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Pre-Christmas Exams on Way Out – But Not in Stouffville

We read in contemporary journals of schools whose officials feel Christmas exams are unnecessary evils, and have therefore abolished them. One such article states "Pre-Yule holiday exams, what youngsters always regarded as an evil, and scarcely a necessary one, they felt, are now growing unpopular among members of the teaching profession. In fact, lengthy exam sets are fast losing popularity among teachers."

"Some teachers feel Christmas, particularly, is an inopportune time to spring a set of exams on a pupil. At this time of year there are too many distractions. Also under the new curriculum, more emphasis is placed on the social aspects of Christmas, and little thought can be given by the student to the significance of the Yule season when exams are facing him."

Nevertheless, the fact remains that the school year is a short one, when it's manifold activities and interruptions are taken into account, and in it a great deal of work is expected to be covered. Some students do their only serious studying of the year on the brink of examinations, and if these were abolished, would make little effort to master the prescribed course. The real student keeps abreast of his work from day to day, and need not fear exams.

Life is a series of testing-times, and the sooner we are trained to marshal our inner resources in order to meet the problems life presents, the better fitted or educated we have become. The experience of writing examinations, even if in fear and trembling, may prove of greater value in a pupil's future than his acquired knowledge of French or Algebra. "Education" is the drawing forth and cultivation of the human faculties, a leading out of what is within, and in the final analysis is not a ready-made garment we blithely put on, after someone else has fashioned it.

Stouffville High and Public Schools set written exams this year. In the Public, some examinations were scheduled before the holidays, and some after, at the teacher's discretion. In the High School the tests are before Christmas, with the exception of Grade 13, in which they will take place early in the New Year.

Some school officials see sets of exams which last a week or two as a hindrance to the pupil rather than a good basis for judging his work. Some students, often the brilliant type, cannot stand the nervous tension accompanying long tests.

Most teachers today believe a series of small tests during the year, plus the student's class work, is a much better means of judging his progress.

VICTORIA SQUARE

A very Merry Christmas to all The Tribune readers!

Mrs. Margaret Brown of Highland Creek spent Monday with Mrs. W. Brumwell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Perkins and family of Richmond Hill, Rev. and Mrs. A. Huston and Betty, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Forson and John had dinner last Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Boynton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Heron and Miss Dorothy Oliver of Highland Creek had Sunday evening dinner with Mrs. W. Brumwell and family.

A very impressive candle-light service was held on Sunday evening, when the C.G.I.T. and the Explorers conducted the service. Special music was furnished by the Girls, Youth for Christ Choir of Stouffville.

The Sunday School and Community Christmas Party will be held in the Sunday School room on Friday evening, Dec. 22, at 8 p.m. There will be a sound film, and numbers by local talent.

The annual meeting of the W.A. will be held at the home of Mrs. Cecil Nichols on Wednesday evening, Dec. 27th, at 8 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Klinck spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Boynton.

We extend heartiest birthday greetings to Miss Hannah Hopper who on Saturday, Dec. 23rd, will be celebrating her 85th birthday. We hope she has many more.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Nichols, Mr. Bert Sanderson and Miss Mabel Sanderson and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Boynton spent last Thursday with Mrs. Ella Ratcliffe of Stouffville.

Rev. C. H. Way, pastor of Crawford St. Christian Church, Toronto, has returned home after some time in the General Hospital. Rev. Mr. Way is well known in Congregational Christian Church circles here.

You can win a fine Christmas fowl this Saturday night by attending the Stouffville-Midland hockey game and buying one of the new Clipper official programs.

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ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Mr. Eli Lehman who has been in Toronto General Hospital with a broken leg, is expected home for Christmas. The injured man will be placed in a cast this week.

The Christmas meeting of the Garret Evening Auxiliary of the Stouffville United Church was held at the home of Miss Gertrude Todd on Wednesday evening, Dec. 13th, the president, Mrs. J. M. Storey, presiding. The devotional period was in charge of Mrs. D. Booth, who chose as her theme, "The Birth of Christ." A candle was lit to depict each phase of Christianity, joy, love, Christ, peace and hope. Mrs. H. Lee offered prayer. A medley of Christmas carols was played by Mrs. L. Ham on the cornet, accompanied by little Harold Hoover on a toy trombone. Mrs. F. Riches reviewed the third chapter of the study book "Japan Begins Again," followed by a very interesting Christmas story. Mrs. Young offered prayer after which they were favored with a recorded solo "O Holy Night," which was very impressive. The meeting closed with a prayer by Rev. D. Davis. A very enjoyable social hour followed.

AUSTRIAN IN CANADA YEAR MOST WORTHY O.C.E. GRAD

Moses Sterian, 48, is an Austrian who doesn't think his command of the English language is very good. But it was good enough to win him the Bryan Memorial scholarship as the "most worthy graduate of the Ontario College of Education in 1950.

"I am just starting now to learn the language," he said last week in his Palmerston Ave. home. "It's a pleasure. I am enjoying very much the language and the literature."

Graduate of the Universities of Vienna and Bucharest, Mr. Sterian began teaching classics and German in Austria in 1924. After a year in the Allied zone there, he came to Canada in April, 1949, and enrolled in O.C.E. so he could teach in Ontario. College officials said his record has been "brilliant."

Mr. Sterian is finding it hard to believe he won the scholarship, awarded annually by the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation to the O.C.E. graduate who shows greatest ability in teaching and academic work.

"It was a great surprise for me," he said. "I did not expect it all. I did my best, but I thought I was one of the least there."

T. W. Mayor of Kingston, federation president, presented the award to Mr. Sterian.

Now Mr. Sterian, who is glad "I can go into the teaching profession here," is looking for a job. An O.E.C. spokesman said the college is happy to recommend him.

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After partaking of so much good food they carried on the usual meeting and Mr. Timbers gave a report on his visit to the Federation of Agriculture meeting, which proved very interesting and informative.

The balance of the evening was spent in games and a general good time. The next Farm Forum meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Yates on Jan. 8th, 1951.

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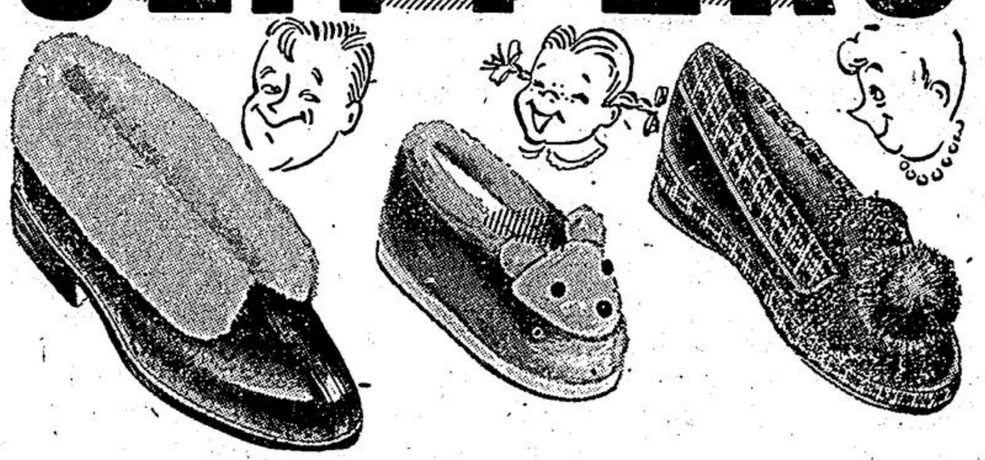

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