

Term Paper Season In Full Swing Again

BY JAN PETREHN

There comes a day in every high school student's life when he is suddenly faced with a project which proves to be a source of many moments (hours . . . days) of sheer exasperation.

Due in three weeks—one term paper. Now, please realize, it's not the little term paper which proves to be so frustrating. No, it's the "ifs," "ands," "ors," and "buts" from A to Z that find the weary-eyed student writing, re-writing, reading, rereading, writing, rewi . . . well, anyone who has been a victim of the T-project can easily remember the painful steps . . .

From the very start, the subject of the term paper proves to be a fast stickler. By narrowing the topic to some phase of American history after 1870, the student only wastes a week and half making his decision.

As one takes his first staggering steps into the library to start his "search for facts," he faces the history shelves . . . HORRORS! Again faced with an A through Z situation, the student reserves a chair and a table . . . and begins.

As he approaches "D," his face brightens and the frown of deep meditation flees the scene. The mole hill he'll be building the mountain from is the Dingley Tariff of 1897. Sounds interesting, huh?

His first week and a half shot, the student starts the task of writing and padding 23 painful words which easily explains the tariff so as to spread them over an area of 10 typed pages: Dingley Tariff—passed during McKinley's administration, the tariff of 1897 raised protective duties to an all time high of 57c on the dollar.

Disregarding the fact that the bulk of footnoting appears in the form of ditto marks, the night prior to D-Day finds the student cool, calm, and in a state of shock. His masterpiece lies on the desk—COMPLETED!

So, why the tears? Yes, he sits with his hands seemingly holding his head on his shoulders . . . the look of sheer desperation spread across his face . . . the telephone receiver lies on the floor where he dropped it.

So and so just called to ask how his term paper was progressing. You know, the one on some phase of American history since 1900!

Censored Nonsense

BY BUDDY POWELL

Don't look now but I think the Contractor who built the music building saved a few pennies by using flour paste instead of cement. It won't take much of a performance to bring the house down.

Yes, it's true, Vickie Gunter did her research paper on Leprosy.

During our basketball game in High Point, when the referee made a very questionable call, the radio announcer said: "I wouldn't say for sure that the call was wrong but I think the ref left his seeing eye dog at home."

Trying to get a Burlington fan to admit that they were defeated fair 'n square is like trying to get Brad Root to pay his debts.

Why is it our library has only ten copies of Candy?

Can you imagine the practical jokes Ian Fleming must have pulled when he was in high school.

Ben: What did one Salisbury ref say to the other?

Bob: Salisbury referees don't talk, they barn.

The biggest farce I ever saw was Burlington students passing out Sportsmanship Code cards at the tournament.

Funny how Mrs. Wilder's home-room wins the scholarship plaque when two of her students compile the averages.

Beethoven's Fifth won't be the only one played in Nassau.

Mr. Colson is now the unofficial adviser for the traffic squad.

It has been requested that I change the name of my column to "More Sin from the Poison Pen."

Tommy: This homework is rather futile

Cynthia: Good Knight. It sure is.



A-ah-ah—ker choo! Suffering from colds, asthma, hay fever, or more likely the after effects of flu are victims Neil Rabin, sophomore; Charleen Pyron, junior; and Judi Sigmon, Ann Main, and Joyce King (right row) seniors

Flu Flew Through; Sick Students Skip School

BY SUE PITTMAN

Radio Announcer:

This is Jerry Rundown, GHS network, reporting the latest news on the Flu Epidemic for those of you who are well enough to listen.

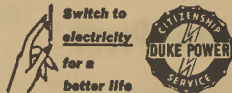
It seems the epidemic has steadily declined as seen by the absentee list at Grimsley Senior High. Among other sick notices such as "out of gas, infected nose, tooth pulled, Air Force test, drops in eyes, traffic court, needed at home, or phone out of order", flu appears about once in every five excuses.

Mrs. Stanton, Dean of Students, noted that the flu seriously began on February 22 with seventeen cases. Steadily inclining on February 26, there were twenty-one cases and on March 3, the epidemic had climbed to a total of twenty-eight cases. Even the principal, Mr. Routh, was stricken with the flu.

The only logical conclusion for

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the flu epidemic, doctors have announced, is that it is that time of the year. The flu begins in early February and may last until late March or the beginning of April. Highly contagious, humans may receive it just by proximity to another person or by using an eating utensil after someone who has the disease.

Unlike the London plague which wiped out most of London's humanity, the Greensboro Flu Epidemic merely leaves its victims weak and bleary-eyed, and sometimes a cough that sounds chronic to the healthy.

And now Fred Quackman has an advertisement: "My friends, do you feel tired, run down, weak enough to stay

in bed, but will-powered enough to come to school? Take Geritol. It's the best . . .

Radio Announcer: Pssst Fred, I've already tried that, it didn't help.

Fred: Well, take aspirin, Bufferin.

Radio Announcer: Pssst, Fred, I've tried that too.

Fred: Jerry, would you like to take over this advertisement?

Radio Announcer: Thank-you. "Do you feel tired, run-down, and depressed? Chances are you have the flu. Take Geritol, aspirin, and Bufferin, and get plenty of rest, but don't count on getting well until the flu has flown away."



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