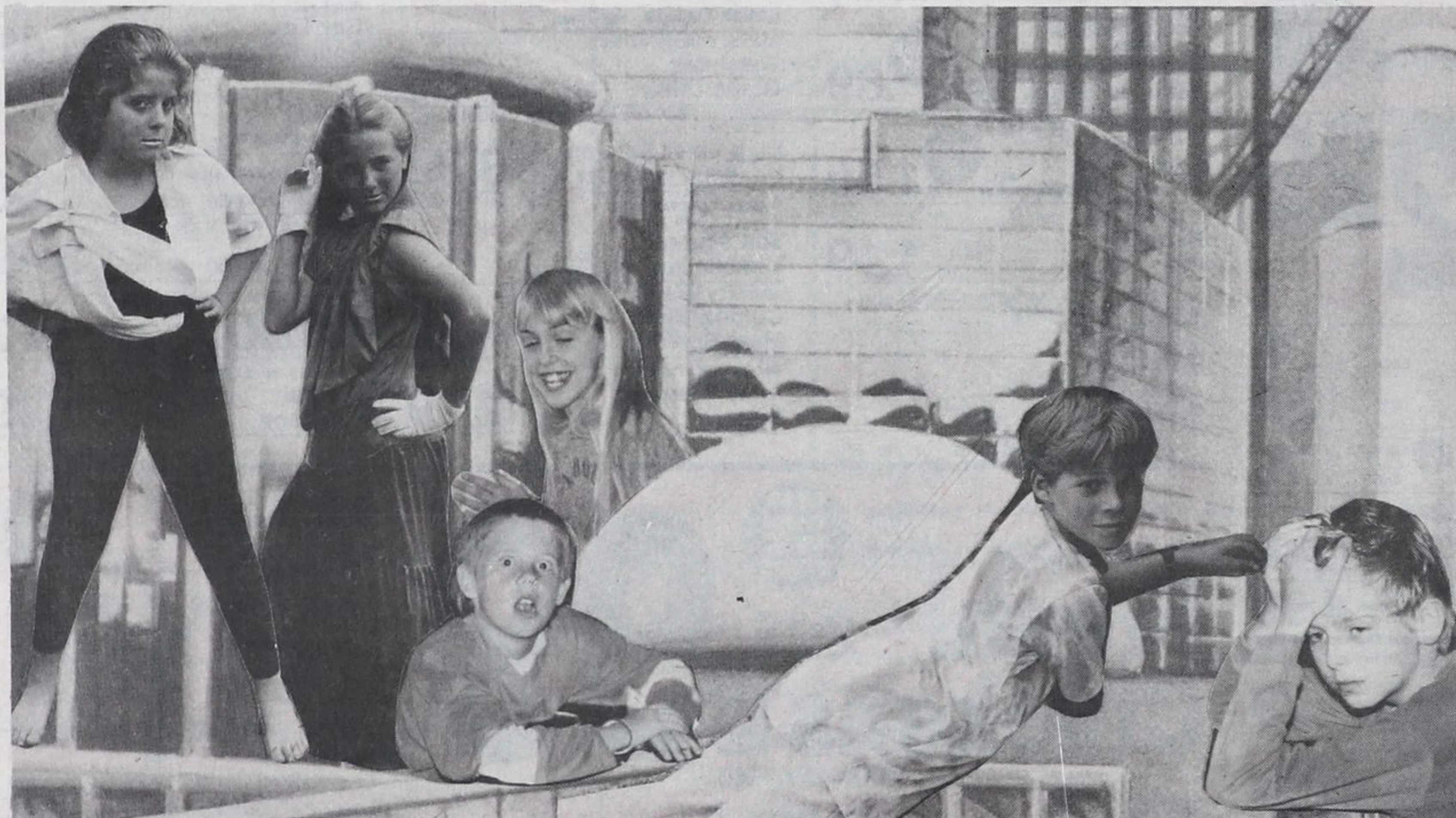
congratulate the students for their work.

What follows is the fictional Halley's Comics and News, the VHPS students' idea of a 21st century newspaper. (In the year 2000, the students theorized, the communities of Midland, Penetang, Victoria Harbour and Port McNicoll will have grown so much that they will merge into one large metropolis: Champlain City.)

HALLEY'S COMICS AND NEWS



CHAMPLAIN CITY, TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2000



Campers

Gary (right) checks Shaun for microscopic archaephobias in his hair. Skit (centre) has just found out he has them. These children are among the first at Simpresca II (see lead story).

Bye, Bye Maple Leaf

We think that the Canadian flag should be changed because the maple leaf no longer exists in Canada and it seems foolish to have it on our flag.

Either we solve the problem of acid rain and grow maple trees again, or change the

flag. Perhaps our symbol should be jelly to show what kind of spineless leaders we have. Prime Minister Margaret Kylysaw and President Justin Snilloo spend too much time discussing unimportant issues instead of the main ones.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I recommend that we should rename a national holiday to remember Brian Mulroney for being such a great leader, through thick and thin. Who else could have prevented the USSR and the USA from going to war after the secret failure of the 1988 Moscow Summit? He talked them out of it when he invited them to Ottawa that fall.

Couldn't we change Labour Day to Mulroney Day?

**Aaron Wasylyk,
Waterloo**

The staff and students of Victoria Harbour Public School are planning for a reunion in October, 2001. Several days of festivities are being arranged, including an old-fashioned hot dog eating contest at the site of the old school next to the Harbour View Plaza. The special guest will be Col. Brien of the Penetang Popcorn Producers; he was a former principal.

We are very concerned that we cannot locate some of our better known graduates. Does anyone know where Chris McKay went after the chicken pox epidemic of 1988?

Please notify us at P.O. Box 2654 SF 78045/4 as soon as possible.

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Our Garbage Problem

The garbage problem is starting to grow bigger and bigger. We must stop it before all the lakes turn into dumps. More and more will be polluted and we won't be able to swim in them. There must be a solution.

Anti-litter nets are being used successfully in France and Germany. Why not put them in Canadian lakes too? It would mean more jobs making the nets and installing them.

Most of the garbage could be recycled, and the non-recyclable garbage could be made into missile cargo and sent into space where the sun will disintegrate it.

Looking Back In History

50 Years Ago

Well known Archbishop Cathy Hancock was born.

20 Years Ago

Ronald Reagan was elected president of the United States.

10 Years Ago

Little Lake in Champlain City (formerly Midland) was declared fully polluted. The mayor and council proposed draining it and using the area as a graveyard.

STARVING PEOPLE FED

World-famous scientists John Sharp and Stephanie Lidstone have solved the problem of starvation in Africa.

Lidstone says she has invented a machine that multiplies food by the millions. Sharp has perfected a plutonium-fuelled transporter that can move any amount of food anywhere within 30 minutes.

Farmers will still be needed to grow the food. Unfortunately each machine will cost five billion dollars to make.

Lidstone and Sharp recently joined Professor Sunner Ton and came up with a partial solution. They would move one piece of each kind of needed food and have it multiplied there. The three scientists hope to come up with the solution to the cost problem soon.

Simpresca II Opens

Two years ago the director of Camp Simpresca found oil under the main lodge while he was trying to fix a drainage pipe. The owners of the camp then sold it to PetroCanada and, with the profits, they built a new Simpresca which you see in our special photo.

Three thousand people from all over Ontario joined in the celebrations to open Simpresca II yesterday. A ribbon-cutting was followed by an open pie fight and refreshments for everyone.

Simpresca II is very well managed, has condominiums instead of cabins, each with cable TV. There are pools and hot tubs to replace the polluted water where campers used to swim years ago.

Simpresca II has no poison ivy because it has no bush.

People In The News

J. Carpenter has just been appointed principal of the Southern Georgian Bay Enrichment School, also known as King Charles III School.

Jason Shaw returned home for the weekend from training camp where he plays right wing for the Toronto Towers.

John Lidstone is entering Cambridge University in September to study aerodyna-

mics. He plans to accept a position with ESPACE/CANADA, the Canadian Space Agency.

Aaron Wasylyk graduates in two weeks from the University of Waterloo where he is studying math, physics and chemistry. He hopes to make a breakthrough in curing baldness, common colds and poison ivy in one tablet, and to become a billionaire.

The Papyrus Look is Back

by Stephanie Sharp and Jennifer Lorrette (Fashion Editors)

As everyone knows the "Greenhouse Effect" look is taking over.

Christine McKay's Cute but Crazy Clothing Company predicts that the "Egyptian Look" will be in next. After all, the

Egyptians knew what heat was.

Women will wear wigs on their shaved heads, but only on formal occasions. Disposable dresses will be white with purple pyramids, made from recycled paper.

For the men, hair is out, but purple shorts with olive green stripes are in.

UFO Lands In Champlain City

by Jenny Duffy Yesterday a UFO was spotted in Champlain City's Graveyard Park.

It was said to be a large saucer-shaped object. When it landed, an alien got out and headed for the mayor's of-

fice, dropped a disc in the municipal disc drive, and floated back to the ship.

The mayor has requested an immediate meeting with the Prime Minister.