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Oka: Police harassing Mohawk witnesses?

By Daniel Sanger

MONTREAL (CP) — Mohawks testifying at an inquest into the 1990 Oka crisis are being systematically harassed and even beaten up by Quebec provincial police, a witness at the inquiry said Tuesday.

Walter David Jr. said Mohawks who were involved in the summer-long standoff with the army that followed the death of

a provincial policeman on July 11, 1990 have been targeted for harassment ever since.

But he suggested it has worsened in recent months, saying that people whose names are on a list of Mohawk witnesses at a coroner's inquest into the death of Cpl. Marcel Lemay are being singled out.

"There's a list of people who have been identified with

1990... and their lives are in danger," said the former economic development officer for the Mohawk community of Kanesatake, near Oka.

"There is systematic harassment... and if you're in a newspaper article or on TV, boom, you're a target."

David's allegations were immediately denied by Quebec Police Force spokesman Ro-

bert Poeti.

"It's inexact and ridiculous," he said.

"There is absolutely no harassment by the police. They're just doing their regular job."

But David said police patrolling around Kanesatake "even have a photo album in each car that they refer to whenever they stop someone."

"That's been seen by many people."

He showed reporters an affidavit from an unidentified Mohawk who claims to have been beaten up by police. During the course of the beating he said he was asked if he was planning to testify at the inquest.

"Get a (radio) scanner, listen

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More cuts to come — Martin Budget: A bit of this plus a bit of that...

By Clyde Graham

OTTAWA (CP) — Finance Minister Paul Martin's first budget is a grab bag of spending cuts, tax nibbles, Tory-style restraint and calls for hope.

But with unemployment high and chronic, taxpayers burdened and cranky, Martin decided not to go for a knockout budget Tuesday.

He delivered instead a first jab in what the Liberal government promises is a two-punch combination — with real change coming next budget, once social programs are better defined.

Martin cut spending on defence and unemployment insurance benefits, as well as doing away with a range of tax breaks for seniors, investors and business.

The deficit will fall to \$39.7 billion in the coming fiscal year — down from a record high \$45.7 billion in 1993-94 but still not as low as some had hoped.

But Martin insisted there is more to come. There will be "very significant deficit reduction in the second and third year" of the Liberal mandate.

And he claimed he has already gone farther in cutting spending than the previous Tory government did in any of its budgets.

"In terms of deficit reduction, this is the most significant budget of any," Martin told reporters.

He also touted the fact that for every dollar he's raising in new tax revenues, he's promising \$5 in cuts.

"We felt that Canadians have been hit so badly by taxes over the last five years, we really had to keep that to a minimum."

Tuesday's big victim: Defence.

Four military bases are going to close — CFB Cornwallis, N.S., CFB Chatham, N.B., CFB Downsview in the Toronto area and CFB Ottawa. Five others will be scaled back. It's the end of a way of life for many communities.

Planned defence spending is

to be slashed \$7 billion over five years.

Unemployment insurance will be harder to get, while premiums will be easier to bear. Public servant salaries are frozen — Prime Minister Jean Chrétien's, too.

Nearly one million richer seniors, workers who get company life insurance, investors and

corporations will be hit with \$3.5 billion in higher taxes over the next three years.

Despite Liberal promises that more jobs will be created, Martin said unemployment will still be 11.1 per cent for 1994 and 10.8 per cent in 1995 — little changed from 11.2 per cent last year.

He said, all the same, the government is setting the stage for more jobs.

"This is very, very much a jobs budget."

There will be a small UI premium break next year, extending

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Daniel Johnson dropped in at C-MAC Industries to meet the workers (above) during a busy Tuesday in Sherbrooke. The premier said his Liberals expect to win next week's provincial byelection in Shefford despite a poor showing in Bonaventure Monday. For the full story, please turn the page.

RECORD/GRANT SIMEON

'The honeymoon is over' Gays end their love affair with Montreal policemen

MONTREAL (CP) — Homosexual groups say they are suspending their co-operation with Montreal police to protest a raid on a gay bar in which 165 patrons were arrested and

charged with being found-ins at a bawdy house.

"The honeymoon is over, that's for sure," Roger Le Clerc, a member of the Gay and Lesbian Community

Centre, said Tuesday.

Douglas Buckley-Couvrette, another gay leader, called the police raid a "witch-hunt."

Gay activists had agreed to

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'I despise thieves'

Airborne trooper: Somali teen needed a lesson

By John Ward

CFB PETAWAWA, Ont. (CP) — Elvin Kyle Brown says he doesn't like thieves.

And he told military investigators last year that's why he punched and kicked a bound and helpless teenager in a sandbagged bunker in Somalia.

A two-hour videotape of Pte. Brown's interrogation was played Tuesday at his court martial on charges of second-degree murder and torture.

"I thought he was a thief and that he deserved, he deserved being caught," Brown told a military policeman on the tape.

"I despise thieves."

Brown is charged in the death of 16-year-old Shidane Arone in Somalia on March 16, 1993. At the time, Brown was serving with the Canadian Airborne Regiment with the UN in Somalia.

On the tape, Brown described Arone's ordeal and blamed the cruelest acts on another soldier who cannot be identified under terms of a partial publication ban.

He also said other soldiers wandered by the site during the three hours Arone was being beaten. They saw what was happening, but did nothing, he said.

Brown said one non-commissioned officer walked off with the remark: "Just don't kill him."

Arone had been caught creeping into an abandoned American military compound next door to a Canadian encampment. He was taken for a would-be thief.

Brown said the other soldier punched and kicked Arone in the face, legs and ribs. He drenched the prisoner's shirt in water and wrapped it around the

youth's nose and mouth.

He said the other soldier also beat the youth with a metre-long riot baton and a metal pipe and stomped on his bound, bare feet.

"He pulled out a cigarillo, he offered me half," Brown said.

"He took the other half and he

lit it. He went down and began to burn the bottoms of the feet, the soles of the feet of the prisoner."

Brown said he eventually warned the other soldier: "You're going to kill him."

The other dismissed the warning with the comment: "Don't

worry about it."

Brown said he eventually left the prisoner — alive — with the other soldier. Later, he said, he heard the prisoner howling.

Brown admitted punching and kicking the prisoner "five or six times."

Master Warrant Officer Paul

Dowd, the interrogator, asked why.

"I think I kicked him because he was a thief," Brown replied. "I didn't kick him to hurt him, to cause him any kind of damage."

"I didn't feel hatred for him."

Private Brown on videotape

'It was all right to slap a prisoner around'

CFB PETAWAWA, Ont. (CP) — Following are quotes from a video-taped interrogation of Pte. Elvin Kyle Brown shown Tuesday as evidence at his court martial on charges of second-degree murder and torture.

All quotes are from Brown.

"I looked at the prisoner, I called him a thief and I punched him in the jaw."

"I heard from some of the other soldiers... that it was all right to slap a prisoner around."

"I'd seen other people sort of slap them up, from a distance."

"He said if you tell them that I used the sticks, I'd be a murderer, just think about it." Brown quoting another soldier who cannot be identified under a partial publication ban.

"I wanted to remember what I was seeing. I wanted to make sure I didn't forget what I'd seen." Brown explaining why he took photographs of another soldier posing with the bleeding prisoner and why he himself posed for two photos.

The Townships

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Community leader Warren Grapes dies

Firm convictions, natural charm

By Charles Bury

SHERBROOKE — Longtime community leader Warren Grapes died at 49 years of age Wednesday after a long bout with cancer.

Operator of a dairy farm near Sawyerville, the popular Grapes had a life-long involvement in community affairs.

Born and raised in the area, he was a long-time field worker for the Quebec Farmers Association, and was later twice elected president of the anglo farm-education group.

He was also a past president and long-time director of the

Compton County Agricultural Society, organizers of the Cookshire Fair.

Grapes was also among the founders of both the Eastern Townships Citizens Association, precursor to the Townshippers Association, and the Quebec Council of Minorities, which later became Alliance Quebec. At various times he was a director of both organizations.

He was often called on to act as spokesman for the English-speaking people of rural Quebec, a role he filled with firm conviction and an easy natural

charm.

Well known in media circles, Grapes was always willing to explain complex farm and language issues until journalists understood. He was a regular contributor to CBC radio and an early supporter of the *Townships Sun*. His comments frequently graced the pages of the *Record* and other newspapers.

His first wife Shirley Winslow died in a road accident in 1984. He later remarried Denyse Villeneuve.

Grapes studied agriculture at Macdonald College of McGill University. His Maple Cres-

cent Farm was known across the province for its champion dairy cattle, which set dozens of milk-production records.

The farm was also a frequent gathering place for members of the local agricultural community, and a showplace visited by farmers and officials from other provinces and countries.

Although Grapes lacked formal training in forestry, he became an expert on tree health in Quebec and was at one time an employee and later a frequent consultant for the Pulp and Paper Research Institute

of Canada, as well as managing woodlots of his own.

He also made prize-winning maple products on the farm sugarbush.

Busy as he was, Grapes still managed to find plenty of time for anyone who sought him out, and was often asked to mediate local disputes.

Warren Grapes had time for nature as well as people. A deputy provincial game warden, he always left some of his crops in the field for the deer and birds.

For visitation and funeral details and a list of family members, please see page 8.



Warren Grapes... Always had time.

Lower benefits will be harder to get

UI changes: 'Modest move' or 'slap in the face'?

By Beth Gorham

OTTAWA (CP) — Unemployment insurance is no longer a chronic security blanket.

In its first major move to radically redesign Canada's social safety net, the federal government has made it tougher to collect UI and chopped benefits for many recipients.

Tuesday's budget also keeps limits on welfare transfers to Ontario, British Columbia and Alberta. The provinces could in turn decrease benefits for some on social assistance.

Ottawa wants to save about \$5.5 billion over three years with a triple whammy on UI —

increasing the number of work weeks required to collect benefits, slashing benefits for some who earned more than \$390 a week and reducing the length of time they get pokey.

Human Resources Minister Lloyd Axworthy called it a "modest move" toward a whole new incentive system that will replace UI and welfare in two years.

Axworthy estimated 10 to 15 per cent of UI recipients will see less money.

Critics called the changes shocking.

"It's a slap in the face to a

hell of a lot of people," said Bob White, president of the Canadian Labor Congress.

"(It) infers that... if you just stop (some people) from getting unemployment insurance, they'll find these non-existent jobs."

Others said the changes have turned the government's current review of social programs into a farce and will force even more people on to already swamped provincial welfare rolls.

"Don't penalize people who are victims of the current problems with the economy," said Francois Dumaine, of the Na-

tional Anti-Poverty Organization.

The changes tie UI benefits more closely to the number of weeks worked and increase the minimum to 12 weeks from 10.

Maximum weekly benefits for new claimants will decline to \$429 from \$445, except for low-income earners with dependents — mostly single mothers — who will get a maximum increase of \$12 to \$234.

Atlantic Canadians will see a 22-per-cent reduction in their share of the \$19-million UI fund, the largest loss in the country.

"The East has been hit hard

with the changes," said a federal official. "But they're still the major recipients. With less work, they get more weeks (of benefits) than anybody else."

The predicted savings from UI cuts will be partly offset by reductions in premiums that workers and their employers will have to pay starting in 1995.

Rolling back premiums will cost the fund about \$1.1 billion over three years, saving workers about \$30 a year. The Liberals say the move will create or save 40,000 jobs by the end of 1996.

Among other budget initia-

tives affecting social policy:

—The provinces will get \$800 million over two years to help them start their own pilot projects to replace UI and welfare.

—Federal funds for post-secondary education will be limited after 1996.

—A discussion paper will review services for the elderly, particularly public pensions and RRSP limits.

—A permanent home buyers' plan will allow first-time home buyers to tap into RRSP funds.

—The age tax credit will be eliminated for seniors with incomes of \$49,100 or higher.

'That better be the end' — Collette

Defence Department cuts will cost 16,000 jobs

By Dianne Rinehart

OTTAWA (CP) — The end of the Cold War and continuing deficit problems forced the federal government Tuesday to do what was once unthinkable — close bases.

The Maritimes and Ontario bore the brunt of Defence Department cuts in the federal budget, with CFB Ottawa, CFB Downsview (Toronto), CFB Cornwallis, N.S., and CFB Chatham, N.B., ordered to close.

With \$7 billion cut from plan-

ned defence spending over five years — on top of previously announced cuts of \$14 billion — there were no winners.

The big losers: 16,500 people whose jobs will disappear.

"The restructuring and budget cuts announced today will be painful," Defence Minister David Collette conceded.

Defence spending has dropped from more than 25 per cent of government spending in 1964 to about seven per cent in 1992. The budget sets it at about \$11 billion for this fiscal year.

Collette said he doesn't expect defence to take further hits. "As far as I'm concerned, that better be the end of these cuts."

The cuts are aimed at infrastructure and support units to protect operational abilities. But Chief of Defence Staff Gen. John de Chastelain said further cuts would affect the forces ability to operate.

The situation is already as precarious as a tightrope act, he said.

"It's very difficult to balance," De Chastelain said the budget process was painful.

"When you beat your head against a wall you feel good when you stop. Under those circumstances we feel the balance is about right to keep a fighting force in place."

The cuts directly hit Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario, Alberta, British Columbia and the Northwest Territories.

Among the targets: —Seventeen smaller milita-

ry facilities close.

—Five other bases and two stations shrink.

—Two bases consolidate with other facilities.

—Three planned installa-

tions are scrapped.

About half of the budget cuts come from the scrapping of the EH-101 helicopters which will save \$1.7 billion over three years.

But de Chastelain said those figures represent a deferral of spending rather than cuts. Canada will eventually be replacing its aging fleet of Sea Kings and Labradors.

The bad news for Cornwallis is offset somewhat by the word that Ottawa will support — but not operate — a new international peacekeeping training centre on the base.

But the centre, run by the Canadian Institute of Strategic Studies, will only provide academic training aimed at the foreign community, and is not the training base Nova Scotia envisaged, Collette admitted.

The centre will receive \$5

million in federal start-up costs and \$1 million in annual grants.

CFB Toronto was not so lucky. It will become green space. But Collette said it was "the political dream of the prime minister to give the people of Toronto" space that can be used for hockey rinks, tennis courts and other recreational facilities in the heart of the city.

The government offered scant hope for rejuvenating the economies of communities that depend on the bases for their livelihood.

"These base closures and facility reductions are occurring in order to save money. It will not, therefore, be possible financially to offset the impact of these decisions on local communities," Collette emphasized.

That drew criticism from NDP Leader Audrey McLaughlin, who supports base closures but says the government should have an employment plan.

Criticism from other federal party leaders and defence and

peace groups was muted. But local politicians in areas affected by base closures and reductions were furious.

Gloria McCluskey, mayor of Dartmouth, N.S., said Ottawa forgets there's a Canada beyond Quebec.

"We're small in numbers, so (they say) 'sock it to them'. And that's exactly what they did today."

The budget cuts 8,100 military positions and 8,400 civilian jobs over four years, reducing total defence employment to 91,900 from 108,400.

The reductions come on top of 14,000 military jobs and 3,000 civilian jobs that have been cut since 1989.

Military cuts will take place through attrition, restrictions on recruiting, occupational reassignment and retirement incentives. Layoffs will be a last resort, Collette said.

And there is a generous buyout package for civilian employees.

The cost of closing bases and cutting staff, including the cost of environmental cleanup, is estimated at \$1.1 billion.

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to the police conversations and you'll get all the proof you need that they're targeting us," David said.

David said the police harassment is justification enough for Mohawks not to identify others behind the barricades at Oka — a policy that has enraged police lawyers at the inquest since Mohawks began testifying a month ago.

But David said he wasn't na-

ming names Tuesday not because he was protecting anyone, but because he couldn't remember who he talked to on the morning of the botched police raid in which Lemay was shot.

He acknowledged suggesting to other Mohawks that it would be a good idea to capture a policeman, strip him of his weapons and clothes "and send him back to his people."

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talk to new police recruits and help them understand the homosexual community.

But following the morality squad raid on the Katakombes bar in the heart of the Gay Village last week, community spokesmen said they are halting efforts to build bridges with police.

They have also asked for a meeting with Montreal police

chief Jacques Duchesneau to find out why the raid was launched and so many people arrested, even though alleged sexual acts were restricted to the basement level of the bar.

Duchesneau is in California studying police management techniques and cannot be reached for comment, said Const. Jean-Pierre Leblanc.

Le Clerc questioned police attitudes in marshalling 40 offi-

cers to raid a bar when the force had refused to increase patrols from 1 a.m. to 4 a.m. Thursdays to Sundays, when homosexuals feel most threatened and are attacked.

Le Clerc conceded that the gay community is divided in its view of the raid on the bar, where some gay men said they have seen others engage in sexual activity.

Nonetheless, to "reappropriate our space," the commit-

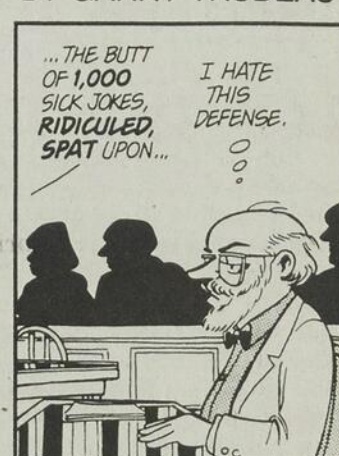
tee on violence invited gays and lesbians and their friends to show up at the bar tonight in a gesture of solidarity.

A gay bar is the only place where homosexuals can remove their heterosexual masks, Le Clerc said.

"In a gay bar I can embrace my boyfriend, I can caress his shoulders or his buttocks and make gestures of affection, Le Clerc said. "These are not indecent acts."

WEATHER Doonesbury

Sunny in the morning, clouding over in the afternoon with a 40 per cent chance of snow in the evening and a high near -4. Outlook for Thursday: Snow, rain and a high near 3.



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'Marked contrast to what they were saying'

Charest on the budget: Lots of talk but little action

By Charles Bury

SHERBROOKE — MP Jean Charest says the Liberal budget unveiled Tuesday is full of "mixed messages" and little else.

"They talked a lot about job

creation but there's very little there," Charest said in an interview. "There's really nothing there."

It's good to see Jean Charest and the Liberals seem to be changing their tune on the GST,

he said on the telephone from Parliament Hill. "Now they're talking about harmonization instead. That means making it easier for business to comply with. And that's good."

As for public debt and the fe-

deral deficit, Conservative leader Charest said the government is "still a long way off from what they said they would do."

CONTRAST

"What they have in the budget is in marked contrast to what they were saying."

Charest said he has been busy adapting to his new-found obscurity in Ottawa. Formerly deputy prime minister, he is now relegated to the back bench of the House of Commons where he is one of a dozen MPs without an official party.

As a result, he said he's spending less time in the House and more around the country.

"It's a radical change," he said. "When I'm in Ottawa, it's depressing; it kind of gets me down. But when I'm out on the road it's exciting. A lot of people are showing up, showing the flag."

"There's still a lot of support for us out there."

When he is in the Commons, Charest said he has the unenviable position of sparking resentment from all sides.

"I'm an obstacle to the Reform Party, and I'm an obstacle to the Bloc," he said.

Charest said he's glad to be

free of the shackles of power, if only for a little while. Coming down from the chauffeur-driven life, surrounded by aides and assistants, "has been fun in a way."

"I'm learning again that you can actually get by when there aren't ten other people around all the time."

Charest said his most memorable experience since October's election was a trip to the northern Ontario town of Kapuskasing.

"It was an engagement I had made before the election," he said. "I didn't want to cancel out."

Charest planned to make some remarks in the House, then catch a plane for the north. But the only way to fly commercial was to leave Ottawa on a flight at 10 a.m. before the Commons opens for business.

"So we decided to charter a plane and fly direct. The only thing I insisted on was that the plane have heating. I've been on a few charter flights where there was no heat, and it can get pretty cold up there."

No problem, said the pilot. "He asked me three times if there was enough heat. I told him there wasn't any, but it



Jean Charest... Cold feet in Kapuskasing.

didn't get any warmer."

"By the time we got to Kapuskasing my hands and feet were blocks of ice," Charest said. "We went straight to the hotel, and I went up to my room."

"So there I was sitting on the bed with my shoes and socks off, trying to warm up."

"There were lots of people coming and going. And there was this guy I'd never seen before, kneeling in front of me with a hair dryer, blowing it on my feet."

'Money that we can use'

Premier: It's not a big deal

SHERBROOKE (MC)—Quebec Premier Daniel Johnson is taking a cautiously optimistic tone in response to the federal

budget.

"Short term there are no great changes," he told reporters Tuesday night. "We just

want to make sure that there is no off loading onto the provinces and Quebec."

Right now there is no reason to believe that they are shoveling their problems into our courtyard, but we must keep our eyes open."

Johnson was also cautious about the federal government's approach to job creation.

"There are some job creation measures per se," he said. But he believes that attacking the deficit is a good approach. In the long term, it will be "money that we can use for job creation."

Johnson had no comment on the closure of the military base at St. Jean sur Richelieu, announced in the budget Tuesday.



Johnson: 'Short term there are no great changes.'

Garon: 'A gallery of horrors'

PQ confident that the voters want a change

By Rita Legault

SHERBROOKE — Quebecers are tired of Liberal inaction and the time has come for a change, say Parti Québécois leaders touring the Eastern Townships.

"Quebecers are fed up with high taxes, with unemployment, with dropouts," Chicoutimi MNA Jeanne Blackburn said as she launched the PQ Townships tour Tuesday afternoon.

Blackburn along with local

candidates and a half dozen colleagues from the National Assembly will visit five local ridings today as part of a pre-election tour of the province.

PQ finance and transport critic Jean Garon, who spoke to party members later at a fundraising dinner, said Quebecers have lost confidence in the Liberals and are turning to the PQ and its sovereignty option.

HORROR GALLERY

"Every night on the television it's a gallery of horrors," Garon said. "Contraband, factory closings, landslides — people wonder if this is going to continue."

Garon compared Premier Daniel Johnson to a little boy playing Nintendo — "he thinks he's powerful, but no one else believes it."

Garon said Johnson has no mandate from the voters. He said Robert Bourassa lost his when he failed to get support for the Meech Lake and Charlottetown accords.

"He promised to renew federalism and he failed."

Garon said no one believes Johnson can succeed where former premiers Jean Lesage,

Maurice Duplessis, Daniel Johnson Sr. (Johnson's father) and Bourassa have failed.

Garon also praised Johnson MNA Carmen Juneau, who is stepping down after almost three terms — two of them in opposition.

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"We can't say that Carmen is an opportunist," Garon said. "She has worked hard during the tough years."

"Getting into politics is easy," he added. "Leaving is much harder."

Garon praised Juneau as a hard worker who often defended people who could not defend themselves — "and she did it with conviction."

Sensing power in the near future, the PQ has been able to recruit some prominent candidates. In the meantime, Garon said, top Liberals are jumping ship.

Michel Pagé, Richard French, Lawrence Cannon and Pierre Fortier "have left the boat before it sinks," Garon said.

Garon, Blackburn and others point to the PQ's latest byelection win in the Liberal

stronghold of Bonaventure, and others which preceded it, as proof people are ready to send the PQ to power.

TELLTALE SIGNS

Blackburn said the failure of the referendum on the Charlottetown accord and the election of a large contingent of Bloc Québécois MPs is another sign which cannot be ignored.

"We have the substitute team," Blackburn told reporters. "After eight years of Liberal government, the time has come for a change."

Blackburn added that she's convinced the PQ will win the byelection in Shefford next week with star candidate Roger Nicolet, mayor of Austin, warden of Memphremagog regional municipality (MRC) and head of the provincial union of MRCs.

Despite some Péquistes' complaint that Nicolet is not much of a sovereigntist, Blackburn said she is convinced he believes that Quebec must go this way.

Blackburn, who sat with Nicolet on the Bélanger Campeau commission, said Nicolet was the only member to start with



Jeanne Blackburn... PQ will sweep the Eastern Townships.

an open mind.

By the end he was convinced there was no hope for renewed federalism, leaving sovereignty as the only other option, she said.

Blackburn said the PQ will take most or all Eastern Townships seats in the next election.

"A lot of Liberals should be feeling a little uneasy right now," she said, and a PQ wave

could even wash away vice-premier Monique Gagnon Tremblay, MNA for St-François.

Blackburn said the PQ is promising better government but is not hiding its sovereigntist goals.

"The Parti Québécois has never hid the fact that it wants sovereignty," she said, "but we also have to get Quebecers back to work."

'A tough act to follow'

Johnson puts on a brave face in Sherbrooke

By Dan Hawaleshka

SHERBROOKE — A day after a Liberal stronghold crumbled in a byelection that went to the Parti Québécois, Quebec Premier Daniel Johnson put on a brave face and refused to say when he'll call a general election.

"It was a really tough act to follow," Johnson said of former finance minister Gerald D. Lévesque's 37-year reign in the Gaspé riding of Bonaventure. "Byelections in Canada usually do not favor the government."

'Not just yet'

Johnson: No break on booze

SHERBROOKE (DH) — Expecting a tax break on hard liquor now that cigarette prices have nosedived in Quebec?

Don't bet on it, Premier Daniel Johnson said while on a one-day tour of Sherbrooke.

Asked what his government is doing to combat liquor smuggling, Johnson told reporters his Liberals have already

PQ candidate Marcel Landry received about 56 per cent of the ballots Monday while 44 per cent went to Liberal hopeful Nicole Appleby-Arbour, the executive assistant to Lévesque, who died last November.

Johnson said that while the Liberals collected 44 per cent of the votes, "I won't talk about a moral victory because I prefer winning to losing."

It was the PQ's fifth consecutive byelection win.

Asked if Appleby-Arbour's lack of English played a role,

Johnson said "I'm not sure it was a factor per se."

WHIRLWIND

Johnson, on a whirlwind tour of Sherbrooke Tuesday, said he was "very confident" of a Liberal win in the Feb. 28 byelection in the Eastern Townships riding of Shefford, a PQ stronghold.

Meanwhile the Quebec premier said he was surprised to hear from reporters that Liberal MNA Remi Poulin had in a radio interview Tuesday questioned the "morality" of putting

off a general election.

"That's pretty heavy stuff," Johnson said in a tone that seemed to mock linking morality with calling an election.

As leader of Quebec Liberals, he said it was his decision when the election would be.

"We have an agenda and we have things to do," and only then will the election be called, Johnson said.

The premier sidestepped a question on whether his recent forays to various Quebec ridings could be seen as pre-election campaigning prior to a spring vote.

He said it was normal for a premier to "take the pulse" of Quebecers by getting out and meeting them.

His visit to Sherbrooke, where unemployment has recently hovered at about 13 per cent, was punctuated with stops at both thriving and beleaguered industries.

His first stop was at C-MAC, a microchip manufacturing success story.

Pulling a microchip from his pocket later, Johnson congratulated C-MAC for selling the

Liquor, unlike cigarettes, isn't being peddled in schoolyards, the premier said. Contraband booze instead tends to show up in restaurants and hotels which are easier to police, he said.

When the Liberal leader was asked if Quebecers can expect a tax break on booze, he answered, "Not just yet."



Daniel Johnson: 'We have an agenda and we have things to do.'

Johnson dismissed reports suggesting up to 400 local workers will lose their jobs once Quebec cuts its health care budget.

"It's not true," said Johnson, calling the numbers cited "aberrant figures."

He said increased efficiency in providing health care would perhaps lead to a financial saving equivalent to that many jobs without any layoffs.

"That's not putting 400 people out the door."

Olympics bring out best and worst in Norwegians

I am glad I am not in Norway now. I can just imagine the uproar of my fellow countrymen as they watched Italians beat Norwegians in the 4x10-kilometres cross-country skiing relay Tuesday. It's like Italians beating Canadians in hockey!

Norway is the cradle of skiing. Kids are born with skis on their feet. (We have great respect for their mothers!)

But what happened to the Olympic motto that the most important thing is not to win, but to participate.

A friend of mine, a Norwegian in exile like me, expressed fear when medals started pouring in for Norwegian athletes; "I am scared we will be too full of ourselves, pounding ourselves on the chest and telling ourselves how good we are."

I think he's right.

It is one thing to win a dozen medals in Albertville, France, but a totally different thing when we repeat the victory in our own country with tens of millions watching us.

The world's sports journalists are roaming over the tiny country of 4.2 million people in search of stories to feed their editors. Our most intimate secrets and habits are being scrutinized by hungry reporters, cameramen and photographers. Our drinking habits and food, our native culture and women, nothing is left untouched. Is it too much for shy and modest Norwegians?

Because we are shy and modest. Norwegians of the 1990s are not anything like their viking ancestors — even though certain athletes like Johann Olav Koss and Bjorn Daehli may resemble them.

Norwegians are very proud of their country and their heritage. It is a young country which got its independence from Sweden in 1905, after having been under both Danish and Swedish rule for over 350 years. That shapes a people.

Many Norwegians were reluctant to jump with joy when Lillehammer was chosen for the 17th Olympic games. An old unwritten rule called the Jante rule is strongly engraved in each Norwegian's mind. It goes like this: do not think you are any better than anybody else. Most Norwegians will say that being modest is a positive trait.

But asking for the Olympics is anything but modest. Maybe the jante rule is going out of fashion.

Chest pounding has become the most practiced sport in Norway these days, aside from flag waving.

Waving the flag is what Norwegians usually do on their national day May 17. The Lillehammer Olympics is just a big national day for us, where the whole world is invited to participate in celebrating the freedom of a tiny country which appreciates the joy of winter sports — especially when we can show the world that we are good at it!

After two weeks of sweat and snow, the 17th Olympic Games are drawing to a close. Lillehammer residents can at last go back to their normal life — to schools, work and kindergarten which has been closed during the games.

When Lillehammer, a town of 23,000 people, opened up to the world, the Olympic games were said to come back to basics, back to the cradle of skiing. Folklore and untouched nature marked the opening ceremonies. Sarajevo and Tonya Harding marked the rest... But hopefully people will also remember the enormous will of small folk who welcomed the world to their mountains and hills.

I hope they will have forgotten chest pounding.

KRISTINE THELLE

Today in history

By The Canadian Press

Canadian-born Tommy Burns won the world heavyweight boxing title 88 years ago today — in 1906 — by defeating Martin Hart in a 20-round fight in Los Angeles. But Burns, born Noah Brusso in Hanover, Ont., was not a real heavyweight. He stood only five foot seven and usually weighed about 170 pounds in the ring. He defended his title successfully 10 times, until he lost to huge Jack Johnson in Australia on Dec. 25, 1908.

Also on this day in:

1909 — J.A.D. McCurdy made the first flight in Canada, flying the Silver Dart at Baddeck, N.S.

1951 — Canadian troops, part of the 27th British Commonwealth Infantry Brigade, made their first contact with the enemy in Korea.

1982 — The federal government announced sanctions against the Soviet Union and Poland to protest Polish martial law.

Honey, seven kids are enough, maybe you should start drinking water from the St. Lawrence.



Government looks at Maritime UI

TORONTO (CP) — Hundreds of fishing families with average incomes of nearly \$70,000 are collecting large payments from the unemployment-insurance system, a federal document says.

The report, written by the Human Resources Department and obtained by the Toronto Globe and Mail, questions whether fishermen in high-income families should continue to receive the same level of unemployment benefits.

The report was prepared in the final months of the former Conservative government last year.

The Liberal government has said it wants to make the UI system more sensitive to the income

of its recipients, something that may be reflected as early as today's budget.

The changes will mean lower benefits for high-income Canadians who become unemployed for part of the year, federal sources told the newspaper.

But the changes could be much more extensive, including the first steps toward restructuring the system to favor those who need it most.

The reforms could also include stricter eligibility rules for unemployed fishermen to collect payments.

Under the current system, they can collect 42 weeks of payments after working 10 consecutive

weeks.

The report on Canada's fishing industry shows that payments were received by 528 fishing families with an average income of \$69,000 from fishing and other sources including UI in 1990.

The average high-income family was collecting \$5,400 in unemployment benefits, removing a total of \$2.9-million from the UI fund, the report says.

Another 487 fishing families with an average income including UI of \$44,000 to \$49,000 were collecting an average of \$11,000 in benefits, at a total cost of a further \$5.8-million, the report said.

A regional breakdown of those families was not available.

The report also shows a drama-

tic increase in dependence on unemployment insurance in the fishing industry.

By 1990, unemployment insurance was providing 38 per cent of the income of commercial fishermen, compared to 18 per cent in 1980, the report said.

"There is a great deal of concern about a system that provides fishery workers as much income in the form of UI as they actually earn in the industry," a federal official told the newspaper Monday.

"What we're saying is, can the country afford a system where people can basically build UI into their expected income... particularly when they may not need the money?"

Pope criticizes homosexual marriage

VATICAN CITY (Reuter) — Society can recognize only marriage between a man and a woman, Pope John Paul said Tuesday in an open letter to the world's families.

The Pope, who earlier this month sharply criticized a Feb. 8 resolution by the European Parliament to allow gays to marry and adopt children, also reaffirmed the church's bans on divorce, abortion and contraception and rejected safe-sex programs promoting condoms as dangerous.

"Marriage, which undergirds the institution of the family, is constituted by the covenant whereby a man and a woman establish between themselves a partnership for their whole life," the Pope said in a 100-page letter

which coincides with the United Nations International Year of the Family.

"Only such a union can be recognized and ratified as a marriage in society. Other interpersonal unions, which do not fulfil the above conditions cannot be recognized, despite certain growing trends which represent a serious threat to the future of the family and society itself."

In the letter, the Pope defended the church from critics who say its positions on birth control and sexuality are out of touch with the times.

"No human society can run the risk of permissiveness in fundamental issues regarding the nature of marriage and the family," he said, adding that political lea-

ders should not yield to the temptation of "superficial and false modernity."

He said the family is under siege from pro-abortion tendencies which vainly try to hide behind a right to choose, and from safe-sex programs which are dangerous because they remove personal responsibility from sex.

"How can one morally accept laws that permit the killing of a human being not yet born, already alive in the mother's womb?" he said.

"The right to life becomes an exclusive prerogative of adults who even manipulate legislatures in order to carry out their own plans and pursue their own interests."

Families, he said, should beware the media's ability to mani-

pulate and falsify the truth, he added.

In a related issue, a leading Vatican theologian said women who induce abortion by using drugs create the same grounds for excommunication as those who use surgical abortion.

Rev. Gino Concetti, writing Tuesday in the Vatican newspaper L'Osservatore Romano, said drugs taken after sex to avoid pregnancy are "substantially different" from normal contraceptive pills since their purpose is to destroy eggs that are already fertilized.

However, he said women who used the so-called day-after pill would not be excommunicated because it was impossible to know in such cases if an abortion had occurred.

Human rights groups push for UN OK

By Lisa Schlein

GENEVA (CP) — National human rights groups from Canada and other countries are seeking official United Nations recognition in hopes of increasing the impact of their work worldwide.

In an address Tuesday, Max Yalden, head of the Canadian Human Rights Commission, asked the UN Human Rights Commission "to ensure that national institutions participate in their own right and with a recognized status in the work of the United Nations organs responsible for human rights."

Canada plans to co-sponsor a resolution to be submitted by the Australian delegation to the UN commission asking that national

institutions be given official status.

"Once we have done that, we'll exist legally within the United Nations bureaucratic framework," Yalden said later in an interview.

"Then our national institutions will enjoy the same status as governments and observers."

Yalden, along with heads of other independent commissions, is trying to establish a network of national institutions which would support each other in monitoring human rights in their individual countries.

The idea took shape at a meeting attended by heads of some 35 delegations during last June's World Conference on Human Rights in Vienna.

Delegations from Canada, France, Australia and New Zealand are particularly eager to bring commissions from eastern and central Europe and from developing countries in Africa and Southeast Asia into the proposed network.

"With the end of the cold war and the collapse of the Soviet Union and the collapse of the Soviet empire, there's been a great interest shown in the countries that have emerged as independent," he said.

However, establishing national human rights commissions is not always easy and in many cases may be impossible.

"There are tragically too many countries where people are mur-

dering each other every day of the week and the idea of a human rights commission there would be almost ludicrous," said Yalden.

One of the purposes for establishing the network is the creation of criteria to ensure that national commissions are actually able to operate legally as independent human rights watchdog groups without interference from their governments.

"In addition, we hope it will be possible to establish a voluntary fund within the United Nations that would help to provide funds for these commissions," he said.

Lack of money has made it impossible for many countries to establish human rights commissions.

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Olympic spirit burns on in Richmond

Forget Lillhammer. Ignore the Harding-Kerrigan media hype. To experience the true Olympic spirit, go to a place like Richmond's St-Francis Elementary School for a home-made version of the Olympics. 'This is our third Olympic games since we started it in 1988,' says organizer Sheila Bowen. 'We wanted to do something for carnival week, and it just happened that the Calgary games were going on, so we made our own Olympics.' Each class chooses a country to represent, and then spends weeks studying that country and making flags and banners for the week of fun and games. Activities include sliding, skating, and a staff vs. students broomball game. 'We are also going to give special chocolate filled gold medals to students who show true Olympic spirit,' Bowen said. 'I just love this.' In this Olympics, it doesn't matter if you win or lose — it's how much fun you have.

— Steven Hill



Hatley Guides and Scouts celebrate founders birthday



Cubs, Scouts and Venturers keep an eye on Baden-Powell's birthday cake

By Nancy Beattie

HATLEY - For the 40 North Hatley Boy Scouts and Girl Guides who took part in Sundays' service at Hatley United Church, it was all part of a birthday celebration.

Beavers, Brownies, Cubs, Scouts, Venturers, and Guides marched in carrying patrol flags and with them a long tradition of scouting around the world.

February 22 is commonly known as Thinking Day in Guide and Scout terminology and it marks the birthday of the organizations' founder, Lord Baden-Powell.

Every year, on the Sunday closest to Baden-Powell's birthday, Guides and Scouts from all levels of the organization take part in Church parades to commemorate their founder and the beginning of the movement.

Guides and Scouts are not limited to any particular religion but Baden-Powell insisted on a belief in God as an important part of character building, irrespective of how an individual perceives him to be.

The North Hatley Scouts and Guides visit a different church in the Hatley-area each year as part of Thinking Day.

Scout leader Mary Rolland said the group received a warm welcome at the United Church. She says it is important youth be exposed to religion but that it needs to be a positive experience.

'The more they are involved, the more relevant it is to them.'

United Church Rev. Tim Milley aimed his sermon at the visitors and said he was glad to have the group take part in the service.

Until his move to the Townships last year, Milley was a Scout leader in Nova Scotia.

'For most of my life,' he said, 'I was a boy or a leader in the organization.'

Rolland has also been deeply involved in the movement. Twelve years ago, she was invited to help because, 'I was the only one who knew how to tie knots. The next thing I knew I had a Scout shirt on.'

Other than knots, Scouting teaches outdoors skills, hobbies, citizenship, cooperation,

and concern for others.

The Scouting founder, Lord Baden-Powell was a British military general and scout in the Boer War at the turn of the century. When he returned home, he tried an experimental camping trip with 20 boys. His goal was to teach boys of all walks of life scouting, camping and survival skills, and to prove different social classes could get along.

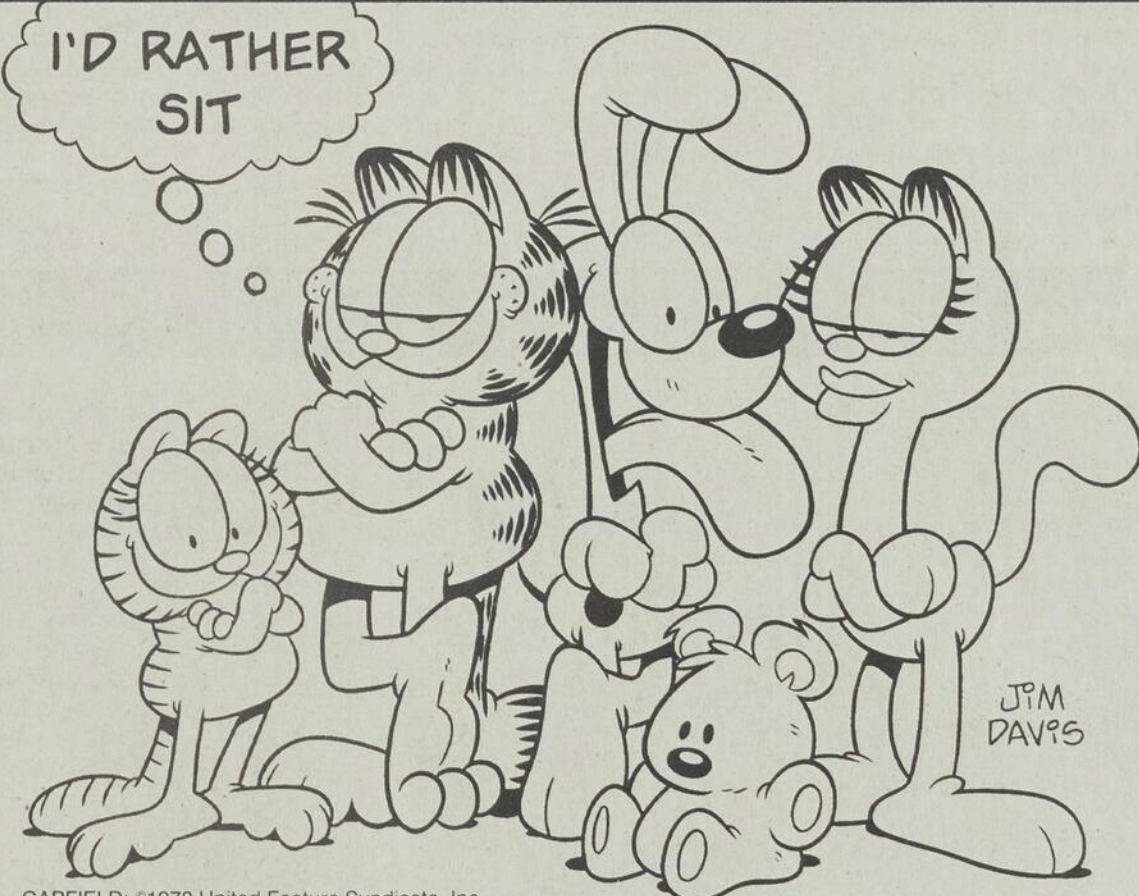
After the trip, Baden-Powell began writing installments of his book 'Scouting for Boys' which appeared in periodicals throughout England. Intended for use by existing youth groups, boys and girls formed their own scouting patrols.

Realizing this Baden-Powell called a rally at Crystal Palace in London in 1909. Nearly 9,000 youths came and the Boy Scout movement was officially born.

The 2,000 girls who came to the rally were taken charge of by Baden-Powell's sister. Shortly after, Girl Guides were formed.

The North Hatley Scouts are holding Baden-Powell's birthday party on Friday.

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the **Record** High School Writer's Prize

The Record, in cooperation with the Quebec Community Newspaper Association, is sponsoring a writing contest for high school students in the Eastern Townships.

1st prize: \$200

2nd prize: \$100

3rd prize: \$50

(Honorable mentions may also be awarded.)

All winning stories will be published in the Record during Newspaper in Education Week - March 7-11.

Details: To enter, write a 500-800 word story in newspaper style talking about diversity in your school, family or community. It can be about any kind of diversity - language, ethnic, cultural, religious, gender differences, or about people with physical or mental disabilities.

All entries must be typed, double-spaced on 8 1/2 paper. They must include a cover page with the name of the student, age, grade and high school.

Deadline: Stories must be postmarked no later than Friday Feb 25, 1994. Send them care of Celebrate Diversity, c/o Rita Legault, The Record, 2850 Delorme, Sherbrooke, J1A 1K1. (They can also be dropped off at the Record office at the same address.)

Stories will be judged by a panel of professional editors and reporters on the basis of originality, writing style, spelling and grammar.



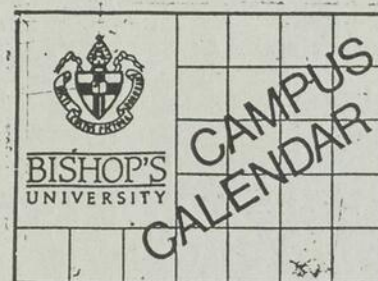
Mary Rolland has spent the last twelve years as a scout leader

Life at Bishops

• **CENTENNIAL THEATRE MOVIES SERIES: MY LIFE.** Bob (Michael Keaton) and Gail (Nicole Kidman) are expecting their first child when they discover that Bob has cancer and might not live to see their new baby. From the creators of Ghost, a moving drama.

• **ATHLETICS:** Friday, February 25, 1994, Women's Basketball, Bishop's vs. Laval, 6:30 p.m.; Men's basketball, Bishop's vs. Laval, 8:30 p.m.

• **BISHOP'S UNIVERSITY**



ARTISTS' CENTRE: 'Art in the Present' (24 local artists), the exhibition continues. Tuesday to Sunday, 1 to 4 p.m., Thursday evening 7 to 9 p.m.

Teachers Honoured

North Hatley Elementary School is celebrating Teacher Appreciation Week, February 21 - 25. The students have a great week planned for their special teachers, surprises and treats galore. They want to say thank-you for all that their teachers and school staff have done for them. The parent committee have planned a delicious luncheon for Friday. To the teachers and staff, thank you for your commitment and enthusiasm.



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Unemployed volunteers help care for the elderly

By Judy Creighton
The Canadian Press

High unemployment caused by Canada's recession may have had one bonus — freeing people to become volunteers.

"Many unemployed people are working in the volunteer sector instead of staying home moping," says Ann Rhodes, a Toronto journalist who has written *The Eldercare Sourcebook* (Key Porter Books, \$18.95).

"They are going out and volunteering as a means of staying in touch with other people, to have some feeling of self-worth, and perhaps to hear about possible job opportunities."

Organizations such as Meals on Wheels and the Alzheimer's Society are benefiting from this upsurge, Rhodes adds.

Barbara Buckspan, manager of the Volunteer Centre of Metropolitan Toronto, agrees there is an enormous increase of volunteers from the ranks of the unemployed.

"But they don't necessarily want to work with the elderly — it isn't their first choice," she says.

"Most people want to work in the more trendy areas such as environment, palliative care, lit-

racy and English as a second language."

However, young volunteers considering geriatrics as a career are more likely to want to work with the elderly "because they recognize there could be job openings," Buckspan says.

The 1990s will go down as the "golden years" for today's elderly because of a wide range of services to care for them, says Rhodes.

"In Canada we have many, many facilities and programs coming on stream, and there aren't yet enough elderly people to overburden them — but that will change."

Rhodes fears that as the baby boom generation reaches old age, elder services will be stretched too thin and won't be able to operate as efficiently as they do now.

She cites statistics indicating one in five Canadians will be 65 or older by the year 2021, compared with one in 10 now.

Today, thousands of Canadians care for their aging parents or relatives, while at the same time coping with other family and job responsibilities.

Rhodes says she wrote the guide to supply elders and their care-givers with the names of hundreds of Canadian organizations that can

help.

For example, where does a care-giver go to seek help when an elderly parent needs home care? How do they find community psychiatric services or get the loan of a walker or other device?

Rhodes has strong views on the role of the care-giver.

"A care-giver can be anybody; it doesn't necessarily have to be a daughter or even a relative." In some cases, a neighbor may be better

suited than a relative who lives across town.

The more family members who can be involved in caring for an elderly relative, the better, she says.

"Even young children can be a help. Sometimes grandparents and grandkids get along better together than their parents."

• *Judy Creighton welcomes letters at The Canadian Press, 36 King St. E., Toronto, Ont. M5C 2L9, but cannot promise to answer all correspondence personally.*

Facts for elderly, care-givers

By The Canadian Press

Facts for the elderly and their care-givers:

- Geriatric assessments give a thorough mental and physical examination to determine the level of care needed for an elderly person. They can be done by a "geriatric assessment unit," based at a hospital or

health-care centre.

- Specialized organizations can help elderly people with Alzheimer's disease, arthritis, cancer, back problems, deafness, blindness, diabetes, liver disease and heart disease.

- Housing for seniors includes homesharing, garden suites (also known as "granny flats")

— small, prefab, portable homes), accessory apartments (self-contained living spaces in a care-giver's home), retirement communities and continuing care retirement communities.

Source: *The Eldercare Sourcebook*, by Ann Rhodes, published by Key Porter, \$18.95.

March 1 deadline for heritage literary contest

For the past 10 years Townshippers Association has sponsored a Heritage Literary Contest and supported other projects that encourage among youth an understanding of Eastern Townships history.

The March 1 deadline for this year's contest rapidly approaches. Townshippers looks forward to seeing what students write on this year's theme of "Maple sugar making in the Townships around 1900."

Winners will be announced in this column and in other media.

Another project of note is a Parks Canada program aimed at encouraging elementary students to visit the Louis St. Laurent National historic park museum in Compton.

A visit to the museum, which includes St. Laurent's home, his father's general store, and a light and sound exhibit depicting this prime minister's lengthy career, highlights the ma-

jor political role played in Canadian history by this Townshippers native.

The program, successfully run for French-speaking students, is now available in English.

A guide will take a group of school children through the site, encouraging them to search for clues so they can recognize members of the St. Laurent family and imagine how people lived in days gone by.

The program has been tailored to the curriculum objectives of the Quebec Education Ministry and is designed for Grades 4 to 6.

There is no charge for participating in this program, which involves a 90-minute visit to the museum, located at 6 Main St. S. in Compton.

For reservations, call Jocelyn Ann Choquette at (819) 835-5448.

In other information about history, the Quebec Family History Association in Pointe Claire is a resource for anyone tracing their family history.

Keeping in touch

By Townshippers' Association

For more information, call (514) 695-1502 or write to the association at 173A Cartier Ave., Pointe Claire, Qc. H9S 4R9.

HEALTH, SOCIAL SERVICES The Townshippers series of 20 meetings on the health and social service system in the Eastern Townships moves to the Ascot-Waterville region tonight, then to Cookshire on Tues., Mar. 8.

A limited amount of space remains for people to attend

these meetings. Anyone interested should call Magi Faulks at (819) 566-5717 and if space remains, they will be accommodated on a first come first served basis.

Remember that if you have any questions concerning health and social services, the place to call or stop by is your local CLSC.

To find the number and address for your CLSC, look at page 5 in the green pages of the telephone directory or if your directory has no green page section, consult *Centre local de services communautaires* in the white pages.

In other news, the Volunteer Centre at Coaticook is looking for English-speaking volunteers.

The centre provides many services to the elderly such as visits to their home; daily phone calls; help with errands; correspondence or income tax; reading and sitting with seniors; transportation to appointments; and meals on wheels.

References can also be obtained for people to hire for house cleaning or home upkeep.

Anyone interested in helping out or in seeking any of these services should call Lucie Vandandaigue at the centre at (819) 849-7011 or stop by at 23 Cutting St. in Coaticook.

At the CLSC La Pommerai in Cowansville, meetings are being held every Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m. for adult survivors of

sexual abuse.

For more information, call Valerie McAdam or Marilyn Maddocks at (514) 263-2522.

Anyone suffering from emotional problems and difficulties can turn to Le Rivage at 1010 Main St. N. in Richmond for help. The centre has a wide range of services available in English and French, and a resource person will meet with groups. For more information, visit or call (819) 826-5303.

EDUCATION NEWS Champlain College's Education Centre is offering a full-time program in English in management with a micro-computer.

The program, offered in conjunction with the federal and provincial manpower departments, must have 20 students, but so far only has 10.

The 22-week program, beginning March 21, is aimed at using micro-computers in small or medium businesses. Students who complete the program receive an attestation of collegial studies, recognized by the Education Ministry. For more information, call (819) 563-9574.

YOUTH NEWS As part of an ongoing feature devoted to helpful hints, here are some suggestions to help students develop and learn to use their memory better.

Memory strategies are used by very few students as effectively as they could be. Here are just a few suggestions:

1. Commit things to memory

only when you are well rested. Memorizing difficult material when you are tired is a waste of time.

2. Studies indicate that certain vitamins can improve our memory, not just a little, but quite a bit. Eat well, and supplement your diet with these vitamins: Vitamin C, B-1 (thiamine), B-3 (niacin), and B-12 (folic acid and iron).

3. A simple and effective way to memorizing groups of words is using acronyms. An acronym is a word made from the first letters of other words. For example HOMES for remembering the great lakes: Huron, Ontario, Michigan, Erie and Superior.

4. Rhyming strategies are used by many people to recall music series, medical terms and legal terms.

5. Linking ideas is a quick way to remember a long list of unrelated ideas. Trying to remember a series of words can take too much time and energy. But we can make up a quick little story associating each word with another in a matter of seconds.

6. Use "key" words which you have already memorized and tie them to things you want to recall. For example, we can recite the alphabet and use it to help us recall up to 26 unrelated thoughts. Ape for A, Bee for B, Sea for C etc.

• *Keeping in Touch is a weekly column presented by Townshippers Association.*

Copy-cat good deeds

Dear Ann Landers: Recently, my friend and I were lamenting the fact that the media concentrates too much on the negative. It occurred to us that such concepts as copy-cat murders could just as easily turn into copy-cat good deeds if the media would help. How refreshing and stimulating that would be!

To start the ball rolling, I'd like to tell you about what happened yesterday on my way to work in rush-hour traffic. I noticed that two pickup trucks, one behind me and one ahead, were both signaling me to pull over. I thought they were conversing with each other and ignored them.

Ann Landers

One of the trucks then started to follow me and motioned for me to pull over to the curb. When I got out, the driver said he had noticed my purse on top of my car. When it fell off, another trucker stopped to retrieve it while the first one followed me to let me know.

How wonderful that these two men took the time to do the right thing. Did you know there is a

grass-roots movement whose theme is "Commit Random Acts of Kindness and Senseless Beauty"?

These days, when we hear so much about violence and crime, we certainly need something positive to hang on to. Please print this, Ann. -- WENDY IN ALABAMA

DEAR WENDY: Thanks for an uplifting story. I like that grass-roots movement and want to spread the word. How about it, folks? Let's band together and commit Random Acts of Kindness and Senseless Beauty every chance we get. It's a terrific idea whose time has come.

Helping an obese child

By Jennifer Stack
New York University
School of Medicine
For The Associated Press

Childhood obesity is an issue that needs to be addressed by parents for health and emotional reasons.

In addition to being a frequent target of cruel playground taunts, obese children — those 20 per cent over ideal weight — are four times as likely as average-weight children to become obese adults.

Obesity in adults increases the risk of such problems as hypertension, high blood cholesterol, heart disease and diabetes.

Although many overweight children grow out of the problem on their own, professional help may be needed.

To determine if a child needs help, parents should first consult their pediatrician. Factors to be considered include the child's weight, age and parental history of weight gain and weight-related illnesses.

WEIGHT PROGRAMS

If a weight management program is deemed necessary, seek out nutritionists and programs geared to children.

Never put a child on a diet designed for an adult. Those diets tend to be restrictive and don't provide the nutrients children need to grow.

Making changes in household habits can help children manage their weight. But these changes must be extended to the entire family. Obese children often feel different from others and singling them out can increase their sense of isolation.

Parents should reduce the time the child spends on sedentary playtime and encourage physical activity. For example, parents may

allow children an hour of television after they participate in a fun physical activity — and do their homework.

It's also important to re-evaluate the policy toward keeping sweets and other junk food in the household. Parents should set specific times for treats and not allow children free access to snacking.

At treat time, select lower fat foods, such as pretzels or low-fat frozen yogurt, instead of ice cream or chips. Avoid using food as a reward.

Obese children need to maximize their nutritional intake while reducing calories. To do this, parents should plan low-fat, nutritious meals.

Cutting out extra fat in the household diet can help the entire family. For example, parents can trim a few hundred calories at dinnertime by offering broiled rather than fried chicken.

Obese children will need parental support and encouragement to lose weight. The type of support often varies, depending on their ages.

Parents are entirely responsible for weight management when children are between the ages of two and five. Any behavioral goals set for these children must be easily and quickly met.

School-age children need to learn about healthy food choices and develop skills to deal with adults and children who offer high-calorie foods when the child is away from home.

Children eight to 12 years may start to monitor their own progress and reward themselves for meeting goals. But they still need their parents' support in setting goals and monitoring progress.

Adolescents are almost totally self-regulating about their diets. Parents must respect their choices, but can provide support and guidance.

• *Jennifer Stack is a registered dietitian at the Co-operative Care Centre of New York University Medical Centre.*

Social notes



Lordy, Lordy, Look Who's Forty!
Eva Mae Lillian Sarrasin Doherty
Happy Birthday.



LORDY, LORDY LOOK WHO'S 2 X 40
Happy 80th birthday Iris Peasley
Love from your whole family



Look Who's Fifty!
A super birthday wish to Tiny who celebrates 'the big 50'... from family and friends.

Get-well wishes

Flo Hamilton of Magog recently underwent surgery at St. Vincent de Paul Hospital and friends are happy to hear that she is feeling quite well. Best wishes are extended for a continued recovery.

Nellie Watson of Magog had an unfortunate fall and has suffered a wrist fracture. Her friends and neighbours extend best wishes for a quick recovery.

Members of St. Paul's United Church, Magog are sorry to hear that Betty Paterson is not feeling too well. "All the best", Betty, for a fast and complete recovery.

Farm and Business

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'Canadians are fed up with government inertia'

The budget speech: What Paul Martin said

OTTAWA (CP) — *Finance Minister Paul Martin tabled the Liberal government's first federal budget Tuesday in the House of Commons. An edited text of his budget speech:*

Canadians are fed up with government inertia. They seek determined, fundamental change.

Canadians know the kind of Canada they want.

Our goal is a Canada where every Canadian able to work can find a meaningful job.

A Canada with a system of training that lets our workers lead the economy, rather than being left behind.

A Canada that leads in technology, rather than leaning on the technology of others.

A Canada where government facilitates change rather than blocking it.

A Canada where our public finances are in order, not ruin.

The days of government simply nibbling at the edges are over. The practice of endless process without product are gone. Our task is to put an end to drift.

This budget sets in motion the most comprehensive reform of government policy in decades.

We are putting in place a strategy for innovation in the new economy, a science and technology plan with real priorities that will lead to real results.

We are launching the development of a new strategy for small business, one where government knows both when it should stand aside and when it can lend a helping hand.

We are undertaking a major effort to build a responsible social security system that is fair, compassionate and affordable.

That means making fundamental changes to our unemployment insurance system.

It means overhauling the structure of federal-provincial transfers for social programs, leading to a more effective and efficient effort. It means doing

so in a co-operative way, with predictability built in — setting aside old tactics of stealth and surprise.

The Cold War is over. But our defence posture remains largely as it was, not attuned to the needs of the 1990s. This budget sets out immediate actions that will be followed by a comprehensive review of Canada's defence policy.

To succeed we must get monetary and fiscal policy right. We have done the first. We are a low inflation country. We will stay that way. Low inflation means low interest rates. Low interest rates mean stronger growth. Stronger growth means more jobs for Canadians.

It is now time for government to get its fiscal house in order.

For years, governments have been promising more than they can deliver, and delivering more than they can afford. That has to end. We are ending it.

The actions taken in this budget will reduce the deficit from \$45.7 billion this year to \$39.7 billion in 1994-95 and \$32.7 billion the year after.

This is a two-stage budget. Therefore, detailed fiscal projections are presented to 1995-96 only. However, that being said, in terms of deficit reduction, we are not waiting for the second stage. The decisions taken today by themselves set us on a clear path to achieving the government's deficit target of three per cent of GDP in 1996-97.

We will achieve this by using reasonable economic assumptions, not rosy forecasts. We believe it is more important to meet a target than declare an illusion and then fall far short.

Over the next three years, gross savings from expenditure and revenue measures will amount to \$28.6 billion. Over that same period, the government will be investing \$7.5 billion of those savings to provide new programs and tax re-

duction to create jobs and economic growth, as well as various social initiatives.

Canadians have told us that they want the deficit brought down by reducing government spending, not by raising taxes. We agree. The era of tax-and-spend government is gone. Of the net savings going to deficit reduction over the next three years, \$17 billion comes from previously planned spending.

Over the next three years, for every one dollar raised in new revenues we will cut five dollars in government expenditures.

People told us we should freeze spending. We agree.

With the spending cuts in this budget, program spending in 1996-97 should be lower than in any year since 1991-92.

Surely today we are beyond pointless debates about whether government should do everything or do nothing.

Success does not lie in government shutting down and sitting on the sidelines. Success lies in careful and creative engagement in the economy. It is not the principle of industrial

strategy that is wrong. It has been the practice.

This is a budget about jobs — about implementing a strategy and taking action that will lead to jobs for today and tomorrow.

The challenge today is not to rush. The challenge is to get things right.

But make no mistakes. There will be change. This is a two-stage process, not a 20-stage process.

We believe there are three central challenges to be met. The first is to build a framework for economic renewal — to help business succeed and to turn innovation into a more effective engine of Canadian economic growth.

The second challenge is to construct responsible social programs — not only so that they are affordable but more importantly so that they become builders of jobs, not barriers.

And the third challenge is to restore fiscal sanity to government so that it can devote its full energy to helping Canadian workers and families adjust to a world of challenge and

change.

The decisions outlined in this budget are about much more than the bottom line. They are about facing faultlines, and fixing them.

The faultline that is caused when the poor become poorer while the rich become richer.

The faultline that exists in moving from the old economy towards the new.

The faultline that is caused by the growing gap between one class of Canadians with modern skills and another group of Canadians without.

And finally, the faultline that exists when governments spend more than the country can afford.

Fixing these faultlines is our challenge. And fixing them is our commitment to Canadians.

The path to renewal and to growth will not be easy. We cannot snap our fingers to erase the deficit. Nor can we put in place overnight a new framework for the Canadian economy. But neither can we delay getting on with the job any longer.

There will be those who say we have not done enough, and

those who say we have done too much. That we have been too harsh on the deficit, or too soft.

But for those who would have us spend more, Canadians deserve to know where the money would come from. And for those who demand that we cut more, Canadians deserve to be told the extent to which that would hurt growth, hurt jobs, hurt the less fortunate.

Tough times test more than our patience and our pocketbooks. They test our values and our worth.

Some believe that the success of Canada lies in leaving behind the values that have made us a great people. To put aside sharing. To put aside partnership. To put aside the common sense and compassion that define this country.

Now is not the time to move away from our values. Now is the time to return to them.

The value of hard work. The value of frugality. The value of fairness. The value of compassion. The value of working together.

Despair has stalked this land too long. The time has come to bring back hope.

Tax loopholes squeezed

Lunch industry among complainers

By The Canadian Press

The restaurant industry said Tuesday it was "skewered" by Finance Minister Paul Martin's budget, while the investment community lamented the death of the capital gains exemption that sheltered investment profits from tax.

Several business groups said they wish Ottawa had done more to reduce the deficit, but recognized that the problem hasn't been ignored.

On the financial markets, the initial reaction was a slight rise in the Canadian dollar. But a couple of hours later, the dollar slipped to 74.72 cents US — down marginally from 74.77 cents just before Martin's budget address.

Katherine Beattie of financial information consultants MMS International said there

just wasn't enough in the budget to satisfy foreign investors' concerns over the deficit.

The Liberals are predicting a deficit of \$39.7 billion for 1994-95 and \$32.7 billion for 1995-96. "The concern in the market is they're not talking about the third year," Beattie said.

The budget eliminated the capital gains exemption, which sheltered a lifetime gain of up to \$100,000. The Finance Ministry said the move will yield \$30 million in fiscal 1994-95, and \$415 million and \$340 million in the following two years.

John Bart, president of the Canadian Shareowners Association in Windsor, Ont., said the move will discourage investors and affect millions of Canadians who own stocks and stock-based mutual funds.

"This discouragement of in-

dividual participation in the market will tend to further concentrate the ownership of corporate equities in the hands of a relatively small number of institutional investors," Bart said.

The restaurant industry cried foul over Ottawa's decision to cut the tax deduction for business-related meal and entertainment expenses to 50 per cent from 80 per cent.

"This isn't going to hurt the executive, but it will penalize working Canadians like truck drivers, sales people and the self-employed," said Douglas Needham, president of the Canadian Restaurant and Food-services Association.

Needham argued the business meal tax deduction cost the government \$168 million while the sale of business

meals generates \$140 million in tax revenues.

Martin has "skewered the restaurant industry for questionable gains," he said.

Needham said it will cost 2,000 to 3,000 restaurant jobs across the country.

He said some 24,000 largely unskilled people who work in the restaurant are supported by business meals.

John Bulloch, president of the Canadian Federation of Independent Business, also spoke out against the loss of the capital gains exemption and the reduction in business meal deduction.

But Bulloch praised the reduction in unemployment insurance premiums. "It's a huge incentive for small business to create business. You take a tax off jobs, you get more jobs."

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only just a start," said Ghislain Dufour, president of the *Conseil du patronat* employers' group.

Dufour said Martin deserves credit for promising to reduce Canada's deficit to just below the "psychological barrier" of \$40 billion in the next fiscal year.

But he said he was a little skeptical about the predictions of future deficits — to \$32 billion and \$25 billion in the following years — because details are hazy.

"We're still waiting for the hard specifics on which programs will be cut and by how much," Dufour said.

Labor leader Gerald Larose, president of the Confederation of National Trade Unions, charged that Martin was just putting a new face on

old Conservative economic policies.

"Just like the Conservatives, the Liberals are going to load their budget cuts on the backs of unemployed and poor people," Larose said.

"They're going to further attack the unemployment insurance program and dismantle the social services system."

David Powell, president of the Board of Trade of Metropolitan Montreal, appeared to agree with Larose.

He said Martin's budget "merely follows the budgets of his predecessors at a time when the state of public finances requires a complete redirection in government spending."

"This underlines the failure of this budget to break with the past," Powell said.

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sion of the RRSP homebuyer plan and a \$1.7-billion, five-year Atlantic fishermen's compensation package.

But much of the hope Martin provided came to those taxpayers who were spared his attention.

He backed down from a Finance Department proposal to tax employer-paid premiums for group health and dental plans. He left talk of a cut in RRSP contributions to a later study.

And, while foreign aid cuts were expected to be deep, he only knocked two per cent off the top — again, more study

needs to take place.

Science will get a helping hand, but only down the road. Killed Tuesday was the giant KAON particle accelerator project in B.C.

There was confusion about plans for the U.S.-sponsored international space station.

Budget documents, and the original text of Martin's speech, appeared to indicate that Ottawa was pulling out of the space station. Industry Minister John Manley later put out a news release saying the government would negotiate a reduction, but not a withdrawal.

"Over the course of the last 48 hours, there have been extensive negotiations with the Americans," Martin explained.

In total, Martin announced about \$16 billion in new spending cuts and embraced another \$8.7 billion announced by the former Tory government over three years.

He estimated — perhaps hopefully — that the measures will reduce the deficit to \$39.7 billion in 1994-95 and \$32.7 billion the year after. And the government is sticking to its longer-range target of reducing the deficit to about three per cent of total economic output —

about \$25 billion — by 1996-97.

Getting under the \$40-billion deficit target for the coming year was considered the bare minimum to satisfy financial markets. But it was far short of what the Reform party has been seeking.

Reform Leader Preston Manning denounced the budget as too soft on the deficit and a profound disappointment. "I think he should have cut far more deeply and at least held out some hope for tax relief and deficit control."

Sherry Cooper, chief economist for Burns Fry Ltd., said markets would likely reluctantly accept the budget.

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Phyllis



Obituaries

ROBERT WOODLIFFE SIMPSON
of Ulverton, Quebec
1919 - 1994

Robert Woodliffe Simpson passed away on January 22, 1994 at the Centre Hospitalier Universitaire after a valiant fight with cancer and never a complaint. His wish was to spend Christmas with family and friends which he was able to fulfil, also his 75th birthday on January 20 with family and friends by his side.

Bob was born in Westmount on January 20, 1919, eldest son of Sidney Clarke Simpson and his wife Lillian Maude Rickert.

He spent most of his early childhood attending Dixville Intermediate, Dixville, Quebec, then continued his schooling at Clarke Avenue Prep School, Lower Canada College and Feller Institute. He completed his studies in General Agriculture at Macdonald College. While working his way through school, he worked on many dairy farms in the area.

In 1939 he joined the Royal Air Force in England and served four years in India. In 1945 he transferred to the Royal Canadian Air Force.

On June 18, 1946 he was united in marriage to Laurita Smith. Of this union two children were born, Jane and Robert.

With his love for farming, Bob owned and operated his 800 acre Nyamakad-Heathfield Farm from 1946-69. As well, he took on as winter road contractor for eight years. He dedicated his time to Quebec and Canadian Jersey Cattle Clubs being secretary, fieldman, cattle judge and president. In 1969 he sold the farm and moved to Kirkdale where he took over his Dad's estate and continued farming for a few years.

Bob served on Richmond Fair Board, Lions Club, Board of Trade, Montreal Milk Producers Board and founder of St. Francis Ploughman's Association. He was Mayor of Ulverton eleven years, then as Secretary until his retirement at age 71. Bob was named Citizen of the Year by Richmond and Melbourne Community.

Upon retirement, after 46 years in Ulverton, he moved to Richmond where for six months he worked hard to make a comfortable home for Rita and himself.

One of Bob's main interests in life was to escape to his camp in the woods in his Secret Valley in Ulverton. He loved to work in his flower gardens and renovate many a camp. With determination a month before he passed away, he had a tree house completed for his three grandchildren.

His death came as a great shock to family and friends. Left to mourn his loss are his wife Rita, daughter Jane (Dale), son Robert, grandsons Shane Carson and Matthew Simpson, granddaughter Brianne Simpson, his sisters Lal and Mary, and many other relatives.

His remains rested at Cass Funeral Home, Richmond, where relatives, neighbours and friends paid their last respects. There were many floral arrangements and donations which showed the esteem in which he was held.

Funeral services were held in Richmond Melbourne United Church, Richmond on Wednesday, January 26, 1994 with the Rev. Heather Kinkaid and Rev. Leslie Dean officiating. Hymns sung during the service were "The Lord is My Shepherd" and "What a Friend we have in Jesus". At his request, "Bright Light" by Rita McNeil was played at the close of the service.

The Honorary pall-bearers were Ross Bogie, John Ross, Clifton Berry, Romeo Dubuc, Guy Vanier, Christian Gilbert, all friends of the deceased.

Burial of ashes will take place in Ulverton in the spring. A lovely lunch was served after the funeral in the church basement by the U.C.W.

Bob will be greatly missed by his family and friends from near and far.

Gone from our sight,
But never our memories
Gone from our touch,
But never our hearts.

HAROLD ARTHUR CHUTE
of Lennoxville, Que.

Harold Arthur Chute passed away suddenly at his home in Lennoxville, Que., on Tuesday, January 18th, 1994, in his 87th year.

Harold was born on November 5, 1907 in Flanders, Que., son of Lotus and Etta (Jones) Chute. He attended school in Martinville and Bulwer. He moved to Jordan Hill, Bulwer to farm with his father and brother Hazen. After his father's death, he and Hazen continued to farm and keep a family home for his mother. After Hazen's death, Harold sold the farm and moved to a smaller one in Birchton. His first love was the land and cattle.

In April 1969 he married Velma Carson and continued to farm. Later he sold the farm and moved to a bungalow on Smith Road, Birchton. After Velma's death he moved to an apartment in Lennoxville.

All his life he loved company in his home where sisters, brothers-in-law, nieces and nephews, and neighbours were always welcomed.

The funeral was held on Friday, January 21, at Cass Funeral Home, Lennoxville, with Rev. James Potter officiating. Interment will be in Eaton Cemetery in the spring.

Left to mourn his loss are three sisters, Blanche Cloutier, Helen Jones, Florence Chute, also many nieces and nephews.

Floral offerings, messages of sympathy and acts of kindness were a tribute to a loving brother, uncle and neighbour who will be sadly missed by those who knew him.

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Birth

RHICARD-MARTIN — Proud grandparents Bertha and Gordon would like to announce to the world the birth of their third cherished granddaughter, Jessica Emily, 8 lbs. 4 oz., daughter of Robyn and Robert, born February 12, 1994 at the Brome Missisquoi Perkins Hospital. Cousin for Krista and Keri.

Deaths



GRAPES, Warren W. - Passed away at the CHUS on Tuesday, February 22, 1994. Warren Grapes of Sawyerville, Que. Beloved husband of Denyse Villeneuve. He also leaves behind his father Wilfred Grapes, Sawyerville, his brothers Mahlon (Carolyn Graham), Compton, Wayne (Gail Dunsmore), St. Eustache, Bruce (Lynn Bennett), his sister Judy, Sawyerville, his mother-in-law, Anna F. Villeneuve, Sawyerville, Diane (Raymond Fortier), Sherbrooke, Lynda (Kent Lowry), Sawyerville, Roger (Norma Humphrey), Sawyerville. Also left to mourn, many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Resting at the Sawyerville Catholic Church basement. Visitation will be on Thursday from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 10 p.m., and Friday from 10 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Funeral will be at 2 p.m. at the Catholic Church, Canon Ron West officiating. Donations will be gratefully appreciated and may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society or to the St. Vincent de Paul Foundation or to the Quebec Farmers Bursary Fund in memory of Warren.

QUINE, Cecil - At the Sherbrooke Hospital, February 21, 1994, Cecil Quine, at the age of 78. Husband of the late Laurette Latour. He leaves to mourn his brother, Earl (Evelyn), his sister-in-law, Lucienne Latour, his nieces and nephews, Robert (Monique Vanier), Richard (Jacqueline Rivard), Madeleine (Savoie Sharpe), as well as other relatives and friends. In order to respect the wishes of the deceased there will be no visitation. For those who wish to pay their last respects, burial will be held Thursday, February 24, 1994 at 10 a.m. at the Elmwood Cemetery.

Card of Thanks

MILLER — The family of the late Isabelle Ethel Miller wish to thank their many relatives and friends for their expressions of sympathy and kindness shown them following her death. Special thanks to Dr. William Barakett and the staff of Knowlton House for their care and concern during her long illness. Also thanks to the nurses and doctors at the B.M.P. Hospital. We wish to express our gratitude to Rev. Dr. R. Burn Purdon and Rev. Robert Mitchell for conducting the memorial service at Knowlton United Church and to the U.C.W. who served a delicious lunch after the service.

JUDY MILLER
(daughter)
CHRISTINE MILLER
AND FAMILY

Card of Thanks

SIMPSON, Robert W. — We would like to thank everyone for all the kindness shown to us during the time of Bob's illness and death. To those who sent cards and letters of sympathy, phone calls, food, flowers and donations to the Canadian Cancer Society and CHUS. Special thanks to the doctors, nurses and their staff and especially to Dr. Eric Deland for the excellent care at the CHUS. Thank you to Nicole Frappier and Jacques Chouinard for their daily visits to Dad. Thank you to Rev. Leslie Dean and Rev. Heather Kinkaid for conducting the funeral service, the pallbearers, and to Audrey Millar for playing the organ at the service. We also wish to thank Mrs. Suzanne Hill, and directors of the Cass Funeral Home for the funeral arrangements. Thank you to the UCW for providing the lovely lunch after the funeral. Many thanks to Betty McKeage for all her help through difficult times. Finally to everyone who visited the funeral home and attended the funeral, we will always remember your kindness. Sincere thanks,

RITA (wife)
JANE & DALE
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(children)
AND GRANDCHILDREN

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St. James Guild holds meeting

FOSTER — The February 2nd meeting of St. James Guild was entertained by Doreen Gibbs at her home, and called to order by the president, Frances Johnson, at 2 p.m. who welcomed members and led in prayer. Ten members responded to the roll call.

The minutes of the January meeting were read and approved. The treasurer gave her report and the corresponding secretary announced thank-you notes received from Wilmur and Jean Davidson, from Gladys Hall for fruit and sympathy cards. Thank-you letters also received from the Dixville

Home, BMP Hospital and the Lions Club for donations.

As the deanery meeting and supper would be held in Waterloo at St. Luke's on February 14th, members of St. James Guild were asked to supply pies.

The March 9th meeting will be hosted by Mrs. Josie Curtis in Bromont. As there was no other business the president moved that the meeting adjourn, seconded by Doreen.

Following the benediction, refreshments were served by the hostess, who was thanked by the president and all present.

United Church Women meet

SHERBROOKE — Plymouth-Trinity U.C.W. held its monthly meeting on February 8 with the president Thelma Philbrick presiding.

An inspirational devotion was conducted by Wilmoth Rothney, theme being that each person has a talent and even though it may be small, as compared with crumbs, it has worth and should be put to use.

Corresponding secretary, Alice Planidin read a number of acknowledgements — special thanks coming for donations sent to the John Milton Society (blind), Angola Memorial Scholarship Fund, and Francis Sandy Center.

Visitation convenor, Irene Matheson reported 50 visits made in the past month. During 1993 well over 700 visits were made to sick and shut-in.

Reports from the Day of Enrichment were brought back by those who attended.

Arrangements were made to host the UCW Presbyterian Executive which met at Plymouth-Trinity on February 10.

1994 dates to keep in mind are: The World Day of Prayer (at Plymouth-Trinity) March 4, Shamrock Luncheon, March 12; Garage Type Sale, June 4; Pre-Christmas Tea and Bazaar, November 5.

Due to a power failure the latter part of the meeting, followed by refreshments was done in candle-light and was quite enjoyable. Hostesses were Byrna Woodard and Carlotta Perkins.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hyatt have returned home from Florida where they spent three weeks at Citrus Ridge in Davenport. While in Florida they visited Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Mizener, Lakeland, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Larose, Winter Haven, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hyatt, Bradenton, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Clark in Parrish. Mr. and Mrs. Hyatt were supper and evening guests of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hopkins in Lennoxville.

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Women’s Missionary Fellowship of Grace Chapel hold first meeting of the new year

SHERBROOKE — Twenty-one ladies of the Women’s Missionary Fellowship gathered Wednesday evening, February 2nd at Grace Chapel on Montreal Street for their first meeting of 1994.

Mrs. Peggy Hill’s group was in charge but in her absence Bernice MacMillan chaired the meeting.

With Mrs. Virginia Strout at the piano, the meeting opened with the singing of “In my heart there rings a melody” which brought memories of a few years ago when as young people we would pile into the back of a truck and sing many old familiar songs and choruses.

As a prelude to the main part

of the meeting, Bernice read a clipping from a newspaper written to those who were born before 1945 in which was listed all the things we didn’t have and which we think we cannot do without in this day and age.

Bernice asked Laurie Strout to come forward to make an announcement regarding a project that all could participate in. She began by thanking all for their generosity in November when they brought in many and varied items for Virginia and Richard Strout to take to Russia in December when they went there invited by the government to engage in teaching the teachers program.

Now there was a need in

another country — ANGOLA — In April there would be a container packed to send to Marjorie Beckwith and she had requested bags with items such as toothpaste, toothbrush, bar of soap, needles, thread, etc. A box was prepared with a map of Angola on the side and would be left at the back of the main auditorium so that anyone desiring to participate in this project would be able to drop in their donation. Some of the ladies who sew were invited to make the bags a certain size, then in March we will have the fun of filling them. These items are to be given out mainly in the rehabilitation centre Marjorie visits weekly where there are many quadraplegics, paraplegics, paralyzed young and old as a result of the war that has raged on there through 19 years, to say nothing of the

years of terrorism since the 1960s.

Bernice then introduced Virginia Strout, our special speaker for the evening. Virginia told of the extensive preparations, learning some Russian and other details of the trip she and her husband had taken to Russia in December. They landed in Moscow and later went on to Kursk and Orel where they had classes to learn teachers how to teach the Bible. She told of what they were able to do, what was accomplished in the teaching program, the friendships that had been formed between Russian teachers and those who had gone to teach them. Virginia’s part had been smaller groups in the seminars and workshops held in the afternoons. She told us of the great difference there is in

that country in comparison to ours and how necessary it was to be flexible. She spoke of the tremendous generosity and love shown them by the Russian people who on occasion invited them into their homes. She talked of their train trips and all the precautions that had to be taken on such trips and yet how God had watched over them and enabled them to arrive safely with all their baggage, literature etc. She remarked that they had had much to learn in the culture and etiquette of the people; things to do and things not to do. One thing they had been instructed on was never to admire anything in their homes as it was their custom to give that article or whatever to the one who had admired it.

At this point Virginia showed

slides of the various parts of the country and aspects of the whole trip. The whole presentation of life, changes, frustrations, etc. was very enlightening and enables us as a group in this country with so many privileges to pray for our brothers and sisters in Russia as they learn new ways, how to make decisions and cope with all the changes that have and are taking place in that country.

With much to pray for as a result of this presentation, a time was spent in prayer. The meeting closed with Bernice praying and giving thanks for the refreshments. After the singing of “O Master let me walk with Thee”, there was a time of fellowship over a cup of tea. Hostesses were Bernice MacMillan, Thelma Hatch and Ruby Cutler.

Elementary School newsletter

MANSONVILLE (BNS) - February 8, 1994. Dear parents, students and friends: The end of Term 11 has arrived and attached to this newsletter you will find a schedule sheet for Parents’ Night. I urge you to make appointments as soon as possible. The reports will be sent home February 18 and Parents’ Night takes place on the 24th. We hope to see you all there. Yours sincerely, (signed) Joan E. Blesser, Principal.

The Optimist Public Speaking Contest is taking place in the Catholic Church this year.

It is a beautifully formal atmosphere for the students to present their speeches and we invite all our friends and families to attend and cheer our speakers on.

On February 25 Youtheatre will be presenting the play “Whispers in the Dark” here at Mansonville Elementary School. We are asking each student to donate \$2 towards this presentation. Members of the community who wish to attend are invited with the same requested donation. Seating for the show will take place at 9:45. Please note that the Kindergarten students will remain at school for the Youtheatre presentation, returning home at 11 a.m.

Our annual chocolate bar sale is from February 18-March 11. Each child will be given one box of bars to sell. Should you wish that your child not participate just return the box to school. Past experience has shown us that is the simplest manner in which to run the sale. The bars are \$2 each. The money is used mainly for special school activities such as class field trips - without this revenue many specials are not affordable.

The 1994-1995 school registration dates: Students already in school - Feb. 9, 10, 11, 1994; new students (including Kindergarten) - Feb 21, 22, 23, 24, 1994 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. For appointment: 292-5622.

For admission to Kindergarten a child must be five years old before October 1, 1994. Our Kindergarten this year has been bilingual and we will be assessing the viability of running a similar program next year. Regardless, all our students receive French Second Language instruction from Kindergarten to Secondary I.

Students in Level VI will again this year, be offered Secondary I at Mansonville Elementary and Massey-Vanier. We expect to be able to run a good Secondary I program next year. More information will be available with the registration forms.

The registration process is very important because staffing decisions will be made on the number of registered students. If you know of anyone with students who are expecting to attend Mansonville Elementary School next year please pass along the registration dates and information.

Help is needed from a parent who is free and willing to type recipes! Volunteer please contact Mrs. E. Young after 2 p.m. (292-5622). Thanks.

The following students have been honoured as “Student of the Week” for the month of January:

- Level 1-2: Steven St. Onge and Matthew Gardner.
- Level 3-4: Amanda Barnett and James Lamoureux.
- Level 5-6: Jason Pierce and Liza Norton.
- French second language: (Cycle 1) - Jamie Farrell-Cote and Amanda Barnett. Cycle 2 - Trisha Needham and Kevin Gaylor.
- Physical Education: (Cycle 1) - Samantha Goyette and Vance Schinck. Cycle 2 - Alan Heckley and Jessica Bedard.

February calendar includes the usual tasty hot meals offered on various days: Lasagna, hot dogs and soup, pizza, meatloaf, shepherd’s pie, spaghetti, chicken meal (dates available at school). Special activities: Feb. 1 - P.P. Day; Feb. 9 - Singing with MRE Animator; Feb. 10 - Library. Feb. 14 - School Orientation Committee meeting and registration for in-school students; Feb. 17 - Library. Feb. 18 - reports go home; Feb. 21 - Kindergarten registration and Optimist Public Speaking Contest (7 p.m.) Catholic Church. Feb. 22 - Board meeting; Feb. 24 - Parents’ Night and Library; Feb. 25 - Youtheatre; Feb. 28 - Beginning of mid-term break.

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Bulwer United Church Women meet

The meeting was held at Russell and Beverly Nutbrown’s on Tuesday, February 8 at 2 p.m. with six members present. Catherine opened the meeting by having all repeat the Purpose. Vera Picken conducted the devotions. Roberta read Matthew 6: 25-34. Vera read a portion from the book “Lift up Your Heart” entitled “In the Bleak Mid Winter” and closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by Marjory and approved. Roberta gave the treasurer’s report. Sharon, corresponding secretary, read the news items which were Thanks from several for cards received. A donation was given. Thanks from the School Library at Sawyerville and from Mary Scholes for money to send bandages, also a receipt from World Day of Prayer.

Money was voted to help the missionaries from Brazil.

World Day of Prayer will be held in Johnville on Friday, March 4 at 2 p.m.

Sharon attended Enrichment Day and gave us the highlights. Presbytery UCW executive meeting was held in Sherbrooke on Thursday, February 10.

Plans were made for the first card

party held on Friday, February 11 at the Bulwer Community Center.

Next meeting will be at the Lowds on Tuesday, March 8 at 2 p.m.

Beverly adjourned the meeting, then conducted a Penny Sale which afforded much merriment and added a few pennies to M.&M.

After a pot-luck lunch served to the ladies and four men, we left for our respective homes.

From the Pens of E.T. Writers

THE ETERNAL FLAME OF HOPE (To Those Whom it may Concern)

If you would please, then laugh at our jokes
If you’re prone to dislike, then be kind.
If you’re so disposed to punch someone’s nose
Pretend that the person is blind.

If you’ve nothing in common and words don’t inspire
But rather incline you to scorn; just think of the other guy
Who just may be wondering why, you and your parents were born.

Take the opposite view to what may be bothering you
Turn a frown upside down and just smile.
Climb every mountain for a much better view...
Be generous and walk that extra mile.

Turn dark days to bright, rest easy at night
Muddle through and turn somersaults, grope;
But whatever you do, for others and you
In the name of God and all Humanity never, never, never take away Hope!

Marjorie P. Ferris
Rougemont, Que.

(With apologies, I feel like saying or you’ll answer to me ... but that would be presumptuous).

THE ANSWER IS CLEAR

Who can withstand the frigid cold,
Or the heat of the desert sun?
Who can control the terrific winds
Or a raging fire “on the run”?

Who can survive when the earth does quake,
When it swallows up buildings whole?
Who can rejoice for eternity
If God doesn’t save his soul?

Who can deny the power of God
When lightning descends from the sky
And strikes the wire of an electric fence
And “vaporizes” it away?

Who can cause the winds to cease
Make the waves stop by command?
It surely isn’t you or me
And He’s much more than a mere man.

Who could cause the rains to come
To cover the whole earth?
And destroy all but Noah’s faithful clan,
Or cause plenteousness or dearth?

Who can make the deaf to hear
And enable the blind to see
And cause the dumb to speak?
Someone greater than you or me!

Who can raise the dead to life
Has all things at His command?
Cause the nations to cease their strife?
’Tis of course, the Creator, God-man.

He is Alpha and Omega
The beginning and the end
The end before the beginning
And the beginning before the end.

Composed and written by:
William V. French
Cookshire, Que.
January 22/94

WINTER’S STORM

Snow is heaped a-plenty on the trees,
Drifts swirl in snowy crests below —
The air is full of madly-dancing flakes —
Our world is narrowed down to S-N-O-W...

But No ... a tiny shape appears —
And to the feeders makes its way —
A tiny Chick-a-dee is seeking food,
Joined by his friends, he’ll work all day!

Later on, a grey Squirrel braves the storm
(Saucy chap — he eats the suet, too!)
Then, Blue Jays also flash their colours bright,
How brave — and what a welcome view.

When things are quiet, — no-one near,
We feel cut off — sealed in a vacuum, white,
But God’s creatures come to brighten days,
And what a welcome, cheering sight.

Drift on, you pure-white, snowy days,
Mantle Earth and every bush and tree,
We’re not alone, in snow-bound solitude —
God sent the tiny, friendly Chick-a-dees...

Marge Montgomery
February 1994

To Sue Rodriguez A SALUTE AND FAREWELL

Too deep, too involved, too solemn now
to warrant opinions...
Sue Rodriguez did get her wish and is at rest
Thank God; her courage and obviously, her Friends
Never failed her.

She made her own decisions and made her point
With authenticity, her cool determination resolved, and
No Mr. Kevorkian in sight.
She went out I am sure, in the style to which she was deservedly accustomed.

And what is more important with Care,
Consideration, and
Compassion, the ultimate necessity.
May she rest in well-deserved and well-earned Peace.
God knows she has our sincere respect and admiration.

Marjorie P. Ferris
Rougemont, Que.

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Dr. Jonas Salk and his terrific team
had an idealistic and urgent dream;
to rid the world of a crippling disease —
until then, they would not be at ease.

And night and day they could be seen
developing the Jonas Salk vaccine;
to these scientists our lives we owe
for they freed the world of polio.

Now little children run and swim,
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Favorable changes are indicated for you in the year ahead both socially and commercially. However, persons you get to know as friends in the social world might not be fortunate for you where commerce is concerned.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Unless it is absolutely necessary, try not to delegate too much authority today. Your ability to run things is likely to be much better than your surrogates. Pisces, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$1.25 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You could be luckier than usual today in joint venture arrangements where you have a strong back-up. The two of you, plus Lady Luck make a dynamic trio.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Today if you have to deal with important individuals, try to do so on a one-to-one basis without involving others. This format could be the most successful.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Obstacles and restrictions that have been hindering the fulfillment of your ambitious objectives might be eliminated today. Move swiftly when you see light at the end of the tunnel.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) This can be an exceptionally gratifying day for you if you focus your intellect and energies on doing things for persons you love which they're unable to do for themselves.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If a friend of yours with a sound track record presents you with a proposal for your consideration today, take a hard look at it. It could be an unusual opportunity.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You're likely to be imaginative and creative today, but you may require some type of stimulus to trigger these attributes, such as taking a basically good idea and making it better.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You are still in a strong favorable trend pattern where your financial and commercial interests are concerned. You're not apt to miss opportunities overlooked by others.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Companions will appreciate your cooperative nature today, because, in actuality, they'll need you much more than you'll need them. You'll sense this, but won't exploit it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Usually it's unwise to let our emotions rule our logic, but today decisions you make with your heart instead of your head could be your best ones.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Early in the day you might be confronted by some negative circumstances, but if your attitude is positive and hopeful, they'll be of no con-

sequence. Think win and act accordingly. **AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** This is a good day to experiment with products or systems you think could add to your income or holdings. Your probabilities for fulfilling your expectations are strong.

Wednesday, Feb. 23, 1994

NORTH 2-23-94	
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3♣	Pass
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5♠	Pass
North	East
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3♣	Pass
4♦	Pass
4♥	Pass
6♥	All pass
Opening lead: ♠ Q	

Today's deal would trip up almost everyone at the table. Only someone with excellent vision, or an inveterate pessimist, would make the contract. Six hearts is an excellent contract, but difficult to reach. In the given auction, both North and South bid aggressively. South opened with a strong, artificial and forcing two clubs. North made a "waiting" response of two diamonds. His second-round raise to three hearts promised some strength. With a total bust, North would rebid either two no-trump or three clubs, according to choice. This is the so-called double negative. Cue-bidding and Blackwood followed.

After the club lead, almost all declarers would think they had 12 easy tricks: four spades, six hearts and two minor-suit aces. They would win with dummy's club ace, cash the A-K of hearts and play off the A-K of spades. However, here West ruffs and exits with any card, leaving declarer with an unavoidable diamond loser: one down. Then you would hear a lot of grumbling about bad luck.

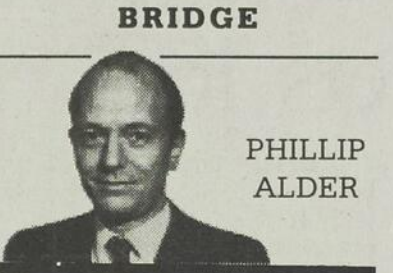
Welshman Tony Haworth foresaw this possibility. After winning trick one with dummy's club ace, he called for a low club and discarded a flamboyant spade ace. Now the contract was safe.

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The declarer with vision

By Phillip Alder

How do you picture the cards held by the other players? I think I'm lucky, because I have a pictorial memory. I "see" the missing cards in my mind's eye. But whatever works for you is fine. Just make sure you spend time counting to calculate who has what.



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PHILLIP ALDER

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j'ai toute ma tête!



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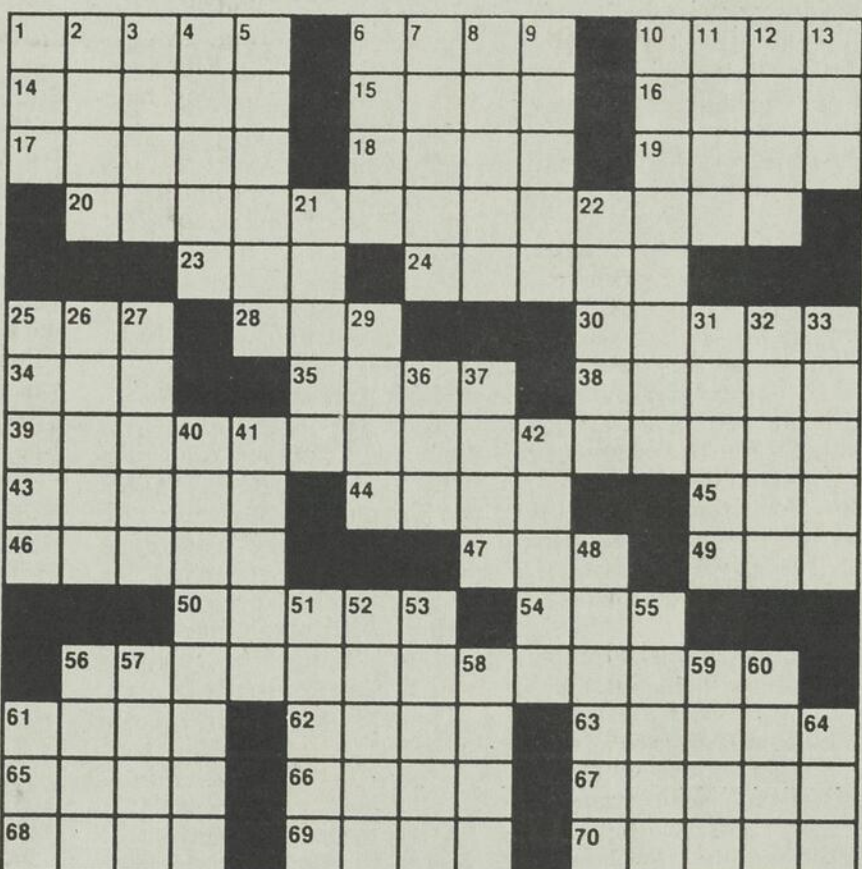
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 - Wear away
 - Jai —
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 - Esquire's home
 - Toll
 - Yale students
 - Summer wear
 - Cotton fiber knot
 - Clockmaker Thomas et al.
 - Derek and Diddle
 - Mo.
 - Actress Anouk
 - Honest —
 - Snout
 - Explorer Amundsen
 - Mysterious area
 - Oriental
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 - Males
 - Medicinal plant
 - Bat wood
 - Response: abbr.
 - Legal right
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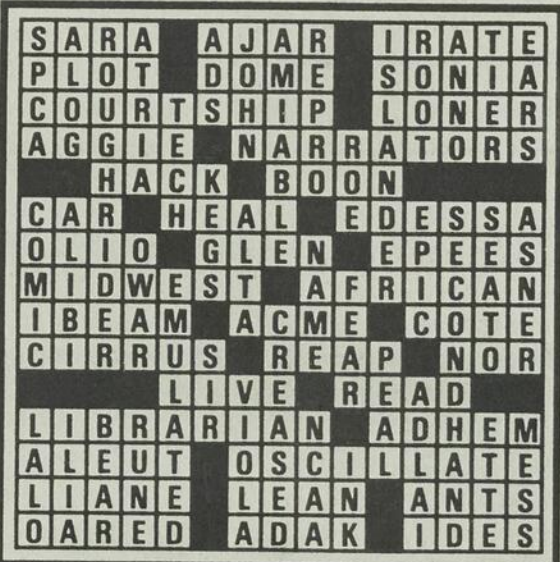
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 - Shell crew number



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- Dislike
- Become limp
- Elevator man
- Cruces
- Overturn
- Writer John
- Rum cakes
- Overweight
- European finch
- Fuel
- Molten matter
- Actress Burstyn
- Blissful places
- Depot: abbr.
- Ms Bombeck
- Fierce baboon
- Make harmless
- Dramatist Henrik
- Lifts
- Bizarre
- Perfect
- Bakery items
- Like a rare pitching feat
- Uncovered
- Basso Pinza

- Draft status
- Appellation
- Distort

- Worn-out horse
- Double curve



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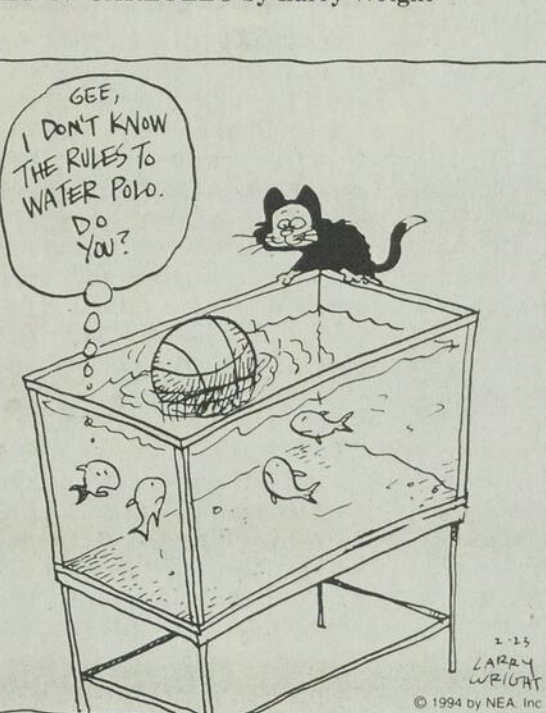
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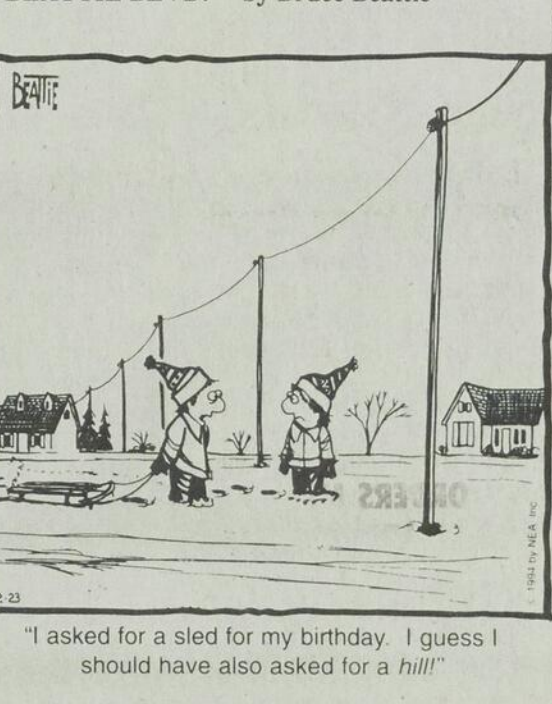
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Wetteland, fans deserve better

It looks like the Montreal Expos management told a little white lie when they promised to sign some players to long-term contracts.

The original plan was to form a nucleus around these players for the years to come.

Unfortunately I don't think Darrin Fletcher is good enough to build your team around. Sure he is a left-handed hitting catcher, but he's not John Wetteland, Larry Walker, or Marquis Grissom.

Anyone of these players would have been a guy to build a winning franchise with. Instead the Expos gave them all one-year contracts. Meaning it won't be long before free agency and big bucks steals them from Montreal.

Sure the price tags for Grissom and Walker may have been too much for the Expos to handle long-term, but how else can the team remain competitive?

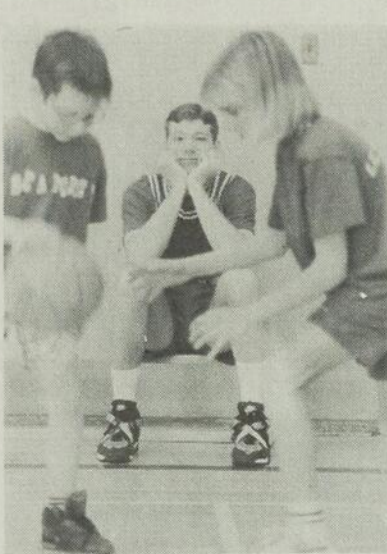
In Wetteland's case the Expos should have splurged. There are plenty of good young outfielders coming up in the Expos organization. Rondell White is a perfect example.

It doesn't matter how many Grissoms and Walkers a team has if it doesn't have a "go-to-guy" in the bullpen, a closer. The Expos have a player like that in Wetteland. There are plenty of teams out there who would grab him in a minute and probably triple his salary.

The talent-filled Atlanta Braves come to mind. The team is a closer away from a baseball dynasty. With that starting rotation and a Wetteland in the bullpen, the Braves would be unbeatable.

The need of a great closer is all the more important with the proposed new divisional alignment and future playoff format. If the Expos were seriously looking to build a team around somebody it should have been Wetteland for a number of reasons:

1. The price was right. Sure \$2 million a year is a lot of money, but compared to Grissom's \$3.5 million and



FROM THE BENCH

By Robert Matheson
The Record

Walker's \$4 million-plus, its loose change.

2. With a pitching rotation of Ken Hill, Jeff Fassero and three unproven talents (Take your pick from: Kirk Reuter, Pedro Martinez, Denis Boucher, Gil Heredia, Gabe White and Brian Looney), somebody has to be able to come in and close the door when the Expos have a chance to win.

3. Wetteland wants to stay in Montreal. He likes the area and was thinking of buying a house in the Montreal region. The last Expo to do that was Chris Speier.

4. Last year he set an Expos team record for saves in a season with 43. In only two years with the team he is already third on the all-time Expos saves leaders list with 80. Certainly he deserves some kind of reward.

5. With Wetteland's talent it really doesn't matter who is behind the plate. All the catcher has to do is put the glove up and give the fastball sign. Even Tim Laker can do that, so who needs three-years worth of Darrin Fletcher?

Ted Williams:

Hall of Famer recovering from stroke

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Ted Williams showed signs of improvement Tuesday following a minor stroke, and doctors are optimistic he will regain strength in his weakened left side.

The Hall of Famer remained in fair condition at Shands Hospital. A spokesman said Williams, 75, has a limited field of vision, but emphasized he has not lost his sight entirely.

"He's still very alert and has been sitting up, talking and joking around a lot," spokesman Daniel Moore said. "The physicians are encouraged by his attitude."

"It's too early to predict the extent of impairment to his eyesight or to speculate on a release date," he said.

Sox Radinsky has Hodgkin's

SARASOTA, Fla. (AP) — Chicago White Sox reliever Scott Radinsky had a malignant lymph node removed from his neck, and likely will miss the season while undergoing treatment to prevent the spread of Hodgkin's disease.

Radinsky, 25, has returned to his home in Simi Valley, Calif., to begin chemotherapy and radiation treatments that could last six to eight months. White Sox general manager Ron Schueler said Tuesday there was an outside chance Radinsky could pitch this year.

Hodgkin's disease is a chro-

nic disease caused by the enlargement of lymph nodes and other lymph tissues. NHL star Mario Lemieux, NFL lineman Karl Nelson and Olympic wrestler Jeff Blatnick are among other athletes who have been afflicted with the disease.

Williams was admitted to Citrus Memorial Hospital on Saturday after his mild stroke at home in nearby Hernando. He was transferred Monday to Shands, where he was treated two years ago after a mild stroke.

Williams, the last major leaguer to hit .400 in a season, underwent surgery on his neck to clear a blockage in a carotid artery in early 1992. The procedure was to prevent future strokes.

"It's curable but you never know when you deal with chemo and radiation," said Schueler, whose wife died from leukemia in 1991. "There are a lot more severe ones than the one he has. But it's still cancer. I saw it with my wife when she was having chemo and radiation. It's not a lot of fun."

Nords send Thibault to minors

QUEBEC (CP) — Rookie goaltender Jocelyn Thibault was assigned to the Cornwall Aces of the American Hockey League for conditioning, the Quebec Nordiques announced Tuesday.

"He's only played in one game in the last few weeks and we want him to play some games," said Pierre Page, Quebec's coach and general manager. "In Cornwall, he'll play three games in four days."

The Nordiques traded Cornwall goaltender John Tanner to Anaheim on Sunday. Thibault is to fill the vacancy in Cornwall until Garth Snow completes play with the U.S. team at the Winter Olympics in Lillehammer.

Veteran Jacques Cloutier

will back up No. 1 goaltender Stephane Fiset with the Nordiques.

Thibault, 19, drafted 10th overall by Quebec last June, has a 7-11-3 record and a 3.17 goals-against average in 25 NHL games this season.

He can spend a maximum of 14 days in the minor leagues without having to clear waivers.

"We said at the start of the year that Jocelyn would play about 30 games and we want to keep our promise," said Page. "We spoke to Jocelyn and he accepts the situation."

Thibault, who last played on Feb. 8 against Boston, said he is looking forward to seeing action.

"I'm not angry," Thibault said. "The Nordiques are

fighting for a playoff spot and Fiset is playing well.

"It's normal that they are showing confidence in the top goaltender in the organization. Going to the minors won't affect me at all. I think it's a good idea. It will be a new experience."

Page assured Thibault he would not be returned to the Sherbrooke Faucons of the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League. If he returned to junior hockey, Thibault could be recalled by the Nordiques only in case of emergency, such as injuries to other goaltenders.

Meanwhile, star forward Mats Sundin was at wits end on how to snap his scoring slump. Sundin has only three goals in his last 31 games.

He was asked if he needed

some time off.

"Fatigue is not a factor although the suggestion of analyzing things from a different perspective may be a good one," Sundin said. "But I don't want to miss any games."

In a 2-1 loss Monday in Buffalo, Sundin failed to get any shots on two breakaways and was robbed by goaltender Dominik Hasek on a good chance late in the game.

"I'm not nervous or tight but I've been unlucky," Sundin said. "Nothing's going right for me — that's all I can say."

"I just hope I get out of it soon and get back to the way I was playing last year."

Last season, Sundin led the team with 47 goals and 67 assists in 80 games. This season, he has 22 goals and 34 assists in 59 matches.

Pathetic Jets lose eighth straight game

By Dan Ralph

HAMILTON (CP) — The last thing the Winnipeg Jets needed was to run into a hot goaltender.

But that's exactly what the slumping Jets did Tuesday as John Vanbiesbrouck stopped 40 shots to lead the Florida Panthers to a 3-2 neutral-site win at Copps Coliseum. It was Winnipeg's eighth straight loss and 16th game without a win.

The Panthers' first win in four games (1-3-0) moved them into a tie for third in the Atlantic Division with Washington. The Panthers currently have 62 points, just 11 short of the league record for an expansion team.

Winnipeg is 0-14-2 in its last 16

and firmly entrenched at the bottom of the Central Division with 41 points, 20 behind fifth-place Chicago.

The Jets are only two points out of the Western Conference basement, which is currently home for the Edmonton Oilers.

The storyline wasn't much better for Winnipeg goalie Mike O'Neill, still looking for his first win of the season (0-6-1).

Scott Mellanby, Mike Hough and Stu Barnes scored for Florida.

John LeBlanc and Russ Romaniuk replied for Winnipeg, which outshot the Panthers 42-32 before about 5,000 spectators.

Mellanby had lone goal of the

first, beating O'Neill at 7:52 for his 22nd of the year. But both sides had their share of scoring chances.

In fact, Panthers Jody Hull, Andrei Lomakin and Gord Murphy all had O'Neill beat on their respective shots, but each was thwarted by a goaltender's best friend — the goalpost.

Winnipeg's best chance came shorthanded when Romaniuk stripped Florida's Greg Hawgood of the puck near centre, and broke in alone on Vanbiesbrouck. But the Panthers' netminder stopped Romaniuk cold with his left pad.

Special teams propelled Florida into a 3-1 lead in the second.

Hough's short-handed goal at 1:09 put the Panthers ahead 2-0. Tom Fitzgerald and Hough came in on a two-man breakaway, but O'Neill poked the puck away from Fitzgerald. It went right to Hough, who easily netted his fifth of the year.

Barnes, traded to Florida by Winnipeg on Nov. 26, scored his 14th of the season on the power play at 4:29.

LeBlanc cut the deficit to 3-1 at 7:26 with his first of the season, just 14 seconds after Vanbiesbrouck stoned Romaniuk once again on a breakaway.

Winnipeg outshot Florida 19-10 in the third, but could manage Romaniuk's power-play goal at 19:12 to round out the scoring.

Miami heats it up against New Jersey

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Glen Rice hit eight of his first 10 shots and the Miami Heat shot nearly 64 per cent in the first half Tuesday night to end the New Jersey Nets' season-high five-game winning string, 123-97.

Rice and Steve Smith both had 21 points and Rony Seikaly added 19 as the Heat won for the 11th time in 16 games and handed the Nets their worst loss of the year.

New Jersey coach Chuck Daly and All-Star guard Kenny Anderson were both thrown out of the game in the second half. Daly was given two technical fouls by referee Nolan Fine with 4:38 left in the third quarter. Anderson, who had 11 points on 5-of-14 shooting, was chased by Steve Javie with 10:45 to play.

Derrick Coleman, the Nets' other All-Star, was sidelined for the second straight game with a sprained ankle.

The way the Heat played it didn't make a difference. Miami, which shot a season-high 61.5 per cent in beating Washington by 30 Monday night, came out just as hot Tuesday, hitting 13 of its first 17 from the field. Rice hit 6-of-7 in the quarter, including an ally-oop dunk that capped a 17-4 spurt putting Miami ahead 29-14.

A 24-10 spurt at the start of the second quarter and an 8-2 run at the end of the period pushed the advantage to 67-41. Miami's largest lead was 102-66

on a free throw by John Salley with 7:57 to play.

Jayson Williams led New Jersey with 15 points.

Sonics 93 Knicks 82

NEW YORK (AP) — The Seattle SuperSonics held New York to an NBA season-low 28.7 per cent shooting Tuesday night, and still had to hold off a late rally to beat the Knicks 93-82.

Shawn Kemp had 21 points and 17 rebounds and Sam Perkins 17 points for the Sonics, who lead the Pacific Division by three games after snapping their second three-game losing skid of the season.

John Starks led the Knicks with 30 points while Patrick Ewing scored 22 on 6-for-29 shooting. Charles Oakley grabbed 18 rebounds.

New York made just 29 of 101 shots for the game, eclipsing the NBA's previous low of 31.2 per cent by the Los Angeles Lakers against Denver on Nov. 12.

The Knicks missed 40 of their first 51 shots in the first half, including 0-for-14 by Ewing, and fell behind 45-26 before scoring seven of the last eight points of the second quarter.

It didn't get any better for New York in the third quarter, although it used a 13-4 spurt to get within 10 points midway through the period. But a three-pointer by Perkins and a jumper by Detlef Schrempf put Seattle ahead 61-46.

Local notes

LENNOXVILLE (RM) — On Sunday the Champlain women's basketball team turned in one of their best efforts of the season in a losing cause. The Cougars lost 57-47 to first-place Granby.

Head coach Kristy Campbell said she was really proud of her team's defensive effort, especially in the second half. The Cougars trailed 41-24 at halftime, but let Granby score only 16 points in the second half.

The strong defensive effort was all the more impressive considering that three Champlain starters were in foul trouble. They saw limited action and the players off the bench made a strong contribution.

Robyn Stronach was the Cougars top scorer with 12 points

and Cara Curry had 11. The team's next game is this Friday in Trois Rivieres.

MONTREAL (RM) — The top university women basketball players in Quebec were honored on Monday. The Quebec Student Sports Federation announced its award winners for the 1993-94 season.

Bishop's guard Melissa Frankovitch was the only Gaiter honored. She was named to the QSSF second all-star team. Frankovitch, from Kingston, Ont., only played the second half of the season for Bishop's.

The league's MVP for the second straight year was McGill's Vicky Tessier. Tessier, of Chateaugay, averaged 17.7 points and 9.7 rebounds a game during the season.

Concordia forward Eva Sa-

more, from Laval, Que., was named the league's rookie of the year. So far this season she has averaged 7.3 points and 6.8 rebounds a game.

Tessier heads the list of first-team all-stars. Laval University's Sophie Morin, a guard, and teammate Isabelle Turcotte, a forward, were also named to the first-team. Concordia's Patricia Demers and Sharon Sandy round out the team.

Frankovitch is joined by three McGill players on the second all-star team. Martina van der Vlist, Lesley Stevenson, and Josée Deloretto were named to the team. The last all-star chosen was Yolaine Masse a forward at Laval.

LENNOXVILLE (RM) — B.C.S won two games against Galt in junior basketball action

on Monday.

The junior boys were 43-39 winners in overtime. B.C.S was led by F. Baptiste with 17 points. The Pipers got 14 points from S. Drapeau and B. Guay.

The junior girls hung on for a 32-24 victory. Two bantam-aged players led B.C.S. in scoring. K. Parris had 15 and J. Cassar added 12 points. C. Hui and M. Monty scored six points each for Galt.

LENNOXVILLE (RM) — The second Gaiter Lunch Club will be held today at the Old Lennoxville Golf Club.

Fans of Bishop's basketball teams are invited to discuss strategy and future games with Gaiter coaches and players.

A soup and sandwich lunch will be served for a five dollar fee.

XVII WINTER OLYMPICS



Figure skating:

Take your pick, anyone could win

By Neil Stevens

HAMAR, Norway (CP) — Flip a coin.

It's probably the only way to figure out who is going to win the gold medal in women's figure skating at the 17th Olympic Winter Games.

"It's one of the most wide-open events I've seen in Olympic history," says Christy Kjarsgaard-Ness, who coached Californian Kristi Yamaguchi to Olympic gold in 1992.

"Because of the girls being somewhat erratic in the last year, there's no clear-cut favorite for gold."

Kjarsgaard-Ness's skater this time is Susan Humphreys. Edmonton's Royal Glenora Club is their headquarters. Humphreys will be the first of 27 women onto the ice for the women's technical program today (1 p.m. EST).

Katarina Witt of Germany, the 1984 and 1988 Olympic champion, will be the fourth skater to present required jumps, spins and footwork in two minutes 40 seconds.

U.S. champion Tonya Harding goes eighth and European champion Surya Bonaly of France is 17th.

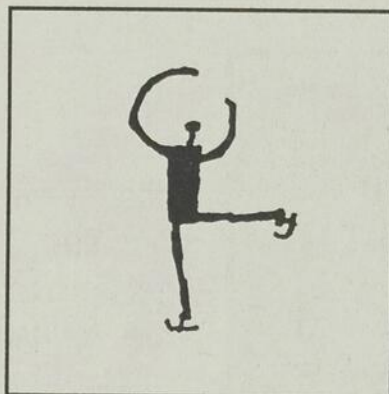
Canadian champion Josee Chouinard of Laval, Que., is 18th onto the ice (3:05 p.m. EST).

Lu Chen of China, Asia's best, is 22nd, world champion Oksana Baiul of the Ukraine is 24th and American Nancy Kerrigan is 26th — three hours after Humphreys.



Chouinard... Could lead after short program.

The key moment in each skater's presentation will arrive when the attempt is made on the required triple jump-double jump combination: three revolutions in the air, touch down, go back up for two more revolutions.



Nail the combo and it's usually clear sailing.

"A lot of the skaters are going for the triple Lutz-double toe loop because you can gain extra credit (from the judges)," said Kjarsgaard-Ness. "With so many girls doing the triple Lutz, it equals the playing field so much that it makes the event very hard to predict."

Witt will be attempting the less taxing triple toe loop in her combo so, if her technical marks seem low, remember the missing Lutz.

"If the top contenders all skate clean then it still will be a battle of which one you like better and there's somewhat different styles," says Kjarsgaard-Ness.

"You've got Nancy Kerrigan, who looks very elegant. And she looks more powerful than she did in '92. She's gained some power, some strength in her edges."

"You've got Oksana, who really gets into her skating. She performs really well in front of a crowd."

"Surya Bonaly is a little bit more of a power-type skater, a different style again. She can be very exciting. But she doesn't have quite the grace of a Kerrigan or Baiul."

"Josee has an excellent short program. If she performs it like she did at the Canadian championships, she has a good chance at first place in the short program."

Canada wins two short-track medals as confusion reigned

By Neil Stevens

HAMAR, Norway (CP) — Canada won silver and bronze on a bizarre night of short-track speed skating at the 17th Winter Olympic Games.

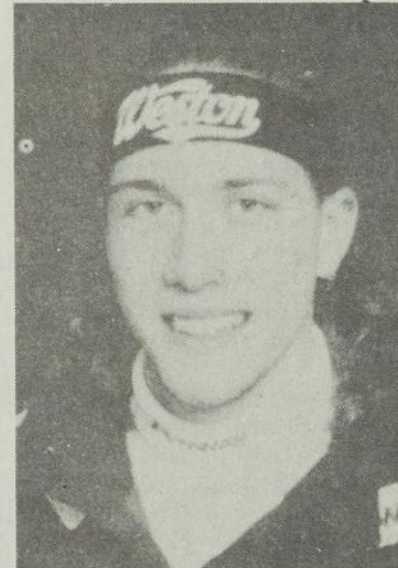
Bodies were falling everywhere. Confusion reigned.

"It's been a very unlucky night for Canada," said team veteran Nathalie Lambert. "Normally, it's not that bad for one country."

"We're hoping for better days."

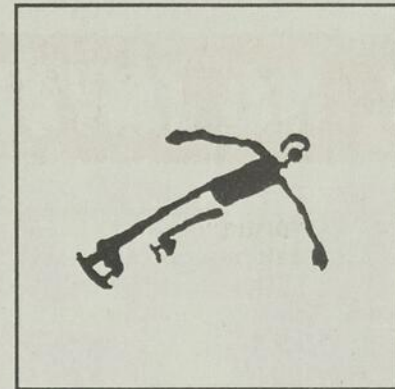
The Montreal-based quartet of Lambert, Sylvie Daigle, Isabelle Charest and Christine Boudrias was favored to repeat as women's 3,000-metre relay champs but a fall by Boudrias with Canada in the lead in the four-country final ended that possibility.

Canada crossed the finish line third, behind Korea and China. The U.S. was fourth.



Gagnon... Bumped up to bronze medal.

Then, after the race, China was disqualified for interference that caused a U.S. skater to fall. Canada was bumped up to silver and the U.S. was awarded bronze.



"I felt so guilty," said a tearful Boudrias. "I was crying and then I heard we were second and I began to laugh."

"It was cry, laugh, cry..." The Canadian relayers, who hold the world record, hadn't lost a major race since the 1988 Calgary Olympics when short-track was a demonstration sport.

"It's been a tough night," said Lambert. "We were in position to win gold, then we went to fourth, to third and then to second place — all in one night."

She was quick to defend Boudrias, 21, the newest member of the squad.

"It's a team thing — not just one person," said Lambert. "Anybody can fall."

Spectators didn't know the distribution of medals until teams marched out for medals presentations — Korea stood atop the podium, Canada on the next level and the Americans

third.

And that wasn't even the weirdest part of the evening.

Earlier, in the men's 1,000-metre race, Marc Gagnon of Chicoutimi, Que., wound up with a bronze medal — and he wasn't even in the final.

Derrick Campbell of Cambridge, Ont., made it to the four-man final and fell when shoved by Brit opponent Nicholas Gooch. Campbell got up and continued on. He thought he'd finished a ninth and final circuit around the rink. Then the Brit was disqualified. So Campbell thought he'd get bronze.

But officials ruled he'd only done eight laps and listed a did-not-finish designation after his name. Gagnon stood beside the TV interview area looking around, shrugging, shaking his head in disbelief.

Coach Yves Nadeau lodged a protest but it was denied.

Gagnon, world champion at the distance, fell in a semifinal and was shunted to a consolation final. He won that. When only two skaters were listed with a result in the A final, he was elevated to third place overall.

Frederic Blackburn, silver medalist in the 1,000 at the 1992 Winter Games, also crashed in the semifinals when shoved by Satoru Terao of Japan. Blackburn also was unlucky at the world championships last year when he crashed three times.

Ki-Hoon Kim of Korea won gold in 1:34.57. Ji-Hoon Chae of Korea won silver in 1:34.92.

"We had guys falling and

another guy taken out in his final, and it's a very close-knit family," said Nadeau. "All these things were frustrating and the girls were crying because of what happened to the guys."

"Then you have 10 minutes to make up your mind and go out and race. Maybe the girls went at their race a little too hard after what all happened. I don't know. This is the nature of the sport. It's unfortunate."

Gagnon said he set his mind on winning the B final because he'd seen the B winner get a medal at a pre-Olympic meet last autumn when two in the A final didn't finish.

"It's kind of bizarre," he said. "It shouldn't be this way."

"If you're in the A final and you get pushed down by another skater who is DQed then you should get the bronze."

Gagnon said he spoke with Campbell.

"I asked him if he was mad with me. I did nothing wrong. It was a judge's decision. He said it was OK, he was happy for me. He said, 'You know, Marc, I'm happy for you because you should have been in the final and you should have won more than a bronze medal.'"

"I'm happy to have the medal but I'm feeling a bit bad for Derrick. I don't deserve it more than Derrick. But I still deserve it."

Campbell said he has only himself to blame if he's not satisfied.

"Good skaters make their own luck," he said. "They skate out front."

Canadians looking to sweep aeriels

By Jim Morris

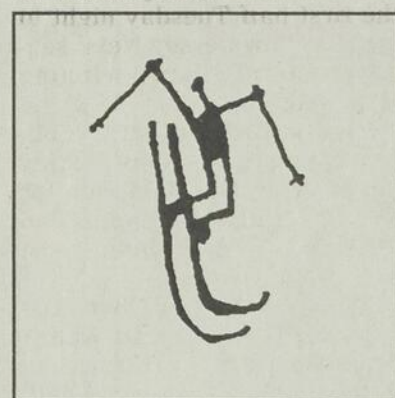
LILLEHAMMER (CP) — Think of Mozart conducting a Guns and Roses concert and you'll have freestyle skiing pegged.

Freestyle, especially the spine-tingling aeriels, combines the hoopla and in-your-face brashness of the World Wrestling Federation with the dedicated concentration and intricate strategies of the Masters golf tournament.

Most Winter Olympic Games' sports were founded in tradition. Cross-country skiing, biathlon, speed skating and alpine skiing evolved. Freestyle swept onto the scene, a loud, dazzling showoff sport complete with colorful costumes and blasting rock music.

"I think a lot of people want to compare us to alpine skiing," said Philippe La-

Roche, 27, the defending world aeriels champion from Lac Beauport, Que.



"Maybe it's fair, maybe it's not. It's a different sport. It's an acrobatic sport combined with skiing. I think we've achieved some respect from a lot of other sports."

Canadians have excelled at freestyle. Jean-Luc Brassard, the 1993 world moguls champion, won the Olympic gold me-

dal last week. LaRoche led four men and one woman into Thursday's aeriels medal round. There's a chance the men could sweep the aeriels.

Aeriels is like overhead gymnastics. Skiers catapult off ramps and perform twisting, cloud-raking jumps. Points are awarded for the jumps and their landings.

"It's an easy sport to judge," said LaRoche. "That gives us a good response from the people."

Mogul skiers are timed racing down a knee-grinding, back-jarring, bump-filled hill. Points are awarded for two mandatory jumps. The time and points are calculated to determine a winner.

John Smart, of Lions Bay, B.C., said the average skier can relate to moguls.

"Any skier that knows moguls or how to recreational ski

has to respect this sport," said Smart, who finished out of the moguls' medals.

"We have made a good impression on the world. The status of the sport will continue to grow."

Freestyle has fought for respectability. Once treated like the odd cousin at the family reunion, it was a demonstration sport at the 1988 Games in Calgary. Moguls became a medal sport at Albertville two years ago but freestyle was a demonstration. Now both are full-fledged members of the Olympic family.

"We've been running in the shadow for a long time," said Canadian coach Peter Judge, the 1983 overall champion.

"To finally have Olympic recognition in 1992 was a big step for us. For Jean-Luc to win a medal here was another huge step forward."

Italy beats hosts, France barely wins

LILLEHAMMER (AP) — Norway remained a perfect host in Olympic hockey, losing 6-3 to Italy in a consolation game Tuesday and emerging as the only winless team among 12 in the field.

Italy, sparked by Gaetano Orlando's two goals and two assists, will play for ninth place against France, a 5-4 shootout winner over Austria in the other consolation game.

Norway and Austria will play for 11th place.

The top eight teams from the preliminary round begin quarterfinal play today.

Italy (2-4) took the lead after 18 seconds when Orlando scored. Norway (0-6) got goals from Petter Salsten, Geir Hoff and Tommy Jakobsen.

Jimmy Camazolla, Roland Ramoser, Bruno Zarrillo and Lucio Topatigh also scored for the Italians.

France and Austria decided their game in just the third shootout in Olympic history after they tied 4-4 in regulation time and played a 10-minute overtime period with no result.

After three rounds, France led 3-1. So when Benoit Laporte

beat Brian Stankiewicz on France's fourth shot, Austria had no chance to win and the shootout ended.



In the second period, a controversial goal gave France a 3-2 lead.

Arnaud Briand's shot appeared to hit the right post and bounce out. Briand and teammates lifted their arms in celebration, but play continued and, 29 seconds later, Richard Nasheim scored for Austria.

Italian referee Ruggero Savaris asked for a video replay, being used in the Olympics for the first time. When it showed Briand had scored, Savaris disallowed Nasheim's goal and awarded one to Briand.

Austria made it 3-3 on Werner Kerth's goal at 9:36 of the third. Pajonkowski scored to put France back up, but Nasheim tied the score to force overtime and, eventually, the shootout.

By Alan Adams

LILLEHAMMER (CP) — They were lined-up three deep at the kiosk wagering on Olympic biathlon, figure skating, men's slalom, hockey and short-track speedskating.

Sports betting is big at the Lillehammer Winter Olympics.

"We run the odds every 15 minutes," said Dag Riseberg, who operates the kiosk for state-run Norsk Tipping. "We are busy all day."

Take Wednesday, for example.

Olympic notes

LILLEHAMMER (CP) — Notes and quotes from the Winter Olympics Tuesday:

The men's Olympic figure skating event in which Canada's Elvis Stojko won a silver medal was unbelievably difficult to grade, says veteran judge Susan Heffernan.

Russian Alexei Urmanov was favored over Stojko by the judges Saturday. Philippe Candeloro of France won the bronze medal. Kurt Browning, Canada's reigning world champion, and former Olympic champions Brian Boitano of the United States and Viktor

Petrenko of the Ukraine didn't make the podium.

"The event was unbelievably difficult to judge," says Heffernan, who is from Vancouver and has sat on many international judging panels. "I mean Boitano, Petrenko, Browning and some of the new breed like Urmanov and Stojko... that's as tough as it gets sitting in that (judge's) seat."

Elizabeth Clark was Canada's lone judge in the men's event and she chose Urmanov over Stojko, too. Clark has declined interview requests since the conclusion of the event.

Heffernan says the judges might have been swayed after Stojko missed a jump combination early in his program and rejiggered subsequent portions to get in the triple Axel he'd not landed on the planned combo.

"He changed the middle section of his program," says Heffernan. "Artistically, that makes a difference to what you are doing."

HAMAR, Norway (AP) — Olympic ice dancer Christopher Dean announced his engagement to former world champion singles skater Jill Trenary

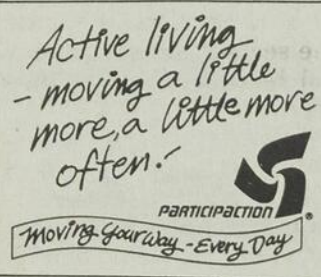
on Tuesday, the day after he and partner Jayne Torvill won the bronze medal.

Dean, 35, a Briton, announced at a news conference he plans to marry Trenary, 25, an American, in October.

Trenary won the women's world championship in 1990 and finished fourth in the 1988 Olympics.

Trenary, who became engaged to Dean last month, held up her left hand to show her diamond-and-gold engagement ring.

"It's nine hearts with diamonds," she said.





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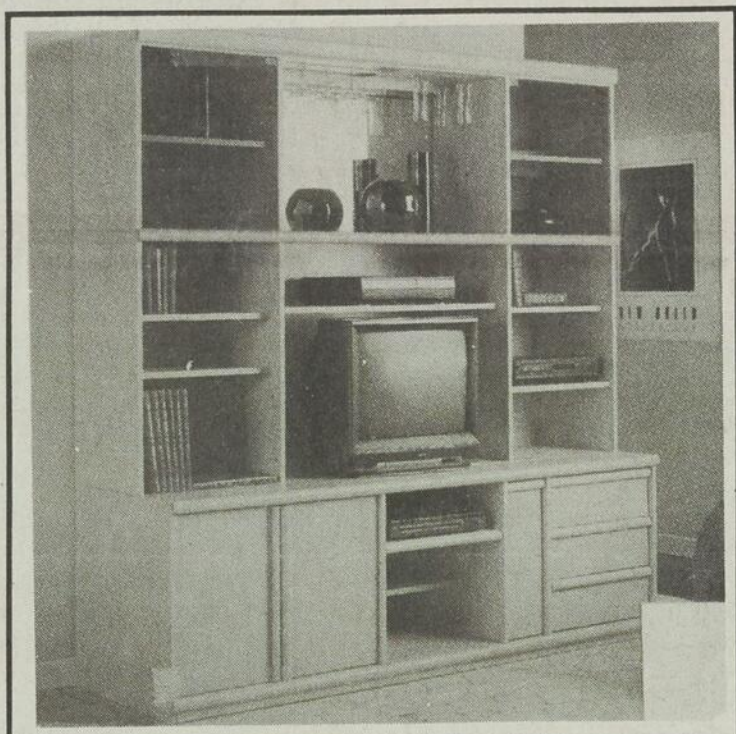
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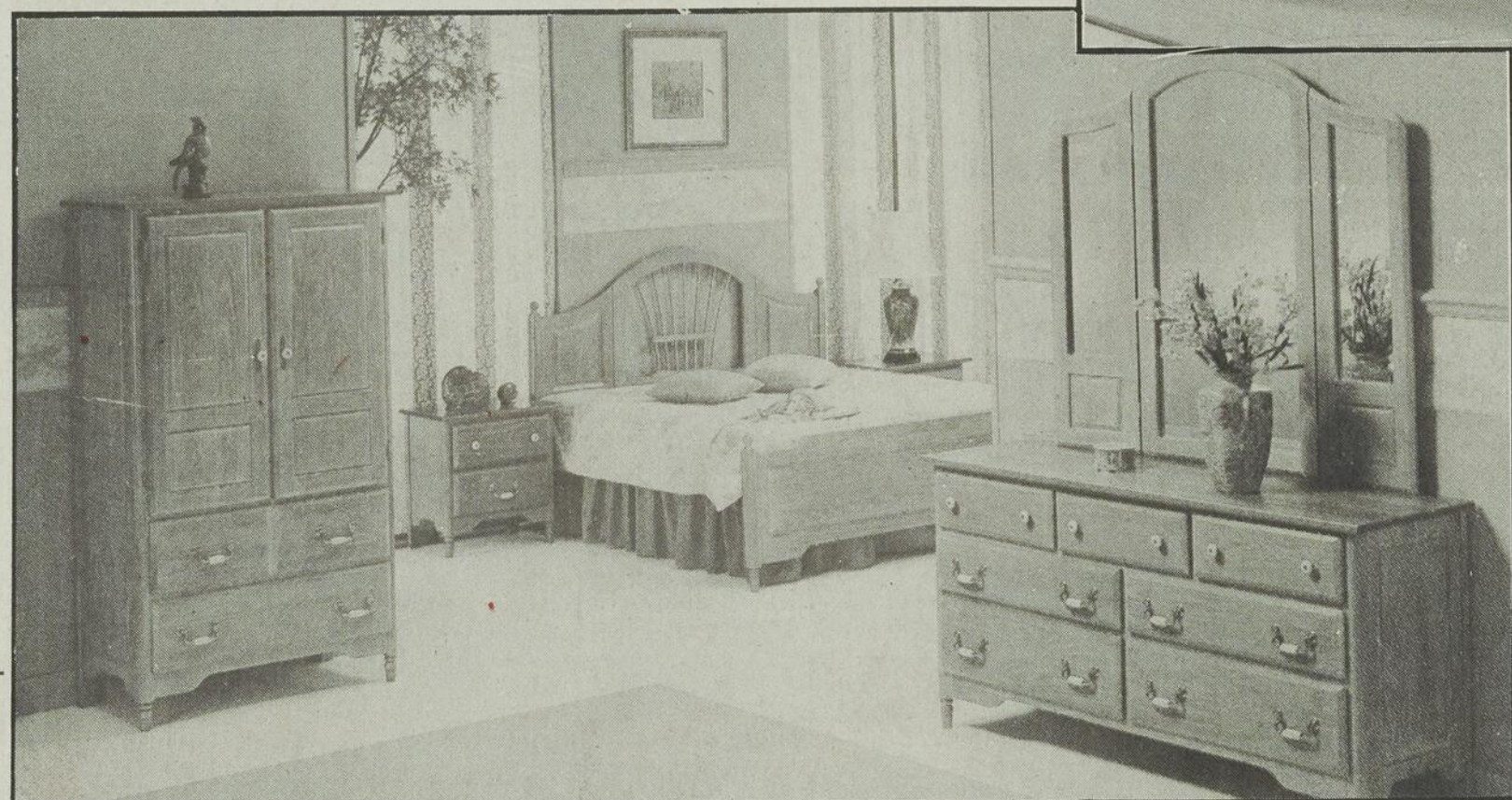
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