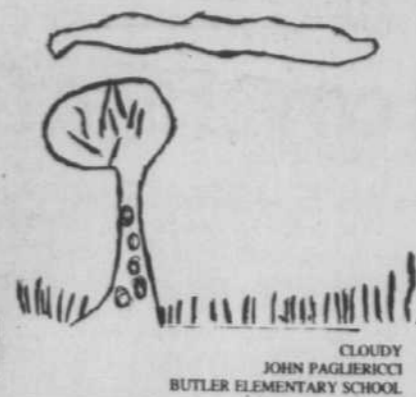


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Tory farm-credit scheme won't work — François Gérin

COATICOOK — A farm credit scheme proposed by the Conservatives during last summer's federal election might never come into effect, Megantic-Compton-Stanstead's Tory MP said Sunday.

François Gérin believes farmers would not benefit sufficiently through a formula that would give them preferential lending rates on the basis of tax exemptions.

The Conservatives promised during the summer election to establish

'agribonds' to help raise funds for beginning farmers and those already in business who need to be refinanced.

Basically, an investor in an agribond would get a tax credit in return for low interest rates on the bond.

Gérin, a lawyer whose huge border-area riding leans heavily on dairy farming, said a three-day fact-finding mission to Washington to examine a similar program in the U.S. convinced him it was not enough.

The U.S. now realises that its Agri-

Bond program is difficult to manage efficiently, he said. If applied in Canada, it would favor lending institutions more than farmers.

"We now must either seriously modify this program if we want to apply it, or find another solution," Gérin said, promising to report more fully on his findings in Ottawa this week.

Gérin plans to meet some 20 farmers from his riding Monday at the Coaticook golf course at 7:30 to explain why the agribond plan won't

work and to discuss other ways of financing Canada's troubled agriculture industry. One alternative he suggests is offering the sons of farmers a three-per-cent loan if they buy their fathers' operations.

Another member of the nine-man group of MPs and senators who spent three days in Washington last week studying U.S. farm financing programs said they discovered a lot of pitfalls to avoid in attempting to draw up a Canadian agribond program.

Tory MP Lee Clark, chairman of the Commons agriculture committee, said in an interview an agribond program will have to be carefully structured so it can really help farmers without draining the federal treasury.

A special committee of MPs from the agriculture and finance committees is to soon start studying agribonds, capital gains tax on farmland and income tax treatment of part-

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"Cuts or no cuts, Friendly, I'm ordering you to put down Mr. Juneau."

Mulroney, Bourassa trade praise, agree on job and deficit priorities

MONTREAL (CP) — Prime Minister Mulroney emerged from a meeting with Quebec Liberal Leader Robert Bourassa Sunday saying they had agreed that job creation and cutting the federal deficit are Ottawa's top priorities.

"There was general agreement that there were two priorities," said Mulroney. "Job creation and deficit reduction — they go hand-in-hand and we're fighting a two-pronged battle. You can't have one without the other."

Mulroney said Bourassa accepted his luncheon invitation to discuss economic issues in preparation for the next federal budget.

The meeting is one of many Mulroney said he hopes to have across the

country "in the decision-making process in a spirit of federal-provincial consultation."

Mulroney met with Gary Filmon, Manitoba's Conservative leader, several weeks ago to discuss economic development in that province.

He meets with the executive council of the Quebec Federation of Labor today.

"It took Canada a hundred years to accumulate a net debt of \$18 billion," he said. "Fifteen years later (as a result of Liberal rule), we have a net debt of \$180 billion and it's growing daily."

"I can't cause it to go away overnight, nobody can," he added. "But what we're trying to do is create a climate, a federal-provincial climate,

with vital co-operation from trade unions and the private sector."

The two discussed how Canada can recapture its share of international trade as well as Bourassa's ideas about job creation for youth.

"We have to keep working at building programs and programs can only work if they're between the federal and provincial governments," said Mulroney.

"You cannot have successful youth employment creation, for example imposed unilaterally by Ottawa and so it is in this spirit in which we met."

Mulroney said they touched only briefly on the Constitutional question because "the preoccupation of Quebecers is essentially, if not exclusively, economic and we dealt almost totally with that."

NO SUPPORT

The prime minister also said he did not support the idea of forming a provincial Conservative party in Quebec, the details of which were reported in the Montreal Gazette on the weekend.

Mulroney says he wasn't consulted and "there won't be a provincial Conservative party in Quebec that will function without the approval of the (federal) party."

"We are not in agreement with the initiative and we don't even know the individuals who seem like they want to speak for the party. I can't prevent them from speaking, but that does not reflect my ideas or the ideas of the party."

"You could have some initial support for a third party," said Bourassa. "It's like any consumer — they would like to have three choices instead of two."

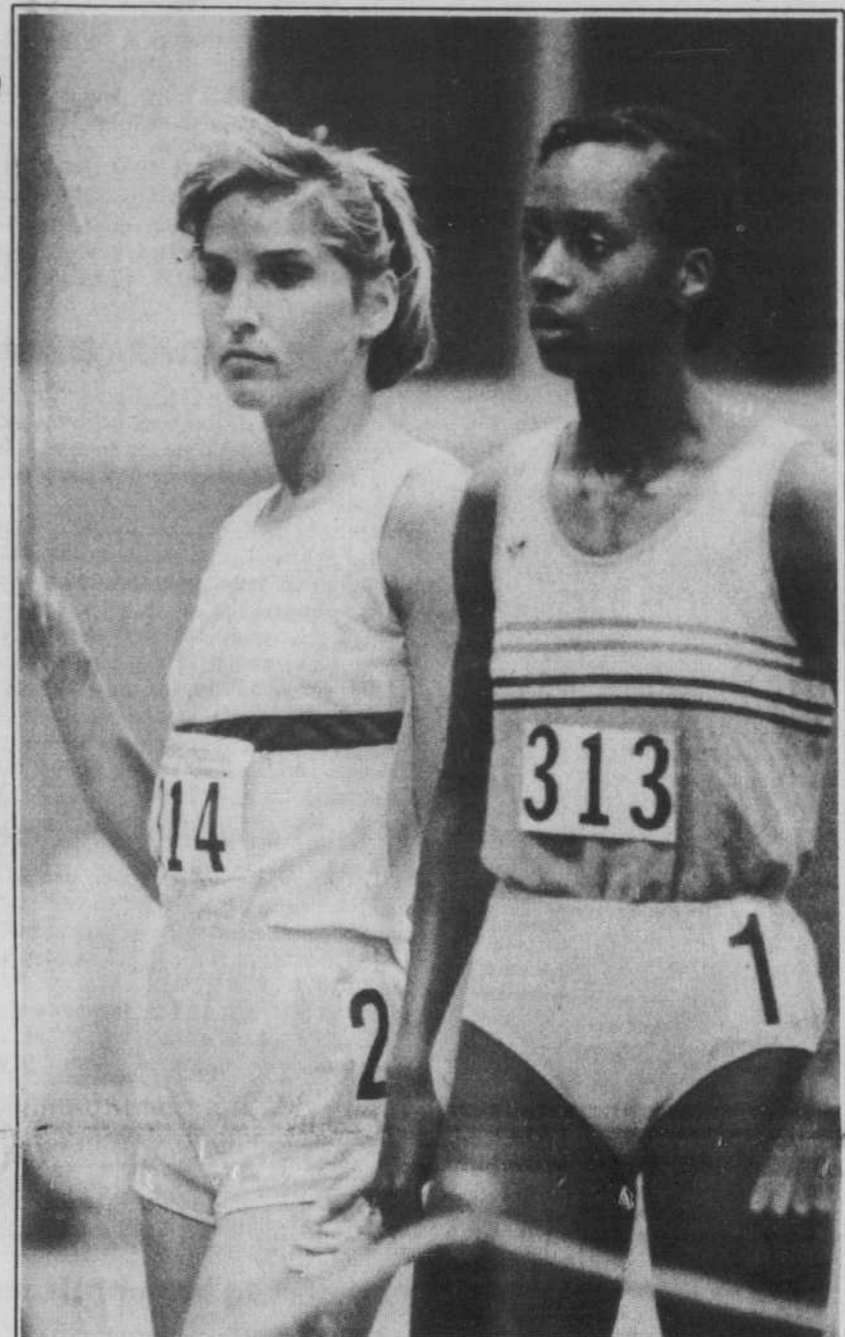
"But when the moment of truth comes, people realize that (the main federalist party in the province) is the Liberal party."



Brian Mulroney. . . No blessing for PC Quebec wing.



Robert Bourassa. . . Liberals the main federalists here.



Record performances
 Sherbrooke track and field fans got more than their money's worth Sunday as hometown star Christine Slythe (left) broke the women's Canadian 1,000-metre record, and Troy, N.Y. native Diana Richburg topped the U.S. mark. Story, more pictures page 8.

Premier OK, needs rest — doctors

QUEBEC (CP) — With one week to go before a crucial Parti Québécois policy convention, Quebec Premier René Lévesque is under doctor's orders to take it easy for a few days.

Lévesque, 62, startled political colleagues and news media Friday when he returned home a week early from a Martinique holiday and checked into Enfant-Jesus Hospital, claiming he was suffering dizzy spells and extreme fatigue.

After a flurry of speculated prognoses for ailments as diverse as cancer, heart disease and back pain, doctors announced after a battery of 25 tests that Lévesque was merely fatigued.

"I told him to take two or three days' rest before going back to work," said Dr. Pierre Langelier, a specialist in internal medicine. "He was really glad and he wanted to get back to work right away."

Dr. Jean-Pierre Bouchard added that for a man of 62, "after being under severe pressure for a long time," Lévesque would still rate health-wise in the upper 10 per cent for people his age.

For his part, Lévesque — who was assigned to an obstetrics ward because it had an adjoining waiting room for visitors — evaded reporters late Friday by slipping through a side door and returning home.

LIKELY TO ATTEND

Langelier's remarks suggested the premier would be able to attend next Saturday's special PQ general convention in Montreal, where party delegates from all 122 provincial ridings will decide whether to fight the next Quebec election on the independence issue.

"According to what I understood, the doctors indicated that Mr. Lévesque can resume his regular work in a few days on the condition that he rests properly," said Communications Minister Jean-Francois Bertrand.

"So I imagine that under those circumstances he'll be able to attend."

In Montreal, PQ vice-president Nadia Assimopoulos said she saw no need for the party executive to meet this weekend to decide whether to postpone the convention, as treasurer Lyne Marcoux suggested.

Lévesque's position — that the PQ can't afford to debate a sovereign Quebec amidst hard economic times — sparked turmoil in his government late last year, with seven ministers resigning their portfolios and some back-benchers becoming independents.

The strain began showing six weeks ago, when he groped for words, swore and uttered unintelligible words during a French-language television interview.

SMOKING, WANDERING

On later occasions, he delivered rambling speeches, wandered out of question period in the National Assembly, smoked in the legislature where it is prohibited, and presided over a four-hour cabinet meeting standing up.

Confessing scorn for doctors, Lévesque announced Dec. 20 he would spend the first two weeks of the new year down south. But the trip was abruptly cut short when he jetted home Tuesday night and checked into hospital Thursday.

His burly bodyguard kept reporters at bay while his second wife, Corinne Cote-Lévesque, and two children from his previous marriage slipped into the hospital to be by his side.

Vice-premier Marc-André Bedard, himself recovering from intestinal surgery, flew to Quebec City from his Chicoutimi home, while radio stations interrupted regular programming to speculate on Lévesque's condition.

At least one radio network broadcast the doctors' news conference live, where Langelier conceded that he "didn't dare" tell his patient to cut back on his legendary smoking habit. "I limited myself to insisting on rest," the doctor said.

Grits meet to revamp party, plan to end PC honeymoon

OTTAWA (CP) — The Liberal caucus — buffeted by discouraging polls and a shaky start in the Commons — hunkers down at nearby ski resort today for two days of navel-gazing to try to turn the party fortunes around.

"We all expected to be in a pretty bad situation politically," admits Jean Lapierre, Liberal MP for the Quebec riding of Shefford.

"We all expected a honeymoon (for the government). . . We know the severity of our defeat and we don't expect people to start liking us the next day."

But even so, the caucus needs to function "more as a team," he says, lamenting a lack of co-ordination.

"If all of us remain only in our (departmental) critic roles, we're going to be all over the place."

"Just to acquire the basic style and tactics of an opposition party does take some time," adds Winnipeg MP Lloyd Axworthy. "I hope there's some level of tolerance in the public for that because it is a role that like anything else you have to grow into."

One longtime Liberal insider says

what the party needs is a plan of action. Will the Chateau Montebello conference — paid for out of the MPs' pockets because the party is broke, according to one MP — do the trick?

"You can only hope," he replies, adding after further questions that John Turner's leadership may begin to be questioned at the grassroots "if he doesn't do something soon."

Publicly at least, Liberal MPs and senators dismiss the polls as virtually irrelevant so soon after an election and so far away from the next one.

Successive surveys since the election show the Tories still have a commanding lead while the Liberals hover about the 20-per-cent mark.

"We can't be traumatized by the polls," says Senator Allan MacEachen, the wily strategist who served in the Commons for most of the last 30 years.

"Any party that is, is dead."

But they concede the polls can't be ignored completely.

"It's certainly a warning," Axworthy said of the prediction 10 days ago

by Angus Reid, who frequently works for the party, that the NDP could surge ahead of the Liberals by six to 12 points over the next few months.

"There still is a lot of questioning in the minds of the public about the position of the Liberal party."

He agreed with Reid that it is not a cause for panic yet for "it would be if it continued over a long period of time."

"If 12 months after the election the Liberals are still down in the low 20s (in the polls) and in a close fight with the NDP, that will be of extreme concern to the leader," adds Senator Michael Kirby, a former adviser to Pierre Trudeau.

But so far Kirby says there has "far less" talk about Turner's leadership than he would have expected, "just given the nature of politics," and constitutionally Turner still has until the fall of 1986 before having to submit his leadership to a vote.

The focus today and Tuesday will be on the parliamentary session which resumes next Monday.

"My feeling," says Lapierre, "is that until the new budget (in April) we will always be in a pretty awkward position because a lot of the policies that are there now are still ours."

Axworthy, chairman of the group's economic committee, says he believes the party must "much more clearly identify the kind of Liberal prescription for economic growth in Canada," with particular attention devoted to the impact of proposals for greater free trade with the United States.

Axworthy — who was instrumental in pushing the caucus to endorse a mutual and verifiable nuclear arms freeze late last year despite Turner's obvious reluctance — also foresees the possibility of new positions on the peace and security issue.

But MacEachen, who as external affairs minister opposed a freeze, said the party should move on to other subjects now that the United States and Soviet Union have agreed to resume arms reduction talks.

Cruise missiles to fly again in northwestern test run

EDMONTON (CP) — A U.S. B-52 bomber with four unarmed cruise missiles will fly over the Canadian northwest Tuesday to conduct the first of three scheduled tests of the controversial missile between now and the end of March, a Canadian Forces spokesman said Sunday.

Tuesday's training run, the second for the cigar-shaped missile over Canadian soil, will be similar to the initial test conducted last March 6.

Maj. Dick Adam said the B-52 will take off from a U.S. air base in Grand

Forks, N.D., and enter the actual test corridor between 7:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. MST. The giant aircraft will return to Grand Forks after the 4½-hour test. It is not scheduled to land in Canada.

The 2,500-kilometre test corridor begins over the Beaufort Sea and continues down the Mackenzie Valley across northeast British Columbia and northern Alberta to the Primrose Lake Air Weapons Range at Canadian Forces Base Cold Lake. The weapons range straddles the Alberta-

Saskatchewan border, about 290 kilometres northeast of Edmonton.

Only one of the four missiles will be active. One will be a backup and the other two will balance the aircraft.

No actual launch of the missile will occur Tuesday. The next two tests, which are to take place by March 31, will involve live firings of the missile.

Reaction to the test announcement, part of Canada's NATO commitment, was predictable.

"It (the test) is inconsistent with established Canadian policy in the past

of not having anything to do with nuclear weapons," said federal NDP Leader Ed Broadbent.

PLANS PROTEST

Greenpeace Canada spokesmen in Vancouver say members of the environmental group will arrive today in Athabasca, Alta., about 140 kilometres north of Edmonton, to prepare for a protest against the test.

Janet Galloway, a spokesman for the Comox Valley Nuclear Responsibility Society, said British Columbia peace groups will participate in a countrywide telephone blitz to Ottawa to protest the test.

The action calls for phones to ring every minute in the offices of Prime Minister Mulroney and the Defence Department.

The tests are being conducted to determine the effectiveness of the missile's terrain contour matching guidance system over a variety of winter landscapes similar to those found in the Soviet Union.

The missile's guidance system will be activated to feed flight information into the bomber's navigation system. The aircraft will fly at more than 800 kilometres an hour at an altitude of about 300 metres.

The federal Transport Department has issued a notice to pilots warning them to stay clear of the test area Tuesday.

Debate pits suicide vs. pragmatism

MONTREAL (CP) — A former Parti Québécois cabinet minister has warned delegates to a special convention on independence this weekend that shelving the issue in the next provincial election will spell political suicide for the party.

"The best way to kill a political party is to remove its raison d'être or not to talk about it," said Camille Laurin in a debate on Montreal radio station CKAC Sunday. "It would be suicidal to shelve the raison d'être of the PQ for another four or five years."

Justice Minister Pierre-Marc Johnson, dubbing himself a "new separatist," cautioned the party in-

stead to be "concrete and practical" before entering the next election.

"I believe Quebec has the ability and it could one day have the chance, if it chooses, to control its taxes, its laws and its external relations," he said.

"We must not be naive," he added. "The federal government poses and will continue to pose a big restraint in certain areas of the development of Quebec. That doesn't mean that life cannot go on and that we don't have things to do to answer to the needs of our citizens."

Laurin, one of seven ministers to quit the PQ cabinet to protest Premier René Lévesque's move to

shelve independence, said the issue should be pursued to solve "bread and butter" problems and to ensure the province's economic development.

Two-thirds of the 122 riding associations have passed resolutions supporting Lévesque's stand.

Laurin, who fathered the government's controversial language law — commonly known as Bill 101 — said the economy and not the independence issue is behind a drop in its support in public opinion polls.

Laurin added that Lévesque's leadership will not be put in question at the convention because of his break from the hard-liners.

Polish trial coverage flushing out inner government, church battles

WARSAW (AP) — At a recent news conference, a Justice Ministry spokesman was asked why Polish television was not providing live coverage of the trial of four secret police officers accused in the killing of a pro-Solidarity priest.

"This is not a sports event," said the official, Andrzej Cubala. "In certain European countries, TV is prohibited from entering the courtroom. The Polish mass media are very thoroughly reporting the trial — both in print and in broadcast."

Few would argue the point. The trial resumes Monday in Torun with testimony from Col. Adam Pietruszka, who is charged with instigating three subordinates to kidnap and kill Rev. Jerzy Popieluszko.

The official Polish media, which normally shies from reporting events embarrassing to the government, is giving extensive coverage to the trial and providing rare insights into the inner workings of the state security apparatus.

Newspapers run extensive daily re-

ports on the trial, state-run television broadcasts portions of the proceedings each evening and Warsaw Radio airs 30 minutes of recorded testimony every night.

But since the trial began, the Polish news media also has produced a series of stories that portray an unflattering picture of the Roman Catholic Church and certain Polish clergymen.

TIMING SIGNIFICANT
The reason is not clear. But some Polish officials and western diplo-

mats say it reflects the same internal battles between hardliners and moderates in the government that some Poles believe led to the killing last October of Popieluszko, a staunch defender of the outlawed Solidarity independent labor federation.

"The timing of these reports is significant," said one diplomat, speaking on condition he not be identified. "The timing is to show whoever needs showing that the government is not soft on the church."

Government officials allied to Po-

lish leader Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski allege that the killing was a provocation aimed at provoking a strong reaction that would force Jaruzelski to crack down on the church and Solidarity.

It is widely perceived that Jaruzelski is using the slaying as a chance to force out his opponents within the system, although even his supporters acknowledge he is meeting resistance.

At a full meeting of the party in December, he replaced the head of the

Central Committee department with day-to-day control over party publications in the Interior Ministry, and named a new deputy Interior Minister, Andrzej Gdula, who is believed to be a moderate allied with Jaruzelski's policies.

A Communist party journalist with close ties to Jaruzelski said open media coverage of the trial is both an effort to recover lost credibility with the public and a signal to hardliners in the police apparatus that they must keep within the law.

QFL supports Mulroney as PM tills labor ground

MONTREAL (CP) — The New Democratic Party has vowed to make a breakthrough in Quebec, but the president of the Quebec Federation of Labor says his heart belongs to Brian Mulroney.

Louis Laberge and the prime minister, a former Quebec labor lawyer, have a long association. The two will renew acquaintances today when Mulroney takes the unusual step of paying a courtesy call on Laberge at QFL headquarters in Montreal.

Laberge says that while the NDP and his own 300,000-member labor body share the same social democratic principles, he's more comfortable with Mulroney's views on the "national question."

The national question is what Quebecers call the debate over the status of their province in Confederation. Mulroney has promised to try to strike a deal with Quebec to end its opposition to the Constitution but has been vague about what he'll offer the province.

The colorful labor leader and the QFL supported the Yes — or Parti Québécois — option in the 1980 Quebec referendum on sovereignty-association.

NOT A SEPARATIST
Laberge's chief lieutenant, Fernand Daoust, has been open about his pro-independence leanings for several years. But Laberge styles himself as a strong Quebec nationalist, not a separatist.

"I don't think the NDP can bring us (the QFL) on board," Laberge said in an interview, noting "a lot of our officers in the Quebec federation are very active supporters" of the PQ.

Laberge, head of the QFL since 1964, said "Mulroney is more open to

Quebec" than the NDP which traditionally enjoys a privileged relationship with labor organizations.

Laberge faults NDP leader Ed Broadbent for personally supporting the No forces in the referendum, saying he "missed a golden opportunity to stay out of it." The federal party remained neutral, but its strong recipe of economic centralism has always been suspect in the eyes of Quebec nationalists.

Laberge said he met last fall with Broadbent and John Harney, head of the Quebec wing of the NDP, but they failed to resolve their policy differences.

"The NDP would have to clarify its position on the national question," said Laberge, remaining vague as to what stand would win QFL support.

Although the federation nominally endorsed the NDP in the Sept. 4 federal election, Laberge conceded the labor body didn't do much to bring out votes.

In the election, the NDP reaped only 8.6 per cent of the popular vote in Quebec, down from 8.7 per cent in the 1980 election.

Since September, a group comprising five bilingual members of the federal NDP caucus has been trying to build grassroots support in the province as part of a strategy to displace the Liberals as the largest opposition party.

The New Democrats say the collapse of the Liberals federally in Quebec has opened the door for the NDP to establish itself as the alternative to the Tories.

The NDP has been considering fielding candidates for the first time in the next provincial election, expected sometime this year.

News-in-brief

Striking MSO playing it by ear

MONTREAL (CP) — A strike by Montreal Symphony Orchestra musicians can be settled in time to save a concert tour of Western Canada and the Far East, says the president of the Montreal Musicians Guild.

"We will have to play it by ear," said Emile Subirana after the musicians — who have been without a contract since August — walked out Saturday, forcing cancellation of a Montreal performance Sunday night.

"We feel there is no reason we can't get this situation solved" by today, Subirana said.

But Zarin Mehta, managing director of the widely acclaimed orchestra, said management has "gone to limit of what is reasonable" in its three-year contract offer.

McDermott attacks fat cats

OTTAWA (CP) — Canadian workers have made enough sacrifices because of the economic situation and it's about time for doctors, lawyers, "fat cats and corporate moguls" to do the same, the nation's top labor leader says.

"Our people have been under the gun for about four years now," complained Dennis McDermott, president of the two-million-member Canadian Labor Congress.

"They've gone the (bargaining) concession route. They've fought against concessions.

"They've gone the six-and-five (wage restraint program) route and I noticed at our convention last year in Montreal there was a perceptible change in the mentality which really said: Enough is enough."

Contest awards war crime pictures

OTTAWA (CP) — A controversial advertisement for an international poster contest, which the External Affairs Department had asked the Iraqi Embassy not to print, has been published in the Ottawa Citizen.

The ad in Saturday's edition promotes a contest for illustrations of alleged war crimes inflicted on Iraqi prisoners captured in an ongoing border war with Iran.

Prizes range from \$8,000 for first place to \$2,000 for fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth place.

In addition, at least one Canadian will win a "generous prize" and be invited to Iraq for the ceremony honoring the international winners, the ad says. It offers no other details.

Cheaters to be publicly named

TORONTO (CP) — University of Toronto students who cheat on examinations will soon have to worry about more than simply a mark of zero or expulsion — the university plans to make the names of cheaters public.

Determined to decrease the number of students cheating in the classroom, the university has beefed up its academic disciplinary code through a series of amendments passed last week by the academic affairs committee.

The changes must be approved by the university's governing council, but no one opposed them at the committee and the chances of them being rejected are slim, said David Cook, vice-provost of staff functions.

As a result of the amendments, beginning the next school year, the university will no longer conceal the names of those convicted of cheating on examinations or course assignments.

Police negotiate with RCMP killer

VEGREVILLE, Alta. (CP) — One RCMP officer was killed and a second officer wounded Sunday in a shooting incident in Vegreville, Alta.

Police are negotiating with a gunman barricaded in a house in a residential section of the town, 100 kilometres east of Edmonton.

In a brief news release, police said today that the officer died at 9:15 p.m. MST after being rushed to University Hospital in Edmonton. The second officer was treated for minor injuries and released from Vegreville hospital.

No names have been released.

Telethon collects record funds

NEW YORK (AP) — United Cerebral Palsy received a record \$17.1 million in pledges from its Weekend With The Stars telethon, carried by 100 television stations across the United States, the charity organization announced Sunday.

Spokesman Elizabeth Hausman said the figure was the largest in the 34-year history of the telethon, broadcast live Saturday and Sunday from New York, Nashville, Tenn., and Hollywood.

The money collected from the viewer pledges and sponsor contributions will go toward research and services to help the estimated 700,000 Americans affected by cerebral palsy, a disorder that affects the central nervous system.

Stores open on Sunday

VANCOUVER (CP) — As Vancouver moves to seven-days-a-week shopping, retailers are wondering whether consumers will part with more of their disposable income if they have more time to shop.

Sunday openings by major department stores started in December when Vancouver-based Woodwards department stores, which spearheaded a campaign a few years ago to have Sunday openings prohibited, announced it was forced to reverse its position.

Woodwards, which had just opened its glamorous \$85-million Oakridge shopping centre, was the first major department store to open Sunday. But 24 hours after its first Sunday opening the other major department stores announced plans to follow.

Five charged with sexual abuse

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Five men have been arrested and charged with 169 counts of sexual molestation and abuse of nine children, and a prosecutor said authorities are investigating whether the suspects made a "snuff movie" in which children were killed on camera.

The reported abuses and molestations occurred in 1982 and involved four children who had been left in the care of one of the suspects, and five of their playmates, authorities said.

Force and threats were used to coerce the children, who apparently were warned they would be killed or maimed if they told anyone of the incidents, Sacramento County sheriff's Sgt. Roger Dickson said Friday.

9,300 Skylarks, Omegas recalled

DETROIT (AP) — General Motors Corp. has recalled 9,300 X-cars for replacement of suspension bolts that could fracture and damage the rear brake hose, making the cars more difficult to stop, the company said.

The cars are 1984 Buick Skylarks and Oldsmobile Omegas.

GM said in a statement Friday that the bolts were not made to specifications, with the problem limited to one assembly plant. The only plant making both those cars in the 1984 model year was the Willow Run plant in Ypsilanti, Mich.

CIA denies codoning death squads

WASHINGTON (AP) — An investigation by the House of Representatives intelligence committee has concluded the CIA did not "directly encourage or support" death squads in El Salvador, but criticizes the agency's lack of early candor about the problem.

Responding to public allegations the CIA had ties to Salvadoran security forces implicated in slayings, a committee staff report said "U.S. intelligence agencies have not conducted any of their activities in such a way as to directly encourage or support death squad activities."

"To the contrary, U.S. intelligence activities have been directed, sometimes successfully, at countering death squad activity, reducing the power of individuals connected with death squads, and seeking their removal from positions of authority."

Snowstorm hits Texas

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (AP) — A winter storm described as the worst in southern Texas in a century left San Antonio staggering under more than 30 centimetres of snow Sunday, paralyzing a city more accustomed to sun.

"In the last 100 years no snowfall has ever come close to this event," the U.S. National Weather Service said of the storm that blanketed south, central and west Texas.

Before 34 centimetres of snow fell on the city in the 24 hours ending early Sunday, the record for an entire winter's snowfall was 18.8 centimetres, set in 1926. Record-keeping started in 1885.

"It's a mess," said Bo McCarver, a spokesman for the Texas highway department. Major roads connecting San Antonio with other parts of Texas were open but hazardous, and the city's lack of snow removal equipment promised to keep highways slippery.

Margaret leaves hospital

LONDON (Reuter) — Princess Margaret, only sister of Queen Elizabeth, left hospital Sunday night following an operation on her lung a week ago.

The princess, 54, looked pale and drawn as she walked the few steps from West London's Brompton hospital to a waiting car with apparent difficulty.

She had an operation last Sunday on her left lung and doctors have since described her recovery as excellent. Surgeons removed lung tissue and tests showed it was not malignant.

Margaret, former wife of photographer Lord Snowdon, is known to smoke up to 60 cigarettes a day and has been advised to give up smoking.

Gas leak forces thousands to flee

LONDON (AP) — A 60-centimetre gas main fractured Sunday near Piccadilly Circus, forcing thousands of people to flee the central London area, fire and utility officials said. Engineers succeeded in sealing the leak Sunday night.

"There was a strong smell of gas over a wide area and emergency services have cordoned off the whole area," said a spokesman for London's Fire Brigade before engineers of the North Thames Gas Board repaired the break in the underground pipe.

The Gas Board earlier said it had advised fire fighters the buildup of gas at Piccadilly Circus was reaching "explosive levels."

Irish tourism booming

BELFAST (AP) — Tourism has become one of the few growing industries in Northern Ireland despite the continuing violent struggle of the outlawed Irish Republican Army against British rule, the Tourist Board said Sunday.

More than one million visitors are expected in 1985, compared with 940,000 last year, the board said. About 430,000 of the visitors in 1984 were from the Irish republic and 400,000 were from the British mainland.

A board spokesman said 60,000 Canadians and Americans visited the province last year, up by nearly 20 per cent on 1983.

Diplomat shot dead

ROME (AP) — A Libyan diplomat was shot to death outside his Rome apartment Sunday, but not before he apparently managed to wound his assassin in a gunfight, police said.

A witness, a woman who was not further identified, told police that Farag Omar Makhyouh, 31, was surprised by the gunman as he left for the embassy Sunday morning, but managed to draw a gun and fire back.

The assassin shot the gun out of Makhyouh's hand and then shot him in the neck, the abdomen, the right hand and right arm, police said. The Libyan tried to rush the gunman, but collapsed on the road and died, police said.

Police found blood stains on the street near where the assailant dropped his silencer-equipped Walther PPK, indicating the gunman may have been hit.

Gromyko urges end to Star Wars

MOSCOW (AP) — Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko says U.S. insistence on forging ahead with space weapons research would enhance an arms race and lead to the collapse of negotiations the superpowers have agreed to resume.

Gromyko, who led the Soviet delegation at talks last week that yielded a U.S.-Soviet agreement to reopen arms control negotiations, made his point forcefully during an unusual live interview Sunday on Soviet television.

He insisted that the United States abandon its so-called Star Wars missile defence program and said that without a space weapons accord it was "superfluous and inadmissible" to pursue separate deals on nuclear arms.

The interview, a two-hour session with four Soviet journalists, was his first extensive public discussion of last week's talks with U.S. State Secretary George Shultz in Geneva.

Election date set

SEOUL (AP) — The South Korean government announced Monday that elections for the 276-member National Assembly will be held Feb. 12.

A Home Ministry spokesman rejected opposition claims the voting is being scheduled during freezing weather to discourage voter turnout and thereby help the governing party. He said the temperature on Feb. 12 in recent years averaged -1C, and that would pose no serious problem for voters.

The governing Democratic Justice party of President Chun Doo-hwan holds 152 seats in the current assembly, whose four-year term ends in early March.

Independence battle heats up

NOUMEA (AP) — Both sides in the violent struggle for independence in the French-ruled South Pacific territory of New Caledonia mourned their dead Sunday, but leaders of the pro-independence Melanesian minority refused to bury theirs, or to believe the government's version of how they died.

They said territorial officials conspired to murder Eloi Machoro, 38, a hardline militant shot by police, and demanded a second autopsy on his body.

Officials agreed to the new autopsy but insisted that police only intended to wound Machoro and his top aide, Marcel Monaro, who were shot to death Saturday at an isolated farmhouse.

Police said they later found weapons, dynamite and documents including a map indicating that Machoro and about 40 supporters planned to take control of the nearby town of Foa.

Freighter catches fire

KINGSTOWN, St. Vincent (AP) — A cruise ship rescued 26 South Koreans who had abandoned their burning freighter in the Caribbean Sea off the Venezuelan coast, a passenger aboard the ship and the U.S. coast guard said Sunday.

The Greek liner Stella Oceanis spotted the freighter Aliveri Hope burning at about 3 p.m. (4 p.m. EST) Saturday, passenger Bert Wilson said in a ship-to-shore report from the Stella Oceanis as it departed from the harbor of this Caribbean city.

Keith Curtow, a U.S. coast guard spokesman in Miami, said the 18,000-tonne freighter was burning and a danger to navigation at the time the crew was picked up.

The Aliveri Hope was en route to Natazva, Venezuela, from Boston with 20,000 tonnes of scrap steel when it caught fire about 25 nautical miles off the Venezuelan coast.

Vietnamese attack rebel camp

SAN RO CHANGAN, Thailand (AP) — Vietnamese gunners have begun probing the defences of one of the few remaining rebel camps near the Thai border still in the hands of anti-Communist guerrillas, a guerrilla commander said Sunday.

Loeung Sinak, commander of the Khmer People's National Liberation Front camp near San Ro Changan, told reporters Vietnamese fired mortars and machine-guns at rebel front lines. The guerrillas did not return the fire to prevent the Vietnamese from pinpointing their positions.

The guerrilla commander said about 1,400 rebels are defending the camp. Civilians have been evacuated to an area just inside Thailand known by the same name as the camp.

At last report, Vietnamese forces were about two kilometres from the camp's defences, which are studded with bunkers and laid out in an L-shape, Loeung Sinak said. The Vietnamese are moving some tanks into the area, but the rebels don't know the direction they are taking or their number, he said.

\$1 million is chicken feed today, says Loto president

MONTREAL (CP) — Anyone who won a mere \$1 million and change in Saturday's Lotto 6-49 draw needn't bother with lawyers, tax advisers and accountants, says Loto-Quebec president David Clark.

Four tickets worth \$1,097,000 each were sold in Quebec for the second-largest lottery prize in Canadian history, but Clark said Sunday such prize money has become chicken feed for routine lotto players.

"A million dollars isn't that great a thing anymore to make people afraid or anything like that," he said. "If they win over \$5 million, they'll often hesitate and get advice."

Nevertheless, Clark says all prize winners should put some thought into how they actually pick up their bounty for provincial lottery agencies.

Winnings proper are not taxable in Quebec, unless they are divided up afterwards as gifts, he said. A winner should therefore consider redeeming his ticket with his family by his side and declare them jointwinners immediately.

Sending an agent to collect on someone's behalf is extremely dangerous, Clark added.

"There's a great deal of risk unless you're absolutely sure. For us, the winner is the person who signs the ticket."

Yet that security precaution poses a dilemma for publicity-shy winners.

If a lawyer is hired to pick up the money on a client's behalf, he'd still have to submit to photographs and a press conference — because Loto-Quebec believes it must identify winners to prove to its customers that it does give out winnings.

That policy also averts fraud, Clark said, because any claimant must realize he'll be front-and-centre in the public eye.

In any case, big winners are coached on how to deal with the news media and other trials of instant fortune, he said.

Saturday's grand prize ticket, worth more than \$11.2 million, was apparently held by an Ontario resident. The winning Lotto 6-49 numbers were nine, 34, 38, 39, 43 and 44, with the bonus number 1.

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The Townships

Sherbrooke council eyes 'municipal excellence' after weekend meet

By Charles Bury

WATERVILLE — Sherbrooke's mayor, 12 councillors and three top bureaucrats emerged all smiles from a weekend brainstorming retreat Sunday, ready to tackle the municipal new year "in complete harmony" and with a new watch-word: "municipal excellence".

And the city has hatched a plan to hire an "ombudsman" to smooth out relations with citizens.

Mayor Jean-Paul Pelletier said the session, the fourth of its type in the last few years, tackled three main "philosophical" items: obtaining "solidarity and collegiality" within the sometimes stormy council; improving the working atmosphere between the elected mayor and councillors and the city's employees; and transmitting information about "our good projects" to the city's 85,000 citizens.

Pelletier said the meeting, held at Waterville's Val-Estrie centre for delinquent juveniles, succeeded on all three points.

HARMONY ON COUNCIL

"We have restored the feeling of perfect harmony we need to operate well on council," he said. "We will be shuffling some of the committee duties and re-examining the role and usefulness of some of the committee

work."

Pelletier admitted some frictions had existed on council in recent months and said they had hampered the city fathers' work. But he singled out one touchy issue in particular as the root of the differences and said it has now been relegated to the history books.

The discordant issue, he said, was the controversial city proposal to buy the former Saad Gabr building and convert it to municipal offices. "The only thing we really differed on was the matter of 101 Frontenac Street," he said. "That question is now resolved and behind us."

"This meeting gets us back together," Pelletier said. "It heals the wounds." But the mayor said that doesn't mean he is surrounded by "yes-men".

"We still will have our disagreements," Pelletier said. "That is natural. But it doesn't mean that we don't end up agreeing, or that we can't get along."

The mayor added that he has never talked to the Frontenac Street building's new owner Jaqub Mirza "either directly or indirectly" about a further offer, and doesn't intend to. "Council solved that problem last week, while I was away, and I have rallied to their position."

"There is no city hall project for the

moment."

Pelletier said city council's committees, which oversee such areas as the municipal business, public works, Hydro-Sherbrooke, public safety and finance, have brought uneven workloads, "between 30 and 50 hours a week, for the various councillors, depending on their responsibilities." He said responsibilities would be shifted and the committee system re-examined in coming weeks. "The city's a business," he said. "You have to run it like one."

In the future, council committees will report at council "regularly, every two months or so."

SERVE THE CUSTOMERS

Pelletier said the city wants to re-open lines of communication among city workers "right down the line" from general manager Roch Lévesque to the snowplow crewmen and laborers. He said the first step in this process will be a meeting Feb. 8 between himself and the 12 councillors on one hand and the city's top 110 administrators on the other.

The purpose of this encounter, he said, would be to amplify the idea that "the city is a business like any other," and "it has to serve its customers — the citizens and taxpayers."

"The best way to serve the customer is to stay close to him and to respond quickly and efficiently to his

needs," Pelletier added. "This involves everyone in the system."

Cumbersome bureaucracy will be whittled away in the aim of improving services and co-ordinating efforts. "The accent will be on action," he said. "We will be simplifying our structures and developing reciprocal excellence with our employees."

"You have to hook up the train to the locomotive."

The mayor said the city will create a complaints office and staff it with an "ombudsman" to speed up response time and help come up with solutions to citizens' individual problems. He said city employees will be asked to "always be welcoming towards the customer — the citizen."

He said a further line of approach will be to "encourage excellence, in our buildings, our equipment, and our people — excellence at all levels."

"We will recognize our employees' abilities, so both they and we will be confident in them. We will seek harmony through better understanding. This will bring in the sense of fair play, and the sense of excellence. And it will fit in with the end goal of getting

closer to the customer, the citizen, too."

'MARKETING' A BETTER IMAGE

Sherbrooke and its city council receive more media attention than probably any other municipal administration in Quebec, with up to a full page in the French-language daily *La Tribune* six days a week and several other media concentrating time and manpower on city hall. This far exceeds coverage in Montreal, Quebec City, Laval and Chicoutimi, municipalities with administrations and populations greater than Sherbrooke's.

Pelletier and council want the city in the media still more, not less, and they are willing to pay for it.

Pelletier said there has been "considerable interpretation" of council news by Sherbrooke media, which has resulted in citizens not getting "exactly the version of events we would like." To counter this, he said "paid communiqués" will be used regularly to put the city's own point of view across. "These will not be subject to interpretation," he said. "We will be saying exactly what we want to say, directly to our customers — the citi-

zens." Journalists drawing their own conclusions from the mayor and councillors' statements "happens often enough," Pelletier said. "Sometimes we're anxious to see the reports and the interpretations the journalists put on things. We may see things differently."

He said the advertisements would "seek to complement" the journalists' work rather than replace it.

CITY PROPERTY FOR SALE

Among other highlights of the council retreat, which began Friday evening and ended at noon Sunday, is the intention to promote several municipal properties the city wants to get rid of. "If we want to sell the properties we have to market them properly," Pelletier said.

He added that there will be "tighter controls in the future on city-owned property."

Mayor Pelletier concluded that the weekend retreat had been a success and could be seen "like a board-of-directors meeting of a company. After all, this is a business and has to be run like one."

J.-P. Pelletier was absent for two sets of reasons

By Charles Bury

WATERVILLE — Mayor Jean-Paul Pelletier's notable absence from the city last week was due to both public and private commitments outside the region, he said Sunday.

After missing last Monday's regular council meeting, the mayor had to be replaced by three councillors at the Sherbrooke-area Chamber of Commerce annual 'state of the city' evening Wednesday.

Pelletier downplayed his absence, then explained — in part.

"Well, do you really all want to know about that?" he asked journalists at a press conference Sunday where the main subject was council's just-completed annual retreat at Val-Estrie centre for delinquent juveniles.

Assured that the interest was there, he said his position as mayor "isn't as special as all that," and added that both the council meeting and the

Chamber of Commerce supper seemed to have gone well without him.

"I have seen the tapes of the chamber meeting and I would say the three councillors did an admirable job, and said much what I would have said myself," he said.

Pelletier said he had been away for two reasons. "I had some urgent personal business to attend to outside the region," he said, "and that kept me away until Thursday. I assure you it was very important and could not be postponed."

BACK ON FRIDAY

"Thursday I spent in Montreal on business for the city and Friday I was back at work in Sherbrooke before coming here (to Waterville)."

And what, the journalists wondered, was the nature of the city business in Montreal?

"Industrial projects for the city," replied the mayor.

Does the mayor have a project to

announce, asked the journalists, or will he soon?

"As far as I'm concerned, there is no project at all until it is actually here, in place," Pelletier said. "I don't want to let the cat out of the bag until it is in the bag."

Could it be a big cat or a little cat? the journalists pried.

"There are no small industrial development projects," the mayor replied. "Even if it is only five jobs, it is still an important project."

But even if there is no project to announce, the journalists pursued, might there be a pre-project we could discuss?

The mayor refused to answer, but a telling pink blush swept him from hairline to jowl, from ear to shining ear.

Allowing themselves to "interpret" his reaction, the journalists concluded that there is a deal in the works. Has anyone seen a new cat?



Sherbrooke Mayor Jean-Paul Pelletier, the city's 12 councillors and three top bureaucrats worked all weekend at Waterville's Val-Estrie centre for delinquent juveniles.

Prisoner experiment: 'We're glad to get out!' Police still in the dark over Jos Guertin murder

By Claudia Villemaire

DRUMMONDVILLE — The new Drummond Institute, latest addition to the federal Correctional Service, rang with laughter and applause Sunday afternoon as 25 volunteer prisoners walked out the gym doors and back to freedom.

According to organizers of the 48 hour program designed to give the public and prison personnel a better understanding of life behind the walls as an inmate, the project was a resounding success.

"This is a first," said prison warden Jacques Doyotte. "We tried to simulate many of the situations during the weekend that one has to cope with on a daily basis with regular inmates. The program was planned to give these volunteers a precise but concentrated bird's eye view of life for a convicted person. We also had four volunteers who acted as prison personnel such as guards."

Comments by several of the weekend volunteers, mainly chosen among Drummondville-area youth workers and journalists, showed the impact of their experience.

Pierre Couture, a motorcycle racer and teacher spoke of his relationship with the young people who generally follow his progress. "I certainly will be more determined in any attempts I make to help a young person who seems to be headed towards a life that could eventually find him behind bars. I don't want to come back here, where the tension and stress is in the prisoner himself, no matter what the facility offers."

'STOOL PIGEON' INCLUDED

The program was carefully planned. It included an escape attempt, the planting of a 'stool pigeon' and different types of stressful situations.

"I found myself having thoughts and dreaming of revenge as I had never done before," said Mario Goudreau, who played the "stoolie" role. Getting back "in" with the group became paramount, and "even though it started out as a character role, I was soon very emotionally involved. This has been a real eye-opener to me and an experience that I will talk about a long time to family, friends and business associates."

Everyone concerned in the experiment agreed: life behind the fences is no picnic. "You lose your identity," one weekend inmate said. "You're given a number, placed with your mates in a pavilion with 20 other guys and you must obey every rule and somehow get along with your cellmates."

"This is where the trouble starts," said Mario Lévesque, co-ordinator of the program. "The smallest things, such as smoking after 9 p.m., or if a meal does not meet the standards you're used to, or the fact that you are constantly observed even in the showers and toilets, cause a stress that can only be understood by the people involved."

SAFETY ASSURANCE SOUGHT

Drummondville municipal police came up with the scheme. Their main goal was to re-assure citizens of their safety with a new prison in the area.

The volunteers were chosen from a long list that included professional people such as lawyers, factory workers, tradesmen, bureaucrats, journalists and politicians.

"My whole philosophy of life is changed," said the man who was found trying to bring (pretend) drugs into the prison. Gilles Lupien, who swallowed a small bag of cocaine (flour), was turned in by the simulated stoolie. Lupien underwent intensive body searches and ended up in solitary confinement for a short time. "Believe me, when I visited this place on opening day, I thought solitary, ('the Hole') was just a smaller cell and not such a great thing."

"But after spending some time in there, with the door closed and locked, no one to talk to and no one who will talk to you, with a cold lunch and the makings for coffee but no cup or glass, one has time to think. I see now the purpose and even though I never admitted to having the drug

concealed on my person, I can understand this treatment is necessary for the inmate who opposes the establishment and who must be brought under control for his safety and the safety of others."

NO CRIME 'WORTH IT'

The underlying impact of his weekend was obvious to all involved. "I will never be the same again, even though I knew the whole thing was sort of make-believe. And everyone I meet will hear that there's no crime worth a stay behind these walls."

The four people who played the role of correctional officers had pretty well the same story. "We felt secure in our uniforms at first while there were several of our peers nearby. But when one of us faced a group of prisoners alone, then the feeling was quite different. Our appreciation of the dedication and study that must accompany any training program for personnel has gone up a whole lot and we're glad this is not the life we have chosen."

"We have taken some of the mystery and myth out of what the general public thinks takes place in a federal prison," said prison official Jean Paul Dugas, "not only here in Drummondville but hopefully across the nation. Our mandate is not only to incarcerate the persons that our society has decided must be isolated for a time, but we must also protect law-abiding citizens through our programs for rehabilitation and training."

"We are proud here at Drummond to have been able to carry out such an experiment. People guilty of breaking the laws of society, the debt they are required to pay and their treatment so that they may return to a normal, productive life is everyone's responsibility. This weekend experience has brought home that fact more than any other program we could have come up with so far," Dugas concluded.

SHERBROOKE — Police have few leads in the first murder of the year, discovered Thursday in Stoke.

Well-known local businessman Jos Guertin, whose body was found Thursday in his luxurious Stoke residence, died last Monday or Tuesday from ten stab wounds, a preliminary autopsy report reveals, making him the first murder victim in the Eastern Townships in 1985.

Guertin's body was discovered just inside the door to his house Thursday afternoon by two men who had gone to see him to discuss business, Quebec Police spokesman René Côté says, and evidence suggests he put up staunch resistance to his attackers.

Police say they have few clues into the motive for the crime and say they

are investigating all leads. Guertin, who made his fortune in the house-moving business, had suffered serious business reverses in recent years and police say their search for a motive will include looking into a possible connection between Guertin's business activities and the crime.

While not ruling out robbery as a possible motive, police say evidence indicates this is unlikely as the house, which had been the object of a court-ordered seizure last fall, was virtually empty of any valuable objects. Evidence also indicates that the door to Guertin's house had not been forced, hinting that Guertin had opened it willingly to his killers.

The case is being investigated by QPF detectives Marcel Laprade and Noël Bolduc.

Agribond scheme to get a second look in Ottawa

Continued from page 1

time farmers and produce recommendations in time for the April budget.

The committee was promised in Finance Minister Michael Wilson's November economic statement but hasn't been set up yet. A discussion paper on the three issues is being prepared by government officials.

U.S. officials said the bonds are more of a benefit to wealthy Americans who buy them as a tax break than to farmers who need the loan money. Bond programs are estimated to cost the U.S. treasury between \$15 billion and \$20 billion a year.

Gérin said state farm officials are pleased with the program because it takes tax money away from the federal government and not from the states themselves.

Washington doesn't like Agri-bonds, however, because it is the state which runs the program and the federal government which loses the tax money, giving it little control

over the system, the MP explained.

"The trip will at least help us avoid making mistakes while creating the program we want to have," he added.

Clark agreed. He believes one way to avoid the problems the U.S. is having with its Agri-Bond program would be to target more specifically for the people who need it.



Dressed in institute green and new work boots, 25 volunteer 'prisoners' talked about their unusual experience after their 'release' Sunday.

U.S. man found guilty after nine-month free ride

SHERBROOKE (SM) — An American accused of the theft of a rented car he kept for nine months was found guilty by a jury Friday after five hours of deliberation.

Paul Wilson, 30, of Haber Hill, Massachusetts, a self-employed horse trainer, was found guilty by a nine man, three women jury of one count of auto theft and one count of bringing into Canada property obtained by

crime. Wilson was arrested on March 25, 1983 when the rented, 1981 yellow Datsun he was driving was stopped by Sherbrooke police. It had been reported stolen eight months earlier by its owner, Goode Leasing Corporation, situated just outside Boston.

Wilson spent three days in jail before being released on \$1,000 bail. During the week-long trial last

week, his lawyer, Robert O'Donnell maintained the car was Wilson's under a long-term lease agreement, despite Wilson's initial agreement to rent the car for only a few days. Wilson said he phoned the leasing company three times to extend the rental and claimed they agreed to the extensions — despite his not paying any fees for nine months.

O'Donnell argued that Wilson was char-

ged with theft, not debt, and so he should not be found guilty on the theft charge just because he owed money.

But Crown Prosecutor Danielle Côté countered that a few simple phone calls does not change a short-term car rental into a long-term lease.

"If you can pay only a \$200 deposit and then have a car for up to one year without paying anything, I would cer-

tainly recommend that you all go rent your cars from Goode Leasing, it is the best deal in town," Côté told the jury members.

She argued Wilson never went to Goode to change the terms of the rented car, despite living within an hour's drive of the company's offices. According to a signed deposition by Goode employee Audrey Taylor, Wilson never phoned nor visited the company to change

the terms of the rental.

The company decided to press charges in September, 1982, one month after not hearing from Wilson. Wilson testified he spent a large part of his time in the Sherbrooke area before being arrested.

Wilson will be sentenced today at 4:30 p.m. He faces a maximum punishment of 10 years, and a minimum of a heavy fine and possible permanent deportation.

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The lump lives on

There's a country-and-western hit song that has four lines which go something like this:

If I was a potter
And you a lump of clay,
I wouldn't change you at all
Although maybe I'd change your name.
Those lines are good for two things. For one, they prove bad songwriters can have hits. More importantly, they sum up how the Parti Québécois is trying to pull the wool over our eyes these days.

The PQ has a lump of clay called sovereignty-association — a plan for Quebec independence which dates back to the eggings of the party which now holds power under Premier René Lévesque. It hasn't seen the potter's wheel much since the party released its white paper on the subject in the 70s and it certainly hasn't been reshaped since the 1981 referendum which denied the PQ the opportunity to negotiate its separatist option with the federal government.

Now, however, the PQ is looking for a new name for its lump of clay. Party members are debating the question of whether or not they should run the next election as another sovereignty-association referendum, or whether they should just run on their performance as a "good government".

Yesterday one of the former PQ ministers who resigned because Lévesque wants to put the lump aside for a few years, publicly debated the question with another minister who thinks its more important to be pragmatic in politics than be principled.

Camille Laurin said on the air it would be "suicidal to shelve the raison d'être of the PQ for the next or five for years."

Pierre Marc Johnson, who now calls himself a "new separatist", wants his party to be "concrete and practical" in the next provincial election.

But the lump lives on when Johnson, who many consider to be Lévesque's successor, says "I believe Quebec has the ability and it could one day have the chance, if it chooses, to control its taxes, its laws and its external affairs."

Sovereignty-association, in other words. So the question PQ is debating and will supposedly resolve this weekend at a special convention in Montreal is when to throw the lump in our faces the next time, which makes the question of how to vote in the next election academic.

Whether or not the Parti Québécois shoves its lump of clay for the next election doesn't matter — its members fully intend to work it one more time. Good or bad government, any vote for René Lévesque's party is a vote for sovereignty-association, either now or in the future.

A lump is a lump by any other name.
PETER SCOWEN

Bruce Levett

Steady on, old son

"When inspiration has red-lined, when happy muse has fled — when even the old horoscope is fraught with foreboding, how do you cope? the old friend asked.

When you column for a living, old friends are constantly asking such things. In this case, the timing was perfect because all of the above were in the process of prevailing.

(Even his favorite soothsayer had advised him to stay home and fix his toaster.)

"Coffee," the distraught one replied. "There can be great solace in coffee."

The visitor frowned.

"Pray tell, how may the drinking of coffee contribute to the manufacturing of a column?"

"Not drinking it — making it."

"Elucidation?"

"Instantly."

Now — where to begin? He had been hungering to try out this ploy ever since Santa had wriggled down the chimney with the new home espresso set.

"Now, where did I put the instructions — the nine great strides to excellence?"

Aha. Here they are.

"First, you must make certain you have removed all the contents from the box," he explained.

WATCH CLOSELY NOW

"The next step is to attach the boiler handle, taking cognizance of the fact that it is a left-hand thread involved here.

"Next after that, unscrew the boiler lid and pour in water up to here."

"But, I still fail to see..."

"Hush. Here comes the complicated bit. Screw the boiler lid securely closed and bung coffee into the brew basket — right up to about here."

"Yes, I see, but..."

There was no holding him back now. The artist was creating.

"Replace the brew basket snugly, turning fully to the right," he intoned, the words falling like an incantation.

"NOW — place the coffee carafe under the basket."

His nostrils flared. They were nearing the moment of truth.

"Close steam valve at top of steam nozzle by turning clockwise," he panted.

"Plug in the machine and steam will be forced through the boiler through the grounds in the brew basket. Espresso will pour automatically into the open carafe in about seven minutes!"

There was triumph in his voice.

"Steady on, old son," the good friend soothed. "Easy, there, boy."

"It was a masterful performance, granted, but how does this lead to the production of a column? Can't seem to follow your reasoning on this at all..."

You can't?

Deng seeks youthful heirs to speed modernization

PEKING (AP) — On an inspection tour of the No. 2 Motor Vehicle Plant in Wuhan, Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping got a two-hour briefing from a young official who greatly impressed him.

Two years later, Deng brought the bright automotive engineer, Wang Zhao-guo, to Peking to head the Communist Youth League.

Within 18 months, Wang was named director of the general office of the Central Committee of the Communist party.

All that happened since 1980 and makes Wang, now only 42, very much an exception in a creaky political system dominated by men nearly twice his age, with 80-year-old Deng at the top.

Wang's rapid advancement is indicative of Deng's desire to promote capable members of what he calls the "third echelon" — party, state and business leaders in their 40s and 50s with the education and expertise needed for China's modernization drive.

WAS CRIPPLED

It's a generation crippled by Mao Tse-tung's 1966-76 Cultural Revolution, when the establishment came under attack and academic life all but ceased.

A recent survey showed that only 29 per cent of directors in 120 key Chinese enter-

prises have a college education and less than one per cent majored in economics or finance.

Determined that China will develop into a modern, competitive economy when he is gone, Deng is thrusting responsibility on intellectuals who survived the disruptions and agree with his open-door, market-force policies.

"Respect for knowledge and talent" is the most important principle in the party plenum's historic Oct. 20 document encouraging competition and reform, Deng said.

The veteran revolutionary, who emerged as China's paramount figure after Mao's death in 1976, has singled out four young politicians for praise — a potent tap on the shoulder in a country containing one-quarter of the world's population.

GIVES PRAISE

He lauded the work of Wang, 55-year-old Hu Qili of the party secretariat and vice-premiers Tian Jiyun, 55, and Li Peng, 56. They "are at a higher level than we were at their age, having had better educations," and are "quite capable and competent," Deng was quoted as telling a Military Commission gathering.

Wang was born into a poor family in Tangshan but was an outstanding high school student and president of the student

union at Harbin Engineering University. He graduated in 1966 as the Cultural Revolution erupted and had to wait two years for his first job. He soon rose to become deputy director and party secretary at China's 50,000-worker No. 2 car plant in Wuhan.

Hu Qili is a former vice-president of Peking's Qinghua University and mayor of Tianjin. He is a close ally of party General Secretary Hu Yaobang, 69, and widely tipped as his successor.

Tian Jiyun is a fiscal planner who worked on grass-roots land reform after the Communist takeover in 1949 and later served as finance director in Sichuan and Guizhou provinces.

WAS IN MOSCOW

Li Peng studied at Moscow Power Institute and worked as a technician and director of power stations and grids in various parts of China. He was named minister of power industry in 1981 and currently oversees China's plans to generate 10,000 megawatts of nuclear power by the end of the century.

Nightly television news, a barometer of political fortunes, often features these four men, otherwise submerged in a labyrinthine party structure led by the six-member Politburo Standing Committee,

24-member Politburo and nine-member Secretariat.

Deng, a Standing Committee member and head of the central advisory and military commissions, said recently "the bulk of the day-to-day workload" is taken by his proteges Hu Yaobang and Premier Zhao Ziyang, 65.

Hu and Zhao are in China's "second echelon" age group, soon destined to replace Deng and his contemporaries in the "first echelon."

HU AT TOP

Technically No. 1 in the party hierarchy, Hu was quoted recently by the independent Hong Kong newspaper Ming Pao as saying he wants to gradually retire after the Communist party congress in 1987.

But for now, he revealed, "It is Comrade (Zhao) Ziyang and I who assume responsibility in the Standing Committee."

He said Deng personally deals with major problems such as the agreement with Britain on Hong Kong, but "in most cases, Comrade Ziyang and I thrash out problems and then ask approval from them (the Standing Committee)."

Of 334 members and alternates on the party's Central Committee, more than two-thirds are over 50 and a special conference in 1985 will elect about 47 "young and competent" new members, Hu said.

Archeologists rush to study Ludgate Hill crater

LONDON (Reuter) — On a winter night about 44 years ago, flames ringed St. Paul's Cathedral as German bombers, using its dome as a landmark, rained bombs on London in a blitz that killed hundreds.

The devastation was such that it seemed a miracle Sir Christopher Wren's masterpiece survived amid the smoking craters.

Today almost all that remains from that night of terror in the Second World War is a weed-infested bomb crater beside Ludgate Hill, the road leading up to St. Paul's neoclassical facade.

Now archeologists and historians are racing against time for the right to recover what could be a treasure trove of London history before new office blocks finally seal it in.

This is one of London's richest historical areas. Urban archeologists say that beneath the wheels of

commuters' Fords and directors' Rolls-Royces are remains dating from the Romans through the Middle Ages to Shakespeare's times.

WORTH MILLIONS

For the past 40 years unfulfilled development plans had left the 4,700-square-metre site, worth at least \$23 million, to London's pigeons and parking lots.

But now the site's owner, the city's municipal authority, is discussing plans to build prestige office blocks there.

Property developers, preparing applications for the land, stand to make rich pickings from London's last bomb crater. Rent for premises will be more than \$253 a square metre.

For The Museum of London's urban archeology department, negotiating for permission to examine the area before the bulldozers move in, it will be a race

against time to excavate and document their findings before they are buried again.

Brian Hobley, chief urban archeologist at the museum, said his department aimed to record the capital's archeological heritage. "We preserve on paper by writing a report, illustrating and cataloguing discoveries."

BUILT PRE-ROMAN

Ludgate Hill's name comes from King Lud who had a gate built into the city wall there in pre-Roman times.

Today's Ludgate Hill, a bustling thoroughfare leading from St. Paul's and the city's financial centre to the newspaper world in Fleet Street, follows the line of a major Roman road built to lead into the capital through Lud's gateway.

Hobley said the bomb site, lying by the road between the city wall and its defences, was the right location for a cemetery and two Roman burial grounds have already been found.

In 1278 Dominican monks, called the Black Friars because of the color of their robes, were granted the site by King Edward I.

The roads around the complex took appropriately holy names, such as Pilgrim Lane and Ave Maria. The area itself soon became known as Blackfriars.

WAS SANCTUARY

Craftsmen and traders flourished within the monastery walls, founding a small business community that lasted until 1940.

The privilege of sanctuary afforded by the monastery proved useful for 17th-century playwrights persecuted by a Puritan government that considered plays a dangerous form of decadence leading to eternal damnation.

Dramatists banned in the city built a playhouse here and William Shakespeare bought a house on the site.

It was at Blackfriars that one of Britain's most famous treason plots was hatched in 1605, when Roman Catholic conspirators opposed to Protestant King James I met secretly in a house on the hill.

They planned to blow up king, ministers and parliament, but failed when the plot was revealed.

Catholics were even more persecuted after this, and many held services in secret.

CATHOLICS BURIED

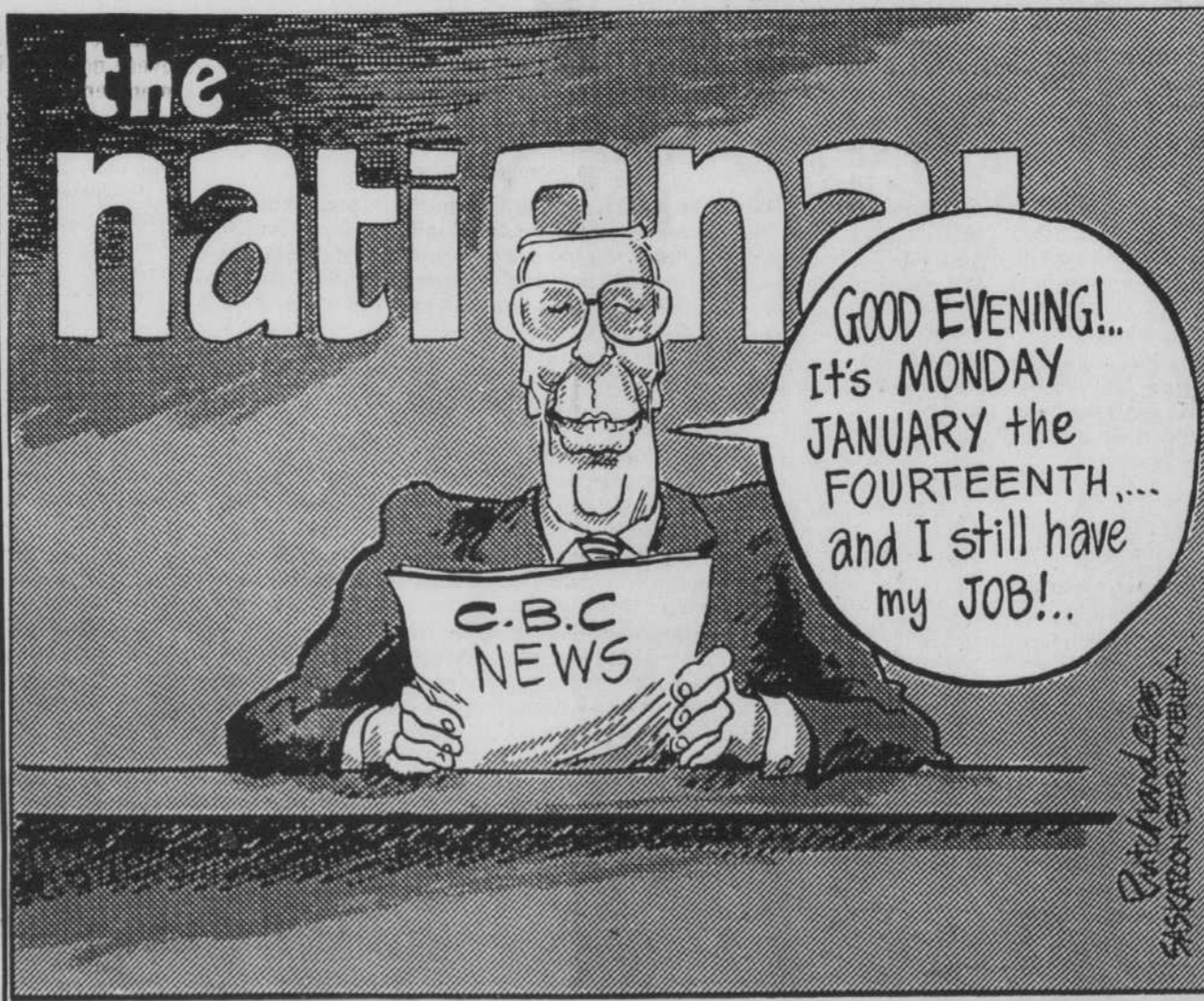
The gruesome discovery of an archeological dig could be the mass graves, dating from the 17th century, of 100 Catholics who died while attending such a service.

Part of a crowd of 300 crammed into a small apartment on the site, they plummeted six metres when the floor collapsed. The bodies were hastily buried, coffinless, in two large pits.

Blackfriars' small businessmen thrived in a huddle of narrow buildings and cobbled streets until the Second World War, after which many small owners on Ludgate Hill sold their devastated plots to the municipal authority. It came to own 90 per cent of the bomb site this way.

In 1972 the capital's transport authority reserved the land for a proposed new underground station. In March 1983, however, the plan was abandoned, making it available for commercial use.

The Ludgate Hill crater could be lined with gold, both for property developers and, if they get the chance, for London's archeologists.



Reagan's peace initiatives off to a positive start

WASHINGTON (CP) — As Ronald Reagan prepares to take the presidential oath for the second and last time, his quest to be remembered in history as a peacemaker has received a fragile nudge forward.

The agreement this week to renew U.S.-Soviet arms control negotiations has undoubtedly raised Reagan's hopes that he can keep alive his election night pledge to make the pursuit of peace and disarmament a priority during his second four-year term.

It is an important first step in gaining the political currency Reagan needs to persuade a skittish U.S. Congress to support his costly defence programs, including continued production of the MX missile, planned testing of anti-satellite weapons this spring and research into his pet project of a space-based defence system against enemy missiles.

Although no longer encumbered by the politics of winning re-election with the American public, the president clearly must convince Congress that he is serious about reaching an arms control agreement as the price for winning its blessing for a continued military buildup.

Equally important is the president's desire to keep U.S. allies united behind the effort and calming West European fears

that his space-based defence system, dubbed Star Wars by others, does not pose a threat to their security.

For now, Soviet and U.S. government officials are expressing little more than guarded optimism about the potential success of the negotiations. Both sides admit they will be long and arduous in light of clear and bitter differences of opinion on how best to end the nuclear arms race on Earth and prevent one from developing in space.

SPELLS RELIEF

Initial reaction from Congress and U.S. allies has been positive. However, the tone of the comments mostly reflects relief that the two superpowers are talking again, thereby boosting prospects for better general East-West relations.

Given the fact that two previous arms control agreements on limiting strategic arms took three and five years respectively during the 1970s era of detente, nobody is holding his or her breath for a breakthrough on the more specific issue of an arms control accord.

This apparently includes the majority of Americans, who handed Reagan a landslide election victory on Nov. 6. Public opinion surveys indicate that while the vast majority of Americans thinks Reagan ge-

nuinely wants an arms agreement, a minority believes such an accord is in the cards.

The positive developments in Geneva this week prompted Reagan, who takes the presidential oath for his second term Jan. 20, to surface Wednesday night for his first formal news conference in six months.

Obviously delighted with the turn of events, Reagan maintained a conciliatory tone throughout and talked of the "beginning of a new dialogue" with the Soviet Union and their shared objective of completely eliminating nuclear weapons.

At no time did Reagan appear tempted to slip back into some of the highly-spiced rhetoric he has used in the past to depict the Soviet Union as an "evil empire" or the "focus of evil."

In fact, there has been a marked retreat by both sides in the last several months from the recriminations and accusations that flew back and forth between the United States and the Soviet Union for the bulk of Reagan's first term in the White House. The rhetoric reached a new height after Soviet jet fighter planes shot down a South Korean civilian airliner in September 1983 which had flown into Soviet airspace.

By contrast, Reagan and other U.S. officials held their tongues about a Soviet runaway cruise missile that violated NATO airspace in Norway and Finland at the end of December.

If it had happened a year or two ago and not on the eve of the Geneva encounter between U.S. State Secretary George Shultz and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, it doesn't seem unreasonable to assume the U.S. reaction would have been different.

There has been literally no movement in East-West arms control since the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan in 1979. Negotiations came to a complete standstill 13 months ago after the Soviets walked out in Geneva to protest the deployment of U.S. cruise and Pershing 2 nuclear missiles in Western Europe.

Since then, the two sides have moved towards reopening the lines of communication. But Reagan's long-predicted election win provided the opening for Soviet President Konstantin Chernenko to suggest the Shultz-Gromyko meeting.

A Soviet official characterized this week's developments as a mere "crack in the East-West ice." The description seems apt, considering the precarious nature of U.S.-Soviet relations.

Farm and business



Wheat board success abroad pays off for Prairie grain growers

WINNIPEG (CP) — The \$688 million Western grain farmers will receive as a final payment is an indication of how well the Canadian Wheat Board did in selling their grain abroad, a United Grain Growers spokesman said Thursday.

"They moved a record volume of grain and they moved it in a not-too-good market," said UGG vice-president Roy Cusitar, who farms near Russell, Man.

The announcement, made Thursday, would mean about \$5,000 for each of the 140,000 Prairie farmers who deal with the federal agency if the money were divided evenly. However, payments to individual farmers will depend on the times and

quantities of grain delivered.

The money is the balance owed farmers from the sale of their grain, mainly for export, in the year that ended July 31.

Wheat Board spokesman Brian Stacey said with the final payment, Prairie farmers will have received a total of \$5.037 billion for wheat, oats and barley delivered for sale by the Wheat Board in 1983-84.

Farmers receive an initial payment when they truck their grain to country elevators. After the end of most crop years, the board makes an additional final payment based on how well it did selling the grain in world and domestic markets.

Stacey said even with the final payment, farmers will still get less in total for grain in 1983-84 than in the previous year.

Prairie grain farmers received a total of about \$5.298 billion in 1982-83. Most of the money — \$387.7 million — will go to Saskatchewan, which is the West's major grain producing province.

PAYMENTS TIMELY

Saskatchewan Wheat Pool president Ted Turner called the final payment timely.

He said it will help farmers who are short of cash and will "go quite a ways to servicing debt or allowing people to prepare for a new planting season."

Stuart Thiesson, executive secretary of the National Farmers Union, said the final payment is good news for western farmers.

He said he expects a lot of the money will go directly to banks for loan payments. As well, he said, the payments will ease some of the financial pressure many farmers are facing.

During 1984, a post-Depression high number of farmers declared bankruptcy and one of the worst droughts in memory broiled the prairies.

Saskatchewan Agriculture Minister Lorne Hepworth said the money wouldn't end the financial squeeze that has been plaguing farmers.

"But it will go a long way to easing some of the hurts that exist and will be good generally for farmers and those

people whose whole livelihood depends on the farm economy," he said.

Cheques totalling another \$212.7 million will be mailed to farmers in Alberta and British Columbia and \$88 million will be sent to Manitoba producers.

Mailing of the cheques is expected to start today.

The final payments range from a high of \$37.63 a tonne for top-grade, two-row designated barley to no payment at all for No. 5 grade durum wheat.

MORE THAN EXPECTED

Dick Dawson, vice-president of Cargill Ltd., said the final payment is much higher than his private grain elevator company had estimated.

"This number would indicate that they made some darn good sales," he said in an interview in his Winnipeg office.

Al Beattie of farmer-owned Alberta Wheat Pool said he was especially pleased by the large final payment for barley but downplayed the importance of the announcement.

"From an Alberta farmer's point of view, it's a small slice of good luck in a year that hasn't all been good news," Alberta Agriculture Minister Leroy Fjordbotten is on vacation and wasn't available for comment.

Final payments are for all grades and classes of wheat, oats and barley except No. 5 durum wheat.

Soviet agriculture official compares home, Canada

WINNIPEG (CP) — Weather problems faced by grain farmers in Saskatchewan aren't much different from those experienced in the Soviet Union, says a Soviet agricultural official.

Ivan Gavva told the annual meeting of the Manitoba Farm Business Association last week that people often compare much-maligned Soviet agriculture with more productive farms in the United States.

But Gavva said that's unfair because the United States generally has a warmer climate and more annual rainfall than the Soviet Union or the Canadian Prairies.

He said in the Kazakhstan farming region of the Soviet Union, temperatures can range from -40 C in the winter to 40 C in the summer.

Frost can hit either in May, at the beginning of the short growing season, or at harvest time in August.

"Conditions like Saskatchewan — it

is the same," said Gavva, speaking with a strong accent.

"I see this year you had a drought," he told about 200 farmers with a smile, referring to the Prairie-wide dry spell that withered crops across the West last summer. Drought has been one of the key factors limiting production in the Soviet Union.

PRODUCTION DOWN

Western Canadian production of wheat was down about five million tonnes to 16 million because of the dry weather.

That's a 20-per-cent loss, which in the Soviet Union, with much greater farm production than Canada, would have meant a loss of 40 million tonnes, said Gavva.

"You have problems, we have problems," said Gavva, who is based in Ottawa. "We will solve our problems."

Western farm analysts have long been critical of the Soviet Union's highly centralized farm system. Ana-

lysts have said there is little room for innovation and no incentive to increase production in the Communist state.

Figures from the Canada Grains Council indicate Soviet farmers reap an average of just 1.5 tonnes of wheat per hectare of land, while U.S. farmers harvest 2.2 tonnes and Canadian farmers 1.9 tonnes.

For years, despite a longstanding goal of self-sufficiency, the Soviet Union has been a major importer of grain and Canada's largest grain customer. It bought about 7.3 million tonnes of wheat, oats and barley from the Canadian Wheat Board in 1983-84.

Gavva said his country has the capacity to be self-sufficient in grain production but that would require the expensive development of marginal land.

He said the Soviet Union has found it's more economic to sell oil, gold and other goods and use the foreign cur-

rency to buy grain from countries such as Canada.

However, he said the Soviet Union has developed new high-yielding wheat varieties and is considering a massive irrigation program that could boost production.

The Soviets still have more than a year left on a five-year agreement to buy 25 million tonnes of grain from Canada. Gavva said the Soviets will meet that commitment.

He said his country considers Canada a good country to deal with and "We found that the best quality of the world is Canadian wheat."

Recently, many farmers in Western Canada have been switching from high-protein red spring wheat to softer wheats with lower protein content because they yield more per hectare.

Gavva said the Soviet Union would buy lower-protein wheat only at a discounted price.

Volunteers scare CUPE, taking jobs from workers

OTTAWA (CP) — Volunteers, most acting with the best of intentions, are taking jobs away from health and education workers at an alarming rate across the country, says the Canadian Union of Public Employees.

Unprecedented numbers of Canadians are offering their services free because they can't find jobs themselves and believe it is better to be "socially useful" than to sit at home doing nothing, the union says.

In turn, hospitals, schools, libraries, municipalities and other provincial and municipal employers facing budget constraints and increasing demands for service are welcoming them with open arms, CUPE says.

The union, the largest in the country with 300,000 workers, primarily in the health and education sectors, discusses the trend toward volunteerism in a just-published study.

It makes no estimate of the number of jobs volunteers are performing but says the situation is serious and worsening rapidly.

The situation now is similar in Canadian schools, CUPE adds.

"Volunteers act as classroom assistants, gym and music supervisors, teachers' aides, food service workers, typists, file clerks and bus drivers. They supervise noon hour and recess periods and do almost every non-teaching job that CUPE members do."

SAME MUNICIPALITY

Municipally, the union says, the situation is no different.

"Volunteers cut grass, act as caretakers and carpenters, flood rinks and maintain sports fields. They're active in museums, libraries and

health departments."

While the economic implications of volunteerism are immense for the paid labor force, combatting the trend is delicate for a variety of reasons, CUPE says.

Not the least of the problem, it notes, is that CUPE members themselves are as anxious as any Canadians to be good citizens and donate their time and talents to worthy community causes.

"There is an air of sanctity surrounding the volunteer. Too many members fear that a criticism of the volunteer is an attack on motherhood."

Nonetheless, the union says, it is advising locals across the country to pay increasing attention to the trend and to try to work out better arrangements with employers who use volunteers.

Ideally, CUPE suggests, its members should attempt to negotiate contracts that embody the following principles:

- Volunteers should not be used to replace or displace paid staff.
- Paid staff levels should be determined without taking volunteer contributions into account.
- Volunteers should enhance services provided by paid workers rather than provide services on their own. Where volunteers demonstrate the need for new services, paid workers should be hired.
- Jobs should be re-evaluated regularly and no paid job should be filled by a volunteer.
- Volunteers should be used on a "by-need" or "special-occasion" basis but not become essential to the operation of health and education programs.

Survey says shoppers don't like computerized codes

OTTAWA (CP) — Shoppers, faced with a rapid increase in computerized supermarkets, want legislation to force grocers to put individual price stickers on their products, the Consumers' Association of Canada says.

"The first national survey to test consumer reaction to the computerized supermarket reveals overwhelming consumer dissatisfaction with the practice of replacing price tags with computerized codes used in the scanner check-outs," the association says.

Computerized supermarkets across the country increased by 37 per cent to 442 between June 1983 and June 1984, with most located in Ontario, followed by British Columbia and Quebec.

"Eight out of 10 consumers respon-

ding to a reader survey in the March 1984 issue of Canadian Consumer objected to the discontinuation of item pricing.

"Most . . . respondents . . . advocated item pricing legislation to stop the 'prices-off' trend among computerized supermarkets," the association said.

Association research officer Wendy Wharton called the response to the survey good, though only 559 of a potential 160,000 readers answered the survey in the association publication Canadian Consumer.

Almost three-quarters of those who responded were shoppers who frequented stores which didn't place price tags on individual items, Wharton said.

Unless a price sticker is attached to

each article it is difficult for shoppers to compare prices, to see price changes over time, to check if the correct price is charged by the cashier at the check-out stand or when the shopper gets home, Wharton said.

PRACTICE VARIES

At present the situation in supermarkets is a "mixed-bag" across the country with some supermarkets putting the prices on goods and some not and some putting prices only on the shelves.

The association has been battling supermarkets over the issue for 10 years when supermarkets first began to computerize their operations and to use what is called the universal price code, which is a little sticker with

black bars which allows a computer to read the price of an article.

"What the supermarkets were doing was not bothering to put the price right on every can of soup and every box of cereal. They put it on the shelf but not always," Wharton said.

The association admits it costs supermarkets extra to put individual prices on articles but said "it is clear consumers are willing to pay the estimated additional cost of 15 cents on a \$50 order for a marketing tool which is so beneficial to them."

According to the association only Quebec and Manitoba have passed legislation which demands prices be put on all articles but added that in Manitoba the act is not being enforced.

The government audit: Where's the public outcry?

If you read the annual report of any publicly owned company in Canada, you'll find it includes an auditors' report.

This certifies that outside auditors have checked the company's books "in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards," and confirms that the financial statements outlined the firm's position on a fair basis.

Well, almost any publicly owned company in Canada.

An exception? It's the biggest in the country and it's called — among other things — the federal government.

Even if you don't own a share in one of Canada's resource, manufacturing or service industries, you do own a share of the federal government. Your next investment comes due when you send in your income tax for 1984.

But if one of those so-called private-sector industries tried to get away with feeding you as little information — or even downright misleading figures — as does Ottawa, it would quickly find itself answering to all sorts of regulatory agencies created to protect the investing public and perhaps even to the fraud squad.

GETS AWAY WITH IT

But the feds get away with it.

William Grace, president of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants, said in a recent speech he's amazed there isn't more public outcry about how federal finances are reported after the federal auditor general presents his annual report.

It's your business
BY KEN SMITH



That report always outlines horror stories, but after a few days' newspaper headlines and television news reports, the whole mess is forgotten until the following year.

You can't help wondering why Ottawa, and provincial governments are also guilty, isn't more generous with financial information of its shareholders, who happen to be the citizens of Canada.

Usually, when a private-sector company tries to hide something by cooking its books, it's because it is trying to hide (a) some financial blunder, or (b) some hanky-panky.

You can't necessarily ascribe either motive to Ottawa, but you can't help wondering, either.

Grace's speech notes that Canada is among the leaders internationally in providing information on what its federal government does with the taxes it collects from you.

NOT GOOD ENOUGH

That's great, he suggests, but it's not good enough.

He further suggests that because of inadequate or even inaccurate financial reporting, no one really knows how bad Canada's money situation is.

The 1984 federal deficit is reported to be about \$37 billion, raising the country's debt to \$157 billion.

But are those figures accurate? Not according to those "generally accepted auditing standards." In fact, no one knows for sure what the real picture is, because Ottawa has never reported its financial picture on a fair and full basis.

It hasn't, for example, included the financial results of its Crown corporations or federal pension plans. While some income has been unreported, it's likely that the debts should be increased by many billions of dollars.

Grace notes that the latest auditor general's report points out the full actuarial liability of the Canada Pension Plan in 1984 stood at \$208 billion — "none of which is provided for..."

He adds: "Now that is real money."

There's some hope, however.

The Mulroney government had indicated it wants to move closer to those generally accepted accounting principles, while the chartered accountants' institute continues to work with the government to try to establish fair guidelines for its financial reporting.

It's a rash person, though, who would predict when positive results might be seen.

Paper industry leads pack as pre-tax profits hit high

OTTAWA (CP) — Profits of industrial corporations continue to increase and are at their highest level in more than four years, Statistics Canada figures show.

The pre-tax profits of industrial corporations, adjusted for seasonal variations, rose by 3.6 per cent in the third quarter of last year to \$9 billion.

This follows similar growth rates of 3.7 per cent and 3.3 per cent for the previous two quarters and represents the ninth consecutive quarter of growth in seasonally adjusted pre-tax profits.

"The current pre-tax profit figure is at the highest level since the \$9.3 billion recorded in the first quarter of 1980," the agency said.

Pre-tax profits were 18.9 per cent higher than a year earlier on sales of \$152.7 billion, 10.2-per-cent over the

third quarter of 1983.


The latest figures also show continued improvement in the balance sheets of corporations.

Profits in the paper industry, led by a strong increase in sales, demonstrated the most buoyant growth of all industries for the second straight quarter, rising to \$345 million in the third quarter from \$256 million in the second quarter.

The printing industry, however, did not fare well with profits declining by \$40 million to \$134 million as sales remained flat and operating costs rose.

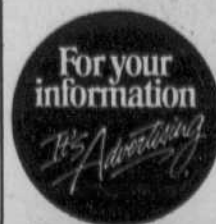
Meanwhile, the transportation equipment industry, after booming for several consecutive quarters, slowed for the second straight quarter, in part due to a slowdown in auto purchases by Canadian consumers.

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Living

Lennoxville 4-H Club off and running

LENNOXVILLE — The Lennoxville 4-H Club has been very active over the past few months. Beginning in November a new slate of officers took over, with Steven Booth as president, Tim Garfat as vice-president, and Nance Pouliet as secretary-treasurer.

The illustrious directors are Sarah Johnson and David Sangster. With these keen leaders at the helm, we have set off for a fun-filled, active year.

Our annual banquet took on an Oriental flair in the form of a get-together at Sherbrooke's Nanking restaurant on December 4th. Fifteen members and one of our devoted senior leaders, Hugh Macdonald, gathered for a delicious meal of Chinese food and fellowship.

After supper, voting took place to

decide the winner of the Ronnie Taylor Memorial Trophy, an award given to the member who has been the most active and loyal to the club throughout the year. This year's nominees were David Sangster, Steven Booth, and Sarah Johnson, with the latter becoming the proud recipient.

The next event the members took part in was an evening of Christmas caroling December 20th. The streets of Lennoxville resounded with Yuletide melodies as members of the Lennoxville and Richmond clubs strolled along, singing for two and a half hours. Afterward, refreshments prepared by the members were enjoyed at the Lennoxville Town Hall.

January 4th marked the most recent meeting of the club and among the events planned were a sleigh ride and a cross-country ski day to take

place in February.

Plans for our annual Arm-Wrestling Competition and dance have begun, along with initial preparations for a square-dancing team to compete in Howick in April. Also, barn meetings will soon be held where members can practice their judging skills in preparation for this summer's competitions.

Although small, the Lennoxville club has a full slate of events planned for the coming year. Being one of the oldest 4-H clubs in the province, Lennoxville has a certain sense of tradition to uphold, while trying as well, to include new and unique activities in their schedule for 1985.

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Terry Fox Run nets \$9000

This year's Lennoxville Runners Association's Terry Fox Fun raised a record \$9000, bringing the five-year total contributions to the Terry Fox fund to over \$27,000. Shown above is event organizer, Doug Grant (middle), presenting a cheque in the amount of \$9000 to local Canadian Cancer Society President, Sylvie Fréchette. On Mr. Grant's right is Lennoxville Record carrier, Valmore Smith, who collected a record \$1800.

Perm raises questions about competence

CALGARY (CP) — Bev Wagar had no reason to expect anything unusual when her hairdresser applied permanent wave lotion and sealed her hair with a plastic bag to allow the formula to take effect.

The 34-year-old Calgary woman had received perms at least three times previously at other beauty parlors without incident. She has no skin allergies that she is aware of.

But Wagar was in for a painful surprise the moment her young, male hairdresser removed the bag and protective cotton along her hairline so he could apply neutralizer.

The nape of her neck stung severely. "I think it was the air touching it," she said. "I dabbed at it and they put some cream on it. For about five days, I had a rough time getting to sleep."

Wagar suffered what is known in the beauty trade as a chemical burn. Her burn, about eight centimetres long and 2.5 centimetres wide, was located along the hairline at the back of her neck and took a week to heal.

The pain, she said, was excruciating.

HEARS COMPLAINTS

Wagar's complaint is typical of several the Better Business Bureau of Calgary has received in recent years. The hairdresser apparently allowed the cotton on her neck to absorb too much moisture.

It is standard procedure to change the cotton as often as necessary. Even though the perm solution — thioglycolate — ordinarily is harmless, it can cause severe irritation if the skin is abraded even slightly.

"We have the odd complaint but I have never come across a real serious case," said Alice Foltinek, office manager at the bureau.

Walter Birce, Calgary regional manager for Alberta Manpower's apprenticeship and trade certification branch, said such complaints are rare.

"It's an industry that has a very good hold on its craft." Joy Ockwell of Calgary, an expert in beauticians' chemicals and a hair-dressing consultant to the provincial government, said no competent hairdresser would inflict a chemical burn.

Harry's Cosmetology, a standard reference guide for the beauty industry, said the typical setting lotion contains ammonium thioglycolate, caustic soda, ammonia and water.

RISKS HARM

Thioglycolate is the universal chemical for permanent waves. The Merck Index, an encyclopedia of chemicals and drugs, warns that misuse

may result in severe skin irritation.

Ockwell, a 40-year veteran of the hardressing industry, said thioglycolate is foul-tasting but does not burn. Why then do some people suffer burns?

Ockwell said there are four possible reasons: the patient might have a latent skin allergy; jewelry, such as a necklace, might have chafed the skin; the thioglycolate solution might not affect the outer layers of the skin but is abrasive on the inner skin; or the cotton might have absorbed excessive amounts of lotion.

The patron often reacts unconsciously by rubbing the softened skin underneath, resulting in a slight abrasion and vulnerability to severe irritation.

In another instance, the burned skin might previously have been abraded, cut or affected by an open sore.

AVOIDS DANGERS

Ockwell said most of these dangers are avoidable. Jewelry should be removed, the cotton should be changed as often as necessary and the solution should not be applied over sores or abrasions.

Manufacturer's instructions, enclosed with the typical packet of permanent-wave formula, are specific in the proper use of the thioglycolate solution.

The hairdresser should check with the patron about any sores, allergies, abrasions, scalp conditions or other abnormal conditions.

"Do not proceed with perm if any abnormal conditions exist," the instructions say. "Never allow perm lotion to soak cotton or towel."

Ockwell said there are two types of perms: the straight cold wave — the one Wagar was given — and the exothermic wave.

There are two steps for the cold wave: application of the thioglycolate, which takes 10 to 15 minutes to work its magic, and application of a neutralizer which, Ockwell said, "brings oxygen back into the hair."

The only difference between a cold wave and an exothermic wave, she said, is the use of a third chemical which "activates" the thioglycolate solution, making it warm. Some hairdressers believe this is a quicker, more comfortable method of curling.

The dynamics of a permanent wave, Ockwell said, are simple.

"You are taking straight hair and changing its configuration through mechanical and chemical action to one of permanent curliness."

She said the thioglycolate solution softens and breaks the units of oxygen within each strand of hair. The rol-

lers, applied beforehand, change the shape of the hair.

Treatment for burns should be prescribed only by a physician, Ockwell said.

The poor guy is simply trying to lead a normal life

Dear Ann Landers:

I have never read more screwed-up, self-righteous, short-sighted, poorly thought-out advice than yours to "C.W." in Evansville, Ind.

The poor guy is trying to live a normal life, despite a wife confined with a head injury in a care facility. The doctors believe she will never recover, nor do they know how long she will live. He has been going with a woman who loves him and says she will marry him when his wife dies. He asks if he is doing anything wrong. You tell him to remember his vows — "in sickness and in health, 'til death do us part." I couldn't believe my eyes.

What possible good can this man do his wife by staying alone night and day, watching TV or reading? Why should both of them "die" prematurely?

If he is good to her, considerate enough to visit regularly and paying for her care, why shouldn't he and his lady friend make a life for themselves? They could not be hurting her injured woman, from the sound of her condition. Would his lonely misery make her heal?

Your answer was woefully lacking in wisdom, compassion and humanitarianism. It was also unbearably smug. Shame on you.

Reader in Portland, Ore., Who Usually Admires Your Stuff

Dear Port:

Glad you wrote. I knew you would — along with thousands of others who were equally upset by my response. I don't know when I have struggled so hard to come up with the right answer.

One of the toughest aspects of writing this column is knowing that I am being read by 70 million people every day and those folks out there represent every segment of society — old, young, affluent, deprived, bright, not so bright, conservative, liberal, warm-hearted, tough as tanks, fundamentalist bible-thumpers and agnostics. There is no way I can please all the people all the time so I don't try.

One of the problems I keep running into is not knowing if I am getting the whole story — or the STRAIGHT story. People have a tendency to slant letters in a way that will help produce the responses they want.

The man said the doctors didn't know if his wife would ever come out of the coma, nor how she might live. People have been known to come out of comas after several months — and recover. I had to consider that possibility. Even though it was a long shot it could happen.

How would the woman feel if she regained consciousness, only to learn that her husband had written her off as hopeless and busied himself with a lady friend?

One of the most common excuses for cheating is, "My wife is sick". Some of those wives are indeed sick. Others GET sick because their husbands run around. But does a sick wife give a man a legitimate excuse to look elsewhere?

I had to decide how hopeless was the wife's condition. There was no way for me to know for certain. Doctors have been known to be wrong. It happens every day. In the absence of documented facts I felt it best to advise him as I did: to remember his vows... "in sickness and in health, for richer or poorer, 'til death do us part." Perhaps I decided to take that route because I sensed in the man's letter a shade too much eagerness to justify what he was doing in an effort to get my approval.

Dear Ann Landers:

I agree with "Wife of a Boozer". For 13 miserable years I was married to an alcoholic. My ex-husband had more excuses to drink and more

Ann Landers



You do a great job, Ann, and are right most of the time, but your nod of approval to that New Jersey law deserves another look.
N.M. In Portland, Ore.

Dear Portland:

Thanks for a good letter. Many readers have suggested that I rethink that one — and I'm doing just that.

Dear Ann Landers:

In response to "Westchester", whose husband is becoming depressed because he is losing his hair at age 28:

I have been a barber for 30 years and know many men who have gone bald, young, old and in-between.

I keep telling these baldies not to spend money foolishly on so-called hair growers. They don't work. Besides, doesn't he know (as I tell my customers) that a good man always comes out on top?

Mike The Barber In Akron, Ohio

Dear Mike:

Thanks for a sensible letter. Every week I hear from men who spend a ton of money on sheep dip, snake oil, elixir of Spanish onions and other assorted quackery. Oh, what fools some mortals be!

Overstated hypochondria in aged a myth — study

WASHINGTON (AP)

— Despite popular beliefs, exaggerated complaints about health are no more common among elderly people than the young, with elderly hypochondriacs generally the same individuals who were complainers in their youth, psychologists said last week.

McCrae said their 18-year study of 900 men aged 17 to 98 shows that people may report more medical problems because of their personality dispositions.

"The individual who makes excessive and exaggerated (medical) complaints in old age is probably the same person who has made them all of his or her life," said the experts from the Gerontology Research Centre of the National Institute of Aging, in Baltimore.

The psychologists said overreporting of medical symptoms is related to neurotic behavior that does not increase with age.

The complainers, they said, have extre-

mely high levels of neuroticism, the broad aspect of a normal personality that includes self-consciousness, vulnerability to stress and the inability to inhibit cravings. These same people also have tendencies to be anxious, hostile or depressed.

Overstated medical complaints appear to have nothing to do with age, said the experts, but the perception that the elderly are prone to be hypochondriacs results in doctors not taking legitimate health problems seriously.

In a report in the journal American Psychologist, doctors Paul Costa and Robert

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A SELECTION OF ITEMS
IN ALL BRANCH
STORES

Prosperity Rebekah Lodge No. 32 holiday meeting

COWANSVILLE — The Christmas meeting of Prosperity Rebekah Lodge No. 32 was held on Dec. 17, beginning with a scrumptious pot luck supper at 6:30 p.m. Grace was sung by all. There was a good attendance of members and guests. After all had enjoyed the supper, and dishes had been taken away, we had our exchange of gifts with Sister Donna Luce acting as Santa. All received some very nice gifts.

Sister Leila Peron who had been absent for many meetings due to illness, was able to be with us, but was unable to stay for the meeting, which opened with Sister Mabel Ingalls, N.G. assisted by Sister Eileen Pettes V.G. Lodge opened with Regalia Drill. The flag was presented by Sister Doris Dougall and O Canada was sung.

Sister Mabel Ingalls, N.G. welcomed all the members with an extra welcome to Brother and Sister Waldron, Sisters Margaret Lumbr, Hilda Argue, Gwen Stowe, Edith Parsons and Inez Welch.

All officers were present with 20 Past Noble Grands answering the roll call.

It was reported Sisters Marion Jackson and Mary Downer were indisposed and Bro. John Melrose was in hospital and since our meeting had passed away.

Sister Edith Parsons voiced a verbal thank-you to the lodge and to Sister Doris Dougall, Flower convener, for the lovely poinsettia she delivered to her.

Several Christmas cards had been received from members, as well as Sisters Goldie Grenier, D.D.P. Irene Williams P.P. and Margaret Horan, Pres. of R.A. of Quebec and Bro. and Sis. Sally Dryden of Ottawa. Sister Donna read excerpts from the Bulletin, a thank-you had been received from Rev. Rodney Andrews and Miss Elizabeth Watson for the donation of the lodge had sent to help their Charity Fund.

Under new business, Sister Irene Williams reported she had a phone call from Marilyn Campbell who was requesting help to buy a hearing aid for a little girl who had lost hers. After many pros and cons were voiced it was

decided Sister Irene contact Marilyn to see if the Welfare would not buy one for her and if not the lodge would give a donation.

N.G. had been contacted by Cindy Allen to come and give a talk about their trip to London which Grades 10 and 11 would be taking in March. This will be at the first meeting in January.

Under Good of the

Order the N.G. Sis. Mabel Ingalls asked Sister Donna Luce to escort her mother Sister Edith Parsons to the centre of the floor where Sister Edith pinned a 15-year Jewel on her daughter Donna's dress. This jewel had belonged to Sister Hatie Mayhew who was a member for many years of Harmony Rebekah Lodge No. 7 in Coaticook and Sister

Donna's maternal grandmother. Sister Edith expressed pleasure pinning the jewel on and hoped Sister Donna would wear it with pride as much as her grandmother had.

Others receiving jewels were Bro. and Sister Waldron by Sister Isabella Beattie; Sister Hilda Argue by Sis. Irene Williams, Sister Margaret Lumbr by

Sister Gwen Stowe, Sister Dorothy Clark by Sister Donna Luce; Sister Shirley Vaughan by Sister Jean Scott. All these Sisters received their 25-yr jewels and each one thanked the lodge for presenting them and said they would be proud to wear them.

The N.G. thanked members for filling the chairs for absent offi-

cers and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. A silver collection was taken up and lodge closed in form.

All retired to the dining area where cookies, tea and coffee were served. This ended another night of fellowship by everyone wishing each other the Season's Greetings.

Social notes

Knowlton

Kay Taylor
243-6177

This community was greatly saddened in learning of the death of Mrs. Ethel Mizener of Foster, who passed away at The Sherbrooke Hospital on Saturday, January 5. Deepest sympathy is extended to her husband Byron, also a patient at the Sherbrooke Hospital, to their sons Roscoe and Arthur, their daughter Margaret and their respective families, also to Mrs. Mizener's sister in Burlington, Vt., and her step-father in St. Alban's.

Mr. and Mrs. Darcy Aldridge and granddaughter Lisa were guests of their son Donald and family at Long Sault, Ont., on Christmas Day, returning to Knowlton on Boxing Day, when they were accompanied by their grandson Robin, who remained with them for several days until an overnight visit by his father.

Mr. David Norcott, his daughter Miss Carol Norcott and Mr. John Laird, all of Brockville, Ont., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Taylor from Boxing Day until Friday of Christmas week.

All visited Mrs. Verda Gilbert and went to a Restaurant for a Christmas dinner together.

Mrs. Edith Bellam and Mrs. Eleanor Blair were Christmas Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Davies in Sherbrooke.

Mrs. Ernestine Hodge spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Hodge in Lennoxville.

Cpl. Walter Lindsay of Toronto spent a few days with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Karroll Lindsay. Mrs. Helen Besser, Sally and Jennie of LaSalle were also guests of Mrs. Besser's parents during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklyn Evans and Wanda attended a family dinner on Dec. 30 with Mrs. Bell Sr. and Leonard Bell in East Angus.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Bellam were Miss Trudy Bellam, Mr. and Mrs.

Kenneth Ladd, Mrs. Nancy Drury and son Aaron of Toronto were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Ladd.

The Ladds and their guests spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Ladd and family in St. Lambert.

Brome Branch 23, Royal Canadian Legion are sponsoring a Pancake and Sausage Breakfast, to be served in the Legion Hall, Knowlton, on Sunday, February 3, serving time from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. \$3.50 per person charge.

Sawyerville

Alice Wilson
889-2932

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Smith and Jennifer of Ottawa were Christmas weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Smith entertained at a family gathering on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. James Richards, Jennifer and Robyn of Aurora, Ont. spent a week with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Crescent Bain, and visited other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Crescent Bain accompanied Jack and Lois Garneau and family to Montreal on Dec. 23 where they met Gerald and Gloria Gilbert and family. All visited Mrs. Verda Gilbert and went to a Restaurant for a Christmas dinner together.

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Death

DAVIS, Gladys Hilda — At the B.M.P. Hospital, Cowansville, on Sunday, January 13, 1985. Gladys Hilda Glidden, wife of the late Frank Davis. Sister of Effie (Mrs. E. Hall), and Alton. Aunt of Brenda Davis. Funeral service Tuesday, January 15 at 2 p.m. from the Desourdy-Wilson Funeral Home, Knowlton. Interment Brome Center Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be sent to St. John's Anglican Church, Brome.

In Memoriam

MORAN, Rodney — In loving memory of a dear son who left me January the fourteenth, 1970. Also a dear husband Stanley, passed away December third, 1977. Gone but not forgotten. Sincerely,
MOM DOROTHY & SISTER DOREEN

RICHARDSON, Nellie — In loving memory of Mrs. Doreen (Nellie) Richardson, who passed away on January 14, 1984. Why you had to leave us we will never know. In our hearts we will remember. Because we miss you so always fondly remembered by
DORWARD RICHARDSON (husband)
ALBERT and ALICE BOISVERT (son and daughter-in-law)
DICK and MURIEL BOISVERT (son and daughter-in-law) and grandchildren

Larry Drew, Jennifer, Carla and Ashley of Trenton, Ont. and Miss Tammy Bellam of Brossard. Christmas dinner guests included Mrs. Douglas Bell Sr. and Leonard Bell of East Angus, Sylvain Labranche and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Marquis and family of East Clifton.

Guests over the holidays of Mr. and Mrs. George Buck were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Buck and girls of Georgetown, Ont. Marilyn and Leslie Buck, Phyllis Buck, Bob Norton, and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Trotter, all of LaSalle. Murray Winslow of Vancouver and Terry Lovock of Calgary were here at the time of the death of Murray's sister Mrs. Shirley Grapes.

Obituary

MERTON (MERT) MONTGOMERY

of South Durham, Quebec

Merton Montgomery passed away at the Sherbrooke Hospital on Sunday, November 11, 1984. Although in poor health for a number of years his death was a great shock to his family.

He was born at Ulverton, Que. on Sept. 22, 1915, son of the late Clarence Montgomery and the late Isabel Lester. In 1948 he was united in marriage to Doreen Ingrey and this union was blessed with four children: Darlene (Mrs. Sandy Johnston), Stanstead, Que., Warren, South Durham, Que., Barbara (Mrs. Claude Viger), Richmond, Que., and Kathryn (Mrs. Robert Dobb), Fergus, Ont.

Mert was a mechanic by trade and worked in various garages in the Richmond area, his last place of employment was working underground at the Canadian Johns-Manville Co., Asbestos, Que., he was forced to retire due to ill health.

He was a veteran of World War II, having joined the Royal Rifles of Canada on March 17, 1942 and later transferred to the R.C.E.M.E. He served in Canada, United Kingdom and Continental Europe. He received his discharge from active service on February 16, 1946.

An impressive service was held at J.H. Fleury's Funeral Home on Wednesday evening by members of the Royal Canadian Legion Br. 15 and the Ladies Auxiliary. The service was conducted by Bruno Lavoie and the Last Post was sounded by Marc Bolduc.

The funeral service was held on Thursday, Nov. 15 at the Funeral Home conducted by Rev. Watson Glover. Hymns sung were Safe In The Arms Of Jesus and Amazing Grace. Miss Audrey Millar was organist. The bearers were members of Br. 15 Legion and one nephew, Brian Roberts. The interment took place in Maple Grove Cemetery, Melbourne, Que.

He leaves to mourn his loss, his wife Doreen, his children Darlene, Warren, Barbara and Kathryn; three sons-in-law Sandy, Claude and Robert, seven much loved grandchildren, Corey, Stacey and Emily Johnston, Andy and Joey Viger and Shaun and Melissa Dobb; two dear half sisters, Eva Hampton, Melbourne, Que., and Muriel Matthews, Danville, Que., a brother-in-law, sisters-in-law, several nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents, his sister Thelma, half sisters Pearl Blackley, Bertha Parker and sister-in-law Agnes Gunter, half brothers Osborne and Alfred Gunter and brothers-in-law Fred Roberts, James Parker, Arthur Hampton and Percy Matthews.

The beautiful flowers, donations to the Heart Fund and the Memorial Fund of the Sherbrooke Hospital bore the silent testimony of high esteem in which he was held.

Those who attended the funeral were from Lower Sockville, N.S., Fergus, Ont., Stanstead, Huntingville, Waterloo, Asbestos, Danville, Richmond, Melbourne, Windsor and South Durham, Que.

After the interment, lunch was served at the Legion Hall by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Royal Canadian Legion Br. 15. Reverend W. Glover remained with the family to partake of the lunch.

Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal.
Thomas Moore.

Brome Square Dancers social

KNOWLTON — December 18, was party time for the Brome Squares, when children and adults enjoyed an evening with Santa Claus. He did not come to dance, but made a lot of little hearts happy and in his bag he had a surprise for every child.

Congratulations are in order for the committee who guided the club through many special events. They have spent many hours organizing and decora-

something too, not as tangible but ever so pleasing and the satisfaction of looking back over a successful dancing year.

The adults enjoyed

Delmar Wilson farewell party

STANBRIDGE EAST — On Sunday, Dec. 30, relatives and friends of Delmar and Sandra Wilson and sons, Vernon and Spencer, were tendered "farewell" at the United Church Hall. The hall was full of well wishers, for their future in Amherst, N.S. where Delmar has been transferred by his company.

Delmar, Sandra and

boys have been active in all church and social activities of Stanbridge East during the past 20 years they have lived here, and will be greatly missed. As well as being active in all aspects of the United Church, Delmar has been active in the Boy Scout movement and in the sports activities. Sandra was a member of the United Church Women, and her crea-

tive displays of flower arrangements in the church were always a joy to behold.

Lunch was served buffet style and they were presented with a hand-made quilt, bearing the embroidered names of their many friends.

Best wishes go with them in their new home and endeavours in the Maritimes.

White Gift service held

ULVERTON — A White Gift service was held in the United Church on Dec. 16 conducted by Mrs. W. Potts, who was assisted by parents reading and the children lighting the candles.

Several Christmas hymns were sung. The children placed their white gifts under a decorated Christmas tree. The gingerbread village made by Mrs. Potts and decorated by the children was on display in the church. The white gifts, gingerbread houses and also gifts from the U.C.W. members were sent to Dixville Home.

Following service the children and some of the parents went to

the church hall where games were played until lunch was ready. Af-

ter lunch Santa Claus arrived and gave out the gifts.

Sutton Cub news

SUTTON — On December 20 the Sutton Cubs held their Christmas party with about 40 parents and friends attending. At the party, held in the Town Hall, twelve boys put on a play "The Twelve Days of Christmas", followed by a puppet show by some of the boys, this was "The Purple People Eater". Paul St-Armour entertained with a Magician show.

Gifts were given out by Clifford Sevigny. Later Christmas carols were sung by all,

followed by a buffet lunch.

Thanks to all for bringing desserts and a special thanks to our chairman Duncan Phelps for attending. Everyone had an enjoyable time.

The cubs visited the Sutton Foyer on December 22 where they performed plays for the elderly people.

Cubs will start back on January 10, and will make plans for their winter outing for which there will hopefully be snow.

Social notes

Stanbridge East

Norma Miller
Sympathy is extended to the family of the late Mrs. Bernice Moore, whose death occurred on Jan. 3 at the advanced age of 95 years.

The remains of the late George Edward Bullard of Lennoxville, and formerly of Stanbridge East, were interred in the local Anglican Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyall Rhicard spent some time in West Springfield, Mass., called there by the death of the latter's sister, Mrs. John Hixson (nee Arlene Buck).

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Blakeslee and daughter Sylvia have returned to Albany, N.Y. after spending the holidays at their home here.

South Bolton

Mrs. Willis Willey
292-5785

Recent guests and callers at the home of Margaret and Percy Bloomfield were Mrs. May Cillis, Miss Frances Davey and Mr. and Mrs. Curt Beattie of Sherbrooke, Mr. and Mrs. Wakeham Pilot and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Moquette and family of Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Burnham and Bruce were visiting in Magog through the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Burnham and Bruce

were Christmas Day dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Cote and family in Mansonville.

Spooner Pond

Mrs. J. Dunlavy
Mrs. Mary Frances Hodge spent a week with her daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sargent and family at Longueuil over Christmas, returned the day before New Year's, and owing to the snowstorm, Jim and Helen and family returned to Longueuil New Year's morning.

On Sunday, Mrs. Mary Frances Hodge, Anthony Hodge, Miss Colleen Morin, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hodge and children, Mrs. Doris Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Mastine and family members, motored to Vermont to celebrate the 81st birthday of Mrs. Ross Carter at the Long Branch Restaurant.

Members of the Skerry family have visited Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Healy at their home. Mrs. Healy is now at her home after being hospitalized at the Sherbrooke Hospital and is reported gaining and getting on nicely.

At the Jack Dunlavy home for Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dunlavy, Debbie and Mark, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Vidal, David and Tracey. On the weekend of Jan. 6 Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hansen of

Two Mountains were with their daughter and son-in-law Raymond and Marjorie Dunlavy and family here.

Eaton Corner

Taylor Rest Home
News

Mrs. Marguerite Bailey had for visitors over the holidays, her grandson Carter Bailey and wife Patsy with granddaughter Jennifer of New Westminster, B.C.

Visitors of Mrs. Mildred Beaton were her son Grady Beaton and wife Gabriel with their children, Barbara, Sue, Helen, Peggy, Shirley, James, Tom and Nancy.

Mrs. Eva Leavitt spent her Christmas holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lelonde and family in Ottawa, and had a very enjoyable time.

Mr. Peter Murray of Sherbrooke, Mrs. Evelyn Garneau of Sawyererville and Mrs. Elaine Hatcher of Moulton Hill were visiting Mrs. Hazel Griffith.

Mrs. Gladys Coyle enjoyed a visit from her daughter Thelma and husband Vale from Kingston, Ont.

All the residents of the Taylor Rest Home would like to thank the A.C.W. of St. Philip's for their gift, and also Mary Gillespie for the homemade rolls for Christmas supper.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Smith and Mrs. Louise Buzzell of Bondville were calling on Mrs. May Hives and family on Friday following New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Davis of Barnet, Vt., were weekend guests prior to New Year's Day of Mrs. Sadie Laflamme and Mr. and Mrs. Jethro Worden of Attleboro, Mass. were visitors at the same home Monday until New Year's Day.

Greetings and many good wishes go from local friends to Mrs. Enid Bailey of Gilman's Corner for her birthday on January 23.

Get-well wishes to Mrs. Marguerite Rousseau at Red Bank, New Jersey. Many friends hope you will soon be feeling better.

David Norcott and John Laird were return holiday visitors Friday to Sunday following New Year's at the Dennis Taylors. They were accompanied by the latter's friend Miss Dianne Leadbeater, also of Brockville.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hives and family of Strathmore, Que. were Christmas guests of his parents Mr. and Mrs. William Hives Monday to Boxing Day. On Christmas Day they were dinner guests of Mrs. Hives' mother Mrs. Beatrice Barnes.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Curtis and daughter of Rock Island were guests Christmas Day of Mrs. Curtis' sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. William Hives.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Ladd were calling on relatives in Cowansville and Waterloo prior to Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Ladd, Andrew and Kelly, of St. Lambert were Christmas holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Ladd. On Christmas Eve Mrs. Bessie McCaig of Knowlton, Mr. and Mrs. Graham George of St. Bruno and their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Ian Nielson-Jones and three children of Manotick, Ont., joined the Ladds to celebrate Mrs. Stuart Ladd's birthday.

Christmas Day guests of the Ladds were Mrs. Gladys Norton, Mr. and Mrs. John Chapman and Mr. David Chapman, all of Waterloo, Mrs. Bessie McCaig and Mr. Ron Smith of Knowlton.

Results



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Sports



McEnroe puts on awesome display to win second straight Masters title

NEW YORK (AP) — The end came swiftly, neatly packaged and tied with a cheque for \$100,000.

The surprise was that the end came so early and so silently that no one, not even Ivan Lendl, knew it had arrived.

But it came nonetheless, and American John McEnroe captured the \$400,000 Volvo Masters tennis championships for the second consecutive year Sunday by crushing the Czechoslovakian 7-5, 6-0, 6-4.

"I felt as though I could do anything I wanted with the ball," McEnroe said later. "I made a few careless mistakes, but for a 10-game period I

played as well if not better than any other game I played before."

He wasn't bragging. It started with a smash in the 10th game of the opening set. Three points later, McEnroe had pulled even at 5-5, the match still on serve.

But it was the start of an 11-game streak — a streak of nearly flawless tennis by the game's No. 1 player.

"He played very well," Lendl said. "I've seen him play well many times, too many times."

"I wish I would have made more shots. I was returning better, but I still wasn't able to break him. I was creating chances, but he always came

up (with a winner). I hit a good low return, but he hit a volley on the line.

"It makes it difficult because every time he was in trouble he would come up with a really good shot."

McEnroe, who defeated Mats Wilander of Sweden in the semifinals and met Lendl in the final of this tournament at Madison Square Garden for the third straight year, capped the 10th game with his second ace of the game and fifth of the match.

STARTS ATTACKING

Then he pulled off the first service break of the match, the final point coming when he ripped a service re-

turn cross-court for a clear winner.

"I started picking up his serve a little bit better," McEnroe said. "I attacked, and I think I caught him off guard."

"He was mixing it up pretty well in the beginning. He was hitting the ball hard from the ground, and it took me a little while to get adjusted to it. I felt once I got the break, things were really turning my way."

In the 12th game, during a temper tantrum, McEnroe hit himself in the eye with a tennis ball. He needed a three-minute injury timeout, but he later said the incident helped him.

"It helped me pick up my game, made me concentrate a little bit more," he said.

The incident began just after Lendl had pulled to deuce with a forehand passing shot and McEnroe was preparing to serve the next point.

He glowered at the photographers lined alongside the court, then screamed at them. While still staring at the photographers, he bounced a ball off his racket and it hit him in his right eye.

Since this tournament is considered the end of the 1984 Volvo Grand Prix season, McEnroe finished the year with a 82-3 match record, capturing 12

of the 14 tournaments he entered.

McEnroe later teamed with compatriot Peter Fleming to defeat Mark Edmondson of Australia and American Sherwood Stewart 6-3, 6-1 for the doubles title. It was the seventh consecutive year the pair have won the doubles crown here.

With his \$100,000 cheque for his singles victory and his half of the \$34,000 awarded to the doubles winners, McEnroe finished 1984 with earnings of \$2,026,109. That brings his career earnings to \$7.5 million, the only male player to earn more than \$7 million.

Sherbrooke's Slythe shines at U de S meet

By Terry Scott

SHERBROOKE (CP) — Diana Richburg of Troy, N.Y., and Christine Slythe, delighting the home-town crowd, shattered the women's 1,000-metre records for their respective countries Sunday night at the Sherbrooke International track and field meet, the first stop on the USA-Mobil



Milt Ottey... Contemplating meet record.

indoor tour.

The two minutes, 39.28 seconds posted by Richburg broke her own unofficial mark, while Slythe, with a time of 2:41.22 shaved almost four seconds off the standard of 2:45.14 that Brit McRoberts set two years ago.

No world-best marks were established at the meet, the first of 14 on the \$150,000 Mobil circuit.

"I'm very pleased with the way my training has been going," said Richburg, 21, a communications student at Albany State University. "I've been training under Rodney Wilshire, and it's the best training I've ever had since I started my career four years ago."

"My attitude this year — that's what really helps my training."

FIRST IN 1,500

Richburg is a specialist in the 1,500 metres, an event in which she was the first black woman to make the U.S. Olympic team at the 1984 Games in Los Angeles. But she had no trouble adjusting to the shorter distance.

"It's just a matter of pacing. That's what it comes down to. You pace yourself until the last 250 metres and then you start driving."

Slythe, 23, a semifinalist in the 800-metres at the Games, admitted she didn't have her usual kick in the final few metres of the race.

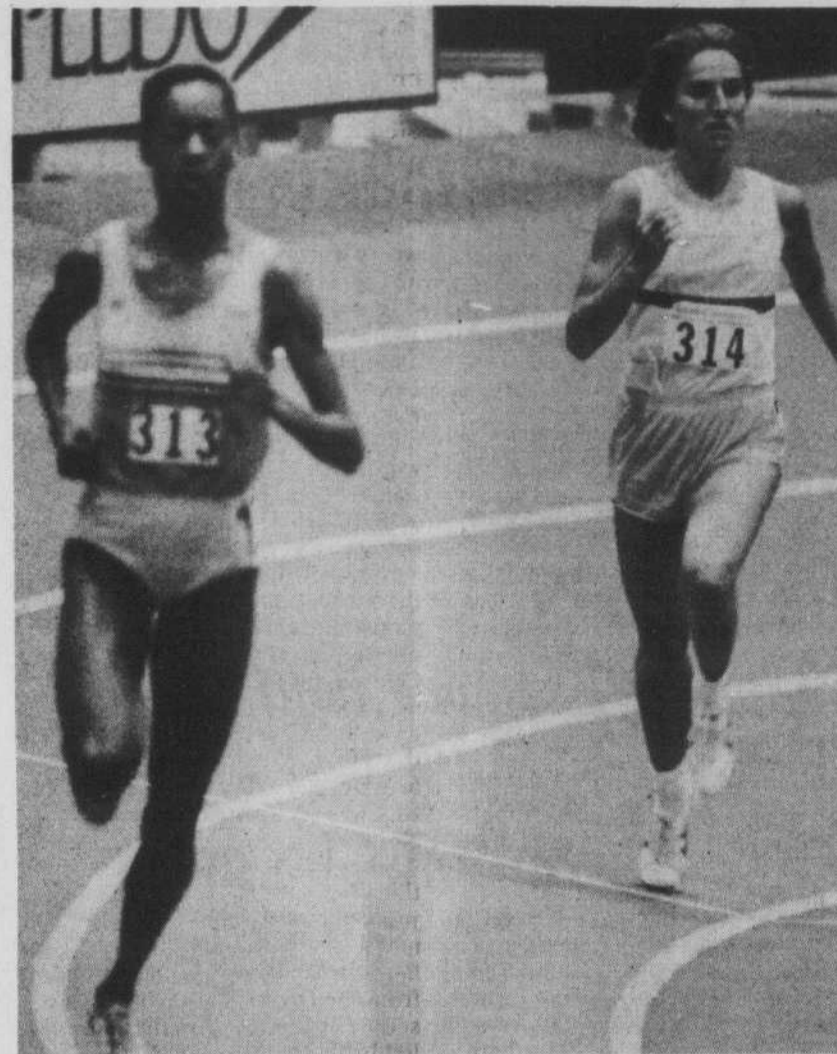
"It was like my head wanted to do it, but my body said no," said Slythe. "I think maybe I was still tired from the race in Ottawa on Friday night."

Slythe won the 800-metre event in Ottawa. Combined with her performance Sunday, it bodes well for her temporary move to Louisiana State University. She will spend the next semester there, completing the physical education degree she began at University of Sherbrooke.

"I think it will give me a good opportunity to improve my tactics of running," Slythe said of her transfer stateside.

FAMILIAR NAMES

While the women's 1,000 metres was the highlight of the meet, some familiar figures were also winners.



Christine Slythe (right) and Diana Richburg set new Canadian and American records in the 1000 metre race at the University of Sherbrooke's international indoor track and field meet Sunday night.

American Emmitt King won the 50-metre event for the fourth straight year, in a time of 5.74 seconds. Billy Olsen, the high jumper out of the Pacific Coast Club in California, cleared the bar at 5.55 metres, enough to win but short of his U.S. record of 5.80, and below the 5.65 he jumped here two years ago.

The women's 50-metre hurdles produced a battle between Americans

Rhonda Blanford and Carol Lewis, sister of Olympic track star Carl Lewis. Blanford won in a sluggish time of 7.20, three one-hundredths of a second ahead of Lewis.

Canadian high jumper Milt Ottey didn't allow a head cold to bother him in his event, which he captured with a leap of 2.28 metres. That was short of Olympian Greg Joy's national mark of 2.31.

A late 'wave' of scoring leaves Habs, Amerks tied

Record News Service

SHERBROOKE (CP) — Mike Moller redirected a pass from linemate Gates Orlando past Sherbrooke goaltender Greg Moffett with 1:56 remaining in the third period to lift Rochester Americans to a 6-6 tie with the Canadiens in American Hockey League play Sunday night.

Sherbrooke's Remi Gagne had given his team a 6-5 lead just 47 seconds before Moller's goal.

Mal Davis, Brian McKinnon, Warren Harper, Gerry Burns and Randy Cunneyworth scored for the Americans. Mike Lalor with two, Wade Campbell, Brian Skrudland and Claude Larose had Sherbrooke's other goals.

Cunneyworth's goal at 4:48 of the third gave the Americans a 5-4 lead, but two goals by the Canadiens 1:59 apart put Sherbrooke back in front.

Larose fired his 20th of the season past Rochester goaltender Vince Tremblay at 15:15 to tie the game, and Gagne shot his past the out-of-position Tremblay less than two minutes later.

The Gagne goal sent the 2,370 fans out of their seats but they were later subdued by Moller's goal.

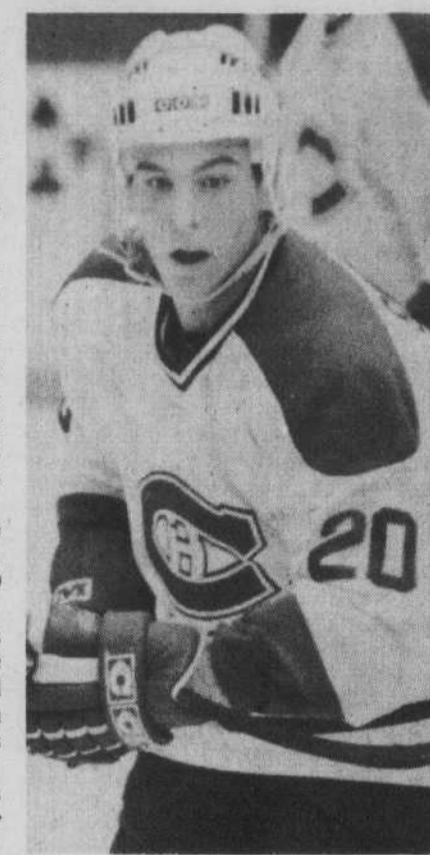
Sherbrooke nearly won the game in the five minute overtime period when, with less than 10 seconds remaining, Larose snapped a shot from 25 feet away high to Tremblay's stick side. The later got his blocker down to cover the puck and time ran out.

Tremblay was sharp handling 40 shots as the Canadiens outshot Rochester in all but the first period when both goaltenders faced 11 shots. Moffett struggled facing 24 shots.

The tie settled Sherbrooke's worst-tie record at 19-23-2. Rochester is now 23-14-8.

The game featured one of the popular human 'waves' and several players, as well as Sherbrooke coach Pierre Cremer, credited the fans for helping the Canadiens overcome the one-goal third period deficit.

Just after the halfway point of the third period a group of Montreal Forum employees seated in the arena's south end began the 'wave'. It continued around the sparsely-filled seats for about a minute and referee Mark Faucette called a time out until it died down. Sherbrooke trailed 5-4 when the



Brian Skrudland... Game's first star.

first 'wave' hit. "A coach can't motivate the players like a crowd can," Cremer said. "It's like a seventh player on the ice or a fourth attacker. We need something like that."

Larose added that "it gave us a second wind."

"It was like a pump furnishing us with adrenaline," said Skrudland, named the game's first star. He had two assists to go along with a goal.

In other games Sunday, it was Moncton Golden Flames 4, Baltimore Skipjacks 3 in overtime; Springfield Indians 9, New Haven Nighthawks 7; Binghamton Whalers 8, Hershey Bears 2; Nova Scotia Oilers 5, Fredericton 3; and St. Catharines Saints 5, Maine Mariners 4.

On Saturday night, it was Hershey 5, St. Catharines 3; Rochester 5, Maine 2; Fredericton 4, Baltimore 3 in overtime; Adirondack Red Wings 6, Moncton 4; and Springfield 5, New Haven 4.

Messier's third-period heroics lifts Oilers over Sabres

By The Canadian Press

If Mark Messier is suspended today, it'll be a day too late as far as Buffalo Sabres are concerned.

The Edmonton Oiler centre, rounding back to form after a knee injury earlier in the season, scored the tying and winning goals in the third period to give the Oilers a 5-4 victory over the Sabres in National Hockey League action Sunday night.

"I know he (Messier) is going to get suspended," said a resigned Glen

Sather. "The hearing was last week, and we'll know by noon tomorrow (today)."

Messier broke the jaw of Calgary Flames' Jamie Macoun in a mid-December fight. Buffalo coach Scotty Bowman questioned the league's reaction to the Messier matter.

"It's being handled very badly," Bowman said. "It's taken 18 days to handle this."

"I knew nothing would be done about it."

The loss ended a 10-game unbeaten streak for the Sabres, 19-13-1.

ANOTHER MILESTONE

Wayne Gretzky scored his 400th career NHL goal and Mike Krushel-

nyski and Charlie Huddy also got Edmonton goals while Gil Perreault, Phil Housley, Craig Ramsay and Dave Andreychuk scored for the Sabres.

'Jos' Doyle night a tribute to 72-year-old athlete

By Claudia Villemare

RICHMOND — Everyone was there.

City hall welcomed the guests of honor, then everyone went to a banquet and hockey game during an incredible evening honoring this community's beloved poet, Irish singer, hockey player and college student: 72-year-old 'Jos' Doyle.

It's not often that a town recognizes the qualities in its people while they are still on this earth. But Friday night was a shining exception. City fathers, town notables, the St. Patrick's Society, the minor hockey association and his own team mates made their testimony to this diminutive gentleman who has been an inspiration to young and old.

Doyle, now a young 72, found himself facing his declining years with grim determination. Two years ago, life held no challenge for him anymore and anyone speaking of the future could get no response from him.

"Ah, it's a sad story," he chuckles today, looking back at the years before he began filling his days with a return to university, writing poetry

and playing hockey with his new team, Last Chance.

Somehow, the evening planned to be a testimony to the courage and faith of one man turned into a night of fellowship and optimism. With former Montreal Canadian great Jean Beliveau — his idol — at his side the entire evening, Doyle somehow seemed to cast an Irish spell on the 200 or so gathered in his honor.

"I have attended all kinds of events and evenings of this kind across the world," Beliveau told to the crowd, "but nowhere has this family feeling of pride in one's fellow man been so strong and I will cherish my visit here always."

Richmond Mayor André Lupien and councillors presented Doyle and Beliveau with gifts. Plaques from the St. Pat's Society, the minor hockey association and the Last Chance team were presented to Doyle, while a painting and a bouquet were given to his wife Laura.

But the crowning point of the evening came as the opening face-off was about to take place. Beliveau pulled out a Canadiens sweater bearing the number 72.

"You know the Canadiens have been in a slump lately," Beliveau said, "and you never know, perhaps Jos' courage, optimism and talent as a player could come in handy."

Doyle immediately responded. "I sure would like that as long as there's no back checking," he chuckled.

"Sure I think I've died and gone to heaven," Doyle laughed. "I've done nothing to deserve such honors, only been myself and enjoyed every minute with the boys on the teams and the young people at college. This is fantastic and the honors should go to the very people who came up with this idea."

"They're the ones should get the praise," he said and capped it all by a merry shout of "Merci Beaucoup".

Lady Gaiters upended by McGill

RECORD NEWS SERVICES

MONTREAL — Nancy Avery scored 14 points on seven-for-nine shooting to lead McGill Martlets to a 52-47 victory over Bishop's Lady Gaiters in a Quebec University Athletic Association women's basketball game Friday night.

Helene Cowan added 16 points — a game high — for the Martlets and pulled down 11 rebounds. Judy Lang, with 12 points, and Joanne Gordon, with nine, paced the Lady Gaiters. Gordon also had eight rebounds while team mate Heather Sams had nine.

"In the last four minutes of the game they put quite a bit of pressure on and we couldn't handle it," Bishop's coach Andrea Blackwell said. "They converted on our turnovers and that hurt."

McGill led 31-25 at half-time and

pulled away from the Lady Gaiters during the first eight minutes of the third quarter, opening up a 15-point lead. But Bishop's came back, cutting the margin to two points late in the same quarter.

"I was quite happy with that," Blackwell said.

Lang, playing with four fouls late in the third quarter, finally fouled out with about three minutes left in the game.

"She's really coming along well," Blackwell said of the transfer student. "If she can stay out of foul trouble she's going to do a lot for us."

The Lady Gaiters play again Friday at the J.H. Price Sports Centre in Lennoxville with the Laval University Rouge et Or providing opposition. Game time is 6:30 p.m. Bishop's also plays Saturday against the Concordia Stingers. Tip-off in that one is 2 p.m.



'Jos' Doyle of Richmond was presented with a Montreal Canadiens great Jean Beliveau at an evening honoring the hockey sweater with the number 72 on its back by former 72-year-old athlete, scholar and poet.

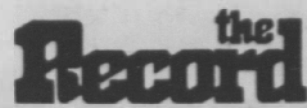
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Sports



Canadian heavies from past and present mark 75 years of glory

By Terry Scott

MONTREAL (CP) — A 75th anniversary calls for diamonds, and Montreal Canadiens celebrated their birth as hockey's most successful franchise in glittering fashion at the Forum on Saturday night.

To mark the occasion, the Canadiens, winners of 22 Stanley Cup championships since joining the National Hockey League, invited the six players and the head coach who were selected in fan balloting as the greatest performers in the team's history.

The Canadiens also welcomed one of their most prominent former season-ticket holders — Prime Minister

Brian Mulroney — who along with his wife Mila, sat directly behind the Canadiens' bench.

They joined Ronald Corey — the Canadiens' president — and his wife in leading the applause for the all-time team members as they skated on to the ice.

"Yes, he had season tickets here for years," Corey said of Mulroney, whom he entertained in the VIP lounge of the Forum before the guests made their way to the front-row seats.

While the waving prime minister was greeted with favorable response from the crowd of 17,149, there were scattered boos, indicating perhaps that some of the customers were anxious to get on with the ceremonies.

TEAM INTRODUCED

With NHL president John Ziegler, an infrequent visitor to the Forum, applauding from a seat across from Corey, the dream team was introduced, starting with head coach Toe Blake.

The players named to the squad then skated in for a shot at Jacques Plante, the all-time goaltender. A round Doug Harvey, and a trim Larry Robinson, the only active player named to the squad, were selected best defencemen, while Jean Beliveau was the centre between left winger Dickie Moore and Maurice (Rocket) Richard, the Canadiens' top career goal scorer with 544 goals.

Richard beat out Guy Lafleur at

right wing by a margin of 2-to-1, despite the fact Lafleur, who retired in November, is more familiar to younger hockey fans.

"It's nice of them to remember me even though I've been out of the game 24 years," Richard said in an interview. "But I'd rather be in Guy Lafleur's shoes, with the money he got from the game today, instead of having honors that really don't mean that much."

"The recognition is nice but that isn't going to help you earn a living," he said.

WORTH \$25 MILLION

The Canadiens, who cost their founder Ambrose O'Brien a \$5,000 investment back in 1909, but are worth an

estimated \$25 million today, have often been looked upon as the cement between Quebec's French and English cultures, and it was somehow appropriate that the six selected players are from the two cultural backgrounds, and that Blake, the coach, is perfectly bilingual.

As Ken Dryden, who finished second to Plante in the goaltender voting, once remarked: "We know there are differences — we just don't think they are that important."

The player who stole the show, however, was Aurele Joliat, who at 83 is the oldest living member of the Canadiens.

Wearing a black woolen cap, Joliat, who still skates frequently in Ottawa,

made his way shakily down the ice. He tumbled a few feet into his journey, picked himself up, skated over the red carpet and fell again.

But Joliat then moved in on Plante and slid the puck under the goaltender's pads, to the roar of the crowd. He proceeded to take a whirl around the rink, waving to the aroused throng.

The Canadiens also paid homage to Frank J. Selke Sr., the former general manager, described as "the builder of the great team from which most of these players tonight came."

Selke, recovering from a serious illness, was helped to his feet from the Forum seat to acknowledge the cheers.

Magog's Langlois flies off with aerial ski gold medal

MONT-GABRIEL, Que. (CP) — Canadian freestyle skiers came away with gold and silver medals on the final day of this season's second World Cup competition Sunday.

Thirty-four aerialists from eight countries vied for the competition's third title in the three-day event and dazzled a crowd of about 2,000 with multiple twists, turns and flips.

Lloyd Langlois, of Magog, surprised the field of 26 competitors with a triple-twisting triple somersault to steal his first World Cup aerial gold medal with 207.94 points.

Langlois outclassed the field by becoming the only man ever to execute this sport's most difficult aerial — a half-rudy full.

"I've only done the move once before in competition at last month's World Cup in France," said Langlois. "I really blew it then but today I just took it one step at a time and it all fell together."

Alain Laroche, the 1984 combined World Cup champion from Lac Beauport, Que., performed a double-twisting triple somersault and clinched second place with 187.51 points.

Laroche's aerial silver medal, combined with his fourth place ballet and 11th place mogul finishes, earned him his second straight combined title this season.

SPOILED SWEEP

Britain's Mike Nemesvary spoiled a Canadian sweep of the aerial medals with his double twisting back somersault worth 177.355 points and a bronze medal.

Nemesvary also followed behind Laroche in the combined men's standings, finishing second with 35 points.

American Bruce Bolesky picked up the bronze combined medal with 39 points.

Switzerland's Conny Kissling outperformed a field of seven other women with a double somersault to win the aerials with 113.145 points. Andrea Amann of Austria finished second with 97.25 points and American Doreen Bourque picked up the bronze with 85.2 points.

Meredith Gardner of Toronto had trouble landing her back-lay-out somersaults but held on to fourth place with 83.585 points.

Kissling, a two-time combined World Cup champion, added a silver ballet medal and a fourth-place mogul finish to her aerial victory for seven points, her lowest combined total to date.

Kissling hangs on to the combined title for the second time this season. Gardner earned her second combined silver medal with a combination of a sixth-place mogul, a 12th place ballet and a fourth-place aerial finish worth a total of 22 points.

Wadkins needs five OT holes to finish Stadler at Hope

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP) — After a year and a half lapse, Lanny Wadkins is a winner again.

And the gambling, tenacious golfer, perhaps the most aggressive player

on the Professional Golfers' Association tour, is just getting into the most productive part of his schedule.

Following his victory over Craig Stadler on the fifth hole of a sudden-

death playoff in the Bob Hope golf tournament Sunday, Wadkins ticked off the tournaments.

"Probably my best overall record is at Phoenix (the event this week)," he said. "I've won at Riviera (the Los Angeles Open, two weeks away) and it's one of my favorite courses."

"And I won the PGA at Pebble Beach (the site of the Bing Crosby, in three weeks). I'm looking forward to that lineup. I'm looking for a big year. But right now, I just want to enjoy this one for a day or so."

Wadkins had to mount one of the finest comebacks in recent years to set up his 13th tour triumph and break a non-winning string that extended back to the 1983 Tournament of Champions.

He was four shots down with five holes to play in the final round, but caught Stadler with an eagle-par-birdie-birdie-birdie finish at the Indian Wells Country Club course.

That completed a round of seven-under-par 65 and set a tournament record of 333, a whopping 27 shots under par for this five-day event. But Stadler matched that total with a closing 66. Their closest rival, Hubert Green, finished seven strokes back, and the two went to a playoff.

The sudden death, however, wasn't so sudden. It lasted five holes with first one player, then the other appearing to have the upper hand.

Green shot a closing 65 and a 340 total, one stroke ahead of Ron Streck, who shot a 70. Ray Floyd, Buddy Gardner and Larry Mize were another stroke back at 342. Gardner closed with a 66; Floyd shot 67 and Mize had a 71.

Dan Halldorson of Brandon, Man., finished regulation play with a 347 total — 14 strokes back of Wadkins and Stadler. He had a final-round 71 and won \$8,000.

Richard Zokol of Vancouver finished with a 69 for a 350 total and \$2,966 in prize money. Jim Nelford of Burnaby, B.C., had a closing 70 for 353 and

winnings of \$1,376.

Dave Barr of Kelowna, B.C., failed to survive the fourth-round cut.

Wadkins took home the \$90,000 first prize and Stadler collected the \$54,000 runner-up cheque.

Canada I must raise \$6M before Perth race in 1987

VICTORIA (CP) — The Canada 1 syndicate needs \$6 million to compete in the America's Cup in 1987 in Perth, Australia, says the chairman of Canada's America's Cup Challenge Inc.

Marvin McDill made the statement at a news conference Friday on the eve of Saturday's arrival of the 12-metre racing yacht at Victoria's Inner Harbor.

The sloop, Canada's challenger for the Cup in 1987, will be based in Victoria for training in the syndicate's challenge for the 1987 race.

McDill said the news conference marked the kickoff of the syndicate's national fund-raising campaign.

A little over \$1 million has been collected to date in cash commitments and guarantees, he said, adding "We still have a long way to go."

He admitted raising money now for a yacht race will not be easy but that Canada's performance in the 1983 race — it was the country's first contender in 102 years and it reached the semifinals — will encourage Canadians to support the syndicate's entry in '87.

McDill said the syndicate was able to raise \$5.8 million for the 1983 campaign and has outstanding debts of less than \$100,000.

He said yachting experts agree that Canada's performance in the 1983 race was "considered a pretty respectable showing."

Moses nabbed while on his way to the promised land

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A man identified as Edwin Corley Moses, the American hurdler who was one of the heroes of the 1984 Olympics, was booked Sunday for investigation of soliciting a policewoman during a Hollywood prostitution sweep, police said.

Moses, arrested early Sunday, was booked and later released on his own

recognizance, said a police spokesman, who added that the arresting officers and others at the police station confirmed the man was the track star. The man's description and date of birth were identical to that of Moses.

"It's him," the police spokesman said. "The arresting officers recogni-

zed him."

Soliciting an act of prostitution is a misdemeanor that carries a \$500 fine and/or six months in jail.

Police Cmdr. William Booth also confirmed a report that a very small amount of marijuana was found in Moses's car but said Moses was not booked for that.

"He's been booked for all he's going to be booked for," Booth said.

Moses, 28, won the 400-metre hurdles at the 1984 Olympics. It was the second gold medal of Moses's career — he had won the gold in the event at the 1976 Games in Montreal.

Moses was unavailable for comment.

Scoreboard

HOCKEY	
SHERBROOKE, Que. (CP) — AHL, Sunday night	
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2. Sherbrooke, Campbell 1 (Paul-Poivy, Perry) 11:52	
3. Sherbrooke, Skrudland 9 (Skudland) 13:41	
Second Period	
4. Rochester, Mulroney 2 (Robertson) 15:21	
5. Rochester, Harper 15 (Renard, Juhos) 18:28	
Third Period	
6. St. Albans, Lator 4 (Blowert, Larose) 4:09	
7. Rochester, Burns 14 (Robertson, Harper) 11:02	
8. Sherbrooke, Lator 5 (Skudland, Campbell) 10:41	
Final	
Rochester, Cunniff 17 (Orlando, Maly) 4:44	
10. Sherbrooke, Larose 20 (Blowert, Fies) 15:18	
11. Sherbrooke, Gagne 5 (Mattrix, Skrudland) 17:17	
12. Rochester, Muller 13 (Orlando) 18:04	
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Referee — Faucher	
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Bobby Orr	37	39	76
Wayne Gretzky	27	40	67
John Dillinger	25	41	66
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United Church Women meeting

SUTTON — On Wednesday, December 19, the UCW of Calvary United Church met in the church hall at 9:30 a.m. for a short business meeting and to pack cheer boxes. President Marjorie Thompson opened the meeting with all repeating the Purpose and the Lord's Prayer in unison. Minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary Eva Cromwell and accepted as read. The treasurer's report by Beth Travers showed the Christmas Bazaar a great financial success and a satisfactory bank balance. A motion was passed to pay any outstanding bills, to give a sum to the Board and to the UCW special account.

Donations were received for the cheer boxes. Members were reminded to save used stamps, soup labels, etc.

Nominating committee reports by Esther Cleland and Susan de St. Croix showed a return of most officers and still a couple of calls to be made on committees.

It was decided to send a card shower to some who were in hospital or ill at home for holidays.

Meeting was closed early and all went to work on the Cheer boxes, which were soon packed and ready for delivery. A Christmas luncheon served by the hostess for the day, Mable Boyce and Olga Haynes was enjoyed by 14 members and one guest, regrettably three members who had attended the meeting had to leave early, due to the many things that have to be done at this time of year.

Our next meeting will be the fourth Wednesday in January.

BIRCHTON — The last UCW meeting of 1984 was opened by the President reading a poem, "Picking out the perfect gift" followed by the Purpose, after which Mrs. Prescott led in Worship using A Christmas Worship service, when most of those present were involved, and urging all to be active in good works for others.

The President Mrs. A. Rogers chaired the business part of the evening when the

committees reported all in good shape, after welcoming a comparatively new Birchtonian, Madame Veilleux. Community Friendship and Visiting reported that Mrs. Moore was not too uncomfortable and that little Meagan Dougherty had been in hospital for observation; the distribution of Christmas Cheer was settled.

It was noted that more bandages had been received from Cookshire knitters, and more from Birchton. It was moved and seconded that we pay for the string for bandages, and not by individuals of our group.

Mrs. Turchyn reported a good profit on cards during the year. Thanks were read for donations to Operation Shoe Box, UNICEF, and an interesting communication from Miss F. Walbridge of Mystic about the monies for studies.

The Birchton organist, Mrs. Rogers announced she had donated the pay given her to the local church board.

A list of the few single Happenings can be given to secretary Vera Todd right away; other copies of Happenings were handed to its subscribers; and attention drawn to the letter in it from Laura Gaudine; and \$100.00 was voted to the Mission and Service Fund.

Plans were suggested for the writing of regular newsy notes to a member who has had to move away after serious illness.

As closing, Santa distributed the gifts under the beautifully decorated tree in the hostess', Mrs. Nick Turchyn's livingroom, a gesture of friendship, after which delicious goodies were enjoyed, and the ladies left for home, wishing each other, and the hostesses and Heather and Muriel especially, a Merry Christmas and Happy 1985.

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REVENUES			
TAXES:			
General land tax 1.52 X \$100			\$70,620
Water			35,597
Garbage removal			19,860
COMPENSATION IN LIEU OF TAXES			126,077
Government of Quebec			
Land			5,602
Farms & wooded areas			173
Social Affairs (school)			1,282
Telecom, Gas, Electricity			25,748
Bill 230, Municipal Fiscal Policy			1,358
Government of Canada			34,163
Property (Post office)			945
SERVICES RENDERED TO OTHER MUNICIPALITIES			
Rental of halls, leisure understanding, Garbage transportation			1,040
OTHER REVENUES FROM LOCAL SOURCES:			
Bank interest			7,095
Permits			8,135
Interest on taxes in arrears			6,725
Other			42,330
TRANSFERS:			
Conditional			49,055
Unconditional			\$218,375
TOTAL REVENUES:			\$218,375
EXPENSES			
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION:			
Legislation			9,540
Financial and Administrative Management			19,577
Other			37,605
			66,722
PUBLIC SECURITY:			
Fire Protection			6,970
Other			200
			7,170
TRANSPORT:			
Municipal road system			14,431
Snow removal			5,900
Street lighting			19,000
			39,331
AREA HYGIENE:			
Water purification and treatment			4,619
Water distribution system			17,087
Sewage system			152
Garbage removal and destruction			10,036
			31,894
LEISURE AND CULTURE:			
Community center			200
Arena and skating rink			2,300
Library			1,266
Other leisure activities			425
			4,191
OTHER EXPENSES:			
Redemption of obligations			9,500
Interest on obligations			12,367
Interest on temporary loans			1,500
Bank charges			800
Shares			5,900
			30,067
IMMOBILIZATION:			
Culvert & sewage			7,000
Transport			30,000
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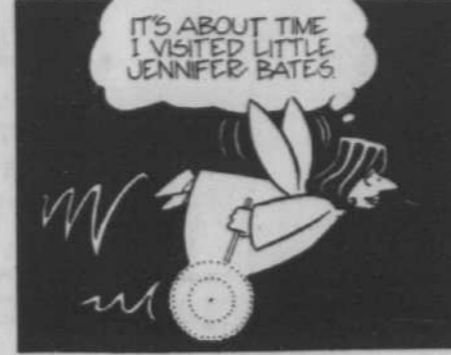
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Legion Branch No. 25 holds installation of officers

EAST ANGUS—Installation of the new officers of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch No. 25 for the year 1985 was held on Sunday January 6 at 2:30 p.m.

The president Comrade Francois Belisle opened the meeting in the usual manner, then presented the installing officer Simon Lagueux replacing the District Commander for the ceremony.

The officer — Sergeant-at-Arms installed Clarice Grenier; Raymond Grenier; Jeffrey Bailey; and Mrs. Laurette Dolbec, proxy for Mrs. Nicole Belisle; the secretaries, Mrs. Yvette Davis, Ladies Auxiliary and Mrs. Lise Menard, Senior Branch; the Treasurers, Mrs. Helen Martel, Ladies Auxiliary and Murray Stickle, Senior Branch.

1st Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Harriet Paquette, Ladies Auxiliary; Leslie Stickle, Senior Branch; 2nd Vice, Miss Julie Champoux, Ladies Auxiliary; 2nd Vice, Norman Davis, Senior Branch; 3rd Vice, Conrad Champoux, proxy for Clement St-Cyr.

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SOUTH
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Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: North

West	North	East	South
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Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead: ♠10

Things are not what they seem

By James Jacoby

Great defense is like the tricks of a master magician. The defenders create an illusion for an audience of one — the declarer. He takes the illusion for reality and acts accordingly. Canadians Mittelman and Graves were the illusionists of today's deal.

Mittelman knew that his partner often made ragged overcalls at the one level. Since Graves had not overcalled one spade, he probably had fewer than five. But he could have five clubs and have been unable to butt in at the dangerous two level. And so the 10 of clubs hit the table. East won the ace and returned the club two. This was the first illusion: East appeared to have started with four clubs to the A-Q.

Declarer won the club jack and played the ace of diamonds, and the queen from West popped up like a rabbit out of a hat. If that was a singleton, it meant East had four diamonds to the 10, and it would be fatal for declarer to give up a diamond to East. Accordingly South started on spades. West held up the ace until the third round and then continued clubs. Our unfortunate declarer, still convinced that the queen of diamonds was singleton, hoped that clubs would be 4-4 and that a lucky heart guess would bring in his ninth trick. He threw diamonds from dummy on the club king and the fourth spade, and then led a heart. East's heart ace won and declarer was down two.

Perhaps South should not have fallen for the defenders' stratagems, but give the Canadians credit. They created an illusion, and it worked.

Tuesday, January 15

ASTRO-GRAPH

Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

January 15, 1985

A pleasant, active year is in store for you socially. You will develop many new friends, as well as an interest in fun pursuits you've never tried before.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Do not be overly influenced by the failure of others today because you'll have excellent chances of succeeding in situations where they fell flat. Your Astro-Graph predictions for the new year can help guide you to happier tomorrows. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, Box 489, Radio City Station, New York, NY 10019. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Challenge awakens your resourcefulness, as well as your other fine qualities today. You'll be at your best when you have to prove yourself.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your friendliness, warmth and enthusiasm will penetrate even the hardest of hearts today. Sour faces will disappear when you turn on the charm.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Greater luck is going for you today than you may be aware of. However, other ingredients needed for victory will be perseverance and practicality.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Have confidence in your ability as a negotiator today when trying to iron out an agreement. Be firm, but fair, for best results.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Benefits you won't deliberately seek will be awarded to you today in a situation where you are sincerely trying to be of service to another.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) It behooves you to get involved in the social swim today. Go to familiar haunts where you'll find companions whose company you truly enjoy.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Put yourself out a bit today to make things more secure for members of your family. Attend to their immediate needs first and shift yours to second place.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If possible, try to steer clear of serious-minded people today because they could adversely affect your outlook. Bright, happy types will make you feel cheerful.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Continue to give priority to matters that could increase your earnings or enhance your material well-being. Your luck is strongest in these areas.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Do not allow yourself to become immersed in insignificant developments today. Madame fortune favors you when you shoot for something large.

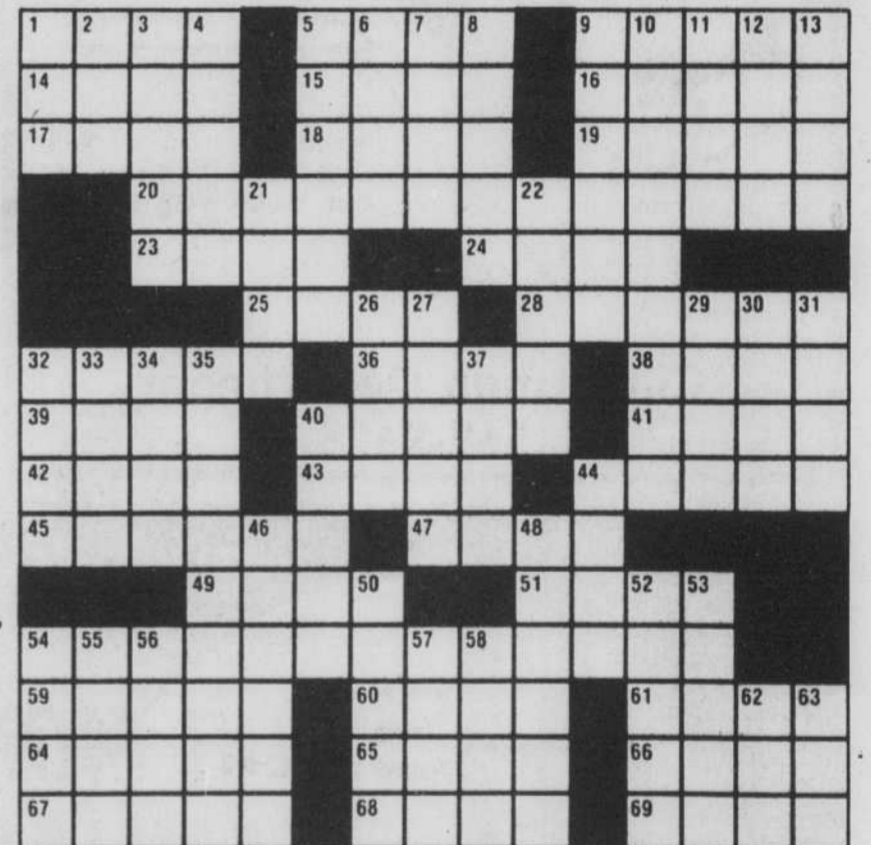
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Profit is not a dirty word. Today in your commercial dealings you should be able to reap a reasonable return and still treat others in an honorable fashion.

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Crossword

- ACROSS
- 1 Stadium sounds
 - 5 Roller
 - 9 Show feeling
 - 14 Coup d'—
 - 15 Wading bird
 - 16 Circus man
 - 17 Munich mister
 - 18 Undiluted
 - 19 Metallic sound
 - 20 Hallucinatory beasts
 - 23 October gem
 - 24 Origin
 - 25 Gobi-like
 - 28 Not anchored
 - 32 Make suitable
 - 36 Baker's helper
 - 38 Bouquet
 - 39 "The Forsyte —"
 - 40 Rounded hill
 - 41 Nastase of tennis
 - 42 Govt. agents
 - 43 Eye suggestively
 - 44 Fashion
 - 45 Gandhi
 - 47 Austen heroine
 - 49 Ancient Irishman
 - 51 Solicit
 - 54 Boutonniere
 - 59 Dickinson of films
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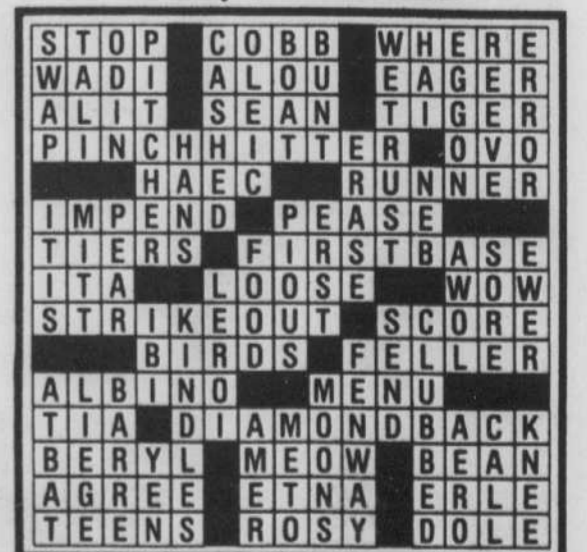
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 - 2 Eroded
 - 3 Groucho's brother
 - 4 Bare all
 - 5 Winnie of the comics
 - 6 Have — in one's bonnet



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Saturday's Puzzle Solved:



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- 7 Small tube
- 8 Kefauver
- 9 Lined
- 10 Clumsy
- 11 Arab monarchy
- 12 Shelter
- 13 Work units
- 21 Cartoonist Thomas
- 22 Steinbeck's "The —"
- 26 Circular band
- 27 School: Fr.
- 29 In a lazy way
- 30 Thwart
- 31 Gallows
- 32 Lt. wine city
- 33 Invoke evil upon
- 34 Matured
- 35 Reacting with terror
- 37 Type of sch.
- 40 Arboreal marsupial
- 44 Indian dress
- 46 Niche
- 48 Grumble
- 50 Lock of hair
- 52 — Heights
- 53 "— of the People"
- 54 Personal history
- 55 Division word
- 56 Siam. field measure
- 57 Back of the neck
- 58 Away from shore
- 62 Soul: Fr.
- 63 Poker money

Women's Institute members hold regular meeting

STANBRIDGE EAST—President Mary Harvey welcomed 17 members and one guest to the January meeting of the Stanbridge East Women's Institute at the home of Flora Rhicard. After the usual opening, the motto was read: "Wise sayings often fall on barren ground, but a kind word is never thrown away." An interesting roll call was held in which members named their favourite word in the English language.

The minutes were read by Secretary Iola Stote and matters arising discussed, including a report by Gillian Shaw who delivered the W.I. gifts to the children at Villa Lac Champlain, a notice by Edna Corey that she had sent 32 Christmas cards to shut-ins and an appeal for items for the sales table at the Quebec F.W.I. meeting. Tilda Jetten and Flora Rhicard were thanked for furnishing gifts for the F.W.I.C. Treasurer Mary Boomhower gave the financial report.

Convenors' reports began with Sunshine, Edna Corey; Pennies for Friendship are almost at the same total as last year reported Teenie Symington; birthday wishes were sung to Alice Corey, Lena Casey and Rosemary Sullivan.

Publicity, Gillian Shaw read an article from the Gazette on Calke Abbey which is in Tickwall, UK where she used to live.

International Affairs, Rosemary Sullivan was absent, as was Agriculture, Doris Rhicard. Home Economics and Health, June Lamey said that a Clairol shampoo had the best rating in Protect Yourself magazine, and she read two amusing poems on recipes for life.

Education, Tilda Jetten read an article on Pensions, and Citizenship, Diane Rhicard reminded members about the scarcity of clean drinking water in parts of the world.

Canadian Industries, Elizabeth Biggs read parts of an article in Canadian Living about women starting their own businesses. Finally Mary Harvey revealed that "Agriculture is the Backbone of the Economy."

New business included the appointment of auditors Tilda Jetten and Teenie Symington, the appointment of program arrangers Elizabeth Biggs and Gillian Shaw, the change of venue to the Anglican Church Hall for the February meeting and a vote of thanks given by Muriel Capsey to the W.I. for her Life Membership Pin.

The programme was given by Publicity convenor Gillian Shaw, with a speech about the effectiveness of different kinds of publicity followed by an amusing test in which members had to identify the products advertised in magazine pictures. Members also wrote a short personal résumé to see if others could identify each person.

Hostesses Flora Rhicard, Diane Rhicard, Iola Stote and Tilda Jetten were thanked for providing a delicious light meal of sandwiches and squares.

KINNEAR'S MILLS—The first meeting of 1985 for the Kinnear's Mills W.I. was held at Mrs. Helen Jamieson's on January 2nd, with nine members present.

The President Mrs. Linda Robinson opened the meeting by all repeating the Collect and Salute to the Flag. The Secretary Mrs. Helen Jamieson, called the roll, "bring the most unusual or interesting Christmas card you received to show to

the other members", followed by the reading of the December minutes, which were approved as read.

Motto: May you have just enough clouds in your life to make a beautiful sunset.

Correspondence included the President's letter, a report on specialized Auction Sales and Christmas cards.

Convenors reports: Agriculture: Mrs. Helen MacRae read an article on employee lock-outs and the effect they could have on the Province's dairy business.

Canadian Industries: Mrs. Dorothy Bolduc told of C.B.C. layoffs due to budget cuts and Seagram's to lay off over 100 employees.

Citizenship and Legislation: Mrs. Joy Nugent read an article on Victoria the most honoured name in Canada, and how towns, streets, bridges, rivers etc. bear this name including Victoriaville, a town of over 21,000 in this area.

International Affairs: Mrs. Audrey Allan passed around a Rawdon cookbook for all to enjoy the recipes.

All members are to bring in their new programmes for the February meeting, and a drawing was made to ascertain who will have meetings during the next year.

Programme, the exchange of slips, bulbs or plants.

The drawbox was won by Mrs. Audrey Allan.

The meeting was adjourned, followed by delicious refreshments and a social hour.

RICHMOND HILL—The W.I. meeting was held at the home of Edith Farant, President, who opened the meeting with all the members repeating the Mary Stewart Collect. The roll call was

answered by eleven members naming a Canadian industry and what it makes.

The minutes of the December meeting were read by the secretary Marjorie Hawker and the treasurer's report given by Lillian Johnston.

Quebec Farmers' Association Ayer's Cliff branch meets

AYER'S CLIFF (IH)—Douglas MacKinnon, president of the Ayer's Cliff Club, Quebec Farmers Association welcomed the large attendance of members and friends to the meeting held on Thursday evening, January 3rd in the Legion Hall here. He also announced tentative plans for one day courses at Champlain, Lennoxville, on February 13 on dairy and another in March on sheep. More details will be announced later.

Douglas said other courses will be considered on request to Bernard Houle at Champlain. Marion Fear suggested an industrial course on organic horticulture.

January is the month that the Club donates money raised at the Ayer's Cliff snack booth operated at the fair. Sums included \$100. to the Stanstead County School Fair committee; \$50.00 to each of the Girl Guides of Canada Parents' committee of Ayer's Cliff and Stanstead; \$200. to the Sherbrooke Hospital 1985 campaign; \$300. to the Stanstead County Agricultural Society Building and Improvements committee, earmarked for special projects; \$250. for the youth exhibits at the Agricultural Fair in August; \$150. to the

Tickets were handed out to be sold on our quilt.

Ruth Blanchette brought the donation for January, Bernice Beattie's name was drawn for February.

A letter of thanks was read from the Dixville Home and one

from Flora Fletcher for being remembered at Christmas. A letter was also read from Mrs. Parker. Lillian Curtis moved we pay the bills and Pearl Kydd seconded it. A card is to be sent to Connie Rodenbough who is ill.

The next meeting to be held with Edna Smith.

This being a very short meeting, it was adjourned and a delicious lunch served by Mrs. Farant with the help of Ruth Blanchette.

Ayer's Cliff Athletic Club for Minor hockey plus an In Memorial gift to the Sherbrooke Hospital.

The next meeting on February 7 and the business meeting will be followed by games of progressive 500.

Senior Citizens Club enjoy holiday festivities at Coaticook

COATICOOK—The Coaticook Area Senior Citizens Club held their annual Christmas dinner on November 29 at "Le Gosier Restaurant", with an attendance of 78.

President Stanley Beerworth welcomed everyone and said Grace in both French and English.

It was a gala gathering, with a fine meal enjoyed by all. Following dinner, members went to the Oddfellows Hall for the regular November meeting.

Under the leadership of Pres. Beerworth games were played.

Before leaving, coffee, tea and cookies were served by Mrs. Dorothy Bryan and her committee.

The December meeting was held on December 19 and included a Christmas party at the Oddfellows Hall.

President and Mrs. Beerworth had planned on entertaining at a Happy Hour at 1:30. We regret that, unfortunately, Mrs. Beerworth was ill and

unable to attend. However, Mr. Beerworth welcomed the guests and ably presided as host. Punch and a tasty assortment of canapes were served.

The hall had been beautifully decorated by the programme convenor, Mrs. Beatrice Grady and her helpers.

Continuing with the afternoon programme Mr. Beerworth conducted a game, his version of "The Family Feud". All joined in a time of singing Christmas carols, with Frances Mayhew at the piano.

Stereo music was provided by Mr. Cecil Akhurst during the afternoon.

There was an exchange of gifts from the well-laden tree.

The afternoon concluded with a festive lunch, served buffet style. This was arranged by Mrs. Bryan and her committee, and food donated by members.

Vice-President, Mr. Frank Peters, on behalf of all present, thanked

Mr. Beerworth and all others who had contributed to the pleasure of the happy time together.

It should be noted that since October, we have 25 new members.

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Mrs. Madeline Darrah, Janice and Jay spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. R. Cass and family in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Miltimore of Brunsard; Mr. and Mrs. R. Miltimore, and sons of Ottawa; Mr. and Mrs. T. Norwood and three children of Pointe Claire were Christmas guests of their mother, grandmother and great-grandmother Mrs. Edith Miltimore, Academy Street.

Several from Sutton attended the wedding and reception dinner for Aulden Young and Anita Lewis in Mansonville on December 24.

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