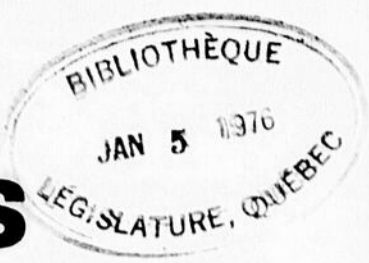


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MUC LEVY UP 36 PERCENT, NOW EXCEEDS LOCAL TAXES WHICH UP ONLY 10 PERCENT

THE WESTMOUNT *Examiner*

Making not just your house but all of Westmount your home

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FORTY YEARS RECOGNIZED: This fine painting was presented at the city's Quarter Century Club 32nd annual banquet in Victoria Hall last Thursday night to **Ronald B. Seaman**, right, upon completion of 40 years' service to the city. City clerk since succeeding A. W. D. Swan in 1964, Mr. Seaman's first job with the municipal corporation in 1935 was reading meters for the electricity department. **Mayor Donald C. MacCallum**, left, made the presentation. Fire Platoon Chief H. McCoo, Captain of Fire R. L. Morris and Police Sergeant D. Campeau received 30-year awards. Eleven city staff members joined the 25-year club, as reported in last week's Examiner.

\$7,000 heist

Two well-dressed young men bared a gun at a man walking with his wife through the second-level parking lot at Alexis Nihon Plaza at 10:08 pm Friday, demanding the money bag he was carrying. They also asked for and received the woman's purse, bringing the total of the armed robbery to \$7,000. The 61-year-old victim tried resisting before handing over the bag, suffering head wounds which were later treated at hospital.

Purse snatchers rampant

Purse snatchers were running rampant through Westmount streets, mostly in the eastern part of the city, during the past week, terrorizing seven victims but succeeding in stealing only three purses. The first attempt came at 9:10 pm last Thursday, outside 321 Claremont avenue, when a 75-year-old woman was approached by a youth who tried to grab her purse but was quickly scared off by a couple getting into their auto. Next day, a young lady walking down the steps between Mt. Pleasant avenue and St. Sulpice road was accosted by two male youths who tried to grab her purse. She held tight, though they knocked her down in their vain attempt. She was not hurt. The three successful snatches Continued on page two

Westmount Property Rates			
(per \$100 of valuation)			
	1975	1976	
For MUC purposes	\$1.19	\$1.21	
For local purposes	1.29	1.07	
	\$2.48	\$2.28	
Plus, if applicable, MUC tax on valuations over \$100,000			
		.60	.60
Interest on overdue tax bills: 12%			
See page six for further budget details			

Westmount ratepayers will pay more tax for Montreal Urban Community purposes than they will to support their own local city government, Ald. Alwyn Lloyd revealed Monday evening.

And the sum demanded by the MUC has risen so much that there will be an actual increase in the tax rate for MUC purposes, alongside the sharp increase in city valuations.

There is an effective increase of 10 percent in the local taxes, the finance commissioner noted, despite a surplus budget during 1975; the need for additional funds has been met by levying an assessment of \$1.07 per \$100 valuation for municipal purposes, down from the \$1.29 rate of last year but applied to a grossly-boosted valuation roll.

Westmount must pay some \$5,838,500 to the MUC in the coming year, some 85 percent of this collected off a \$1.21-per-\$100-valuation levy, up from \$1.19 during 1975. The other 15 percent will come from the 60-cent surtax on individual valuations exceeding \$100,000, a rate which remains unchanged. During 1975, Westmount paid out some \$4,327,878 to the MUC. Continued on page two

Buses kill two women at corners

Black Thursdays have struck Westmount for two consecutive weeks, as women were run over and killed by buses on the east and west ends of the city both last week and the week prior. Louise Jordan, 77, of 3111 St. Antoine street, was struck down by a turning bus at the corner of Atwater avenue and St. Antoine street last Thursday at 1:49 pm. The right rear wheel of the MUCTC vehicle ran over the woman as it was executing a right turn off Atwater onto St. Antoine. Miss Jordan died Continued on page two

For The Weather You Want
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By **ERIC NEAL**

December 20 to 27

Bright, sunny intervals and well below zero temperatures with snowflurries are likely to continue into the middle of this pleasant, although stormy week. Very cold northerly gale winds will bring mixed hail, freezing drizzle and blowing snow toward the end of the period. The average is 10 inches of snow, with more to come during the weekend. Windscreen icing, wind driven snow and icy roads will make for hazardous driving. Morning and evening fog probable. Weekend blizzard conditions are likely to last until Tuesday. A thaw for next week, with icestorms and fog would be normal for this late Easter season.

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'Gotcha!'

Some prankster let the air out of the tires of a car parked behind Weredale House, at 6 Weredale Park, between 4 and 9 pm last Wednesday. Owner of the auto found the word "gotcha!" scrawled on the windshield.

TODAY'S WORLD

"I've completed your will, Mr. Rumford, and I've taken the liberty of calling in another attorney to interpret what I've written."

Holiday arrangements

THE EXAMINER next week is to appear one day early to assure delivery before Christmas. Advertisers and contributors are asked, therefore, to note that deadline for all material—except late-breaking news—is 5 pm Monday, 24 hours earlier than usual. There will be no Examiner published New Year's week.

Purses . . .

Continued from page one

all came on Sunday, with victims describing their assailants in each case as two teenaged boys. At 6:50 pm, a 55-year-old woman was approached from behind as she walked near 4298 Dorchester boulevard. Two boys grabbed her

purse and ran off. Police discovered the purse later in front of 168 Hillside avenue, intact except that the \$40 cash it had contained was gone.

At 8:45 pm, a 70-year-old woman walking near Sherbrooke street and Mountain avenue saw one boy rushing past her, followed by another who quickly grabbed her handbag. Only \$3

cash was inside.

The same evening at 9:25, a 75-year-old woman went into the Warwick apartments, 331 Clarke avenue, where two boys grabbed her purse and ran outside, wealthier by \$4.

In a rather bizarre attempt on Monday at 8:32 pm, two young men drove by a woman near 327 Redfern avenue, stopped, turned around and drove back down the street. They parked alongside her; one man got out and tried to grab the purse, but failed. He got back in the car and they drove off.

Later that evening, at 9:20 pm, a woman crossing the street opposite 369 Elm avenue was approached by a young man who unsuccessfully tried to snatch her purse.

No such incidents were reported on Tuesday or yesterday.

Wrong turn

A wallet containing \$97 was lifted from an employee's purse at Jean Junction in Alexis Nihon Plaza between 2 and 6 pm Monday.

Budget . . .

Continued from page one

Ald. Lloyd pointed out that Westmount is paying a larger share of the overall MUC budget this year, including an increase in the city's share of the police and administration costs, raised from 2.53 percent to 2.85 percent of the island total.

(Of the nearly \$6 million Westmount exactment, some \$3,479,065 will go to pay police costs, compared with \$2,596,946 in the present year.)

Average increase in MUC levy for Westmount property owners is 36 percent.

Westmount's total municipal budget for 1976, excluding the MUC payments and schools taxes, is \$10,152,755, a sum which will be met in large part by other city revenues, including business and amusement taxes, fines and provincial compensation of a share of the sales tax.

Local costs up \$1.4 million

This represents an increase of some \$1,431,000 over the 1975 budget, according to Ald. Lloyd, who blamed the increase largely on increased salaries, wages and fringe benefits to city employees, as well as a general 14 percent increase in the cost of materials to Westmount. Another \$423,000 increase is the result of a debt to be paid on a municipal bond issue floated this fall.

The excess revenue ac-

Lots rejigged; McDonald's gets the green light

Lots were subdivided and redivided by motions of city council Monday night, allowing for construction of both a restaurant and a new wing on a single-family dwelling.

Council approved the subdivision of a lot at 4002 St. Catherine street west to allow for the construction of a McDonald's restaurant outlet at the corner of St. Catherine and Atwater avenue, where preliminary work has commenced. The subdivision will bring the proposed establishment into conformity with city plotting regulations.

Lots were redivided on Lansdowne avenue to allow construction of an extension to 501 Lansdowne, proposed by the owner of the building, Mrs. S. Jacques Guillon.

Both plans have been approved by the necessary official committees. Ald. Mel Nixon told council in asking for the changes.

accumulated during 1975 was attributed by Ald. Lloyd largely to increases in federal government and private-business compensation in lieu of taxes, interest on overdue taxes, a substantial increase in Quebec sales tax compensation and other provincial grants. Of the surplus, whose dollar figure he did not specify, some \$321,700 is being brought forward to defray costs during 1976.

Ald. Lloyd gave great credit to his predecessor, Leeds Nelson, in helping prepare the new budget which was presented only six weeks after the new city council—which includes five new aldermen—had been sworn into office. He said he had spent considerable time with city staff and his fellow commissioners preparing the 1976 budget, experience he considered quite pleasant when compared with the fact that he was forced to announce the increased budget and taxes.

Busses . . .

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several hours later at the Reddy Memorial Hospital.

Died instantly

Dorothy Leslie Fields, 50, of Notre Dame de Grace was run over by a bus pulling away on Sherbrooke street at the corner of Claremont avenue one week earlier, at 2:51 pm, and died almost instantly. Police did not report the incident until this week.

Miss Jordan apparently was preparing to cross from the north to south side of St. Antoine street, on the west side of the intersection, as the bus turned. Weather was clear and the streets dry, so it seems unlikely the woman slipped or the driver could not see her, though police reports do not indicate testimony of independent witnesses about these facts.

Police arrived quickly and transported the unconscious woman to hospital. When a further police check was made at 5 o'clock that evening, a team of doctors was still trying to revive her; she was pronounced dead later that evening.

A funeral service was held Monday morning.

Miss Jordan is survived by a sister, Mrs. Kathleen Reddick of Decarie Boulevard in N.D.G., and cousins in Montreal and New York.


Driver unaware

Miss Fields was crossing Sherbrooke street from south to north, on the west side of Claremont avenue, as a bus pulled away from the corner in less-than-perfect weather. The victim reportedly slipped beneath the bus, whose rear wheel passed over her. The bus driver was unaware what had happened until someone stopped him.

Police arrived at the scene and found no pulse coming from the victim. She was pronounced dead on arrival at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital.

Miss Fields is a native of Barbados, but has a sister living in Montreal whom police eventually located.

In both cases local officials are withholding the names of the bus drivers pending coroner's inquests, which may not take place for some while.



City of Westmount
GARBAGE COLLECTION

Householders are notified that there will be no garbage collection on December 25th and January 1st, 1976.

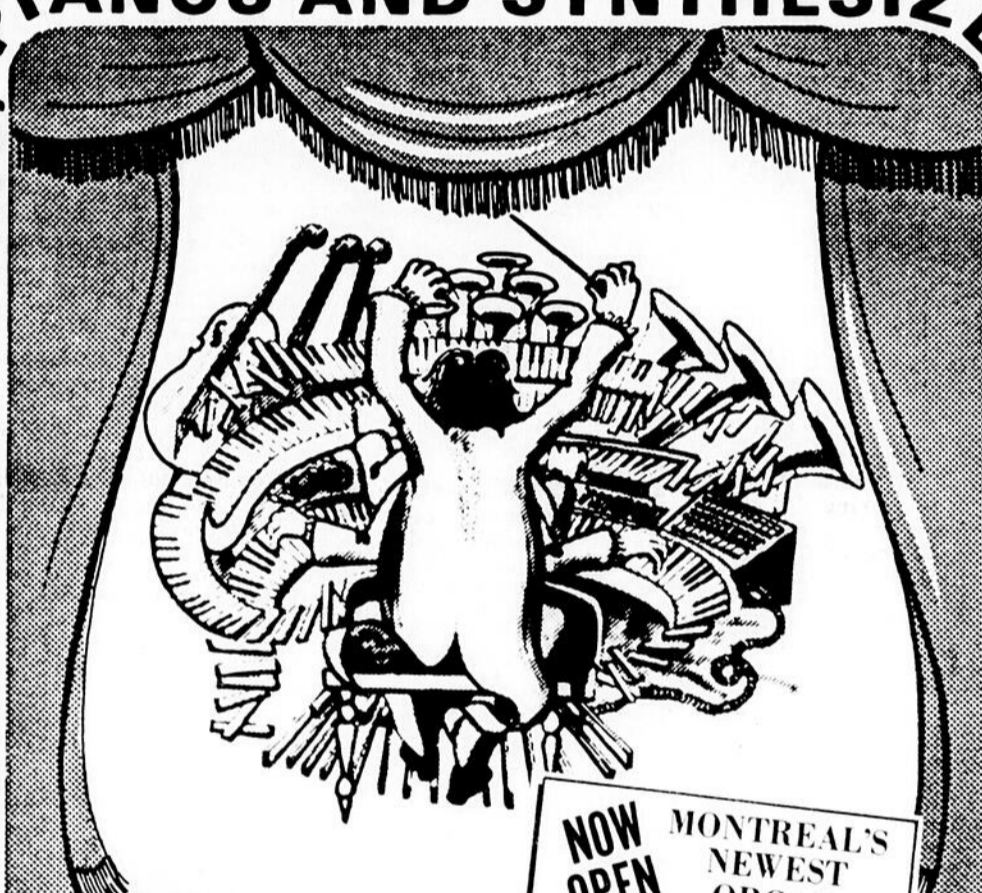
Garbage normally collected on those days will be picked up on the previous days, December 24th and December 31st.

Those areas in which the collection is made on Friday will be picked up on that day.

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The following calls were answered by the Westmount Fire Brigade during the past week.

Dec. 9

- 2:55 pm: 576 Lansdowne, defective oil furnace;
- 5:27 pm: Mountain and Sherbrooke, sick woman transported to MGH;
- 7:45 pm: 4800 de Maisonneuve, youth transported to MGH;
- 8:27 pm: Wood and Sherbrooke, ambulance call;
- 10:50 pm: 42 Anwoth, burst water pipe;

Dec. 10

- 3:33 am: Victoria and Sherbrooke, false alarm;
- 9:52 am: 365 Metcalfe, woman transported to MGH;
- 12:19 pm: 450 Kensington, internal alarm ringing;
- 3:30 pm: 4891 Sherbrooke, strange odor;
- 3:30 pm: 4998 de Maisonneuve, ambulance call;
- 4:24 pm: 245 Victoria, false alarm;
- 6:47 pm: 18 Weredale, apt. 1, sick man transported to RMH;
- 8:53 pm: opposite 4124 St. Catherine, auto leaking gasoline;
- 9:20 pm: 59 Thornhill, injured woman transported to MGH;

Dec. 11

- 11:04 am: 338 Metcalfe, ambulance call;
- 1:06 pm: 4800 de Maisonneuve, internal alarm ringing;
- 1:50 pm: 4334 Montrose, service call;
- 2:00 pm: 1 Westmount Square, woman transported to MGH;
- 6:43 pm: 446 Prince Albert, defective oil burner;
- 7:38 pm: 513 Claremont, smoke in house from fireplace;
- 11:34 pm: 438 Mt. Stephen,

de Maisonneuve to remain shut well into spring

De Maisonneuve boulevard, closed through Westmount Park for one extra month by motion of city council last Wednesday, had that closure extended for three additional months by enactment of a city by-law on Monday evening.

The two resolutions, joined together, will give council time to study reports released to the aldermen Monday evening involving the effect of the initial six-month closing.

The street was closed for one month at the last meeting, Ald. J. L. Thom has explained, since that is the maximum time permitted by a simple resolution of council without enactment of a by-law. The by-law must be approved by the Quebec Municipal Commission, a process which may take until late in January. Without the resolution and notice of motion at the last meeting, then the approval of the by-law on Monday, Westmount might have been forced to re-open the street for a few weeks while awaiting Quebec approval to extend the closure.

Ald. Thom pointed out that results of the six-month experimental closure, which would lapse this month, was affected by the fact that de Maisonneuve was closed at Wood avenue for some of that time. The city studies could not be conclusive until after the re-opening at Wood and normal traffic patterns resumed.

In announcing that studies were now complete, Mayor Donald MacCallum answered queries from some citizens by saying council wanted time to look over the reports before releasing them for public scrutiny. Richard Gaunt, 549 Roslyn avenue, specially wanted the reports for examination by the Cote St. Antoine Road Citizens' Association, which is concerned over the speeding traffic on that thoroughfare.

delayed ignition in oil furnace;

Dec. 12

- 6:35 pm: 24 Winchester, defective electric wiring;

Dec. 13

- 2:05 pm: Westmount station parking lot, fire in construction office trailer (see story);

Dec. 14

- 1:00 am: 3055 Sherbrooke, defective oil burner;
- 8:56 am: 4115 Sherbrooke, defective oil furnace;
- 3:25 pm: Alexis Nihon Plaza loading platform, fire in rubbish (arson suspected);
- 4:00 pm: 59 Thornhill, flood in garage;
- 4:04 pm: Prince Albert and de Maisonneuve, smoke scare;

Dec. 15

- 8:31 am: 4311 de Maisonneuve, ambulance call, transport to RMH;
- 1:01 pm: corner Melville and Academy, false alarm.

Christmas reading warning

If you want to get out a book to curl up with over Christmas, better hurry.

Westmount Public Library is closing up at 1 pm next Wednesday until Saturday.

The same closing will occur at New Year's.

10 calls in week for ambulance, proving worth

Westmount's new ambulance specially proved its worth during the past week by answering 10 calls, in most cases transporting sick or injured citizens to hospital.

Most serious incident was at 8:30 Monday morning, when the caretaker of St. Leo's Church, apparently suffering from a heart condition, collapsed. Police, responding in the first instance, notified Westmount's combined police fire station. The ambulance was dispatched immediately.

The responding paramedic-firemen administered oxygen to the victim, quickly stabilized him and transported him to the Reddy Memorial Hospital, where staff had been alerted for his arrival and were ready to care for him immediately.

The man had regained some capacity by the time he arrived at hospital, thanks mainly to the quick work of all concerned.

'Dogs' rights' citizens fill council hall

Citizens favoring city action respecting the rights of dogs in Westmount tried using numbers, rather than words, at Monday night's city council meeting to convince council that present regulations are adequate.

Of some 37 Westmounters who turned out to witness the council meeting, most, apparently, had come to lobby for their canine friends, though only four spoke. Notably absent were other citizens who have spoken publicly for tighter control of dogs and irresponsible owners, including Mrs. Glenda Scott who has been leading the dog-control campaign since April.

Mayor Donald MacCallum, suggesting that council will be taking decisions on the issue within the next six weeks, urged the "dog rights" lobby to send letters to council so they would be on record when debate began.

"Please do it in writing," the mayor stressed, "and do it quickly."

Answering a query from Douglas Mitchell, 4445 de Maisonneuve boulevard west, Mayor MacCallum said council took "a reasonable position last summer," in his view, but that representations since then had convinced him a fresh look was

Dawson smash

The glass in two doors of third-floor offices at Dawson College was smashed with a fire extinguisher, police learned last Wednesday at 11 pm. It was not immediately determined whether anything had been stolen from the offices.

CITY OF WESTMOUNT
**What's
doing**
ON THIS SITE

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

Dec. 11

- 612 Grosvenor: for Mrs. L. Blanshay by self and J. C. Lauzon Ltee., alterations for master bedroom, \$900;
- 44 Windsor: for M. G. Bradley by Mrazik Construction, alterations in basement, \$1,500;

Dec. 12

- 5025 Sherbrooke: for Westmount Medical Building by selves, alterations for storage in garage, \$1,200;
- 372 Clarke: for Dr. C. H. Houde by Lewis Conway Ltd., new water entrance, \$300;
- 29 Edgehill: for Dr. G. Subak by self, to construct a one-family dwelling, \$50,000;
- 12 Windsor: for P. Peterson by Clos O Mat Inc., to install three new fixtures.

needed at regulations now on the books.

Mrs. Beryl Parker, 19 Thornhill avenue, wondered whether a city-wide referendum might be the best answer. Such a referendum several years ago, answered the mayor, had resulted in an even, 50-50 split between two factions, and he felt similar results could occur this time.

Also heard from during the evening were a Mrs. Coristine from Argyle avenue and a Mr. Armstrong from Melville avenue.

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We Say

Our city, the MUC ... and Quebec

SECOND only to the receipt of your tax bill, the passing of the municipal budget is, whatever your interest in city affairs throughout the year, to come in hard personal terms face to face with the price of community living.

There still are some Westmounters, but we'll wager they are getting ever fewer, who have a ho-hum attitude toward local government. Traditionally, Westmount city hall has worked in a virtual vacuum of citizen interest. A public spirited and

usually expert city council, even though largely acclaimed to office, and a dedicated city staff, together pulled the right levers, providing a well-run city at reasonable cost for the higher-than-usual standard of services demanded by and delivered to the citizens.

Comforts, conveniences and safety at a fair price were provided, and most everyone was happy.

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Well done, Ron Seaman

HEADING the list of all those loyal City of Westmount employees honored at the Quarter Century Club banquet at Victoria Hall last Wednesday evening was the No. 2 ranking public servant in our community.

Mr. Ronald Seaman, Westmount city clerk and, as well, a local resident, was recognized by the mayor, aldermen and his fellow city employees upon completion of 40 years' faithful and valuable duty to the community.

It would be futile to say, in this instance, that 40 years is a long time out of anyone's life. Futile, because we don't believe Mr. Seaman would see it that way.

It is more likely that the man with the multi-faceted responsibilities at city hall would acknowledge that the City of Westmount has been, next to his family and his personal interests, his life—not "out" of it but put in, in a meaningful and valuable way.

The fine painting presented to Mr. Seaman last week is only a symbol of esteem and appreciation for his extended and devoted attention, not only to the mere duties of his present office and the many others he has held earlier, but to all the fellow citizens who over the years have had the pleasure of contacting and doing business with him.

It is Westmount's custom to hang on to valuable senior officers on its staff as long as possible.

Mr. Seaman may be excused if he sometimes thinks ahead to his well-earned retirement. However, all of us may hope that he will continue for a good many years to fill, so adequately, the responsibilities of his important office. Meanwhile, all of Westmount will offer congratulations to Mr. Ronald Seaman on the attainment of four decades with his one and many employers—all of us who reside or work here and have had it made more pleasurable by him.

Well done, Ron.

HOW that has changed!

The interference of the provincial government in local autonomy and determination has brought about what Finance Commissioner Lloyd Monday night called "the ogre," the Montreal Urban Community.

Only a year ago his predecessor, Ald. Nelson, found it "shocking" that the levy on Westmount taxpayers for MUC purposes was exacting for its own direct requirements.

Ald. Lloyd used no adjectives—perhaps he is rather more restrained, being new to office—but the hard facts in his maiden budget speech spoke eloquently enough. The city's own taxes have gone up 10 percent, rather modest considering general inflation.

But the MUC tax bill for the average Westmount ratepayer is up 36 percent. In both cases, wages and salaries are the principal factor.

Apologists for the MUC, if there are any, must reach only one conclusion: that Westmount's administration has been exercising admirable restraint in difficult times while the MUC continues to run wild.

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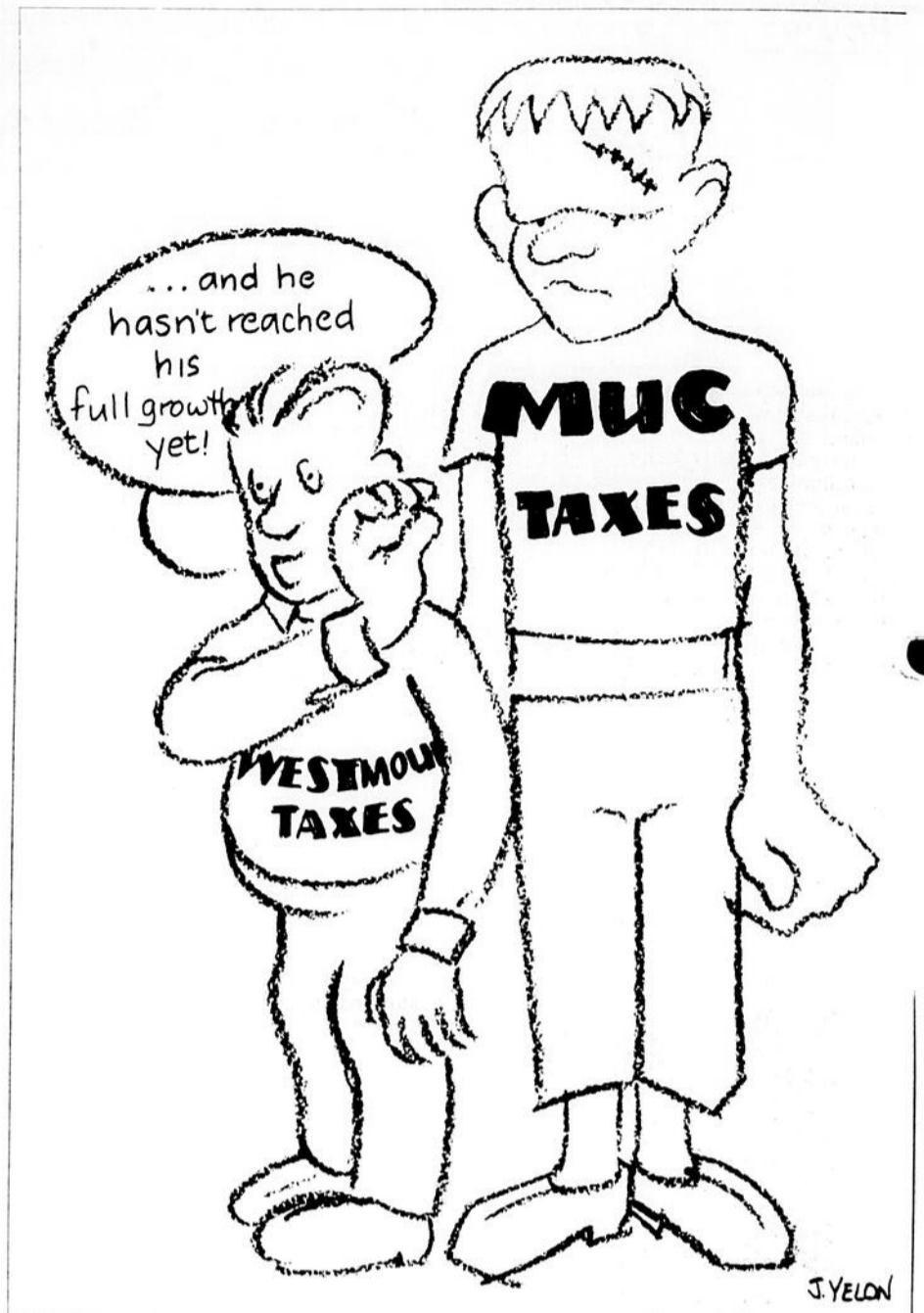
WE have responsible local Westmount government.

But there is little input from the governed and taxed into the running of the MUC, thanks to provincial law, while the provincial government itself makes not even a token attempt to substitute its authority.

With the 1976 valuation roll of the island community up more than two-thirds, it was to be expected that there would be a substantial decrease in the tax rates to cover inevitable inflationary growth of spending needs. This was the case with Westmount, down to \$1.07 per \$100 from the \$1.29 of 1975 and 1974.

But the MUC levy represents sheer profligacy. It is actually up two cents from last year, to \$1.19.

Thus, Westmounters now are paying
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You Say

Park parents plead teachers' cause

Sir: A substantial group of parents of Westmount Park School have heard conscientious submissions presented to them by a delegation of teachers from our children's school.

As a result, the parent committee of this school is in sympathy with many of the teachers' requests to the government and feel the parent body in Westmount owes the teacher a fair hearing.

We therefore request that you interview the teachers of Westmount's public schools, giving them an opportunity to present their case to the public.

For your information we are also including a copy of a letter which we sent to the parents of our school after our meetings.

The School Committee Home & School Association

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Westmount Park School

Text of letter to parents follows:

This week both the home and school association and school committee met with over half of the teachers of this school for a presentation about the current government-teacher contract negotiations. The teachers are appealing to parents to inform ourselves on the present situation for teachers in the province.

The teachers' demands to the government fall into two categories: Workload and Salary.

I. Workload:

Class sizes: The teachers request 20-24 children per teacher rather than the present 30-38. With the present system, little provision is made for the many children who need special attention and,

with classes of approximately 35 children, teachers feel it is impossible to do their job adequately.

This must be corrected by lowering the pupil-teacher ratio or by putting specialists (French, art, music, gym) outside the pupil-teacher ratio and by including more psychologists, guidance counsellors, etc., within each school to help teachers with special cases.

Hours: Although the public assumes teacher hours are 8:30 am to 3:00 pm the teachers explained that with the present large classes, many hours must be used during evenings and weekends for marking papers, preparing lessons and researching subjects such as science and social studies. The teachers are therefore seeking a reduced teaching-time load.

II Salary:

At present, a high school or elementary teacher with a university degree starts at a salary of approximately \$8,000. After 15 years of teaching this reaches approximately \$13,000. These rates are lower than any province in Canada.

The teachers at Westmount Park School do not want to bring the children into their situation and voted overwhelmingly against the study-session tactics. However, the majority of the union favored this pressure, so our teachers have no choice if told to hold study sessions. Instead, however, Westmount Park teachers ask parents to help them win public opinion by writing to the newspapers, requesting information by radio and by generally talking to individual citizens and to groups.

Parents at both meetings were strongly in sympathy with the teachers. The school committee plans to contact other schools in our district to ask for parental support.

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David Carruthers is alderman first, 'looking after interests of city'

By ANDY DODGE

David Carruthers is an alderman first, a commissioner second, on the new Westmount city council.

His job as commissioner of power and communications, he says, is "an element of decorum," considering that he is in charge of a well-run city department which demands little in terms of policy considerations or public debate, the normal responsibility of departmental commissioners.

As an alderman and public spokesman, however, Ald. Carruthers considers he will be responsible for "looking after the interests of the city" in whatever way he can, a duty he does not take lightly.

"I've got a city-wide responsibility to comment on what everybody else is doing," he claims, adding: "My own personal past and experience has been

pretty much linked with Ward 3," where most public concern has been expressed.

"I know nothing about electricity," Ald. Carruthers admits. "In fact, I'm deathly afraid of it."

(His own house, at 126 Clandeboye avenue, is wired for 110 volts only, and 60 amperes feed the residence, considered a bare minimum power load in this day and age.)

Examines relighting program

He will have some portfolio concerns, however, and already he has asked his department where the street-relighting program sits right now. The answer, he says, is that the work has been set aside while officials look at new street-lighting equipment, deciding how best to appease the public while installing adequate lighting around the city.

"There's nothing very civilized about that blue-green light," Mr. Carruthers says of the street lamps being installed by Westmount crews in the eastern portion of the city last year, until public pressure stopped them. "I'm very sympathetic to people who object to that."

Other responsibilities in his assigned field will include methods of shifting the power load to reduce maximum load factors, a project which will be undertaken by using publicity and public representation with companies and individuals, as well as new rates which were set out Monday evening by council—in his absence.

Ald. Carruthers takes no credit for changing a penalty-related power-by-law put forward soon after he was sworn into office (notice of motion for which is still pending), nor for upping power rates (see separate article), which are completely determined by the cost to the city of power purchased from Hydro-Quebec.

When Mayor Donald MacCallum chose him as commissioner of power and communications, Ald. Carruthers was somewhat down-hearted, having stepped into municipal politics from the chairmanship of the housing and zoning committee of the Westmount Municipal Association. He since has found, however, that all of his colleagues, including Planning and Redevelopment Commissioner Ald. Mel Nixon (his Ward 3 companion), offer him a high degree of co-operation.

Ward 3's distinct concerns

"I can get as much involved in anybody else's portfolio as I want," he claims. "There's a very high degree of understanding and acceptance that Ward 3 has very distinct problems and concerns."

Having entered the political field four years ago in a losing effort to get on city council, Mr. Carruthers was heavily involved in debates about such matters as establishment of Stayner Park, the effect of the Trans-Canada Highway (Ville Marie Expressway) extension in lower Westmount, residential properties on St. Antoine street and the urban renewal program in southern Westmount.

"Those battles have been won," Ald. Carruthers declares, admitting that his campaign this year was based mostly on his past record, more than on "battles" which have developed recently. "I don't



Ald. David Carruthers

sense a great deal of polarization on this council about planning and redevelopment. There are pretty clear limits on the number of offices we can have, and some scepticism about the tax benefits of high-rise buildings."

In the eastern part of the city, he feels everything should be done to retain the fabric along Dorchester boulevard, perhaps allowing some of the buildings to be remade as offices (the street is now zoned residential-only) in order to retain them as viable structures.

The moving of the Metro station to Marlowe avenue instead of at Claremont avenue, will, in his view, hurt the development of the western part of Westmount, specially Victoria avenue.

Ald. Carruthers admits he has not gained a firm grasp of all the issues facing council at this time, but looks at the rise of city costs and the Montreal Urban Community as related and serious enough problems to demand much of his attention during the coming weeks.

Service shrinkage seen

"We may have to look at some absolute shrinkage of service," he says of the local tax situation. "It's the wrong way to go about it but it may be inevitable."

Of the MUC, he titles it "one of the most repressive systems of government I've had the pleasure (sic) of working under."

"Mayor MacCallum has got a fairly effective working agreement with the suburban mayors, and even with some Montreal councillors," he adds, while pointing out he plans to keep a careful watch over the MUC despite his mayor's activities. "I have lots of suggestions for them."

Now that the MUC has been firmly established, Ald. Carruthers believes Mayor Drapeau and the City of Montreal generally may feel a greater need for suburban support, so that attitudes be-

tween the smaller municipalities and the core city may change noticeably.

The present action as regards valuations—with incredible rises in tax assessments of residential property outside Montreal proper—is no indication of this trend, however. He intends definitely to protest the increased valuation of his own home, on the basis that commercial and industrial assessments were not increased comparably, rather than claiming inequities between Montreal and the suburbs.

While questioning the use of valuations in tax procedure, he has yet to think out all the implications of the system before proposing an alternative. He feels, however, that the tax base can be increased under the present system without "wholesale redevelopment" of areas. Conversion of single- and two-family dwellings into apartments or offices—referred to earlier and proposed during the zoning by-law revisions this summer—might be one way of accomplishing this.

Taught at Western

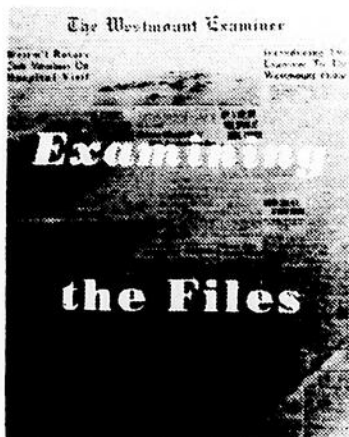
As a layman, Ald. Carruthers is director of industrial relations services for the Canadian Pulp and Paper industry, a job which keeps him extremely busy right now providing labor negotiators with information to use while bargaining with striking unions. A graduate of the University of Toronto, (his native city), Mr. Carruthers received an MA from the University of Western Ontario, then taught there for two years before moving to Westmount in 1968.

While he claims he had "no interest in politics whatsoever" when he arrived in Westmount, Ald. Carruthers joined debate over the highway and other issues soon after he arrived here, then ran for council, almost unaware how he got in a position to do so in such a short time.

During this year's campaign, he heard many complaints about parking problems and dogs (besides the innumerable discussions about development and zoning), but little of which he was not already aware.

"I'm pretty well plugged into the area," he claims.

Ald. Carruthers and his wife Dorothy have two children, Jonathan and Patrick, who are members of Grades 3 and 1, respectively, at Westmount Park School.



Thirty-five Years Ago
December 19, 1940

"Official news was received in the city yesterday afternoon that the Hon. Gordon Scott, who resides at 10 Braeside Place, was killed in rescue operations after the liner Western Prince was torpedoed in the Eastern Atlantic. The former Provincial Treasurer of Quebec, who was aboard the boat as financial advisor to Hon. C. D. Howe, lost his life when a lifeboat containing 26 survivors capsized after striking the side of a rescue ship."

Twenty-five Years Ago
December 15, 1950

"Westmount High School classes will each put on some sort of show or skit on closing day, Friday, Dec. 22. These Christmas closing day shows have proved to be very amusing and a great deal of effort is put into the staging of them by the respective classes. A prize is awarded to the winning class with consolation prizes going to the next two or three in line for honors."

Fifteen Years Ago
December 16, 1960

"A notice board void of notices outside Calvary United Church at the corner of Dorchester and Greene, stands almost as a symbol of the end of the church's physical usefulness in the area, but not to the long and dedicated inner life of the 83-year-old church which will shortly amalgamate with Westmount Park-Emmanuel. By action of the Presbytery Dec. 6, 1960, the amalgamation of the two churches was approved and a new pastoral charge will be formed beginning Jan. 1, 1961."

Five Years Ago
December 17, 1970

"The City of Westmount does not have an 'option' from the CPR for its prospective public housing site on Hillside avenue, and no payment has been made on the property, but there is an offer to sell from the railway. This was made clear in a question-and-answer session between mayor, aldermen and city officials on the one hand, and former Selby street residents on the other in an after-council discussion in the city council chamber Tuesday night."

We Say...

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rather more to support the MUC than they are for their own local government.

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SOME persons have praised Quebec for last-minute subsidies which saved the MUC levy from being even higher, and commend just-announced statutory grants to take effect a year hence. That is all to the good. However, these steps are mere palliatives.

To own or even rent city property is becoming a mug's game.

Plainly guilty must be the provincial government, which not only has legislated the urban dweller into this box but evades its real responsibilities of rejigging revenue sources so that municipalities may breathe.

Westmounters: brace yourselves for the receipt of those tax bills early in the new year;

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Homeowners get jolt, big landlords benefit

Most Westmount ratepayers face an unpleasant surprise in mid-January when they receive their 1976 municipal tax bills.

Taxes will be up between 10 and 40 percent and more for the owners of one- and two-family dwellings, due to the substantial re-juggling of Westmount's valuation roll by the MUC, though some apartment owners and proprietors of commercial properties will enjoy an actual drop in city tax bills for municipal purposes.

Overall city revenues from property taxes will increase only 10 percent in the coming year, but even with a 17-percent drop in the tax rate, from \$1.29 per \$100 valuation to \$1.07, the greatest burden still is on those buildings whose valuations increased the most.

Properties with valuation increases of less than 20.6 percent will be taxed less than last year for municipal purposes. Only apartment and commercial buildings—but by no means all of them—fall into this category.

53 cents per \$1 to MUC

Westmount's share of the Montreal Urban Community costs has increased substantially and will actually mean a 2-cent rate increase per \$100 valuation for this purpose, despite the inflated valuations. With the MUC now taking 53 cents of every property-tax dollar, homeowners face tax increases in this category even higher than the increase in valuation of their property.

Combination of the two tax payments will mean increases for some homeowners in total tax to be paid of up to 50 percent—half again as much as they paid this year.

In examining the taxes due on homes surveyed by The Examiner on Nov. 20 (given the rates set on Monday), it can be deduced that those homeowners face total tax increases of between 24 and 29 percent, on homes whose valuations went up between 36 and 72 percent. Those buildings which had valuation increases of less than 8.8 percent (and there were some in the survey) can expect actual drops in total payments of property taxes, though this is complicated in most cases by imposition of the 60-cent surtax on valuation over

\$100,000, which would bring down the 8.8-percent-increase cutoff point slightly.

\$100 more on Irvine

In real figures, The Examiner's survey showed an overall tax increase of \$100 for a house on Irvine avenue, though the city taxes went up only \$26. A home on Bruce avenue, which was hard-hit with a valuation increase, had city taxes upped by \$90 while MUC taxes went up nearly \$150. A house on Montrose avenue, which moved into the \$100,000-valuation category on the new roll, saw MUC taxes move up by almost \$450, added to an increase in city taxes of \$200.

Speaking earlier this month following deposit of Westmount's valuation roll, Mayor Donald MacCallum urged residents to await determination of the tax rates before appealing their valuations. Citizens who now wish to appeal may pick up forms available at the city clerk's office in city hall, where they can also check the 1976 valuation of the property.

Lloyd measures 'tidy up house' for financing

Ald. Alwyn Lloyd, Westmount's commissioner of finance, did some house-cleaning Monday evening as he presented three resolutions for council approval.

He called for authority to borrow a maximum of \$2 million next year from the Bank of Montreal if needed to cover expenses pending tax collections, thus precluding overdrafts should operating funds run out.

In previous years, general revenue loans were taken out for the same purpose on a quarterly basis; now regulations allow cities to have continuously-applying loan permissions.

Council also approved the appointment of Thorne, Riddell and Co. as Westmount's auditors for 1976.

Another resolution saw establishment of a 12-percent interest rate during 1976 on all overdue taxes, including general, special and school levies.

General Administration	\$ 2,327,430
Public safety, including fire	1,222,540
Traffic and road transport	1,560,690
Environmental health	656,980
Health and Welfare	180,600
Environmental and development services, (including municipal housing)	251,355
Recreational and cultural services, (including Victoria Hall, recreation, & parks and library)	1,348,480
Building services and vehicle maintenance	743,910
Debt service	1,860,770
	<u>\$10,152,755</u>

City's share of Montreal Urban Community costs 5,838,500.

AMOUNTS TO BE PROVIDED FOR FROM THE FOLLOWING SOURCES:

Taxation -	
Municipal tax on total assessed taxable valuation	4,320,810
Special tax for municipal services on valuation otherwise non-taxable	65,900
Frontage assessment instalments	1,600
Business taxes	1,000,000
Licenses and permits	35,000
	<u>\$ 5,423,310</u>

Compensation in lieu of taxes from:	
Federal government, hospitals and educational institutions and public utilities	558,900
Services to other municipalities	118,000
Services to persons (Victoria Hall, rinks, parks, swimming pool, library and parking)	279,100
Revenue from local sources (amusement taxes, fines, interest, sale of assets)	1,055,000
Revenue from Other sources (provincial compensation, subsidies and grants)	1,647,405
Light and Power net revenue	749,340
Appropriation from Reserves	321,700
	<u>\$10,152,755</u>

Special taxes to cover Montreal Urban Community costs	
a) General	4,933,800.
b) Surtax on valuations over \$100,000	904,700.
	<u>5,838,500.</u>



Ald. Lloyd Presenting budget

pass on to everyone. As background to the formal budget resolution which I will put forward in a few moments, I would like to draw attention to certain significant figures and comparisons with 1975 and quickly present to you the major elements of cost which will vary from one year to the next. In estimating the results for 1975, there is a strong indication that we will close the year with an excess of revenue over expenditure rather than a small deficit as originally budgeted. This has resulted principally from an increase in compensation in lieu of taxes from the federal government and other community and business enterprises, interest on tax arrears, a substantial increase in Quebec sales tax compensation, an increased Quebec subsidy for health services and a new provincial per capita grant for which we became eligible in 1975 due to the change in the regulations concerning these grants.

Significant rises

The 1976 expenditure budget excluding the light and power operations, will exceed the 1975 budget by approximately \$1,431,000, and I will analyze the significant increases in a few moments. The revenue other than general taxation is estimated to be \$747,000 in excess of the 1975 budgeted figures, and we would anticipate utilizing \$322,000 of the 1975 surplus in order to balance the 1976 budget. These estimates leave us no alternative but to increase the revenue from general taxation by an amount of \$414,000 over the 1975 budget levels.

In order to translate this higher level of taxation required in terms of the tax rate, I would like to present the comparative tax rate figures from 1975 to 1976, firstly as if the valuation had remained constant and secondly indicating the effective tax rate based on the new valuations. Assuming a constant valuation, the tax rate would have been \$1.42 per \$100 valuation as opposed to \$1.29 in 1975 which is effectively a 10 percent increase in the local tax rate. As you know, the valuations in Westmount have gone up by an overall average of one-third; but for many private dwellings, the average is considerably in excess of that. Therefore, basing the tax rate on an overall valuation of \$404.8 million rather than \$304.4 million leaves us an actual tax rate on the new valuations of \$1.07.

I would like to return to an analysis of the significant increases in expenditures from one year's budget to the next. Of the \$1,431,000 increase in expenditures, \$570,000 is attributable to salaries and wages

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LLOYD TEXT

Following is the text of the first budget speech of Westmount's new commissioner of finance, Ald. Alwyn Lloyd, Monday evening before city council:

Inasmuch as this council has been in office for just over one month and it is our responsibility to present the 1976 budget within such a short space of time, I feel that a few words are required to explain the process by which this budget has been prepared.

Following past practice, the budget is developed by the general manager's office and the treasurer from detailed studies of expenditure requirements and programs by each of the functional departments within the city. At the same time, the revenues and expenditures for the first nine or ten months of 1975 are reviewed in order to measure our current levels of expenditure and other requirements which might influence the new year's budget. At the same time, it was necessary to project the revenue and expenditures to the end of 1975 in order to compare with the 1975

budget and aid in the preparation of the new year's budget.

In order to assist the incoming council, the previous commissioner of finance, Mr. Nelson, spent some time in reviewing the preliminary 1976 budget estimates; and each of the commissioners from the last council reviewed their department's spending estimates. I would like to acknowledge on behalf of this council the time which was spent by the outgoing council in order to make our job in this regard somewhat easier.

Aided by staff

I have spent some time reviewing the estimated results for 1975 and the budget for 1976 with the general manager, assistant general manager and treasurer. The figures and various supplementary analyses which have been prepared by the treasurer in order to properly review the variations between 1975 and estimated 1976 have made my review a relatively easy task. I am sure that this kind of co-operation is typical of that which will prevail in the future, and I look forward to the various assignments and responsibilities as commissioner of finance as being a very interesting and pleasant experience. One further process in the evolution of this budget was the review by each present commissioner with the department heads within that commissioner's functional responsibility in order that each member of council would be more intimately conversant with their element of the budget.

Whereas dealing with the various persons involved has been a pleasant experience, it is my somewhat unpleasant duty to have to submit a budget which results in an overall increased tax bill to all citizens. As in the past, I think it is appropriate to deal with the budget in two segments, one being the strictly local revenue and expenditures over which this council has direct control and the second, of course, being our portion of the MUC shared costs, which rather substantial bill is sent to us to

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Mayor glad of grants for the MUC

No meetings of the Montreal Urban Community council or of the Conference of Montreal Suburban Majors have been held since last week. Mayor Donald MacCallum reported to city council Monday night, so there was little to report about those organizations.

The mayor expressed extreme gratitude, however, that the provincial government had found it possible to subsidize costs of the MUC Transit Commission, including 60 percent of the

Lloyd...

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and in keeping with the anti-inflation board guidelines. An additional \$167,000 represents other fringe benefit costs related to employees of which the significant items are a substantial increase in the workmen's compensation rates which we must pay and additional costs to the pension fund based on recent actuarial reports. Materials and services costs will be increased by \$271,000 which represents a 14 percent increase over 1975 and is essentially attributable to general price increases in the procurement of materials. The balance of \$423,000 results from increased debt service costs primarily as a result of the bond issue during 1975.

MUC the 'ogre'

Now I must turn to the "ogre" of our budget presentation, the requirement to raise \$5,838,500 from Westmount taxpayers on behalf of the Montreal Urban Community. Of this amount, \$905,000 represents the special surtax on properties in excess of \$100,000 valuation. Our figures are based on the reasonably valid assumption that the Province of Quebec is accepting the reduced MUC budget proposal and will be granting \$60,000,000 in 1976.

In comparison to 1975, we must bear an increased surtax of \$200,000 and a general tax increase of \$1,310,000. Not only is the overall MUC budget up by some 24 percent or \$54,000,000 over 1975; but as a result of the new assessed valuations, it would seem that Westmount must bear a larger share of the overall budget. As an example, our share of the administration and Security Council costs have risen from 2.53 percent to 2.85 percent.

Translated into terms of tax rates, the increased budget, assuming valuations had remained the same, would have required a rate of \$1.62 for 1976 as opposed to \$1.19 in 1975 or an increase of 36 percent. Based on the new valuations, this will mean a tax rate of \$1.21 per \$100 valuation.

With these explanatory comments, it is now my duty to present the formal by-law with respect to taxation rates for 1976.

operating budget and 45 to 55 percent of the MUCTC debt service.

The promise is both statutory and progressive, he pointed out, meaning the province has obligated itself to pay percentage shares of the budgets, rather than

Keyed off

A 1971 Toyota was stolen from the rear of 4901 Sherbrooke street west during the day last Thursday. Owner of the vehicle admitted to police that the key may have been left in the ignition.

doling out last-minute lump-sum payments as it has for the past two years.

"It's a big step forward," the mayor announced. "It would seem the line taken by Westmount and by the Conference as a whole has been the right one."

Mayor MacCallum pointed also to a statement by Municipal Affairs Minister Dr. Victor Goldbloom that the MUC could be assured its amended budget would be respected, along with the provincial grant to the MUC, despite some concern over the refusal of the MUC council to approve the budget.

(Suburban mayors had voted en bloc against the budget, which was nonetheless adopted automatically at the Dec. 5 deadline.)

Despite the agreement by the

province to subsidize transportation costs on the island, said Mayor MacCallum, the mayors had a long way to go in convincing Quebec City to help support the MUC police force.



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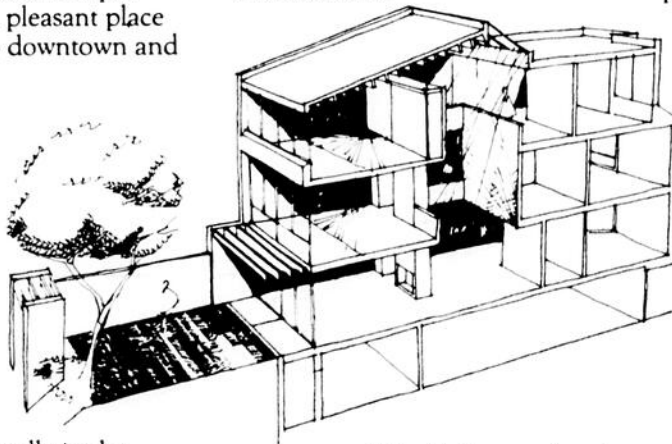


The Cloisters. A secluded park enclosed on three sides by the first atrium-designed homes in Westmount.

The twenty-six 3-storey homes planned for The Cloisters will look out onto a quiet section of de Maisonneuve Avenue, onto Prince Albert and Somerville Streets. And they'll look inward to a tranquil retreat, a green and pleasant place that's convenient to downtown and one block from the Metro, yet sheltered from city streets by the walls of the houses themselves.

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 TUESDAY, 23rd, 5:45 pm: St. Thomas the Apostle
 WEDNESDAY, 24th, Christmas Eve, 5:30-7:00 pm Confessions;
 11:30 pm Procession, Blessing of the Crib, Midnight Mass.
 CHRISTMAS DAY, 10:30 am Family Eucharist with Hymns
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 and Church Family Supper

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DECEMBER 24
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DECEMBER 25
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DECEMBER 21
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 7:30 pm Festival of Carols
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CHRISTMAS EVE
 9:30 pm Candlelight Communion
 and Carols

CHRISTMAS DAY
 10:30 am Family Service

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 11:00 am Church School and Nursery
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CHRISTMAS EVE
 11:30 pm Choral Eucharist

CHRISTMAS DAY
 8:00 am Holy Eucharist
 9:15 am Choral Eucharist
 11:00 am Choral Eucharist -
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 11:00 am Christmas Service
 "What Was His Name?"
 Dr. Phyllis Smyth

DECEMBER 24
 11:00 pm Christmas Eve
 Candlelight Service

DECEMBER 25
 10:00 am Christmas Day
 Family Service

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 Crib Corner, Nursery & Kindergarten

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 11:00 am Christmas Sunday
 Morning Worship

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 A HYMN FOR CHRISTMAS"
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4:00 pm Carols by Candlelight
 The Nine Lessons and Carols
 by Choirs and Congregation

DECEMBER 24
 8:00 pm Christmas Eve
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The Christmas season at St. Andrew's Church will be marked by five services.

This Sunday at 11 am the church choir will sing from the chancel of the church. The Church School children will participate in the service. The Sacrament of Baptism will be observed.

Sunday evening at 7:30 pm, the choir, under the direction of organist and choirmaster Gordon White, will present its annual service of lessons and carols. The public is cordially invited.

On Christmas Eve at 11 pm familiar carols will be sung in a church illumined by candles. Communion will be given at the chancel steps, and communicants will be given candles to carry with them from the church.

A brief service will be held in the chapel on Christmas morning at 11 am, followed by a celebration of Holy Communion.

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After the 11 am Eucharist, the Church School will present a short Nativity Play in the parish hall.

Park Church candlelight festival set

Westmount Park Church will feature the traditional candlelight festival of lessons and carols Sunday at 4 pm.

This is the fourth and last concert in its Advent music series. The senior choir, directed by Ruth Lloyd, and the junior choir, directed by Georgia Carpenter, will present some of the beautiful music of Christmas, interspersed with scriptural readings and congregational singing.

The Sunday morning service will begin at 10:45 o'clock with pre-service music by Mary Copland, soprano, and by the junior choir. Mr. Nix will preach on "Love Divine—A Hymn for Christmas." Both choirs will present anthems specially prepared for this Christmas season.

Another get-together, worthy of note as the congregation makes its Christmas preparations, is the Christmas eve Family Celebration on Wednesday at 8 pm. This "happening" has become a much-loved tradition at Westmount Park and is climaxed by a very meaningful candlelighting ceremony.

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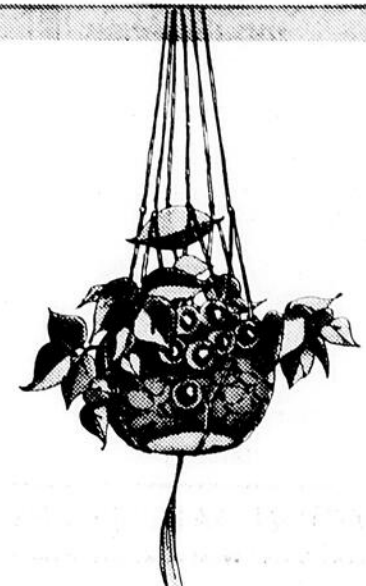
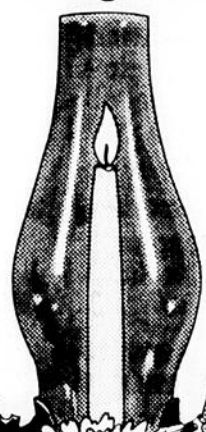
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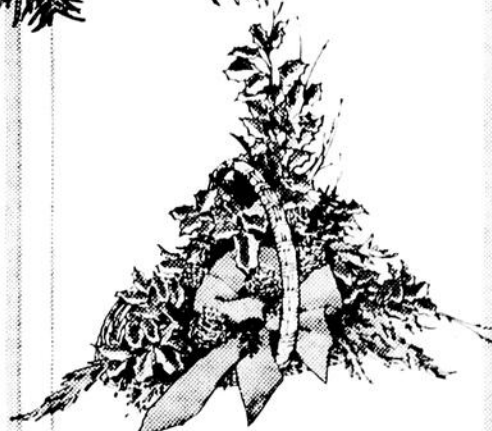
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4410, 4424 lots joined for offices

Both the abandoned apartment building at 4410-14 St. Catherine street west and the adjoining 4424, Inc., building are to be replaced by one large, six-storey office building. The Examiner has learned.

The two buildings are being purchased by a consortium of local businessmen who wish to

Farmers' march

A special Westmount chapter is being organized to join in a march Saturday in support of California's United Farm Workers, commencing at noon in the basement of Mary Queen of the World Cathedral, 1110 Mansfield street in Montreal. Those interested in joining the Westmount contingent should meet at the home of Mrs. Grace Prince, 4453 de Maisonneuve boulevard west, at 11:30 Saturday morning.

remain anonymous for the moment, at least until transfer of the apartment building has been completed.

In the meantime, staff at the Westmount Youth Clinic, or 4424, Inc., moved out of their premises on Monday and have set up temporary offices at 4119 Sherbrooke street west, from which counselling will be carried out, along with administration of the newly-acquired Local

Fire damages Metro trailer

A fire erupted on the underside of one of the Metro construction trailers parked on St. Catherine street opposite Prince Albert avenue at 2:05 am Saturday. A citizen at the nearby CP railroad station called the Westmount Fire Brigade, reporting the trailer in full flame.

Firemen arrived quickly and were able to douse the blaze before too much damage occurred inside, though one bathroom wall was burned considerably.

Officials believe the fire was caused by faulty wiring, though they point out that a watchman had passed by the trailer and reportedly saw nothing amiss only 10 minutes earlier.

Initiatives Program grant for health and nutrition (The Examiner, Nov. 27).

The new youth clinic office will be used until June, according to the 4424 chairwoman, Mrs. Barbara Bronfman, though the well-established medical clinic will have to be discontinued until then. Board members of the centre are having a difficult time locating facilities which will accommodate the counselling offices, medical clinic, arts and crafts programs and other activities of the centre, due to the requirements of city by-laws.

It is hoped that the six-month temporary premises will give the centre time to find the necessary accommodations.

Hackie robbed at knifepoint; chase abortive

A taxi driver, passing through Westmount at about 11 pm Sunday, was threatened with a knife by one of his three passengers just outside 4837 de Maisonneuve boulevard.

The passengers demanded and received some \$40 cash and a ski-doo jacket.

The passengers, picked up at Crescent street and Dorchester boulevard in Montreal, then got out of the taxi, but not before throwing away the car's keys and ripping out the wires of the radio. The three ran east on de Maisonneuve boulevard, and north on Grosvenor avenue.

Some passersby, who apparently had seen the crime, chased the three into Westmount Park before the trio eventually got away. Police did not receive a call about the holdup until some 17 minutes later, so were unable to join in the chase.



Ven. J.N. Doidge
Who gave Christmas message to Rotary, yesterday

Four break-ins on Richelieu

Four buildings on Richelieu street, located just inside the southern Westmount city limits, were broken into between 12:30 and 1 pm Monday, in most cases by breaking windows in the buildings.

A pair of calipers and some wire cutters, with a total value of \$50, were stolen from the Atlas Welding Co., 4107 Richelieu street.

An electric typewriter, digital clock and various tools, totalling \$1,800 in value, were stolen from the Standard Building Components building at 4275 Richelieu street.

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Details relating to said By-law are fully set out in By-law 804 which is open for inspection by all persons interested at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Westmount.

Given at Westmount this 12th day of December, 1975.

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The change box of a Xerox copier at Dawson College was forced out of the machine sometime Monday evening. Officials suspect about \$50 cash was in the box.

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Coming Events

Single adults' dance

The Single Adults' Club will be holding another dance at Rosedale United Church, 6870 Terrebonne avenue, N.D.G., on Friday, Dec. 19, at 9 pm in the lower hall. Refreshments to be served and the admission is \$1.75 at the door. All those single or unattached are invited to attend.

Nurse robbed

A nurse at the Reddy Memorial Hospital, 4039 Tupper street, found that she had lost a billfold with \$37 cash inside, a gold chain and gold nurse's medallion from her purse, which had been left unattended in a room between 10:30 and 11:30 last Wednesday evening.

Y theft

A man left his wallet containing \$80 cash in his coat pocket, hanging unattended in the Westmount YMCA between noon and 2 pm Saturday. The wallet was gone when he returned. He notified police next day.

Clothing hottest item on 9 shoplifters' lists

Clothing seems to be this season's hottest item, if the weekly inventory of goods acquired by shoplifters is any indication.

Nine shoplifters were arrested in Westmount during the past week, mostly persons caught walking out of stores with clothing for which they had not paid.

Last Wednesday one person was caught with \$157 worth of goods, including blue pants, a grey sweater, a yellow blouse and a brown tweed coat; another, arrested Friday, had

a red jacket, grey sweater, sandals, flower pants and a blue tuque, total value \$21.97.

Friday also saw the arrest of another shoplifter who had a hat, hand lotion and a chain, value \$58. On Saturday four shoplifters were arrested for stealing clothing, including one with \$24.99 worth, made up of a red jacket, corduroy pants, and construction boots; another with \$44 worth, involving a ski jacket, sweater and a pair of pants. A woman who had stolen a pair of glasses, a coat, a skirt, a blouse, and a pair of women's boots, worth a total of \$26.98; and one other tried to walk off with a cloth coat and blue jeans, worth \$39.

Other goods caught on two non-clothing shoplifters last Wednesday and Friday included bubble bath, a curling iron, an electric brush (worth \$57.27); and a box of chocolates, two cassettes and a Bic lighter (worth \$16.74).

Lily Simon boutique, in Westmount Square, reported losing a pant suit, sweater and scarf, worth a total of \$450, sometime between 9 am Monday and 9 am Friday, but the shoplifters were never apprehended.

Blood letting here Monday

A Red Cross blood donor clinic is to be held Monday in the gymnasium of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police divisional headquarters building, 4225 Dorchester boulevard west at Greene avenue, from 9:30 to noon and 1:30 to 3:30 pm.

Donors are requested to make a special effort, since the number of clinics which can be held over the holiday season are of necessity fewer

Mrs. Carrothers board member

The name of Mrs. A. W. R. Carrothers, 14 Bellevue avenue, heads the list of 10 persons comprising the bilingual districts advisory board which recently recommended to parliament the establishment of 30 bilingual districts across Canada.

Natural parents score a 'first'

A committee of natural parents organized, as a "first," a Christmas party last Saturday afternoon at the Children's Service Centre, Werendale Park. One of the purposes was to involve other natural parents.

Lucas looted

Two watch bracelets, a key case and two rings with a total value of \$1,100 were grabbed from a showcase window of Lucas jewelers in Westmount Square, which had been smashed between 11:55 pm Thursday and 12:10 am Friday.

Tuesday evening of this week another smash-and-grab occurred at the same store, when thieves got away with some \$900 worth of valuables from a showcase window.

Opera sampler on Saturday

The McGill Faculty of Music in co-operation with the Women Associates of McGill is to present a concert of operatic excerpts under the direction of Prof. Edith Della Pergola in the Pollack concert hall Saturday at 8:30 pm.

Selections are from The Magic Flute, Norma, La Gioconda, Il Trovatore and other great operas.

A reception follows in the east lounge for members and guests.

Carole Cohen at Swarthmore

Miss Carole Cohen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Cohen, 14 Renfrew avenue, is one of the 320 students in the first-year class at Swarthmore College, outside Philadelphia.

Miss Cohen, a Westmount High School graduate, is in a freshman class drawn from 36 states and 10 other countries.

Jet set

A purse was stolen from behind a counter at the Intercontinental Boutique in Westmount Square between 12:30 and 3:30 Saturday afternoon. The purse had contained \$101 in cash.

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Carols, organ at Ascension

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The church choir, under the direction of Phillips Motley, will sing carols from many lands, interspersed with organ music. Mr. Motley will play the Pastorale from Widor's Second Organ Symphony, Fantasia on In Dulci Jubilo by Bach, and Noel sur les Anches by D'Aquin.

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Those who have hobbies are fortunate people because these favorite pursuits lead to happy events.

Saul Posen who, with his charming wife, owns Posen's Studio on Sherbrooke street at Prince Albert avenue, besides being one of Montreal's top photographers is also a talented artist.

There are so many art exhibitions that one realizes how attractive this medium is to countless people. To make a living at it is another matter.

In Windsor Station, Cypress street entrance, there are continuous showings that attract public viewing and Mr. Posen had his "premiere" show there recently. There are always a number of works by each

Cable tender is accepted

Only one of the two tenders for 15-kilovolt cable received at city hall Friday Dec. 5 was valid. Ald. Mel Nixon reported to city council Monday night, and he asked that it be accepted.

Ald. Nixon, filling in for the absent Power and Communications Commissioner, Ald. David Carruthers, noted that Nedco (1975) Ltd. had offered to sell Westmount 1,500 feet of cable for \$16,869, a price council accepted as reasonable. Pirelli Cables Ltd. had also submitted a tender, but this did not conform to specifications, he said.

City sources later revealed that other companies had used the struck postal service to submit tenders; these had finally been received last Friday, one week late!

exhibitor for this display; Saul Posen had five pictures.

Each work was meticulously clear, not like so many avant garde paintings that one puzzles as to what they depict, or are supposed to be. Surprisingly, every work was done while Mr. Posen was on holiday.

"Iron Hills" is a picturesque water color painted in the Eastern Townships whilst "Old Fisherman's Home," Margaret's Point, Cape Breton, can be called an artists' paradise.

A really attractive scene done in Howick, Que., is "Abandoned Barns" showing Posen's dexterity with his brush. Another example of this is "Peggy's Cove" in Nova Scotia.

"Vieille Eglise" on Bonsecours street, in Old Montreal, is an entirely different type. A wonderful black and white etching that is absolutely superb. Personally, it was my favorite in his show.

Let us hope that Saul Posen will have more of his canvases on exhibition for the public to see his innate talent.

Writers' Xmas party

The Canadian Authors' Association (CAA) invited Societe des Ecrivains Canadiens (SEC) to its Christmas Party last Thursday evening held in the faculty lounge of Sir Henry Hall Building, Concordia University. Many Westmounters are members of both groups. It was a jolly evening spiced with gay repartee.

Like last year everyone on arrival was given a number for the drawing of prizes—naturally all were books. I liked the fact that each was asked whether he or she would like French or English. After opening the attractive holiday wrappings, there

were quite a few exchanges between members. I liked mine, "Les Fleurs du Mal," by J. C. Mathieu. No switch.

A number of the French were connected with the University of

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Montreal and quite a few members brought guests. The large lounge had a glittering Christmas tree and colorful festive decorations. It was a delightful evening.

Trays of refreshments, buffet style and drinks were enjoyed



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Cultural property body named by city council

Westmount's cultural properties committee was expanded even as it was being formed at city council's Monday night meeting, and early in January will begin working on establishing a list of properties it thinks should be defended against demolition in Westmount.

The committee officially, sanctioned by the outgoing city council at its last meeting Oct. 23, will include five non-aligned citizens rather than three, as the previous council had proposed.

Citizen-members of the committee will include Mrs. Nancy Wright, 12 Lorraine avenue; Bruce Russel, 568 Lansdowne avenue; Pierre Hebert, 331 Clarke avenue; Michel Panet-Raymond, 511 Clarke, and John Udy, 4454 de Maisonneuve boulevard. Edgar Andrew Collard, 4643 Sherbrooke street west, historian, author and columnist, was named "member emeritus" of the new committee.

Organizational representatives include, from the Westmount Municipal Association, W. Herbert Moore, 587 Lansdowne

avenue, and, from the Westmount Historical Association, S. B. Earle of 168 Cote St. Antoine road. Also on the committee are Richard Bolton, 4325 Montrose avenue, chairman of Westmount's Architectural and Planning Commission and J. Gordon Nurse, the city's chief building inspector.

Announcement of the committee was made by Planning and Redevelopment Commissioner Ald. Mel Nixon, who asked also that the members be given a one-year term of office, rather than the indefinite tenure they would have held had the original resolution stood unamended.

Two walls over the line

Two citizens of Westmount were given permission to build retaining walls over the building lines of their properties, on Summit Circle and Prospect street, by motions of council Monday evening.

Ald. Mel Nixon asked for and received council permission for a retaining wall to be built between the street and the 10-foot building line at 11 Summit Circle; another will be allowed some six inches over the 15-foot building line in front of 75-77 Prospect street.

Both matters already had approval by the Architectural and Planning Commission and Westmount's Board of Inspections, Ald. Nixon told council.

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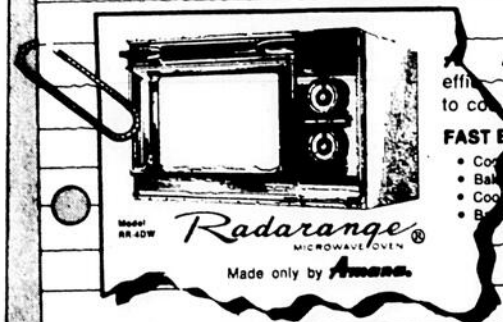
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to present the matter to the parents' council and to send a petition to the government.

The Montreal Teachers Association is holding an information meeting at West Hill High School, 5851 Somerled avenue on Tuesday, Dec. 16, at 8 pm for parents who desire further details.

(Editor's note: The teachers of Westmount Park School, and of any school, are welcome to present any views beyond those already set forth admirably in their behalf above.)

Service at elections wins us a 'thank you'

Sir: As a longtime Examiner subscriber, many years a taxpaying householder and now an apartment dweller, may I congratulate you and your staff for the informative and fair way you have kept the public advised during the past pre election weeks.

To see The Examiner so freely deposited in various areas for Westmounters to pick up and read makes me hope that your generous assistance and interest in Westmount will be suitably rewarded with many new paying customers in the future.

Mary B. McLernon

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De Maisonneuve closing: Metcalfers in favor

(A copy of the following letter has been sent to The Examiner:)

Mr. D. C. MacCallum,
Mayor,
City of Westmount,

Dear Mr. Mayor,

As residents of Metcalfe avenue, we would like to express our views on the closing of de Maisonneuve boulevard.

From the outset, we have been in favor of this move because the nature of the street, its residential character, has been undermined ever since Western avenue became part of the one-way thoroughfare we now know as de Maisonneuve. For long the heavy traffic on the street has ignored the speed limits. The narrow span of the street puts the traffic right beside the curb, a fact which has given us much concern for the small children who pass along it on their way to Westmount Park School. The movement across de Maisonneuve for access to the park and the library is well known.

Whatever the value of these reasons, we now feel that it would be unfair to consider that a proper test has been done of the effects of the closing so long as St. Catherine street remains closed at its western end. As far as our observation goes, there was a greater increase in traffic on Metcalfe after the city widened it a few summers ago than there has been since de Maisonneuve has been closed.

By all means, let us have the facts about the consequences of closing de Maisonneuve, but let us have realistic facts based on a proper trial under normal conditions.

Yours sincerely,

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258 Metcalfe avenue
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De Maisonneuve should remain closed at park

(A copy of the following letter has been sent to The Examiner:)

Mayor Donald C. MacCallum
City of Westmount
City Hall
Westmount

Dear Mayor MacCallum:

It has come to my attention that there are several individuals or groups who are advocating the re-opening of de Maisonneuve between Melville avenue and Academy road. I would like to record my objections to the re-opening for the following reasons:

First and foremost, I am concerned

about the safety of Westmount children. On the south of de Maisonneuve there is the artificial rink, the swimming pool and last, but not least, Westmount Park School. Great numbers of children from the area served by the School attend classes there, and a major number of them cross de Maisonneuve four times a day. Children from all over Westmount cross de Maisonneuve to skate in winter and swim in summer. When de Maisonneuve is open, automobiles use it as a through street to reach destinations in the west and north of greater Montreal, N.D.G. and Montreal West. They are in a hurry. They do not obey the 20 MPH signs through the Park at non rush hours—and at rush hours they line up from Lansdowne half way to Melville. The traffic pile up is bedlam. Any time of the day de Maisonneuve is open through the park it constitutes a safety hazard for children.

Since July 1974 de Maisonneuve west of Lansdowne has been used for two-way traffic. This includes three busy bus lines, 103, 104, and 124 going west, to say nothing of Harrison Brothers bakery trucks and extra busses from 5 a.m. on, heading to the north and west. In addition, for the last six months, 30 ton dump trucks from the subway construction parade east and west, hissing their air-brakes and clanking their steel bodies and leaving large clumps of dirt which are not cleared up on a regular basis by either the City or Miron Construction. The dirt and dust is horrible, so much so we dare not leave the front windows open and slip out the front door as quickly as possible.

I have now mentioned the traffic situation between 5 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Later in the evening, from 10:30 to 11:15 p.m. when de Maisonneuve is open a large volume of traffic erupts along the street every night there is some attraction at the Forum. Later still the careless drivers are out and at least once a week someone bashes the stop-line concrete holder, and knocks it down with a resounding "bang."

Needless to say, this wakens up the household.

At times I cannot get out of my own parking area. When I do get out and want to go west, I have to go east, then south, then east again, then north, then west, then north, then west for a block and a half before I get back to my own house going west. This is inconvenient to say the least.

Personally I feel we should bear our share of traffic on our beautiful, but narrow, residential street; however, I object when others do not seem to want to share, and they suggest that de Maisonneuve take more and more traffic. Our share of traffic is too heavy now for the narrow 24 foot roadway and we will only return to our fair share of traffic when de Maisonneuve is one-way again and St. Catherine is opened west of the Glen and can take its share and the roadway between Melville avenue and Academy road remains CLOSED.

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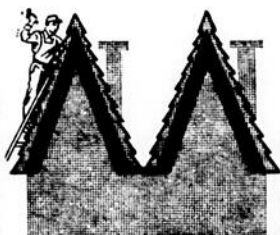
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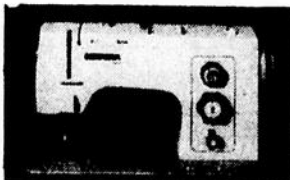
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Science and technology

In my role as minister of state for science and technology, I am often asked what is the definition of science policy?

The complexity of the relationship between science and government has led to innumerable attempts to acquire a federal science policy. A number of countries—Canada included—have tried

over the years with little success to develop single, all-encompassing science policies.

A single science policy is not a meaningful concept. What in fact exists are numerous policies for the use of science and technology, developed in relation to the objectives of federal departments and agencies and also in relation to objectives of the private sector.

We in the federal government believing a single policy to be impractical, have found a three-armed concept of science policy to be sounder and much more useful as a basis for planning.

A policy to support a basic national capability to perform research in any field, which implies a capability to train scholars and researchers, is not the same thing as a policy designed to encourage the use of modern technology. The former is a

policy for science; the latter is a policy for the use of science as a tool to achieve other objectives. We need policies for science so that there will be the scientific tools for us to use. And we need policies to help us solve problems, using scientific tools.

Science and public policy

The third element is the direct relationship between science and public policy. The objectives of a government department stem from broad national strategies, and these are the basis of all government action. Their development involves the assembly and analysis of many inputs, of which the scientific component will often be significant. The scientist, in contributing to the development of long-range policies, has two primary functions:

- a) he must ensure that the best scientific information is well presented, and,
- b) he must assist in the total analysis of all information inputs, bringing to bear the objectivity and special techniques which are his important contribution and are derived from his training.

We could call this relatively new partnership between science and policy: "scientific input to public policies," and this is the third element of science policy.

So there you have it: Policies for the support of science; Policies for the use of science, and, Science in public policy.

This three-armed concept of science policy may appear simple and obvious but it is the outcome of many years of debate. The new pattern of organization of the ministry is consistent with these basis concepts.

Teacher boycott thwarts Corn Show and carnival

By VICTOR DONNAY and ARTHUR HOLDEN

After school sometime after Christmas, Westmount's 1975 Corn Show will be presented.

Due to their boycott of extra-curricular activities, teachers have refused to permit the show during school time.

However, this collection of amusing skits should still turn out to be a lot of fun, and all students are welcome. Parents are also invited to attend the show, which will be at 3:15 pm in the auditorium. Robert Assels, the director, has guaranteed that it will be good.

On Tuesday, Westmount's teachers joined other Protestant teachers in a "study session" at the school board offices in N.D.G. As a result, classes were cancelled from 11:45 onward and students had the afternoon off.

Last Thursday, Westmount High was victimized by a fire, its second of the year. A student had been playing with matches in his classroom, and dropped one down a ventilator. In the ensuing confusion, a fire alarm was rung, but the procedure of evacuating all the students was handled poorly.

Many teachers went to the

common room to fetch their coats rather than escorting students safely out of the school. The unattended students left the building in a noisy, disorganized manner that could have caused difficulty had the fire been serious.

It is hoped that this problem will be cleared up in the immediate future.

Also last Thursday, the ski club showed a movie about hot-dogging. The film was well-attended by an enthusiastic audience that thoroughly enjoyed the ski acrobatics that were shown. The club also is organizing a weekend ski trip for the grads to Smuggler's Notch sometime in March. Interested students should contact Victor Donnay in Room 308, or at home,

All teams competing for spots in playoffs

By NICK KASIRER

The Westmount municipal hockey leagues are well into the fifth week of the present season.

Basketball double win for Unity

The Unity Boys' and Girls' Club Lions enjoyed a double basketball victory in MBL play last weekend.

The Juvenile team defeated GAMK 74-20 and the Junior team defeated Vanier 74-60.

High scorers for the Unity Lions juveniles were Bart De'Nooy 24 points; Richard Woods, 14; Clairmont Burgess,

telephone 935-5692.

The organizing of Westmount's annual carnival activities has been hampered by the teacher's actions in protest of their salary problems. But a carnival committee has been set up under Becky Elson's leadership and is trying to find ways of having a carnival without the teachers' help. Interested students should contact Becky in Room 310, if they would like to help.

All sections are very active with teams competing for playoff spots.

The Senior league has played four games in its 24-game schedule. The Stars and Sabres are one point apart in the race for top position in the division. In last week's game, the Stars lost to the Sabres 2-1. The final goal was scored with 46 seconds remaining in the game. But the Stars beat the Wanderers later in the week to shorten the gap between the two top teams.

The Bruins had a successful week, beating the Wanderers, and tying the Sabres 3-3 in a well-played game. This week the Stars play the Bruins and Sabres, and the Wanderers meet the same teams.

In the Midget section, both of last week's games resulted in ties. The Hornets, having won their first game, tied the Spartans 4-4. The Mustangs, tied with the Hornets for first place in the standings, drew their game with the Badgers two-all. This week, the Hornets are pitted against the Mustangs and the Badgers meet the Spartans.

Flames lead Bantams

The six-team Bantam division is also into its fourth week. The Flames moved ahead in the standings after defeating the Rangers. The Flyers are tied with the Hawks for second place after winning over them 7-4. The Leafs won their first game of the season, beating the Bruins 2-1. All matches in the Bantam category are played on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

In the Mosquito division, the Bulls stretched their lead to four points after winning over the Broncs. The Huskies won their first of the season, beating the Mules 6-4.

Boys eight and nine in the Termite section have played three of 12 games so far this year. In last week's games, the first-place Knights edged the Dragons 3-2, and the Guards defeated the Bears 1-0. All matches in this and the Mosquito sections are played on Saturday mornings.

Players in all sections are to finish play for the holiday break by Saturday, and resume games the week of Jan. 5.

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Grosvenor avenue is most noteworthy in August transfers

THE WESTMOUNT *Examiner*

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Houses on Grosvenor avenue dominated the noteworthy sales in Westmount during August, as the one street saw four houses sold, one of which was the highest-priced residential property, one the lowest-priced, one the highest markup and one the lowest residential markup.

In a month in which most residential properties sold for well over twice their Montreal Urban Community valuations, a record 115.1-percent average markup among 10 sale-for-price transactions was recorded. The only other priced sale was of the four-story apartment building at 4470 St. Catherine street west, which went for \$892,000, only 3.4 percent above its MUC tax assessment.

Sale of that one high-priced commercial property brought the average markup for 11 buildings down to 34.8 percent.

Among the Grosvenor residences, 687 Grosvenor avenue sold for \$95,000, the highest price, while 370 Grosvenor brought the lowest at \$49,525.

Highest markup of the month was registered in the sale of 301 Grosvenor avenue, which sold for almost exactly triple its MUC valuation, while the lowest markup among residential properties took place in the sale of 505 Grosvenor avenue, which at \$54,000 was only 35 percent above its MUC valuation of \$40,000.

Volume remained high during August, as 43 transfers were



687 Grosvenor avenue
\$95,000

price of residential property— one- and two-family dwellings— has been more than double the MUC valuation include June of this year, when the average was 113.8 percent, and September last year, when the average was 100.4 percent.

Available details of the Westmount real estate transfers registered in the month of August are:

- 357 Redfern: Estate Charles Glass Greenshields to John Bishop, sale price \$1 and other considerations (MUC valuation \$75,230);
- 450 Strathcona: George Mitchell Bourke to Mr. and Mrs. Christopher H. Pickwood, \$89,000 (\$37,900);
- 4100-04 St. Catherine: Pierre de Costa Charron to Isaac L. Gelber, \$1 and cons. (\$222,700);
- 492 Lansdowne: John MacFarlane to Mrs. Peter D. Gooch, \$1 and cons. (\$24,900);
- 4470 St. Catherine: Paul Fugere to

registered compared with 46 in July and 47 in June. Among these were 14 properties worth a total of \$946,490 which sold for "a dollar and other considerations," six homes worth \$285,180 which changed hands through estates, and 12 holdings worth \$410,930 for which information is not available. Total amount of real estate which changed hands during the month, therefore, was \$2,842,090.

The 115.1-percent average residential markup is the highest of any month during the past three years, since the present property-sales boom started. Other months in which the selling



301 Grosvenor avenue
200.6 percent markup

- Victor Denning, \$892,000 (\$862,400);
- 31 Thornhill: Mr. and Mrs. Peter D. Gooch to Mr. and Mrs. James A. W. Van Slyck, \$1 and cons. (\$35,420);
- 765 Upper Belmont: William Randolph Clerihue to Celcan Properties Ltd., \$1 and cons. (\$53,700);
- 32 Forde: William D. Robb to Samuel F. Hughes, \$1 and cons. (\$63,950);
- 212 Cote St. Antoine: Frederick Warren Bedford to Mrs. Stephen T. Ward, \$69,500 (\$34,600);
- 434 Lansdowne: Mr. and Mrs. John William Taber to Mrs. Ivan B. Pless, \$76,500 (\$39,600);
- 301 Grosvenor: Christopher H. Pickwood to Mrs. John M. Gaston, \$67,000 (\$22,290);
- 316 Kensington: Mrs. Guy Cote to Erans Gulpers, \$85,000 (\$39,350);
- 4894 Westmount avenue: Mrs. Gaston Elie to David G. Hogg, \$1 and cons. (\$48,290);
- 55 Forde: Charles Andrew McCrae to Mrs. Pierre Lamontagne, \$1 and cons. (\$65,710);
- 25 Ramezay: Mrs. John Gilbert Bourne to Walter Prisco, \$1 and cons. (\$117,580);
- 3 Belvedere: Mrs. Donald B. Meagher to Mr. and Mrs. Lionel H. J. Cook, \$1 and cons. (\$75,750);
- 348 Wood: Ecology Systems Corp. Ltd. to Eric Herbert Molson, \$1 and cons. (\$49,560);
- 560 Grosvenor: Mrs. Duff Roblin to J. W. Morgan McCammon, \$1 and cons. (\$60,700);
- 505 Grosvenor: Mrs. Eugene L. Gardner to Mrs. Douglas Bruce, \$54,000 (\$40,000);
- 506 Victoria: Robert Bernard Keefler to Christopher J. Campbell Pascoe, \$1 and cons. (\$23,200);
- 687 Grosvenor: Roland Girard to Mrs. Michael Waxman, \$95,000 (\$36,810);
- 370 Grosvenor: Mrs. Leslie Maloway to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Herlinger, \$49,525 (\$22,200);
- 65 Holton: Thomas Brown King to David MacAlpin Jackson, \$1 and cons. (\$29,800);
- 461 Elm: Mrs. Hayward Davidson Jack to Mohammad Saied Sarafzadeh, \$59,500 (\$30,750), and
- 617 Victoria: Mrs. John Eric MacNaughton to Charles Mackay, \$80,000 (\$33,590).



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