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Mature student wants to enjoy completing degree

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When Brenda Crowder's youngest daughter Meaghan was going into Junior Kindergarten last fall, Brenda herself decided to make the most of her free time by returning to university to complete her Bachelor of Art (B.A.) degree.

"I've wanted to finish my B.A. since 1972 and as I was going to do it anyway. This seemed a really good time," explains the Stouffville resident. "I don't know that I have any career goals as such, but if I do want to go back into teaching, it can't hurt."

But with five children, all involved in various activities, she's not looking for full-time employment yet, she says.

"I have to have some sort of goal in mind, and not live my life in a vacuum and my immediate goal is to complete my B.A. and to have fun doing it," she says.

With three courses left to take, she estimates it will take her another two years to finish.

"This last year I took one full course and two half courses and it was almost like taking three."

One course, on aging, she found quite interesting, "but an awful lot of work. It made me realize that we live in an area that really looks after seniors. I got a lot of assistance from 'the Parkview people.'"

She said the course was like "stepping into the future and seeing what it holds for us, the baby boomers."

She also studied a course on the foundations of human behavior. The course included the anatomy of the brain and how it affects the way humans act. A related course on deviant behaviour "covered areas like criminal and



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Since her initial purpose was to finish her B.A. degree, she took courses that were of special interest to her. "They opened up a whole new world to me," she says. It also meant a great deal of concentrated study.

"I probably worked at least three times harder than I did in high school. There I used to cram the night before the exam," she says. "I remember working really late nights or getting up very early to finish studying, but with the family, I approached it a little differently."

She always went to bed on time, knowing that if she missed her sleep she had to cope not only with an exam, but with five demanding children.

"Since I couldn't do both, I put

a lot more hours in during the day and started doing it sooner." She would also try and relax for an hour or so each evening.

She considers herself fortunate that she doesn't need a full-time job. "I know there are a lot of women who don't have that choice, especially in this day and age. I do appreciate being able to be home with the kids. I think it's a misconception that when the children go to school they don't need you," she says.

Going back to university wouldn't have been possible without the tremendous support she received from family and friends. "If I had to study, Wally (her husband) was really great with the kids and the kids themselves were amazing. I was really surprised. If I told them I needed an hour or two to myself to work, they gave it to me."

Brenda feels it helped the older children understand the importance of studying. "It does make a difference when they have test. You do get results if you work for it; it doesn't just happen."

It took a while for her to regain her confidence when she started taking the courses. "It's hard when you're with students who have never been away from home and you haven't written an essay in 13 years," she says. As well she had to get back into using more extensive vocabulary.

Whatever she decides to do in future, Brenda is determined to enjoy the courses for her own sake.

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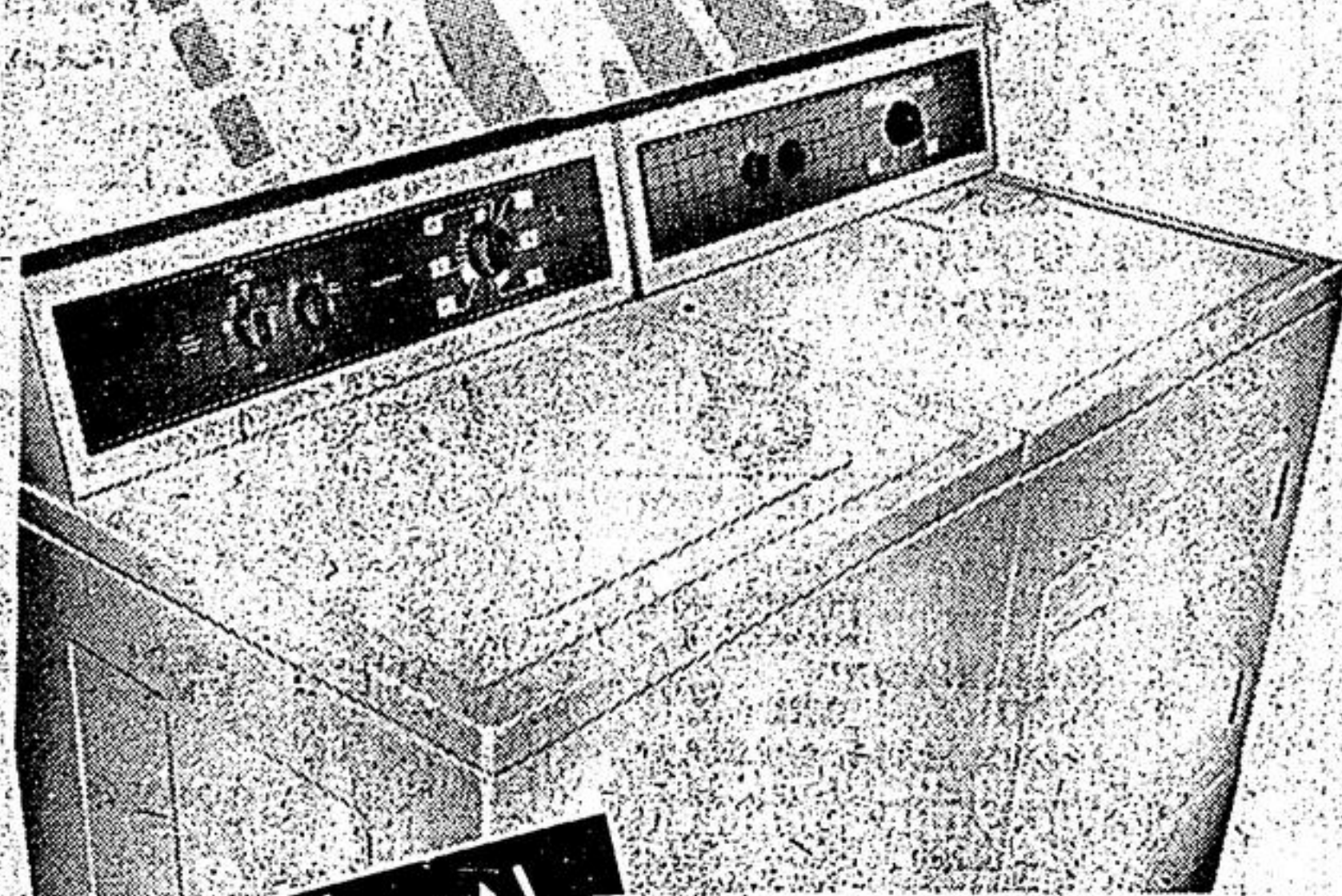
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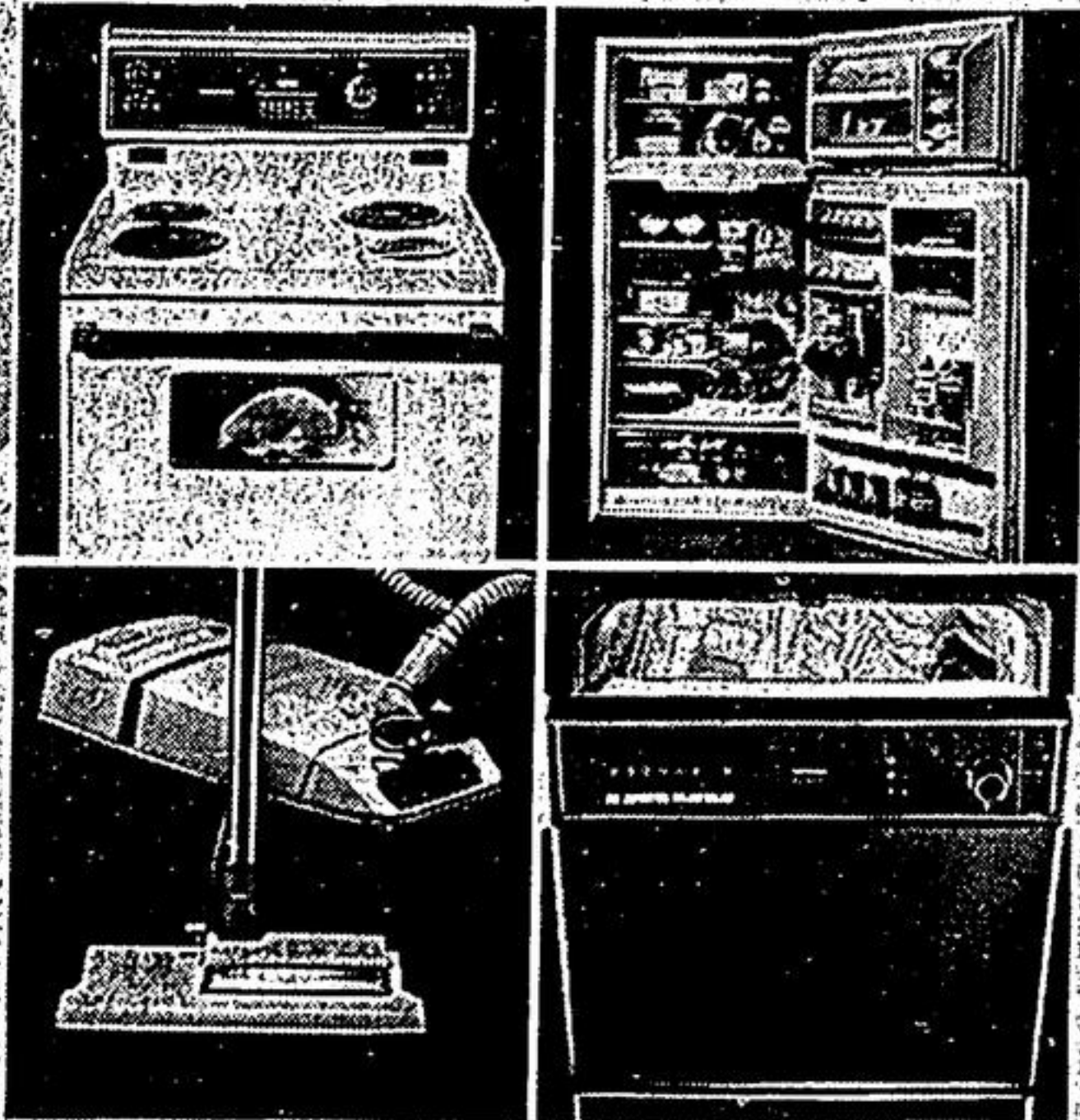
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