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Cree set up own sovereignty commission

NEMASKA, Que. (CP) — Quebec's Cree announced Sunday they will hold their own hearings into the effects of sovereignty.

A commission will travel to all

eight Cree communities in northern Quebec in March and look at the future, the status and the rights of the James Bay Cree in the event of Quebec sovereignty, said Grand Chief

Matthew Coon-Come.

Coon-Come also said the Cree will hold their own referendum on the question.

With a recent history of conflicts over hydroelectric development, the Cree are very skeptical and wary of the Quebec government and are among the most federalist of Quebec's native groups.

Seventeen government-sponsored sovereignty commissions are currently touring the province but are being boycotted by the federal and provincial Liberal

parties as well as most native groups.

Coon-Come repeated Sunday that the Cree will refuse an invitation to participate in the government commissions.

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Concerns for the future



Townshippers Association spokeswoman Marjorie Goodfellow appeared before Quebec's travelling commission Friday, voicing concerns for the future of the region's anglophone minority. For details, see page 3. RECORD: PERRY BEATON

Wife and kids inspired him Bouchard back after fight against flesh-eating disease

By Donald McKenzie

MONTREAL (CP) — An emotional Lucien Bouchard said Sunday that his wife and children were his main inspirations in his battle against the flesh-eating disease that almost killed him last December.

"Audrey was magnificent . . . and the children needed me," a teary-eyed Bouchard told Radio-Canada in his first televised interview since his left leg was amputated Dec. 1.

The Bloc Québécois leader, who appeared slimmer and relaxed, said he still has trouble talking about the amputation.

"It was very hard. . . for the first time, I was faced with a life-or-death situation. Nothing had prepared me for that."

"The first few minutes when you realize what's happening to you, you don't believe it. You're incredulous. You wonder if you'll make it. You ask yourself all kinds of questions — questions you never ask in day-to-day life."

The Bloc leader said the experience also taught him that people should not put off things they have always wanted to do.

HILLS TO CLIMB

"For example, when I had some free time, I used to go hill-climbing with some friends. We climbed about 12 or so, but there were about three or four we still had our eye on."

"But I know now I'll never get up these mountains. It's just not possible with a prosthesis."

Bouchard said he also had ample time to think about friendships, including broken ones, a possible reference to his close relationship with former prime minister Brian Mulroney, which soured after Bouchard bolted the Conservative cabinet in 1990 and founded the Bloc.

The Bloc leader, who was seen briefly walking with a cane, answered questions forcefully and appears to have lost none of the passion that has helped

make him the most popular politician in the province.

Bouchard told interviewer Jean-Francois Lépine on *Le Point*, a public-affairs show, that he is not a sovereigntist messiah.

"I know I'm not a hero. I'm just like the next guy. I'll do everything I can, but there's a

limit to what any one man or woman politician can do."

URGENT

Asked why he has decided to rush back to politics so soon — Bouchard returns to the Commons on Wednesday and meets U.S. President Bill Clinton on Thursday — the Bloc leader laughed and said: "What's happening in Quebec these days is pretty urgent."

He was evasive when asked whether he believes Premier Jacques Parizeau should postpone the sovereignty See **BOUCHARD**, Page 2

Talk, not action for Clinton visit

By Dianne Rinehart

OTTAWA (CP) — Expect lots of talk, no real action.

When U.S. President Bill Clinton meets Prime Minister Jean Chretien this week, analysts predict a nice, neighborly chat about world issues.

Despite irritants between their countries — trade matters, culture and a proposed tax on Canadian border crossings — neither leader has much to gain by talking tough.

Chretien has tried to make his point already — that he's not in bed with Washington — by distancing Canada from the White House and not eagerly flying there to meet Clinton at every available turn.

Still, as historian Michael Bliss puts it: "You like to meet your neighbors now and then,

especially if they're big, rich and powerful."

These days, Clinton is treading lightly to avoid gaffes on which the Republican-dominated Congress can pounce, says Christopher Sands of the Centre for Strategic and International Studies in Washington.

NATIONAL UNITY

One possible gaffe for a Canadian audience: the degree to which he'd insinuate himself into the national unity issue involving Quebec sovereignty.

But if Clinton is willing to deal with Chretien, he remains a wounded dealer.

"This is an embattled president," says Alan Alexandroff to the Centre for International Studies at the

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Is Wells era nearing end?

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld. (CP) — A peculiar conviction is taking root in Newfoundland this year that the Clyde Wells era is near an end, and the premier's resignation is looming.

"There are rumors — I can't deny that," says Don Whelan, chairman of the Liberal caucus Wells led to a second majority victory in 1993.

Whelan admits many Newfoundlanders haven't forgotten the premier's oft-reported pledge to his wife, Eleanor.

When he decided to run for the Liberal leadership in 1987, Wells is said to have won his wife's support by promising to spend only 10 years in politics.

"I suppose some people are saying: 'Ten years is

10 years. In another year or so that will be coming around,'" says Whelan.

The president of the provincial Liberal party is diplomatic about the issue, but used to questions about it.

"People are constantly saying to me: 'When is he going?' 'What's going to happen?,' and so on and so forth," says Gerry Glavine. "The premier has his agenda. When the time has come, he'll make that decision and advise (us)."

But Steve Neary, a former leader of the Liberal party, is more blunt.

"When Liberals talk these days, they talk about who has got the most support in the caucus for the leadership," says Neary.

Games open with native touch

By Sylvia Strojek

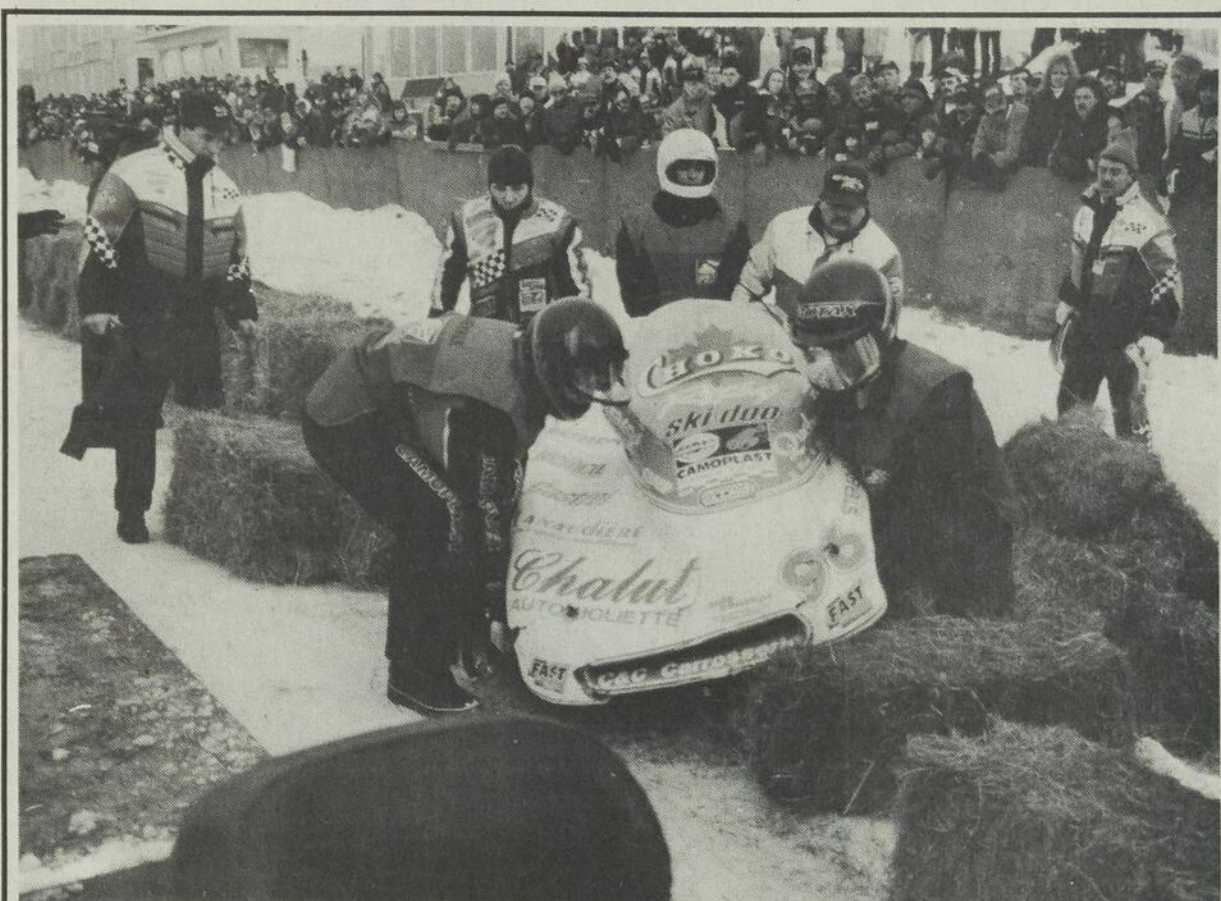
GRANDE PRAIRIE, Alta. (CP) — Northern mystique and native tradition were the cornerstones of the ceremony filled with graceful dances, colorful costumes and soaring voices that opened the 1995 Canada Winter Games Sunday. About 1,500 of 3,100 athletes

— all in respective team colors and waving banners, flags and noisemakers — marched into the new Canada Games Arena in downtown Grande Prairie to the deafening cheers of about 3,000 spectators.

Moments earlier, Prime Minister Jean Chrétien arrived at the front of the building —

on stage — but over it in a specially designed chairlift usually reserved for the ski slopes. Alberta Premier Ralph Klein mused in a few minutes later on the back of a fur-covered sled pulled by four spirited Siberian huskies.

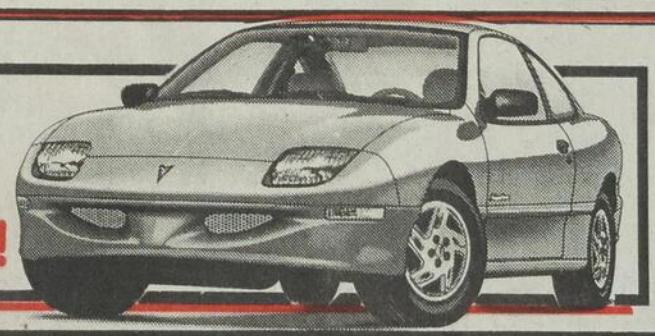
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Helping Hand: Track workers helped lift Jacques Villeneuve's snowmobile back onto the track at the Grand Prix de Valcourt on Sunday. For more on the annual race, please turn to page 11. RECORD: PERRY BEATON

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Ottawa, Richelieu sidestep hard line from Quebec

CMR deal is praised by locals, slammed by PQ

By Sharon McCully

ST-JEAN SUR RICHELIEU — There was polite applause Friday as Inter-governmental Affairs Minister Marcel Massé announced an agreement reached between Ottawa and the community-based Haut Richelieu economic council, to turn St-Jean's Collège Militaire royal into a school for language training and international affairs.

The project is essentially the same one proposed by Ottawa and accepted by the Quebec Liberals in July 1994. That plan was side-lined a few months later by the newly elected Parti

Québécois.

The only change in the agreement signed last week is replacement of the words 'Government of Quebec' by 'Haut-Richelieu Economic Council'.

But the PQ intergovernmental affairs minister said Friday that Quebec will not oppose the deal between the town of St-Jean and Ottawa, which was leaked to the media earlier this week.

Louise Beaudoin also reiterated the PQ position, saying "St-Jean is the only bilingual military college in Canada and its closure represents an injustice for

francophones not just in Quebec but everywhere in Canada."

The federal government decided last year that both St-Jean and the Royal Roads Military College in British Columbia would be closed to cut defence spending.

As of this fall, all officer training for the Canadian military will be done at the Royal Military College in Kingston, Ont.

A representative of PQ MNA Roger Paquin at the news conference distributed press releases accusing Ottawa of accomplishing little more than saving the furniture, and

pledging to find a more appropriate vocation for the institution following a referendum favoring independence.

However the PQ did congratulate the local economic development group for salvaging what they could.

Paquin also claimed Royal Roads received twice as much compensation for its closing as was offered to Quebec.

St-Jean Mayor Myrslaw Smeryka said he sees it differently: "We got \$25 million from Ottawa and best wishes from Quebec," Smeryka said.

The federal government has committed \$5 million a year for the next five years to set up the new training centre, and the economic council says the institution must become self-financing by the end of five years.

Instruction at the new learning institution will be under the auspices of the University of Sherbrooke and will offer language training to about 100 federal civil servants, and pre-university courses to 100

military recruits before they attend Kingston's Royal Military College.

Post-graduate courses in diplomacy and international affairs will also be offered to the public by 1995, said U of S rector Pierre Reid.

Sherbrooke U. will also seek new horizons for the historic facility, Reid added.

Massé said enrollment at the new institution will be capped at 300 unless the provincial government softens its stand and helps with the financing to hire more teachers.

"Right now between 65 and 70 people will be working here," Massé said. "If Quebec contributes, there could be more students."

Although nearly a dozen participants in the project graced the head table at Friday's news conference, none was able to say with any certainty just how many jobs will be lost in the community.

At the time the closing was announced, 174 people worked at the military college. Colonel Peter Holt said 90 of those

employees accepted a government retirement package, two resigned, 23 were relocated to the Royal Military College in Kingston, and 11 found other work.

About 44 people were left unemployed by the closure, and Holt says they are on a priority list for hiring when the new training centre opens for language classes in September.

But many in Friday's crowd believe when the last of the military personnel leave St-Jean on August 31, about 100 jobs will have been lost in the town.

"We had 174 before and the new institution will have only 65-70 employees," said one man. "It's a big loss."

Under the deal Ottawa will lease the physical facilities of the college to the town of St-Jean for \$1 a year starting Sept. 1. The \$25 million over five years will be used to maintain the facilities.

The college will teach French, English, Spanish and Portuguese every year to top federal civil servants and 100 officer cadets before their entrance into RMC in Kingston.



New life for Collège militaire royal: Robert Blanchard, president of the Haut Richelieu economic council, flanked cabinet minister Marcel Massé for Friday's announcement.

March date proposed

No rush for changes at hospital

SHERBROOKE — The regional health board wants to remind area residents that the proposed reorganization of area

hospitals is still in the planning stage, and that there's no cause for panic.

At a press conference Friday, members of the *Régie régionale de la santé et des services sociaux* announced that numerous changes to Sherbrooke-area hospitals are not expected to be finalized until March. In the meantime it's business as usual.

One of the issues still under discussion is how to continue to provide the full range of hospital services to English-speaking people after the changes go into effect. The current role of the Sherbrooke Hospital in providing these services in

English continues to be the focus of much study, régie spokesmen maintain.

Under proposed changes, the Sherbrooke Hospital would merge with the Youville Hospital to become a long-term care facility. The hospital would retain its emergency and outdoor clinics, and, in addition, Sherbrooke Hospital staff would receive a new mandate to direct anglophone clients to such specialized services at other local institutions as necessary.

Health board representatives met with about 160 concerned citizens last week during an information meeting at the hospital.

Scotstown boil order is lifted

SHERBROOKE — Anyone getting their water from the Scotstown municipal water system can once again drink the water.

The water in Scotstown has been under a boil order since January 22 due to a high count of fecal coliform bacteria.

Boiling is no longer necessary.

GAMES:

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"The spirit of friendly competition and sports comradeship is alive here today," he said. "There will be the legacy of the facilities ... but the most important ... is the spirit that

will be left behind."

O CANADA

The crowd hushed as local choirs, spread throughout the arena, sang O Canada a cappella.

Members of the Cree, Dogrib,

Ojibwa, Beaver and Metis invoked the protection and grace of the Great Spirit before hometown hero, boxer Willie deWit passed the Games torch to Olympic hockey player Ken Lovsin, of Peace River, Alta., who hopped on another dog sled and whisked the torch off in turn to wheelchair athlete Judie Millard, waiting in the rafters.

Her high-flying wheelchair glided on a metal track spanning the arena until she was hanging a few metres above the cauldron which she lighted by carefully bending over and lowering the torch.

Millard, 38, was on Canada's gold-medal-winning wheelchair basketball team at the 1992

Paralympics in Barcelona. Lovsin was on the hockey team that won silver at last year's Winter Olympics.

Chrétien, who was greeted with enthusiastic applause wherever he went, appealed to the unity that friendly sports competition creates.

COME TOGETHER

"Earlier this week I presented an athlete from the Winter Games with the Maple Leaf flag that flies here today. I said that the flag is something that brings Canadians together, something that we are all very proud of in all parts of the country.

"Sport is another thing that brings Canadians together."

He then declared the 15th

Canada Games open.

Earlier in the day, Chrétien opened a cultural festival that features a large aboriginal component. The festival, dubbed Spirit of the People and held outdoors at Muskoseepie Park, will run in conjunction with the Games.

"We will make you laugh. We will make you cry. We will make you dance in the snow. But most of all we will make you proud to be Canadian," Carol Lee Eckhardt, vice-president of the city's culture committee, told hundreds who gathered on a mild morning and under a clear, aquamarine sky.

The call of the land is evident

in almost every facet of the Games. Medals feature the graceful trumpeter swans which summer in the area. Mascots are furry, friendly takeoffs on the hulking moose which roam the bush dotting the vast northern prairie. They are named Aurora and Boreal after the aurora borealis, or northern lights, that shimmer in the night sky.

Grande Prairie, 455 kilometres northwest of Edmonton, is the smallest and most northerly city to host a Canada Games.

There was little competition Sunday except for some preliminary action in men's hockey, ringette and badminton.

BOUCHARD:

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possibility of holding a referendum until it is clear a majority of Quebecers would vote Yes.

Parizeau has promised the vote for this year, but a public opinion poll released last week indicated that support for sovereignty had stalled at about 40 per cent.

The poll has prompted several observers to muse about the

possibility of holding a referendum that would offer Quebecers other watered-down political options.

Bouchard, who has often warned that the sovereignty referendum must be held only if a Yes victory is a safe bet, said he is ready to look at all political options providing they "lead to a real solution ... and the answer is constructive for Quebec."

CLINTON:

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University of Toronto. "His weakness is bad news for Canada."

If anyone is wondering just how the two will get along, it's because neither has visited the other leader in his capital until now.

Both sides play down that issue, emphasizing the two met shortly after Chrétien's election in November 1993 at the Seattle Asia-Pacific economic summit, have held meetings at several

multilateral events since then and talk often by telephone.

The visit is being billed as a "celebration" of the good relations the two countries have, relations described by U.S. Ambassador James Blanchard as a world model.

JOBS

And it provides an opportunity for the leaders to revisit their strikingly similar election themes: jobs.

Trade between the two countries is the largest in the

world. Canada and the United States are now doing almost \$1 billion a day in trade, says Raymond Chretien, Canada's ambassador to Washington.

"In my view, everything is in there."

The ceremonial signing of a new aviation agreement, the so-called Open Skies policy, underscores that. It establishes new aviation routes opening up new markets and reducing air cargo costs.

Being downplayed is Clinton's

meeting with Bloc Québécois Leader Lucien Bouchard, which will be far from the red carpet treatment afforded Quebec Premier Jacques Parizeau when he visited Paris last month.

Clinton will not stray from the American tried-and-true policy on Quebec separation: the U.S. has enjoyed good relations with a united Canada, but Quebec's future is an internal matter.

Any misstep could destabilize the situation and upset money markets, Sands says.

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Sunny and mild today, with temperatures reaching 3. On Tuesday, light snow, cooler and windy, with a high of -2 and a low of -9.



The Townships

Lobby group argues for change within Canada

Anglo needs forgotten, Townshippers tells hearing

By Maurice Crossfield

SHERBROOKE — Members of the Townshippers Association presented their view of a Quebec in Canada to the travelling commission on sovereignty in Sherbrooke Friday.

"Our position remains the same," spokeswoman Marjorie Goodfellow said. "Quebec benefits from Confederation."

Townshippers Association, which claims 10,000 members, told the commission that linguistic relations in the Eastern Townships are excellent, adding a positive element to Quebec society.

"We are all immigrants with a long history," said Goodfellow, who presented the brief entirely in French. "We constitute a part of Quebec society worth saving."

But saving the English speaking community is something the Quebec government is failing to do, according to the association.

"In a Quebec which has focused for the last 20 years on constitutional arrangements rather than the very real crisis of everyday life affecting its citizens, one has to question whether the real priorities have been addressed," Goodfellow said.

The Townshippers brief pleads for settlement of outstanding differences within the existing constitutional

framework.

Nearly 60 per cent of anglophones in the region are bilingual, Goodfellow told commissioners, but an aging population and the exodus of youth are a death knell for the anglo community. Over the last 20 years, primary and secondary school enrolment in English schools has fallen by almost half, according to the brief Goodfellow deposited with the commission.

STATISTICS

The Townshippers brief contained research done by sociologist and Commission vice-chairman Gary Caldwell supporting the thesis that young anglos continue to leave the region. Caldwell was not at the hearings Friday.

"It is time to leave behind the exaggerated preoccupation with political structures, and move on to those matters which more closely affect the lives of all citizens," Goodfellow told the commission.

Goodfellow was then questioned by an emotional Louise Paquette. While trying to hold back tears, Paquette said she had trouble with the fact the Townshippers didn't understand why being left out of the 1982 constitutional agreement was so painful for French Quebecers.

Townshippers why they feel they would not be properly treated in an independent Quebec. Goodfellow replied by quoting the brief, pointing out the youth exodus and declining incomes of English speakers. She said the needs of the anglophone community are not being met.

"There have been major changes in the needs of anglophones in the last 20 years," she said.

Sherbrooke MNA Marie Malavoy sat in on the commission hearings Friday. She asked why Quebec needed to be controlled from Ottawa with such things as the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC).

Goodfellow replied by citing the example of Quebecers travelling to other provinces. In health emergencies, they might not be covered by the Quebec medicare program.

"I think the federal government has the right and the obligation to establish norms," Goodfellow said.

Goodfellow was then questioned by an emotional Louise Paquet. While trying to hold back tears, Paquet said she had trouble with the fact the Townshippers didn't understand why being left out of the 1982 constitutional agreement was so painful for French Quebecers.

Commissioner Pierre Patenaude also became emotional while cross-examining Goodfellow.

"Can you ask Quebecers to forget the wound they suffered in 1982?"

But Goodfellow didn't agree. She went on to say that the best way to improve relations with other provinces and make things better for Quebec is by serving as an example of how well English and French-speaking people can get along.

"It is the ordinary people who make the impressions," she said.

Afterwards, Goodfellow said she was pleased with the presentation. She said the emotional questioning was proof to her that the members of the travelling commission were working hard.

"I am happy to see people take



As Marjorie Goodfellow explained in Sherbrooke, Townshippers Association would like to see Quebec's real problems addressed within the existing Canadian constitution. RECORD: PERRY BEATON

views so seriously," she said. But Goodfellow says the Townshippers brief, while well received, probably won't change

the views of many on the commission. "I don't have any false notions that we have made people

change their minds," she said. "But I am convinced that what was said today will have an effect on the final report."

Jacques Parizeau comes to Sherbrooke

Premier downplays results of poll

SHERBROOKE — Despite polls which say support for Quebec sovereignty remains too slight to carry victory for Yes forces, Premier Jacques Parizeau says he won't roll back the date for the upcoming referendum.

In Sherbrooke Friday to attend the annual citizenship awards, *Gala reconnaissances Estrie*, the premier downplayed the CROP-Environics poll released late last week, showing support for separation stuck at about 40 per cent.

However, Parizeau hinted that he may re-phrase the referendum question put to voters, and reaffirmed his opinion that most Quebecers really favor of his party's option.

"Quebecers are for sovereignty," said Parizeau. "But they need guarantees on, for example, economic association."

"The results vary from week to week," Parizeau continued. "If I react to each new poll and change my strategy accordingly we wouldn't be able to get out of the hotel."

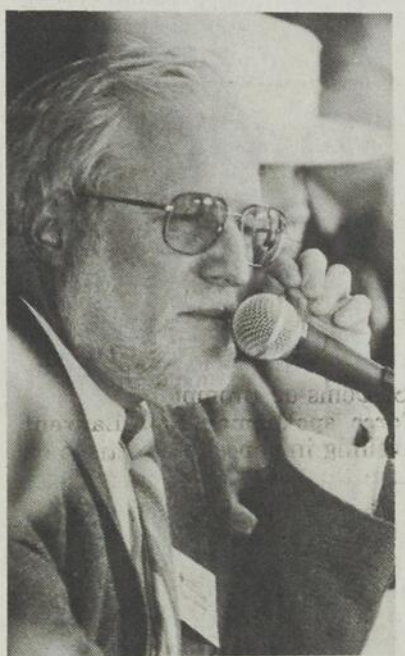
Parizeau had little to say in response to comments made Friday to a Radio-Quebec reporter by Johnson MNA Claude Boucher in which he said many Quebecers appear ready to give Canada one last chance at solving the constitutional issue.

"I say if they say No to this, we declare sovereignty" Boucher is reported to have said.

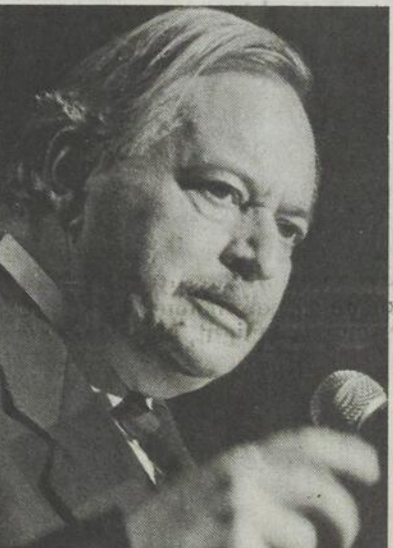
According to last week's poll, support among voters for Quebec independence is at 40 per cent while 55 per cent of respondents favor sovereignty with an economic association with the rest of Canada.

Parizeau later joined Sherbrooke MNA Marie Malavoy and about 600 supporters at the Granada Theatre on Wellington St. North. Forced to resign as minister of culture because of voting illegally, Malavoy was given several standing ovations by her Sherbrooke supporters.

"If I understand you properly," Parizeau said, echoing the Yes campaign slogan. "The time is now."



Patenaude...The wound suffered in 1982.



Premier Parizeau...Time is now?

'Still talk across the table and respect one another'

Townships struggle to stay calm despite divisions

By Jack Branswell

LENNOXVILLE (CP) — There is a long and jealously guarded tradition in the Eastern Townships that the French and English live side by side, play together and agree to disagree when no compromise can be found.

But that spirit of tolerance is being tested.

The gentle rolling hills and lush farm land bely the sometimes bitter debate between federalists and separatists at the Townships' sovereignty hearings.

It will pass, says Lynn Charpentier, the gregarious chairwoman of the commission. "It's typical of the Eastern Townships that people can be of totally opposite opinions but can

still talk across the table and respect one another," said Charpentier, pushing long, jet-black hair from her face.

The Townships commission has brought out more regional concerns than providing a definition for sovereignty, the purpose of the public hearings.

It has also stirred up a witch's brew of francophone frustration and anglophone angst.

Some of the area's 45,000 anglophones — who make up seven per cent of the overall population — have served up patriotic testimonials to Canada.

"It aches me to see that a majority vote could take my country away from me," said Marlis Wehr, a former education administrator.

Anglophones haven't been

alone in waving the Canadian flag.

"Quebec is my cradle and Canada my house," farmer Aldéi Beaudoin said at a meeting in Asbestos.

"They are as dear to me as my two hands."

In the last provincial election only two Parti Québécois members were elected in the regions' eight ridings but support for sovereignty is far from moribund.

The commission has heard numerous pro-separation briefs from many francophones fed up with Ottawa's refusal to give Quebec more powers.

"If you want us to stay then say something that will keep us," student Guy Grenier told federalists at one hearing.

The commission has also heard myriad francophone sovereigntists complaining about injustices they suffered at the hands of anglophone bosses.

Normand Cabana, speaking in a shaky voice, recalled working

for a hydroelectric company in the 1950s when only three francophones were employed and English was the only language used in the plant.

"We always felt that we weren't really at home," he said.

But Russell Pocock, a 43-year-old organic farmer, said it's time Quebecers make peace with the past.

"People are carrying this stuff around," he said. "I think they need an enema."

—What some people said:—

Quotes from the sovereignty commission touring the Eastern Townships:

● "This project is on the table whether anybody likes it or not. If it touches you in any way you have to give your opinion. Otherwise may you rest in peace." — Lynn Charpentier, chairwoman of the Eastern Townships sovereignty commission, on why all Quebecers should take part.

● "I'm voting No because I have no confidence in the people that want to take us on that adventure." — Russell Pocock, an organic farmer

who voted Yes in the 1980 referendum.

● "Do you think the day after a close No vote that the majority of French Quebecers will be happy? Do you think the problem will be solved?" — Claude Rompré, a Parti Québécois aide speaking to a federalist.

● "You're asking us to forget history and have confidence." — commission vice-chairman and Coaticook Mayor André Langevin, addressing a federalist.

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Paradis faces new challenges on his own

The results of Monday's byelection leave little room for complacency on the part of Liberals, even though their candidate Denis Paradis won by 3300 votes.

Paradis trailed his Bloc opponent in the major centers of the riding in spite of some hard campaigning and cameo appearances by a string of senior cabinet ministers.

It's unlikely Brome-Missisquoi will ever see that kind of high-powered Liberal strength or national media attention again. In a general election and a referendum campaign, senior Liberals will be focusing their efforts on ridings held by the Parti Québécois and the Bloc Québécois. And barring disaster, forget the TV cameras.

That means Paradis will have to develop a strong support network of his own. He won't be able to rely on brother Pierre's machine next time around, and if he's looking to the Brome-Missisquoi Liberal riding association for help, federalists are in real trouble.

Riding association president Eugene Bachand was nowhere to be seen throughout the campaign, and was notably absent from Paradis' victory party Monday night. Bachand had hoped to clinch the nomination himself but backed out reluctantly after a tête-à-tête with party brass. A month later the Cowansville lawyer was awarded a lucrative federal contract by the justice ministry, and that was the last Liberals saw of him.

Only a handful of riding association executive members showed more than a passing interest in a campaign run largely by professional organizers. Even parachuted candidate Joan Kouri had more local Liberals around her during the 1993 federal election. And that's not saying much for the guy whose campaign slogan was "un gars de chez nous".

Now, local Liberals will have their work cut out for them.

A cursory look at the results of Monday's vote reveal a disturbing polarisation of voters around a single issue. Communities have been labelled 'federalist' or 'separatist'. It won't be long before individuals follow. If allowed to continue unchecked, the harmony and social peace which has existed here for so long will be upset.

Premier Jacques Parizeau has to call the referendum as promised so that ordinary Quebecers can get on with their lives, and with their neighbors, as they always have. And the next time voters go to the polls to elect an MP, they should be able to do it for what he will accomplish, and not for what he will prevent.

SHARON McCULLY

Don't just holler it out the window

A strike isn't the best way for students to protest an increase in tuition fees, says Charlie Downey, writing in the Vancouver-based student newspaper the Gleaner:

A strike is a useful tool when applied in the context of collective bargaining. A beleaguered workforce can compel management-owners to address grievances through the exercise of economic force. Fine.

But advocating a students' walkout on a nationwide basis... is inappropriate and does nothing to enhance our credibility as a political force.

Wasting a full day's operating costs at postsecondary institutions nationwide as a means of protesting lack of funding is ironic, to say the least.

Even petulant, some will say.

In effect, a walkout demonstrates the strength of our resolve by showing that we have the wherewithal to remain in bed for a day. So there. How dramatic; how embarrassing!

A more effective means of protest is to tell legislators, "We're mad as hell and we're not going to take it any more!" But don't just holler it out the window; write a letter instead. Write two letters. Write 10.

From What Canada Thinks, a regular feature of The Canadian Press

Did you know that?

VALIUM TRIVIA

Valium is a trademark for a brand of tranquilizer and muscle relaxant. It also may be called diazepam.

Letters to the Editor

France thought most of herself

Dear Mr. Editor,

It appears that France has agreed to recognize Quebec as a sovereign country as soon as it votes "YES", or separates from Canada, thus appearing heroic, and

being able to secure her trade with this French-speaking country. Quite a change from her actions recorded in the Treaty of Paris in 1763 when she willingly gave up Canada in return for the islands of St. J'er-

re and Miquelon with their fishing rights, and that wealthy sugar island of Guadeloupe, with Martinique, Belle Isle, and St. Lucia.

Many, at that time, thought that she came off best financially, and

now she hopes to gain credit, and later profit, from Quebec, at no cost to herself. In the last 60 years France has certainly thought most of herself—note her actions during the last War.

Yours faithfully,
HANK ROTHERHAM
Salt Spring Island, B.C.
formerly of Knowlton

We did our very best

Letter to the Editor,

On February 14, the ad hoc committee appeared in front of the commission on the future of Quebec. In a lost effort we tried and we believe we succeeded in showing that an injustice is taken place concerning the merger of the municipalities of Beebe Plain, Rock Island and Stanstead Plain.

The people to blame for this injustice on the elected members of our councils.

When they had it in their power to say we have to go to our people, they chose not to. The 21 members took it on their own to say that this merger had to go there without the people's say. It's a decision they might have to live with.

We did our very best but the decision is in municipal affairs minister's hands.

GUY CORRIVEAU
for the ad hoc
committee
Beebe



Veteran MPs spared in pension reform plan

By Jim Brown

OTTAWA (CP) — Some long-serving members of Parliament — including several high-profile cabinet ministers — may escape the full brunt of pension reform under proposals being studied by the Liberal government.

Prime Minister Jean Chretien has promised changes to the gold-plated plan that allows MPs with six years of service to collect pensions as soon as they leave office, regardless of age.

Cabinet has yet to decide on details. But confidential proposals outlined to Liberal backbenchers over the last two weeks would, in

effect, hit new MPs harder than their veteran colleagues.

Sources say the key element is a complex formula that would take account of age, years of service and amount paid into the pension fund.

The net effect would be to make most MPs wait until age 55 or 60 to collect. But some could collect as early as 50 if they have 15 years in office.

GENEROUS RATES

As well, veterans elected in 1984 or earlier could continue to pay into the plan — and receive matching contributions from the public purse — at the current generous rates.

Those elected later would see the government portion of

contributions slashed, thus reducing the payout at retirement time.

Among the veterans who would fare best: Deputy Prime Minister Sheila Copps, Public Works Minister Dave Dingwall, Fisheries Minister Brian Tobin and Immigration Minister Sergio Marchi.

All are in their early 40s or late 30s. They were unusually young when first elected and have already been in the Commons for more than a decade.

They wouldn't collect automatically if they leave before the minimum age of 50. But they would still get earlier and higher

benefits than newer MPs.

Critics have already begun to pounce. Reform MP Ed Harper, responding to earlier media reports, characterized the government plan as "a reduced trough for the new MPs and the original pork barrel for the Liberal frontbenchers."

FOR EVERYONE?

Copps chose her words carefully in reply, saying "the new system will apply to all members." She didn't comment on whether the system would provide equal benefits to all members.

Other Liberals, speaking privately, say it wouldn't be fair to penalize veteran MPs who have already made retirement plans by changing the rules in mid-career.

"It may not even be legal to do it," says one insider. "They could have legal recourse."

David Somerville, president of the National Citizens' Coalition and a vocal critic of the present system, agrees that slashing benefits retroactively could "set a dangerous precedent."

"But these people set up the plan for themselves, so they're in a conflict of interest in the first place. It's a very difficult question."

Plan would get rid of double dipping

OTTAWA (CP) — A quick look at the battle over parliamentary pensions.

CURRENT PLAN: Backbencher gets \$19,000 in pension money — 30 per cent of annual salary of \$64,000 — after six years service. Cabinet ministers get more. Benefits rise to 75 per cent of salary with 15 years of service.

PROMISES: 1993 election red book said Liberals would consider minimum age for collecting benefits. Would also end double-dipping — the practice of continuing to collect pension when named to another government job.

ACTION: Delayed by fierce debate within Liberal caucus and cabinet. Younger members want radical reform, older members say they've earned their benefits.

LATEST PLAN: Cabinet considering sliding scale to take account of age, years of service and contributions to pension fund. Effect would be to favor some long-serving MPs.

DEADLINE: Prime Minister Jean Chretien says he wants to legislate no later than federal budget at end of February.

Women refugee guidelines get mixed reviews

By Sarah Binder

MONTREAL (CP) — Battered women like Taramatie Ramsuhag are supposed to benefit from Canada's guidelines on female refugees, a revolutionary policy introduced two years ago that is watched closely by many countries.

But after making her home in Montreal for seven years, Ramsuhag and her three children aged 9, 11, and 13 were put on a plane Feb. 10 and shipped back to Trinidad-Tobago.

Her removal particularly rankles women's groups because Ramsuhag's former husband, who she says abused her during their 14 years together, has been allowed to stay in Canada.

Her supporters say Ramsuhag fell victim to the tougher line being taken at the Immigration Department and was let down by the Immigration and Refugee Board guidelines which made an international human-rights splash in 1993.

The guidelines made Canada the first country to officially recognize that women may be persecuted differently than men.

Adding another dimension to the UN definition of refugees, the policy aimed to protect women fearing abuse such as spousal violence or government-sanctioned

rape.

But the guidelines are not binding.

Problems are cropping up in the way individual immigration officers interpret them, said Flora Fernandez, a spokeswoman for the National Action Committee on the Status of Women.

NAC wants gender persecution enshrined in law.

"As long as the concept of gender persecution is not included in the (UN-defined) concept of refugee, it will remain at the discretionary power of immigration officers," Fernandez said in an interview.

The Commons committee on immigration last week began studying the effect of the guidelines. It is looking into why there has not been an increased

number of gender-related claims, said acting chair Liberal MP Eleni Bakapanos.

Not everyone sees a problem with the guidelines.

Canada's stance is "light-years ahead" of other countries, said Nanda Na Shampassak, spokeswoman for the Ottawa office of the UN High Commission for Refugees.

Immigration lawyers say the guidelines are effective working tools for immigration officers, making them sensitive to issues such as domestic violence or oppressive religious customs.

STEP FORWARD

"It was definitely a step forward," says Montreal lawyer Diane Bélanger.

Bélanger doesn't represent

refugees, but the guidelines have helped some of her clients seeking permanent residency on humanitarian grounds.

The guidelines have been useful, but recent court decisions that define who is eligible for refuge in Canada are more important, adds Ron Shacter of Toronto's Parkdale Community Legal Services.

His legal clinic has fought about 10 gender-related claims, a third of all its refugee claimants since 1993.

Most of them were denied, even though the women were considered credible.

"The main reason women are turned down now is that the countries they come from are thought to be able to provide them protection," Shacter said.

"That has nothing to do with the guidelines."

Preventing gender-related persecution?

By The Canadian Press

A Commons committee is studying the effect guidelines on gender-related persecution have had on refugee claims. Some facts about the guidelines:

WHAT THEY ARE: Way for immigration officers to assess women refugee claimants.

WHAT THEY DO: Protect from persecution specific to women, such as domestic violence and government-sanctioned rape.

HOW THEY WORK: Official looks at general conditions in claimant's country. Are there oppressive

laws only for women? How severe are penalties if disobeyed? Is there adequate state protection?

NUMBER OF CLAIMS IN 1993: 350. Of 150 finalized, 70 per cent recognized as refugees.

IN 1994: Of 367 finalized, 64 per cent (210) recognized as refugees. 257 claims were still pending as of Dec. 31.

QUOTE: "The floodgates argument doesn't stand up." Suzanne Mayhew, spokeswoman for Immigration and Refugee Board, on criticism that the policy would result in a flood of claims.

Farm and Business

the Record

Budget cutbacks

Farm aid programs will be slashed, too

By Larry Johnsrude

OTTAWA (CP) — Crunch time may be coming for costly farm-income support programs, some farm leaders say.

They fear Finance Minister Paul Martin will look at the more than \$1 billion farmers receive yearly in taxpayer-funded income support when he chops the budget later this month.

"There's no doubt that the axe is swinging relatively low over our necks," said Nettie Wiebe, president of the National Farmers Union.

Larry Maguire, president of the Western Canada Wheat Growers Association, shares her worries.

"We're certainly aware that we're near the top of the list to get cut this year," he said.

However, others said federal support has already dropped and they don't think it can be cut any further.

Farmers received about \$2.5 billion in cost-shared support programs in 1993-94 to stabilize their incomes and to compensate them for crop failures. Ottawa contributed about \$1 billion to those programs.

On average, farm aid programs paid farmers between

\$51.90 and \$64.25 a hectare (\$21 to \$26 an acre).

They also received an indirect federal freight subsidy worth \$560 million to cover the cost of transporting their grain to market.

Agriculture Minister Ralph Goodale has made no secret that farm subsidies may be on the chopping block.

"We would logically expect that far from going up, the dollars available in the budget would be going down," Goodale said.

He wouldn't speculate on the cuts Martin may have in mind.

The agriculture minister is reviewing the myriad of farm programs aiming to lump them together on one so-called "whole-farm safety net" that would be easier and less costly to administer.

It would incorporate the Gross Revenue Insurance Program, crop insurance and the Net Income Stabilization Account into one larger, comprehensive program.

"The objective is to provide a long term predictable underpinning for farm incomes that will achieve stability that would not otherwise be there," Goodale said.

Transport minister warns:

Rail strike would force legislation

By Allan Swift

MONTREAL (CP) — Transport Minister Doug Young has warned the country's biggest railway union that a strike would likely be met with back-to-work legislation.

Young met Friday in Bathurst, N.B. with the head of the Canadian Auto Workers, Buzz Hargrove, who asked the minister to force CN Rail, CP Rail and Via Rail back to the bargaining table.

Young refused.

Talks involving a conciliation commissioner failed to produce a contract, and a strike could come early next month.

Also on Friday, another railway union announced it is changing its strategy to hit and run tactics instead of a national strike, to avoid government intervention.

The Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees will focus on specific shippers and locations for short work

disruptions or "work-to-rule" tactics to delay trains.

"We're not going to do things like in the past," spokesman Gary Housch said in an interview from Ottawa. "Our objective is to hurt the companies' bottom line enough that they'll come back and negotiate in good faith."

"Walking off and shutting down the whole railway leads to government intervention."

The last industry-wide rail strike was in 1987, lasting less

than a week before Ottawa stopped it with legislation.

The brotherhood's 3,200 track maintenance workers at CP Rail have just about completed a strike ballot, voting so far 75 per cent in favor, while 4,900 members at CN Rail are also being polled.

Human Resources Minister Lloyd Axworthy is expected to release shortly the conciliator's report. Seven days later the companies and unions can call a strike or lockout.

Analysts aren't surprised

Rating agencies getting tough on debtors

TORONTO (CP) — The review of Canada's triple-A credit by a U.S. credit-rating firm may have more to do with the problems in Mexico than the federal budget expected later this month.

The timing of Moody's announcement on Thursday — less than two weeks before a critical federal budget — surprised many analysts, some of whom saw ulterior motives.

Sherry Cooper, chief

economist at Nesbitt Burns Inc., said Moody's didn't want to be late warning investors about Canada's problems, as it was with Mexico's.

"They seem to be far more aggressive than they were a year ago," Cooper said, noting Moody's downgraded Sweden six weeks ago, just days before its budget.

All government debt has become riskier because of increased market volatility, she

said.

Vincent Truglia, senior analyst at Moody's, said the coming federal budget is only one of many influences on the credit rating. He called suggestions the review of federal debt was timed for competitive reasons "nonsense."

One concern is the failure of deficits to fall further, given the economy's strength. Another has been the proof given by Mexico of how capital flows can impair a government's ability to repay even its domestic-currency debt, Truglia said.

Mexico was on the verge of defaulting on peso-denominated short-term debt when the U.S. engineered its bailout last month.

Moody's said Friday the AA1 ratings on foreign-currency debt issued by Imperial Oil Ltd. and Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada would also drop should the federal government be downgraded.

Sun Life CEO John McNeil said Friday he would be unhappy if his company lost its credit rating because of "25 years of fiscal mismanagement".

Group lobbying for green tax incentives

TORONTO (CP) — Removing subsidies and tax breaks from businesses and using the money to protect the environment would stimulate Canada's economy and boost tax revenues, says a group of green business leaders.

The Coalition for a Green Economic Recovery plans to take its economic proposals to today's meeting of federal and provincial environment ministers, coalition spokesman Wayne Roberts said Sunday.

"With the tax revolt and tax fatigue in the air, it is up to the environmentalists to enter the fray and show how we can do more with less," said Roberts.

The proposals include:

—Phasing out subsidies to farmers who use pesticides and other chemicals while introducing incentives to plant environment-friendly crops, like hemp.

—Replacing an expected gasoline tax of two cents per litre with a comparable cut in subsidies to the oil and gas industry.

—Creating tax incentives for homeowners who invest in making their homes more energy efficient.

—Discouraging foreign investment by forcing Canadians to invest RRSP savings and pension plans in Canada.

Besides meeting the environment ministers, the coalition plans to take its ideas to Finance Minister Paul Martin before he releases his budget this month.

Anti-tax rally mobilizes 300

WINDSOR, Ont. (CP) — Anger mounted at an anti-tax rally here Thursday as taxpayers watched the digits of a debt scoreboard click upwards at a rate of \$4.5 million an hour — symbolic of Canada's mounting national debt.

Governments of all stripes talk of deficit reduction to justify their tax hikes, yet that debt scoreboard has never moved down in the last 30 years, the crowd of about 300 was told.

"Let's get together and let's do

Anti-tax rally mobilizes 300

something, let's have a Boston Tea Party here," shouted Andrew Stoiko of Windsor. "Let's have a bloody national strike, a tax strike!"

Thursday's meeting was organized by the Ontario arm of the Canadian Taxpayers Federation. It is holding similar meetings across the country to mobilize support for its no-tax-increase stance as federal Finance Minister Paul Martin prepares his budget for release later this month.

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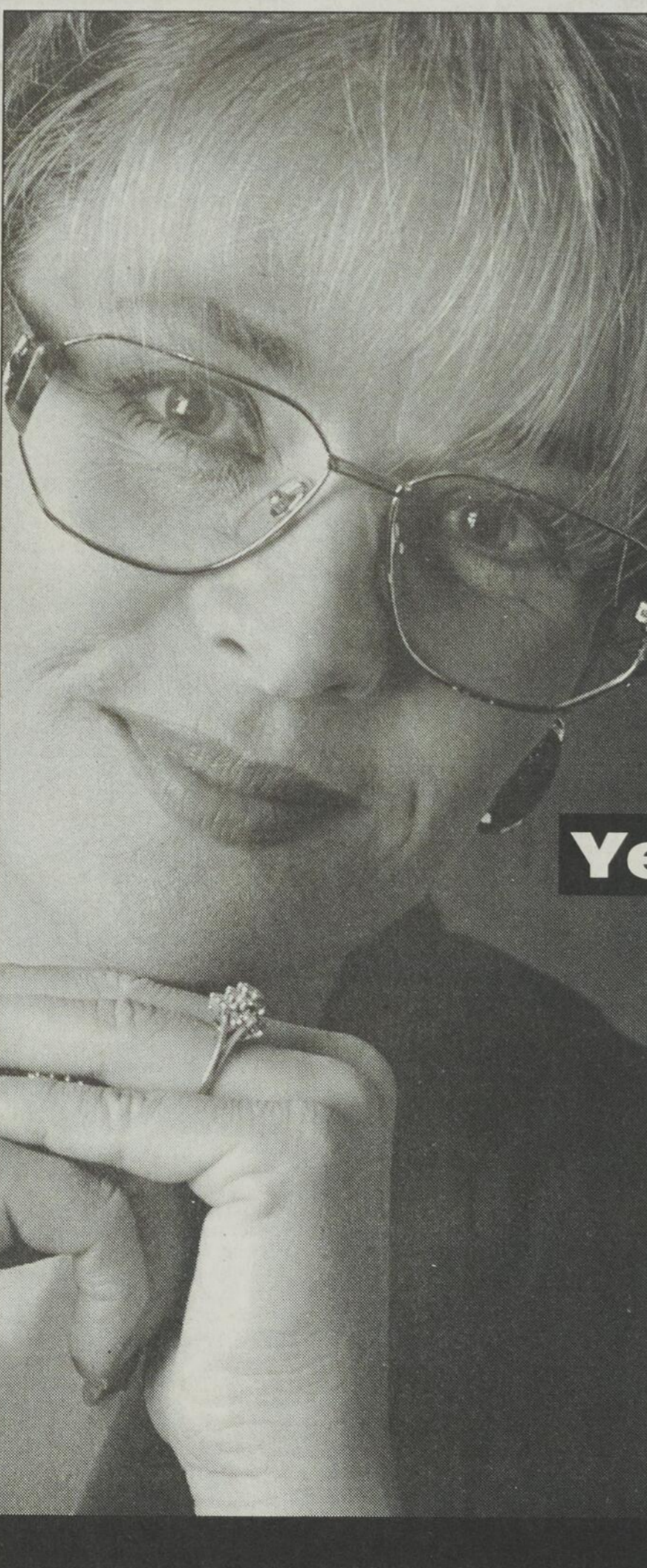
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Social notes

Installation of executive at Danville Legion Branch 41



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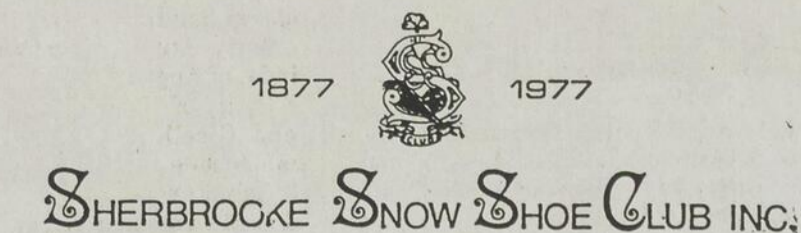


Ladies Auxiliary — Left to right: A. Montmeny, Sgt.-at-Arms; H. Anthony, Executive Committee; D. Evans, Secretary; D. Pinard, 1st Vice; H. Arseneau, Installation Officer; S. O'Brien, President; D. Cook, Treasurer; S. Cote, District Commander No. 8 District; B. O'Brien, 2nd Vice.

Ladies received special valentine treatment on their night

It was the perfect way to enjoy a wintry Saturday evening on February 11 as 1st Vice President Mac Jube called in the head table guests and the show was underway. First in was Harry Graham and his wife Janice. (Since we are going to work him later - the least we can do is feed him). Next, 2nd Vice President Hawkeye Hardy and his wife Rosalind were followed by a Blue something or other chameleon Bill Lyon and his wife Theresa. Mac then introduced his wife Beatrice and she was followed by President Cecil Blenkhorn and Kay Winget. They were not followed by Treasurer Phil Kerwin and Nancy Hibbert (they were doing something more interesting than eating - taking in money). The secretary and his wife Frances were called in next and Mac tried to tell everybody his work was done.

However, many pointed out there were two empty chairs at the table and two people standing back by the fire-place, warming their heels? Malcolm with a face coloured to rival his red jacket called in Chorister Basil and Polly Allatt. During the uproar Phil and Nancy slid into their seats. With all in place the Chief Hornblower tooted his horn, welcomed the assembled throng and called on Rev. Doug Warren to say grace. He remembered all the words and the soup was on. The beef bourguignon with potatoes and carrots was not far behind. 2nd Vice Ed Hardy wanted to enjoy his pie so he called for the Governor-General's Toast early. The pies arrived and the dilemma was on. Which



would you enjoy enough to put up with guilt feelings later? The choices were infinite - apple or berry, chocolate or cherry, custard or lemon. They were all there for choosing, but shucks, only one. It certainly was good.

The introduction of guests brought many to their feet, but when it came to distances Fred Hicks couldn't be beat. He had daughter Margaret and her son from Cornwall. Then he had daughter Jean from Vancouver and Jean's friend Steve Bloomfield made it all the way from Australia. Thanks were extended by President Cecil, after a great big blow, to (1) The Sgt.-at-Arms for finding room to put all the cars in the parking lot; (2) To the White Knights and their extra helpers for serving so well; (3) To Jeanette and her kitchen crew for the delicious meal and (4) To George and Elma Jobel for their decorations. He also noted in this Valentine's week that George and Elma had just celebrated their 52nd wedding anniversary. This drew an extra round of applause.

The ½ & ½ was drawn and in order not to change anyone's tax bracket it was divided between two winners. With a true valentine sentiment the winners were both ladies - Rennie Leckie and Edith Morrisette. In our usual draw for the head table flower arrangement the winner was Barbara Lyon, the Honorary President's wife. Since it was also her birthday we serenaded her. The president's special Valentine bouquet complete with hearts and a teddy bear was won by Louise Bruce.

Announcements were made and preparations for the singing led by Grant Taylor and Basil Allatt which followed the hearts and flowers theme. They even got brave and had the gents sing to the ladies and vice versa. It was all finished off with that lovely sentimental ballad - Jingle Bells.

After all the tables were cleared, Bill Lyon showed up again. Bill is here this time as a representative of Blue Party. He changes colour between Red and Blue so often he must be a chameleon.

Bill introduced Harry Graham to sing the Blues. Sorry I got that wrong - Harry was going to auction a number of items and the husbands would sing the blues as they had to pay up. The auction went well and since The Club is getting a percentage on each sale, it may put a few new squares on the roof. Squares of shingles that is.

The chairs were then moved back to the walls, the floor cleared, the lights lowered and we danced away the remainder of the evening to the strains of "The Olde Tyme Four" - Carlyle McBurney, Bud Little, Harold Nutbrown and Terry Howell. The weather outside may be freezing, but that inner warmth of friendship and caring snuggled right up next to the fireplace.

Submitted by R. Dewar
Secretary SSSC

Gore W.I. presentation



Muriel Duffy (left) President of Gore W.I. is seen congratulating Audrey Millar when she presented her with her 25 year pin at a recent meeting.

Birthday greetings to godmother and godfather

Happy birthday to my godfather Bobby Derby on February 25 and my godmother "Lu" Badger on February 20. May your days be filled with love always.

Love
Crystal Badger



Lordy Lordy
Sakes Alive,
Our Little
Varmet
Is Already Five!!
Happy Birthday
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of Warden

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Babby, Goopa
and Nana
We Love You
xxx

Here's why God never got tenure

Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: Frankly, I am surprised that someone who owes her entire career to the Postal Service would allow the public to bash it so unmercifully and not say one word to defend it.

Will you please repeat one more time that the U.S. post office does not receive a dime of taxpayer money? It operates from postage revenue only. Also, tell your readers that 32 cents to mail a letter is about half the rate other industrial countries pay. My relatives in Germany must pay 62 cents for a stamp to mail a letter locally.

Any organization with over 700,000 employees is bound to have some bad apples in the barrel. Let me assure you that they are tossed out as soon as they are discovered. Postal employees who steal or delay the delivery of mail are not only fired, but sometimes, they go to prison.

The post office is trying to automate a system that handles billions of pieces of mail every year, so it is inevitable that there will be a few glitches. In my opinion, it is doing a darned good job at a bargain price. Please say something to make it look good. -- SANTA ROSA, CALIF.

DEAR SANTA ROSA: You did, and I'm printing it.

DEAR READERS: What follows was sent to me by Dr. Jay Arena, a world-class pediatrician who lives in Durham, N.C. Dr. Arena received it from his daughter, Caroline, an English professor at Santa Fe Community College in New Mexico. It was my laugh for the day, and I hope it will be yours:

- Why God Never Received Tenure at Any University
1. He had only one major publication.
 2. It was in Hebrew.
 3. It had no references.
 4. It wasn't published in a refereed journal.
 5. Some doubt He wrote it Himself.
 6. He may have created the world, but what has He done since?
 7. The scientific community can't replicate His results.
 8. He never got permission from the ethics board to use human subjects.
 9. When one experiment went awry, He tried to cover it up by drowning the subjects.
 10. He rarely came to class and just told students, "Read the Book."

11. Some say He had His son teach the class.
12. He expelled His first two students.
13. His office hours were irregular and sometimes held on a mountaintop.
14. Although there were only 10 requirements, most students failed.

Dear Ann Landers: I'm upset about the recent talk about bringing back prayer in our schools. Why don't the politicians realize that we already have prayer in our schools? As a teacher, I have often seen heads bowed before a test, before an athletic event and even before lunch.

We have more than 40 languages represented in our school. Any student who wants to pray may do so. They don't need some windbag at the microphone chanting his or her version.

Please tell those idiots in Washington that the Bill of Rights "ain't broke," so don't try to "fix" it! -- R.H., REDLANDS, CALIF.

DEAR RED: Beautiful. You speak for millions of Americans -- including me. Thank you.

Dear Ann Landers: What is this country coming to when people are ordered by the government to "get rid of your dog or lose your home"? I am not making this up, Ann. I received such a letter in the mail yesterday.

This incredible notice was sent by the New York Housing Authority to 600,000 people who live in the city's housing projects. I am quoting from this letter verbatim. It says, "Do not jeopardize the roof over your head. If you have a dog, get rid of it."

That's not all. New Yorkers were advised that their family pets can be put to sleep at the city pound. I can't believe people can be so cold-hearted. Don't the authorities who make these decisions realize how important a pet can be to children who live in the projects? These kids don't have much they can call their own. Their pets have a humanizing effect on their lives. Many of the children have lost a parent or close family member to the violence that

surrounds them. A pet is something to hold and love and talk to when times are rough.

Please, Ann, say something that might help. I am really heartsick about this. -- A DAILY READER IN N.Y.

DEAR N.Y.: According to Kathryn Freed, New York City councilwoman, the Housing Authority intended this regulation to keep pit bulls and other big dogs (often used by drug dealers) from intimidating the residents.

Some distinction should be made, and I do hope the New York Housing Authority will find a way to let the children in the projects keep their pets.

Dear Ann Landers: I recently purchased my first home -- a condominium on a lake -- and am quite pleased with it.

I have not had an opportunity to meet my neighbors yet. Most of them are so quiet that one never knows if they are at home. The occupants of the unit above mine are quite another story.

I am not so much concerned with the fact that they walk like elephants as I am with their nocturnal and early morning habits, which often disturb my sleep. Their bed, situated directly above mine, squeaks -- a lot. Needless to say, I know when, how often and how long, if you get my drift. Sometimes, there are other muffled sound effects as well.

I am not a prude, Ann, but if I were in their place, I would be embarrassed to death and would appreciate being told.

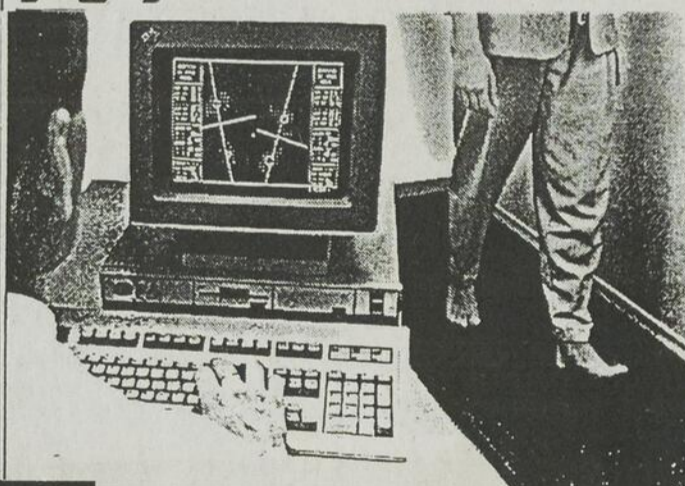
Is there any delicate way of letting my neighbors know that I can hear them without coming off as a killjoy and alienating them? Or would it be better to keep my mouth shut and be glad they don't fight? -- UNWILLING TO PARTY IN WASHINGTON STATE

DEAR PARTY: You can (and should) approach your neighbors about the problem without getting too graphic. Simply say your bedroom ceiling, which is their floor, is made of such flimsy material that you can hear every word they utter and every step they take. Unless they are morons, they will realize that you can also hear a few other things.

You might suggest that they consider thicker carpeting. (It sounds to me as if they have no carpeting, but you shouldn't assume this.)

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Obituary

THEODORE (TED) MUNN BUCK
of Sawyerville, Quebec

On January 26, 1995 at the Sherbrooke Hospital, Theodore (Ted) Munn Buck of Sawyerville, Quebec entered into eternal rest after a very brief illness. Although in failing health for some time, he was up and about as usual until suddenly lapsing into a coma, he passed away two days later.

Ted, son of Thomas Buck and Phyllis Traver, was born February 11, 1918 in a log cabin on property now owned by Benoit Corbeil on the North River Road in Sawyerville. The family moved to Orford Lake, Quebec where he spent his boyhood years and later to the Wakefield, Quebec area. Ted joined the 711 Hussars of Sherbrooke in 1940, transferring to active duty in 1941 as a driver with the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps in Valcartier. Following further training in England, he saw active service in Belgium, Holland and Germany where he was wounded by flying shrapnel. On demobilization in January 1946, he returned to Sawyerville. In August 1946 he married Agnes Bowker, R.N., daughter of Austin Bowker and Ruth Gilman of Sawyerville. Still suffering from service-related health problems, he entered the Queen Mary Vete-

ran's Hospital, Montreal, in November 1947 and subsequently underwent four major surgeries, leaving him partially disabled. On release from hospital in May 1949, he returned to Sawyerville where he supervised the building of a new home, and to convalesce for three more years. Later he was employed at General Plastics, Cookshire for thirteen years, and then at the Kimberley Clark Mill in Sawyerville. On the closure of the mill he retired at age fifty-nine.

To Ted and Agnes, retirement meant having the time to spend on their favorite hobby, gardening. Over the years their home became the showplace of the neighbourhood with the many beautiful flowers, trees and well kept lawns.

In 1985, Ted and his wife joined other veterans to return overseas for the 40th anniversary of the Allied Liberation of Holland. Following these celebrations, they spent two enjoyable weeks visiting Germany, Austria, Switzerland, France and Belgium.

Their travels also took them on three winter vacations to Jeddah, Saudi Arabia to visit their son, Robert, who is employed there. On one of these occasions

he enjoyed a few days in Greece. Several holidays were spent in Florida before Ted's health began to restrict his activities.

Left to mourn the loss of a loving husband, father and grandfather are his wife Agnes, son David and Sandra and their children Betty Anne, Bradley and Melinda, of Angus, Ontario, daughter Diane of Ottawa, son Robert and Giselle and their daughters Rachelle and Brigitte, of Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, and son Gary and Linda and sons Jason and Adam of Lennoxville. All but Betty Anne were able to be with their mother and grandmother for the funeral. Ted also leaves one sister, Becky and her husband Karrold Lindsay, as well as numerous nieces and nephews, many of whom were in attendance at his funeral. He was predeceased by brothers Traver and George and a half-sister Barbara.

The remains rested at L.O. Cass Funeral Home in Sawyerville. Under the direction of Mr. Raymond Thorne, the Legion members from the Sawyerville Branch as well as nearby branches, held an impressive Legion Service in honor of their deceased comrade. The flag-draped casket was later removed to the Sawyerville Baptist Church

where Ted had been a faithful member for many years.

The largely attended funeral was held on Sunday, January 29, officiated by Rev. Walter Gawa with Miss Wendy Hughes at the organ. The congregation sang two favorite hymns of the deceased, "Saved by Grace" and "Safe in the Arms of Jesus". Miss Hughes and Mrs. Kathryn Rothney beautifully rendered a duet, "Beyond the Sunset", accompanied by Mrs. Carolyn Bowker at the piano. Pallbearers for their Uncle Ted were Bill Buck, Walter Lindsay, Bert and Don Drouin, Kevin and Brent McVetty and Doug and Jeff Bowker.

Friends and relatives gathered at the Community Centre following the service where a lunch was served by the ladies of the Baptist Church.

The flowers and many donations to the Memorial Fund at the Sherbrooke Hospital, the Eaton Cemetery, Canadian Cancer Society and Gideon Bibles all spoke of the respect held by the family and friends of the deceased...a kind, warm-hearted and generous man who was a friend to all who knew him.

Interment will be in the Eaton Cemetery in the Spring. "Rest in peace, dear one."

Deaths

KEZAR, Eugene — At the Centre Hospitalier de Sherbrooke on Saturday, February 18, 1995. Eugene Kezar, age 89, of Sherbrooke. Father of Eugenio Kezar, Montreal and Ana Maria Kezar, Cuba. Grandfather of Christian, Eugene, David and Maria Eugenia, Cuba. Also left to mourn, Raymond and Kay Lesperence, other relatives and friends. A special thanks to Benoit and Lucie Rouleau, also Silvia Lapointe. Resting at Coopérative Funéraire de l'Estrie, 530 Prospect St., Sherbrooke, Que. — 565-7646, Alain Leclerc, Dir. Gen. Visitation on Monday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Funeral service at the Funeral Home on Monday, February 20, 1995 at 2 p.m. Interment at North Hatley Cemetery.

LACHAPPELLE, Elizabeth (Powers) — At La Providence Hospital, Magog, Que. on Saturday, February 18, 1995, in her 48th year. Beloved wife of Wayne. Dear mother of Douglas and Phillip. Sister of Marjorie, Gordon (Irene), Madeline (Alfred), Harold (Adele), Richard (Diane), Margaret (Bert), Alice (Roger) and Roger. Dear daughter-in-law of Douglas and Joyce Lachapelle. Sister-in-law of Neil and Laurie, Allen and Rachel. Nephews Dale and Martin as well as other nephews, nieces and friends. Dear friend of Roberta Dundas, Harvey, Robert Fontaine and Linda Heath and other relatives and friends. No visitation. Cremation. Interment of ashes in the Cherry River Cemetery in the spring. As memorial tributes, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be acknowledged. Many thanks to the doctors and staff at La Providence Hospital for the wonderful care given during her three weeks stay. Arrangements by Ledoux Funeral Home, Magog, Que.

WHEELER, Charles Henry — At the CHUS on Friday, February 17, 1995. Charles Henry Wheeler in his 76th year. Beloved husband of the late Mildred Young. Dear father of Sherley (Mark Buck), Stoke. Stepfather of Doris Akers (Lee Clough), North Hatley; Alex Akers, Belleville, Ont.; Robert Christie (Johanne Wheeler), Beauvoir; Joyce Christie, Sherbrooke; Thelma Christie, Sherbrooke; Rhoda Christie, Sherbrooke and Lester Christie, Sherbrooke. Brother of and brother-in-law of George Wheeler (Doris Young), North Hatley; Mrs. Albert Wheeler (Gladys Jamieson), Beauvoir; Mrs. Nelson Wheeler (Audrey Ward), Ontario and Mrs. Benjamin Jr. Wheeler (Eunice Standish), Ontario. Also left to mourn, many grandchildren, an aunt Louise Wheeler, Ontario; nieces and nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends. Resting at Steve L. Elkas Funeral Home, 601 Conseil Street, Sherbrooke — 565-1155, where funeral service will be on Monday, February 20, 1995 at 1 p.m. Visitation on day of the funeral from 12 noon. Interment at Elmwood Cemetery, Pastor Russ Hopkins officiating. As memorial tributes, donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation, 1360 King St. West, Sherbrooke, Que., J1J 2B6, would be gratefully appreciated.

West Keith

Mrs. Kay Olson
Courtney Broadhurst, Lennoxville spent a week with her grandparents, Glendon and June Morrison while her parents, Keith and Janet and her sister Stephanie were in Florida. Sue and Jordon Bishop, Sherbrooke were supper guests of Nancy and Kay Olson. Pauline and Ulric Nutbrown, Kinnear's Mills were Saturday supper guests at the home of Glendon and June Morrison.

Cards of Thanks

BUCK — The family of the late Ted Buck wish to thank all those who have expressed their sympathy by way of flowers, donations, cards, letters, visits, food and phone calls. Special thanks to Pastor Gawa for his support and comforting words, to Everett Boynton and those who provided music at the funeral. We especially thank Ray Thorne and all the Legion members for the tribute accorded at the Funeral Home. Dr. Lowry was our friend and physician during Ted's illness and we are very grateful for the services he rendered over the years. We also thank Drs. Paulette and Taylor for their care.

AGNES BUCK
AND FAMILY

ROGERS — The family of the late Howard Rogers would like to express their thanks to relatives and friends, near and far, for their kindness, cards, flowers, telephone calls and donations made in his memory, devoted staff of Sherbrooke Hospital, St. Francis Manor and especially Dr. Ferenczi. Please accept this as our personal thank you.

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Stanstead Chapter IODE hold regular and annual meeting which showed great activity in the past year

By Ivy Hatch

STANSTEAD — Stanstead Chapter IODE held their regular and their annual meeting on February 13, postponed from the previous week due to inclement weather.

The meeting took place in Stanstead College Lebaron Hall reception room. The attendance of 17 members gathered on the 95th anniversary of the Founding of IODE.

Gertrude Ketcham, Regent, welcomed everyone and presided over both sessions. Theresa Wallace presented the flags, after which O Canada was sung in English and French. The Prayer of the Order was recited. Monthly reports followed: Carol Emslie, secretary; Velma Eryou, treasurer; Communications, Ivy Hatch; Citizenship, Monica Lester; Membership, Maud Curtis.

Mrs. Lester also reported on the Nearly New Boutique and noted an article in Canadian Living Magazine about Help Us Feed Kids, and saving logos on certain foods which will give cash credits. It was decided to adopt the project.

Carol read an anniversary message from the National President, Valerie Willard, relative to the 95 year history of IODE and the changes since. However, a quote from her said "The person who fails to adopt new remedies is subject to new evils". She wrote "that the future of IODE matters not to our members but to the people of Canada. To remain viable, our programs must be relevant to the needs of the people."

The annual reports certainly indicates Stanstead Chapter has been and is doing "something for others," in keeping with the organization supporting in many ways the needs that arise.

After the motion of adjournment the annual meeting took place.

Carol Emslie presented the condensed, concise report from the reports of the secretaries.

There were nine monthly

meetings held, guests attended and welcomed, guest speakers at five of the meetings. Three executive meetings and a budget committee met.

The year 1994 marked the 70th anniversary of Stanstead Chapter with a gala celebration. A gift of two ARGUS security systems machines were presented to the SBRBBS and all are happy to know they are in use in the communities. Those, and five 25 year membership pins were presented at the anniversary dinner.

The Chapter at the end of the fiscal year had a membership of 51, to include one Life member. However all were saddened by the death of a second Life member.

The Education secretary report noted parcels of books, supplies and gifts were sent to the Chapter's adopted class in Labrador; Contributions to the local Vacation Bible School; Haskell Library; Sunnyside School; Stanstead College; Border Minor Hockey and Karoussel Pre-school.

Bursaries were awarded to two students graduating from High school and continuing their education at a higher level.

Book prizes were donated to the Ursuline Convent, Stanstead; IODE calendars were sold and donated to local schools, library and to the adopted class in the far North.

Citizenship, included 250 volunteer hours done in the communities in 1994. This included delivering Meals on Wheels, visiting sick and shut-ins, patients in hospitals, and nursing homes. Members participated in local Remembrance day activities. A parcel was delivered to Baffin House in Montreal.

Communications: All Chapter activities reported in the newspapers, on T.V. and radio. Posters made and put in public places.

Auralie Farfan's Services report was presented by her, noting knits and warm clothing

had been sent to a Nursing Station, school supplies and toys to schools in the far North, also used eye glasses to a Center.

Adding it all up the 1994 year for the Chapter had been a busy and successful one.

Velma Eryou, treasurer, in her annual report said all obligations had been sent to the National and Provincial IODE offices, and at the Primary level. The bridge marathon was played and a sum of \$500.00 donated to the Three Villages Swim Project.

Finances to donate and support all the many concerns of the Chapter was raised through the annual Bazaar, the Nearly New Boutique sales, coffee parties and donations to the Chapter.

Elinor Mansur officiated for the installation of officers for the 1995-96 year. Installed were Gertrude Ketcham, Regent; Monica Lester, and Elizabeth Redpath, first and second vice Regents; Velma Eryou, treasurer; Carol Emslie, secretary; Education, Elaine May; Membership, Maud Curtis; Citizenship, Monica Lester; Standard Bearer, Theresa Wallace; Services, Rheta Taylor and Ferne Dewey; Communications, Ivy Hatch.

Mrs. Mansur thanked these members for accepting their office and to all the officers and members for their dedication and work the past year. "We have made great strides in our 70 years as Stanstead Chapter IODE and we are the largest in Quebec", she said.

The Regent, Gertrude, then named her appointed committees: Bring and Buy treasurer, Carol Emslie; Bazaar chairperson, will be held September 30, Hermine Daghofer; Nearly New Boutique, Monica Lester, Anna Gain, Thelma Dustin, Auralie Farfan and Carol Emslie; Provincial counsellors, Gertrude Ketcham, Elizabeth Redpath and Ursula Ruf; Program, Rheta Taylor and Ruth Taylor.

The new business included a

Coffee party to be held on March 31 at the home of Elizabeth Redpath at 10:00 a.m. For members and invited guests.

The Record published an article about AGRHS and the librarian Barbara Heath who is needing funds to improve the library and in need of a computer, among other things, books etc.

The item from The Record was read by Ruby Greer, the matter discussed and a sum of \$300.00 voted to the fund, towards a computer along with good wishes and appreciation to Barbara and to The Record for bringing the matter to the public's attention.

The busy afternoon adjourned. The hostesses were Leslie Thomson and Thelma Dustin, assisted by Therese Winter and Dena Leblanc.

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On January 30 news was received here of the death of Miss Alice Penney. Alice had spent her younger years in Breakyville, Que., where she was employed. Shortly after her retirement she moved here to be near her sister, Mrs. Caroline Carson, remaining for several years. Early last fall she decided to relocate to Charney, Que., and to reside in a retirement home. Her death was very sudden and the news was a great shock. Thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Giguère, four others were able to attend the funeral on February 1st, namely, Kay Brock, Aleta Cleveland, Marjorie Barlow and Edith Stevens. Her remains rested at the Falardeau Funeral Home in Loretteville and the funeral service was held at Christ Anglican Church in Valcartier. The service was conducted by the Reverend Ruth Matthews and the Reverend Rodney Clark, both well known to Alice Penney. The funeral was well attended by relatives and old friends from the Valcartier area. Interment was in the cemetery adjacent to the church where the service was held.

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Border Senior Citizens enjoy casserole dinner and social time

ROCK ISLAND (IH) — A pleasant afternoon for the Border Senior Citizens took place in Stanstead South Church Hall on February 9 with a good attendance.

Geraldine Harvey, president, welcomed everyone and made several informative announcements.

A long table was arranged with a variety of delectable casseroles, salads, and other goodies with desserts in another location, where each served themselves after Ervin Goodwin had pronounced the blessing.

After kitchen duties were finished by several volunteers, Geraldine conducted the business of the afternoon.

Ruth Putney, sec.-protem, reported from the January meeting, also her financial report. Blanche Webb, at the annual meeting held in January was elected secretary, but due to eye surgery was unable to be active, however she has now assumed her office and took notes.

Cards were signed by everyone, one for Murray and Ethel Gilbert who were hospitalized a few days following a car accident in Rock Island. All were pleased to learn they had returned home on February 6, the other card was for Mildred Goodall, on the "not feeling well" list.

A card party was planned to be held in the church hall on March 30 with dessert at 1:00 p.m. Pies were

solicited, and gifts for door and game prizes offered.

A pot luck dinner will be held again in the church hall on March 9.

It was noted that the Benevolents at the R.H. Rediker Center have arranged a shopping trip to Carrefour and Wal-Mart for March 6.

Following adjournment a few games of Bingo were played with Geraldine the caller. Winners were Floyd Webb, Hazel Laberee, Dorothy Nutbrown, Irene Bacon, Ivy Hatch, Ervin Goodwin, Mildred Goodall, Blanche Webb, Bernice Bean, Lillian Goodwin, Helen Gratton, and a special Valentine gift was won by Sylvia Bronson.

Can this kitchen cabinet be saved?

By Anne B. Adams and Nancy Nash-Cummings

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: Can you provide a source for new granite (so-called porcelain) cabinet tops for those of us who are restoring or building the old "Hoosier"-type kitchen cabinets that were popular in the 1920s and '30s? — **BEVERLY and JERRY HIX, Pilot Grove, Mo.**

DEAR BEVERLY AND JERRY: We had a grand talk with the folks at Phyllis Kennedy Hardware, 9256 Holyoke Court, Indianapolis, IN 46286. Besides being experts in Hoosier restoration, they are the largest supplier in the world of Hoosier cabinet parts. They also have published a 168-page book called, fittingly enough, "Hoosier Cabinets" (\$14.95, plus shipping and handling), which includes a chapter on restoration.

Now, to your question. Kennedy's stocks only one size cabinet top, which is 41" wide, 27" deep and 7/8" high; it retails for \$77.50. It is solid white and does not have a granite edge.

If your cabinet top looks as if it might be saved, here are some ideas. If it is just terribly dirty, remove it and place it on a pair of sawhorses. Coat it with Sno-Bowl Toilet Cleaner, leave for a day, rinse off and polish with a non-abrasive cleaner.

If the counter top is badly marred, you might take it off the framework and turn it front to back, so that the damaged portion is concealed by the cabinet. It is also possible to have the counter re-porcelainized by someone who does bathtub refinishing. It is not recommended that you "do-it-yourself" with a bathtub refinishing kit, as it is difficult to achieve a perfectly smooth finish.

Did you know that by 1921 the five companies that were making Hoosier cabinets had sold 2-1/2 million of them?

STUMPED: Imogene Wilson of Mundelein, Ill., has us completely baffled! She writes: "Can you give me any information about where I can buy 'vinegar beans'... or I have heard them called 'vinegar bees.' When I was a young girl, my aunt used them to make a delicious drink. She would put about 1/2 cup of the beans in a gallon jar, add sugar and water and let sit overnight. It looked like tea and, if left several days, it turned into vinegar. The beans were transparent and about the size of pearl tapioca."

FEEDBACK: Debbie Fasano of Harker Heights, Texas, wondered where she could send her old and worn-out Bibles. Mrs. Erwin Torbeck of Deshler, Minn., suggested they be sent to Bible Pathway Ministries, 810 W. Thompson Lane, Murfreesboro, TN 37129. They would also appreciate commentaries, dictionaries, concordances and other Bible study books and ask that you include a donation of \$1 with each Bible or book to help defray shipping costs.

Homer Dotson of Leetonia, Ohio, writes that old Bibles will be gratefully accepted by The Gospel Tract and Bible Society, Moundridge, KS 67107.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I have 50 yards of white Japanese silk that was bought, and brought home, in 1945 from Japan. It was given to me by my boss for Christmas because I do a lot of sewing. I would like to have an idea of its value before I start cutting (I have in mind a doll's wedding gown). — **SANDRA PARR, Rushville, Ind.**

DEAR SANDRA: Although you didn't mention the width of the silk, our guess is that it is probably pretty narrow: between 30-34 inches. This, of course, makes it harder to work with.

We called our fabric restoration, conservation and appraisal expert, Evelyn Siefert Kennedy in Groton, Conn. She said that while the fabric hasn't any particular resale value, it is certainly a wonderful thing to have but suggested you NOT make doll clothes from it as, once you cut into it, you are going to find that it ravel terribly.

As a result, the small cuts you would have made for the bridal gown's sleeves, neck, etc. would be a problem. She suggested instead that with the addition of some lace, you could use it to make beautiful pillowcases or shams, a baptismal dress or a "grown-up" wedding dress or suit. Doll clothes would be the least favorable — or practical — use of the fabric.

If you would like to ask Evelyn any further questions, you can reach her at (203) 445-7320 or write to her at 391 Long Hill Rd., Groton, CT 06340.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I have some Guardian Service cook pots that I dearly love; however, they do get nasty on the outside. I used to clean them by inverting them on a gas stove burner and they cleaned up beautifully, but it doesn't work on electric. Any help you could give me would be greatly appreciated. — **WILMA DEACON, La Puente, Calif.**

DEAR WILMA: If you have a self-cleaning oven, put the pots in it and turn the oven on as if to clean. Remove pots, let cool and wipe. You may need to scrub them with a wire brush. If you don't have a self-cleaning oven, there is a product called Carbon Kleen that is especially recommended for Guardian cookware. You can order a 1-pint can (a little bit goes a long way) from The Stevenson Company, 212 Birchtree Lane, Lewisburg, PA 17837 for \$14.95. There is no additional charge for shipping and handling.

STUMPED: Could our readers please help us find a couple of crochet patterns? Donna Nielson of Groom Creek, Ariz., is looking for a pattern that goes on a bath towel. She writes:

"My grandmother used to make them for wedding gifts. It was a crocheted basket and you placed your washcloth in the basket on the towel."

Edith Ketterer of Willow Grove, Pa., is looking for directions for a crocheted Christmas tree. It is about a foot high and, in order for it to stand, it is placed over a cardboard cone.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I have access to lots of sawdust and was wondering if there is something that I could mix it with and then pour into a mold. I want to make wall plaques to hang on the garden walls outside. I was thinking of shellacking them to seal them and give them a rich color, but have been unsuccessful in finding anything to mix the sawdust with! — **CHRIS LATINIS, Nederland, Texas**

DEAR CHRIS: You'll probably have to experiment a bit to get the right consistency, but we think that wallpaper paste, plaster or plaster of Paris would all work: They all come in powder form. Mix your sawdust in with the powder and then add water.

The tricky part is that you don't want to add too much water, or it will never dry; too little and your results will crumble when they are unmolded. Be sure to smear a thin coat of Vaseline on the insides of your molds before filling them with your "mixture."

For the rich color you are looking for, a couple of coats of a wood-tinted polyurethane would probably fit the bill better than shellac, which tends to craze and discolor when exposed to the weather over a period of time.

FEEDBACK: Thanks so much to all our generous readers! You never fail to amaze, surprise and delight us with your wealth of knowledge. A few samples:

For the reader who was looking for a sealing ring for her Maid of Honor pressure cooker she had bought from Sears: We couldn't help her, but you came to her rescue with the information that Presto, National Presto Industries, Eau Claire, WI 54703 was the manufacturer of Maid of Honor, and the sealing rings are available from their Parts Department.

For those of our readers who were looking for rubber and/or plastic overshoes, these are available from B.A. Mason, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729 and from The Vermont Country Store, Box 3000, Manchester Center, VT 05255. Rubber boots and overshoes by Rain Gear Rubber can be ordered from Haband, 100 Fairview Ave., Prospect Park, NJ 07530.

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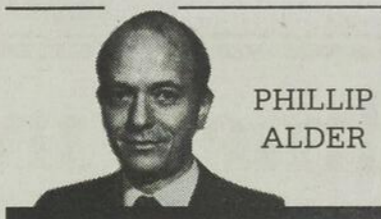
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PHILLIP ALDER

Monday, Feb. 20, 1995

Your Birthday

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Friends and acquaintances could play constructive roles in the year ahead, so try to participate in as many social activities as possible. The more people you know, the greater your opportunities will be.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Do not impose your views on your friends today, especially if your comments are of a religious or political nature. They already have core beliefs. Major changes are ahead for Pisces in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$2 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Even though you may not be mindful of details today, you'll have the capability to achieve most of your objectives. Strive to do the best you can.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Anything newsworthy you accomplish today will not go unnoticed by your associates, so don't toot your own horn. Modesty becomes you, bragging does not.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Before appointing yourself as an instructor today, make sure you know what you're talking about. Misinformation at this time could create severe problems.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your family should be your first priority today, so don't let others who feel they have a claim on your time and talents lead you astray.

The odds were long

By Phillip Alder

On New Year's Day, my wife and I watched the football matches with a group of friends. We called in Chinese food. When it came to fortune cookie time, I picked two, neither of which contained a fortune. What are the odds against that? Must be enormous. Luckily I'm not superstitious; otherwise, I would consider it a very bad omen for the year.

Declarer complained about the long odds against his fumbling — going down — on today's deal. But as is so often the case, better handling would have seen him score a touchdown.

In Blackwood, if you follow four no-trump with five no-trump, you guarantee that your side has all the aces. So, West, knowing there was no chance of a club ruff, led the diamond jack.

South won with dummy's queen, drew two rounds of trumps ending in hand and took the spade finesse. East happily won with the king and returned a spade. South turned his attention to clubs, but the 4-1 split meant a second loser.

South started to say something about how unlucky he had been, but North intercepted. He had noticed South's useful club spots.

"Not so unlucky," he said. "After catching the diamond lead and drawing trumps, cash one of dummy's top clubs and your second diamond trick. Now instead of finessing the spade queen, exit with the ace and queen of spades. If clubs are 3-2, you are always home. But here, after East wins with the spade king, he must return a club, which allows you to pick up his holding without loss."

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Keep your ego under control today when dealing with companions. Instead of bickering over who is right, give others a chance to prove their points.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You might hear some interesting gossip about a friend early in the day. Although you'll be tempted to tell someone else, let the story stop with you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Occasionally you overanalyze a situation to an extreme. Today, however, you'd be wise to review every aspect before rendering an important financial decision.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Although you might be quite competent to handle large, complex problems today, watch out for the details. The little things might trip you up.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Pride might be your biggest impediment today. Do not feel ashamed to seek advice from a friend who may have the answers.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Try to avoid putting yourself in the position today of having to borrow from a friend who is not known for his/her generosity.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Resist the temptation to use a new tactic in business matters if you've never tested it. There is a chance it needs more polishing.

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 - Woody's kid
 - Presidential race step, always
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 I NEED TO GET MORE KIDS INTERESTED IN THE GAME. THERE'S A WEALTH OF UNTAPPED TALENT OUT THERE!
 FOR ALL I KNOW, THERE MIGHT BE A CHESS GENIUS AMONG OUR STUDENTS, JUST WAITING TO BE DISCOVERED!
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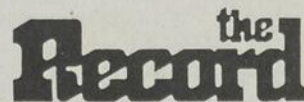
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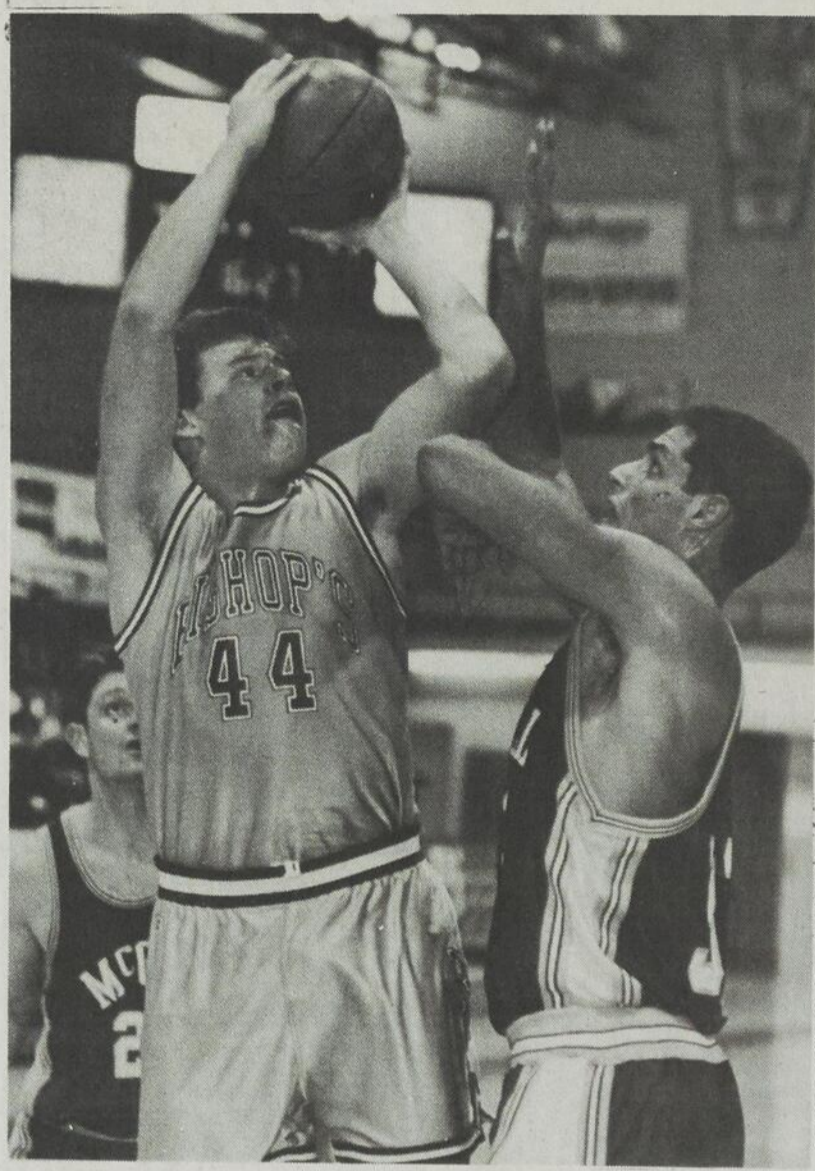
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Sports



Gaiters fail to beat slump in Redmen match-up



Graduating Gaiter Brennan Wares had a strong outing against McGill on Friday. He scored 19 points, in Bishop's 84-77 loss.

By Robert Matheson

LENNOXVILLE — Bishop's late comeback fell short Friday night and the Gaiters dropped their fourth straight game, losing 84-77 to the McGill Redmen.

"We have not pushed ourselves to the limit where we

can compete hard for 40 minutes," head coach Eddie Pomykala remarked. "When we can do that, we will be winners."

"I guess what we learned from tonight is that we got to pay a greater price to play for 40 minutes," he added.

Bishop's started well, keeping

pace with the Redmen through the game's first 13 minutes when Russ Johnson hit a three-pointer to bring the Gaiters within one point, 25-26.

McGill then outscored the Gaiters 16-9 to close out the half with a 42-34 lead.

The Redmen maintained the eight-point cushion until Stewart Clark nailed two three-pointers midway through the second half, cutting the score to 53-56.

McGill guard Ricky Varisco helped his team regain a 12-point lead with 2:40 to go by hitting a pair of threes.

Clark led Bishop's comeback charge as the Gaiters whittled away the Redmen lead. A series of baskets by Ryan Thorne, Brennan Wares and Shane Thompson cut the lead to four with 43 seconds remaining.

Wares then cut the lead to three, but Bishop's couldn't get any closer as Varisco and Sam Mendolia iced the game at the free-throw line.

"The only way we could have won tonight (Friday) was if we took a lead in the first half and played with it, instead of falling behind and trying to catch up."

Pomykala said.

"But you have to give McGill credit, they were hurting. I think (guard) Chris Emergui did a good job controlling the game and Doug McMahon just destroyed us inside."

The six-foot-ten McMahon scored 25 points in the game, Emergui collected 10 assists. Varisco added 22 points.

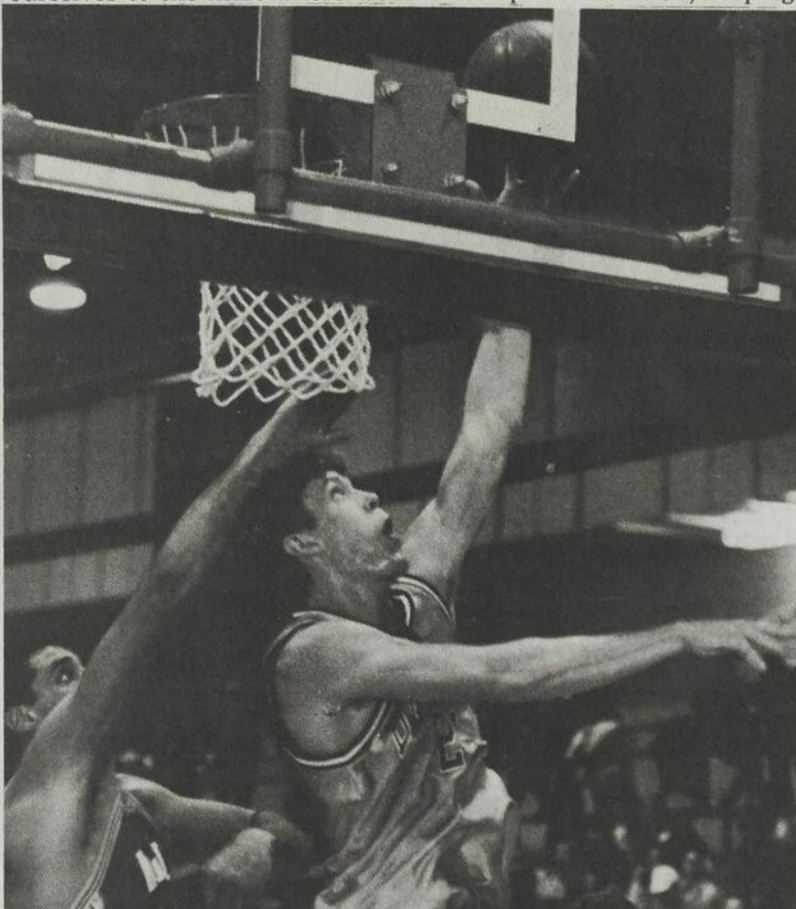
Clark led Bishop's with 22 points and Wares had 19 points in his final home game, unless the Gaiters qualify for the league finals.

"I'm very pleased at how Brennan Wares and Stewart Clark stepped up their games. Greg Southward played well defensively and Ryan Thorne had a good game," Pomykala said.

"But we need eight or nine guys playing solid games if we're going to win," he added. "We can't try playing with just three or four guys."

Thorne had 13 assists for Bishop's and Southward had eight.

The Gaiters will play their final regular season game next Saturday at Laval and then they will meet the Redmen in the league semifinals March 3 at Sir Arthur Currie Gymnasium.



Bishop's Stewart Clark burned the Redmen for 22 points.

Martlets sweep past Gaiters to finals

By Robert Matheson

LENNOXVILLE — The Bishop's women's basketball team left hometown fans with a bad taste in their mouths after suffering a final drubbing at the hands of the McGill Martlets Friday night — the Gaiters' last home game of the season.

The 68-34 loss was a bittersweet farewell for three graduating seniors who will end their career next Saturday without ever beating McGill.

"We did a decent job on the boards and didn't foul that much, it's unfortunate we didn't play better and win this game for our three grads," head coach Rod Gilpin said.

The Martlets clinched first

place in the Quebec University Basketball League and will host the winner of a Concordia-Laval Feb. 28 semifinal on March 4.

Mitchell Gymnasium wasn't kind to the Gaiters all season. Bishop's shot under 30 per cent in all home games and Friday was no different. The Gaiters made a paltry 13 of 41 shots.

"We haven't shot well in our gym all season, I don't know why? We practice in it every day," Gilpin said.

"We shoot much better in our transition game than we do out of our half-court offence. But when you only make 13 of 41 and take only 10 free throws, you're not going to put up a lot of points," Gilpin said the Gaiters were

too tentative and tried to force things with bad passes.

Meanwhile, the Martlets showed the experience and poise that has them looking towards a possible trip to the national championships at Thunder Bay's Lakehead University.

Third-year guard Melanie Gagné hit three of four three-point attempts and finished with 16 points for McGill. Third-year forward Vicky Tessier netted 14 points in limited action.

Co-captains Jackie Frost and Melissa Frankovitch led Bishop's with seven points each in their final home games. Kim Van Vliet had another strong game, pulling down eight rebounds and blocking a fistful

of shots.

Gilpin's next task will be to prepare his team for one final game, next Saturday at Laval.

"The things we need to do to win games aren't going to come in the next week. We need to play hard to have a chance to win," he explained.

"I think it's been a positive year as a whole. We have a couple more wins this and we've beaten a couple of good teams. We've been pretty inconsistent, but that happens with a young team," Gilpin added.

"I think we made a big jump this year and I think we can make an even bigger one next year, but we can't look past our next game yet."

Bishop's track team makes new strides

By David M. Martin

STÉ-FOY — The Bishop's University Track Team had a sensational weekend at the Laval University Invitational Track Meet with five of the team's 13 athletes placing in their events.

"The athletes all responded to the task at hand and really showed a lot of heart," said head coach Kim Chapdelaine.

James Stewart traded in last weekend's third place finish in the 300-metre sprint for a first place finish in Laval with a

time of 37.34-seconds.

"It was fabulous," Chapdelaine said about Stewart's win. "We knew he had a chance of getting first place, and he responded to that by taking on the challenge."

For the second time this year, Sandra Konok made the podium, winning the 1000m with a time of 3:14.5 and was followed by teammate Heather Goodfellow who took second place with a time of 3:15.6.

"There really is nothing sweeter than seeing two

Bishop's athletes crossing the finish line one after the other," Chapdelaine said. "When Sandra and Heather did that it was a great feeling."

Angela Locke came second in women's shot put, for the second straight week, with throw of 10.02m. Locke also competed in the long jump and 50m dash earlier in the day.

Sprinter Todd Touensard was the only Bishop's sprinter to qualify for the 50m sprint finals from the five member sprint squad, placing fourth

overall in the men's B-finals with a time of 6.44 seconds.

"Here's an athlete that has progressively gotten better and better since starting in October, and finally he did what he knew he could do," she explained.

This weekend's meet was a huge success in the eyes of Chapdelaine, but next week will be the real challenge as the team heads into the Provincial Track and Field Championships.

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Lang	14	4	7	3	41	48	11
Anaheim	14	5	8	1	32	53	11

Sunday's Games

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WORLD FREESTYLE SKIING CHAMPIONSHIPS

LA CLUSAZ, France (AP) — Results of the aerial event Sunday at the World Freestyle Skiing Championships:
Men: 1. Trace Worthington, U.S.,

WINTERBERG, Germany (AP) — Final results Sunday of the four-man bobsled world championships (run times for the four heats in parentheses):

1. Germany II (Wolfgang Hoppe, Rene Hannemeyer, Ulf Hiescher, Carsten Embold), (55.47, 55.37, 56.20, 56.16) 3:20.21
2. Austria II (Hubert Schwaiger, Gerhard Redl, Thomas Schroll, Martin Schuetzenauer), (55.60, 55.62, 56.49, 56.46) 3:44.22
3. Germany I (Harald Czudaj, Torsten Voss, Udo Lehmann, Alexander Sztegl), (55.60, 55.58, 56.47, 56.63) 3:44.28
4. Great Britain I (Mark Toot, Dean Ward, Courtney Rumbold, Paul Lenoir), (55.83, 55.65, 56.53, 56.47) 3:44.48

5. Canada II (Pierre Lueders, Edmondson; Matt Hirdle, Lebridge, Alta, Jack Pyc, Calgary; Pascal Caron, Cap-de-la-Madeleine, Que.), (55.77, 55.67, 56.80, 56.44) 3:44.68

6. Switzerland I (Reto Goetschi, Guido Aklis, Christian Reich, Beat Seitz), (55.98, 55.85, 56.58, 56.34) 3:44.75

7. Canada I (Chris Lort, Windsor, Ont.; Dave McEachern, Charlottetown; Matt Hirdle, Lethbridge; Sheridan Baptista, Ottawa), (55.78, 55.85, 56.77, 56.45) 3:44.85

8. Latvia I (Sandia Prusis, Adris Plukina, Egis Bojars, Normans Sietins), (56.07, 55.91, 56.61, 56.65) 3:45.24
9. USA I (Tully Lavour, Randy Jones, Jeff Woodard, Garrett Hines), (55.97, 55.84, 56.93, 56.69) 3:45.30

10. Latvia II (Kaitina Adams, U.S., and Brenda Schultz, Netherlands) (3), 6-4, 6-3.

11. USA II (Tully Lavour, Randy Jones, Jeff Woodard, Garrett Hines), (55.97, 55.84, 56.93, 56.69) 3:45.30

12. Natalia Oreshkova, Russia, 124.52; 12. Nataliya Sherstnyova, Ukraine, 122.14

13. Kirste Marshall, Australia, 168.08; 4. Caroline Olivier, Cap-Rouge, Que., 168.42; 5. Karin Kusler, Switzerland, 158.11; 6. Kistean Porter, U.S., 154.46; 7. Liselotte Johansson, Sweden, 152.00; 8. Jacqui Cooper, Australia, 148.75; 9. Colette Brand, Switzerland, 148.28; 10. Tracy Evans, U.S., 137.53; 11. Natalya Oreshkova, Russia, 124.52; 12. Nataliya Sherstnyova, Ukraine, 122.14

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14. Nicole Arendt (U.S.), and Laura Golara (2), Italy, del. Kaitina Adams, U.S., and Brenda Schultz, Netherlands (3), 6-4, 6-3.

ST. JUDE INDOOR MEN'S TENNIS TOURNAMENT

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Weekend results in the St. Jude Indoor men's tennis tournament (seedings in parentheses):

SUNDAY SINGLES

Final
Todd Martin (3), U.S., Fla., def. Paul Haarhuis (11), Netherlands, 7-6 (7-2), 6-4, 6-4, 7-5.

DOUBLES

Final
Jared Palmer and Richey Reneberg (2), U.S., def. Tommy Ho, U.S., and Brett Steven, Bermuda, 4-6, 7-6 (8-6), 6-1, 6-4, 7-5.

SATURDAY SINGLES

Semifinals
Martin def. Pete Sampras (1), U.S., 4-6, 7-6 (8-6), 6-4.
Palmer and Reneberg def. Daniel Nestor, Toronto, and Mark Knowles, Bahamas, (5), 7-6 (7-5), 7-6 (7-0).
U.S. and Brett def. John Fitzgerald, Australia, and Anders Jarryd, Sweden, 6-2, 6-2.

IGA TENNIS CLASSIC INDOOR WOMEN'S TENNIS TOURNAMENT

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Weekend results in the IGA Tennis Classic indoor women's tennis tournament (seedings in parentheses):

SUNDAY SINGLES

Final
Brenda Schultz (1), Netherlands, def.

DOUBLES

Final
Nicole Arendt (U.S.), and Laura Golara (2), Italy, del. Kaitina Adams, U.S., and Brenda Schultz, Netherlands (3), 6-4, 6-3.

SATURDAY SINGLES

Semifinals
Schultz def. Patty Fendick (8), U.S., 6-2, 6-2.
Likhovtseva def. Amy Frazier (2), U.S., 7-5, 2-6, 7-5.

DOUBLES

Semifinals
Adams and Schultz def. Patty Fendick and Lisa Raymond, U.S., (1), 7-5, 4-6, 7-5.

SPEED SKATING

WORLD SPRINT SPEED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS
MILWAUKEE (AP) — Results Sunday at the world sprint speed skating championships at the Pettit National Ice Centre (race distances in meters):

WOMEN

500 — 1. Bonnie Blair, U.S., 39.54 seconds; 2. Susan Auch, Winnipeg, 39.87; 3. Oksana Ravlova, Russia, 39.82; 4. Franziska Schenk, Germany, 39.97; 5. Sabine Volker, Germany, 40.01; 6. Svetlana Zhurova, Russia, 40.13.

1,000 — 1. Blair, one minute 19.52 seconds; 2. Ravlova, 1:20.61; 3. Schenk, 1:20.79; 4. Shiko Kusanohe, Japan, 1:20.98; 5. Christine Willy, U.S., 1:21.03.

6. Monique Gabreiser, Germany, 1:21.14.
Overall standings — 1. Blair, 158.145; 2. Ravlova, 160.820; 3. Schenk, 160.830; 4. Volker, 161.680; 5. Garbrecht, 161.805; 6. Auch, 161.820.

MEN

500 — 1. Yoon-man Kim, South Korea, 36.42; 2. Hiroyasu Shimizu, Japan, 36.51; 3. Roger Strom, Norway, 36.82; 4. Sergei Khevenya, Russia, 36.88; 5. Manabu Horii, Japan, 36.75; 6. Grunde Njos, Norway, 36.76.

1,000 — 1. Kim, 1:13.11; 2. Shimizu, 1:13.47; 3. Kevin Scott, South Korea, 1:13.80; 4. Yasunori Miyabe, Japan, 1:13.87; 5. Gerard Van-Valde, Netherlands, 1:13.92; 6. Yukonri Myabe, Japan, 1:13.97.

Overall standings — 1. Kim, 146.025; 2. Shimizu, 146.975; 3. Yasunori Miyabe, 147.025; 4. Strom, 147.365; 5. Njos, 147.535; 6. Khevenya, 147.550.

PGA SENIOR TOUR GTE SUNCOAST CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT

LUTZ, Fla. (AP) — Leaders and prize money after the final round Sunday in the PGA Senior Tour's \$750,000 GTE Suncoast Classic, played on the 6,638-yard, par-71 TPC at Tampa Bay course:

D.Stockton, \$112,500 70-66-68-204
J.Colbert, \$55,000 71-68-67-206
B.Chaffes, \$55,000 68-69-69-206
J.C.Snead, \$55,000 68-69-69-206
S.Hoddy, \$31,000 68-71-68-207
J.Nicklaus, \$31,000 69-70-69-207
B.Lehrhard, \$31,000 69-70-69-207
L.Trevino, \$19,800 69-72-67-208
R.Murphy, \$19,800 69-69-69-208
R.Floyd, \$19,800 66-72-70-208
G.Marsh, \$19,800 70-68-70-208
D.Douglas, \$19,800 71-67-70-208
T.Ajcock, \$14,250 68-72-69-209
J.Abus, \$14,250 72-67-70-209
T.Wargo, \$10,963 67-71-71-210
J.Kiefer, \$14,250 67-72-71-210
B.E.Smith, \$10,963 68-71-71-210
G.Gilbert, \$10,963 67-72-71-210
D.Eishaberberger, \$10,963 70-66-74-210
G.Player, \$10,963 69-77-74-210

BOB HOPE CLASSIC INDIAN WELLS, Calif. (AP) — Leading scores and earnings Sunday after the final round of the \$1.2 million Bob Hope Classic, played on four courses all par-72:

6,927-yard Bermuda Dunes CC; 6,901-yard La Quinta CC; 6,478-yard Indian Wells CC; and 7,057-yard Indian Ridge CC.

K.Perry, \$216,000 63-71-64-67-70-335
D.Duval, \$129,600 67-68-65-67-69-336
D.Pruitt, \$62,400 65-70-69-68-65-337
T.Tolles, \$62,400 66-69-68-64-70-337
C.Strange, \$62,400 64-73-67-63-70-337
R.Gamez, \$43,200 70-68-66-68-66-338

WESTERN CONFERENCE

T.Amour III, \$34,920 66-67-69-68-69-339
K.Gibson, \$34,920 65-71-67-67-69-339
D.Hammond, \$34,920 67-69-66-69-68-339
M.Brooks, \$34,920 67-68-69-65-70-339
H.Taylor, \$34,920 66-64-66-71-72-339
L.Linker, \$26,400 67-69-71-68-65-340
T.Tyner, \$26,400 67-68-70-65-70-340
J.Gallagher, \$22,200 64-72-70-69-66-341
J.Leonard, \$22,200 68-68-67-71-67-341
L.Mtze, \$15,760 67-69-69-69-68-342
K.Triplett, \$15,760 70-68-67-69-68-342
B.Chamblee, \$15,760 70-68-68-67-69-342
B.Sherfy, \$15,760 71-67-69-66-69-342
B.Tway, \$15,760 70-67-69-69-69-342
S.Simpson, \$15,760 66-69-69-68-70-342
F.Murky, \$15,760 70-65-68-68-71-342
M.O'Meara, \$15,760 69-68-65-67-73-342
P.Slankowski, \$15,760 71-64-66-67-73-342

DAYTONA 500 NASCAR STOCK CAR RACE

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Results Sunday of the Daytona 500 NASCAR stock car race at the Daytona International Speedway, with starting position in parentheses, driver (all U.S.), type of car, laps completed, reason out, money won and winner's average speed in miles an hour:

1. (3) Sterling Marlin, Chevrolet Monte Carlo, 200, \$300,460, 141,710 m.p.h.; 2. (2) Dale Earnhardt, Chevrolet Monte Carlo, 200, \$212,250; 3. (6) Mark Martin, Ford Thunderbird, 200, \$153,700; 4. (12) Ted Musgrave, Ford Thunderbird, 200, \$111,200; 5. (1) Dale Jarrett, Ford Thunderbird, 200, \$119,855.

6. (15) Michael Waltrip, Pontiac Grand Prix, 200, \$86,205; 7. (35) Steve Grissom, Chevrolet Monte Carlo, 200, \$72,065; 8. (11) Terry Labonte, Chevrolet Monte Carlo, 200, \$78,940; 9. (9) Ken Schrader, Chevrolet Monte Carlo, 200, \$70,140; 10. (30) Morgan Shepherd, Ford Thunderbird, 200, \$66,800.

11. (17) Dick Trickle, Ford Thunderbird, 200, \$61,990; 12. (13) Kyle Petty, Pontiac Grand Prix, 200, \$58,865; 13. (18) Rocky Rudolph,

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Valcourt Grand Prix competition

Minnesota pair take top snowmobile race honors

By Robert Matheson

VALCOURT — It was a strange day of snowmobile racing at the Yvon Duhamel raceway as the Grand Prix de Valcourt came to a close on Sunday.

The day belonged to the Wahl family, of Greenbush, Minnesota. Uncle Dave, who was looking for his third straight Formula I victory at Valcourt, watched as his nephew Terry won by three seconds.

"Hell it don't bother me, I've won my share of races, so it doesn't matter," Dave said after finishing second.

Terry, who is getting married a month from now, was pleased to keep the family's winning streak going at Valcourt.

"It's great," he said. "We hope to keep it that way."

Dave, 35, started the race with the pole position. Terry, 23, started second after both Wahls won their semifinal races. But it

was Chuck Decker who burst out to lead the pack.

JACQUES VILLENEUVE

The race was only a lap old when Jacques Villeneuve, of St-Cuthbert, hit Decker's teammate Dale Loritz from behind as he tried to pass. Villeneuve's snowmobile flew over the hay bales on the side of the track and the race was halted. Decker was in first on the re-start, but the Wahls quickly reeled him in.

Dave took the lead on the fourth lap and Terry fell in behind as the race unfolded. Two laps later the nephew passed his uncle on the corner.

Jeffrey Goodwin, who was chasing the Wahls in third, went through the hay bales on the first turn of lap nine, causing a second delay in the race and another re-start.

The officials put Dave in front of his nephew on the re-start although Terry had been in the

lead at the time of the crash.

"It doesn't do any good to argue," Terry said of the incident. "The officials have the final say."

YOUNGER WAHL

"It didn't matter anyways. I had him in my scopes," Terry joked.

Dave led the first three laps after the re-start before Terry passed him in the second turn of lap 13.

"It was hard to hold onto the machine out there and I almost fell off in that turn," Dave said. "Terry blew by me like I was standing still."

The younger Wahl led the final six laps and finished three seconds ahead of his uncle. Kris VanDolder, of Owen Sound, Ont. finished third.

VanDolder, who started second to last in a field of 16 drivers, benefitted most from the two red flags.

"It certainly helped me out. Starting that far back there was a big gap between me and the leaders," he explained. "The stops helped me catch up by closing that gap."

Villeneuve, who won a week ago in Owen Sound, Ont., continued the race without the outside bodywork of his machine following his accident. But the uncle of IndyCar driver Jacques Villeneuve dropped out during the second re-start because of a radiator problem.

Pierre Gingras, of Mt. St-Gregoire, was the top Quebecer to finish the Formula I race. He finished sixth.

FORMULA III

Another Quebecer, Normand Pilote of St-Felicien, took the early lead in the 10-lap Formula III final and was followed out of the start by Sylvain Lacroix, of St-Eustache.

The two Quebecers led for the first two laps before Mike Houle made his move. The Lino Lake, Minnesota native spun out of the start and was in the middle of

the pack at the first corner.

He rounded past Pilote on the fourth corner of lap three and then cruised to a three-second victory ahead of Pilote.

"He's fast and his strength is in the corners," Pilote said of his Ski-Doo teammate. "He passed me in the fourth corner and I had to chase him the rest of the way."

The victory earned Houle \$2,000 plus a \$5,000 bonus from Ski-Doo. Houle also won the Champ 440 class and finished second in the Modified 3 class.

"I've got a very good motor, man, and I think this week we had a better engine than the other guys," Houle said after winning his second Grand Prix de Valcourt.

SKI-DOOS

"It's important to do well here," he explained. "But I guess the most important thing is for a Ski-Doo driver to win this race."

Pilote also finished second to Houle in the Champ 440 final. Lacroix failed to finish the Formula III race when the electrical system on his machine

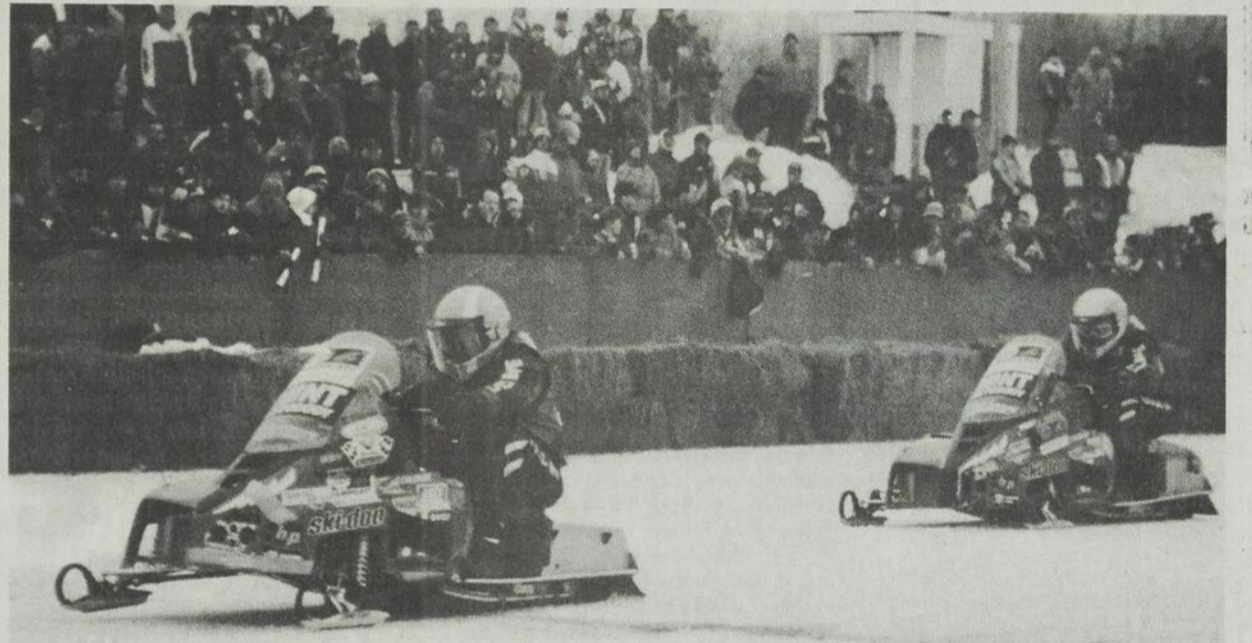


Jacques Villeneuve, who hasn't won at Valcourt since 1985 had another day of heartache after crashing in the final.

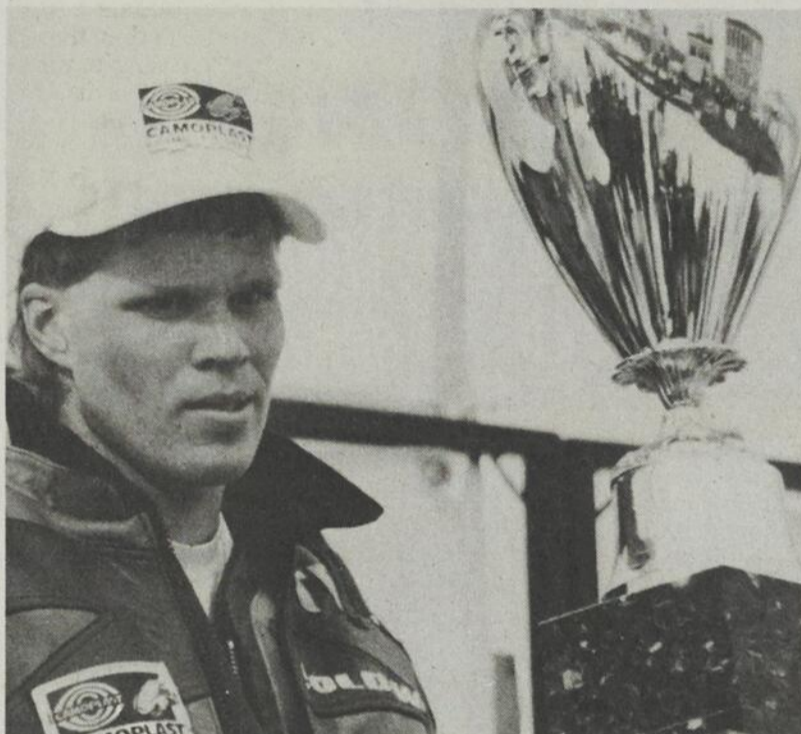
gave out on lap seven.

Brian Sturgeon, of Thief River Falls, Minnesota, moved up to grab third place in the Formula III final. Sturgeon, who beat Houle at the World Championships in Eagle River, Wisconsin earlier this season, didn't leave Valcourt empty

handed. Sturgeon placed first in the Stock A, Stock B and Stock C classes. Jim Schmidt, of Cleveland, Wisconsin, also won three finals, taking the checkered flag in the Modified 2, Modified 3 and Modified 500 classes.



Terry Wahl chased his uncle Dave Wahl for part of the race, but passed him on lap 13 and won handily in the Formula I main event.



Terry Wahl, in only his second season of snowmobile racing, enjoyed his first taste of victory in Valcourt on Sunday.

Thibault helps Nordiques get another win

MIAMI (AP) — Playing at home is supposed to help. Not so, apparently, for the Florida Panthers.

Owen Nolan scored two goals as Quebec beat the Panthers 4-1 Sunday night, giving the Nordiques their eighth win in their last nine games and dropping Florida to 2-3 in a seven-game homestand.

Goaltender Jocelyn Thibault stopped 17 shots to win his third start.

Quebec outshot Florida 7-1 in the first period.

"It's tough staying in a game out there when for 20 minutes you don't feel like you're out there," Thibault said. "I thought I was able to keep my concentration when they started coming to me in the second and third periods."

"Our guys are very determined at being consistent,"

Nordiques coach Marc Crawford said. "We don't want to start having lapses."

"It's not so much Pittsburgh, but rather our embarrassment over losing (Saturday in Hartford)," Nolan said. "We came out really aggressive in the first period because that was in the back of our minds."

Florida fell behind 2-0 when Quebec scored twice within 43 seconds in the first period.

"We don't like to get down 2-0 to anyone," Florida's Scott Mellanby said. "Last year we played desperate hockey; not this year."

"We've got a seven-game homestand and we're not taking advantage of it."

Scott Young's shot from the top of the right circle hit the centre post of the net so hard and ricocheted out so quickly that the goal judge didn't turn the goal

light on. As goaltender Mark Fitzpatrick and his defencemen relaxed, Martin Rucinsky flipped in the rebound. After officials reviewed the replay, Young was credited with his fourth goal.

At 6:13, Peter Forsberg set up Nolan, who backhanded the puck past Fitzpatrick's glove side for his sixth goal.

Andrei Kovalenko scored his seventh goal at 5:09 of the third, putting in the rebound of his own shot.

Six minutes later, Nolan scored his seventh goal, off a 3-on-1 with Quebec on a power play.

Florida avoided a franchise-first shutout at home when Mellanby beat Thibault low at 13:58 of the third.

"We're just lucky it's a tight division," Mellanby said. "If we keep playing like this, we won't

be there much longer."

Blackhawks 3 Oilers 1

CHICAGO (AP) — Patrick Poulin is starting to shoot more, and he's scoring more, too.

The left wing scored twice Sunday as the Chicago Blackhawks beat Edmonton 3-1, their third victory over the Oilers this season. Chicago is 8-1-1 in its last 10 games against Edmonton.

Penguins 3 Sabres 3

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Luc Robitaille's second goal of the game and ninth of the season with 21 seconds remaining in regulation time capped a three-goal, third-period Pittsburgh rally as the Penguins fought to a 3-3 NHL tie Sunday night with the Buffalo Sabres.

Cougars' hockey troubles continue

By David M. Martin

LENNOXVILLE — With 76 total penalty minutes, six players ejected and several shoving matches in the corners it's hard to say there was really much of a college hockey game Friday night.

The Champlain Cougars lost their second in a row to College Francais 6-2 Friday.

The first and second period saw the playmaking and athletic talents of both teams with action packed offensive attacks that were matched by excellent defensive efforts, but the game deteriorated in the third.

The Cougars were only down 1-0 after the first period and tied the game 1:33 into the second on Sébastien Bagley's power-play goal.

The tie only lasted 1:39 before College Francais' Claude Chiasson scored his second of the night to give his team a 2-1 lead.

College Francais collected its third goal of the night with 7:59 left in the second, scoring

on Cougar goalie Denis Albert with a two-man advantage.

Fifty-two seconds later College Francais scored again when Martin Savard slapped a screamer through traffic into the bottom corner of the Cougars' net.

Champlain team captain Philip Paquin capped the second period scoring on a bullet from the point, making it 4-2 after two periods.

College Francais scored less than two minutes into the third and got another goal at the six-minute mark to go up 6-2. The game turned into more of a wrestling match after that point.

Five players were ejected in the final 14 minutes and neither penalty box was empty during that time period.

"It was a tough game," said Cougar head coach Sylvain Laflamme. "I didn't even finish the game with three lines."

After losing a close game last Monday 3-2 to College Francais, Laflamme said both teams were coming into Friday's game with some added aggression.

Having lost their last five games the Cougars are not looking good for the playoffs and Laflamme says it isn't due to a lack of talent. It is due to an abundance of attitude, he said.

"They don't believe they can make the playoffs, and they are being very selfish, caring more about themselves than the team as a whole," he said.

Laflamme also said his team is suffering through a momentum drought and need to win at least four of their last six games to make the playoffs.

"It's easy to get down when things don't go well and that seems to be what is happening, the team is just feeling sorry for themselves," Laflamme said.

The Cougars hope to start their turn around against Collège Militaire Royal Wednesday night in St-Jean.



Sylvain Laflamme... Time running out on his team.

Two weekend games

Faucons flirt at top of standings

SHERBROOKE (RM) — The Sherbrooke Faucons briefly moved into sole possession of first place in the Frank Dilio Division of the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League on Friday, but lost it again on Sunday.

Sherbrooke scored three goals in the second period for a 4-3 come-from-behind victory against the Halifax Mooseheads in front of 2,374 fans.

Mathieu Dandenault led the way with a pair of goals, his 27th and 28th of the year, as the

Faucons fired 46 shots at Jean-Sébastien Giguere.

The Mooseheads took the early advantage with a goal by David Carson midway through the opening period. Derrick Pyke added to Halifax's lead with a power-play goal three minutes

later.

Dandenault halved the margin with his first of the night. Eric Lecompte and Christian Dubé had the assists.

The 2-1 score lasted only 36 seconds before Brant Blackned netted his 39th goal of the season to make it 3-1 for Halifax.

Luc Bélanger was unbeatable the rest of the way in the Sherbrooke net. Dandenault scored his second goal just 29 seconds into the second period to make it 3-2.

Mathieu Raby tied the game at the 2:52 mark with only his sixth of the season. Etienne Beaudry completed the comeback, beating Giguere for his 35th goal with 48 seconds remaining in the second period.

The Beauport Harfangs beat the Granby Bisons 4-1 on Saturday to move back into a first place tie with Sherbrooke. Both teams had 74 points entering Sunday's games, but the Harfangs regained first place with a 3-2 win against Laval on Sunday.

Meanwhile, the Faucons lost 7-2 in Hull. Radoslav Suchy and Dandenault scored Sherbrooke's goals.



RECORD: RICHARD LABEL

Sherbrooke captain Stéphane Julien sends Halifax's David Carson airborne during Friday's game. The Faucons won the contest 4-3.

Using the old egg for brunch

By Marialisa Calta

I love eggs, but with all the bad press they've gotten, cholesterol-wise, it seems like I need an occasion to indulge in them. Sunday brunch is such an occasion.

Not only do you get to eat eggs at Sunday brunch (and maybe bacon, or sausage, and pancakes and stuff) but you get a chance to visit with friends or family. In our house, weekday breakfasts are a hurried, bowl-of-cold-cereal-and-glass-of-juice affair, with everyone running in different directions for work or the school-bus. Sunday brunch gives us a chance to sit together, relax and share a meal.

Whether I'm cooking for company or just for us, I have found the following recipes a welcome addition to my breakfast repertoire. The frittata, from the New England Culinary Institute in Essex, Vt., and the omelet, from Ken Haedrich's excellent "Country Breakfasts" (Bantam, 1994), are quick and easy, but you have to make them at the last minute. Haedrich's yummy Bacon, Egg and Potato Pie is a real production, but it saves you last-minute work, and the taste is worth all the fuss.

BRUNCH FRITTATA

- 8 eggs
- 1/2 cup cream
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1/2 medium onion, peeled and diced
- 1 clove garlic, peeled and minced
- 4 small red potatoes, cooked until just done and cut into 1/2-inch cubes
- 3 links Italian sausage (hot or mild), cooked until almost done
- 2 scallions (green onions), chopped
- 1 tomato, seeded and chopped
- 1/2 cup grated provolone cheese
- 1/2 cup grated Cheddar

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a medium bowl, crack eggs. Add cream, whisking well. Set aside.

Heat a 10-inch nonstick skillet. Melt butter. Sauté the onion and garlic for about 3 minutes. Add potatoes, sausage and scallions and sauté about 5 more minutes. Add tomato and stir. Using a rubber spatula, stir in eggs and cheese. Cook over low heat for 5 minutes. Place in oven until fluffy, 4 to 5 minutes.

Yield: 4 servings.
— Recipe from Brach May, student, The New England Culinary Institute, Essex, Vt.

BLUE CHEESE AND WALNUT OMELET

- 1/2 cup crumbled blue cheese
- 1/2 cup ricotta cheese
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts, toasted
- 1-1/2 tablespoons chopped parsley
- Pinch cayenne
- 4 large eggs
- 2 teaspoons water
- Pinch salt
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter

Make the filling: In a bowl, mix together the blue cheese, ricotta, walnuts, parsley and cayenne. Set aside.

Lightly beat 2 of the eggs, 1 teaspoon of water, and a pinch of salt in a small bowl.

Place an omelet pan or skillet over medium high heat. Add 1 tablespoon butter. When butter starts to sizzle, add the eggs. Holding a fork perpendicular to the pan, begin stirring im-

mediately in a circular motion. When curds begin to form, stop stirring and push down on the curds with the fork. When you have a flat, even layer of egg, let it sit undisturbed for about 10 seconds, until top looks almost fully set.

Spoon half the filling over the center of the omelet, perpendicular to the handle. Slice a spatula down the edge of the pan, close to the handle, and fold one-third of the omelet over the filling. Cover the pan, turn the heat off and let the omelet sit for 30 seconds. Grasping the handle of the pan palm up, tilt the pan so the unfolded third of the omelet slides out of the pan onto a warm plate. Then tilt further, folding the omelet onto itself on the plate.

Repeat, using remaining ingredients, for second omelet. Serve immediately. Yield: 2 omelets.

— Recipe from "Country Breakfasts," by Ken Haedrich (Bantam, 1994).

BACON, EGG AND POTATO PIE

For crust (see note):

- 1/2 cups rolled oats (NOT instant)
- 1 cup unbleached flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 7 tablespoons cold, unsalted butter, cut into small pieces
- 1 large egg yolk
- 1 to 2 tablespoons ice water

For filling:

- 5 medium-sized red potatoes, peeled
- 3 large eggs
- 1 cup light cream or milk
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 Generous pinch ground nutmeg
- 1 Freshly ground black pepper to taste
- 12 slices crisp-fried bacon, drained and broken into pieces
- 1/2 cup chopped parsley
- 1 cup grated smoked Cheddar, Gruyere, fontina or other good melting cheese

Put the oats in a food processor fitted with a metal blade and pulse 10 to 15 seconds. Add flour and salt and pulse a few more seconds. Add butter, and pulse just long enough to chop it into fine bits. Mix the egg yolk and 1 tablespoon of the water together. With the machine running, add the liquid. Process briefly, check to see if dough sticks together. If it seems slightly dry, add the remaining tablespoon water.

Dump pastry out onto floured work surface and press into a ball, kneading once or twice. Roll dough out onto a sheet of lightly floured wax paper, then slide paper into a 9-inch pie pan. Cover tightly with plastic wrap and chill about 1 hour.

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Bake empty pie shell about 20 minutes. Cool thoroughly on wire rack.

Make filling: Slice potatoes 1/4-inch thick. Put them in a small pan and cover with salted water. Bring to a boil, then boil gently 3 to 5 minutes, until just tender. Drain gently and quickly, and fill pan immediately with cold water to stop potatoes from cooking. Gently drain again, then spread onto several layers of paper towels and blot dry. Transfer to a plate.

In a large bowl, whisk together eggs, cream, salt, nutmeg and pepper just until uniform. Set aside.

Assemble the pie: Arrange a layer of potatoes on bottom of pie shell. Sprinkle with some bacon and some parsley. Repeat until potatoes, bacon and parsley are used up. Slowly pour the egg mixture over top, then top with cheese. Bake 20 minutes at 400 degrees, reduce heat to 375 degrees, and bake for another 30 minutes. Probe center with fork to make sure filling is cooked; if not, cook until done. Cool on rack 30 minutes before serving. You can make this a day ahead and reheat it before serving.

Note: You can substitute any favorite pie crust for the oatmeal crust. Yield: 8 servings.

— Recipe from "Country Breakfasts," by Ken Haedrich (Bantam, 1994).

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How to cope with a dependency

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My therapist and I are looking for some advice. I'm a 37-year-old female who has used laxatives for most of my life. As a child, I was given enemas and chemical laxatives and developed a dependency. Following that, I developed an eating disorder. I feel I've overcome the dependency and eating disorder; however, I take three teaspoons of Metamucil every day to keep myself regular. I don't think it does any harm, yet my therapist feels I'm still dependent. What's your opinion?

DEAR READER: First of all, you are to be congratulated on addressing your problems in such a forthright manner — and overcoming them. However, eating disorders and laxative abuse don't just go away. Like alcoholism, these conditions are chronic and incurable — but treatable.

Nonetheless, you can successfully combat the unhealthy behavior stemming from these disorders by continuing therapy and striving to avoid laxatives and similar medications.

Metamucil is not a laxative; it is a stool-bulking agent that aids evacuation. You probably don't need it. Try

slowly reducing the dose — by, say — a teaspoon a day — each month. After three months, you should be Metamucil-free.

I believe that your therapist is correct. You have a dependent personality that causes you to feel the inappropriate need to empty your bowels. While you may not be dependent on a medication, you remain dependent; you've merely shifted your focus — similar to the alcoholic who limits himself to two or three beers a day (because they're not "harmful") when he shouldn't be drinking at all.

You're correct that Metamucil won't harm you. However, I side with your therapist. You still have work to do to understand the complexities and subtleties of the puzzling afflictions called chemical dependence and eating disorders. Keep trying to deal with this and you will succeed.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Help II: Mental/Substance Abuse." Other readers who would like a copy should send \$2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2433, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 51-year-old female going through the change.

After the first year, I began getting white patches on my body, face and hands. I'm not on any medication. Can the change have something to do with my loss of skin color?

DEAR READER: White patches on the skin may be caused by various infections (especially by yeasts) or by a poorly understood, harmless skin disease called vitiligo. Such skin changes do not commonly accompany menopause.

A dermatologist should be able to discover the reason for your depigmented patches by examining you and obtaining scrapings, biopsies and blood tests. For example, vitiligo is a frequent sign of hypothyroidism (an underactive thyroid gland that can be treated with thyroid supplement pills). The specialist can advise you.

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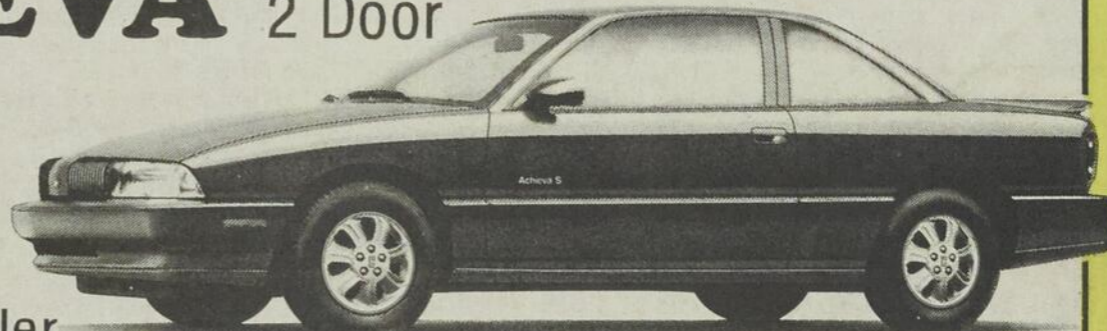
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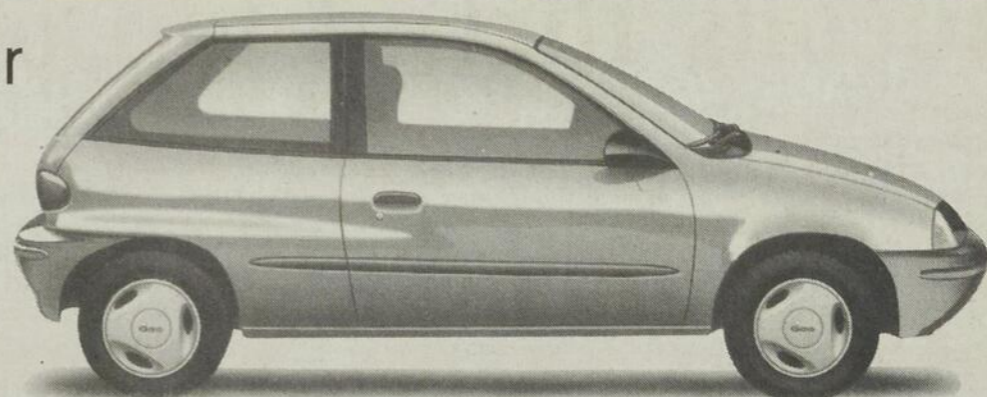
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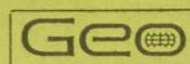
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Women's Institute meeting

AYER'S CLIFF — The W.I. members met on February 3. The President, Irene Ride welcomed everyone, saying how pleased she was to see so many out. The meeting opened with the Collect and Salute to the Flag.

Motto: What makes a good breakfast? Mother. Roll Call: Bring cookies for Valentine's, to be taken to the Maple Manor Home.

The minutes were read by Aileen Lord and approved after corrections.

Correspondence: A letter from Provincial Secretary explaining why we had not received our F.W.I.C. magazine. Thank-you letters from Maude Chadsey and Archie Moulton for Christmas Cheer. A letter from the school asking for a donation when the children go to Parkside Ranch.

The Treasurer, Beverly Schoolcraft reported a book had been purchased for the library in appreciation to Mr. Quinn for auditing our books. A donation had been sent to the Adelaide Hoodless Home in memory of Mrs. Myrtle Pitman, with a satisfactory balance remaining.

Convenors reports: Agriculture — Lorraine Harrison stated putting rhubarb leaves between rows of vegetables will kill the weeds.

Citizenship: Aileen Lord told about hearing a speaker from Communications Quebec, who explained their services, passports, travel insurance etc. If unable to an-

swer your questions will refer one to the proper service. Also read a Valentine poem. Education: List of activities taking place at the school was read.

Cultural Activities: Irene Ride stated the lists for handicraft contests were in our program.

Library: A new cupboard had been made at the library for video tapes.

Home Economics and Health: Muriel Mosher said when defrosting meat, put it in the refrigerator instead of microwave, it will help to cool the fridge and save electricity. Audrey Gale reported fishing industries and other export products are having a difficult time.

Sunshine — Jesse Cass had sent three birthday and one sympathy card.

Safety — Ida Little warned persons to be careful walking when it is slippery.

In recognition of Founder's Day, \$100 was voted to Provincial Q.W.I. and \$100 to the school for Parkside Ranch.

Daffodils will be sold again this year.

Next meeting will be a potluck luncheon with sugar on snow for dessert.

After the meeting adjourned, a sing-song was enjoyed with Kay Elliot at the piano. The hostesses Irene Ride and Grace Moyle served sandwiches and pickles, followed by a social hour.

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