

1982 in review:

Taxes, buses, cutbacks, pigeons... It was Westmount year of protest

IF you could afford to pay the taxes, or the rent, Westmount was an interesting place to live in 1982.

Once you'd sold your soul to the city, the MUC, or the real estate agent, you could calypso down Sherbrooke street in the Carifète parade, or bask in sun at Family Day instead of the usual drizzle

and attend a fiery meeting of the city council.

Then you could go to sleep in your humble home that had become a goldmine almost overnight.

Crime was down and you could be fairly secure in the knowledge that the

streets were being patrolled by the best police in the MUC as well as a growing number of public safety officers.

There were only two major fires in the year and both were quickly extinguished without loss of life or serious injury by a fire brigade which still helped

citizens with water leaks or strange odors.

The future of the Reddy Memorial Hospital was unknown, but the provincial government had at last decided that Dawson College should move into the

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By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Highest honor:

Paterson, Surrey appointed to Order



Alex Paterson



Philip Surrey

Two Westmount residents, Alexander K. Paterson, QC, and Philip Surrey, have been appointed to the Order of Canada, the nation's highest honor.

A total of 63 people were named to the order by Governor General Edward Schreyer.

Mr. Paterson, appointed as an officer, has been president of the Mackay Center for Deaf and Crippled Children since 1975.

Boy cuts face, taken to hospital

Police took a 12-year-old boy to hospital Christmas Eve with a cut face after he hit the frozen hay barrier at the bottom of the sliding hill in King George Park.

The victim, who lives in Côte St. Luc, cut his chin and banged his front teeth, police said.

He is also well known for his work in various political formations in Quebec. He is currently chairman of Alliance Quebec and was co-chairman of the Positive Action Committee and governor of the Pro-Canada Foundation.

Mr. Paterson, 50, has been a member of the legal firm of McMaster Meighen since 1957.

Mr. Surrey, 71, was named as a member of the order. A prolific painter, he is known for his cityscapes depicting the life of Montreal's streets, cafés and homes.

He was a features editor and then associate editor of the Montreal Weekend.

Mr. Surrey's paintings are represented in the National Gallery of Canada, the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts and in many other collections. He was the subject of an EXAMINER profile on July 12, 1979.



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Complain to council:

'Taxemia' epidemic cited as citizens protest hikes

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

"Taxemia" may be the latest epidemic to afflict Westmounters this new year, city council heard Monday night as citizens filled the city hall chamber to complain about their tax bills mailed out two days before Christmas.

Property valuations and tax hikes of 40 to 50 percent were called "unfair, unjust and disastrous."

Symptoms of "taxemia," the 1983 strain of disease, were diagnosed by Dr. Hiliary Bourne, president of the Westmount Municipal Association (WMA). He coined the word as he led off the complaints which dominated the public question period.

"There's nothing more the city can do," Mayor Donald MacCallum told one resident of Bellevue avenue, John Newman. "We've shot our bolt."

'Come for help'

"We've come to you for help," said Mr. Newman, construction executive and football notable, as

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Three strikes and mayor's New Year resolve is out

What New Year's resolutions did you make this year?

Mayor Donald MacCallum made three, he told the Monday night meeting of city council:

"To give up smoking, which I

broke at 7 o'clock New Year's Day.

"To give up drinking, which I broke at 11 o'clock New Year's Day.

"And to be as pleasant as possible at all these meetings, which I haven't broken yet," he quipped at the start of the meeting, a few minutes past 8 pm.

Ald. André Gervais asked His Worship which 11 o'clock he meant, 11 am or 11 pm? But the mayor left him guessing.

It was close to 9:30 pm when the last mayoralty resolution went the way of the others.

The mayor's patience gave out after listening to citizen Ramzi Ferahian ask again about the drawings of his apartment building.

"There goes the third resolution," observed one of those assembled.

Mr. Ferahian said he had wished the mayor a Happy New Year. "What I have in mind is a better rapport," he concluded.

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NEXT WEEK'S WEATHER
By Capt. Eric Neal
Jan 6 to 13

This may well be another week of sudden temperature changes with snow, freezing drizzle or mists and bitterly cold, bright intervals, ending with heavy snowfalls of 10 to 15 cm and possibly more. Deep drifts, power failures, even overflowing rivers in the southern counties would be normal. Temperature range -18° to 3C. Cold and sunny into mid-week, then windy and cooling rapidly only to warm again, with some drizzle or soft snow and clear periods. Cold and windy for end of week then freezing drizzle and blowing snow.

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F.Y.I.

NO entry in the Westmount first-baby-of-the-year contest conducted by local merchants and this newspaper (see issue of Dec. 23) had been received up to press time last evening.

REGULAR readers will have recognized that the red and green Christmas baubles decorating the front page of our last issue, Dec. 23, contained a selection of drawings of Westmount's Mayor Donald C. MacCallum, taken from EXAMINER cartoons by Judy Yelon published during 1982.

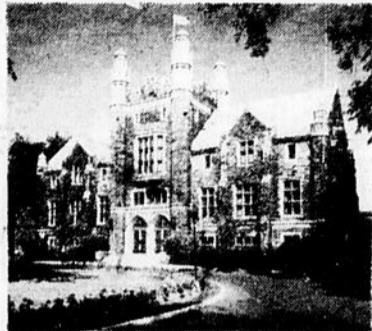


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LIBRARY TRUSTEE
Mrs. Elspeth Oliver
365 Redfern Avenue
Westmount, Quebec
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Given under my hand at Westmount, Quebec, this third day of January, 1983.

P. Patenaude
Returning Officer



WESTMOUNT

AVIS PUBLIC est par les présentes donné par le soussigné, président d'élection de la ville de Westmount, qu'à l'expiration du délai fixé pour la mise en candidature des candidats pour la charge de curateur de la Bibliothèque municipale de Westmount, soit à 14h00, le lundi, 3 janvier 1983, la personne suivante a été élue par acclamation à ladite charge:

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Mme. Elspeth Oliver
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P. Patenaude
Président d'élection



CITY OF WESTMOUNT STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE BUDGET 1983

REVENUE	1983 BUDGET	1982 BUDGET
TAXATION*		
General property	\$24,355,800	\$20,430,200
Business	2,154,700	2,155,400
	<u>\$26,510,500</u>	<u>\$22,585,600</u>
COMPENSATION IN LIEU OF TAXES		
Government of Canada	\$ 428,900	\$ 373,500
Government of Quebec	14,900	14,000
Community Enterprises	904,900	675,300
Private Enterprises and individuals	384,500	372,000
	<u>\$ 1,733,200</u>	<u>\$ 1,434,800</u>
SERVICES TO OTHER MUNICIPALITIES		
Fire protection	\$ 6,000	\$ 2,000
Montreal Urban Community	137,200	154,200
	<u>\$ 143,200</u>	<u>\$ 156,200</u>
OTHER SERVICES		
Victoria Hall	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
Arena, playground and swimming pool	23,800	22,200
Library	48,000	48,700
Parking Lots	205,600	116,000
Recoverable and other revenues	328,700	245,100
	<u>\$ 656,100</u>	<u>\$ 482,000</u>

*Based on total taxable valuation of \$1,046,691,503

OTHER REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES

Licenses and permits	\$ 20,400	\$ 29,000
Duties on transfers of immovables	400,000	450,000
Court fines	1,000,000	800,000
Interest on short-term deposits	1,050,000	750,000
Interest on tax arrears	300,000	235,000
Sale of capital assets	40,700	40,700
Net revenue from utility operations	785,700	690,400
Sinking fund revenue over requirement	32,000	25,000
Appropriation from surplus	-	750,000
	<u>\$ 3,628,800</u>	<u>\$ 3,770,100</u>

UNCONDITIONAL TRANSFERS

Amusement tax	\$ 270,000	\$ 190,000
	<u>\$ 270,000</u>	<u>\$ 190,000</u>

CONDITIONAL TRANSFERS

Quebec Library grant	\$ 84,000	\$ 95,000
		15,000
	<u>\$ 84,000</u>	<u>\$ 110,000</u>

TOTAL REVENUES

	<u>\$33,025,800</u>	<u>\$28,728,700</u>
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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Legislation - council	\$ 87,000	\$ 92,200
Law enforcement - municipal court	326,100	283,400
Finance and general administration	722,500	649,200
City Clerk	243,900	188,300
Personnel	89,400	88,600
Employee benefits - all departments	1,716,400	1,316,500
Grouped administration expenses	795,200	858,800
	<u>\$ 3,980,500</u>	<u>\$ 3,477,000</u>

PUBLIC SAFETY

Public security and parking inspectors	\$ 652,700	\$ 599,700
Fire and civil protection	1,988,000	1,799,900
	<u>\$ 2,640,700</u>	<u>\$ 2,399,600</u>

ROAD TRANSPORT

Administration	\$ 304,100	\$ 280,100
Streets and sidewalks	562,800	546,500
Snow removal and disposal	1,573,200	1,138,700
Street lighting	201,800	224,600
Traffic control	200,900	185,900
Parking lots	30,000	14,000
	<u>\$ 2,872,800</u>	<u>\$ 2,389,800</u>

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Water purchased	\$ 1,439,500	\$ 1,279,300
Sewer system maintenance	175,700	109,200
Garbage collection and disposal	788,200	736,700
	<u>\$ 2,403,400</u>	<u>\$ 2,125,200</u>

WELFARE SERVICES

	<u>\$ 32,300</u>	<u>\$ 29,300</u>
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ENVIRONMENTAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Urban planning and zoning	\$ 345,300	\$ 347,100
Municipal housing - shared costs	17,300	17,000
	<u>\$ 362,600</u>	<u>\$ 364,100</u>

RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES

Administration	\$ 186,900	\$ 178,100
Victoria Hall	2,200	15,600
Arena and Skating rinks	309,900	289,100
Swimming Pool	95,600	82,300
Parks, playgrounds and greenhouse	978,700	886,200
Library	584,700	462,500
	<u>\$ 2,158,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,913,800</u>

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Maintenance		
Municipal buildings	\$ 736,500	\$ 685,800
Machinery and vehicles	783,300	681,600
Capital expense charged to operating fund	180,500	167,000
	<u>\$ 1,700,300</u>	<u>\$ 1,534,400</u>

OTHER EXPENDITURES

Debt service and other financing costs	\$ 3,115,900	\$ 2,594,100
Bad debts	16,000	16,000
Montreal Urban Community		
Shared costs	13,463,900	11,681,200
Recoverable and other expenses	279,400	204,200
	<u>\$16,875,200</u>	<u>\$14,495,500</u>

TOTAL EXPENDITURES

	<u>\$33,025,800</u>	<u>\$28,728,700</u>
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WESTMOUNT CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROGRAMME YEARS 1983-1984-1985

	1983	1984	1985	TOTAL
PUBLIC SAFETY	136,000	25,000	41,000	202,000
PUBLIC WORKS	1,375,400	1,735,000	2,547,000	5,657,400
RECREATION & CULTURE	159,500	100,000	92,000	351,500
LIGHT & POWER	1,463,300	356,000	369,000	2,188,300
TOTAL	<u>3,134,200</u>	<u>2,216,000</u>	<u>3,049,000</u>	<u>8,399,200</u>

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Victoria Hall rental rates are slashed

Rental rates for Victoria Hall were slashed by city council in a bid to have greater use made of the facility, according to Mayor Donald MacCallum.

Differentiated rates for morning, afternoon and evening use of the hall replace the flat rates previously charged. Now, rooms in Victoria Hall can be rented for a five-hour period for as little as 20 percent of the old rate.

No distinction is made between residents and non-Westmounters in the new schedule.

Until now, the main concert hall cost \$700 to rent. Sharply reduced, the new rate is \$150 for use of the hall between 8 am and 1 pm or 1 and 6 pm. For evening use, between 6 pm and 1 am, the rate is \$180. An additional hour will be charged at the rate of \$30 and, during each period, an extra \$15 is added if the kitchen is used.

Previously together

The club room may be rented for \$50 during either of the two five-hour daytime blocks, or \$60 during the seven-hour evening slot. Additional hours cost \$10 each and kitchen use adds another \$10 to the charge. Previously, the club room and kitchen were rented together for \$300.

The east and west lounges both now may be rented at a cost of \$40 in the morning or afternoon and \$50 in the evening. Longer use is charged at the rate of \$10 per hour. The west lounge used to be rented for a flat \$200, and no rate was listed for the east lounge.

The lodge room, once used exclusively by the Masonic order for \$50 monthly, is included in the new schedule at a cost of \$75 during the morning or afternoon, and \$90 during the evening. Additional hours will cost \$15.

The city will charge more for special services and equipment. Patrons will pay 75¢ for a card table and four chairs, 50¢ to check their coats, \$25 for a microphone in the concert hall and \$75 to have a runway set up in the hall.

The new rates, which went into effect this week, will not be applied to long-term rental arrangements made before the change.

Bomb scare empties building

An office building at 1341 Greene avenue was evacuated for 10 minutes Dec. 21, following a bomb scare next door at radio station CHOM, police report.

No bomb was found at number 1355 Greene, where a caller said a bomb was set to go off at 11:55 am.

Police said two calls had been received at CHOM about 11:34 am warning of the bomb. The building was searched. No bomb was found.



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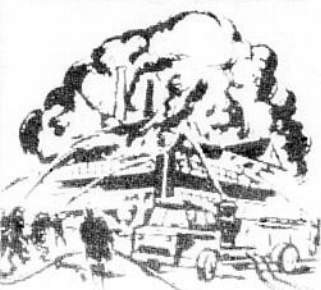
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Dec. 22

12:08 am: 4000 de Maisonneuve, alarm ringing;
12:38 pm: 372 Kensington, man to RMH;

Dec. 23

12:14 pm: 464 Wood, alarm activated by electric saw;
1:00 pm: 220 Redfern, Apt. 26, burnt food in oven;
9:36 pm: 54 Columbia, man to RMH;

Dec. 24

10:27 am: 376 Victoria, sprinkler activated;
2:59 pm: 5465 Westminster, automatic mutual response to Côte St. Luc, cancelled en route;

Dec. 25

5:44 am: 4501 Sherbrooke, Apt. 1F, woman taken to QEH;
11:04 am: 632 Clarke, fire in chimney;
3:29 pm: 7815 Côte St. Luc, code 3 automatic mutual aid response to Côte St. Luc, cancelled en route;
5:42 pm: 30 Stanton, code 2 automatic mutual aid response from Hampstead cancelled en route, smoke scare;

Dec. 26

12:29 am: Rear of 372 Elm, sparks from block heater in vehicle;
10:30 am: 724 Upper Belmont, fire in chimney;

Dec. 27

11:31 am: Grosvenor and Sherbrooke, flashing hanging from roof;

Dec. 28

4:06 am: The Boulevard and Aberdeen, fire box knocked down (see story).
8:10 pm: 5755 Sir Walter Scott, code 2 automatic mutual aid response to Côte St. Luc, cancelled en route;

Dec. 29

11:47 am: 411 Roslyn, man taken to QEH;

Dec. 30

5:06 am: 95 Columbia, woman taken to QEH;

Dec. 31

12:06 am: 7461 Kingsley, code 3 automatic mutual aid to Côte St. Luc, cancelled en route;
1:21 pm: 1303 Greene, false alarm;

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Nil;

Jan. 2

3:20 pm: 57 Arlington, TV antenna hanging from roof;

Jan. 3

2:16 pm: King George Park, child with split lip taken to MCH after sliding;
2:30 pm: King George Park, assistance rendered for person with broken leg;
7:48 pm: 201 Metcalfe, Apt. 229, man taken to RMH;

Jan. 4

7:22 am: 5740 Cavendish, code 3 automatic mutual aid to Côte St. Luc, cancelled on arrival;
8:05 am: 360 Kensington, defective furnace.

Ambulance to take local calls, carry some cases

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Westmount's fire ambulance, now officially a first responder unit, will continue to answer calls for help from local citizens and will transport to hospital cases of "walking wounded."

In the next few weeks, certain changes will be made to the city's seven-year-old ambulance, deleting the word ambulance and installing radio equipment to link it with Urgences Santé.

Mayor Donald MacCallum told THE EXAMINER this week that details had been worked out with Urgences Santé to permit the Westmount crew to respond directly to all medical calls made to the fire brigade as in the past.

Calls requiring ambulance transport will be relayed to Urgences Santé, which now coordinates ambulance services, but the local vehicle also can be dispatched.

"If they call here, we respond," said Fire Chief Edward Martell, adding that he did not anticipate much change.

Summon unit

Once the radio connections are completed, a call to the fire department will summon the unit or the caller may be referred to Urgences Santé, the mayor explained.

"If a doctor and an ambulance are required Urgences Santé should be called."

"If it's to put grandmother back in bed, call the fire department."

The mayor said he was hopeful that, once the radio is installed, it may be possible to develop a direct line with Urgences Santé such that fire brigade personnel would be able to listen in and participate if necessary in a three-way conversation.

The city's vehicle will be able to stabilize patients as well as to administer oxygen, CPR or other life-saving procedures as may be required.

It will not be allowed, however, to transport stretcher cases.

In the transport of "walking wounded," the city would be held responsible for any situation which might arise from such transport, he said.

The city was told by Urgences Santé last year that its ambulance could not continue to transport stretcher cases unless it became

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GOING UP: Will the taxes ever come down? City council was asked the question by Andrew Prince who attended the council meeting Monday night with his friend Benjamin Anson, 11, left. The two boys sat in the front row throughout the meeting.

Our MNA, Richard French, reports to his constituents each week in his WESTMOUNT EXAMINER column.

'Families stay together'

In the middle of the public tax discussion Monday night, Mayor MacCallum was asked to ponder another weighty issue of life today by one of his very young constituents.

"When I grow up, will it be much harder to hold a family together?" asked one of two boys who sat in the front row throughout the meeting.

"I think good families will always stay together," His Worship assured the young citizen, who appeared happy with the answer and sat down.

Olivier alarm

Police received a call recently for a burglar alarm ringing at a private house on Olivier avenue. When they arrived, they found someone had forced open the front door, possibly with a screw driver. It was not known if anything had been taken, police said, since the residents were away.

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We Say

Nuclear fallout

EVERYONE except lunatics is for motherhood and against sin, for peace and against war — particularly nuclear war.

How to achieve heaven on earth has taxed man since he (and she) was turfed out of the garden of Eden. While seemingly as impossible as turning lead into gold, it still is worth striving for simply because the argument for the wish to survive is at least as strong as that which claims we are by nature warlike.

Westmounters are no exception; we have resident wit and intelligence to make us a community particularly sensitive to the pointlessness of war — unless, of course, we are given a good enough cause to fight for, and then just watch us join up, sacrifice, do all that is necessary to win. The local record is well and nobly established.

The trouble with nuclear disarmament as a cause is the impossibility of considering it in the abstract — that is, apart from the case for defence, however futile many may feel that to be in the face of a terrible weapon.

The other trouble is that the problem of "the bomb" is so enormous and dreadful that it is only human to put it out of mind, a surprisingly easy thing to do. In fact, our societies would not have been able to go about the business of living, these nearly four decades since Hiroshima and Nagasaki, if we had been continually paralyzed by the fear of nuclear extinction.

This is why ban-the-bomb people are dismissed publicly as kooks and disturbers of the existing peace while few of us cannot help admiring them privately because we know in our hearts of hearts that they are right.

What this comes down to, then, still is how to achieve true, lasting, secure peace, particularly in the age of the atom and the nucleus.

THIS newspaper has been supportive and even captive to the idea, being pursued now by a significant number of municipalities across Canada, of local referenda which would demonstrate to national and international leaders that ordinary people are concerned and want real movement toward general, balanced, practical and safe world disarmament.

We think that the municipality, that organism of government closest to peo-

ple, is best suited to give up genuine expression of people. What better than peaceful communities joined to make ever-wider communities in common cause for peace, in the hope of a worldwide movement which even the most powerful governments cannot ignore?

Locally there are good people who are pressing this movement. At first they got short shrift from city council, but second thoughts prevailed. A sub-committee of aldermen was named and has discussed the issue alone and with the prime movers.

As reported elsewhere in this issue of THE EXAMINER, a surprising development took place Monday evening. Frankly, we do not know what to make of it.

General committee of city council adopted a recommendation of its sub-committee and voted \$2,000 toward a booklet to be "sponsored" by the city but drafted (with council concurrence), translated, printed and distributed to Westmount citizens by the promoters of the concept. The names of council members would be printed on the inside cover.

THIS is not what was asked for publicly.

This is not even an indirect response to the proposal for a referendum, presumably in conjunction with next November's municipal elections. The referendum is not mentioned.

This is, rather, a decision to contribute to the already mountainous literature (some may say, propaganda) for the anti-nuclear movement.

Westmounters do not need more literature on a subject whose bibliography must now be longer than any.

Nor do Westmounters need to be told that it might be decidedly unhealthy here if some nuclear power chose to deliver a nuclear bomb to Peel and St. Catherine, let alone more directly on our own King George Park.

The committee's terms of reference must have been very woolly indeed if it could evade totally the key questions of whether or not to hold a referendum and what the resolution upon which citizens were to vote would be — and proceed directly to a decision to have the city corporation take a side in the unformed question, and back it with taxpayers' money!

Since when does anyone launch a one-sided debate, without a proposition and with no agreed machinery for a resolution by



our M.P.

Hon. Donald J. Johnston

says . . .

Retirement

LAST month my colleague, Hon. Monique Bégin, minister of national health and welfare, brought forward for debate and discussion a green paper on proposals for the reform of Canada's pension system.

The process of pension reform will be lengthy due to the time needed for discussion, consultation, negotiation and legislation. But because of the economic crisis, the pension system must be reviewed to ensure adequate retirement protection for all Canadians. The need for pension reform reflects this government's concern for the welfare of Canadians, particularly those who need help most.

The purpose of the present pension system is to guarantee elderly Canadians a minimum income at least, and to protect them from major disruptions to their standard of living. However, injustices in the pension system exist. For example, some retired citizens, particularly women, still have inadequate retirement incomes. In the case of the death of a spouse or marriage breakdown, a spouse, often a woman, is left with no retirement income from employer-sponsored pension plans.

There are other inequities in the present system and the proposals for reform outlined in the government's green paper focus on three main concerns:

1. that Canadians should be able to avoid serious disruption of their pre-retirement standard of living when they do retire;
2. elderly Canadians should be guaranteed a reasonable minimum income; and,
3. opportunities and arrangements available to Canadians to provide for their

the would-be citizen participants?

The only explanation offered to THE EXAMINER by Ald. Gallery, the sub-committee chairman, was that the booklet would be a Civil Defence exercise. This rings rather hollow in that, by his own admission, the local Civil Defence organization was not even consulted.

And if this is a Civil Defence exercise, we are sure CD people could think of a better, more effective use for \$2,000. Indeed, there are many organizations which could make better use of such money; to name one, the Children for Peace which was founded here and has had no financial support whatsoever from the city.

WE do not suggest a boondoggle. But we do suggest very fuzzy thinking.

It is ironic that, because the sub-committee clearly believes conscientiously that this decision was important, that no mention was made of it in the subsequent open council meeting Monday evening. It was announced instead, in the usual way for committee decisions, to the press by the mayor later in the evening.

An open announcement could have had unpredictable reactions, from a council chamber filled with citizens whose main concern was mounting taxes on their homes and who were questioning what council was doing to save money, not spend more.

Before issuing that cheque, mayor and aldermen should put their heads together again and reconsider.

Not only have they not answered the request for a referendum.

They have invited any and every group of individuals to queue up at city hall for handouts for cash to promote any issue under the sun.

You Say

Not so happy here this holiday season

Sir: It is the night before Christmas and throughout the community in which I grew up — Westmount — there are so many families facing a life that is not nearly as it was in past holiday seasons.

So many of the youth have been forced to go elsewhere for their future, not because they were not bilingual but because they were not French-Canadian; the financial picture of many of the older has changed without warning from income to losses, and there are confounding campaigns such as the language police against hospitals years before this particular law comes into

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retirement should be fair.

The outcome of the pension reform process will have a profound effect on all Canadians. You are invited to participate in the discussion and offer your own suggestions.

Some copies of the green paper "Better Pensions for Canadians" can be obtained from my riding office by calling 937-9351.



our M.N.A.

Richard D. French

says . . .

101's false premise

EXAMINATION of the latest Statistics Canada data, based on the 1981 census, shows that the demographic premises underlying Bill 101 vastly overemphasized the strength of the English-language community in Quebec.

Hence, the law is more restrictive on anglophone Quebecers than is necessary to ensure the protection and survival of the French language and culture, if indeed it is anglophone Quebecers (and not the broader North American milieu) who are the threat.

Demographer Richard Joy has shown that, over the last decade, the number of persons of English mother tongue in Quebec dropped from 789,185 to 706,115. Moreover, it seems clear that virtually all of this loss occurred between 1976 and 1981. In those five years, the net population loss of the anglophone community in Quebec was an estimated 134,000 persons.

If, as seems likely, this group were mostly children and adults under 40, the acceleration in the decline of the English-speaking population will be substantially, since its rate of natural increase will be disproportionately affected.

Not envisaged by government

The studies which were published under the auspices of the government in support of Bill 101 never envisaged this rate of decline in their most extreme scenarios. Richard Joy suggests that these studies must be revised in the light of 1976 and 1981 census data.

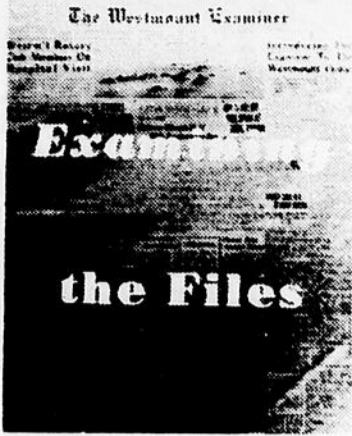
What about the City of Montreal? According to Joy, "Although the total population of Quebec increased by 3.3% between 1976 and 1981, that of Montreal increased by less than one percent, due to the departure of perhaps 100,000 of its anglophones."

The present government may be presumed to rejoice in the cultural impact of this kind of population hemorrhage. How long, however, can those of us who remain, whatever our political views, sustain the economic implications of such a loss?

A diminished tax base, reduced markets, and loss of investment capital — all engendered by population loss — are not exactly an encouraging prescription for what ails our faltering economy.

I Say!

A West German minister was trying to convince an East German youth of the joys of Christianity. "Don't you want to go to heaven?" he asked. The youth replied that he thought heaven may not be such a nice place, which startled the clergyman. "After all," the young chap explained, "if it was so good the Russians would have grabbed it long ago."



Forty-five Years Ago
Jan. 7, 1938

"Cst. Ovila Arsenault of the Westmount Police department has been granted his diploma from the International Criminologists' School in Seattle, Wash., for proficiency in fingerprinting. He has been on the force since August 1931." ... "Cst. Richard Edmonstone of the Westmount Police has been promoted to sergeant effective Jan. 1." [Mr. Arsenault eventually rose to rank of inspector and retired as clerk of the Westmount municipal court; Mr. Edmonstone became a chief of the Westmount force.] ... "Wilfrid Lalonde, 64, fireman at the Glen power house, was instantly killed Monday morning when a steam pipe burst."

Thirty-five Years Ago
Jan. 9, 1948

"Donations to the Herbert Reddy Memorial Hospital special appeal for \$25,000 passed the half-way mark at the turn of the year and Lyle D. Richardson, chairman of the appeal committee, is confident of success. The campaign is to expand the X-ray examination routine for all patients admitted to the local hospital." ... "Early Saturday morning the Plaza Tea Room, 4858 Sherbrooke street west, was broken into. Work of observant Westmount Police led to the arrest of two men within a few hours. They pleaded guilty in Recorder's Court yesterday before Recorder C. A. Hale, who immediately sentenced each to one year in prison."

Twenty-five Years Ago
Jan. 3, 1958

"Pictured with his lovely mistress, Mrs. Gerald Bronfman, 475 Roslyn avenue, is Tangy, a French Poodle who recently won first prize in the basic training class of Mrs. Casgrain's Dog Obedience School." [Caption under a front-page photograph.] ... "His Excellency the Right Honorable Vincent Massey, Governor-General of Canada, has agreed to officiate at the dedication ceremonies of St. George's School on Jan. 27. Mr. Massey will be accompanied by Air Vice-Marshal Adelaar Raymond and by his secretary, Mr. Lionel Massey. Dr. Henry F. Hall, dean of Sir George Williams College, will introduce the governor-general and Miss Agnes Matthews, principal of St. George's, will thank him. While in Montreal Mr. Massey will make his headquarters aboard his private train."

Fifteen Years Ago
Jan. 4, 1968

"City council Wednesday evening approved the expenditure of nearly \$11,000 to cover the supply and installation of a traffic signal system at the intersection of Clarke avenue and de Maisonneuve boulevard west. Ald. Doheny explained that the conversion of de Maisonneuve to one-way traffic westbound followed by the opening of Dorchester boulevard directly to Clarke has increased traffic density considerably at the intersection. Many residents have complained of the rush-hour snarl at this corner." ... "Editorials once again were named the best-read items in a recent EXAMINER poll of readers, council news placing second." [The "We Say" editorial of the same issue, a curio in these changed times, is reproduced this week under "We Said."].

Five Years Ago
Jan. 5, 1978

"Election of the Parti Québécois government in November 1976 put a damper on purely local activities in 1978, though a number of citizens remained undeterred by the political and economic uncertainties and intent on making Westmount a better place to live no matter what was taking place around them. The Rotary Club pressed on with its senior citizens' residence project and the Committee for Pedestrian Safety and the local Block Parents' group effectively organized."

PROFILE

Solo harpist début

By JOAN CAPRÉOL

YOUNG harpist Lucile Brais wants to become a soloist on the international stage.

It seems her aspiration is coming true. She leaves for Brussels this month to record the Boieldieu concerto with the Orchestre de la Radio et Télévision Belge which will be televised in France, Switzerland, Belgium and Canada.

"I am so excited," beamed the pretty, blue-eyed, 24-year-old harpist. "It's a big break and the first time I will have performed in Europe, although I have travelled there three times. A CBC producer got in touch with me to do this."

Another exciting engagement for Lucile is an audition for Carnegie Hall in New York in April. "That is a definite step in the right direction because it's for a début solo recital," she said. "What I want to be is a soloist."

It was a thrill for her to have the record she produced and distributed herself played on *Gilmour's Albums* on CBC FM on Dec. 11 and CBC AM on Dec. 12. Clyde Gilmour chose works by Bach which is very slow and Prokofiev which is very fast. Other composers on the album are Saint-Saëns, Henri Busser, Pierné and Marcel Tournier.

First album in September

This first album was recorded in June and came out in early September. "The harp is like a piano," said Lucile. "It does not need accompaniment."

Her older sister, Suzanne, an architect and artist, designed the cover of the album and took the photograph of Lucile on the back. She traced the origin of the harp to ancient Egypt. "I incorporated a lot of symbolism of the harp and music of Egypt into the conception of the cover design," said Suzanne.

In the dining room of the Brais' lovely home on Redfern avenue is an antique harp more than 100 years old. In the living room are the two harps Lucile plays. Her concert one is lacquered ebony and bronze and weighs 80 pounds. "It's my favorite because it has a bigger sound," said Lucile.

Lucile has recorded for the program *Les notes inégales* on Radio-Canada which will be heard on Saturday mornings this month. She has done three Jeunes Artistes concerts and just taped a concert for the program *Recital* on Radio Canada on Jan. 18.

She has been featured on a Toronto radio station. She has given two recitals for the Women's Art Society of Montreal at the Museum of Fine Arts. She has performed half a dozen times with the Montreal Symphony Orchestra. She played the harp for the CBC Radio Christmas sing-in at the Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul's.

Finalist in CBC competition

Lucile was a finalist in the 1981 CBC radio talent competition. "I played the Pierné concerto with the National Arts Centre Orchestra under Mario Bernardi. It was televised live on CBC," she said. "It was my first big solo on television. I was not really nervous. I enjoyed it."

This year Lucile played the Mozart flute and harp concerto with the Montreal Civic Orchestra.

During the summer of 1981 Lucile was harpist in residence at Banff Centre School of Fine Arts. "It was so beautiful out there," she said. "It was the first time they had a harpist in residence. While there I played with the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra. I did chamber music, solo pieces and an opera performance. I did so much hiking. It was great."

In 1980 she was a hostess at the Olympic Winter Games at Lake Placid where she played at a reception for the International Olympic Committee.

Lucile started playing the harp at the age of eight. "I studied at Villa Maria," she said. "They had three harps. My mother asked me if I wanted to play the harp and I was curious. So that's how I started. I was really lucky to have harps at school because not many schools have them."

Daughter of engineer

Lucile was born in Montreal. Her father is Paul J. Brais, a civil engineer of the



Lucile Brais

Examiner photo by RICK KERRIGAN

internationally known Walsh & Brais which is represented in 35 countries. The firm built most of the Métro stations including Vendôme, Verdun, Vanier and Snowdon. Presently Lucile's 26-year-old brother, Louis, vice-president of his father's firm, is working on the Vincent d'Indy station beside the University of Montreal. "He knows his way around more in the underground tunnels than above ground!" laughed Lucile.

Lucile's mother, Marthe, who before her marriage worked for UNESCO in New York and Paris, acts as Lucile's unofficial manager. "The harp is a very difficult instrument to play," commented Mrs. Brais. "It takes courage. Lucile is a very good skier but not this year. It's too dangerous. She needs two arms and two legs to play. It

is difficult to transport the harp so the instrument keeps her at home."

Lucile has another brother, Raymond, 22, who is studying engineering at McGill University like his father and brother before him. He is vice-president of the McGill Undergraduate Engineering Society.

The young harpist was a student at Villa Maria for 12 years. She got her bachelor of music degree at McGill in 1979. She studied with José Pilon-Amiot, who followed the French Marcel Grandjany school of the harp.

Lucile also plays the piano, flute and classical guitar. She loves rock music, jazz, "any kind of music."

Mrs. Brais said: "My children play and work together. They are great friends. Raymond does the maquettes for Suzanne's architectural projects. Louis is the photographer in the family."

"They are interested in everything, including sports. They can switch from wallpapering our country place in Lake Placid to putting on evening gowns and tuxedos to attend a ball."

Lucile, who is 5-foot-5 and a size 10, puts her favorite sports—cross-country and downhill skiing and tennis—aside when big concerts come up.

"I have had many injuries," she said.

"It takes a lot of energy to play the harp. Your arms and legs are both working."



Next Week's Profile:

Nikolas Tzanoff

Lower prices bring more realty sales

By JAMES MILLS

LOWER house prices brought a relatively high volume to Westmount property transfers registered during November.

In the 28 house transfers, well over half sold at prices below their MUC valuations for 1982. The average price in the November transfers was 5.2 percent lower than the average value determined for the houses by the MUC.

It is the first time that total sale prices in a given month have not exceeded total valuations, according to EXAMINER files.

Although prices have tumbled from October's average markup of 12.8 percent, the change in volume is much less dramatic. Despite the lower prices, which average \$163,507, only five more houses are included in the November registrations.

The average Westmount house, according to the 1982 valuation roll, is valued at \$174,032. If such a house existed, and had its sale been registered in November, it might have sold for \$164,932. Had its sale been registered in January of this year, it might have sold for \$246,440.

The highest declared markup of

price over valuation in the November transfers appears for a home at 701 Grosvenor avenue. Valued at \$131,000, the house was sold for \$185,000, some 41 percent higher.

The greatest markdown, nearly 38 percent, was registered for another Grosvenor avenue home. A house valued at \$144,700 was sold for \$90,000, the lowest price recorded in November.

One exceptional home, at 90 Summit circle, was registered as having sold for \$525,000, just 2.2 percent more than its \$513,900 valuation. It was the most expensive house included in the November transfers.

Disregarding extreme sales such as these, the average price in relation to valuation drops even



701 Grosvenor
Highest declared markup, 41.2 percent



576 Grosvenor
Greatest markdown, 37.8 percent
Lowest declared price, \$90,000

lower. In an adjusted view, the average price was 9.3 percent lower than the average valuation.

Also included in the November transfers were seven condominium units in the building on the corner of de Maisonneuve boulevard and Victoria avenue, a multiple-family dwelling on St. Antoine street and an apartment building on Sherbrooke street.

Transfer details

Following are details of

transfers registered during November:

- 699 Aberdeen: Andrey Jean Evans (Hawkins) to Ingrid Berzins (Groenendaal), price \$1 and considerations (1982 MUC valuation \$230,800);
- 11 Arlington: Judith B. Jane McMahon (Maxwell) to Mr. and Mrs. Anthony G. Best, \$1 and considerations (\$130,400);
- 61 Bruce: Mr. and Mrs. Mak Panchasi to Mikhail Brodsky, \$1 and considerations (\$84,600);
- 66 Chesterfield: June Palmer to Michael M. Evans, \$1 and considerations (\$111,200);
- 11 and 15 Church Hill: Marie Therèse Smith (McGuinness) to Banditto

NOVEMBER STATISTICS

Following is a summary of the sales of one- and two-family dwellings in Westmount registered during the month of November, 1982:

- Total sales: 28 (up 5 from October)
- Total price: \$4,578,200
- Total valuation: \$4,828,650
- Average price: \$163,507 (down \$49,289)
- Average markup over valuation: -5.2%
- Average price based on average valuation*: \$164,982
- Normalized** average markup: -9.3%
- Normalized** average price based on average valuation: \$157,847

*Average valuation for one- and two-family dwellings in Westmount for 1982 is \$174,032. Applying the average markup to this valuation provides the results shown.

**Arrived at by removing the extreme sales, those with the highest and lowest prices and markups.

Value of permits reduced

No new-construction permits were issued in Westmount in 1982 up to Nov. 30, city officials report, and the value of permits for repairs and alterations to existing structures was greatly reduced.

City inspectors made more than 700 inspections during November with the result that 120 notices of contravention were issued.

There were also 85 rechecks made where notices had previously been issued.

- Holding Co., \$185,000 (\$218,050);
- 48 Church Hill: Trevor Kirkham to Piera Medri (Salice), \$180,000 (\$221,700);
- 574 Claremont: Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Brendan Campbell to Kwong Loi David Tsui, \$175,000 (\$195,200);
- 389 Clarke: Frank de Schulthess to Francois Dejay, \$98,000 (\$87,550);
- 475 Côte St. Antoine: Philip E. Johnson to Diane Patenaude (Massicotte), \$895,000 (\$228,700);
- 582 Côte St. Antoine: Royal Trust Co. to Siegrid Peiffer (Brown), \$130,000 (\$133,800);
- 4855 de Maisonneuve, (four apartments): Les Placements de Caillieres to Domenic Zambon, \$420,000 (\$236,500);
- 4855 de Maisonneuve, No. 204: Les Placements de Caillieres to Leonard Prosterman, \$75,000 (\$94,300);
- 4855 de Maisonneuve, No. 502: Les Placements de Caillieres to Frank de Schulthess, \$99,000 (\$142,250);
- 4855 de Maisonneuve, No. 601: Les Placements de Caillieres to Acme Signalisation Inc., \$145,000 (\$103,000);
- 507 Grosvenor: Robert Gordon to Iryna Melnyk and Andre Serbyn, \$98,000 (\$146,500);
- 576 Grosvenor: Christiane von Holzhausen (Levy) to Charles Levin and Eileen Manion, \$90,000 (\$144,700);
- 579 Grosvenor: Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas L. Campbell to Nicole Chabot and Patrick Loth, \$135,000 (\$146,500);
- 672 Grosvenor: Mr. and Mrs. Diman Khlok to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Boileau, \$98,000 (\$137,000);
- 701 Grosvenor: Alberto de Leon to Allyn Reisman (Vineberg), \$185,000 (\$131,000);
- 317 Kensington: Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Grayson Livett to Lorne Joseph Cooper, \$157,000 (\$199,900);
- 497 Lansdowne: Isabel D. Moyle to Thornton Herbert Montgomery, \$110,000 (\$140,800);
- 544 Lansdowne: Confibec Inc. to Mr. and Mrs. Vipin Bery, \$130,000 (\$116,800);
- 564 Lansdowne: David Hurley to Norma White, \$160,000 (\$166,400);
- 589 Lansdowne: David C. Salter to Claudio Arduini, \$150,000 (\$187,100);
- 328 Roslyn: Kenneth R. Sinclair and Ruth Helen Petrie to Mr. and Mrs.

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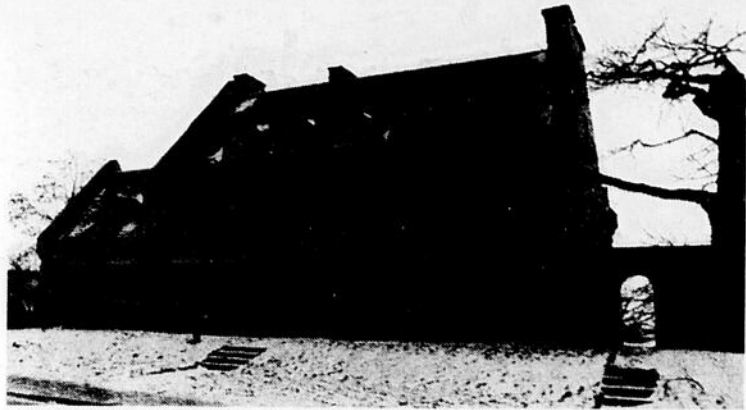
The following building permits were issued at Westmount city hall during the past week:

December 22

448 Argyle: for Mr. Berger by Robert Plomberie Ltée., water entrance, \$550;

December 30

682 Roslyn: for Mr. R. Pearl by Service Général de Gaz to convert furnace and hot water heater to gas, \$3,175.



90 Summit circle
Highest declared price, \$525,000

Roderick Ian L. Guthrie, \$1 and considerations (\$153,700);
631 Roslyn: Elsa Bisset (McIver-Smith) to Carol Gail Schindler (Irving), \$145,000 (\$146,300);
3137-39-41 St. Antoine: Guy Lambert to Charles Lambert, \$8,433.33 (\$29,300);
4635 Sherbrooke: Crands Ltd. to Gary Grover, \$1 and considerations, (\$101,700);
2 Shorncliffe: Montenay Inc. to 87760 Canada Ltée., \$1 and considerations (\$271,200);
440 Stratheona: Mildred Marion Hutchings (Kelsey) to Mr. and Mrs. Francis

Dupuis, \$122,000 (\$174,300);
90 Summit Circle: Banque de Credit et de Commerce to 90 Summit Circle Société en Commandité, \$525,000 (\$513,900);
34 Thornhill: Mr. and Mrs. Ian G. Hayhow to Richard Catchlove, \$115,000 (\$125,650);
736 Upper Belmont: William James Hyde and Elizabeth I. Farrell to Jean Marie Parenteau, \$140,000 (\$155,200), and
35 Windsor: Roderick Ian L. Guthrie to Synectra Inc., \$1 and considerations (\$129,700);

Court rules Square cannot force Dominion to reopen

Westmount Square Inc. cannot force Dominion Stores Ltd. to reopen their grocery outlet using a technicality in the lease, according to a judgment rendered by Superior Court Judge André Delongchamps in the week preceding Christmas.

Reduced shopper traffic in Galeries Westmount Square since the Dominion store closed last February has been of great concern to other retailers in the complex.

According to the lease signed between Westmount Square and Dominion in 1967, the store is obligated to remain open. The lease reflects the grocery store's role as anchor tenant of the centre.

Clauses in the lease would allow the store to close in the event of a strike by employees. Such was said to be the case when the company closed the store in February.

In its arguments before the

court in October, Westmount Square claimed that Dominion employees were not on strike, but had been locked out by the company. It asked to have Dominion's use of the strike clauses ruled invalid, forcing the store to reopen.

The court ruled in favor of Dominion, citing an incident at the store on Jan. 23. Workers, involved in contract negotiations, took a long coffee break as a pressure tactic. Police were called to evacuate the store.

While the workers may have been locked out subsequently, the refusal to return to work after the coffee break qualified as a strike. On that basis, the court ruled the closing legitimate.

Dominion continues to lease the premises from Westmount Square, but neither company has indicated its plans for the future.

Power bill to increase 7.2 percent

The average Westmount homeowner who doesn't use electricity for major appliances or heating can expect his power bill to increase 7.2 percent this year.

Residential users who might consume as much as 6,000 kwh during winter months can look for a 7.38-percent hike.

The new charges would push the 30-day bill of a typical smaller consumer of 900 kwh from \$31.20 to \$33.45 excluding tax, explained Ald. David Carruthers, commissioner of power and communications.

The consumer of 6,000 kwh, however, could see his bill go from \$203.07 to \$218.07.

The rate hikes are a direct result of increased charges by Hydro-Québec in the price of power supplied to Westmount, which is required to use retail rates equivalent to those of the provincial utility. The new local rates are embodied in a by-law passed by city council on Dec. 20.

This city is one of the few municipalities in Quebec which is both a wholesale buyer of power and a retail distributor.

"Once upon a time we could establish our own rates, but we now must follow those Hydro-Québec uses for its own customers," Ald. Carruthers said.

Work on pond not completed until spring

The reconstruction of the water-course which remained empty throughout last summer in Westmount Park will not now be completed until spring.

City officials report that the water test applied to the pond late in the fall determined that the new water-retaining membrane was not completely impermeable.

This was thought to be possibly due to damage caused in the installation process, but it was too late in the year to make repairs.

City officials said, in addition, they were not satisfied with the quality of some of the brick work on the outer fringe of the pond.

Payments will be held back to the contractor and consulting architect until the work is completed in conformity with the requirements, a city report says.

Council had approved some \$210,000 for the work and architect's fees.

Car found

A car stolen from police district 25 just before Christmas has been found by Westmount police in front of 381 Melville avenue. No further information was available.



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Westmount's Borders

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by RICK KERRIGAN

Theatre company a mere shadow

One Canadian theatre company stands in no other's shadow but its own and its members probably hope that this state of affairs will continue in the new year. The group is the Canadian Shadows and they present, need I say it, shadow plays. They will be performing their latest titled *Aka Nada* Saturday, 8:30 pm, at the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts. This play is a mix of electronic music, sound, voice and shadow figures which are projected simultaneously on three screens. It is an allegorical, mythical story using Canadian personalities such as Emily Carr and William Lyon Mackenzie King and Nicola Tesla. The troupe consists of Martin Bartlett, Hank Bull, Kate Craig, Glenn Lewis and Patrick Ready.

They have performed this piece around Canada, Europe and the United States. Tickets will be on sale at the museum the evening of the performance.

Kids start year with play

That dynamic group called Children's Creations will present their first production of the year from Wednesday until Jan. 16 at the Saidye Bronfman Centre Theatre, 5170 Cote St. Catherine road. It is a musical fantasy titled *Amicus*. There will be seven performances and tickets are available now. For information call 937-3941.

Festival deadline near

If you have a one-act play that you think might be good enough for the Quebec Drama Festival to

be held in May you have until Jan. 14 to get it into the organizers. They don't want musicals and the submissions should be technically simple. The QDF will help with actors, directors and stage hands if your play is accepted. For more information call 481-6369.

The QDF also is giving workshops on technical skills of acting at the Centaur Theatre. Topics covered include theatre administration, makeup, costumes, properties, lighting and stage design. First session is Jan. 29 and they continue for five Saturdays thereafter.

Monkland features worst films

The Monkland Theatre is proud to present three of the worst films you're likely to see anywhere. They are selections from the "World's Worst Film Festival" and include the now classic, *Attack of the Killer Tomatoes* which will be shown Jan. 21. The first film, *Revenge of the Dead*, will be shown Friday and the second, *Jail Bait*, on Jan. 14. All shows start at 9:30 pm. The Monkland will continue to bring you the worst in films from time to time.

Performers wanted

A group called "The Living News" is looking for all manner of performing artists for a session of workshops on a thematic multimedia program. The group needs actors, actresses, dancers, playwrights, musicians, acrobats and other performing artists. For an appointment call 843-4860.

Photo exhibit

The Saidye Bronfman Centre is presenting an important photography show titled *Quebec Photography Invitational from Tuesday until Feb. 13*. The photographers, 25 of them, have been chosen by art critics, curators, photographers and editors and the show is designed to show the variety of photographic experimentation in Quebec. Works range from social documentary to reflections on the



SIX-FIVE: The federal government's six-and-five theme of economic restraint might not be music to your ears, but St. Henri - Westmount MP Donald Johnston, a man of many talents, is doing his best. Mr. Johnston gave a command performance of a song he wrote recently, called Six-Five, at the local Liberal association's Christmas party in the Royal Montreal Regiment Armory on St. Catherine street. The song was to be recorded this week by professional musicians.

medium itself. The exhibit will be accompanied by a 48-page catalogue. The SBC is at 5170 Cote St. Catherine.

Golem music

The Golem Coffee House, 3460 Stanley street, is beginning its year with a concert by a musician whom many Montrealers will remember from high school dances in the '60s. Allan Nichols was the leader of the group called "J.B. and the Playboys." He went on to work with film maker Robert Altman but he will be back playing an acoustic show tonight, 9 o'clock.

Singer-songwriter Rosalie Sorrels will take the Golem stage Saturday, 9 pm. She is acclaimed as a poet and also as a storyteller.

Sign-up now!

The Jewish Family Services of the Baron de Hirsch Institute is offering two programs for separated and divorced men and women. The courses are called "Newly Single" and "Creative Relating." Sessions begin Tuesday. For information call 731-3881, ext. 308.

The Catholic Community Services has courses on how to be a better parent, dealing with being single and living in general. For information and to register call 937-5351.

Shows about town

"Spirits of Earth and Water" is the name of the exhibition of ancient Dorset Eskimo culture of Newfoundland and Labrador at the McCord Museum, 690 Sherbrooke street west, from Wednesday until March 6. The museum is charging a small admission fee. ... The winter flower show of the Montreal Botanical Gardens, 4101 Sherbrooke street east, continues until Jan. 20. ... The photos of Raymond Gagnon are at Maisonneuve Library, 4120 Ontario street east, from Friday until Feb. 4. ... 75 paintings by André L'Archeveque will be on display at the Mount Royal Art Centre, 1260 Remembrance road, from Wednesday until Feb. 6. ... "Symphonie de la Vie" is the title of an exhibition of 20 tapestries and 72 drawings at La maison de la Culture Marie Uguay, 6052 Monk boulevard.

Quartet to perform

Amaryllis is the name of a

quartet of four young musicians, Lorraine Décarie, soprano; Marie-France Richard, baroque oboe; Jocelyne Leduc, cello, and Marie Bachand, harpsichord. They will be performing Wednesday, 8:30 pm, at the Marie Uguay library, 6052 Monk boulevard. They play music from the time of Louis XIV.

Clément Ratelle, a young singer-songwriter, will be performing Wednesday, 9 pm, at the Maisonneuve Library, 4120 Ontario street east.

Bits'n'pieces

The Quebec Family History Society will hold its next meeting Tuesday, 7:30 pm, at the Lachine Municipal Library, 3100 St. Antoine street in Lachine. Peter Cashin, a photographer, will speak on "Decorating with Family Portraits, Antique and Modern." ... The Liberal Arts Department of McGill's Centre for Continuing Education is presenting a series of lectures titled "The Canadian Electronic Media: Present Structures and Future Developments". They will run 10 Thursdays, 6:30-8:30 pm, from Jan. 27. Registration will take place today, noon until 7 pm, in the University Centre, 3480 McTavish street.

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Library to show watercolors

An exhibition of watercolors by Susan Heller will be presented at the Westmount Public Library, 4574 Sherbrooke street west, from Jan. 17 to 30.

The public is encouraged to come and see the show, Monday to Friday 10 am - 9:30 pm, except Wednesday 10 am - 6 pm; Saturday 9 am - 5 pm; and Sunday 1 - 5 pm. For more information please phone 481-4196.

16,000 attend

Attendance at the 50th annual chrysanthemum show held in November in the Westmount greenhouses has been put at about 16,000, city officials report. The count was made over the 25 days from Nov. 3 to 28.

City rejects all tenders for insurance

Westmount city council Monday evening rejected all the tenders it had received for long- and short-term disability insurance.

Discussing the decision during the statutory meeting for January, Ald. André Gervais said the city thought it could save money by self-insuring for the short-term disability of its employees.

He indicated the general manager would be negotiating with insurance companies for the best deal on the long-term requirements.

Ald. David Carruthers posed several questions about the motion, the risk involved, and the implication of an increasing number of sick-days taken by city employees.

Ald. Gervais noted that "according to all the available statistics," the self-insurance scheme would be cheaper than other means of insuring against short-term employee absences.

The city intends to test the plan over the next year, during which time it will be monitored very closely, according to Ald. Gervais.

Following the meeting, Mayor Donald MacCallum compared the one tender submitted, in the amount of \$28,337, and the city's "pretty informed" estimate of the cost of self-insurance, \$26,199. Thus, the city expects to save roughly \$2,000.

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City approved \$10 million in payments for September

The \$10 million of city payments for September approved by city council earlier this month included a turnover of some \$5 million in term deposits as well as more than \$3 million remitted in an instalment of levies to the MUC.

Several other of the items were debt service payments, the purchase of electricity, the first payment for the reconstruction of Grosvenor avenue as well as sidewalk and street cuts.

The total amount of accounts approved in excess of \$2,000 amounted to \$10,757,128.44, including \$447,938.43 for payroll.

Following is a list of payments in excess of \$2,000 for the month ending Sept. 30, 1982:

Communauté Urbaine de Montréal, \$3,061,515.00, Sept. instalment for Westmount's share of the M.U.C. operating cost (\$2,040,321.00), MUCTC debt service (\$1,000,953.00) and M.U.C. police service re 1980-81 (\$20,241.00);

Bank of Montreal, \$435,382.50, debt service payment due September 1/82, municipality - \$357,341.25, electric utility - \$78,041.25;

Hydro-Québec, \$439,082.97, electricity purchased from July 5 to Aug. 3, 1982;

Montreal Trust, \$4,698.83, interim fee for pension plan basic scale for the month ended July 31, 1982 and first quarter 1981 fee based on valuation as of Dec. 31, 1980;

Nedco, \$4,619.21, purchase of conduits, wedge grips for utility inventory plus correction of provincial tax (9 percent);

Acmé Signalisation, \$2,441.54, purchase of street name signs and parking symbol;

Benoit Desroches, \$3,300.00, professional services rendered for land surveying, plans;

Charles Duranceau Ltée., \$3,776.02, purchase of asphalt for inventory;

Jean Louis Lalonde, \$2,901.25, professional fees for attendance at Architectural and Planning Commission meetings plus additional services;

IBM Canada Ltd., \$5,518.26, equipment rental for Aug. 1982;

Canada Post Corporation, \$4,000.00, for postage meter;

Canada Post Corporation, \$2,000.00, to cover cost of certified mail (summonses);

Canada Post Corporation, \$3,000.00, to cover cost of certified mail;

SMI Industries, \$67,805.30, pur-

chase of a Wayne street sweeper for public works;

Charles Duranceau Ltd., \$457,495.20, first payment for reconstruction of Grosvenor avenue from de Maisonneuve to The Boulevard;

Miron Inc., \$4,405.80, 100 tickets for garbage dump;

Pierreville Fire Trucks Ltd., \$35,540.00, purchase of a mini-pumper fire truck;

Petro Canada, \$4,742.62, purchase of 8,000 litres of regular gas, 54 litres of unleaded and 3,000 litres of diesel plus \$6.00 of adjustment;

Paragon, \$2,594.64, printing of 33,000 summonses for municipal court;

SMI Industries, \$3,429.97, repairs and labor to parks and sanitation vehicles;

Xerox Canada Inc., \$2,448.86, equipment rental for July 1982;

Vibrapipe Ltée., \$3,940.73, purchase of gully sections for inventory;

Mercantile Bank of Canada, \$500,000.00, purchase of term deposit receipt for 38 days at 14.30 percent from Sept. 7 to Oct. 15/82;

Crédit Suisse Canada, \$1,500,000.00, purchase of term deposit receipt for 54 days at 14.10 percent from Sept. 8 to Nov. 1/82;

Les Pavages North State Inc., \$100,000.00, payment for restoration of sidewalk and street cuts 1982;

Transport Denis Perron Inc., \$2,964.20, hired vehicles for week ending Sept. 4/82;

Montreal Firemen's Credit Union, \$5,712.75, employees' deduction for the month of Aug. 1982;

Int. Assoc. of Firefighters - Local 981, \$4,586.15, employees' deductions and city's contribution for the month of Aug.;

Assoc. d'Hospitalisation du Québec, \$3,604.28, remittance of Aug. Blue Cross deductions for Sept. coverage;

Société Sanitaire Laval Ltée., \$19,382.80, garbage collection for Aug. 1982;

Mueller Limited, \$3,978.89, purchase of covers and frames for manholes for inventory;

Bank of Montreal, \$9,438.56, final payment for employees' Canada saving bonds for 1981-82;

Police and Firemen's Pension Fund, \$34,348.26, employees' deductions and city's contribution for Aug. and Sept. contribution to cover the actuarial deficit as at Dec. '78;

General Pension Fund - Commission of the City of Westmount, \$57,455.15, employees' deductions and city's contribution for Aug. and Sept. '82 contribution to cover the actuarial deficit as at Dec. '78;

Bank of Montreal, \$3,271.11, council remuneration for the month of Sept. 1982;

Bank of Montreal, \$105,720.48, remittance of employees' and employer's portion of federal payroll deductions for period ending Aug. 1982;

Gouvernement du Québec - Ministère du Revenu, \$60,370.86, provincial sales tax remittance for the month of Aug.;

Gouvernement du Québec - Ministère du Revenu, \$143,248.36, remittance of employees' and employer's portion of provincial payroll deductions for period ending Aug. 1982;

Campbell Gilday Co. Ltd., \$25,200.00, roofing and sheet metal work contract at Victoria Hall;

Canada Tire Cie., \$2,564.39, purchase of tires for parks and recreation vehicles;

Bell Canada, \$5,379.84, telephone costs for City depts. - bill dated Aug. 28, 1982;

Chaussure Laurentide Inc., \$2,723.00, purchase of 70 pairs of double sole shoes for fire dept.;

Nicholas Hoare Ltd., \$3,049.00, books purchased for library during Aug. 1982;

National Bank of Canada, \$300,000.00, purchase of term deposit receipt for 47 days at 13.35 percent from Sept. 15 to Nov. 1/82;

Arthur H. Mendel, \$8,387.44, engineering fees re transformer installation at Olivier sub-station;

Lise Marchand, \$2,339.35, translation of By-laws 613, 655, 649 and 680 and translation of public notices for recreation dept.;

Standard Chartered Bank of Canada, \$500,000.00, purchase of term deposit receipt for 45 days at 13.40 percent from Sept. 20 to Nov. 4/82;

Transport Denis Perron Inc., \$2,191.80, hired trucks for week ending Sept. 18;

Ministre de la Justice du Québec,

Car damaged after skidding on ice

A westbound car was heavily damaged Tuesday last week when it became the victim of icy streets and skidded on The Boulevard,

\$3,870.00, to cover fines collected during the month of Aug.;

Gaz Métropolitain, \$2,307.00, gas consumption from July 28, to Aug. 26/82;

M. Marc Dhavernas, \$2,653.73, to refund duplicate payment of 1982 municipal tax;

Mr. Lloyd Douglas MacLean, \$2,336.37, to refund duplicate payment of 1982 municipal tax;

City of Westmount - Acct. No. 1000-045, \$40,978.24, managerial payroll for the period ending Sept. 30/82;

Mueller Ltd., \$3,476.99, 25 pairs of cast iron park bench legs;

Transport Denis Perron Inc., \$3,028.00, hired vehicles for week ending Sept. 25/82;

Crédit Suisse Canada, \$1,182,000.00, purchase of term deposit receipt for 61 days at 13.25 percent from Sept. 29 to Nov. 29/82;

National Bank of Canada, \$1,000,000.00, purchase of term deposit receipt for 46 days at 13.30 percent from Sept. 30 to Nov. 15/82.

shearing off a fire call box on Aberdeen avenue.

A passenger in the car sustained a minor cut on the hand but the driver was uninjured, report Public Security Unit officials.

A resident of Aberdeen called public safety officers when the accident occurred shortly after 4:02 am.

A witness said patrol cars, fire apparatus and salt trucks all converged on the scene.

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Coming Events



**GENERAL MEETING
LARGE AS LIFE ASSOCIATION**

A general meeting of the newly formed Montreal chapter of the Large as Life Association will be held Jan. 12, 1983 at 7:30 pm at Suite 100, 628 St. Jacques (Metro Place Victoria). Large as Life is a volunteer association which seeks to improve the availability of needed goods and services for large women. Guest speaker is Fashion Consultant BJ Shaw who will speak about THE CREATIVE USE OF ACCESSORIES. For further information call Susan 845-2238 or BJ 287-9101.

CONCERT

The Unitarian Church of Montreal (Church of the Messiah) will celebrate the 75th anniversary of its present building with a concert of music for organ, baritone and viola performed by Wilhelmina Timersma, organist, and Kenneth Jimenez, baritone/violist. Works by Bach, Mahler, Ives, Jimenez and others will be presented. The concert will take place on Wednesday, January 12, 1983 at 8:00 p.m. The church is situated at the corner of Sherbrooke and Simpson streets, one block east of Guy/Cote-des-Neiges (Buses 24, 165 or Metro Guy). Admission is free. For more information, telephone 935-1522 between 9:00 am and 4 pm. Monday to Friday.

'Take off, eh!' is rally theme

An organization called Youth for Christ is sponsoring a rally with the theme "83 - Take Off, Eh!" Saturday, 7:30 pm, in the Westmount High School Auditorium, 4350 St. Catherine street west.

The guest speaker will be from the Great White North Bob and Doug Look-A-Like Contest for all you hosers and there will be entertainment in the form of the Christian Blues Brothers.

Youth for Christ is an interdenominational group that works with high school and church youth groups. Their rallies are an opportunity for the youngsters from the different groups to get together. Saturday's rally is open to the public and there is a small admission charge.

SATURDAY NIGHT ALIVE

A rally sponsored by Youth for Christ this Saturday night at 7:30 pm. The rally will be at Westmount High School, 4350 St. Catherine St. W. Admission \$2.50. The theme is "83-Take Off, Eh!" Special guest speaker from The Great White North. Bob and Doug look-a-like contest. For more information 482-3834 or 631-4193.

'Great fun:'

Moose milk flows freely at levées held at city's military installations

A generous supply of moose milk started to flow in several Westmount locations last Saturday morning, this year's version of a fine old military tradition.

At Westmount's military installations, no one was ready to divulge exactly what goes into a good glass of moose milk, but all were happy to report that a great number of people spent a lot of time consuming the precious liquid at annual New Year's Day Levées.

Officers, NCOs, members and guests were busy toasting each other with the stuff at the Hillside Armory, the Royal Montreal Regiment Armory on St. Catherine street and the RCAF Association headquarters on Sherbrooke street. According to all reports, the toasting went on most of the day.

"It surely was great fun," said Capt. Michel Bourbonnais at the Hillside Armory. There, the 3rd Field Engineers and the 712 (Montreal) Communications Squadron held separate levées, again divid-

ed between officers and NCOs.

The Engineers' commanding officers, Lt.-Col. Lloyd A. McCoomb and Maj. E. Gemmell, received greetings from unit members and from other units in the city.

Honored by appearance

The unit was "very honored" by the appearance of one of its oldest members, Col. J.B. Sterling, OC, CD, who came to the levée from his home in Montreal. He is 92 years of age.

Honorary officers Col. Donald MacCallum, Brig.-Gen. A.B. Con-

nelly and Lt.-Col. Dave L. Hart also attended.

The RCAF Association Maple Leaf 306 Wing had members and guests piped into the celebration by two pipers and a drummer from the Caledonia Pipe Band.

The wing revived the levée last year after some lapse, had a "good day all around" this year, and according to member Ed Wakeling, has plans to build it up tremendously for next year.

Several groups held separate levées in the Royal Montreal Regiment on St. Catherine street. Members of the regiment and its legion association visited each other's levées and travelled to other regiment's armories to share in good cheer.

U.S. consul to talk to club

William D. Morgan, U.S. consul general, will be the guest speaker at the January meeting of the American Women's Club, Wednesday, at the Dorval Hilton Hotel, 12505 Côte de Liesse, Dorval.

A reception will be held at 11 am, followed by a luncheon at noon. Chairman for the affair is Mrs. Quinton Carlson.

Fewer people on welfare

Six fewer persons were receiving social aid from Westmount's welfare department on Nov. 30, 1982, than the year before, city officials report.

Although economic times might cause one to anticipate the opposite, a city report says, the number of persons given help this past season fell from 45 to 39 over the same period in 1981.

An increase was noted, however, in the number of contacts made with citizens from 33 to 41.

One example of assistance rendered by the city department was the case of a young local couple ineligible for social aid.

The couple was helped to prepare a budget and counselled on how to control a tendency to overspend a "limited income."

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IN the '70s some parents often received scare-calls over the phone threatening to harm or kidnap their children. Our immediate neighbors had three lovely children and, after having received some such calls, they warned them to be careful and on the lookout for possible danger.

One day, coming home from school, the children saw a strange car parked in front of their house with two very suspicious looking characters in the front seats. Following the parents' instructions, the children did not go into their house but went straight on to nearby friends, and from there they phoned their mother, who in turn phoned the police, who promptly arrived.

After questioning the two men in the car, the police officers smilingly went to the house to assure the mother that everything was OK and that there was no cause for alarm, but they gave no further explanation.

A day or two later, when the neighbors told us about this incident, we could provide the facts: a very important person from Ottawa with small son had been in my wife's studio having their portraits painted, and the guys outside were the bodyguards.

Half the "Sandtorte" I had baked for the sitters went as consolation to the neighbor's children.

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Malibu gone

A Chevrolet Malibu belonging to a Westmount travel agency disappeared recently from its parking place at the rear of 4028 St. Catherine street, police report. The 1978 car was valued at \$3,000.

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Bridge club finds new home in Victoria Hall

Beginning Monday, one of the Montreal area's most popular duplicate bridge clubs will hold its weekly games in Westmount's Victoria Hall.

The Manoir Duplicate Bridge Club would have been homeless in January, having been turned out of its previous home in St. Leo's church by a two-fold increase in rent.

Thanks to the cooperation of Fred Davis, director of services for the city of Westmount, and Ald. Brian Gallery, a proposal to hold the club's game in Victoria hall was studied, presented, and adopted by city council in record time.

Games will be held every Monday night at 7:45 pm. The club is affiliated to the American Contract Bridge League and has an ACBL-certified director. The services of a well-known bridge teacher are also available.

High-flying pilot is grounded

An airline pilot was picked up for non-payment of traffic warrants amounting to \$367 as he drove through Westmount last Thursday, police report.

When his red 1979 Volvo was stopped for investigation at 9:55 pm, the man was further found to be driving without the car registration and was ticketed for that offense.

Police said the man, a resident of Hingston avenue in N.D.G., paid the fines.

50 g flour, sifted, 4 large eggs, separated
250 g sugar, 250 g. butter or margarine
½ tsp. baking powder, 1 tbsp. rum
Juice of ½ lemon, rind of ½ lemon, grated.

Stir sugar with egg yolks until foamy. Add little by little the other ingredients, except the butter, and mix well. Melt the butter and stir it well into the mixture. Fold in the stiffly-beaten egg whites and pour the dough into a well-buttered cake-form. Bake at 350°F for about 50-60 minutes.



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Mother House.
Drastic cuts in Westmount's police personnel were postponed for 1982 and the fire ambulance was able to see through the year before giving way to Urgences Santé.

The year 1982 saw the closure of No. 2 fire station after 71 years of operation and toward the end of the year there was doubt about the fate of the railway station.

Long wait

It was the year of the long wait for an MUCTC bus and homeowners will remember 1982 as the year of the tax protests and of the misplaced citizens' postdated tax cheques at city hall.

Statistics Canada told us our population had dwindled to 12,614.

We were later "upped" to a more realistic 20,460, but it was give-or-take-a-few since the census the year before.

Westmount also was officially renamed by Quebec, becoming: "la Cité de Westmount."

It was the year that the city's longtime general manager, Norman Dawe, retired and that Inspector Jean Bernard, the former MUC police chief here, died on Dec. 25.

It rained and rained that day and Westmounters celebrated a green Christmas.

Political hand

Westmount had a political hand in the new Canadian constitution when Ald. David Carruthers produced the hand-made paper on which it was written.

Ald. Brian Gallery became the second member of the local city council to join the board of directors of the Montreal Symphony Orchestra as Ald. André Gervais continued as its executive vice-president.

With all that "pull" we hoped for music in the council chamber, background music for the refrain of His Worship and council critic Allen Nutik as they debated which one was more in need of his beauty sleep.

If you tried in vain to sell your house in 1982 for its MUC evaluation, you probably didn't.

And you probably took a dim

view of statistics produced by city officials to "prove" that the skyrocketing MUC evaluations were indeed justified, according to sales figures.

That was just one of the injustices of owning a paper goldmine in Westmount — somewhat like having the Midas touch.

The tax squeeze brought to the fore both Allen Nutik and Richard Hancock who took their fight for tax relief and open government to the Westmount council chamber.

They were joined by others during the year such as John Johnston and a loosely-knit opposition began to develop.

Made national news

Mr. Nutik probably became Westmount's most colorful personality to make national news in 1982 as he declared that the fight for open government and a better shake in the MUC was only just beginning.

"The revolution begins here in this room tonight," he told more than 800 Westmounters at a tax protest in Victoria Hall last February.

The opposition continued to year's end and appears not to be going away in 1983, the year of Westmount elections.

Mr. Hancock was invited to the "gala" opening of the city's 50th annual fall flower show, though Mr. Nutik was excluded, and Mayor MacCallum took that occasion to introduce him as "the leader of Her Majesty's loyal Opposition."

The persistence of another Westmount resident in the council chamber, Norah Plenderlieth, brought action after she complained for six months about pigeon droppings.

Ald. Gallery finally came to her aid and Judge William P. Shaw of Westmount Municipal Court ruled before the year was out that the leavings of pigeons did constitute a nuisance and a health hazard

Purses target of thefts here

Purses were targets of theft here just before Christmas, according to police.

A Ville Marie social worker told police someone had made off with her purse from the agency's head office at 4515 St. Catherine street on Dec. 20. Purse and contents were valued at \$50.

Another purse was reported taken from the front seat of an Oldsmobile Cutlass parked Dec. 21 at Sherbrooke street and Victoria avenue by a resident of Roxborough avenue. That loss was put at \$80.

A wallet also was reported taken out of a desk drawer in an office on Victoria avenue the following day. The amount of that theft came to \$50.

Cobbs mark 60th wedding anniversary with reception



Rose and William Cobb

William Cobb, Westmount fire chief between 1946 and 1956, and his wife, Rose, marked their diamond wedding anniversary with a reception held by the family Dec. 24.

They were joined by their children, 18 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. One grandson, David Cobb, is a fireman now in the Westmount brigade.

The couple was married 60 years ago on Christmas Day in Grace Church.

The former fire chief is 81, his wife, 79. They live in LaSalle.

Bill Cobb joined the City of Westmount's police and fire department in 1922.

He became the first chief of fire to head a completely separate force of permanent firefighters in Westmount when the department was set up in 1946.

The city's combined police and fire service, dating back to 1892, was partially separated in 1922. The fire brigade was not fully independent until after the Second World War.

Chief Cobb retired in 1956 and was succeeded by Chief Emile Durocher for one year and then by E. C. Harper who later became the city's director of public safety.

His son, Capt. Douglas Cobb, retired from the Westmount brigade in 1980.

under municipal by-laws.

Although the city shelved much scheduled street work in the interests of economy, Grosvenor avenue was completely reconstructed throughout the summer.

The watercourse in Westmount Park also underwent reconstruction so citizens will have water to look at next summer in Westmount.

Parking meters sprang up on Tupper street and then on Greene avenue.

Snow removal lights also were installed in 1982 on Greene as well as along St. Catherine street for the snow that never came.

The Westmount public safety officers, with their red stripe down the pant leg, became familiar figures, recording 844 formal reports for the year.

They made the parks relatively safe once again for a pleasant midsummer night's stroll.

One of their number, a parking inspector, made city council news

when his dismissal resulted in a call to the council for the man to be allowed a "fair hearing."

Council complied after the fact but stood firm in its original decision.

Make its stand

Council decided to make its stand against continued erosion of municipal authority when the Quebec government ordered the fire ambulance to cease its service.

Citizens were told to keep hands off the fight to maintain the cherished local service, but it didn't matter in the end.

It was destined to become a first responder unit and only 1983 will tell how well the new trial service, combined with Urgences Santé ambulances, will perform.

What is in store for the year ahead is anybody's guess as Westmount changes according to provincial decree and yet remains virtually unchanged.




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Brunch war offers bargains if you're starved on Sunday

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Almost all of Montreal's big hotels offer brunch and, it seems, compete in supplying the finest fare. You are invited, then, to sample the offerings of the foremost contenders in this amazing brunch war.

Le Castillon

Brunch is served in Hotel Bonaventure's very elegant Castillon from 11:00 am to 2:30 pm. Here, you will brunch in a castle setting where the walls are of lofty, velvet-trimmed wooden panelling and the seats, too, are velvet.

The brunch is a lavish meal. You are invited to try pâtés and terrines maison, cold cuts, cold salmon and halibut, crab claws, a whole variety of salads, seafood cocktails, some good roast beef as tender and hot as you like, a choice of four omelettes prepared right at the buffet and the standard breakfast menu of scrambled eggs, sausage and bacon, fish of the day, a poultry dish, a pork or veal roast or a leg of lamb, rice, green beans and the vegetables of the day.

The desserts are also plentiful: apple pancakes, French pastries, strawberry, chocolate and many other cakes, to say nothing of the cheese platter. Le Castillon is the winner of two major international gastronomic awards. For information, call 878-2332.

The Beaver Club

The decor in the Queen Elizabeth Hotel's Beaver Club is

evocative of the early fur-trading days of Montreal. As a matter of fact, there used to be a furriers' club of that name here, and the restaurant merely took it over and gave it a hunting lodge decor.

From the entrance, a beautiful copper-covered rotisserie standing on a brick-and-tile base can be seen at the far end of the big room. Cooks working behind a counter just in front of the rotisserie prepare the meat.

The walls are decorated with copper plates inscribed with the names of the club members (honorary members only). There are bear hides and beaver pelts mounted here and there on the pillars and walls and a buffalo head as well. To the left at the back of the room, you catch a glimpse of wine bottles ranged behind handsome railings.

The Sunday brunch menu features Swiss cuisine. There are two identical cold buffets loaded with salads, hors-d'oeuvres and desserts to which you can help yourself as often as you like before ordering the hot dishes. Dishes appearing on the menu between 11:00 am and 2:30 pm include raclette valaisanne (a dish featuring Valais cheese), Grisons-style meat, Jura quiche, vol-au-vent Lucerne, émincé de veau (thinly-sliced veal) as prepared in Zurich, Zug-style kirsch pie, Suchard mousse, Thurgau apple cake and Soleur nut tart.

Wash them all down with renowned Swiss wines such as L'Etoile du Valais or the Pierailles white wine. The waiters wear red-and-white checkered shirts and traditional Swiss belts, and every Sunday a Swiss trio brightens the atmosphere with folk music. For reservations, call 861-3511.

Hôtel de la Montagne

The group which operates the

disco restaurant Les Beaux Jedis, a restaurant with an established reputation where brunch is very well patronized, is now offering brunch at the new Hôtel de la Montagne, 1430 Mountain street.

The small restaurant belonging to the hotel is located in a renovated apartment block. It is a luxury restaurant embellished with white pillars and flower-patterned seats and can accommodate 57 persons. The brunch formula is that of an elaborate continental breakfast: fresh orange juice, a basket of fruit in season, smoked salmon, eggs Benedict or any style, omelettes, crescent rolls, cheese, desserts, brioches and coffee.

The intimate comfort of this pleasant place is enhanced by the professional service of the uniformed waiters and waitresses (the waiters wearing bow ties and jackets and the waitresses in aprons). Adjacent to the restaurant is a tea-room and a bar, with a stylized fountain nearby. Contact the Hôtel de la Montagne at 288-5656 for information.

La Panetière

In La Panetière ("the bread box"), one of the restaurants in Le Quatre Saisons, brunch is served in the basement of the building at the end of an indoor walkway flanked by luxury boutiques. Every Sunday, from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm, you are invited to enjoy a hot and cold buffet for which the weekly variations in the menu are left to the chef's discretion. There are windows, but the prevailing color is chocolate brown and the lighting is normally dim.

La Panetière can seat 150 people at its circular tables. The buffet is laid out on mirrors. You make out the fresh juices, the soup of the day, a wide variety of salads, beef ribs, veal marenco, chicken with gravy, Bellevue salmon, Nantua sole, leg of lamb, quiche Lorraine, eggs any style and omelettes with

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Bernard Bazar
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YOU SAY...

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force. To defend the doctors, nurses and staff it may become a wise legal tactic to have a simple form to sign. Patients would have to specify the language in which they would converse with staff and to avoid prosecution the sick person would be served only by those fitting the classification. Due to the present events, it would appear to be necessary for a patient speaking and understanding no French to be "allowed to die in that language," to avoid prosecution.

Quebec's economic recovery will be very slow because the courageous investors who are the key to rebuilding business fear harsh, politically inspired regulations no matter their racial origin or their language capabilities. The rising expectations based on past business history which are presently reversed, union people's income tied to the rising cost of living giving them a bonus from inflation, and the replacement of so many workers by computers are only a few of the factors blending into what may well be a more serious, far-reaching crisis than is expected.

At 20, after having no problem finding part-time work during the past five years, here am I bilingual, skilled in some special areas and without the work necessary to carry me on toward graduation in McGill's faculty of law.

Conditions are truly grim!
Happy New Year!

Kristian Gravenor

580 Grosvenor avenue
WESTMOUNT H3Y 2S7

Christmas Eve tax bill 'bureaucratic goodwill'

Sir: As you can see, I have written the date [Dec. 24, 1982] in red for emphasis. I thought you might be interested or even amused (depending on where you live) to know that the City of Westmount managed to deliver by mail, today, my real estate tax bill for the coming year. This is something new in Christmas goodwill as mediated by the bureaucracy!

Frances Ballantyne

26 Rosemount avenue
WESTMOUNT H3Y 3G7

Fixed-income people unable to pay taxes

A copy of the following letter has been sent to THE EXAMINER:

Dear Mr. Mayor,

The proposed increase in taxes

on one-family dwellings is scandalous and unacceptable.

People on fixed incomes have been having a very difficult time in paying present taxes, and for many the proposed increase will be impossible to cope with.

I would like to know what you, as our mayor, are doing about this horrendous situation. It is certainly your responsibility to do battle with all possible means on our behalf, and I would like to see some evidence that this is being done.

Have you been given the opportunity to examine a detailed breakdown of the MUC budget? If not, you should refuse to accept the share that they are demanding of Westmount.

The City of Montreal administration obviously has very little appreciation of how to handle money, and their priorities are all mixed up (viz., the unnecessary installation of new street lamps and other extravagancies at a time when every effort should be made to save money).

As mentioned above, it is clearly up to you to resist strongly this new tax increase when many Westmount citizens simply will be unable to pay it.

Yours truly,

H. V. Roper

394 Roslyn avenue
WESTMOUNT H3Z 2L6

Mythical Quebec veto attributed to Trudeau

Sir: The latest chapter in the attempt to change the Canadian Confederation from a legislative union to an association of two "Founding Nations" was Mr. Trudeau's offer to "restore" something which Quebec (or any other province) has never had — a veto over constitutional change. Quebec no longer seems to feel bound by Canadian law as it issued its latest regulations (October 1982) with 430 in French only in contravention of the Supreme Court of Canada's recent judgement upholding section 133 of the BNA Act.

But is it any wonder that the PQ disregards the law of the land when you consider that in 1974 Mr. Trudeau supported Bill 22 "that French be the official language of Quebec" even though it was a clear contravention of Section 133 of the BNA Act.

Now Mr. Trudeau seeks once again to override the Canadian constitution despite a clear, unequivocal, unanimous 9-0 decision by the Supreme Court of Canada disclaiming Quebec's claim to a veto.

The Economic Council of Canada's November 1979 report pointed out how Mr. Trudeau had emasculated the BNA act and re-

We Said

Westmounters are Montrealers

From THE WESTMOUNT EXAMINER of January 4, 1968

INFORMALLY and unobtrusively, and no doubt unscientifically, we surveyed a typical upper-level, holiday-season house party.

The gathering was a fair cross-section of professional and business people, for the most part thoughtful and concerned citizens.

We steered our conversations to municipal matters with results, for us, almost predictable and not surprising.

When Westmounters think of municipal affairs, their interest is in Montreal, not Westmount.

"The mayor" is Jean Drapeau, not Mike Tucker.

Well looked after

It is of course not new that Westmounters show little concern in the local affairs of the city in which they live, their reasonably active municipal association notwithstanding.

Their streets, their parks, their lights, their garbage, their fires and their police security are well looked after.

Westmount is so well run, in fact, that there is little complaint. Rarely is there a "hot local issue." Taxes remain within reasonable bounds. Elections are almost unknown.

Even broad, imaginative projects for urban renewal, already under way in Westmount's older sections, stir little interest beyond the residents immediately affected.

In short, Westmount is nice — and quiet.

Who runs Westmount

Westmount is that way because of the quality of men who come forward to run it, and the quality

duced the powers of the central government to virtual impotence.

His latest attempt to award a veto to Quebec is in keeping with his longtime support of its disregard of the constitutional provisions for language equality.

But it does serve to unmask his close ideological rapport with both René Lévesque and Claude Ryan and makes their "alleged differences" one of degree, not of substance, despite the claims to the contrary by that pathetic collection of left-lib journalists in the Montreal media. Let's hope the English-speaking premiers have enough savvy to size up this latest offer to reduce further the jurisdiction of the federal parliament and confer on this province the status of a parallel, sovereign state.

If they examine Mr. Trudeau's proposal, they will discover that he wants Quebec to continue massive funding from the central government but without any provisions for accountability nor any requirements for loyalty to, or respect for, Canadian laws and institutions.

W. A. Sullivan

4444 Sherbrooke street west
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of the civil servants they engage for the day-to-day operations of the city.

Exemplified, for example, by our mayor, His Worship Michael

Four juveniles arrested, caught after burglary

Four juveniles, one a Westmount youth, were arrested early New Year's morning after allegedly breaking into Young's Fruit Market and making off with cigars and beer.

Police said the four youths were caught following the burglary at 4873A Sherbrooke street and likely would be charged with break and entry.

Three were 15 years old, one was 12.

They apparently were found in a house on Arlington avenue about 1:45 am. Police said no adults were in the house.

The incident was discovered by a public safety officer who reported finding a window broken at the store shortly before 1 am and spotted four youths entering a taxi with beer cases at Sherbrooke street and Claremont avenue.

Police were called and intercepted the taxi at Sherbrooke and Decarie boulevard after the driver had taken the boys to a house on Arlington avenue.

Six youths were found in the house along with six cases of 24 beers as well as nine cartons of cigars stamped with the store's name, police said.

Rooms in house are ransacked

Someone broke into a house on Hollowell street last week while the residents were away, ransacking two rooms. Police said it was not known if anything had been taken.

The break-in was found Tuesday last week when a friend went to check the house and discovered the front door had been forced open.

Contents of a cedar chest and bureau drawers had been dumped on the floor.

The main lock on the front door had been broken off and exit was made through the rear basement door.

Police said it appeared someone might have been looking for jewelry or money, but they would have to await the return of the residents for further information.

Break-in

Someone Sunday broke into the trailer for skaters in Queen Elizabeth Park, according to a report from the Public Security Unit. The lock was broken off the trailer door but nothing was taken or damaged inside. Officials said they did not know the purpose of the break-in.

Lovett Tucker of Kensington avenue, 61-year-old Nova Scotia native, engineer, soldier (DSO) and industrialist, five years of service as alderman with particular concern for public health, welfare, parks, recreation and public safety, and mayor since 1965.

Yet largely unsung and not too well known by his citizens. He and a long progression of aldermen and mayors have quietly served Westmount at sacrifice of long hours, personal leisure and expense to their work and themselves.

Sad but small wonder then that Westmounters — like residents of other island municipalities — when thinking "mayor" think of that dynamic but enigmatic, lovable but remote, ever-present but mysterious little lawyer, crime-busting prober, promoter, nationalist and patriot: Jean Drapeau.

No isolated 'citadel'

For the most part, the people who live in Westmount fit no single mold.

Least of all is Westmount what has been described by some other Quebecers as the "citadelle des anglais."

Westmounters, a mixed lot of many, varied and broad interests, are Canadians, Quebecers and Montrealers — isolated Westmounters a low last.

As Montrealers they are as proud and as concerned about the future of our metropolis as any who pay their taxes to the city hall on Notre Dame street.

The exciting downtown growth, Métro, Expo, Man and His World and all the projects and works of Jean Drapeau are theirs, too.

The idea of isolation of this smaller city from the greater whole is ludicrous and unreal.

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bacon, sausage and ham, crescent rolls, fresh fruit, Canadian pancakes and the chef's desserts.

At La Panetière, the bread and pastries are made on the premises. La Panetière is also the perfect place to celebrate an anniversary as the room is a large one. Provided it is ordered ahead of time, a cake will be offered to mark the occasion. For reservations, call 284-1110.

Tour de Ville

With the city at your feet, enjoy a magnificent brunch in a revolving restaurant at the top of an ultra-modern tower. And you can drink all the champagne you want with that brunch. Such is the treat in store for you when you visit the Tour de Ville in the Hôtel Regence Hyatt. The menu is changed every Sunday by the chef who prepares marvels for a hot and cold buffet not to be outdone anywhere in quantity and flavor.

The buffet consists of the traditional salads, their own terrines, pâtés, cold cuts and all the main meat and poultry dishes, to say nothing of the appetizing desserts created at the chef's inspiration. Brunch is served between 10 am

and 3 pm and it is preferable to make reservations. The number to call is 879-1370.

The Universel

The buffet at the Hôtel Méridien follows a most interesting formula which may be the brunch for Sunday but is also served through the week. The Universel offers a hot and cold buffet featuring the food of one country in particular each month — a veritable feast which, as the months pass, enables you to take a culinary world tour. Meals are served from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm (brunch) and from 5:30 to 11:30 pm (evening meal.) For information, call 285-1450.

La Cloche d'argent

La Cloche d'argent, located in the Hôtel Parc Régent at 3625 Park avenue, is a low-ceilinged, medium-sized room with walls and pillars of a pinkish sand color. It was formerly a Mediterranean-style restaurant with shuttered windows, but it has been renovated and given a rustic aspect complemented by traditional Quebec furniture. There are 22 tables, set well apart, enabling you to speak normally without being disturbed. Crystal glassware is used. La

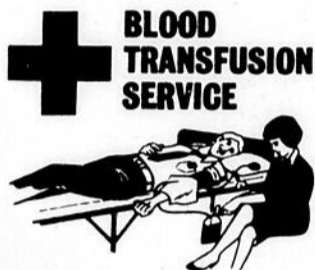
Cloche d'argent's brunch is very popular because the renowned Chef Boudoux's magnificent hot and cold buffet features very representative authentic French cuisine in a simple and hospitable setting. For reservations, call 288-6666.

L'Escapade

L'Escapade is located at the very top of the tower of the Château Champlain, the beautiful hotel with the half-moon windows. From there, you can look out over Montreal as you sample one of the most popular brunches in the city. L'Escapade brunch is served from 10:30 am to 2:30 pm every Sunday and consists, of course, of a conventional hot and cold buffet and numerous salads and desserts. Musical entertainment is provided for get-togethers, and Magic Tom, the well-known magician, is on hand to entertain the little ones. For information, call 878-1688.

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Taxe d'affaires	2,154,700	2,155,400
	<u>\$26,510,500</u>	<u>\$22,585,600</u>
COMPENSATION TENANT LIEU DE TAXES		
Gouvernement du Canada	\$ 428,900	\$ 373,500
Gouvernement du Québec	14,900	14,000
Organismes communautaires	904,900	675,300
Entreprises privées et particuliers	384,500	372,000
	<u>\$ 1,733,200</u>	<u>\$ 1,434,800</u>
SERVICES RENDUS A D'AUTRES MUNICIPALITES		
Protection contre les incendies	\$ 6,000	\$ 2,000
Communauté Urbain de Montréal	137,200	154,200
	<u>\$ 143,200</u>	<u>\$ 156,200</u>
AUTRES SERVICES RENDUS		
Hall Victoria	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
Aréna, terrains de jeu et piscine	23,800	22,200
Bibliothèque	48,000	48,700
Terrains de stationnement	205,600	116,000
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	<u>\$ 656,100</u>	<u>\$ 482,000</u>
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AUTRES REVENUS DE SOURCES LOCALES		
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Intérêts sur les dépôts à court terme	1,050,000	750,000
Intérêts sur les arrérages de taxes	300,000	235,000
Disposition d'actifs immobilisés	40,700	40,700
Revenu net d'exploitation du service d'électricité	785,700	690,400
Revenu excédentaire du fonds d'amortissement	32,000	25,000
Appropriation de surplus		750,000
	<u>\$ 3,628,800</u>	<u>\$ 3,770,100</u>
TRANSFERTS INCONDITIONNELS		
Taxe sur les divertissements	\$ 270,000	\$ 190,000
	<u>\$ 270,000</u>	<u>\$ 190,000</u>
TRANSFERTS CONDITIONNELS		
Subvention provinciale aux bibliothèques	\$ 84,000	\$ 95,000
		15,000
	<u>\$ 84,000</u>	<u>\$ 110,000</u>
TOTAL DES REVENUS	<u>\$33,025,800</u>	<u>\$28,728,700</u>
ADMINISTRATION GENERALE		
Services législatifs - Conseil	\$ 87,000	\$ 92,200
Application de la loi - Cour Municipale	326,100	283,400
Gestion financière et administration générale	722,500	649,200
Greffier	243,900	188,300
Personnel	89,400	88,600
Avantages sociaux - Tous les services	1,716,400	1,316,500
Dépenses administratives générales	795,200	858,800
	<u>\$ 3,980,500</u>	<u>\$ 3,477,000</u>
SECURITE PUBLIQUE		
Sécurité publique et stationnement	\$ 652,700	\$ 599,700
Incendie et protection civile	1,988,000	1,799,900
	<u>\$ 2,640,700</u>	<u>\$ 2,399,600</u>
TRANSPORT		
Administration	\$ 304,100	\$ 280,100
Voirie-municipale	562,800	546,500
Enlèvement de la neige	1,573,200	1,138,700
Eclairage des rues	201,800	224,600
Contrôle de la circulation	200,900	185,900
Terrains de Stationnement	30,000	14,000
	<u>\$ 2,872,800</u>	<u>\$ 2,389,800</u>

False alarms under mutual fire aid seen as 'reckless'

Concern for the safety of residents under the city's new automatic mutual aid plan was questioned Monday night at the first city council meeting of 1983.

Outspoken council critic Allen Nutik said he felt the number of false alarms brought on by the new system constituted a dangerous situation since only five firemen were left behind in Westmount.

"We, the citizens, will hold this

administration responsible for its reckless action of ignoring the situation should any fire deaths arise when our firemen are less than full strength because they are running a false alarm in another community," he said.

He said he felt the closure of No. 2 fire station "because of low crew strength," along with the automatic mutual aid system, "endangers" the citizens.

Ald. André Gervais, public safe-

ty commissioner, said the city was trying every possible way to cut costs.

Gone through structure

"We don't consider we're reckless. We've gone through the whole structure," he said.

"There are no new fire personnel, but our strength is higher and greater and we're giving Westmount greater fire protection than in other communities on the island."

He said the closure of the No. 2 fire station at The Boulevard and Victoria avenue was experimental and might be continued for one or even two years until its effect could be known.

Fire causes serious damage to home library

A fire yesterday morning caused considerable damage to the library of a house on Delavigne road following the improper disposal of fireplace ashes, fire officials report.

A woman who was in the house at the time managed to get out and was awaiting firefighters on their arrival.

The fire damage was contained to the one room but there was considerable smoke damage throughout the home, according to Fire Chief Edward Martell.

Began in room

The fire began in the room after 7:30 am when ashes had been removed from the fireplace, he said.

"What the owner thought were dead ashes was put in a paper bag and placed on top of a wood pile to the side of the fireplace," he said.

The wood pile also consisted of kindling and newspapers.

The owner then left the house and the fire began to smoulder. It apparently burned undetected by the occupant who was upstairs.

Smoke was seen coming from the house by a friend of the resident who arrived at the home to pick her up about 9 am.

Firemen from Hampstead assisted while a mutual aid crew from Outremont covered at the Westmount station.

Driver charged with obstructing work of police

A 31-year-old N.D.G. man has been charged here with obstructing the work of police after he was stopped in Westmount for allegedly running a red light at Sherbrooke street and Redfern avenue Dec. 23.

The case is set for hearing Feb. 16 in Westmount Municipal Court.

The incident took place shortly before 2 pm, police said, when police apparently summoned the man over to the side of the street.

Police said he kept the windows of the car up and the door locked and refused to produce his driving permit and car registration. He also became aggressive inside the car, police said.

After about 10 minutes, however, he decided to comply with the request and was taken to local MUC police station 23 on Stanton street.

Police said he refused to accept the traffic ticket, maintaining he had not gone through the red light.

He apparently had been heading west along Sherbrooke street in a blue AMC Hornet when he was stopped at Metcalfe avenue.

HYGIENE DU MILIEU		
Achat d'eau	\$ 1,439,500	\$ 1,279,300
Entretien du système d'égouts	175,700	109,200
Enlèvement et disposition des ordures	788,200	736,700
	<u>\$ 2,403,400</u>	<u>\$ 2,125,200</u>
SANTE ET BIEN-ETRE	<u>\$ 32,300</u>	<u>\$ 29,300</u>
SERVICES D'AMENAGEMENT DE L'ENVIRONNEMENT		
Planification urbaine et zonage	\$ 345,300	\$ 347,100
Programme municipal d'habitation - quote part	17,300	17,000
	<u>\$ 362,600</u>	<u>\$ 364,100</u>
SERVICES RECREATIFS ET CULTURELS		
Administration	\$ 186,900	\$ 178,100
Hall Victoria	2,200	15,600
Aréna et patinoire	309,900	289,100
Piscine	95,600	82,300
Parcs, terrains de jeu et serres	978,700	462,500
Bibliothèque	584,700	886,200
	<u>\$ 2,158,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,913,800</u>
AUTRES ACTIVITES		
Entretien		
Edifices municipaux	\$ 736,500	\$ 685,800
Machines et véhicules	783,300	681,600
Immobilisations imputés au fonds d'exploitation	180,500	167,000
	<u>\$ 1,700,300</u>	<u>\$ 1,534,400</u>
AUTRES DEPENSES		
Service de la dette et autres frais de financement	\$ 3,115,900	\$ 2,594,100
Mauvaises créances	16,000	16,000
Communauté urbaine de Montréal		
Quote-part	13,463,900	11,681,200
Recouvrement et autres dépenses	279,400	204,200
	<u>\$16,875,200</u>	<u>\$14,495,500</u>
TOTAL DES DEPENSES	<u>\$33,025,800</u>	<u>\$28,728,700</u>



**VILLE DE WESTMOUNT
PROGRAMME D'IMMOBILISATIONS
EXERCICES 1983-1984-1985**

	1983	1984	1985	TOTAL
SECURITE PUBLIQUE	136,000	25,000	41,000	202,000
TRAVAUX PUBLICS	1,375,400	1,735,000	2,547,000	5,657,400
ACTIVITES RECREATIVES ET CULTURELLES	159,500	100,000	92,000	351,500
ECLAIRAGE ET ELECTRICITE	1,463,300	356,000	369,000	2,188,300
TOTAL	<u>3,134,200</u>	<u>2,216,000</u>	<u>3,049,000</u>	<u>8,399,200</u>

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Monday, Feb. 7, 8 pm: Regular monthly meeting.

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City prints anti-nuke pamphlets

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

City council has agreed to spend \$2,000 for the printing of 10,000 nuclear disarmament pamphlets to be distributed to Westmount households, it was announced Monday night.

Mayor Donald MacCallum said the decision had been made in general committee following meetings between a city council sub-committee and a group of citizens involved in the disarmament question.

The pamphlet is being referred to as a civil defense educational booklet and is to be modelled after one distributed in Cambridge, Mass., entitled, "Cambridge and Nuclear Weapons."

Georgia Carpenter, a local resident who heads a nuclear disarmament committee here, asked council at its September meeting to consider holding an "anti-nuclear" referendum in conjunction with the 1983 municipal elections.

The subject is being put on the ballot of some 138 Canadian municipalities in the 1982-83 period to press world leaders for nuclear disarmament.

Approved booklet

Mayor MacCallum told THE EXAMINER that council had approved the booklet, but not the referendum.

The decision came following the recommendation of the sub-committee set up by city council to consider the disarmament issue following a slide presentation by Mrs. Carpenter (see story Oct. 21, 1982.)

Members on the sub-committee were Aldermen Muriel Kaplan, David Carruthers and Brian Gallery, its chairman.

They then met with Mrs. Carpenter, a resident of 611 Victoria avenue; Dr. Donald Bates, 559 Lansdowne avenue, and Ingrid Srolowitz, chairman of Operation Dismantle.

The sub-committee recommendation was that the city pay for one of two examples of booklets which would be distributed prior to election time.

The cost of drafting of the booklet as well as its translation into French would be borne by the promoters of the nuclear disarmament concept.

No referendum

Mayor MacCallum told the October meeting of city council that there was "no question" of Westmount holding an "anti-nuclear" referendum even if Halifax and Ottawa have chosen to.

His Worship said he felt it was not a municipal matter.

He had been asked to consider the issue at that time by Ramzi Ferahian, who said the concern for nuclear disarmament was "extremely important."

The council later decided to form the sub-committee to collect further information on the question of putting the nuclear referendum question on the ballot here.

Taken to hospital

A 91-year-old resident of Manoir Westmount was taken to hospital Friday after he fell outside the building at 4646 Sherbrooke street. Public Security Unit officials said the man was believed to have hurt his hip in the accident which occurred about 5:45 pm. An Urgences Santé ambulance was called.

Xmas cheque checked

A careful shopkeeper on Greene avenue helped prevent a possible attempted fraud Christmas Eve, police report.

A man and a woman selected \$227 worth of children's clothing from a shop in the Old Post Office and attempted to pay by cheque.

When the shopkeeper began to verify the man's driving permit, produced for identification, the couple quickly fled, leaving behind the permit.

Police said the licence might have been stolen and they are attempting to track down the couple.

Services held for Davidson, 88, caretaker

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon in Westmount Baptist Church for Lewis Davidson who died suddenly on New Year's Eve at the age of 88.

Mr. Davidson had been caretaker of the Baptist church for the last 14 years and was honored during a special service there last month. His death came on the eve of his retirement.

Rev. Walter Ellis, pastor of the church, described Mr. Davidson as "kind of an institution in Westmount. Everyone knew him."

Mr. Davidson was born in London, England, in 1894 and was raised as a foundling in the British orphanage system. At age 13 he came to Canada on a farm labor program and lived with a family near Eganville, Ont.

Cared for son

Later, he moved to Henryville, Que., where he stayed with the Spencer family for more than 30 years. Following the deaths of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer, Mr. Davidson cared for their handicapped son.

In 1945, Mr. Davidson began working at the Domtar brickyard in La Prairie. He retired from his job there in 1965 and, before starting at the Westmount church in 1968, worked at Simpson's and at Sir George Williams College.

He was involved in the work of both the Canadian Bible Society and the Men's Ecumenical Fellowship, and was also a charter member of the Westmount Senior Citizens' Centre.

The Men's and Boys' Choir of St. Matthias' Church, of which Mr. Davidson was particularly fond, was to join in a special tribute at the funeral service at the Baptist church Tuesday afternoon.

Heart attack strikes Taylor, former director

George Taylor, 50, formerly division director of the Catholic Family and Children Services integrated by Ville Marie Social Service Centre, in 1973, died in Edmonton, December 31 from a massive heart attack.

Mr. Taylor moved to Edmonton in 1976 and at the time of his death was working on a pilot pro-

Unitarians to celebrate anniversary

On Sunday the Unitarian Church of Montreal is celebrating the 75th anniversary of the dedication of its building. When the church was built in 1908, its location was on the outskirts of town; now it is in the middle of downtown.

The special anniversary service will commemorate the dedication on January 5, 1908. Descendants of the members of the congregation of 1908 will be taking part, thus linking the past with the present. They will share memories of the events surrounding the building of the new church that were passed on to them and consider how much Montreal and Unitarianism itself have changed since then.

Displays will feature pictures and documents from around 1908, as well as photographs of the previous churches.

Representatives of other denominations will participate in the service with the Rev. Charles Eddis, a Westmount resident. They include Rabbi Bernard Bloomstone of Temple Emanuel, Father MacBeath Brown of the Canadian Center for Ecumenism, and Saroj Gupta, a Hindu representative.

The year 1982 also marked the 150th anniversary of the Unitarian presence in Montreal. The first Unitarian society in Canada was established here in 1832.

Everyone is welcome at the anniversary service at 11 am Sunday. The Unitarian Church is located on Sherbrooke street west at Simpson street. For more information phone 935-1522.

ject to develop special education programs for children with behavioral problems.

He replaced D'Arcy Coulson when the latter became director general of Ville Marie. His main interest here was school social services. He worked in that area at the Montreal Catholic School Commission.

Born in Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, Mr. Taylor emigrated to Canada in 1956. He got his MSW at McGill University school of social work.

Al Eisenring, director of regional resource development division at Ville Marie, paid tribute to Mr. Taylor. "He was the kindest, nicest man you ever want to meet and he was truly concerned about people."

Name omitted

The name of Police Cst. Leopold Miller was inadvertently omitted from the group picture of those honored by the City of Westmount at the annual Quarter Century Club banquet which took place Dec. 16 at Victoria Hall. THE EXAMINER regrets the error.

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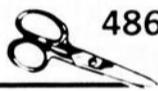
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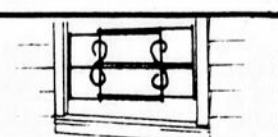
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Three hurt in traffic accidents

Three traffic accidents in Westmount sent three injured persons to hospital just before Christmas, according to police.

One of the victims was a pedestrian crossing Sherbrooke street near Claremont avenue, the other two were drivers of cars.

The pedestrian, a 63-year-old Montreal man, was taken to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Dec. 21 after he was struck by a car when he was crossing to the south side of Sherbrooke about 9 pm.

He was knocked to the street by an orange Volkswagen heading east. Police said the driver of the car reported he had crossed through the intersection on the green light.

It was not known how badly the man had been injured.

Struck in rear

Another accident victim, a woman, was taken to the Reddy Memorial Hospital the next day when the car she was driving was struck in the rear while stopped at a red light on Sherbrooke street at Grosvenor avenue.

The accident took place just west of the intersection when the woman's Honda was hit by a GMC truck.

The victim was a resident of St. Laurent.

The third accident took place on The Boulevard just east of Belvedere road later that day.

The injured man was a 54-year-old Montreal resident who was driving west along The Boulevard when he collided with another car heading east.

PSU man frees tot trapped in locked car

A member of the Public Security Unit came to the help of a mother in distress Tuesday after she had inadvertently locked her car keys inside the vehicle, trapping a two-year-old child strapped into a safety seat.

The problem was first spotted by D'Arcy Coulson, former director-general of Ville Marie Social Services who is now Alberta's deputy minister of social affairs.

Mr. Coulson was in Westmount and on his way to lunch with Ald. Brian Gallery when he found the woman on Sherbrooke street near Melville avenue about 11:40 am.

He brought help from parking inspector Steven Manktelow who managed to get the car open with a coat hanger the woman had obtained.

On congratulating the man for doing the job, Mr. Coulson was told by the parking inspector that "one of the most satisfying aspects of my job is when I can help our citizens in trouble."

The story was related to THE EXAMINER by Ald. Gallery who said the city employee was to be thanked for his efforts and courtesy.

Only tender

Westmount will buy one rebuilt, heavy-duty diesel motor, two cylinder heads and a compressor from Dieselrama Inc. after the purchase was approved by city council Monday evening at its first statutory meeting of 1983. Dieselrama's tender, in the amount of \$9,335.26 including nine percent provincial sales tax, was the only one submitted.

Hockey leagues resume play after holidays

By GARY ROUSE

With the holiday season over for yet another year, most of us are forced back into our daily routines and the Westmount hockey program is no exception as players of all ages return to the rink sometime this week.

The Senior league is the only league to resume official play this week, while the other leagues enjoy a week of practices.

For all those interested in attending any of the Senior games, there are two matches played every Tuesday and Thursday evening at 8:30 pm and 9:30 pm in the artificial ice rink (located immediately south of the pool).

This evening the line-up will include the Flames taking on the Bruins at 8:30 and the Wanderers against the Sabres at 9:30 pm. It promises to be very entertaining hockey.

Back to fundamentals

The other leagues will spend the week getting back to the fundamentals that may have slipped away over the holidays. Coaches will enjoy the time to try and prepare their teams for the long grind between now and when playoff time rolls around in March.

Some players will not be as rusty as one might expect over the holidays, as many eager skaters from all leagues took advantage of ice time for general hockey.

From the beginning of the holidays right up to the end, there was time available to every age group at different times every day. It was not only the youngsters who were taking advantage of the program, as the

City planning pension change

Westmount city council intends to consider a by-law amending the city's employee pension plan at a future meeting. Ald. André Gervais gave notice of the motion at council's statutory meeting for January, Monday evening.

Changes to the plan have become necessary since provincial laws no longer require an employee to retire at age 65.

The amendments to be considered provide a number of alternatives, regarding pensions, for city employees who continue working after their 65th birthday.

adult time slot drew a large number of participants continuously.

There was also a specific time allotted to fathers to go out and play with their sons. This went over very well, as there was a pretty generous turnout of dads trying to teach their kids some of the basics.

For so many Westmount residents the holiday season was a time for enjoying the sport which Canadians made famous, a time for improving their skills, but mainly a time for having fun on the ice with family and friends.

After all, isn't that what the holiday season is all about?

Oliver elected again as trustee of city library

Elspeth Oliver, 365 Redfern avenue, was elected by acclamation Monday to a second three-year term as a trustee of Westmount Public Library.

Mrs. Oliver looks forward to resuming her place on the library committee with W. Herbert Moore, Madeleine Cantin-Cumyn, Aldermen Muriel Kaplan, JoAnn Issenman and David Carruthers, and Mayor Donald MacCallum.

Peter Patenaude, city clerk and returning officer, reported the results of the election to city council Monday night. Ald. Kaplan acknowledged Mrs. Oliver as a "very valuable member of the committee."

Mrs. Oliver sees the committee as "a sounding board" for both the library and the community it serves. Reviewing the budget, consulting with the library staff and working out associated problems are among the tasks undertaken by committee members.

Trustees are elected for three-year terms, staggered so as to have a new trustee elected each year.

Mrs. Oliver, a graduate of McGill University in arts and library science, says her interest in serving on the board is prompted by "a great feeling" she has for libraries.

She is the mother of several avid library users.

Skate date Jan. 29

The annual Scouting skate-a-thon in Westmount will take place Jan. 29 at the arena in aid of the Telethon for support of medical research at the Montreal Children's and Ste. Justine hospitals.

Last year a record amount of more than \$11,000 was raised by some 218 Westmount skaters.

"We're hoping even more skaters will participate in this year's event," said Sharon Dauphinée, 3789 The Boulevard, organizer of the event.

Pledge cards will be distributed this week at meetings of Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Venturers.

Parents will be asked to volunteer as checkers and helpers at the rink during the event.

Coats stolen

Two coats were reported stolen from a waiting room at the Reddy Memorial Hospital Sunday, police said. One belonged to a doctor, the other to a visitor. One, a beige sheepskin jacket, was valued at \$200; the other, a beige full-length coat, at \$160.



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The PSBGM is looking for people who are willing to accept such students into their places of work or to come to the students' own workplace, the school, people who would take responsibility for developing a worthwhile set of activities over the period of mentorship.

Mentors and students who have experience with the program have expressed great satisfaction with it. The PSBGM hopes to increase the number of mentors so that more children can participate.

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Woman trips

Police took a 58-year-old woman to hospital Tuesday last week after she tripped on the sidewalk at Metcalfe and Springfield avenues, cutting her chin. The woman had been running to catch a bus on Sherbrooke street about 11:30 am when she fell, police said. She was taken to the Reddy Memorial Hospital by patrol car 23-4.

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Rotarian pinch hitter talks about... pinch-hitting

A pinch-hitter came to bat at the regular weekly luncheon meeting of the Rotary Club of Westmount Dec. 22 in Victoria Hall.

Stuart Richardson has been a frequent guest at Rotary luncheons, often standing in for other speakers who cancel at the last minute. Mr. Richardson chose that subject, pinch-hitting, for his address to the club.

Mr. Richardson first appeared at the Westmount Rotary in 1942 to discuss war bond sales. Since then, he has spoken approximately 250 times at Rotary clubs from



Stuart Richardson

Few incidents mar holiday season here

The holiday season passed quietly in Westmount again this year with few incidents reported by police or fire crews over the Christmas and New Year's weekends.

The new year came in with one break and entry (see separate story) on the police blotter in Westmount, but firefighters went through the entire day without a call.

The fire apparatus was called out four times on Christmas Day. All alarms proved to be unnecessary except for an ambulance call.

The only Westmount items recorded on the police blotter Dec. 25 involved break-ins to cars parked in the basement garages of two apartment buildings.

Fifteen cars were entered at 220 Olivier avenue and three at 4250 Sherbrooke street.

Police said nothing to date had been reported stolen from the vehicles and damage was limited to smashed door locks.

The Public Security Unit reported patrolling the streets and parks but finding the community relatively quiet, except for a couple of noise complaints.

St. John's, Nfld., to Victoria, B.C. Now a resident of Manoir Westmount, Mr. Richardson came to Canada in 1928 from England. He worked with Northern Telecom and other companies before his retirement.

Mr. Richardson lived in the Town of Mount Royal for 22 years and still contributes poetry to *The Weekly Post*, (sister paper of THE WESTMOUNT EXAMINER) as he has for nearly 13 years. Approximately 650 of his poems have appeared in *The Post*.

Frank Kenwood introduced Mr. Richardson, joking that "no speaker ever had a shorter distance to travel to Victoria Hall."

The speaker was thanked by Rotarian Eugene Zinay at the meeting chaired by Rotary president Raymond Vallières. A Rotarian visiting from Sacramento, Calif., was present as were special guests James Donald and W. Redfern, friends of Mr. Richardson and fellow Manoir residents.

In other Rotary business, the report of the nominating committee for the election of members to the board of directors was received and approved unanimously. On July 1, Real Daigneault, Bonar Hodgson, Richard Pemberton-Smith, Douglas Whiting and Eugene Zinay will begin two-year terms.

Bellevue seen as 'race track'

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Residents of Bellevue avenue are concerned not only about their skyrocketing taxes, but also about dangerous traffic which they claim uses the hairpin turns in their street like a Grand Prix race track.

The matter was brought up Monday night at the city council meeting by one citizen who said the residents had complained previously about the traffic problem.

The particular configuration of the property belonging to Dr. Frances Prissick, "a slope of rock triangle" she called it, lent itself to all sorts of problems.

It was difficult to back out of the garage, which had to be built when the city instituted no parking on the street.

The no-parking sign already had been destroyed by one traffic accident, she said, and there was no place to put a sign, anyway.

"We're at the other end of the hairpin turn," interjected John Newman. "We've had our lamp standard wiped out twice."

Drawing attention

Drawing the council's attention to her property, Dr. Prissick, a retired physician, told the meeting to everyone's enjoyment how the land had been bought by her father in 1911 and the house built when it was country land.

The city used some of the land to build sidewalks and then two retaining walls, she continued.

"In 1971 a tar boiler smashed into my house and destroyed in the process the only no-parking sign,

Court cases up, fines \$989,785

The number of cases prepared for Westmount Municipal Court increased 100 percent to the end of November 1982 over the same 11 months in 1981, city officials report.

The net revenue from fines amounted to \$989,785, an increase of \$231,200 over the year before.

The total of 32,842 cases prepared for court compared with 16,404 the year before.

There were 5,146 summonses issued in November alone, reflecting a "concerted effort" to catch up on a backlog which had accumulated from early in the year, officials explained.

Revenue from parking lots and meters reached \$16,750 for the month of November, bringing the total for the year to \$143,000, some \$44,000 more than in the 11 months of 1981.

TAXES...

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He addressed the council. He was accompanied by two neighbors also hit by increases of more than 40 percent, one of them Graham Pugh who had asked the

justice to her story. "I hope they don't," she retorted, to much laughter. "I don't really want the parking sign back."

A resident later told THE EXAMINER the traffic on Bellevue treated the winding road like a "Grand Prix race track."

Smiling Gervais offered tax complaint job by citizen

Westmount resident John Newman asked Alderman Andre Gervais in city council Monday evening if he could act as a lawyer on behalf of the hard-hit residents of Bellevue avenue in their efforts to appeal their valuation assessments.

The request came after Mayor Donald MacCallum had told Mr. Newman the city had done all it could to bring the valuation situation to the attention of the MUC assessors.

There was only one route left, His Worship told Mr. Newman.

council at previous meetings to help.

"Some people on fixed incomes and good citizens are going to be hard-pressed. It's disastrous," Mr. Newman said. "We feel it's unfair and unjust. They're your citizens."

He'd lived in Westmount since 1928, but never before had gone before the council, he said, adding that he did not blame the council but wanted to know what help they could provide.

Frances Prissick, his neighbor and retired physician, rose to explain her plight as a pensioner whose house had been in the family since 1911.

Her tax had doubled, she said, and she wanted to know what formula was being used in order to plan for the future.

Mayor MacCallum said increases of 10 percent might be expected, but there was no way of foreseeing what hikes residents could face another year.

Peter Trent, a vice-president of the WMA, asked about the property improvement tax credit of 5 percent the city planned to rebate from the 1982 surplus.

"It's peanuts," he said, suggesting it could have been a higher percent.

Graham Pugh, 14 Bellevue, said assessors at the MUC valuation department "indicated to me that they judged a book by its cover" by driving around looking at houses from the outside.

'Push MUC'

"I can't consider that a system," he said, adding that he felt Westmount could "push the MUC" more.

Andy Anson, 696 Victoria avenue, said his taxes had gone up 30 percent and he would rather cut the budget and pay for the services his family used such as ballet or skating.

Ald. Brian Gallery told him the concept of user-pay involved an

entirely different philosophy. One of the reasons people chose to live in Westmount was because the services were "free."

Mr. Anson also questioned the 1983 municipal budget regarding the Public Security Unit and employee benefits. "It's obviously very expensive to have employees," he remarked.

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The concern over the taxes was almost summed up by the question asked by one of two young boys who sat through the meeting, then asked:

"Everybody's talking about taxes going up. Will they ever go down?"

The mayor replied that by the time the young citizen would be paying taxes, he'd probably be able to pay them.

That was for citizens to contest their valuations individually.

"If all of us join forces then one attorney could act for us?" Mr. Newman suggested.

Would it be a conflict of interest for Mr. Gervais to undertake the job, he wondered or, failing him, someone in his law firm "especially since it's your citizens involved?"

The alderman said he didn't know about the conflict of interest.

There certainly would be someone in his law firm who could do it, however, he agreed, smiling.

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Services held for Bernard, ex-police chief

Funeral services were held on Wednesday last week for Jean Bernard, who served as Westmount's MUC police director at station 23 from 1976 to 1978.

The former chief died suddenly Christmas Day at the age of 59.

He had retired in 1979 from the MUC force after 32 years' service.

He is survived by his wife, Fernande Nelson, and five grown children: Marc, Ginette, Louise, Sylvie and Jacques.

Mrs. Bernard told THE EXAMINER that her husband had enjoyed his years at the Westmount station.

"It was hard for him at first," she said. "So much was in English. But when he left, he felt he had been well accepted."

'Père Bernard'

The jovial inspector was highly regarded among policemen in Montreal who reportedly dubbed him "Père Bernard."

He was born March 4, 1923 in St. Liboire, in the Eastern Townships.

He joined the Montreal police department in 1946 and was a sergeant in the auto patrol, supervising the famed Montreal "flying squad" in 1956.

As a lieutenant, he became the first Montreal officer to graduate from the Canadian Police College in Regina and later helped found the Montreal Police Academy.

He was commanding officer of Montreal stations in Lafontaine Park and Man and His World as well as Montreal North.

"I'm tired of moving," he told THE EXAMINER soon after his arrival here. "I want to do my best wherever I am."

A picture of Mr. Bernard appears in the current issue of the *La Flute*, the MUC police magazine, reading the Nov. 11 Remembrance Day service in the hall of the War Veterans' Association of which he was a director.

He was an RCAF ground crew airman during the Second World War and maintained an active interest in the War Vets group.

He also was president of the Optimist Club of Plateau Mont Royal and a member of St. Jean Berchman Church.

He was well-known among his colleagues for his skill at brick-laying and stonework.

After integration

The former police director was the first Montreal policeman to head the Westmount station after MUC integration.

He replaced Director Sidney Ashford who was transferred out of Westmount but has since returned to head the city's Public Security Unit.

Director Bernard came to Westmount as inspector from station 16, now station 33, at Lafontaine Park and it was during his tenure here that the titles were changed to director.

He left the local station in 1978

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Jean Bernard

We've had a lot less snow so far, but also less sun

Here's another weather statistic from Westmount's city hall:

November in Westmount may have been warmer and less wintery than usual, but it was paid for by a loss of sunlight — apparently not merely a phenomenon of shorter days.

The city had only 4.6 cm of snow during the month, compared with a 30-year average of 21.2 cm.

Proof of the pudding comes from the city departments of public works and light and power.

They report that the average hours of street lighting per day in November were 7 percent higher than in the same month of the preceding year.

The slight snowfall eliminated the need for using rented snow trucks.

Despite the mild weather, however, 353 metric tons of salt and 160 metric tons of sand were

Cash found by resident

Lost some money just before the holidays? It's "finders' keepers" unless you can identify the amount and the location, police say.

An undisclosed amount of cash was found by a local resident Dec. 22 in the eastern area of Westmount.

The finder turned it over to police who report it will be his if the owner cannot be found.

and was replaced by Dir. Gabriel Ayotte. Mr. Bernard subsequently served in Pointe-aux-Trembles before retiring.

During his career he was actively involved in the training of recruits for the police school at Nicolet.

Items stolen from Camaro

Items valued at \$500 were reported stolen from a black Camaro parked outside 225 Olivier avenue Monday last week, police said.

The car, which had Ontario license plates and belonged to a West Island resident, was broken into by opening the door lock through the window.

The missing articles included 16 four-track cassettes, an aluminum tennis racquet and a leather attaché case.

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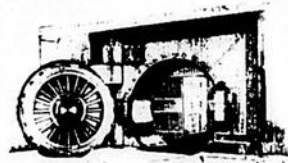
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Keys found

A set of 10 keys was found by a resident of Forde avenue walking in King George Park at noon on Boxing Day, police said. The keys were taken to local MUC station 23.

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