

## "Ghost Town" Is Boys School

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"Boys with very special needs that require intensive care." Numbers are kept below six because each individual "needs a lot of close personal attention."

At the other end of the scale, Mr. Horne said, there is an objective type program. "Boys earn and spend credits on the basis of their behavior." It is a different approach because some children don't understand and are unable to relate to warmth and other peoples feelings.

They also employ the group concept where the group makes decisions and helps with each others problems.

Sprucedale is "completely different," Mr. Horne said, because "it is a part of a network of schools which provide highschool at that level." Boys can leave here and go into normal highschool.

Academic subjects are augmented by carpentry, woodwork, machine shop, auto mechanics, welding, music and cooking.

When the boys first arrive at Sprucedale, Mr. Horne said they try to make a contract with each individual concerning what kind of changes are necessary if he is going to be comfortable in the community. However, it is strictly voluntary.

These young men are wards of the school until their 18th birthday - even after they leave the school. An After Care Service is responsible for him when he moves to a foster home, group home or to his parent's home.

At different times,

### Greenlight

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available to the present. (3) It is a beginning of a senior school for a larger area around Hagersville.

At first the Industrial Arts and Home Economics room will be used by schools in the Walpole and Jarvis area as well as the Hagersville schools. Should the population in the area continue to grow, the Board could add additional classrooms to Parkview to accommodate the Grade 7's and 8's for the full program. In this way Parkview would be a junior school (K-6) for the immediate area and a senior school (Grades 7 & 8) for a larger area.

The Board is also hoping to build a General Purpose room at the Northview School. However, this is still at the planning stage.

As population growth develops in the Jarvis area, the Board is planning a replacement school for the present building. At that time additional facilities would also be incorporated.

boys from White Oaks have attended public school.

I have to give total credit to the principal and teachers. They've made some real investments," Mr. Horne said.

The boys feel they are failures because everyone has told them they are failures for so long. They think they can't succeed. They also have to cope with "training school" discrimination. "Somebody has to support them," he said.

We don't send a boy out unless we think he can cope, Mr. Horne said. "Our responsibility is to the boy and society."

The school doesn't have much fighting but there is some running away (they aren't locked in), Mr. Horne said.

If Sprucedale kids continually run away or behave in a dangerous manner, they are transferred to Glendale (medium security) or Guelph (maximum security). However, we don't put little kids into maximum security, Mr. Horne said, "so we're taking a greater risk." "We try to have more careful watching."

"Nothing really good happens in a relation until two people trust and respect each other. If we don't respect the boys, we can't expect it back."

The boys have a physical education complex which offers most sports activities. They also have an indoor pool.

One supervisor said there is a lot of confusion surrounding this pool. It was built to be used by the surrounding community, he said, and is open for the public.

Twenty-five boys are also involved in a visiting home program. Every two weeks they spend a day or a weekend at a home in the community.

It enables the kids to have a normal experience and be treated like a normal person, Mr. Horne said.

Love is not enough. A child also needs understanding.

What happens to the retired farmers in Nanticoke? They aren't going to be able to relocate anywhere else for the value of their homes.

Why would the government want to buy this land unless there was some shady dealings under the table? What's their interest? With the St. Lawrence Seaway Project, hydro not the government was responsible for land dealings.

I'm not going out of here without a fair bundle.

## H.S.S. Sports Wrap Up

by Cathie Laurie

On Wednesday, January 24th, Hagersville hosted Volleyball games against Cayuga. All three teams won their matches with easy victories.

The Seniors started things rolling with the first win of the day by a score of 15-13 and another one of 15-2. These matches proved to be an easy win for their second win in the season.

The girls played well with an equal show of sportsmanship from everyone.

The Juniors started playing after the Seniors and followed in their footsteps by winning their games.

The Juniors didn't have it as easy as the Seniors. They won by scores of 16-14 and 15-11. They had to stick together (and they sure did) to pull through a match like that.

The Middlets had it

### Beware

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them, Mr. Francis said, we told them not to pick them up, but to notify us or their parents.

The caps are 1 1/2 inches in length, 1/2 inch in diameter, silver in colour and open at the one end.

Mr. Burger said puncturing or even placing them in the sunlight could set them off.

The blast from the caps if triggered, have been known to result in the loss of limbs and lives, he added.

the easiest with scores of 15-3 and 15-2. The girls are playing really well for their first year together. The team is making their winning stretch go as far as they can. Congratulations Girl!

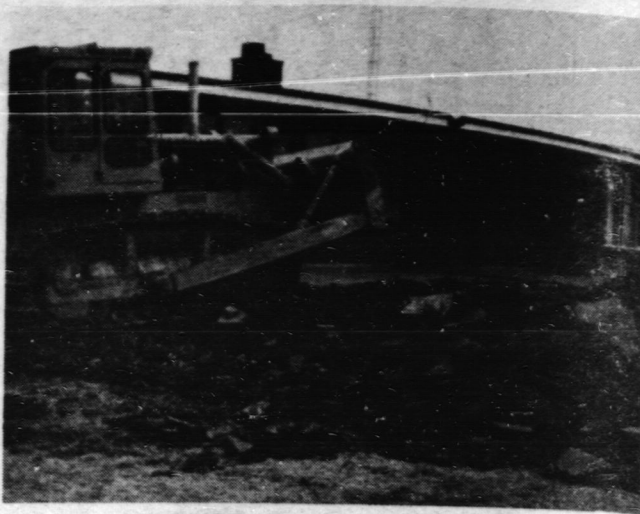
### Rockford U.C.W. Meet

Mrs. Don Chambers was hostess for the January meeting of the United Church Women. Mrs. W. Howard was devotional leader and used Prayer as the theme. Psalms 25: 1-11 and Mathew 8: 23-27 were read with comments and poems. Mrs. Carl Hall and Mrs. Roy Kenny assisted Mrs. Howard.

The program consisted of poems in keeping with the new year, also, Old Shoes, Income Tax Blues and Small Farm Grandma. This was followed by a Bible Quiz. The ladies enjoyed a demonstration on cake decorating by Mrs. Jack Hallem.

At the close of the meeting, a social time was enjoyed with lunch served by the hostess and Mrs. Ralph Golding and Mrs. Carl Hall.

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A bulldozer started digging up the asphalt at Parkview School in Hagersville Tuesday. Principal Roger Mackereth said the inconveniences (noise) are worth it. The school will have much more to offer after its expected October opening. (Staff Photo)

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Glen Overend of R. R. 1, Canfield received a silver platter for placing 1st in the carcass quality competition last Thursday night at the Pork Producer's annual meeting. James Boynton (right), Secretary of the Ontario Pork Producers Association congratulates Mr. Overend. (Staff Photo)



Ten year old Peggy Martin of Springvale and her dog, Chris, were participants in North Walpole School's Science Fair held last week. Some friends look on. (Staff Photo)



Nine year old Dwayne Forest of Springvale is petting a Dorset lamb which was at North Walpole School last week for their Science Fair. (Staff Photo)



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## Court Whist Party Held

Nearly 30 people attended the Progressive Court Whist party held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl McConachie, Laidlaw Street last Saturday evening. Instructions of the game were capably given by Ted Heinrichs, who assisted in making arrangements for the evening, with all proceeds to be given to the Talent Fund of the Triple F Club.

Lunch was served, and prizes given to Lady High Score - Edna Esselment, Man High Score - A. C. Smith, and Low Score - Alton Esselment.

Another forthcoming Talent Fund Project of Triple F Club Members is a Gigantic Tupperware Demonstration and evening of fun to be held in the C.E. Wing of the United Church.

## Plan Daffodil Luncheon

The Women's committee of the Haldimand County Federation of Agriculture met at the home of Mrs. Walker Hedley, Cayuga, on January 31st at 1:30 p.m. Ten directors attended to assist with the completion of plans for our 18th annual Daffodil Luncheon to be held in April.

Mrs. Alan Murray, chairman, welcomed the ladies and opened the meeting with a request for the minutes of our October meeting. The minutes and a financial report were given by Secretary - Treasurer Mrs. Otto Crone.

Our guest speaker for this year will be Mrs. Ada Pritchard of Hamilton. Over the years, Mrs. Pritchard has been active in politics and public life which should make her a most interesting speaker.

The serving of hors d'oeuvres with fruit punch in the home economics room prior to last year's luncheon

proved very successful, so we will continue it again this year.

We discussed catering and our entertainment. We are pleased to have the ladies of Gore United Church serve us this year. Mrs. John Van Loon of Hagersville will provide the entertainment. The various duties for the luncheon day were assigned to the directors.

The luncheon this year will end a two year term for the chairman and secretary - treasurer. Mrs. Ken Anderson will take the position of chairman for our 1974 luncheon with Mrs. J. C. Yule as secretary - treasurer and Mrs. Robert Doughty as vice-chairman.

Tickets will be sold by the directors and they are responsible for getting them to the various institute branches.

Suggestions were received for our 1974

luncheon speaker and a discussion followed on this matter. In order to provide our usual high calibre speaker, it is necessary to contact them well in advance. A vote of thanks to Mrs. Hedley for the use of her home for our meetings was moved by Mrs. Don Booker. The motion was seconded by everyone present.

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