



Tupperware closing: 160 to be laid off in Cowansville

By John McCaghey

COWANSVILLE — Dart Industries Canada Ltd., the conglomerate which operates Tupperware, announced late Wednesday afternoon it will cease production here May 10.

The approximately 160 employees at the once-flourishing plant were told of the closure immediately before public confirmation by Tupperware vice-president

of manufacturing Al Caron.

Caron said the employees appeared happy about the proposed settlement arrangements and up to 60 could be kept on to the end of the calendar year in the plant's packaging and shipping departments.

The company decided to consolidate the manufacturing and distribution operations presently located here into its production facility in Morden, Manitoba.

The newer Morden facility will

be expanded to accommodate present and future production and distribution needs of the Tupperware Home Party marketing system across Canada.

Morden currently employs 90 people and it is anticipated there will be a significant increase in employment there in the next two to three years.

The Morden facility, according to a press release, is better suited to fully utilize production technolo-

gies which have been developed in recent years. The press release said the consolidation will produce significant efficiencies which will enhance the competitive position of Tupperware products in the market place.

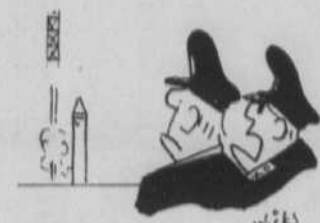
Caron, in reply to a question, said the closure was certainly not attributable to either a lack of productivity or quality.

He said the newer Morden plant, which has been in operation for

five years, has more modern equipment and a better layout.

Only two staff members have been offered transfers to Manitoba and Caron returns home to manage an operation in the United States for the same company.

A senior management member will remain on hand to assist the employees in finding new jobs, relocating and otherwise easing the sorry task of closing a plant Mother's Day weekend.



"Contact mission control. We have a problem."

Tories working on Miller time?

OTTAWA (CP) — The Conservative government may delay its key first budget and bring down the highly anticipated document in May, rather than April as stated earlier by Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, government sources say.

They deny that the delay is being considered to allow time for an Ontario provincial election before the possible hard news of Ottawa's budget — a factor in Ontario politics that was acknowledged earlier this week by premier-designate Frank Miller after he met Mulroney in Ottawa.

The new timetable would, however, allow the results of a national economic summit scheduled for late March to be taken into account during budget preparation, the sources said.

As well, a May budget would allow more time for public consideration of several policy discussion papers which have been released by the government — including one on benefits for the elderly and child assistance programs — and would allow consultation in those areas.

Several of the papers touch areas that will undoubtedly be included in budget measures, and if the government is sincere about its promise of consultation the budget deadline would have to be flexible.

Highly placed officials said that as of Wednesday morning no decision had been made on budget timing, but one source said the Finance Department was pressing for a release date following Mulroney's return from the economic summit of industrialized nations in Bonn, West Germany, May 2 to 4.

Finance Minister Michael Wilson said after a special meeting of Mulroney's powerful inner cabinet Wednesday that the government still is aiming at a late April budget delivery, but the first ministers meeting next week and the March summit are important aspects of the government's plans.

"I've never set a date," Wilson said. "We've talked about aiming for the end of April. I'm still aiming for that."

The finance minister refused to speculate "at this point" whether he might have to delay the budget into May.

Mulroney said in the Commons just before Christmas that Wilson would table his new budget in April. He seemed to reiterate that position last week when he said in the House that Opposition Leader John Turner can expect a budget "at a time that was already indicated."

Miller met Mulroney Monday for the first time since his election as Ontario Conservative leader, and Mulroney denied that Miller had asked him to hold off a budget until after a provincial election.

"No, we're statesmen," Mulroney said.

But Miller acknowledged he would prefer not to call a provincial vote after a federal "hard-news" budget.

"I realize every time there's a budget there's a reaction from the general public at all levels, so naturally I obviously prefer not to have a hard-news budget," he said, adding that he might not have an option.

Miller said then that he did not know when an election would be called, but Conservative insiders said Wednesday that private polls taken as late as December showed the Tory provincial government retaining high popularity. They said no poll results have surfaced since Miller's leadership victory.

If Miller were to call an election April 1, the earliest day for voting would be Thursday May 9 under the province's new election law, said a federal electoral office official.

Mulroney predicted during Parliament's Christmas break that the budget would be his government's most unpopular measure this spring. He said it would have some "difficult aspects" to it and "it is always difficult when you're cutting back on expenditures."

James Stewart, an economist with Dominion Securities Pitfield Ltd. of Toronto, said Wednesday that delay of a budget to May — while significant if it causes an atmosphere of uncertainty — would not be as important to the business community as the direction of the budget itself.

He said business is concerned that the government is showing signs it does not want to bite the deficit bullet, because of political considerations. Canadians are more worried about jobs than about the federal deficit, polls have shown.

Fund falls short due to 'honest mistakes'

OTTAWA (CP) — The federal government is caught in the embarrassing dilemma of not having enough money to match the flood of public donations for the African famine.

Canadians have given more than \$30 million since External Affairs Minister Joe Clark established an emergency aid fund for Africa on

Nov. 27 and promised to match, dollar-for-dollar, the public donations for Ethiopia and several other Central African countries caught in the drought.

Despite the government's good intentions, it has so far provided just \$5 million in matching funds because of several "honest mistakes" it made in establishing its \$50-million Africa fund, says Nigel Martin, one of several non-government aid workers managing part of the fund.

Appeals are being made to Treasury Board in an attempt to pry the necessary additional money out of the government.

The problem is twofold, says Martin.

The government budgeted just \$15 million of its \$50-million African fund to match public donations — a figure already dwarfed by the "unprecedented" public response, says Martin.

And it has been too slow to distribute the \$15 million in matching finances it does have available, says Martin, who is also executive director of the Canadian Council for International Co-operation, an umbrella organization of about 100 non-government aid agencies.

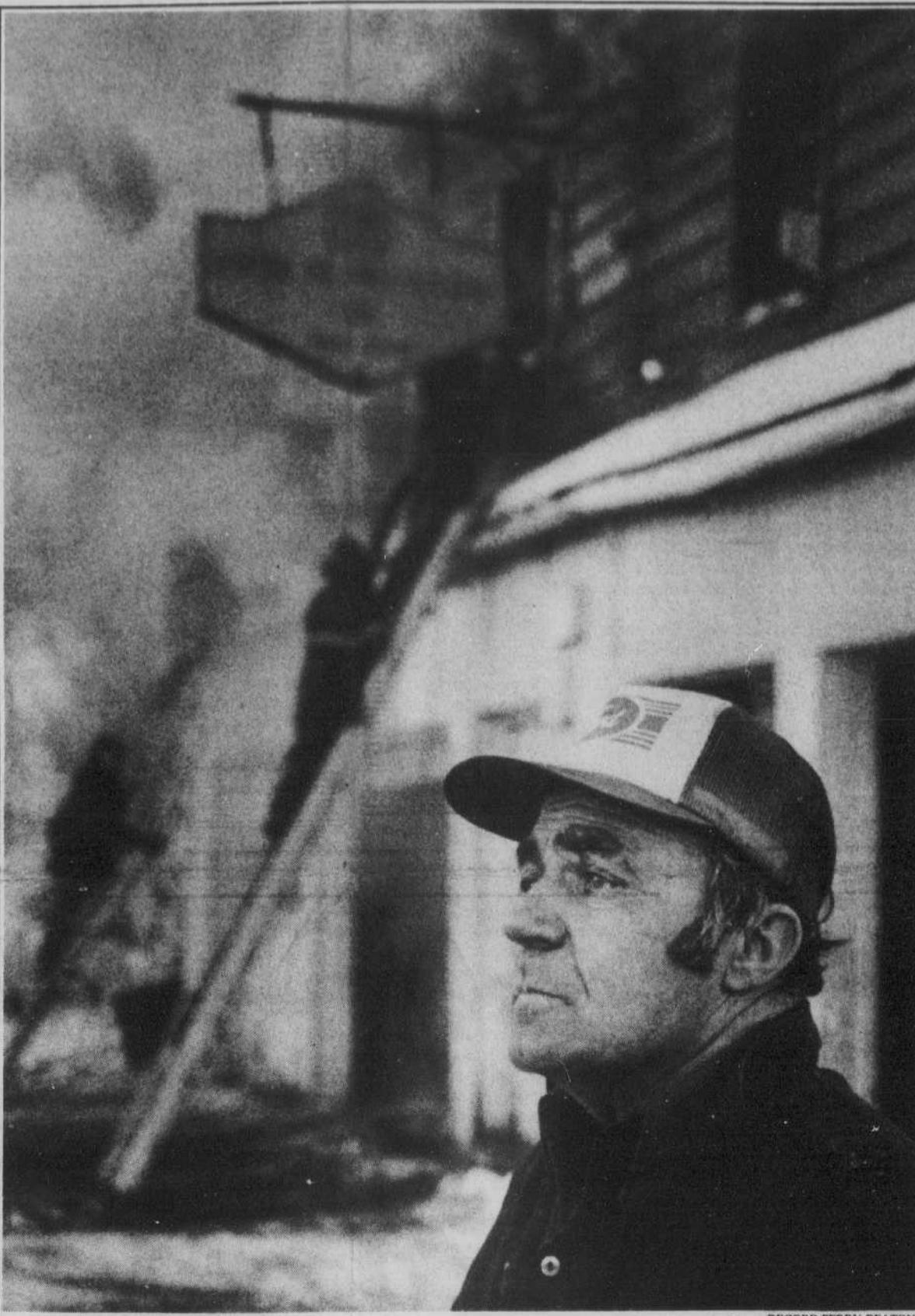
(The other \$35-million in the federal fund, while also being used for emergency aid and possibly some long-term development projects in Africa, is not tied to matching public donations.)

JUST ONE PAYMENT

The government has so far turned over just \$5 million of its promised matching funds, Martin said in an interview. "They miscalculated the rapidity with which the (public donations) would come in."

The government strategy was to "maximize the public value of the government response," by presenting with due fanfare three separate cheques of \$5 million each as donations climbed toward \$15 million, Martin says.

But by the time the first — and so far only — government cheque for \$5 million got through the machinery, public donations had already surpassed the entire \$15-million budget.



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Tire shop destroyed by flames

Florian Nadeau lost his entire business in a fire busy Lennoxville volunteer fire department. Story, page 3.

Father rejects Quebec language law

AYLMER, Que. (CP) — A Quebec father says his children, recently emigrated from the Dominican Republic, will be kept at home until the province allows them to attend an English high school.

Silfredo Almonte says his Spanish-speaking teenagers worked hard to learn English before they arrived in Canada on Jan. 20 and will fall behind in their studies if forced in French.

"I should have a choice where I send my children to school," said Almonte, 40, a construction worker in Aylmer, near Ottawa. "We chose Canada because it's a free country. But in education, where is the freedom?"

Almonte, who emigrated from the Dominican Republic in 1969, re-

turned two years ago to marry his childhood sweetheart Miledis, 34. She brought the children to Canada.

Almonte said Denise, 13, and Alexander, 14, would be kept out of school while he sought to convince authorities the youngsters should attend the local English high school.

"Sending the children to a French school at this point would affect them very badly," Almonte said.

Education ministry spokesman Jean-Marc Gindras said Tuesday the province won't make an exception to Quebec's language law, Bill 101, that allows only people educated in English in Canada to send their children to English schools.

"The only exceptions are people on a temporary stay in the province, people in the armed forces and children with learning disabilities," said Gindras.

"It's a clear-cut case. The children are newly-arrived immigrants."

He said the local school board likely would send a truant officer to the Almontes' home to take the children to French school.

Until then, Almonte said Denise and Alexander would spend their time reading, watching television and practising their English in the family's apartment.

Almonte, who has lived in Quebec since 1976, said he doesn't want to move to Ontario to put the teenagers in an English school.

PQ wants to put 101 above law

QUEBEC (CP) — A special Quebec cabinet committee set up to consider the future of Quebec's language law is planning to put forward a proposal that would make it constitutional for the province to restrict the use of languages other than French.

Cultural Communities Minister Gerald Godin said Wednesday the committee will recommend "a solution that will put Bill 101 outside the realm of the judges and the federal government." He declined to provide details.

The special committee — composed of Godin, Justice Minister Pierre Marc Johnson and Education Minister Francois Gendron — was formed after Quebec Superior Court Judge Pierre Boudreault struck down a provision of Bill 101 outlawing the use of languages other than French on commercial signs.

The committee doesn't believe "the situation is ripe enough now to retreat on essential aspects of Bill 101," said Godin. "We don't think we're in a situation right now to act as if there were no longer any threats to the language situation in Quebec."

Boudreault ruled in December that Section 58 of the Charter of the French Language is inoperable because it contravenes freedom of expression guarantees in the Quebec Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

TAKES PRECEDENCE

The rights charter takes precedence over other laws such as Bill 101, Boudreault said in his ruling. He said he would have made the same ruling "with hardly a moment's hesitation" if lawyers for the plaintiffs had based their arguments on the federal Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

Godin told reporters the committee recommendation would be "more subtle" than including a "notwithstanding" clause to exempt the language law from the provincial and federal charter of rights.

That clause — Article 33 of the federal rights charter — lets Parliament and provincial legislatures pass laws allowing them to override fundamental rights, including freedom of expression and religion.

The Quebec cabinet will vote on the recommendation Tuesday.

Godin said the language question could be an issue in the next provincial election, expected this year.

The language "situation is moving in the right direction but we have not reached the point where we can take it for granted," he said.

Kidnapping ringleader sentenced

TORONTO, Poland (AP) — A Polish court today convicted secret police Capt. Grzegorz Piotrowski of kidnapping and murdering a pro-Solidarity priest and sentenced him to 25 years in prison, rejecting prosecution appeals that he be sentenced to death.

Piotrowski was tried on charges of being the ringleader in the abduction and killing of Rev. Jerzy Popieluszko last October.

Lieut. Leszek Pekala was sentenced to 15 years in prison and Lieut. Waldemar Chmielewski was sentenced to 14 years for participating in the abduction and killing of the Roman Catholic priest.

Col. Adam Pietruszka, their superior, was sentenced to 25 years in prison after being convicted on charges of instigating the killing.

Chernenko confirmed ill

ROME (AP) — One of Moscow's leading journalists confirmed Wednesday that Konstantin Chernenko is ill, but said he does not know how serious the illness is and added that the Soviet president "carries on with the leadership of the party."

It was the first time a top Soviet official has publicly confirmed rumors of the 73-year-old leader's failing health. Chernenko's first anniversary in office is Feb. 13.

Viktor Afanasyev, editor of the Communist party newspaper Pravda and a member of the Communist party Central Committee, spoke in an interview broadcast by Italy's state-run RAI television. He was asked about Chernenko during a special news program on the Yalta agreements reached 40 years ago by Josef Stalin, Winston Churchill and Franklin Roosevelt.

"I must say that comrade Chernenko is sick," he said. "Now, how serious the illness is I cannot say because I am not a

doctor. But I know that he, however, carries on with the leadership of the party even if he is sick."

"We hope that this period will pass and that it won't be too long," he said without further elaboration.

Afanasyev's comments were translated simultaneously from Russian to Italian, and into English by The Associated Press.

No other Soviet official has publicly confirmed that Chernenko is ill, but there have been persistent reports of his illness from Moscow. He seen in public last on Dec. 27, at a televised awards ceremony.

Many diplomats in Moscow say Soviet officials have told them in private that Chernenko has been sick during his prolonged absence from public view.

Chernenko is believed to suffer from emphysema, and has displayed obvious breathing problems during public appearances.

U.S. Justice Dept. takes up hunt for the Nazi 'Angel of Death'

WASHINGTON (AP) — After a mock trial by Auschwitz survivors to dramatize the torture inflicted on them by Dr. Josef Mengele, the U.S. Justice Department has started an investigation to try to find the Nazi war criminal.

Calling Mengele "one of the world's most vicious criminals," Attorney General William French Smith said the investigation falls within the department's "general authority," although Mengele is

not wanted for any crimes committed in the United States.

Smith's announcement Wednesday came shortly after survivors, marking the 40th anniversary of the liberation of the Nazi concentration camp Auschwitz, concluded a mock trial in Jerusalem with a declaration that Mengele's freedom "brings shame and dishonor upon the free world."

"The Israelis are intensely interested in this subject matter,"

Smith said. "I can't exactly say they urged it, but I know they will welcome it."

But the attorney general also acknowledged that the investigation was triggered in part by disclosure last month of a declassified document indicating U.S. military occupation forces in Austria may have taken Mengele into custody — and then released him — in 1947.

The documents were disclosed by Rabbi Marvin Hier, dean of the

Simon Wiesenthal Centre in Los Angeles, a private institution for studies of the destruction of European Jewry in the Second World War.

Reached by telephone in Paris, where he is working to co-ordinate commemorative activities marking the anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz, Hier said: "I am gratified that the Reagan administration has finally decided to launch a formal investigation —

something that we had asked the president to do in a formal letter on Dec. 11."

"It is particularly timely. The whole world has just witnessed the harrowing tale of the Mengele twins," he said. "We have a moral obligation to leave no stone unturned in bringing this monster to the bar of justice."

Mengele, known as the "Angel of Death," is a physician and former major in the Nazi secret police and

is wanted by the West German government on murder charges.

Among Mengele's alleged crimes are experiments on twins and the gassing and cremation of prisoners at the Auschwitz camp in German-occupied Poland, where an estimated four million Jews and others were killed.

He would be 73 if still alive. Mengele was reportedly last seen in Paraguay in the 1970s.

MP brings ministers into Hatfield drug case

OTTAWA (CP) — Unanswered questions about the police investigation and prosecution of New Brunswick Premier Richard Hatfield on drug charges suggest federal cabinet ministers may have acted improperly, Liberal MP John Nunziata said Wednesday.

"My concern is that some very basic and fundamental principles have been breached," the Toronto-area MP said in an interview, adding that he is trying to determine if there was political interference by Justice Minister John Crosbie or Solicitor General Elmer MacKay.

Asked if he has evidence of improper ministerial intervention, Nunziata, the Liberal solicitor general critic, replied: "I have a lot of information but at this point in time I am waiting for a public inquiry."

He said he will continue pressing the federal government for an independent review of the case, adding that MacKay's unwillingness to conduct an inquiry suggests "there's something there and they're hiding it."

But Crosbie, responding to reporters' questions outside the Commons, said he is satisfied the prosecution of Hatfield was handled properly and the integrity of the justice system remains intact.

"There isn't any necessity for (an independent inquiry), there's nothing there to be investigated, there are no improprieties that I am aware of, there are no deviations from proper standards of behavior that I know of as far as the administration of justice is

concerned."

Crosbie said he has reviewed the actions of Justice Department lawyer Richard Leclaire, whose conversations with Nunziata first raised questions about the prosecution, and concluded that Leclaire was "ill-served" by Nunziata.

"He didn't give the information out. Mr. Nunziata had all the information, then called him to start asking him questions about it."

MET STUDENTS

The information, first released by Nunziata and later confirmed by other sources, was about an encounter Hatfield, 53, had with four university students in 1981.

Two of the men, one now living in Halifax and the other in Toronto, said in interviews with Southam and other news media they and two others were invited to Hatfield's house after meeting him in a Fredericton restaurant and, once there, used marijuana and cocaine.

The allegations were published shortly after Hatfield, premier of New Brunswick since 1970, was acquitted in provincial court on a charge of possessing 35 grams of marijuana. The statements were not used as evidence during the case and Hatfield has refused to comment on them.

Nunziata said an inquiry would reveal when MacKay and Crosbie were first informed of the marijuana charges, when they were informed of the 1981 incident and what instructions, if any, they or their officials issued to the RCMP and the prosecutors.

News-in-brief

MSO subsidy delayed

MONTREAL (CP) — The Quebec government wants to see detailed plans before it delivers a promised \$30 million contribution towards construction of a controversial concert hall for the Montreal Symphony Orchestra.

Cultural Affairs Minister Clément Richard said Wednesday the subsidy, authorized last November, would have to be approved by cabinet again. It was not being withdrawn but rather "unfortunately delayed," he said.

The province promised the contribution "in a totally different context," the minister explained, when the hall was to have been part of a \$130-million shopping mall development proposed by Cadillac-Fairview Corp. of Toronto.

Voters still prefer Tories

MONTREAL (CP) — Five months after taking power under Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, the Conservatives are holding the support of a majority of decided voters but their post-election honeymoon may be fading slightly, a Gallup poll published today suggests.

The survey, based on interviews with 1,054 Canadian adults, indicates that 53 per cent of decided voters would have backed the Conservatives if the federal election had been called between Jan. 3 and Jan. 5 when the poll was conducted.

Panel appointed to end dispute

QUEBEC (CP) — The Quebec government announced the appointment of a mediation board Wednesday to help settle a bitter six-month strike at Marine Industries Ltd. in Sorel, northeast of Montreal.

The panel, composed of Raymond Desilets, Michel Sainte-Marie and president Marcel Guilbert, will report daily to Labor Minister Raynald Frechette on efforts made to end the dispute.

The government owns 65 per cent of the shipyard and heavy parts manufacturer through its holding company, General Investment Corp.

Jews remember those who died

OTTAWA (CP) — As a German-born man stood trial in Toronto for claiming the Holocaust was grossly exaggerated, several Jewish survivors lit candles on Parliament Hill Wednesday and said they wished he was right.

"Then all our families would be alive," said one after the candle-lighting ceremony commemorating those who died in concentration camps during the Second World War.

Many in the group of 50 who attended the ceremony, which also marked the 40th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz concentration camp, said the trial of Ernst Zundel, a 46-year-old German now living in Toronto, is painful for them but it's necessary to get the record straight.

Owls starving to death

OTTAWA (CP) — An owl thought to be high on pesticides when it attacked people near Banff, Alta., in December was actually starving to death, Eric Browden, a Canadian Wildlife Service expert, said today.

Browden said an autopsy was done on the great horned owl plus two other owls found dead near Banff. None were rabid and their pesticide residue levels were too low to have any impact on their behavior.

"The birds were extremely thin, they had no fat tissue and nothing in their intestines and their gallbladder was enlarged, a sign of not eating for some time," said Browden.

The bird that attacked people "was likely at the end of its tether and would attack anything in hopes of getting something to eat."

He said the extreme cold and heavy snow in the Rockies this winter is making it tough for the owls and most other wildlife to find enough to eat.

Arctic research centre stays open

OTTAWA (CP) — The Arctic Biological Station at Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue, Que. will remain open, Fisheries Minister John Fraser announced Wednesday.

The station, world famous for its work on the Arctic, was to be closed April 1 as part of the government's cost-cutting program announced in Finance Minister Michael Wilson's economic statement in November.

The station's staff was to have been moved to other departmental facilities.

Fraser said he decided to keep the station open to maintain a clearly visible commitment to Arctic marine research.

Archives receive Pope's papers

OTTAWA (CP) — The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has given the Public Archives of Canada a series of papers, posters and videotapes on Pope John Paul's visit in September.

The papers include speeches, correspondence, itineraries and maps. Also included in the package, donated by conference president John Sherlock, bishop of London, Ont., is a complete copy of videotapes of the exhaustive television coverage of the 12-day tour of Canada.

The financial records of the visit will be donated at an unspecified later date, a news release from the archives said.

It's up to René, says Turner

TORONTO (CP) — The Quebec Liberal party's strong stand in support of a constitutional veto for that province is hypothetical and academic until the party defeats Premier René Lévesque, federal Liberal Leader John Turner said Wednesday night.

An election platform released Tuesday by Robert Bourassa, Quebec Liberal leader, said the party would not sign a constitutional accord unless the agreement allowed Quebec to veto "any question of a constitutional nature."

Turner, attending a \$200-a-ticket fund-raising event for John Roberts — defeated by Turner in the Liberal leadership race last year — was reluctant to answer questions on the platform.

"I'm not commenting on a hypothetical proposal," he said.

Paybacks ruled unjust

TORONTO (CP) — The federal government's decision to force 350 Canadians to repay \$1.7 million in unemployment insurance benefits violates the principle of natural justice, a government board of referees has ruled.

In a statement after a recent appeal hearing of a Toronto man required to repay \$21,120 in benefits, the board said the government does not have the right to ask hundreds of Canadians to give money back.

"We do not think that the (Employment and Immigration) commission or Revenue Canada have the right to retroactively reclaim money paid out to claimants on a legal basis," the board said.

To each his own

VANCOUVER (CP) — He was nicking some knickers when the police slipped up on him. Two patrolmen decided to check the man crouched in the doorway of the lingerie shop at 3 a.m. Wednesday.

They discovered he was using a bent coat hanger to fish for frillies through the mail slot. He had nicked a negligee and was trying for more.

A 46-year-old Vancouver man has been charged with breaking and entering.

Subway shooter pleads not guilty

NEW YORK (AP) — Bernhard Goetz pleaded not guilty today to charges of illegal weapons possession in connection with the shootings of four youths on a New York subway train last December.

Judge Stephen Crane reduced Goetz' bail to \$5,000 cash from \$50,000 and set a hearing for Feb. 27.

Hundreds of protesters demonstrated outside the courtroom, chanting slogans which could be heard inside, such as, "Bernhard Goetz, you can't hide, we charge you with genocide."

The hearing lasted about 15 minutes. Goetz said one word; when asked whether he was in fact Bernhard Hugo Goetz, he replied, "Yes."

Canada to join U.S. in space?

WASHINGTON (CP) — President Ronald Reagan's annual State of the Union report to Congress on Wednesday said Canada has a strong interest, along with Europeans and Japanese, in joining the U.S. plan to put a permanent space station into orbit in 1992.

In a text of the State of the Union address released before he gave it to a joint session of the Senate and the House of Representatives, Reagan said "in the next decade, Americans and our friends around the world will be living and working together in space."

A fact sheet accompanying the address said Reagan had asked friendly countries last year to join in the manned space station program and "this year he said Americans will be living and working in space in the 1990s — and reported that Europeans, Canadians and Japanese are strongly interested in joining us."

Castro may strike deal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Cuban President Fidel Castro may be willing to withdraw his forces from Angola in return for South African forces leaving Namibia and giving that disputed land independence, the Washington Post says.

Castro is prepared to co-operate in an American-sponsored peace effort in southern Africa, The Post quoted the Cuban leader as saying in an interview last week.

But, if the regional settlement being sought cannot be achieved, Cuban troops could remain "five, 10, 15 years" or longer, Castro told the newspaper.

Lumber imports restricted?

WASHINGTON (CP) — Legislation designed to restrict U.S. imports of Canadian softwood lumber to about 25 per cent of the domestic market was introduced Wednesday in the U.S. Congress.

A spokesman for Democratic Representative Jim Weaver, author of the legislation, said it is too early to say what support the legislation will have in the 435-member House of Representatives. About 15 members have co-sponsored the bill.

Kevin Kirchner said the major purpose of the legislation is to put pressure on the Reagan administration to begin negotiations with Canada to achieve voluntary limits on Canadian softwood lumber exports to the United States.

Stick to trees, dogs advised

KORSOER, Denmark (AP) — The dogs of Korsøer must give up their favorite lamp posts for the time being or risk going the way of Basse, a pekingese that died from electric shock on his nightly rounds of the waterfront.

The power authority of this ferry port city said a long period of severe cold apparently damaged the wiring of many lamp posts and made even a dog's indirect contact with them dangerous.

Manager Poul Dahl said he knows of one dog besides Basse that paid with its life, and said his men are working to locate the faults in the two lamp posts in question.

Spy ring diplomats expelled

NEW DELHI (AP) — Indian newspapers said today that a Soviet citizen, an East German diplomat and a Polish diplomat have been expelled in connection with an investigation into an alleged spy ring.

The Express, India's largest circulation daily, said a "Soviet national attached to the U.S.S.R. Embassy in New Delhi" was expelled. It did not identify the person.

"Intelligence sources said that another Soviet official may be involved in the espionage business," the newspaper said.

The Express and other major newspapers also reported that the Polish and East German diplomats have been expelled in connection with a continuing investigation into alleged spying activities. Nearly 20 people have been arrested in recent weeks on suspicion of spying.

India makes mysterious move

ISLAMABAD (Reuters) — India has sent about 100,000 troops close to its border with Pakistan without explaining to Islamabad the reasons for the sudden move, a senior Pakistani Foreign Ministry official said today.

The official, who asked not to be identified, called the deployment a "menacing concentration of Indian forces within striking distance of Pakistan."

He said New Delhi had not followed the normal practice of informing Islamabad before moving five divisions, including an armored division, to the Rajasthan state town of Suratgarh, only 120 kilometres from the border.

Lange firm on warship issue

WELLINGTON (AP) — New Zealand Prime Minister David Lange said Wednesday that "coercion" by the United States will only harden his government's resolve to ban American warships from territorial waters until it is assured they do not carry nuclear weapons.

"I regard it as unacceptable that another country should by threat or coercion try to change a policy which has been embraced by the New Zealand people," Lange told a news conference.

New Zealand claims visiting nuclear-powered or nuclear-armed ships make it a nuclear target.

Lange called the dispute a "smallish" issue, and said it would be out of character for the United States to deal with it by threats or sanctions.

Dying woman told to go home and see daughter

MONTREAL (CP) — Doctors have told a 27-year-old woman who has been waiting for a life-saving heart-lung transplant in California for 15 months she should return home to Montreal.

But Diane Hebert is not about to give in.

"I told them if I have even a one-per-cent chance of life, I'm going to stay and have the operation," Hebert said in a telephone interview Wednesday from her apartment in Mountain View, just outside Palo Alto, Calif.

Hebert suffers from a rare condition known as primitive pulmonary hypertension which is plugging the arteries around her heart and depriving her body of oxygen.

A transplant to replace her heart and both her lungs is her last hope.

But three weeks ago, surgeons at the Stanford Medical Centre in Palo Alto told Hebert her chances of surviving the operation were only 20 to 50 per cent. The hospital's normal success rate is 70- to 80-per-cent.

The doctors tried to persuade her to go back home and spend what time she has left with her four-year-old daughter, Isabelle, who is being cared for by Hebert's parents in Montreal.

But Hebert, who has already beaten the odds by surviving without a transplant a year longer than the doctors expected, is refusing to take their advice.

"If I went back home I wouldn't

be able to take care of my daughter the way I used to — she would have to take care of me."

Hebert said surgeons are gloomy about her chances because the last two transplant patients at the Stanford medical centre died as a result of previous heart or lung surgery.

She had heart surgery as a child to correct a blockage in the aorta and now "the doctors don't feel I have much of a chance."

Hebert is now one of 21 people in the Palo Alto area waiting for a transplant. Surgeons must find not only find an organ match that is compatible with her tissues but are also appropriate for her 91 pound, five-foot-one-inch frame.

Hebert's boyfriend is looking after her but she fears he may have to return to Montreal to work so he does not lose his accreditation as an air-conditioning systems installer.

If that happens, she will have to find someone else to stay with her to help with the tasks she can no longer perform herself.

She said she is keen on making the public aware "how important it is to fill out the organ donation cards that come with renewed drivers' permits."

Hebert is being supported by a suburban Montreal service club which has raised more than \$70,000 toward her estimated \$250,000 expenses. Quebec health insurance pays for the majority of her medical fees.

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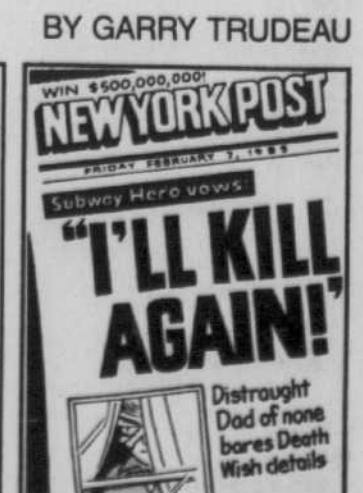


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Townshippers: Youth and age key anglo community problems



Townshippers Association executive director Cynthia Dow (left), president Marjorie Goodfellow and vice-president David MacKenzie outlined their National Assembly committee appearance at a press conference Wednesday.

By Charles Bury

SHERBROOKE — Keeping the Eastern Townships English-speaking community healthy is a matter of keeping its young people wealthy and wise, says Townshipers Association president Marjorie Goodfellow.

"Our main goal is to assure the continued presence of a healthy and dynamic English-speaking population in the Eastern Townships," the president of the 8000-member English-community lobby group told reporters at a press conference Wednesday.

And for that to happen, Goodfellow said, "Our young people must be urged to stay here, and they must have the same opportunity to live interesting, prosperous lives as French-speaking young people do."

What all that comes down to, say the Townshippers, is a strong regional economy.

Goodfellow, association vice-president David MacKenzie and executive director Cynthia Dow appeared before the National Assembly standing committee on Culture Tuesday in Quebec City. Back in Sherbrooke Wednesday they told local reporters they had been "very well-received" by the

committee, which is examining Quebec's declining birth-rate and aging population.

"They (MNAs on the committee) were very receptive," MacKenzie said. "They assured us they will take out problems into consideration when the time comes for them to make recommendations."

DISAPPEARING

The Townshippers told the committee the Eastern Townships English-speaking community is likely to disappear within a generation or two if present trends continue.

MacKenzie said the committee members "were surprised at the scope of our problem — that we are headed towards disappearance."

"They were surprised by the figures," he added. "They knew we existed and that we had a declining, aging population. But they didn't know the scale of it."

The Townshippers also told the National Assembly committee that in the past the provincial government has often sought to solve problems perceived in the Greater Montreal area with solutions which are applied — unfairly — across the province.

"They asked about the differences between the situation in Montreal and what is happening in the outlying areas," MacKenzie said. "They were very interested in

how laws and regulations have up until now been planned in terms of Montreal-area demographics."

Goodfellow said one big problem for the English-community is brought on by its own members, who tend to concentrate in certain small pockets when they retire, leaving large areas of the region empty of anglophones when they go, and overloading service agencies in the target communities.

"They concentrate in just a few places," she said, naming Lennoxville, Knowlton and Richmond as examples.

MacKenzie added that "more and more" retirement-age anglos from outlying areas are concentrating in fewer places.

DISAPPOINTED

Goodfellow said she was disappointed with English-speaking participation in the regional economic summit held last week. She said the anglo community shows "a lack of leadership and a lack of the feeling of involvement" in regional affairs.

Goodfellow also corrected a misunderstanding about the association's involvement at the summit. Wednesday it was reported that she had said at the National Assembly that Townshippers had presented a project for consideration at the summit and been turned down. She said that was incorrect.

She said however that she had asked for the association to have a place in the deliberations of the summit and been turned down on that score.

Goodfellow praised the city of Sherbrooke for actively encouraging the association and its goals and for vaunting the praises of the Eastern Townships English-speaking community in its industrial promotion materials.

Sherbrooke Mayor Jean-Paul Pelletier attended the press conference. He said a healthy English-speaking community in the area "is absolutely essential" to Sherbrooke's prosperity.

"I use that as part of my sales pitch all the time," Pelletier said. "That is one of the things industrialists want to hear about."

"Outside Montreal and Ottawa this is the only place in Canada one can get a complete education from kindergarten through the end of university in either language," he said. "And it is essential to keep it that way."

"I am a big promoter of the English community."

Goodfellow said the Townshippers tell one main message to the National Assembly, to reporters and to anyone else who cares to listen: "We are here and we are here to stay."

Busy times for Lennoxville firemen

LENNOXVILLE — Fire destroyed a tire-service garage Wednesday and wiped out the dreams of Florian and Daniel Nadeau, a father-and-son who opened their Queen Street business only three months ago.

There were no serious injuries in the blaze, which was spotted by Florian Nadeau at about 3:15 p.m., but damage is estimated at well over \$100,000.

Lennoxville firemen under chief John Nichol were on the scene within minutes but were unable to stop the flames before they had destroyed the building and its contents. Only a tire-installation machine, a couple of tool chests and a compressor were saved.

A thick pall of acrid black smoke from the burning rubber of hundreds of automobile tires darkened the skies. Traffic was reduced to a single lane opposite 425 Queen.

The garage was called *Centre du Pneu Dussault* until it was sold to the Nadeaus last year by Albéric Dussault of Rock Forest.

The elder Nadeau says he doubts the pair will attempt to start up again. He said he was previously driven out of business "by the government".

Early 1985 has been a busy time for the Lennoxville fire department. The volunteers have been called out 13 times since Jan. 1, nine times for fires in Lennoxville and four times to assist other municipalities. In all of 1984 they had only 31 calls, of which 16 were for fires within town limits.



Lennoxville volunteer firemen responded to their 13th call of 1985 Wednesday but were unable to save Florian and Daniel Nadeau's tire store.

Morin inquest told of death by shock

By Michael McDevitt

SHERBROOKE — Sherbrooke Coroner Michel Durand has reserved judgment in his investigation into the death of Steve Morin, 21, who was electrocuted last October 29 while working at the Richmond shop of *Les Industries Moderne Melbourne*, a local machine tooling outfit.

According to testimony given at a lengthy inquest Wednesday, Morin was attempting to adjust the pressure on a lathe in the Richmond mill when he apparently came into contact with high-voltage current from a wire suspended near the machine. Death was instantaneous.

Pierre Perron, an inspector for the *Conseil pour la santé et sécurité au travail* (CSST) said he arrived at the scene of the accident on October 30 in the company of two electrical experts who discovered serious problems with the electrical system throughout the mill.

Perron said he had been in contact with the company for several months previous to the accident and had received and approved the company's plans to implement a safety program, but that nothing had been done to implement it.

"The plan had been approved in July 1984," Perron said, "but after that nothing had been done."

SERIOUS PROBLEMS

Olivia Grenier, an electrician with the ministry of work standards and consumer protection said his investigation of the accident site showed that there were serious problems with the electrical installation of "at least nine or 10" machines in the plant. He said

the machine on which Morin had been working had three open wires on it "two of which were charged with some 300 volts". The wires had apparently been cut when a hydraulic pump which they were feeding had been detached from the machine.

Grenier said that this was not the only problem, however, as faulty wiring in a heating system had caused "every piece of machinery in the place" to become charged with high-voltage current.

Perron also said a system of warning lights, designed to indicate problems in the circuitry were faulty.

Michel Paré, 33, the foreman of the Richmond mill said he had worked with the machine in question for 11 years, ever since it had been moved to the Richmond site from Melbourne in 1983 and that "it had always been exactly like that. We had no reason to believe there was anything dangerous about it."

Paré added that "In 11 years, I have never seen all three of those (warning) lights working at the same time."

TIME LIMITATIONS?

Electrician Pierre Loiselle, 29, testified that it was his job to carry out electrical repair and maintenance in the company's two shops in Richmond and Melbourne, but admitted that time limitations had enabled him to concentrate only on repairs. He said he had no idea that current was flowing to the disconnected wires on Morin's machine. "It was always like that, there was nothing different about the machine so my attention was not drawn to it."

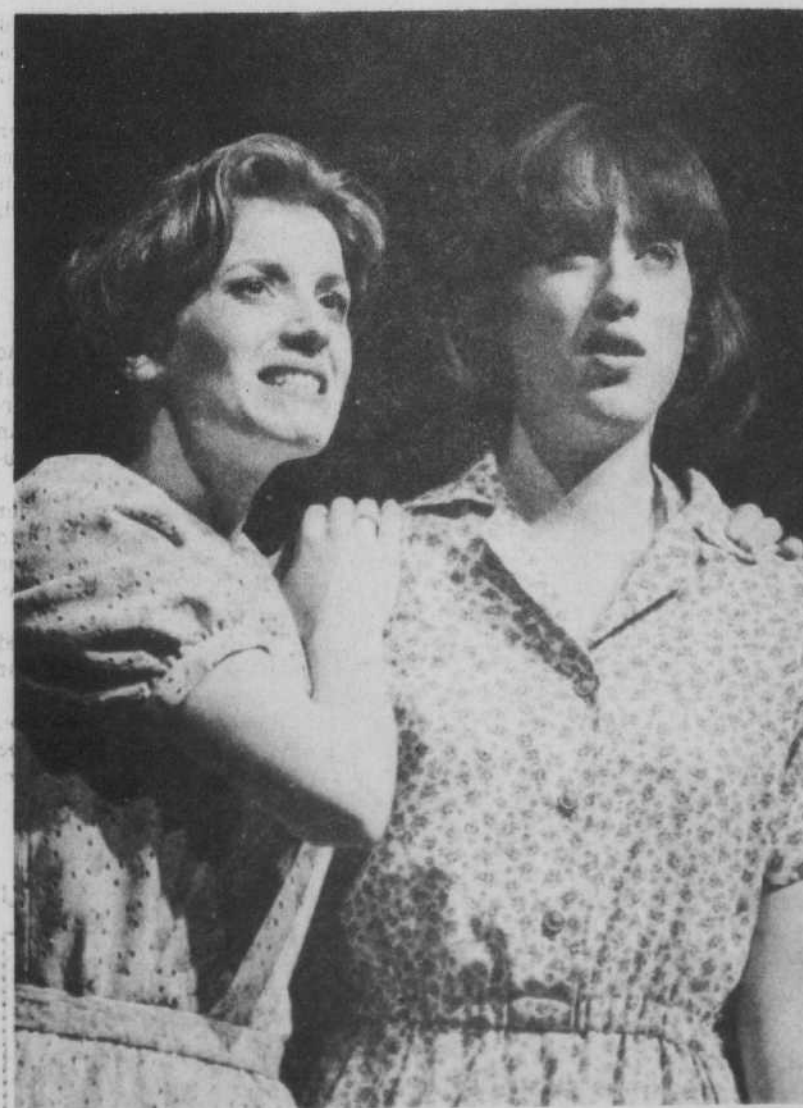
Loiselle said he had only heard after Morin's accident about a mishap which had knocked down a heating fan a few weeks before the accident and speculated that this may have been the cause of the problems with the heating system. He said workers had re-installed the fan without his knowledge and that he knew that in spite of regulations the men occasionally attempted minor electrical repairs on their own.

Company president Edmond Trudeau testified that a contractor had supervised the installation of all his machinery when the shop was moved to Richmond in 1983 and said that as far as he had known there were no problems and that everything was satisfactory.

He said his company had tried to comply with government safety regulations and had even hired a man with expertise to design and supervise the implementation of a safety program, but that the man had left to work elsewhere. He said he tried to get help from the CSST and had been recommended to an individual in Sherbrooke. "As far as I knew, we were doing the best we could, I thought he (Perron) was satisfied."

Further testimony indicated that Paré and the foreman of the Melbourne shop, were in charge of implementing the safety program but that both men were already working 65 hour weeks and had no extra time.

Coroner Durand said he will reserve judgment until he has had time to study pertinent technical documents in detail, "perhaps a couple of weeks."



Tennessee Williams live

Bishop's University drama students mount their most ambitious production in recent years starting today as Williams' *Glass Menagerie* begins a three-day run at Centennial Theatre. Lindsay Toutant (left) and Rebecca Harries are among the stars of university production.

'Gay Visibility Week' at Sherbrooke University

By Bobby Fisher

SHERBROOKE — A greater "tolerance" of homosexuals by society has developed in the past decade, a psychiatrist told reporters at a press conference at the University of Sherbrooke Wednesday.

And it is now up to homosexuals to become more visible in that society, particularly on an individual basis, Alain Bouchard said.

"The years between 1975 and 1985 were a crucial decade in the history of gays and lesbians in Quebec," Bouchard, 39, said. "The start of the 70s saw the first step in organization of the gay liberation movement but it was still very discreet."

Bouchard, speaking to reporters as part of the *Association des Gais et Lesbiennes de l'Université de Sherbrooke's* contribution to National University Gay Visibility Week, said the more homosexuals have become acknowledged, the more they have become visible as individuals.

EASIER IN CITIES

Bouchard said it is more difficult for gays and lesbians to admit their homosexuality publicly when they live in towns or villages than it is if they reside in cities. "But I think the problem lies more between the ears than it does in the size of the city," he added.

John Morello, 27, a bar-school student at the university's law faculty and a co-founder of the institution's gay and lesbian association,

said he has two objectives this week.

"First of all, because we are a relatively new association that has been active only since September, we wanted to have the press conference hoping that the media would be interested so we could make the association known," Morello said.

"A second goal was to invite somebody who is well known around Quebec who can attract people from the university community, especially heterosexual people from other departments, to make them aware that the association exists."

Bouchard, who is gay, was the choice.

Homosexual associations at universities across Quebec — with the exception of Bishop's University in Lennoxville — are taking part in the National Visibility Week.

The University of Sherbrooke's group, in addition to the press conference, also appeared on an open line radio talk show on *CHLT* Wednesday.

Morello said the talk show was "very good" and that there were only "a few" aggressive callers. Most people, he said, wanted to know more about his association.

The association holds meetings every Wednesday night at 7:30 in the Student's Social Centre. Morello added that if further information is needed, someone from the organization may be reached by telephoning (819) 564-5013.



Wrong side down

Slippery road conditions on Route 55 near Deauville sent one car out of control, off the road and onto its back Wednesday morning. No serious injuries were reported.

Life-support

A special Quebec government cabinet committee plans to put forward a proposal which would, in effect, make Bill 101 beyond the reaches of judges and the federal government. Cultural Communities Minister Gerald Godin says the committee doesn't believe it is "in a situation right now to act as if there were no longer any threats to the language situation in Quebec."

In short, Godin believes this is no time to turn back on the province's language law and allow the rulings which have diluted it to continue.

The sentiment is understandable but the method is all wrong. Moreover, it is dangerous.

To make any law above the jurisdiction of judges and the federal government would set an extremely damaging precedent. Laws are never perfect; they are made to be revised and ruled upon as each circumstance dictates. Bill 101 has not been wiped out. It has been interpreted by the men and women appointed to do just that, and has been found — as any other law could be — to be contrary in certain cases to the specific guarantees in the Quebec Charter of Rights and Freedoms. It has stood the test of our judicial system and lost several times.

There is another aspect of Godin's proposal which makes it equally as dangerous. With such a proposal in mind, the government once again clearly demonstrates how out of touch it is with the wishes of the majority of Quebecers — French- and English-speaking. Countless polls and surveys done recently have shown without a doubt that not only are a majority of French-speaking Quebecers content with bilingual signs, many would prefer to see more and believe the province's language laws have irreparably damaged its future. The French-language is not under siege, many believe, and there is no need for an overly-zealous language policy. The preservation of the language is up to French-speaking Quebecers themselves. The English in Quebec are not the threat they were once perceived to be.

Godin will do a great deal of damage with such a proposal whether it is adopted by the government or not. The Parti-Québécois is already well on the path to self-destruction among Quebecers of both languages, and neither French- nor English-speaking people would benefit by a last-ditch effort to hook up life-support systems to a body that is already dead.

ROBERT PALMER

Bruce Levett



Think baseball

I don't know how it is where you live but where I hang out, we are up above our astragaluses in snow.

Ears are tingling. Jack Frost is nipping at our nose which, incidentally, is running. Cars are slurping great gouts of slush up our pant leg.

There is only one thing to do — think baseball.

Loll back. Reach for the reference works and let the warmth of seasons past wash over you. ...

Here we are in Jersey City, N.J. Montreal Royals are playing the Jersey Giants. Jersey is up and Bert Haas is at third for Montreal, holding Wayne Ambler on. Suddenly, Woody Jensen lays down a squeeze bunt and Ambler is off.

Haas charged in as the ball trickled up the third-base line. Did he pick it up? Remember, he couldn't catch Jensen at first and he didn't have a prayer of getting Ambler at the plate.

No — Haas hurled himself to the turf, breathed in mightily and blew the ball foul as it rolled to a stop.

It had never been done before — and it was never done again. The rules-makers saw to that.

Still chilly? Let's visit Washington — it's late July, 1935, and Jesse Hill is about to make history. Hill is facing Washington pitcher Ed Linke and the Yankee slugger gets a pitch he likes, lining it right back to the box. Linke ducks, but he isn't fast enough and the ball hits him on the forehead.

The ball ricochets toward third and the Washington catcher gets under it.

The catcher, someone named Redmond, catches the ball — one out — and fires it to second — two out. The only man on the field who missed the whole thing was the pitcher, Linke, who was out colder than yesterday's mashed potatoes. And he didn't even get an assist on probably the most unusual double-play the game has seen.

Warming up a bit now? Okay — this time we'll journey to Brooklyn. It's mid-August, 1926, and Floyd Caves (Babe) Herman — a lanky slugger who broke in with Edmonton, incidentally — is about to win fame as "the man who tripled into a double play."

There was one man out and three men on base for the Dodgers. Herman hit a vicious clout off the rightfield wall. One man scored and the ball bounced back all the way to second.

Herman made it all the way to third, but when he got there he found two of his team-mates also aboard the bag — three men on a base. It just ain't allowed.

Does the name Ned Hanlon mean anything to you? Probably not, but in his days as a manager, with Baltimore and Brooklyn around the turn of the century, he brought some unusual innovations to the game.

People were stationed in the stands with mirrors, to flash light into the eyes of enemy outfielders. Opponents swore that the third-base foul line was built up so that Oriole bunts would remain fair.

First base was said to be laid out downhill to aid hometown base runners.

And, oh yes — the outfield grass was let grow long, the better to hide extra baseballs. Powdered soap was sprinkled on the mound to make it slippery. The ground in front of the plate was hardened to the consistency of concrete and the Baltimoreans practised hitting down on the ball to give it an impossible hop.

You know — I think it IS getting warm in here.

Yalta accord newest target of Reagan attack

NEW YORK (CP) — Forty years after the United States, the Soviet Union and Britain sat down at a Black Sea resort to draw the postwar map of Europe, U.S. President Ronald Reagan is talking about "undoing this boundary" and "freeing all of Europe."

But unlike earlier American critics of the 1945 Yalta accords, from Senator Joseph McCarthy to President Dwight Eisenhower, Reagan is actively doing something to back up his threats. He is abandoning East-West détente, encouraging Polish nationalism and, in recent months, engaging "the weak links" in the Soviet-led Warsaw Pact in a concerted diplomatic initiative.

"There is one boundary which Yalta symbolizes that can never be made legitimate," the U.S. president said this week, amplifying comments he first made about the accords last summer.

"And that is the dividing line between freedom and repression. I do not hesitate to say that we wish to undo this boundary."

The controversial division of Europe was agreed upon at Yalta in February 1945 and was a de facto recognition of the occupation zones of the advancing western and Red Armies. It continues to draws charges from conservatives, emigre groups and East European dissidents that ailing U.S. President Franklin Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill had "sold out" to Josef Stalin.

DEFEND AGREEMENT

Its defenders argue the agreement

Larry Black



offered a measure of postwar security to both halves of Europe, helped Western Europe cope with strong Communist movements within their own borders and perhaps even prevented a second, East-West phase to the Second World War.

Its critics point to Soviet violations of the accords, particularly their promise to allow multi-party elections to be held in Poland. Many blame the later separation of Germany on Yalta, and some count the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan in 1979 as a violation of the agreement.

But recognizing the consequences of overstepping the line laid down at Yalta, past U.S. presidents have failed to act when opportunity to smash the fragile spheres of influence have presented themselves. Eisenhower, who campaigned on a platform of repudiating Yalta and "rolling back" communism, stood by while the Soviets quashed the Hungarian rebellion of 1956 and uprisings in Poland the same year.

The West was similarly hamstrung

in Czechoslovakia in 1968.

Reagan similarly kept the United States, physically at least, out of the 1981 events in Poland. But last summer he made a point of reopening the whole Yalta debate, which has remained for the most part closed since the 1960s, except for a brief flareup around the 1975 Helsinki agreement, which recognized Europe's postwar frontiers.

"We reject any interpretation of the Yalta agreement that suggests American consent for the division of Europe into spheres of influence," he said then.

And since that time, administration figures have repeated that message whenever talk has turned to Eastern Europe.

IGNORES DIVISION

Vice-President George Bush, after touring two of the "weaker links," Romania and Hungary, told an audience in Vienna that the United States "recognizes no lawful division of Europe."

While tensions have risen between West Germany and the Soviet Union over what Moscow claims are Bonn's "revanchist" territorial designs, U.S. State Secretary George Shultz has called the division of Germany "heartless." In Chicago he said the United States "will never accept the idea of a divided Europe."

And while Washington and Moscow prepare to resume arms talks negotiations, Kenneth Adelman, head of the U.S. Arms Controls and Disarmament Agency, has been touring Yugoslavia, Romania and Hungary ex-

plaining the U.S. position. The State Department, speaking of friction between Moscow and its allies, has also mentioned East Germany and perhaps Bulgaria as two other Warsaw Pact countries interested in distancing themselves from the Soviet Union.

WANT FREEDOM

"Although they are not independent of Moscow, they like to be treated as if they were," a State Department official told a reporter last fall. The administration has decided to "treat them as they want to be, as the best way of achieving that."

Reagan denies that the United States seeks any military advantage in trying to redress the Yalta agreement, and State Department officials say they accept that in Eastern Europe "there will be no big changes soon — only gradual ones."

But his critics at home and in both Western and Eastern Europe argue that his Cold War rhetoric and diplomatic aggressiveness might be counterproductive. Only during détente did Eastern Europeans enjoy increased freedoms, and 40 years of East-West jousting show the Soviets won't be scared into surrendering their buffer zone with the West.

On the other hand, they argue that Reagan's new East European initiatives could worsen their lot, feeding the Soviets' obsession with national security. Unilateral attempts to revise Yalta risk compounding the slight the Soviets have suffered by their exclusion from this May's ceremonies of V-E Day.

Letters

Think of the pleasure Ted would have

Dear Mr. Editor:

Thank you for publishing my letter re: Ted Wright, Jan. 28. It has been a heartwarming experience for me to get the response that I have received (mostly personal), and to know there are many of your readers who feel as I do about Ted.

One of the responses I had was from a lady (who I do not know), who intro-

duced herself as a "friend of Ted", who was so pleased to inform me that Ted is out of the hospital and very comfortably established in a Rest Home.

By way of the same person, I also learned that Ted Wright will be celebrating his 84th birthday, Wed. Feb. 6. Wouldn't it be delightful if the readers of the RECORD, who are in agree-

ment with me, could shower Ted with birthday cards to help him celebrate his special day? Of course, it would be even more delightful if some of your readers who do NOT agree with what I've said, would send him one, (and I don't mean with one of Ted's head in a pot.)

Those Kind He Does Not Need.

Think of the pleasure Ted would

have, receiving and reading all of his cards. On the other hand, imagine how everyone will be astonished at the pleasure they'd feel in themselves for having made this small gesture!

Those who ARE interested may send cards to: TED WRIGHT, Room 101, c/o Manoir Beaumont, 430 Beaumont, Cowansville, P.Q. J2K 1W4.

My personal thanks to you for allowing me space for this information.

BARBARA E. HARVEY,
Dunham, Que.

P.S. I understand that Ted will be unable in the future to write anymore. Don't you think it's time the wise cracks and cartoon-type insinuations of this human being, come to an end?

Maybe you will receive yours yet

Dear Mr. Editor,

I have read many letters to you about mail service; here is another to add to your collection: on Feb. 22/84, I sent cards, from St. Augustine, Florida, to friends here, one was delivered December 12, 1984, in Sherbrooke, almost ten months later. To say the least, I was shocked. I wonder if it was delivered by the toy mailman, operated by batteries. So I will say to my friends, don't be dismayed, maybe you will receive yours yet.

Thank you for space in your paper.
IRIS PEASLEY,
Sherbrooke



France's African presence linked with past

"If they go, we go. If they stay, we stay. If they return, we return," said France's Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson last September, as he signed the agreement with Libya for the mutual withdrawal of French and Libyan troops from Chad. But what actually happened was that the French went, the Libyans stayed, and Cheysson returned to the obscurity of private life.

President François Mitterrand fired Cheysson in December because of the embarrassment he had been caused by the latter's handling of the Chad affair. The last straw was the secret meeting the Foreign Minister arranged between Mitterrand and Libya's Colonel Gaddafi in mid-November in Crete, claiming that all Libya's troops were out of Chad, while both the Chad government and the Americans were already warning that at least 3,000 Libyan troops were still in the country.

The whole affair has done huge damage to France's self-appointed role as the military protector of French-speaking African states. Six years ago President Houphouët-Boigny of the Ivory Coast said that "France is the only Western country we can rely on in times of trouble" — but he stayed away from last month's Franco-African summit in disgust.

However, that was just a passing fit of pique. Houphouët-Boigny knows perfectly well that French troops will be there to save him if something goes badly wrong — in fact they are there already, only a few kilometres from his own presidential palace in Abidjan. And Ivory Coast is only one of six

Gwynne Dyer



French-speaking African countries where France keeps a battalion or more of combat troops.

Unlike the other former imperial powers in Africa, France has never really left. In the past decade French fighter-bombers have gone to the aid of Mauritania, French paratroops have dropped into Zaire to suppress a rebellion, and on one occasion French troops have even been directly used to overthrow an African government: that of Emperor Bokassa.

If Britain had tried that on Idi Amin, a comparable monster, Africa would have risen with one voice in outrage at the intervention. Yet nobody in Africa took great exception when French troops toppled Bokassa. There is a double standard applied to such actions, and for most Africans the French, like the Cubans, are somehow on the right side of the invisible line, while American or British or Soviet troops are not.

The main reason for French acceptability seems to be that a majority of black Africa's states (though not of its population) is francophone, and a great many of the governments in

these French-speaking countries have never stopped looking to France as their ultimate military guarantee. France is more than pleased to fill this role, since in return it gains huge diplomatic and commercial advantages.

The other Western powers are not jealous of this privileged French military position, since French troops in Africa are often protecting their interests as well — and all the costs and casualties are French. The French military investment in Africa has now grown so great that there are an estimated 12,000 French combat troops in the continent, plus squadrons of Mirage fighters, Jaguar fighter-bombers and Transall transport planes.

Behind them, in southern France, there are many more ready to follow if needed. The Force d'Action Rapide (FAR) has now expanded to five divisions — a total of 47,000 men — and although it is also available to intervene on NATO's Central Front in Europe if necessary, its structure, location and training all show that it is primarily a force for intervention in Africa.

The FAR is effectively the French president's private army, to be deployed on his orders. Those orders have displayed a remarkable consistency for 25 years, whether the president was a conservative like De Gaulle or a Socialist like Mitterrand, and despite the recent embarrassment over Chad France is still determined to stay in Africa and protect its friends.

Chad is a special case, in which ri-

val Muslim northerners have fought an endless civil war for control of the country, while the vast majority of the population, the black Christians in the south, have been excluded from the game. Three years ago Goukouni Oueddei was in the capital and had French backing, while Hissene Habre had Libyan support; now it is the other way around.

Mitterrand's decision to pull out is probably due mainly to the fact that the south is now in revolt against the present lot of northerners in the capital, regardless of the fact that they are France's current allies. Hissene Habre is responding with brutal repression — "Villages have been razed to the ground and there are hundreds of people dead," Mitterrand revealed recently — and the southerners have turned in anger against the local French population.

So Mitterrand has stopped giving Habre direct French military support, and has effectively left the mostly empty northern half of Chad, towards the Libyan border, in the hands of Goukouni Oueddei, Gaddafi's current Chadian client. Otherwise, there might be massacres of French civilians in the south.

Having decided to pull his troops out, Mitterrand tried to persuade Gaddafi to make a parallel withdrawal — but Gaddafi said that he just had to wait and do nothing, and Claude Cheysson lost his job in the messy aftermath. But French withdrawal from Chad is not a signal that they are abandoning their military role elsewhere in Africa. They are in the continent up to their necks.

Farm and Business

Reagan plan may 'slaughter' grain market

REGINA (CP) — Its a long way from the marble houses of power in Washington to the rolling prairie wheat fields, but President Ronald Reagan's recent budget proposals have sent shudders through Canadian farmers.

Among various slashes to farm programs, Reagan has proposed reductions and changes to a key program that acts as the floor price for world grains.

"The world grain prices are basically set in the U.S. because it's the biggest single exporter of grain," said Harold Bjarnson, a spokesman for the Canadian Wheat Board.

"So anything they do to reduce support prices tends to have that effect on world prices."

Ted Turner, president of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool is afraid the United States will try to compensate for a loss in price through its volume of grain sales.

"If they do that, they will slaughter the world grain market

and farmers will lose everywhere."

Under Reagan's proposals, farm-income-support programs will be reduced 37 per cent to \$12.6 billion. The administration has also proposed reducing the loan rate for wheat by 22 per cent to \$2.56 a bushel in 1985 from \$3.30 a bushel this year. The 1983 loan rate was \$3.60 a bushel.

Under the loan-rate system, the U.S. government supports grain prices by buying farmers' grain at the program price, if market prices drop below that level. If open market prices are higher than the loan rate, farmers sell their grain, pay off the loan in cash and pocket the extra money.

Under the current system, farmers have the option of repaying the loans in cash or grain nine months later.

The new proposal would have farmers sell their grain on the open market for whatever price they can receive then pay the loan back

in cash.

RESTRICTS NUMBERS
This would restrict the number of farmers using the system and could affect the price-setting powers of the program.

Avery Sahl, the Wheat Pool's second vice-president, said the American administration has been telling farmers a lower loan rate and dropping prices will force other countries to reduce production.

"If U.S. prices go down, ours have to follow," he said. "We're dependent on international markets. We have to follow the U.S. to the ground."

Other major grain exporting countries, including Australia, Argentina and Europe, have also indicated they would fight to hold on to their markets, Sahl said.

"If we (grain exporters) could come to an agreement and still not rip off the importing countries we'd be far better off to go that route," he said.

Depressed grain prices, escalating machinery costs and mortgage rates have already taken their toll on Canadian farmers.

The Farm Credit Corp. reported last October that 39,000 of the country's 228,000 farms were in severe financial stress and 1,700 appear headed for imminent collapse.

The federal farm lending corporation said over 400 farm bankruptcies were recorded last year and seven per cent of producers are in moderate financial difficulty.

A number of congressmen are already lining up to oppose Reagan's budget proposals, which must gain congressional approval before they become law.

The United States Farm Bureau, the largest farm organization in the United States, generally supports the administration but questions the timing of the proposals.

Bureau spokesmen say thousands of farmers are on the verge of financial collapse and Reagan's measures could push them over the edge.

Once it reaches the destination, the Canadian shipment receives a full inspection. But Porter said the department is tightening up its procedures on what happens to the imported shipments at this stage in the process.

"On some of the earlier loads we permitted them to rework their potatoes," he said. "But no more."

The official said reworking meant the Canadians had been allowed to go through their shipments, weed out the below-grade spuds and have the rest accepted for import. Now any shipments that reached their destination with below-grade potatoes would be returned in their entirety to Canada.

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Beef vote re-approved

Beef-cattle producers reconvened their meeting, as agreed before the holidays, to conform with the law requiring that each producer receive written notice of a meeting. This action, however, carried a price tag between \$75,000 to \$80,000.

The Fédération had intended to save money by announcing the special general meeting of November 27 in *Le Producteur de lait*. The decisions taken on that day, however, were not to be sanctioned by the *Régie des marchés agricoles* because of the legal technicality mentioned above.

Fortunately, all four decisions voted in November were re-approved by the 123 delegates in attendance. They are the increase in the checkoff from \$1 to \$2 per head of beef sold, the increase in the promotional levy from \$1 to \$1.50 for the heavy vealers, the acceptance of a representative from each regional syndicate on the heavy-calf marketing committee, and the adoption of a regulation governing the sale of beef cattle by a sales agency to be put in place by the heavy-calf producers this spring.

After a lengthy discussion, dairy producers accepted the increase in the checkoff to \$2, provided the *Fédération* tries to find another formula that is more equitable for them. Feedlot producers for their part expressed the hope that the levy to the joint plan will eventually be based on

the income generated by each type of production. For example a farm with 100 cows generates approximately the same revenue as one with 400 slaughter cattle and one with 225 grain-fed calves.

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Canada accused of shipping bad potatoes to States

WASHINGTON (AP) — Importers of Canadian potatoes will no longer be able to rework their shipments to make them comply with U.S. standards once they've been identified as below-grade at the border, a U.S. Agriculture Department official said Tuesday.

Charles Porter of the department's agriculture marketing service said he has no evidence that Canadian shippers are engaging in large-scale efforts to avoid the new program of potato inspections ordered last month by Agriculture Secretary John Block.

"Somebody's using their imagination a little bit," he said.

Earlier this week, there were reports that Canadian brokers were finding out when the U.S. inspectors were going off duty and notifying their truckers by CB radio when the coast was clear.

Porter said some Canadian truckers may be avoiding the inspections, but "I haven't heard that

it's definitely happening."

Dorothy Kelley, executive vice-president of the Maine Potato Council, echoed that conclusion. "I have to say that maybe it's not quite accurate," she said, referring to reports of widespread avoidance.

HEARD RUMORS
Bob Deis, a spokesman for Maine's Agriculture Department, said he has heard rumors that Canadians have been trying to figure out ways to get around the inspections. But he said he could provide no specific examples.

Block ordered the inspections last month in response to allegations by Maine potato growers that Canadians have been dumping subsidized, below-grade potatoes on U.S. markets. But Porter said similar inspections also took place in December, before Block's decision.

Reports of problems with the border inspections prompted Representative Olympia Snowe (R-Maine) to write to the department asking for tighter controls on the process. "Canadian truckers are going to great lengths to avoid the inspectors," she wrote. "We must go to greater lengths to see that they are inspected."

The congresswoman called for more inspectors at the border and asked the department to give its inspectors authority to turn back shipments of below-grade Canadian potatoes as soon as they enter the United States.

SHIPPERS WARNED
Currently, Porter explained, inspectors are only authorized to warn Canadian shippers that their potatoes don't meet the U.S. No. 2 standard required of foreign imports. The Canadians then have the option of turning the shipment around on the spot, or letting it go on to its U.S. destination.

"I think that is very fair," he said.

The mandate of the task force... was to assess the importance of the trading-house sector in Canada, identify its problems and opportunities and propose measures which would assist the sector in making its maximum contribution to the expansion of Canadian exports, particularly with regard to manufactured products," Trade Minister James Kelleher said in a news release.

The task force found that in 1983, trading-house transactions accounted for more than 13 per cent of total Canadian exports and 40 per cent of all exports to countries other than the United States.

Yet, the task force found, among government departments and agencies "a lingering view that somehow the use of trading houses was a second-best approach."

Small trading houses especially are particularly suited to help

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Trading houses to get image boost from Ottawa

OTTAWA (CP) — A national organization of trading houses, which act as export and import middlemen, is being created to strengthen their role in expanding exports, the Canadian Export Association said Tuesday.

The announcement follows the release Tuesday of a federal task force report which said the image of trading houses needs boosting and sprucing.

Trading houses have the potential

Living

the
Record

Down the Pike

By Ashley Sheltus

Bedford projects on

I started last week's column with a reminder of the Missisquoi Historical Society dinner on the 23rd. I'd better do it again because the price of the dinner is now \$7.50, not the price announced in the Historical Society newsletter and elsewhere. It's only a buck and everything's going up.

Next week, Friday the 15th, the Philipsburg branch of the Legion holds its general meeting. The week after that, the annual Woodsmen's contest had been scheduled. Unfortunately, it has been delayed until March. Dates to be announced.

The Pee-wee Hockey exchange with Kennington, P.E.I. is almost financed. Last week's Legion ham dinner brought in over half the required \$4000 — \$2200 to be exact — and organizers are planning two more projects to raise the rest. Companies are being asked to sponsor a boy and there will be a door-to-door sale of garbage bags. The latter event may take place this weekend. If not, soon. Where else can you have garbage bags delivered to the door for half price AND support a worthy cause? Anyone can sponsor a boy for \$150 or make a donation to the Legion for the hockey tournament.

In Bedford, there is more news than usual, none of it falling neatly into a good or bad news category. By the time this is printed, the town council will have chosen a candidate to run for the vacant post of mayor. It is expected that there will be opposition so it looks like a race. That won't be known until Sunday, February 24 when nominations close. The election, if one is held, will be March 10.

Then there's news of two big town projects. One is the long-standing sewage treatment plant for town water. The second is about changes to the main street. I am told that both will be put to a referendum in the near future, possibly even by the end of February for the sewage plant.

The provincial government is paying 90 per cent of the sewage treatment facility, which will be built on low ground on the north side of town over by Bedford Ruler. Who knows, once it is complete, fish may end their boycott of the river. They had to keep away, fish aren't eligible for medicare. The minister of the environment was in town last week to present a cheque for just over \$5,200,000. It is possible that at least some of the remaining 10 per cent can be paid by a federal subsidy. I am sure that the idea was at least discussed with Madame Bertrand when she met town officials last Sunday.

The second project, essentially the brainchild of the Merchants Association, is also receiving government support to the tune of \$500,000, but there's a catch (what's new?). This is a matching fund grant. Every dollar put up by the municipality is matched with a government dollar. If this project is realized, a very awkward jog in Main Street will be eliminated, traffic will flow more naturally (not to mention more safely), and the town will gain several new business locations.

This being Bedford, there are problems. Citizens who will be voting in the referendum will think first of their tax rate, already pretty high. That is a real consideration. Another is that unless the town attracts at least one new industry employing between 100 and 200 people, the tax rate will go a lot higher anyway, just from inflation. New industry is needed to keep (and bring) younger people in town if we don't want to become the geriatric centre of Missisquoi County. New industry won't come to Bedford without modern facilities.

There are no clear answers for people who will be voting in the referendum. In addition to the problems already discussed, there are questions of new parking lots, where the new sewer lines will run and whether town power lines should be underground or not. The complete town plan should be explained to the voters and soon. Short-term solutions to long-term problems seldom solve anything, nor can people make intelligent decisions based on incomplete information. Before any vote is taken, the town should explain the long-term problems, lay out their plans for solving them, probably in several phases and show how each project will contribute to the solution. At any rate, the referendum should be delayed at least until the town has a new mayor.

To end on a lighter note, a certain young man-about-town (he drives a Datsun) may possibly become a town resource. Having won the pool tournament at Le Rendezvous last week, we may have a local version of Minnesota Fats to bring fame to our community.

Special dinner set for Canadian Club 35th anniversary

SHERBROOKE — The Canadian Club of the Eastern Townships Inc. will celebrate its 35th anniversary at a special dinner Thursday, February 14 at the Le Président Motel.

Barbara E. Crowder, National Director of the Association of Canadian Clubs, will be the guest speaker. She replaces Major-General Richard Rhoder, president of the Association of Canadian Clubs, at the head table. Rhoder was forced to cancel his appointment due to unforeseen circumstances.

"She is a very dedicated person, and in her capacity has travelled extensively," Sherbrooke association branch member Lily Suggitt says of Crowder.

"Mrs. Crowder is a most informative speaker on whatever her choice of topic, we are indeed very fortunate that she is available to be our guest speaker for the evening."

The dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. and association members are encouraged to bring guests. Further information: Miss L. Suggitt, (819) 562-5952.

Doctors move away from surgery in breast cancer cases

Improvements in cancer treatment — from surgery to radiation and chemotherapy — increase the chances of victims of the disease. This is the fourth in a six-part series on the disease, its prevention, detection and treatment.

By Steve Kerstetter

By The Canadian Press

When Norma Hutcheson of Ottawa discovered she had breast cancer, it didn't take her long to decide what kind of treatment she wanted.

Although her doctor recommended removing one entire breast, Hutcheson was intent on keeping the surgery as minimal as possible.

"I was pretty determined that that's the way I should go," she recalls.

In the end, Hutcheson had her way. She had a lumpectomy to remove the peanut-sized tumor and a bit of the surrounding tissue and a few weeks of radiation

therapy after surgery.

All that was more than four years ago. Since then, she's shown no signs of any recurring tumors, and she says the experience with cancer actually improved her outlook on life.

"As far as I'm concerned, I feel much better able to cope with the rest of my life," she says. "I feel an inner strength that I didn't have before."

DOCTORS RESIST

Hutcheson's case is a good illustration of the trend away from extreme surgery for the treatment of breast cancer and several other common forms of cancer. Yet it is a trend some doctors continue to resist.

For more than half a century, the treatment of choice for breast cancer was the Halsted or radical mastectomy, a crippling and disfiguring operation that involves removing the breast, the muscles of the chest wall underneath and lymphatic tissue in the armpit.

Some symptoms of the more common cancers

By The Canadian Press

Many common forms of cancer have early symptoms. If you have a suspicious ache, pain or lump, see a doctor as soon as possible.

It may turn out to be nothing serious, but if it is cancer prompt diagnosis usually increases the odds of effective treatment.

Here's a list of some common cancers and symptoms that often go with them:

Lung — chronic cough or blood in the sputum.

Breast — persistent lump, dimpling or change in the

nipple.
Intestine or rectum — change in bowel habits or blood in the stool.

Skin — sore that doesn't heal or obvious change in a wart or mole.

Uterus — irregular bleeding or discharge.

Prostate — urinary discomfort.

Hodgkin's disease — painless, swollen lymph nodes in the neck, armpit or groin.

Stomach — persistent indigestion.

Esophagus — difficulty in swallowing.

Fundraising activities successful, SHLA told at January meeting

SHERBROOKE — The January meeting of the Sherbrooke Hospital Ladies Auxiliary was held recently in the Norton Annex. A report on the Pharmacy Day held in November, showed a profit of \$300, which they will share with the Lennoxville Wing. They are presently preparing some bilingual brochures on the activities of the Ladies Auxiliary, to make the public aware of their presence, especially new ladies in the area who might be interested in joining. \$10,000 of the In Memoriam Fund money has been set aside for a whirlpool bath for use on the Fourth Floor. Krystina Kouri reported they are presently examining the market to

decide on the best model to buy.

Erica Webb reported on a Patient Education conference she had attended in Montreal. The Auxiliary provided the funds to furnish the Patient Education room in the Hospital and supply the necessary teaching materials. The purpose of the room is to help the patient and family to understand the basic knowledge of their illness and enable them to better cope when they go home. The patient has the right to know the details of their illness — there is less anxiety for the patient and they are easier to deal with when they know why certain tests are being done. They can review the material available on their own

and then come back with questions. There is also information on necessary diets, drugs (possible side effects, etc.) They are anxious to start a cardiac teaching program in the hospital at a cost of \$300 — instructing a patient how to live after an attack. A motion was made and seconded to support the program and also purchase audio visual aids for cardiac patients.

Joan Thomson, volunteer chairperson, reported they have plans for a tea around Easter time to honor the volunteers working in the hospital. Plans are presently in the making to serve coffee in the Out-Patient Department and also to patients in the Prolonged Care Unit to

successfully to treat early stages of Hodgkin's disease, a cancer of the lymphatic system or system of nodes and vessels that returns fluid to the bloodstream from various parts of the body.

HELPS CHILDREN

Chemotherapy, the controlled use of poisonous chemicals, has greatly improved the treatment of acute leukemia in children and is often used against cancer that has spread to other parts of the body from the original tumor.

Both radiation therapy and chemotherapy are often used after surgery to improve a patient's chances for long-term survival.

However, both have severe side-effects such as nausea and fatigue. Scientists are still looking for better ways of concentrating the impact of radiation and drugs on cancerous cells and keeping the harm done to healthy cells to a minimum.

Margolese says doctors are already doing a much better job of tailoring surgery and other forms of treatment to the needs of individual patients.

The result is fewer recurrences of breast cancer and lower mortality rates that will become more apparent as the years go by.

"It's better now than it was 10 years ago," he says. "We are clearly on a trend of salvaging some of the breast cancer patients who would otherwise have died."

CONDUCT TRIALS

One of the reasons for today's better treatments is the extensive use of clinical trials — where researchers study how various forms of cancer at different stages of development react to specific treatments or combinations of treatments.

The National Cancer Institute of Canada, the research arm of the Canadian Cancer Society, now spends some \$1million a year on trials of one kind or another at hospitals and cancer treatment centres across the country.

Dr. Joe Pater of Queen's University in Kingston, Ont., the director of the trials, says the basic idea is to come up with treatments that are more effective, treatments with fewer side-effects or treatments that are easier to administer.

Perhaps 800 cancer patients volunteer for one of the dozen or more different trials going on in any given year, Pater says. A few are patients with advanced stages of cancer where conventional forms of treatment have been exhausted. Most of the volunteers are involved in trials with a potential to improve current standards of treatment in the foreseeable future.

SEEK ANSWERS

The trials may answer numerous specific questions: Is chemotherapy or radiation more effective in the early stages of cancer of the ovary? What combination of drugs is best for treating lung cancer? How does a doctor best protect patients being treated for leukemia against infections?

The trials could conceivably produce major breakthroughs in treatment, but a more likely possibility is small improvements that will eventually add up to a large number of lives saved.

"Unfortunately, in cancer there are not many leaps forward," Pater says. "But I think a more realistic hope is step-by-step treatments that are a little bit better..."

NEXT: Cancer-Palliation

Frostbite hits smokers faster than non-smokers — doctor

ST. CATHARINES, Ont. (CP) — Smokers are more prone to frostbite than non-smokers, especially if they smoke during or just prior to exposure, a cardiovascular surgeon says.

Just a few puffs constricts the blood vessels measurably and leads to lowered circulation and increased risk of frostbite, Dr. Archie Heide says.

In many parts of Canada, low temperatures, coupled with winds and humidity have sent thermometers plummeting to as low as -40 in recent weeks. And the wind-chill factor can turn what seems a fairly mild day — based on a thermometer reading — into a bitterly cold one in which frostbite and hypothermia occur quickly.

Heide said that contrary to belief, rubbing frostbitten skin with snow in order to counteract the freezing has been proven to be wrong.

"The correct treatment for frostbite is to warm the frozen part as quickly as possible, being careful not to burn it."

The temperature of the water should be between 37.8 and 40.6, he said. It is important to measure the temperature because if the water is too hot, the frozen part can be further damaged very quickly.

HAS NO FEELING
"What is important to remember is that a

frozen body part has no feeling, therefore a person may not know he is stepping into a too hot bath," said the St. Catharines doctor.

If someone is caught out in the wilderness and realizes that his feet or hands are frozen, the first instinct is to build a fire and defrost the part.

"Don't!" Heide warned.

Since the frostbitten part will generally freeze again on the trek back to civilization, that additional damage is so severe that amputation will almost certainly result.

However, if the frostbite victim leaves his toes frozen until he gets to the nearest hospital, in many cases doctors will be able to save them with the modern treatment that has become standard in the last decade.

The young and the very old are most

likely to get frostbite, as well as hun-

ters, skiers and mountain climbers, said Heide. Children and young people, unaware of the danger of the cold on the body, often do not dress pro-

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perly. Young children whose feet grow fast often end up wearing skates that are too

tight. As a result, the circulation of the feet is slowed down and they are very susceptible to freezing.

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department for treatment, where doctors can decide whether or not to keep the victim under observation.

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Sports

Jets defeat Oilers to end 20-game jinx

By The Canadian Press

Winnipeg Jets' 6-2 National Hockey League victory broke a 20-game losing streak against Edmonton Oilers, the defending Stanley Cup champions, and both coaches sensed it would happen.

In other games Wednesday, it was Chicago Black Hawks 3 Toronto Maple Leafs 2, Calgary 7 Hartford Whalers 4, Buffalo Sabres 3 Minnesota North Stars 1, and St. Louis Blues 4 Vancouver Canucks 0.

"I could feel it in the dressing room that if there was going to be a time, it would be tonight," said Winnipeg coach Barry Long of his club which is 7-2-1 in its last 10 games.

Edmonton assistant coach Ted Green, who handled the club with coach and general manager Glen Sather suffering from the flu back in Edmonton, said:

"The Jets certainly had it in their mind to break the streak. We've been playing well, but you can't keep it up forever.

"We didn't lose tonight because we didn't work. I thought we worked very well for three periods. The Jets just outworked us and outplayed us."

Winnipeg centre Perry Turnbull scored two goals — he now has five in his last five games — to help the Jets break Edmonton's domination which dated back to March 23, 1983.

Newly acquired Jim Nill, Scott Arniel, Paul MacLean and Dave Babych also scored for the Jets before 13,998 fans at Winnipeg Arena.

Marc Habscheid and Mark Messier replied for the Oilers, who were starting a seven-game road trip.

The win kept the Jets, 28-22-5, two points back of second-place Calgary Flames in the Smythe Division. The Oilers, 38-10-6, are runaway leaders of the division.

Flames 7 Whalers 4

Kent Nilsson scored three goals for the 14th time in his career and Hakan Loob added two goals and one assist as Calgary swept the season series from Hartford,

which lost its fifth in a row. Calgary has not lost in the last 10 meetings (7-0-3) between the clubs dating back to the 1981-82 season. Paul Baxter and Steve Bozek also scored for the Flames, who have won three of their last four games and are 28-20-7. Ray Neufeld, Paul MacDermid, Ulf Samuelsson and Sylvain Turgeon replied for the Whalers, losers of 10 of their last 11 and 17-28-5.

Blues 4 Canucks 0

Veteran goalie Mike Liut broke out of a personal slump with his 10th career shutout as St. Louis rallied for three second-period goals to blank Vancouver, 15-33-7. Liut, who posted only his second victory in his last six starts (2-1-3), had 35 saves. Mark Reeds, Dave Barr, Joe Mullen and Greg Paslawski scored for the Norris Division-leading Blues, 24-19-9, who posted their fourth straight victory while stopping Vancouver's longest winning streak at three games.

Hawks 3 Leafs 2

Denis Savard and Steve Larmer

each had a goal and an assist to help Chicago post its first victory since general manager Bob Pulford took over as coach after firing Orval Tessier earlier in the week. The win snapped a four-game losing streak for the Hawks who got another goal from Jerome Dupont. Dan Daoust and Rick Vaive answered for the Leafs. Chicago improved to 23-28-3 but remained second in the Norris Division, eight points behind St. Louis. The Leafs, owners of the NHL's worst record, dropped to 11-35-7, last in the division.

Sabres 3 North Stars 1

Defenceman Mike Ramsey, who played high school and college hockey in Minnesota, scored once and added an assist to lead Buffalo to its win against the North Stars. Mal Davis and Sean McKenna completed the scoring for the Sabres, who moved into first place in the Adams Division with a 26-15-12 record. Willi Plett responded for Minnesota, which fell to 16-27-10 to stay in third place in the Norris Division.

No return, Guy has 'other worlds to conquer'

By Terry Scott

MONTREAL (CP) — At one point during the Advertising and Sales Club luncheon honoring Guy Lafleur on Wednesday, an impressionist went through a routine that involved a question-and-answer session with the retired Montreal right winger.

Setting the mimic up for the punch line, an interviewer said: "So, Guy, you're taking some courses these days. Are they at a university, or what?"

"No, they're at Lauzon," replied the imposter, in his best imitation of Lafleur's voice, drawing laughter from the audience at the reference to a driving school in the city.

The skit was a dig at Lafleur's adventures behind the wheel, the most publicized of which was the automobile accident that almost claimed his life in 1981, when he fell asleep while driving and had the

sharp point of a sign post pierce his earlobe.

Lafleur laughed as heartily at the joke as the rest of the gathering, most of whom paid \$25 and \$35 to honor Lafleur, who requested that the proceeds go to the Tiny Tim Foundation at the Montreal Children's Hospital.

SMILES EASILY

Lafleur, 33, smiles easily and radiantly these days, more than two months after announcing his retirement from the game that brought him fulfillment and, at the end, frustration.

"I've never felt better," Lafleur said. "I have no urge whatsoever to make a comeback, although that's the question I'm asked at every function I've attended since I retired."

The head table at the benefit luncheon included Red Storey, who was a referee at the international pee wee tournament in Quebec Ci-

ty, where Lafleur was a sensation as a youngster; Maurice Filion, the general manager of Quebec Nordiques, who coached Lafleur with Quebec Remparts of the Quebec Major Junior League; and Serge Savard, Lafleur's teammate with the Canadiens and the general manager when Lafleur called it a career.

The three men represented different stages in the life of Lafleur, and after each of them spoke, there was some remarkable film footage — Lafleur pitching hay as a kid on the family farm, making his daily newspaper rounds, punching out an opponent in a junior game, a gesture that was a revelation to Lafleur himself, who once admitted he could never remember throwing a punch.

In each sequence, there were clips of Lafleur turning goatenders inside-out with finesse or overpowering them with an explo-

sive slap shot.

RIGHT DECISION

"Seeing all those goals on film made me realize even more that I've made the right decision," Lafleur said. "I couldn't stand the thought of being second-best."

Now, there are other worlds for Lafleur to conquer. He has made great strides in the marketing and public relations' courses arranged for him by the Canadiens. He has accompanied Canadiens president Ronald Corey to many parts of the province, spreading goodwill in a relaxed, confident manner.

"I think I'm making progress as a speaker," he said. "I'm not as uncomfortable as I used to be."

Lafleur admitted, however, that at least one thing makes him uneasy. The Canadiens are retiring his sweater No. 10 in what figures to be an emotional ceremony on Feb. 16.

"I've got butterflies already just thinking about it," Lafleur said.

Hershey Bears humiliate St. Catharines Saints 11-1

By The Canadian Press

Most hockey fans would agree that Bob Froese is a better goaltender than Bruce Dowie. But 10 goals better?

That was the difference Wednesday night as Hershey Bears romped 11-1 over St. Catharines Saints in an American Hockey League game which was marred by a brawl at the end of the first period.

Both Froese, recently sent down

to Hershey for conditioning by the National Hockey League's Philadelphia Flyers, and Dowie, with limited AHL experience, faced 25 shots.

But Dowie was beaten 11 times — a season-high — before 2,256 fans at Hershey, Pa. Three goals came from Nevin Markwart, two each from Doug Morrison, Len Hachborn and Ray Allison and singles from Mike Stothers and Joe Pa-

erson.

Froese, who has a 2.94 NHL career goals-against average, had a shutout going until midway through the final period when Gaston Gingras scored.

Playing his first game since a Dec. 11 knee injury, Froese is expected to return to the Flyers next week.

Referee Andre Duhamel handed out 132 minutes in penalties after a brawl broke out at the end of the

first period with Hershey leading 5-0. Four players from the Saints and three from the Bears were given game misconducts.

The Bears improved their record to 18-28-8, while the Saints, last in the Southern Division, dropped to 16-32-4.

In other games, it was Adirondack Red Wings 3, Maine Mariners 2; and Baltimore Skipjacks 6, New Haven Nighthawks 1.

U.S. women tops at world ski championships

SANTA CATERINA, Italy (CP) — Danni Roffe, a 17-year-old from Williamson, N.Y., became the first U.S. woman and youngest woman ever to win a gold medal in the world Alpine ski championships Wednesday, capturing the giant slalom in two minutes 18.53 seconds.

The first-place finish by Roffe and a third-place for teammate Eva Twardokens gave the Americans their best performance ever

in a single world championship event, and broke the Swiss hold on the races.

Canada's Liisa Savijarvi finished 10th with a combined time on the two runs of 2:20.67 — more than two seconds behind the winner.

Elisabeth Kirchler of Austria was second in 2:19.13, as her country's once-mighty team continued to flounder with only four silver medals to show so far in the week-long championships that end

Sunday.

Debbie Armstrong, the Olympic giant slalom gold medalist in Sarajevo, Yugoslavia, last year came in fourth in 2:19.26, adding to the American euphoria. Twardokens's time was 2:19.21.

"It's just a matter of getting in there and nailing it," Roffe said after a flawless second run down the Cevedale course with its vertical drop of 343 metres — a run that catapulted her from fifth place in

the first heat into the overall lead.

"I just can't believe it's happened," added Roffe. Her surprising victory came after the Swiss swept the first four gold medals in the championships being held here and in the nearby northern Italian resort of Bormio.

Roffe clocked 1:09.18 in the first run on a hard, icy track, and led in the second run three hours later, clocking 1:09.35.

Savijarvi, 22, of Bracebridge, Ont., was eighth after the first run although she had the best intermediate time. She said her trouble may have been that she was on the edge of control throughout.

"I was skiing too much on line," she said. "I guess I wanted to finish more than I wanted to chance not being in there."

"I felt like I skied well, too well. I never put two runs together as I did here. I always had one good run, but never two."

Kerrin Lee of Rossland, B.C. was 29th with a time of 2:24.99 while Karen Stemmler of Aurora, Ont., finished 33rd with 2:27.08. Karen Lee of Banff, Alta., did not finish.

Will NBA All-Star break cool Nets?

By The Canadian Press

Although Micheal Ray Richardson will play in the National Basketball Association All-Star game Sunday in Indianapolis, he would be happier to see it postponed, since New Jersey Nets are playing well.

"It's a bad time to take a break because we're hot," said Richardson, who scored 10 of his 25 points as the Nets outscored Milwaukee

Bucks 29-15 in the final 8:25 for a 106-93 victory Wednesday night.

The triumph was the fourth straight for the Nets, 24-26, the last three against Philadelphia 76ers, Detroit Pistons and the Bucks, all of whom are at least 12 games over .500. The loss was the second in a row for Milwaukee after 11 consecutive victories.

Otis Birdsong added 24 points and Mike Ginnley 15 for New Jersey. Paul Presley led the Bucks with 18 points, while Terry Cum-

mings had 17 and Charles Davis 16.

Milwaukee coach Don Nelson was ejected when he was assessed his second technical foul with 2:02 left in the game for arguing with officials.

In other games, it was Boston Celtics 113 Cleveland Cavaliers 108, Philadelphia 116 Washington Bullets 111, Dallas Mavericks 129 Golden State Warriors 103, and Denver Nuggets 120 Seattle SuperSonics 101.

Scoreboard

HOCKEY

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Skaters Wilson, McCall first after compulsories

MONCTON, N.B. (CP) — Tracey Wilson and Robert McCall staked their claim to a fourth consecutive ice dance title by winning the opening phase of the event, the compulsories, at the Canadian figure skating championships Wednesday night.

"We did what we wanted to do," McCall said after completing the three obligatory routines. "Our minds were right."

"We weren't too low and we weren't too high. We didn't want to go out there like racehorses and be sky high the first night."

McCall, 26, of Halifax won the ice dance gold medal with Marie McNeil in 1981 before teaming with Wilson, 23, of Port Moody, B.C. If he wins again this week, he will be the first ice dancer with as many as five consecutive titles since William McLachlan completed a six-year run at the top in 1962.

Wilson and McCall were sixth at the world championships and eighth in the Winter Olympics last year.

The brother-sister teams of Rod and Karyn Garossino of Cal-

gary and Isabelle and Paul Duchesnay of Aylmer, Que., were second and third, respectively Wednesday.

ATTEMPTS COMEBACK

Earlier in the day, Tracey Wainman of Toronto, who won the 1981 Canadian senior women's championship and who is attempting a comeback after a year out of competition, topped an 11-skater field in compulsory figures.

Lauren Patterson of Toronto and Kurt Browning of Edmonton are in a virtual tie for first place after junior men's singles figures.

Penny Mann and Richard Perkins of Ottawa are first and Kim Hanford of London, Ont., and Julien Lalonde of Toronto second after junior ice dance compulsories.

Isabelle Brasseur of St. Jean Sur Richelieu, Que., and Pascal Courchesne of Drummondville, Que., are first and Denise Benning of Tecumseh, Ont., and Alan Kerslake of Winnipeg second after the junior pair short program.

Won't root for 'wimp', says Fonyo of Gretzky

WINNIPEG (CP) — Hockey superstar Wayne Gretzky of Edmonton Oilers can't say enough about one-legged runner Steve Fonyo, but the 19-year-old cancer victim apparently considers Gretzky anything but a hero.

Following Edmonton's 6-2 National Hockey League loss to Winnipeg Jets on Wednesday night, Gretzky said he believes Fonyo is becoming a genuine Canadian hero.

"With the winds and the weather, my God, you can't say enough about what he's doing," said Gretzky, referring to Fonyo's cross-Canada run in -30 temperatures in aid of cancer research.

"I think it's 50 times tougher than playing hockey," said Gretzky, who was held to one assist

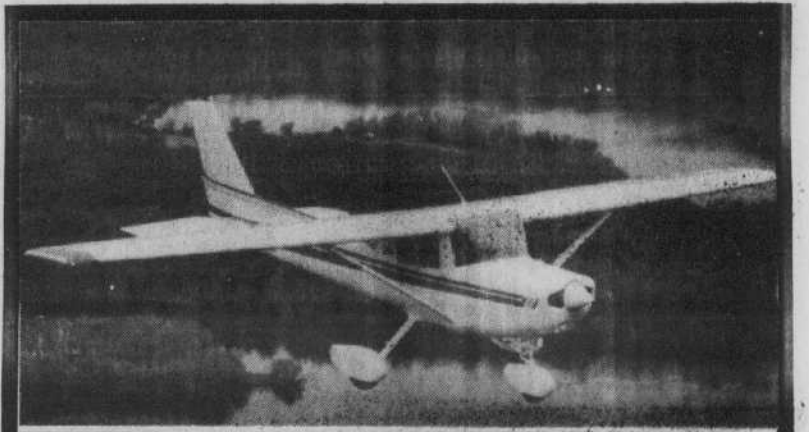
by the Jets and was booed constantly by the fans. "There's no comparison. He's a very tough man."

But Fonyo, who was presented with cheques totalling \$4,400 from the Jets' players and management and garnered another \$10,000 from the 13,998 fans in attendance, was straight-faced when asked about his impression of Gretzky.

"I don't root for losers," said Fonyo, who added he wasn't rooting for either the Jets or the Oilers. "Gretzky's a wimp."

When Fonyo of Vernon, B.C., was asked if Vancouver Canucks are his favorite team, he replied: "Nobody likes the Canucks."

Fonyo, who dropped the puck to start the game, has been running across Canada since last March to raise money for cancer research.



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Crystal Rebekah Lodge No. 14 holds regular meeting at Rock Island

ROCK ISLAND (DB) — The first meeting of the new year for the Crystal Rebekah Lodge No. 14 was held on January 8 with 14 members present,

who were welcomed by Noble Grand Sister Ruby Sheldon as she hoped everyone had a wonderful Christmas holiday. Treasurer and Flo-

wer fund reports were given. Communications were read, bringing greetings from Peggy and John Clifford, Agnes Myers and Lillian Ball.

Card party reports were given, showing them to be very successful. Brother Lawrence Dewey took Brother Ray Curtis, Sisters

Madelyn Curtis, Ruby Sheldon and Lana Sheldon to the Edith Kathan Home to deliver the Christmas gifts and goodies. Soliciting was done for the next card party.

Plans were made for the afternoon card party and the date was decided for Feb. 13 at 1 p.m.

Noble Grand asked members what they thought about having a social evening. Decision to be made at the next meeting.

Under the Good of the Order the Charter was undraped for a deceased member Sister Beulah Whit-cher. Collection was taken and lodge was closed in form.

A regular meeting of the Crystal Rebekah Lodge No. 14 was held in the I.O.O.F. hall, Rock Island, on January 22 with 17

members present. Noble Grand Ruby Sheldon opened the meeting in Ritual form.

Treasurer and flower reports were gi-

ven. Communication was read, also special events coming up on October 5 for the district meeting, and April 20, workshop in Lennoxville.

Card party reports

were given and the dates for the next card parties are Feb. 16, March 2nd and 16. It was decided the lodge would have a social evening on Feb. 9 with a hot dish supper.

A card party for the Vocational Bible School will be held on April 13. Collection was taken, and after a busy meeting, lodge was closed in form.

Stanstead Fish and Game Club holds regular meeting

STANSTEAD (DB) — A regular meeting of the Stanstead County Fish and Game Club was held in the Legion Home on Wednesday evening, Jan. 23 with 15 members present. President Angus Patterson thanked the members for coming out on such a cold night. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, also bills voted to be paid.

Treasurer Merrick Belknap gave the annual financial report. Each member recei-

ved a copy to check over. Everyone agreed he had done a good job, and he was thanked for the hours of work he had put into this and also for being club treasurer. It was voted to give Merrick a donation to show our appreciation.

Questionnaires concerning hunting were given out and the members filled them in before sending them to the Association Regionale de Conservation de la Faune in Sherbrooke.

George Peasley, membership chair-

man, will order the 1985 memberships and buttons. It was decided to have white with black lettering and crest for this year. George was thanked for the good work he did as chairman for 1984, also Ed Fraser and Clinton Knapp for the great amount of memberships they sold.

A committee made up of the president Cliff Rediker, Phil Poaps, Jim Belknap, Douglas Cooper, Harvey Lothrop, Joe Ball

and Ed Fraser will get together at a special meeting and revise the club laws, as this hasn't been done for a number of years.

Phil Poaps offered to draw up a letter with resolutions from the club. These will be taken to the E.T. Federation meeting in March by delegates Angus Patterson and Adrien Bachand.

The meeting adjourned, and the next one will be held on Wednesday evening, March 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the Legion Hall, Stanstead.

Prosperity Rebekah Lodge No. 32 holds regular meeting

COWANSVILLE — On the cold night of January 21, the regular meeting of Prosperity Rebekah Lodge No. 32 met at 8 p.m. in the Fraternal Hall with fourteen officers, four supporters and twelve Past Noble Grands answering the roll call. Lodge opened in form.

The N.G. Sister Mabel Ingalls welcomed all the members and those who were absent at the last meeting. It was reported Sis-

ter Marion Jackson had surgery on her toe but was home. Sister Dorothy Clark has had pneumonia. Brother and Sister McClay had visited Sister Doris Drouin in the Providence Hospital in Magog. Anyone wishing to send cards to Sister Doris, must put her maiden name on her card, otherwise they will be returned and her maiden name is Moduley. Sister Elsie Rivers' (Ransom) husband had passed

away. One bill for renewal of insurance was ordered paid. Several thank-yous had been received from various members. The Workshop in Lennoxville will be held on April 20.

Sister Bernice Thomas reported on the Building Fund meeting she attended. It was suggested that tentative date for the annual supper would be May 4.

Sister Donna reported that renewal subscription for the International Rebekah paper were now due. Twelve members subscribe to it. She read a poem — The Ten Commandments pertaining to the Rebekahs. As there was no other business, lodge closed in form. Sweet breads, tea and coffee were served by Sisters Madeleine Perry, Doris Dougall and Donna Luce.

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Brome Winter Carnival: Moto-cross and Bach

By Peter Scowen

TOWN OF BROME LAKE — Brome Winter Carnival is back for its seventh year and it's not bigger and better than ever.

It's as good as ever, but it's not 'bigger and better' — a term most annual events slap on to their programs hoping to get people excited.

Nope, Brome Winter Carnival is just 'good old Brome Winter Carnival' for another year, filled with events ranging from a noisy 'moto-cross' on ice to a Bach concert in the West Brome Old Brick Church. It begins Friday and continues through next week, ending on Sunday, Feb. 17 with a closing banquet at the Knowlton Pub.

The annual 10-day event got its start seven years ago when a group from the Town of Brome Lake organized a winter carnival for the two local primary schools. It began as 'something for the children'...

The children must have brought their parents. The idea caught on and it eventually grew to the point where it was decided there should be events for people of all ages from all over the Eastern Townships, according to Gerry Pion.

Pion, a real estate broker from the Town of Brome Lake, has been chairman of the Lac Brome carnival committee for the last five years.

There are generally about 30 events, some repeated, that go on during the 10-day mid-winter carnival. "The carnival as such doesn't put on these events," Pion says. "They are all put on by individual organizations."

Pion and André Pagé, the only other member of the organizing committee, count on and appreciate the

work of the people who organize the card parties, dart tournaments and dinner/dances that make up the carnival.

The whole thing starts Friday with an opening banquet at Auberge Lac Brome. (See schedule facing page for more information.) From there on in there are dozens of events to choose from, some more popular than others, but none more important. There is no one, single major event.

Saturday the local volunteer firemen's association is opening the ice palace its members have been building all week at Mill Pond, and participating store owners in Knowlton are letting things go at "Mid-winter Madness" sale prices.

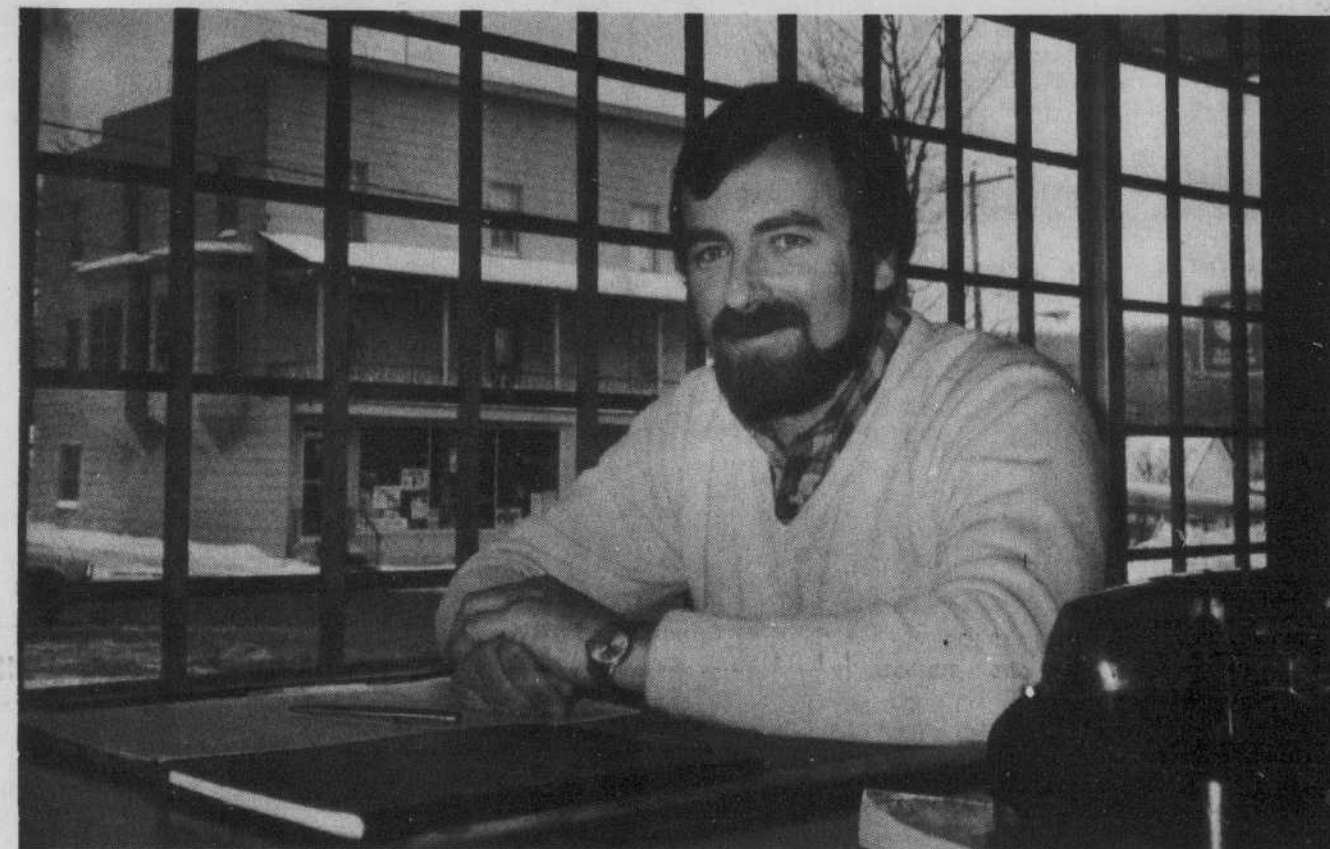
Among the most popular events, says Pion, are the broomball and hockey tournaments, both of which are now closed to new teams. The hockey tournament is scheduled for Sunday Feb. 10 only and doesn't continue through the week as the schedule says, he adds.

Two years ago when the weather was good, over 1,000 spectators turned up to watch the moto-sur-glace races behind the Thirsty Boot. "If we have excellent weather we have excellent turnout," says Pion.

The family supper Monday, Feb. 11 at St. Edouard primary school usually attracts several hundred people. All proceeds go to the school.

The local racquet club is putting on tennis, racquetball and squash tournaments while a number of bars are hosting darts, pool and crib tournaments.

One event closely tied to the carnival is the ice sculpture competition. "We invite everyone in the



Gerry Pion has been chairman of the organizing committee for five of the seven years that Brome Winter Carnival has been in existence.

area to put up an ice sculpture," Pion says. Anyone who does should take a picture of it in case the weather is too good and their masterpiece melts.

Gordon Ladd, a local artist, is judging the competition. "That's interesting. We always get a very good turnout."

Snow golf is an event that is closely tied to the carnival and to mid-winter insanity. Plows clear off six "fairways" on Brome Lake, complete with cups and flags at one end and tees at the other. Participants use rubber balls instead of the regular kind.

Other sports action includes a five km road race through the Town of Brome Lake and a cross-country obstacle course race at Farmer's Rest. On the final Saturday of the carnival there is the barbecue beef dinner at Glen Mountain followed by the traditional torch light des-

cent on the slopes at 10 p.m.

Sunday is 'family day' at Glen with races, children's activities and a log-sawing competition.

Other events include a St. Valentine's dance Saturday, Feb. 16 put on by the Oddfellows, a '500' card party on Tuesday for senior citizens and two Bach concerts by the Ensemble Arion at the West Brome Old Brick Church. The concerts are regularly scheduled events organized by Brome Beaux Arts.

If this year's Brome Winter Carnival has a theme, it's participation, both in the events and on the organizing committee. "We are moving toward greater participation in the carnival committee itself," Pion says.

He wants to see the words 'bigger and better' appear on next year's program not just for the carnival's sake but for the sake of the whole area.

"We want to see it grow and we see the

potential for growth that will benefit the community and the area," Pion says. "We can put it on like this every year but it's not growing."

He thinks a popular winter carnival is one way of promoting the Town of Brome Lake and bringing in tourists. "We're hoping to get one major event that we can put on with the help of a major sponsor to attract people here. This area has a lot to offer."

Pion needs help rejuvenating the carnival, however, and one way he plans to get it is by getting more people involved on the organizing committee. He says he is going to hold an open meeting in the middle of March to which anyone who wants to work on next year's carnival is invited.

"I really want to work on long-term projects that may take years to get," he says. "We need the mar.power. We are planning bigger and better things for the years to come."

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Ladies Auxiliary Branch 10 meets

SHERBROOKE — On Jan. 21 the Ladies Auxiliary of Royal Canadian Legion Col. J.S. Bourque Br. 10 met in the Legion Hall. The meeting was opened by the president Mrs. Rita Morin. Roll call read by the 1st Vice Claudette O'Malley, with eleven members responding.

Secretary Annette Dubois read the minutes of the last general meeting and Ex-meetings, those being approved. Treasurer Margaret Smith gave a brief financial statement and said she would try to have a complete report for the year to give out at next general meeting.

Correspondence — Thank-you notes read by the secretary.

Before going into the business discussion of the meeting, President Rita Morin thanked the members who had made an effort to come out on such a cold night and asked them to continue to give her their support, names of several of the Ladies Aux. members who have been in hospital in the last month were mentioned and most of them have been visited by the visitation committees. We all wish them a speedy recovery.

Birthday greetings of the month was extended by the President. Those having birthdays in January are Eileen Kerr, Lois Distefano, Kim Charrett, Margaret Wheeler and Alice Guay.

A list of the new executive and chairman of committees was read out by the President: Immediate Past Pres., Violet McNab; President, Rita Morin; 1st Vice, Claudette O'Malley; 2nd Vice, Rose Coates; Secretary, Annette Dubois; Treasurer, Margaret Smith; Sgt.-At-Arms, Lela Morrison.

Head of kitchen, Colombe Mailhot; Head of diningroom, Mary Garand; Membership, Rita Ross; Decorating for Aux., Germaine Bergeron; Entertainment, Rose Coates; Dist. Rep. for the Aux., Rose Coates; Honors and Awards, Violet McNab.

March of Dimes Chairman for Aux. Margaret Smith; Poppy chairman for Aux. Margaret Smith, assistant, Violet McNab; Publicity for English, Violet McNab; French Publicity, Germaine Bouchard.

The President read out a list of coming events: Sat. Feb. 9, Valentine dance; Feb. 10, Brunch served by the Senior Br. 10 a.m. until 12 noon; There will be a dart tournament the same afternoon (President's trophy); Feb. 16, Que. Darts Assoc. Qualification Dart Tournament; Feb. 17, Dist. meeting at Cookshire Legion; Sunday night Feb. 17 in the Lounge, Roland Daigle; Sunday Feb. 24 in the Lounge, John Foster; March 2nd, Roy McNab Memorial Dart Tournament; Sunday March 3rd in the Lounge, Roland Daigle; Sunday March 10 in the Lounge, John Foster; Sat. March 16, St. Patrick's Party; Sunday March 17 in the Lounge, Roland Daigle.

Chairman for the March of Dimes, Margaret Smith mentioned that during the month of April there is going to be a cribbage tournament on Sat. afternoon April 22 and a Dart Tournament on Sunday afternoon April 21. She asked if any one had gifts to donate, if they would get in touch with her before then. The President also mentioned that the Ladies Aux. Spring tea is booked for April 27 and now would be a good time for the members to start making something for the family work tables. She also stated that members have until March 31 to pay their 1985 dues. There is still no news as yet about our bylaws.

The price of our meals was brought up for discussion but it was suggested we should wait until next general meeting and probably there will be more members out. A reminder — next general meeting on Feb. 18. See you all there.

Libbytown

Mr. Carl Mayhew, Mrs. Max Pelley and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Smith have been visiting Mrs. Carl Mayhew who had the misfortune to fracture her leg and is a patient in La Providence Hospital, Magog. Best wishes are extended to her for a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Pelley are frequent visitors of her mother, who is ill at the Wales Home, Richmond.

Friends and neighbors were sorry to hear of the death of Mr. George Johnson of Seeley's Bay, Ont.,

who was well known in this community. Our sympathy is extended to his wife and family, also his sister, Mrs. Fred Palmer of Rock Forest.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith were visiting her mother, Mrs. Hazel MacIntyre in Stanstead recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Affleck of Montreal spent the weekend at their country home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Cunningham of Colebrook, N.H. were dinner guests of her sister, Mrs. Gordon Whipple and Mr. Whipple on Saturday.

St. George's ACW meets

LENNOXVILLE — The February meeting of the ACW opened with devotions conducted by Mrs. C. Burt who read an article "God's Days," followed by prayers.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved and the Treasurer gave a financial report.

Supply secretary B. Hewitt has received some pieces of flannel for the crib quilt she is making and could do with more.

E. Smith has purchased a supply of wool for scarves and caps for sea men, and at the same time received a generous donation of yarn for Indian work. We are most grateful for this gift.

M. Barter reported having made 41 visits at the hospital and K. Atto sent three sympathy cards.

President E. Matthews announced that an Ordination service will be held March 10 at 4 p.m. in St. Martin's Chapel, Bishop's College School, and hoped members will attend.

Our branch has been invited to a social evening by St. Monica's Guild on Feb. 12 at 8 p.m.

Referring to the World Day of Prayer being held at St. George's on March 1st, the president stated that Mrs. Mary Ward has agreed to be guest speaker on that occasion.

V. Reeve distributed the ACW program for 1985 with the theme "Where are we going — and how?" Lenten studies will commence Feb. 20 and the first presenter

will be I. Perkins who will reflect upon Hannah, the mother of Samuel. Five other women of the Bible were allotted to members who agreed to conduct the study each week.

At the close of the business meeting, B. Hewitt entertained the group with an in-depth description of her trip to Oberammergau last June and attendance at the 350th anniversary of the Passion Play, illustrated with slides. It was a pleasure to hear first-hand about this world-famous performance which few of us have had the opportunity to see. Background music taped at the theatre added to the enjoyment of the program.

In conclusion, refreshments were served by hostesses M. Bennett and C. Burt.

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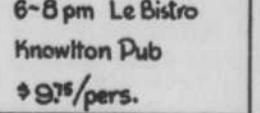
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Mrs. David Rider has returned home after having spent two weeks visiting friends in the Montreal area.

Friends and neighbors were sorry to learn that Mrs. George Stewart had been taken to St. Joseph's Hospital in Lake Megantic. Best wishes for a speedy return to health, Noella.

Wayne Pursell spent several weeks over the Christmas and New Year's holiday visiting his mother, Mrs. Jessie Pursell, in Barrie, Ont., and brothers Kevin and Grant and families in Midland and Toronto. En route home he stopped over to stay with friends in Lennoxville.

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To the Ratepayers of the aforesaid Municipality

PUBLIC NOTICE
IS HEREBY GIVEN by the undersigned, Secretary-Treasurer of the aforesaid Municipality, THAT:-
The Council of this Municipality at a sitting held at the Town Hall on January 18, 1985, had the first consultation for the amendment to By-Law Number 18, a by-law concerning the restriction of cutting wood.
A copy of the proposed amendment is available at the office of the secretary-treasurer.

TO THIS EFFECT
a public meeting will be held at the Town Hall, on Monday, February 18, 1985, for the second consultation of the proposed amendment.
Given at Bolton Centre, Que., this 31st of January 1985.
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To the Ratepayers of the aforesaid Municipality:

PUBLIC NOTICE
IS HEREBY GIVEN by the undersigned, Secretary-Treasurer of the aforesaid Municipality, the Council adopted at a special meeting on December 17th 1984 the 1985 budget as follows:

REVENUE
Local sources re: taxes 1 873 221 \$
Compensation tenant lieu de taxes 487 242 \$
Other services 20 450 \$
Other local sources 230 815 \$
Conditional transfers 136 611 \$
TOTAL REVENUE 2 748 349 \$

EXPENSES
Administration 405 521 \$
Public security 631 495 \$
Transport 530 563 \$
Public hygiene 274 550 \$
Public health and welfare 33 500 \$
Activities and culture 154 146 \$
Other expenses 718 574 \$
TOTAL EXPENSES 2 748 349 \$

This translation has been done for your convenience. The legal copy, in French, is available for examination at the Town Hall situated at 1955 Belvedere South during office hours.
Given at Ascot this first day of February one thousand nine hundred and eighty five.

Arthur Drouin,
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COWANSVILLE
Major-General Richard Rohmer, CMM, DFC, OStJ, CD, QC, BA, LLD, the President of the Association of Canadian Clubs, will address the Canadian Club of the Yamaska Valley on Thursday, February 14th at 2:00 p.m. at the Auberge des Carrefours in Cowansville. His topic will be "The State of the Nation and the Association of Canadian Clubs". A reception will follow the meeting.

LENNOXVILLE
Alexander Galt Regional High School in Lennoxville, invites the public to its annual Open House evening, "Galt on Review" on Thursday, February 14th from 6:30-9:30 p.m. The theme this year revolves around Course Selection. Please try to attend.

LENNOXVILLE
Are you in a) high school b) cegep c) university d) the work force? If you answered yes to any of the above then you're cordially invited to come to KOINONIA — a youth service at Lennoxville United Church, Sunday February 17th at 7 p.m. You'll particularly enjoy the great music and the super speaker, not to mention the food afterwards!

COWANSVILLE
The Friendly Society are holding a "soup-dessert" Luncheon on Friday, February 15, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Trinity Church Hall, 409 South Street, Cowansville, Que. Everyone welcome.

SUTTON
500 card party at the Fraternal hall, Depot Street, Friday evening, February 8 at 8 p.m. Prizes, refreshments. Admission charged. Sponsored by the Rebekahs. Come and bring a friend.

LENNOXVILLE
Lennoxville Curling Club - Card party on Friday, February 15 sponsored by the Business Girls Section. Lunch and prizes supplied. To reserve a table, please phone Nancy Rowell, 564-0493.

LENNOXVILLE
500 card party, Sat. Feb. 9 at 2:00 p.m. at the A.N.A.F. Unit 318, 300 St. Francis St., Lennoxville. Trophies and prizes. Lunch served. everyone welcome.

LENNOXVILLE
A meeting of the Lennoxville-Ascot Historical Society will be held in the United Church Hall on Monday, February 11, at 7:30 p.m. The topic of the evening is Transportation in Lennoxville. Everyone welcome.

MAGOG
On February 13th, at 7:30 p.m. St. Paul's United Church in Magog will be hosting an "Evening with Neil Anderson", missionary on furlough from Nepal. Neil will be showing slides and speaking informally of his work as Hospital Administrator. In 1978, Neil received the "Award of Merit" as the outstanding Canadian citizen of the year for his many accomplishments, including the ability to entertain all ages as an amateur magician. Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

LENNOXVILLE
The quarterly meeting of the Sherbrooke County Women's Institute will be held in St. George's Church Hall, 84 Queen Street, Lennoxville on Wednesday, February 13 at 10:30 a.m.

SHERBROOKE
Royal Canadian Legion Br. 10, 470 Bowen South, Sherbrooke, on Sunday, Feb. 10 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., a Brunch will be served. Admission charged. All welcome.

KNOWLTON
The Knowlton U.C.W. will be holding a valentine dessert and card party Tuesday, February 12th at 12:30. Penny Fair and prizes. Everyone welcome place Knowlton United Church.

KNOWLTON
Annual Heritage Tea — The Brome County Historical Society will host its annual Heritage Tea on Feb. 10, from 2-4 p.m. (Sunday afternoon), at the Archives Building - 130 Lakeside, Knowlton, Que. This year Mr. Graeme Decarie, Professor of History at Concordia and chairman of Local History Project for Alliance Quebec will be the guest speaker. There will be no admission charge, however members are requested to bring in a heritage recipe for use in a proposed cookbook. Everyone welcome!

NORTH HATLEY
There will be a general meeting of the Board of Directors of the Piggery Theatre Inc., March 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the North Hatley Community Centre to consider changes in the theatre's letters patent. Members of the public are encouraged to attend.

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DANVILLE
On Feb. 9 the 1st Danville Scouts will be holding a Valentine Tea and Food Sale, white elephant table, at the United Church in Danville on Sat. from 2 to 5 p.m. This event is to raise money to help pay the Scouts' way to the 6th Canadian Jamboree for scouting being held in Guelph, Ont. from July 3-12, 1985. Please come out and support us.

SHERBROOKE
You are cordially invited to the Christian Women's Club at Le Baron Tuesday, Feb. 12 from 9:15 to 11:15 a.m. Refreshments will be served. Adm. charged.

MAGOG
A Baked Bean Supper will be held at the Magog Social and Curling Club on Saturday, February 9. Everyone welcome. Adm. charged.

This column accepts items free of charge announcing events organized by churches, service clubs and recognized charitable institutions. Requests should be mailed, well in advance, to THE RECORD, P.O. Box 1200, Sherbrooke, Que. J1H 5L6, be signed and include telephone number of person forwarding the notice. Telephone requests cannot be accepted. Admission charges and trade names will be deleted.

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Mrs. Chester Damon spent a week with her sister Mrs. Raymond Leech in Sherbrooke, while Mr. Leech was a patient in hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Willard, Bishopston, were luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kinnear recently.

Keith Hall, Beauséjour, spent the weekend with his mother Mrs. Allan Hall.

Mrs. Ian Gregory,

Friday, February 8

ASTRO-GRAPH

Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday
February 8, 1985

This coming year you will put a lot more energy and imagination into satisfying your personal ambition. These extra efforts will be the ingredients that will bring you success.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Everyone is entitled to his opinion. Keep this in mind today and don't overreact when friends express viewpoints contrary to yours. Major changes are in store for Aquarians in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, Box 488, Radio City Station, New York, NY 10019. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Move cautiously today in your business dealings. Mistakes made at this time could have lingering negative effects.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Make it a point today not to associate with



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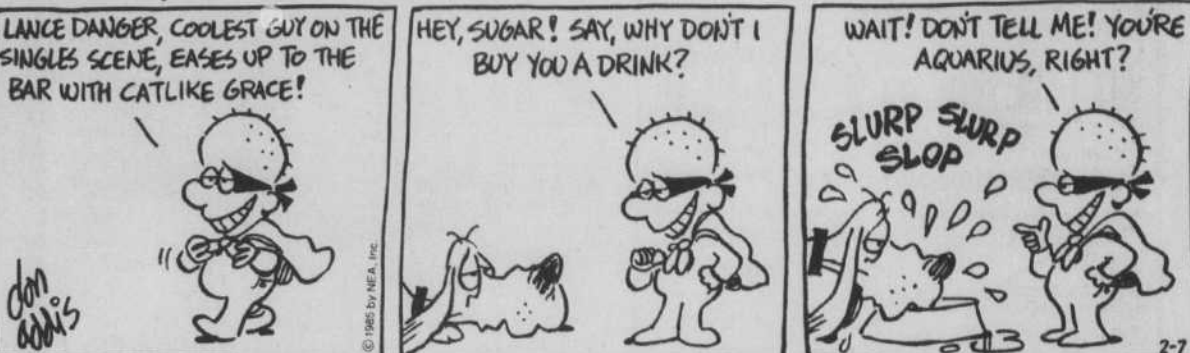
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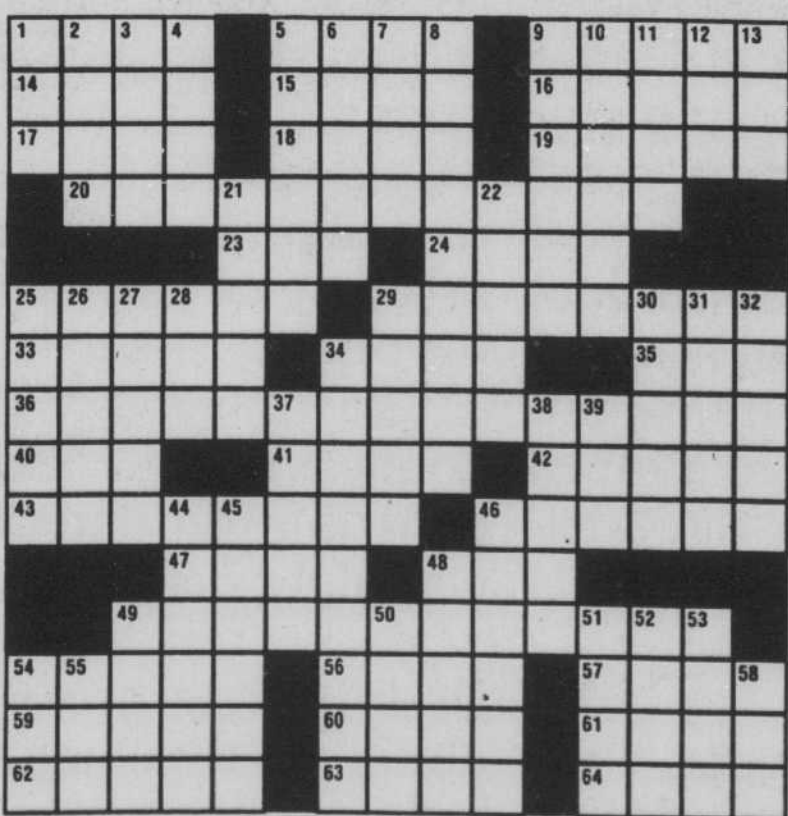


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16 "What's In —?"
17 Bartok or Lugosi
18 Wallet items
19 Fatigues
20 Sturdy
23 Classic car
24 Verve
25 In a dry way
29 Twaddle
33 Laming disease
34 FDR's pet
35 Marsh elder
36 Elusive
40 "— body meets a body..."
41 —do-well
42 Quaker family
43 Motion supporter
46 Smart
47 Casual
48 Pasture sound
49 Laggard
54 Spirit of a culture
56 Zola title
57 Spoiled one
59 Robert of Scot.
60 Heavy shoe
61 Caliber
62 Places to save
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64 Singer Paul
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3 Dissolve
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11 Groucho



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Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:



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48 Lord's home
49 Avoid
50 Sailor
51 Rhyme scheme
52 Golf club
53 Happy as a —
54 Recede
55 Singing syllable
58 Earl Gray

Olivet Baptist Mission Circle meets at Sutton

SUTTON — The Olivet Baptist Mission Circle met at the home of Mrs. Harriet Surtees on Jan. 24. The President Mrs. Kay Woodard opened the meeting by reading a hymn, "Tis winter now, the fallen snow has left the heavens all coldly clear, through leafless boughs the sharp winds blow and the earth lies dead and drear."

Mrs. Ellen Rumsby read Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God and the creation of God Rev. 3:14. By God's grace we are standing on the threshold of a new year. If we place our responsibilities before the Lord and sincerely seek His will and guidance, we can rely on Him to direct our steps. Let this year be one not only of beginning with God but continuing with Him day by day.

Mrs. Orton Baker

first read "In the spirit of adventure", 2nd Timothy 1:7 "For God hath not given us a spirit of fear but of power and of love and of a sound mind." Christians are asked to preach to the poor. God loves the poor and the poor are separated from the goodness of God's creation. The poor experience needs, Jesus Christ is especially good news to them. As followers of Jesus we must personally accept our part in meeting the needs of the poor.

Mrs. Dorothy Lawrence read the names of Baptist Bolivian Missionaries and prayers were offered for them.

The Newscast by Mrs. Fred Knights was: Jan. 20 to Jan. 27 was a week of prayer for Christian Unity. The "Voice of the Gospel" is heard over 40 radio stations in Belgium, Switzerland,

France, French Africa, the French West Indies and French Canada. In Spain there are Evangelical programs on television and radio. At the Billy Graham crusade in Vancouver last October the average attendance each night was 28,000 people.

Mrs. Rumsby read a letter from prayer partners Gary and Laura Seligs who are

now on furlough in Canada but were doing missionary service in Zaire, where they and their family will eventually return. Letters were also received from Ola Gibson, Jessie Robinson and Gordon England for Christmas cheer boxes. Cards were signed by all to be sent to the sick and shut-ins. Eight members answered the roll call

and there were two visitors. The Treasurer gave the financial yearly report and a substantial amount of money was given for missions.

It being Mrs. Harriet Surtees' 94th birthday on Jan. 26, Mrs. Kay Woodard had made a special cake to celebrate it, and all enjoyed the refreshments prepared by members.

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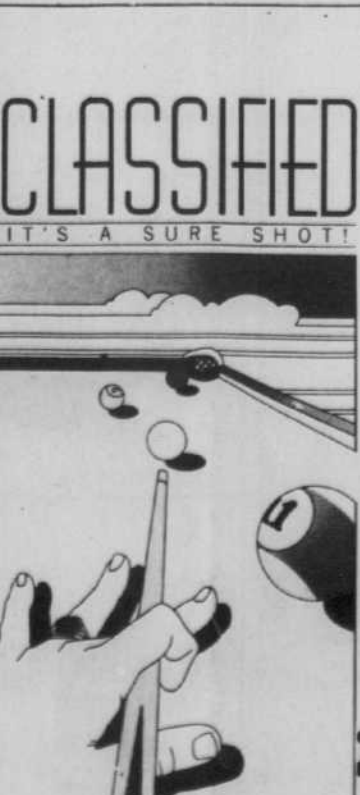
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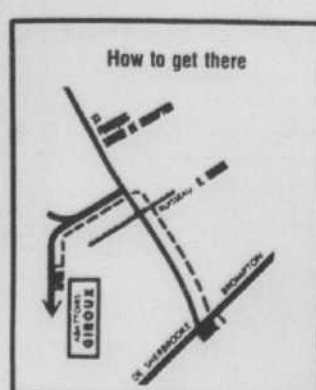
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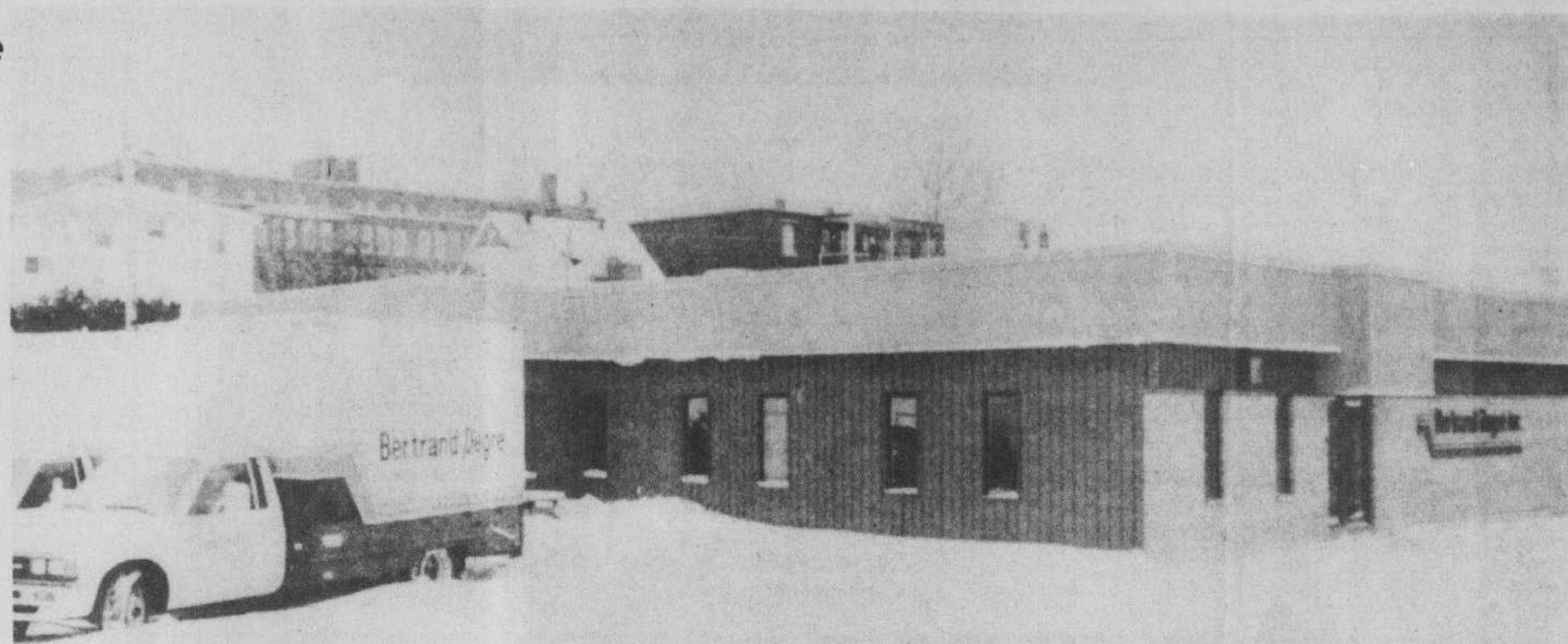
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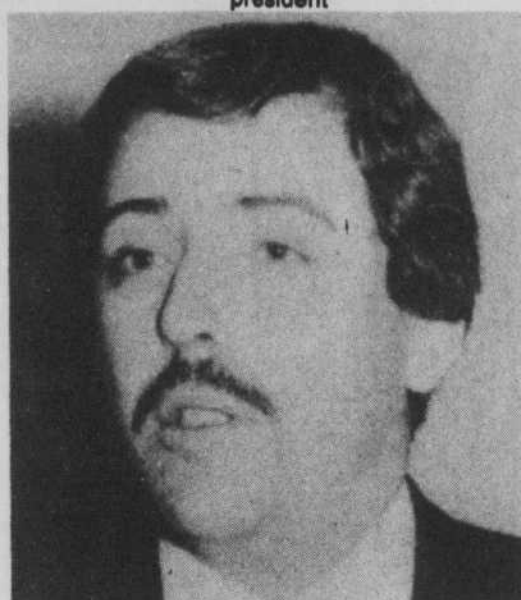
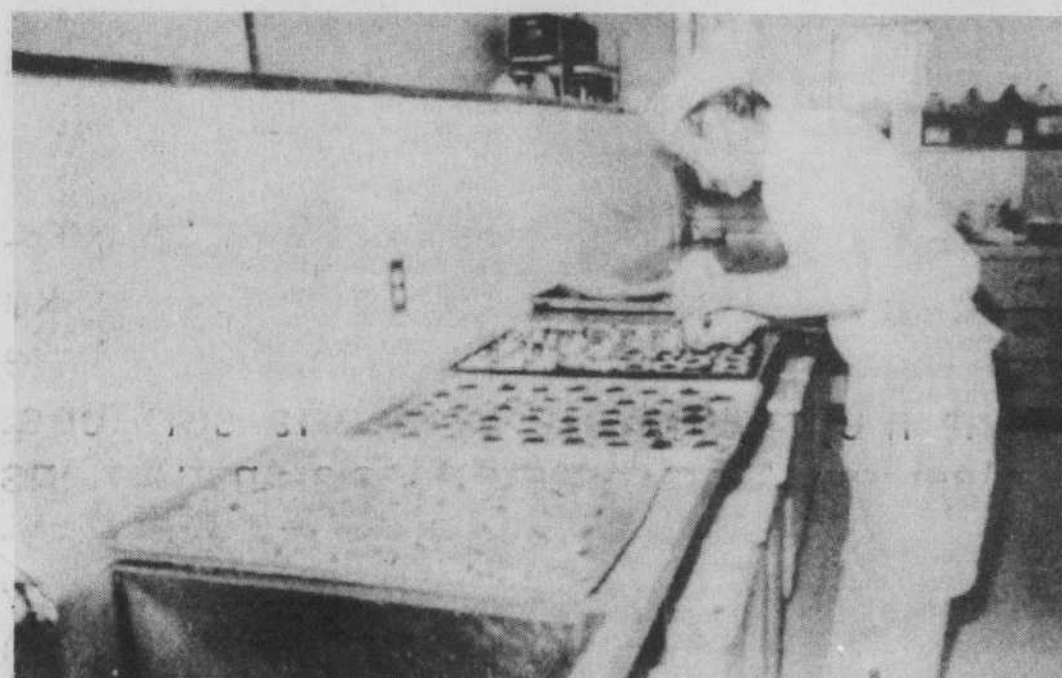
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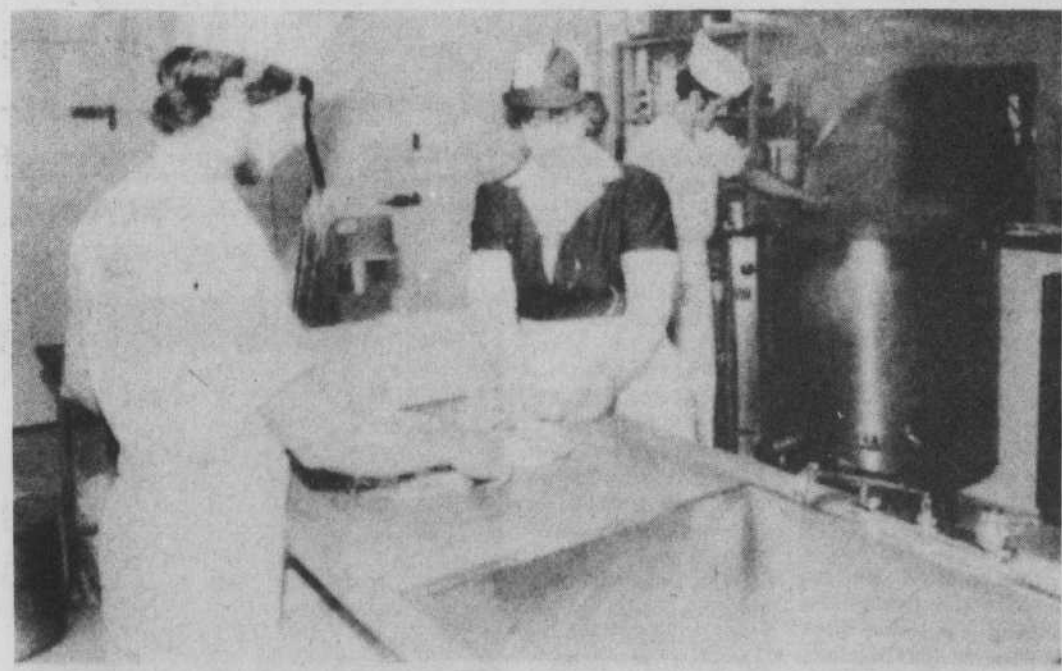
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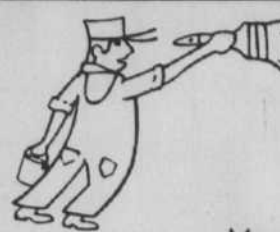


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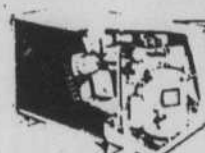
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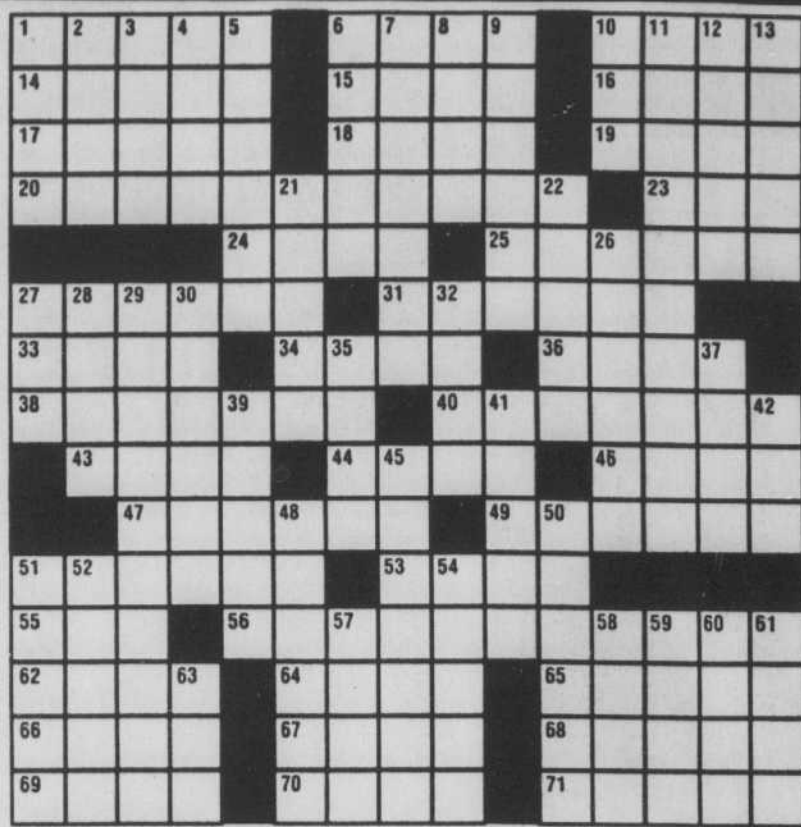
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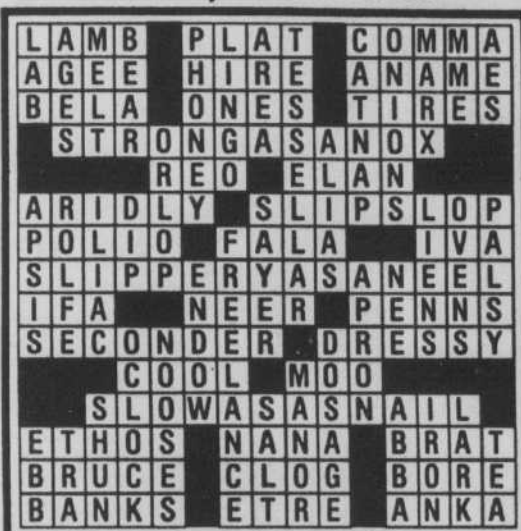
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Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:



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Women's Institute members hold meeting

EAST CLIFTON — The East Clifton Women's Institute met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irwin McBurney with much business on hand. They were planning a joint card party with the Sawyerville Institute to aid the Second Mile Home. All members were to furnish lunch and serve it, also prizes. Programs were turned in and Mrs. French and Mrs. Rowell are to prepare them for printing. Members are at work on the yearly reports to go to the County convenors by mid-month.

A gift of maple syrup was ordered from a member to ship to the QWI office to go to the London, Ont., conference in June. The sunshine conveyor was given a renewed fund to enable her to continue her work. Past members had been remembered at Christmas and a basket of fruit sent to a member who had been hospitalized.

Mottos were of interest. It's loving and giving that makes life worth living. Take time to read it is the foundation of knowledge.

Roll calls: Show something suitable for a sale and displayed miniature toque and mittens for a corsage, tree ornaments of wood, felt and ceramics, wine bottle, bib and towels. Memories

of schooldays brought back thoughts of riding in a Bombardier school bus, sleigh rides with a hot brick at each pair of feet, a far trip to the cold little house out back and autograph albums that carry names of friends.

Minutes were read and accepted by the president Mrs. Bain. The Provincial President's, Mrs. Parker's letter was read and the business in it attended to. Treasurer's report was satisfactory.

Convenors reporting were Mrs. Rowell for Handicrafts, giving out patterns and household hints.

Health and Welfare convenor Mrs. McBurney gave information on "Aid of Fiber in Diet", stating the qualities of bran fibers, cereals, fruits and vegetables — better than laxatives in maintaining health.

Publicity by Mrs. Gordon French was information on the Women's Institute as an organization in the Associated Country Women of the World, Federated Women's Institute of Canada and the Quebec Women's Institute. She stated what each organization did from helping form the founding charter of the United Nations, United Nations Educational, Nutritional and Health Funds, compe-

titions, scholarships, World to local conferences and many more helpful acts. She concluded by giving a report on the conference held at North Hatley which was found very interesting to the 73 who attended.

For a bit of fun Mrs. Frances Bain read "Phone Relief" from the Federated News.

Two resolutions were read and worked on in preparation for the County meeting.

Tea time served by the hostesses Mrs. McBurney and Mrs. Rowell, brought an enjoyable time of socializing.

Colfax Rebekah Lodge holds regular meetings

KNOWLTON (KT) — A regular meeting of Colfax Rebekah Lodge was held at the Rebekah Hall on January 3 with an attendance of 16. Sister Anne Windle presided, welcoming all those present.

The minutes were read and approved, also a letter from Sis-

BEAN — I wish to thank all while being a patient in the Sherbrooke Hospital. To Dr. Marosie and nurses of second floor. My many friends and neighbours who sent me an Xmas box of food and gifts, also to the many friends who visited me while there, to Mr. B. Collins who transported me before my operation and after, and to the doctors and hospital. Also to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Baldwin and to Mrs. Pearl Cuscuta, who assisted me in many ways, also to my niece Susan and Thomas Zaffis who did so much for me. Thank you all.
EMMA BEAN
 Lennoxville

PATTON — To Dr. Murray and Dr. Tessier, nursing staff and others of the 3rd floor of the Sherbrooke Hospital. My sincere appreciation for excellent care and kind consideration during my recent stay; gifts, cards, flowers and many acts of kindness from relatives and friends shown to me at this time.
MARY ELLEN PATTON



HARRIS, James Arthur — At the Sherbrooke Hospital on Tuesday, February 5, 1985. James Arthur Harris, beloved husband of Rebecca Bowling, in his 81st year. Beloved father of Eleanor (Mrs. André Descoteaux), Sherbrooke; Robert Harris (Juliette), Weedon; and Anne (Mrs. John Czemodan), Toronto; brother of Howard Harris (Grace), of Gatineau; Mina (Mrs. Robert Brown), of Ottawa. Also survived by many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Resting at the Vel & Elkas Funeral Home, 601 Connel St., Sherbrooke, Que., where the funeral will leave on Thursday, Feb. 7 in Notre-Dame Perpetuel-Secours Church at 1:30, followed by cremation. Visitation 2-4 and 7-10. In lieu of flowers donations to the Sherbrooke Hospital will be gratefully acknowledged.

NICHOLSON, Vernice — Passed away in her 89th year. Vernice Twofoot, beloved wife of the late William Nicholson. Visitation at the Charron and Son Funeral Home, 228 Child St., Coaticook, on Thursday, Feb. 7 from 7-9, and Friday, Feb. 8 from 2-4 and 7-9. Funeral service from the Baptist Church, Coaticook, on Saturday, Feb. 9 at 2:30 p.m. Interment in Mount Forest Cemetery, Coaticook.

In Memoriam

LABERGE — In loving memory of my dear mother, Mrs. Emma Mulhaire Laberge, who passed away on February 7th, 1976. Always tenderly loved and greatly missed by,
ELIZABETH
 (her loving daughter)

Obituary

ISOBEL FRANCES DYKEMAN
 of Richmond, Quebec

The community was greatly saddened by the news of the death of Isobel Frances Dykeman (nee Stevens), on January 7, 1985 at the C.H.U.S. after a short illness.

Isobel was born in Trenholm, Que., on Aug. 1, 1927, the second daughter of the late Russell Stevens and Alice Brock.

She attended Kingsey Consolidated School, St. Francis High School, Phillips School of Nursing and McGill University. She graduated in 1948 as an R.N. and received her diploma in Nursing Instruction in 1953.

Isobel was united in marriage with Dr. Douglas Lee Dykeman of Jemseg, New Brunswick, on June 19, 1954 and lived the rest of her life in Richmond, Que. The marriage was blessed with four children, John, Richard, Daphne and Robert.

Isobel was a very special person. She had a warm and friendly personality, was cheerful, unselfish and believed in helping others.

She was an excellent organizer and active in church, Bridge Club and Community affairs. She was a member of the Richmond U.C.W. and president of the Wales Home Auxiliary, where she ran the tuck shop for several years. She also was a Past Matron of the O.E.S. and secretary of Connaught Chapter No. 4. She too, was a member of the Historical Society and helped with the Canadian Cancer Society for 30 years for which she was commemorated in October 1984. Her best times were spent with her family and friends at home and around the pool.

Left to mourn her loss are her husband and children, daughter-in-law Laurie, son-in-law Yves Lupien and two grandchildren, Melissa and Gregory. She is also survived by two sisters, Marjorie (Mrs. Ed Smith) of Kingston, Edna (Mrs. Rene Ouellette) of Brossard, four brothers - Walter (Margaret) Stevens, Bill (Joyce) Stevens, Jim (Noreen) Stevens, all of Richmond and Weldon (Jackie) Stevens of Montreal. She has many nieces and nephews.

Visitation was at Fleury Inc. Funeral Home and a memorial service was held by the Order of the Eastern Star on January 9. Many Sisters and brothers attended.

Funeral service was held on January 10, at 2 p.m. at the Richmond-Melbourne United Church with Rev. Leslie Dean officiating. The service was opened with the hymn "The Lord is my Shepherd". Martha Taylor sang "In the Garden" and the final hymn was "Amazing Grace". Mrs. Lucille Farley read the eulogy and the Wales Home nurses formed an honor guard. The church was filled to capacity. Pallbearers were her nephews and a cousin, David, Paul, Donald and Mark Stevens, David Dykeman and Anthony Wintle.

Interment was in Trenholm United Church Cemetery. Attending the funeral were friends and relatives from Kingston, Ont., Jemseg, N.B., Montreal, Sherbrooke, Richmond and surrounding area.

The many floral arrangements and donations to the Wales Home, Trenholm United Church Cemetery and the Canadian Cancer Society were a tribute to the high esteem in which Isobel was held.

An appropriate memento to Isobel is this poem:

I shall pass through this world but once.
 Any good, therefore, that I can do
 Or any kindness that I can show
 To any human being,
 Let me do it now.
 Let me not defer it or neglect it for
 I shall not pass this way again.

We will miss her happy smile
 May she rest in peace.

St. Paul's Home News

BURY (NR) — On December 17, the annual Christmas party was held at St. Paul's Home, with about 30 people present, which included fifteen guests and the fifteen residents. The Home was beautifully decorated in keeping with the yuletide season, by Vera and Jackie Harper. Entertainment for the afternoon consisted of carol singing and other old time music provided by Gloria and Harris Nugent and their son and daughter-in-law, Kim and Sharon Nugent. Afternoon tea and fancy cookies were served, with Mrs. Winnie Buchanan pouring tea.

On another occasion before Christmas, Milton and Marion Goodwin entertained the guests at St. Paul's Home with an afternoon of old favorite songs and Christmas carols.

Miss Dorothy Montgomery has been a patient in the St. Vincent de Paul Hospital, Sherbrooke, with an eye infection.

Visitors at the Home during the holiday season included Rev. Blake Walker of Sherbrooke; Mrs. Hilda Lawrence and daughter, Kay Parsons visiting Mrs. Eva Goodenough; Duncan and Doris McLeod of Milan, Brian and Cathy Moulard and children, Brent and Grant of Montreal, Judy Moulard of Sherbrooke, Vivian Hutchinson, Isabelle Moulard and Muriel Mayhew of Lennoxville, all visiting Mrs. MacArthur; Patricia Hurley and Dave Donachie visiting Mrs. Price; Carl and Ruth Dillon of Sawyerville, Terry and Carolyn Cairns of London, Ont., visiting Mr. Clifford Larocque; Kenzie and Linda Allan of Thetford Mines visiting Dorothy Montgomery; Mrs. Blanche Stocks and Harley Wilkie visiting their mother, Mrs. Wilkie; Mrs. Lois Matheson visiting her mother, Mrs. Hamilton; also Gilbert and Dorothy Ross of Cookshire

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