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Fiery crash on Autoroute 55 killed five

Police search for clues

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Autoroute 55 was closed for several hours for the second day in a row on Monday as police investigators attempted to recreate a fatal crash which killed five people on Sunday afternoon.

Police are trying to figure out what caused one of the drivers to lose control causing the head-on collision on a straight stretch of dry pavement near the Route 139 overpass, said Quebec Police Force spokesman Daniel Lamirande.

The accident occurred on a two-lane stretch of highway that was marked by a double line. The lack of skid marks indicate there was no attempt to brake and avoid the violent impact.

All possibilities are being looked at, said Lamirande, adding that the coroner had blood samples taken from both deceased drivers.

The high-speed crash between a Chevrolet Cavalier and a Jeep Cherokee killed both drivers and both front

seat passengers on impact.

Killed instantly in the Cavalier were Michel Beaudoin, 30, and Maryse Côté, 31. In the Jeep, local industrial commissioner Martin Bousquet, 32, and his parent-in-laws Robert Guay, 54, and Solange Bérubé Guay, 55, perished.

The only survivor of the accident was Bousquet's wife who in the rear seat of the Jeep. She suffered multiple fractures, but her life is not in danger. The accident occurred on a two-lane stretch of highway that was marked by a double line.

Traffic was rerouted onto Route 139 for several hours Monday afternoon as collision experts investigated the accident scene.

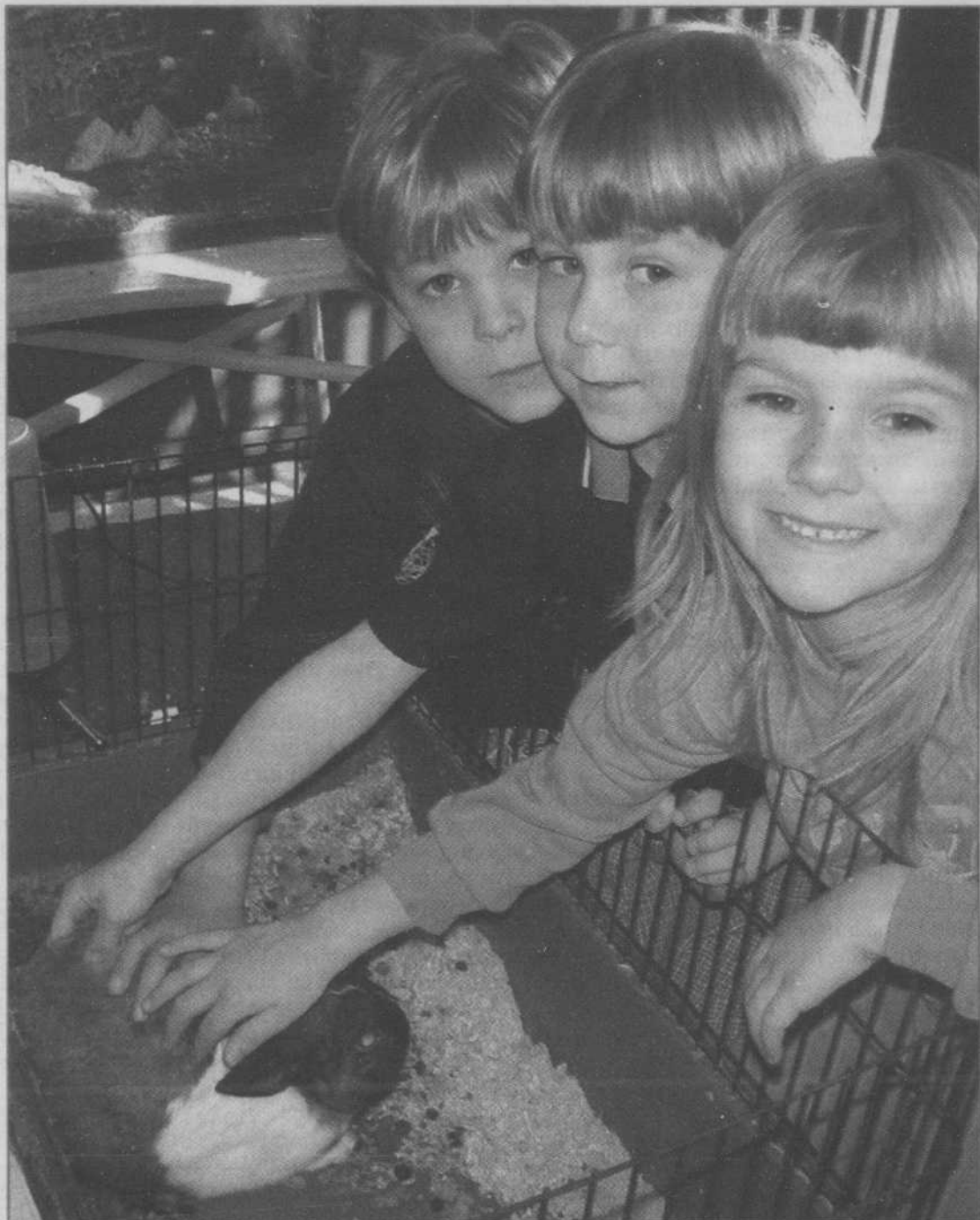
Police are also awaiting confirmation of the identity of the victim of another fatal Route 55 crash on Thursday.

Police believe the victim was a 30-year-old man from Boucherville, but the corpse was so charred a positive identification was impossible.

The autopsy is expected to take place sometime this week.

The driver apparently coasted into the other lane where he hit a tractor trailer head on.

Classroom Companions



DAVID ANDERSON/CORRESPONDENT

Donovan Cloutier, Charles-Felippe Bessette and Abbey Page pet the class rabbit in Waterloo Elementary School's Kindergarten class headed by teacher Connie Barr. The furry friend is not the only unusual thing about Barr's classroom, which was chosen to take part in a video produced by the Quebec Ministry of Education. For the full story and more photos, please see tomorrow's Brome County News.

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This conundrum started all so innocently...

'Britches, britches? What are you talking about?'

At the supper table, I complimented our hard-working guest on his ever-so-appropriate attire. Overalls. It was such a rare sighting.

Stop for a moment and ponder this, please. How often do you see someone in overalls? Who wears them? Doing what? My point exactly!

Whenever overalls have been seen during the past thirty years of my life, they've been on teenagers strolling through a shopping centre, or students chatting in a school hallway, or on young moms-to-be, always, almost exclusively at least, on those of the female persuasion.

Not since my growing-up days on the farm had I beheld the sight of a man devoting his efforts to the agricultural profession donned in such garb. Dad always went to do chores wearing overalls and a frock.

I made some comment about the young man's britches. And that's how the torment began.

"Britches, britches? What are you talking about?"

"Britches, pants, trousers.... You know!"

"Don't you mean 'breeches'?"

"No, they're riding pants."

"Ya, 'breeches' only come to the knees," another added.

Thus the quest commenced. What a search it was to be. A learning experience, too.

As is my custom, I consulted my newest reference book, The Concise English Dictionary, Omega Books, Cassell Limited, London, 1982. Therein, I found 'breeches': "the buttocks, the posteriors [news to me!]; the hinder part of anything [catchy phrase!]; the portion of the gun behind the bore [didn't need to know that!]; (pl.) a garment worn by men, covering the loins and thighs, and

reaching just below the knees...." No 'britches'.

As is my wont, I reached for Webster's Collegiate Dictionary, 5th Edition, Thomas Allen Limited, Toronto, 1941. Certain I was that this must be a word almost lost to the English language from lack of use. Wrong. Again, no 'britches'. But 'breeches' was there: "1. A garment covering the hips and thighs; smallclothes. 2. Colloq. Trousers."

"There's got to be a word missing in the dictionary! It exists, I know it does!" I exclaimed, but no one was listening.

Determined to prove myself right, I flipped through The Random House College Dictionary Revised Edition, Random House Inc., New York, 1975; then the New Practical Standard Dictionary, Britannica World Language Edition, Funk & Wagnalls, New York, 1956; Roget's Thesaurus, Longmans, Green & Co. Ltd., London, 1962; and the Concord Desk Encyclopedia, Concord Reference Books, New York, 1977. Nothing. No help at all.

"This couldn't be an Eastern Townships oddity?" I asked myself, in desperation.

The only way to find out was to refer to Talking Country, The Eastern Townships Phrase Book, Lewis Poteet, Pigwidgeon Press, Ayer's Cliff, 1992. Another strike out.

What's a definition-deprived word-lover to do? The best solution I could come up with was to consult an expert word-crafter.

An author, former editor, MA graduate in Communication Arts and very good friend immediately came to mind. No answer. What luck!

Not to be beaten, I called her professional writer and published author son. Ah-hah, help at last! Of the most satisfying kind.

Why, he had used the 'b' word himself just a few days ago when he ut-



SUSAN MASTINE

tered the expression, "Too big for your britches!"

Click. That familiar expression brought others to mind. "Your britches are falling down." "You need something to keep your britches up."

This fact and fiction word-smith confirmed my suspicions with authority, quoting from The Gage Canadian Dictionary, 1998 edition: "breeches : informal breeches." Yes! Now, my mind was at ease. The search was over.

And what did I learn along the way? How desperately I need an up-to-date Canadian dictionary. But also, little tidbits of interesting information. From Roget's Thesaurus, synonyms for breeches are: "knee breeches, riding breeches, jodhpurs; buckskins, unmentionables, inexpressibles; small-clothes, smalls; knickerbockers, knickers; galligaskins, plus fours; treader pants; rompers, crawlers."

Synonyms for trousers are: "long-trousers, peg-top trousers, pants, long pants, peg-pants, ski-pants, frontier pants; trews, breeks, kerseys, overalls, pantaloons, pantalettes; bloomers, bag-trousers, petticoat trousers, salwar; slacks, bags, Cambridge bags, Oxford bags, chaparejos, chaps, dungarees, overalls, denims, jeans, blue jeans, Levis, pedal pushers, sweat pants; drawers, shorts, Bermuda shorts, half-pants, short pants."

In Webster's Collegiate Dictionary, the list of population statistics for Quebec places of over 1000 inhabitants in 1941 included the following from the Eastern Townships:

Acton Vale 2363
Arthabaska 1906
Asbestos 5702
Bedford 1675
Beebe Plain 1025
Black Lake 2236
Bromptonville 1653
Coaticook 4386
Cowansville 3452

Danville 1320
Disraeli 1336
Drummondville 10, 502
East Angus 3488
Farnham 4056
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Lennoxville 2107
Magog 8995
Megantic 4529
Richmond 3062
Rock Island 1387
Scotstown 126
Sherbrooke 35,651
Sutton 1115
Thetford Mines 12,788
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Waterloo 3156
Windsor 3365

Talking Country taught me these expressions:

"paying crow tax : losing a farm animal by accidental death or disease. Years ago, dead animals were left for wild animals and crows to eat. -Abercorn."

"red-hearted : a tree that is starting to rot in the center and should be cut soon, if it is to be used at all... actually develops a red coloration in the center."

And my favourites, "rooster combs : stuff left standing after hay is cut, at the corner of the field. - Lawrence Colony," and "mane : a streak of unmown hay left in the field after it has been cut. Caused by a poor cutter bar on the mowing machine, or by not driving properly.... 'If your guards don't work, you'll leave a mane for sure.' - Sawyerville."

From britches to a hay field, that's a stretch. Hey, I know a story that connects the two. It involved my maternal grandfather who was working in a hayfield when a tiny, furry creature was felt crawling up or down his pants. I don't have the details, only the ending - that Grandpy let fall his britches, in a hurry, too. Don't know if there were witnesses, but the tale's been passed on.

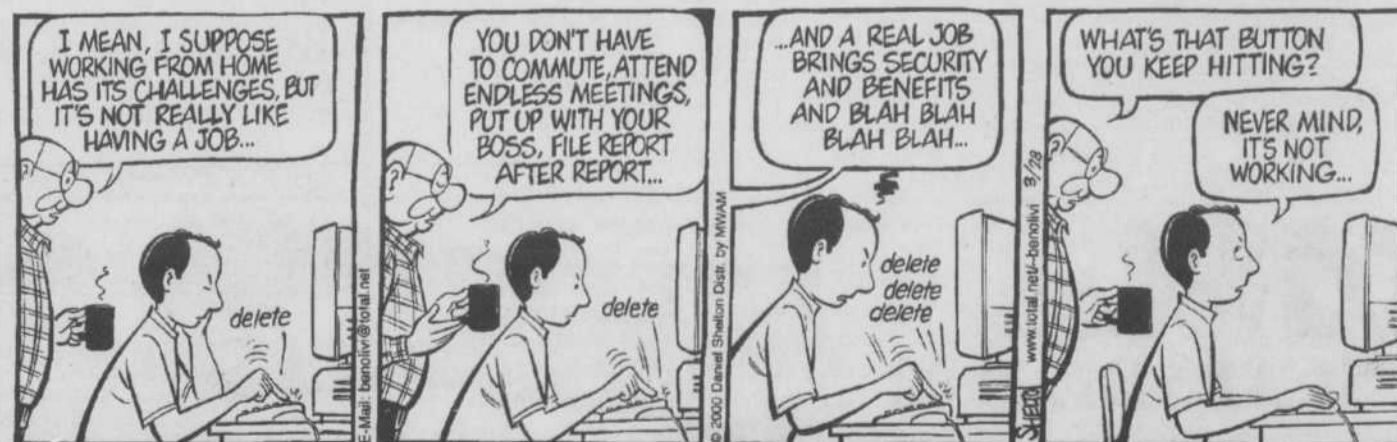
Weather

Tuesday: Rain ending in the evening. Cloudy with 30 per cent probability of showers later on. High near 10. Winds easterly 30 to 60 km/h diminishing to 15 to 30 late in the day.

Wednesday: Cloudy with chance of showers. Low near 4. High near 9. Probability of precipitation 40 per cent.

Thursday: Showers. Low near 2. High near 7. Probability of precipitation 80 per cent.

BEN by Daniel Shelton



Johnson MNA says he's scared to use highway 55

Government plans to extend four-lane stretch

By Rita Legault
LENNOXVILLE

Two fatal accidents within a week on Route 55, including a violent and fiery crash that killed five people on Sunday, has led to renewed calls to extend a four-lane divided highway between Windsor and Drummondville.

Highway 55 is so dangerous, the MNA representing the region avoids it at all costs - especially on the two-lane stretch between Windsor and Drummondville.

"I'm really scared," admits Johnson MNA Claude Boucher who spends much of his time crisscrossing the region traversed by the 55.

Boucher said that unless he is traveling in the morning when there are lots of school buses on back roads, he takes the old highway to avoid the often erratic traffic on the 55. But the regional highway is hard to avoid when you have to go to Quebec City 80 times a year, he said, adding that during his travels on the 55 he has seen it all.

"This highway is really dangerous. People pass on the left, people pass on the right, they pass on double lines and they drive really fast."

Boucher, who learned Monday that he was acquainted with one of the victims of Sunday's accident, said many Route 55 motorists act like they're driving on an



'This highway is really dangerous'...Johnson MNA Claude Boucher

autoroute.

Part of the problem is that on both of its extremities, the 55 is a four lane divided highway, he said. But between Windsor and St-Nicéphore, the 55 becomes a narrow two-lane undivided highway with occasional passing lanes.

Additional dangers include deer crossings, and lots of heavy truck traffic.

The government announced in January it will extend the four-lane divided highway on the deadly 17-kilometer stretch between Windsor and Richmond. Contracts to clear the land are currently being handed out and the extra two lanes are expected to be completed by 2002.

Boucher said that will be the costliest part of the construction because of the bridge to build over the Salmon River.

But as for the remaining 40 kilometers between Richmond and l'Avenir, there are no plans yet, says Boucher.

"It would cost a lot of money - about \$1 million per kilometer - and it's not the most dangerous stretch of road in the province," Boucher said, adding that it will be his duty as the local MNA and the Parti-Québécois representative for the region to pressure the government into making Route 55 a priority.

Boucher said the usual criteria for turning two lane highways into four lane divided highways is the volume of traffic.

"But we have to take into account more than just statistics," Boucher argues. "We have to take into account the safety of citizens and economic development."

Right now there are about 7,000 cars a day on the stretch between Windsor and Drummondville. Usually it takes a volume of 10,000 cars a day for a four lane divided highway, but because of the large number of fatalities on the so-called death stretch between Windsor and Richmond, the government agreed to invest in that 17-kilometer stretch.

"Now we will have to find arguments for the remaining 40 kilometer stretch between Richmond and l'Avenir," Boucher said, admitting that last week's fatalities will help make a convincing argument.

Transport Quebec statistics show there were no fatalities on the new four-lane di-

vided highway stretch between Bromptonville and Windsor. In the three years prior to the construction, there were three fatal accidents and three with serious injuries.

Not counting last weeks fatalities, there have been 17 fatalities on Route 55 in the last 10 years between Bromptonville and Ulverton. The stretch beyond Ulverton falls under a different jurisdiction and statistics were not available.

Transport Quebec is currently working on additional lanes between Blvd Jean-de-Brébeuf in Drummondville and Route 139 in St-Nicéphore a few kilometers from where Sunday's fatal crash occurred. Construction of that stretch, which followed a traffic safety survey in the area, is scheduled to be completed in September, 2000.

Boucher, who coincidentally was on the 55 during both of last week's accidents, could not completely dismiss the notion that it takes fatalities for the government to act.

"It's obvious that when there are deaths it sensitizes the government," he said. "It jogs your imagination. It provokes sympathy. It touches your emotions."

Boucher said the accident could bring attention to the dangers on this road and help accelerate the decision-making process. In the meantime, he said he may get together with his colleague from Drummond to pressure the government to add the lanes sooner rather than later.

Student ambassadors visit Parliament Hill

By Harry Hodge

A group of foreign student delegates representing the Estrie went to Ottawa in the name of international relations.

The Association Interculturelle de l'Estrie(AIDE) traveled to the Nation's Capital last Thursday at the invitation of Sherbrooke Senator Léonce Mercier to tour Parliament and meet with diplomats from around the world.

These 11 student-ambassadors hail from Africa, South America and the Middle East, and are enrolled at Bishop's University, the University of Sherbrooke and a former Sherbrooke student now at the University of Toronto. The association has been in operation since 1990, and its student ambassador program has been around since 1997. The program screens applicants from around the world currently studying in the Estrie to represent both their home country and the Sherbrooke region.

"These students wanted to know how to make contacts in the Estrie," explained association director Mohamed Soulam, who is originally from Morocco.

This year's batch of applicants filled out questionnaires and included personal resumés, as there is considerable competition for the limited number of spots. And in addition to representing the group here in Canada, the student am-

bassadors are sources of information about Canada and the Estrie when they return to their home countries.

The group also aims to help students enrolled in specific programs to get matched with contacts in their field.

"It's good for foreign students to find an outlet other than studying," explained Astrid Voltaire, a 26-year-old from Guadeloupe in her final year of a degree in Economics and Administration at the University of Sherbrooke.

Voltaire says that her time with the association has been invaluable.

"For me it's been a very enriching experience," she said. "It has helped me build my professional life here."

The student-ambassadors piled onto a bus early Thursday morning to spend a full day on Parliament Hill. Upon arrival they met with Senator Mercier, MP Jean Augustine, Amateur Sport Minister Denis Coderre and Senator Marcel Prud'homme, among others. They were then given a guided tour of the Parliamentary library, the Senate and other areas of Parliament.

After having lunch with various dignitaries in the Parliamentary restaurant, the student-ambassadors sat in on Question Period in the House of Commons as well as proceedings in the Senate.

The day drew to a close with a cocktail

hosted by Senate President Gildas Molgat, which was attended by diplomats from South Africa, Colombia and other nations. Canada is a multicultural, diverse society," explained Augustine, the first woman of African descent elected to Canadian Parliament. "We want to work to make this country an example for the

rest of the world, and we like to know there are good things happening all over the world."

Pablo Castillo, a 26-year-old Bishop's student from Mexico completing a degree in Honours French, says the experience has been integral to his time in the Estrie.

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Caisse de Dépôt blocks sale of Videotron

A monumental corporate struggle is underway that involves your pension money and mine.

The Caisse de dépôt et placement, the manager of more than \$100 billion in public pension funds, has teamed up with Quebecor to repel a takeover of the Groupe Videotron launched by Toronto-based Rogers Communications.

It has all the makings of an epic battle, combining financial muscle, personal ego, and politics, with, in the end, a prize that is significant enough that it will affect how and what we consume in the world of TV, newspapers, magazines, and electronic media.

It's not the first time the Caisse has involved itself in takeover bids affecting big Quebec industries. It lobbied hard in the Loblaw's bid for

Provigo in the food business, and in the Air Canada-Onex fight for national airline control.

This time, it's trying to shield Videotron, once a simple Quebec cable company, and propel it into the "new economy" dominated by the information industry, a kind of "AOL-Time Warner of the north", said Caisse Chairman Jean-Claude Scraire.

The Caisse is able to flex its muscle by virtue of its 10 per cent share holding of Videotron stock.

If you're concerned about the Caisse's handling of your pension funds, note that last year it boasted a 16.5 per cent return on its investments, making it one of the top pension managers in Canada.

PRIVATIZING PAULINE

Health Canada and the Quebec health insurance board (RAMQ) are both investigating a Montreal clinic for charging patients a facility fee for medical services that should be provided without charge.

The Institut de Polychirurgie de Montréal, set up originally to perform plastic surgery, has been renting its operating facilities for other minor surgical procedures.

The big difference between the Institut and a hospital is that the Institut charges patients \$400 to "rent" the OR.

The other difference is that patients with the money can avoid a lengthy stay

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GLENN WANAMAKER

on a hospital waiting list.

The surgeon doesn't make any more money, but he or she gets to use abilities otherwise wasted because hospitals can't afford to use

operating rooms to their maximum.

Health Minister Pauline Marois, reacting with mock shock, said any violations of the principles of public health care will not be tolerated.

Quebec, she insisted, will not allow the development of a two-tier health system.

Just last fall, however, Marois warmly welcomed recommendations to allow a greater role for the private sector in health care, including the creation of private "affiliated" clinics to reduce the stress on hospitals.

She's also repeatedly promised a public debate over new ways of financing rising health care costs - which is often political doublespeak for user fees and privatization.

It's easy politics for Marois to be indignant when two-tier medical care becomes reality. But it sounds hollow when her government is responsible for facilitating it.

Meanwhile Jean Charest's Liberals, who've made the health crisis their top priority for the past year, did not ask a single question about the Polyclinique story last week, a made-to-order issue for any opposition party wanting to defend public health care.

Maybe they'll do better this week.

ENGLISH SERVICES

After stomping her feet about creeping privatization, Marois then got really upset about Ottawa's plan to fund various programs to ensure anglophone access to health and social services.

"I am very angry," she reportedly said.

Quebec has until March 31 to decide if it will renew a federal-provincial agreement that provides coordinators for the English health care access program.

Assuming that it will not, Ottawa is proposing to fund several community-based projects to evaluate and support access to English services.

Marois said it is unacceptable that Ottawa involve itself directly in health care delivery, a provincial jurisdiction.

Even though her government has troubles guaranteeing access to health services in any language, Marois argued Quebec is fully respecting its commitments to the English-speaking community.



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ADQ INTERACTIVE

Mario Dumont's Action Démocratique is hoping to catch a techno-wave at its third annual convention this weekend in order to boost its popularity even higher than the 18 per cent recorded by recent polls.

While delegates will be debating party policy on the convention floor in St-Hyacinthe, folks at home with an Internet connection can tune in live and participate.

By dialing www.adq.qc.ca, the website of the "party that's not afraid of new ideas", you too can help "build the official program", and propose, debate, and vote on resolutions.

AMONG THE PARTY'S RESOLUTIONS:

- electoral law changes, including provision for citizen-generated referendums and a requirement for a two-thirds majority in the National Assembly to adopt a sovereignty referendum question.

- a single uniform personal income tax rate, with a maximum of 20 per cent.

- support for a greater role for private medical clinics, and an end to CLSC financing where private clinics can provide the same services.

If you're thinking of participating,

you might want to offer advice on monitoring election expenses.

The Quebec elections office is investigating the 1998 elections expenses of ADQ candidates in Deux Montagnes and La Prairie.

No charges have yet been laid, but the allegations are serious and embarrassing for a party that claims to practice politics differently.

NATIVE BREAKTHROUGH

Well over a year ago, Ottawa's chief negotiator in talks with the Innu communities André Maltais said he was on the road to a breakthrough deal. Quebec's minister responsible for native affairs, Guy Chevrette, talked as well of breaking a 20-year impasse with an agreement that would go farther than what had been tried before.

They are not there yet, but they've made a giant leap forward with the signing of a provisional framework agreement with three Innu (or Montagnais) communities.

They are Mashteuatsh, near Lac St. Jean, and Essipit (Les Escoumins) and Betsiamites on the North Shore. They are home to about 8,100 of the province's 14,000 Innu people.

It's called a framework agreement because many details must still be negotiated.

But there are several keys to its approach, besides a financial compensation package in exchange for dropping a lawsuit against Hydro Quebec over hydro developments.

They include property rights over a larger territory, an Ottawa-Quebec-native job creation fund, logging rights, and a 3 per cent share of royalties on resource extraction.

But above all, there is a shared will to create a form of self-government and a still not fully-defined aboriginal-run tax system, which long-time native negotiator Bernard Cleary identified several years ago as the most important element for any kind of native government.

Months of talks still lie ahead. And even if they succeed, there will remain even tougher talks for a separate deal with four other Innu communities.

Despite at times rocky, even hostile, relations between Quebec and native peoples - which pretty much describes the state of affairs with the Cree -

Guy Chevrette is, as they say, listening to the land.

Hopefully, he can use his legendary stubbornness to good purpose and forge agreements that will last and allow communities to flourish.

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Brome Lake eyes bylaw to restrict pesticides, fertilizers

Lawn care experts opposed

By Maurice Crossfield

When the Brome Lake town council meets next week it will be voting on a new bylaw that will restrict the use of pesticides and fertilizers for residential property owners.

"We pretty much all view this as a first step," said Brome Lake councillor Robin Moore. "The use of these types of products is not something we want to encourage. Maybe if people think twice about this they will decide not to use them."

The new bylaw will not affect those homeowners who opt to spread small amounts of fertilizer or pesticides on their flower beds. However for larger treatments requiring the services of a professional lawn care company, a no charge permit will have to be issued from the town hall. The permit will be good for one year.

Farmland and industrial areas are already covered by provincial environmental regulations, and as such are not affected by the proposed bylaw.

Moore said the restrictions on property owners are minimal, mainly forbidding the use of these chemicals near wells, watercourses and shorelines. Signs must also be posted so that passersby are aware of the treatments.

Breaking the bylaw would mean fines of between \$200 and \$1000. However Moore admits enforcing the law will be difficult.

OPPOSITION

Squarely against the bylaw are Catherine and Morgan Fuller, owners and operators of Terrain Decorative, a company that provides lawn care services in Sutton, Potton and Brome Lake. They say the bylaw will mean spending a lot more time at the town hall, while doing little to improve the environment.

"They are alleviating the population of any responsibility and going after those that work in the field, under the banner of protecting the environment," said Catherine Fuller.

Fuller said licensed professional operators are already required to keep logs of what chemicals were put down and where. They are also well aware of the numerous factors that can affect the treatments they carry out.

"It's a matter of dosages and how to apply the products," she said. She said homeowners doing their own fertilization or fumigation are more at risk of causing environmental harm.

"A professional has the experience of reading all of the factors such as wind, temperature and rainfall," said Morgan Fuller. "You go to the town hall and explain what your doing. But then it may all change depending on the

weather at the time you are applying the treatment."

They said inexperienced people can easily kill their lawns, while a properly treated lawn will be healthier and provide more oxygen for the environment. Morgan Fuller says today's modern chemicals break down quickly and don't leech into the water table when applied conscientiously.

But while the Fullers argue that today's chemical pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers are as safe as aspirin "which must be taken in moderation in order to be safe," Moore says the long term effects aren't well known.

"A lot of people get the flower picture out of this," Moore said as he held up a box of pesticide. "But the inherent risks can be fairly serious. What is not well understood are the long term effects."

SIMILAR RULES ELSEWHERE

And while this is an issue most Quebec municipalities have addressed, it seems that some towns agree with that opinion. The City of Sherbrooke doesn't allow the use of pesticides between June

15 and August 1, it can't be applied when temperatures rise above 27 Celsius, or if winds are in excess of 15 km/h, or near schools, playgrounds or wells.

The town of Chelsea in western Quebec goes even further in the law it introduced last year. Chelsea municipal spokesman Charles Cardinal says herbicides and pesticides can only be used when there is proof that a property has been infested with a problem plant or insect.

"It's not for the dandelions on your lawn," Cardinal said.

Even the golf courses in Chelsea, which traditionally depend on various chemicals to provide a lush playing surface, are affected. They have another four years to phase out their use of chemical pesticides. In the meantime the two golf courses must provide the town

with an annual report on which chemicals they used and where.

Meanwhile the city of Westmount has a similar bylaw in place. It goes into detail on what constitutes an infestation, including the density of weeds as a percentage of the total lawn.

In Hudson a similar bylaw has been in place for years now. Residents there are required to get a lawn care professional to submit a report to the municipality, where the municipal inspector will have the final say.

"It is to have as few pesticides as possible in our territory," said municipal inspector Nathalie Lavoie.

COURT CHALLENGE

But that bylaw is facing a serious challenge from its opponents. For the last several years it has been the subject of several court battles, and is presently on its way to the Supreme Court of Canada.

While these other bylaws are aimed primarily at pesticide use, Brome Lake's proposed bylaw extends to chemical fertilizer use. Moore said this is because

years of studies show that there is more phosphorus leeching into Brome Lake than is coming out. He said the studies have so far not been able to identify one particular source of the phosphorus, which causes algae growth in waterways, choking out fish and plant life.

Moore said another concern is the safety of drinking water. He said Brome Lake presently doesn't have to treat its water, and doesn't want to have to spend millions of dollars building treatment plants.

"There is no economical way to remove this stuff from the environment once it's there," he said. "The most important thing for us is the effect on drinking water."

EDUCATION, AWARENESS

Raising public awareness is an important aspect of the bylaw, Moore said. "Education and information is something we want to pursue."

That's an avenue Chelsea has taken. Cardinal said the town tries to inform residents of the environmental concerns, offering safer alternatives to chemical pesticides.

"It's not easy when you adopt a bylaw that changes the lives of people," he said. He said opposition to the bylaw in Chelsea has been fairly low-key.

The Fullers say they will continue to oppose the bylaw, and are planning to meet with the mayor and councillors to discuss the matter further.

"It's an annoyance that will provide nothing useful for the public or for the town," Morgan Fuller said.

However Moore, a chemical engineer by profession, said Brome Lake is well within its rights to try to regulate the residential use of pesticides and fertilizers. He said the municipality may introduce tougher regulations in the future, depending on what is learned from this first bylaw.

"One of the main objectives is to collect data and see what people are using," Moore said. "Then if need be, the town will be better able to spot problems."

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BRIEFS

La Tribune employees accept offer

Unionized employees at Sherbrooke's French-language daily newspaper La Tribune voted 74 per cent in favour of accepting management's latest offer on their new contract Sunday morning.

The vote puts to rest fears of a strike vote raised last week by employees.

Sherbrooke Symphony can be heard on radio

For those who happened to miss the March 18 performance of the Sherbrooke Symphony Orchestra,

tune in to Radio Canada's classical music station, 90.7 on the radio dial, Wed. March 29 at 1:30 p.m.

The concert, entitled les Grands Romantiques, features Denis Bluteau, solo flutist with the Montreal Symphony Orchestra who performs several pieces from the popular opera Carmen

by Bizet.

The orchestra, under the direction of Stephane Laforest, chose its romantic repertoire from Schubert, McCauley and Dvorak.

The next performance by the Sherbrooke Symphony Orchestra is scheduled for April 15.

Community Forum

There's something to be said for clarity

Surely it is a safe bet that everyone who reads this column has seen the TV ad showing a man standing confused in front of washroom doors which, bearing unhelpful pictograms, he dares not enter. He waits for someone to exit, expecting to have his bewilderment put to rest, only to be greeted by a person whose gender is anything but self-evident. Then comes the message that "There is something to be said for clarity."

claim and says that if Reformers were to vote in favour of the new Alliance, "Reform would immediately become Canadian Alliance; Reform caucus must vote to accept the name change to Canadian Alliance and then inform the House of Commons speaker of the switch."

The vote went over 90% for the change. Canadian Alliance is born. But which is it? Is it a new party? Or is it the Reform Party with a new name?

If this were truly a new political entity consisting of former Reformers and

others, like expatriate Conservatives, why would only the ex-Reformers get to vote on the name and report it to the Speaker? I suspect that the Canadian Press version, all but buried on page A9 last Thursday - "Canadian Alliance as new name for Reform" - is closer to the truth.

It is not just my natural skepticism of 'political truths' that makes me suspicious. Back on February 7 in this space, I questioned whether a non-existent Reform Party could remain the Official Opposition in the House of Commons. In doing so, I was taking at face value the Reform leader's claim that what he was up to was no mere name change, even though I had my doubts. And I had those doubts for what I thought, and still think, was a good reason. I could not believe that Preston Manning and his legal advisors would voluntarily surrender the party's Official Opposition status - a status they fought long and hard to get - by making the party vanish. An entirely legal political trick, if performed with a skillful enough slight of hand, would both protect that status and attract unwary voters. For the Speaker, change the party name. For public consumption, make good use of smoke and mirrors.

We won't have to wait long to see wherein lies the truth. If the Speaker recognizes the Canadian Alliance as the Official Opposition in place of the apparently defunct Reform Party, we'll know that the Alliance is a lot less like a fresh new loaf than a fresh wrapper on stale bread.

VIEWPOINT

DON HEALY

How true!

For what is beginning to feel like an eternity, the Reform Party has been telling everyone that it wanted to shut down, then rise from the dead as a component of a "united right" party. It tried its best to get the Conservatives to enter into the union. No, make that re-union, because of course the Conservatives once were the united right, and had it not been for break-away factions like the Reformers and the Bloc, it might still be. But in any event, the PC's were less interested in being courted than the

Reformers were in courting, so no such marriage has occurred.

Still, Preston Manning and his Reformers insist that an "alliance" was born last week-end; but for some, how an alliance is hatched without allies is confusing. Like the person leaving the toilet room, the signs from last week-end's Reform convention didn't clarify a thing.

Here is another question that the convention should have answered.

Most reports of Reform's manoeuvres state quite categorically that this new party heading for Ottawa's stage is a new party - a new political entity - and that the Reform Party of Canada no longer exists now that Reformers have voted in support of the Canadian Alliance. Then why does Preston Manning feel he must resign in order to contest the leadership of the new party?

Resign from what? How can a non-existent party have a leader?

While most reports haven't questioned Reform's demise, one - a Canadian Press production published in the March 24 Gazette - contradicts that



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Eggs were fit for a queen

DEAR EDITOR,

It is so long since I wrote to you - then I saw an article in your edition of March 1st which had to get a letter from me, "Adventures with egg production business."

This reminded me of the Orkney Islands where I was stationed at RNAS Harston during 1941. The Orkneys were great producers of eggs and beef and I always had an egg for breakfast, while in England they were as scarce as could be, and you seldom got one. Transport south appeared to have broken down.

Then one day King George VI flew up to inspect the Home Fleet, anchored in Scarpa Flow. They landed at Harston and spent a little time in our wardroom before going off to the Fleet Flagship, and I am sure that during that time he heard all about our good feeding. He was then in the fleet for several days and then returned to Harston to fly South again.

Surely he had heard all about our well being because when he took off to fly South he had a dozen eggs under his arm for the Queen.

HANK ROTHERHAM
Saltspring Island, B.C.

Editor's note: Nice to hear from you again.

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Our School's Page

SAWYERVILLE ELEMENTARY

Compton County Basketball

Sawyererville Elementary girls and boys basketball teams took part in the annual Compton County Basketball Tournament at Alexander Galt on Feb. 11. Teams from Cookshire, Pope Memorial and North Hatley provided the competition.

In boys play, the Lennoxville boys ended the round robin competition with a perfect three wins and no losses record, easily the class of the small schools tournament. The Sawyererville girls ended the day with a two-win, one-loss record losing in a one-point squeaker to the Pope Memorial girls. Congratulations to coaches Rodney Milonja and Jeff Bowker for a job well done.

Activity Day

There is nothing like a day of fun and frolic to begin a holiday. On Friday, March 3, the last day of school before the March break, students and staff of Sawyererville Elementary held an activity day. Four groups rotated through a wagon ride, yard hockey, an obstacle course and an art activity, all during the morning. In the afternoon, Sawyererville students were joined by Cookshire students for the Geordie Theatre production of Emily Bronte-Saurus and the Legends of the Northern Swamp.



COURTESY SAWYERVILLE ELEMENTARY

These Grade 3/4 girls have kinetic energy on a roll. Sawyererville students show off their scientific skills in the hallways.

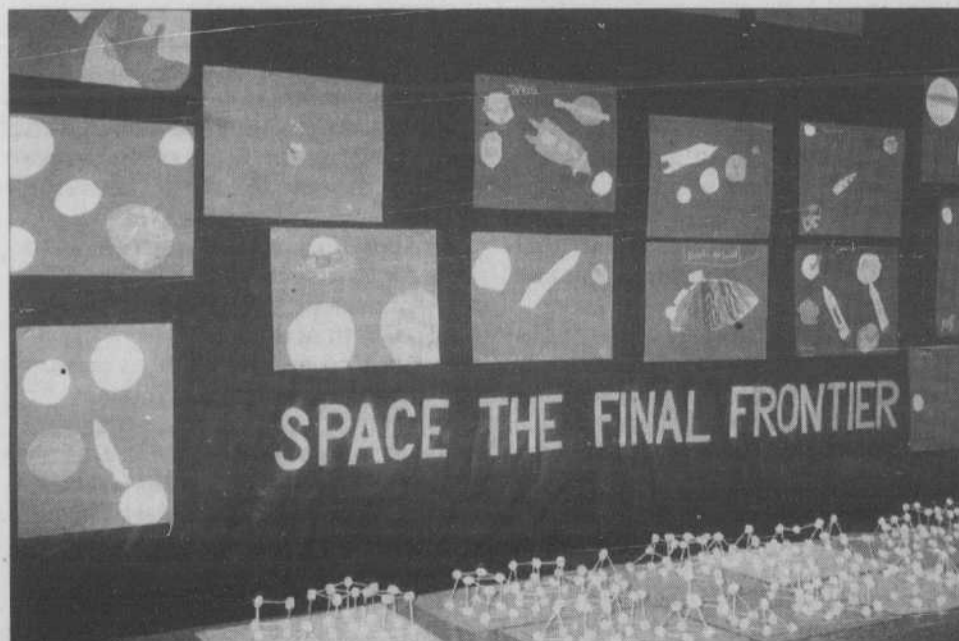
Grade 5/6 Report

The Grade 5/6 class has been busy finishing up two co-operative projects. Again this year the class will be publishing a book which highlights the lives of Sawyererville senior citizens. In living science, students have been working on reports on plants.

Why I enjoy winter

I enjoy winter because I like to sit down and tell lots of things to my Mom. To me it feels nice when my Mom is listening to me. It feels good like a summer day. It feels comforting like a kiss. It is the same feeling as having your family around you.

-by Elizabeth Lloyd



COURTESY SAWYERVILLE ELEMENTARY

The Grade 3/4 children's artwork reveals some of what was recently learned about space. Geometric shapes were formed with the help of toothpicks and marshmallows.



COURTESY SAWYERVILLE ELEMENTARY

Snow hills: A joy for students, but a nightmare for teachers and principals. These Sawyererville students enjoy a recess in the great outdoors on the school playground. Is spring really here yet?!

Canadian Alliance activists set for leadership race

By Norma Greenaway
SOUTHAM NEWS
CALGARY

Still dizzy from the whopping endorsement Reformers gave to transferring their support to the nascent Canadian Alliance, activists turned their attention Sunday to the nitty-gritty details of running a leadership contest and establishing the new party.

Behind the scenes, rival leadership camps jockeyed for rules they think will give their candidate the best advantage, with the backers of front-runner Preston Manning seen as winning the first skirmish.

After lengthy debate, the new party's governing council decided against selling party memberships between a first and second leadership ballot if no candidate wins majority support on the first round of voting June 24. If necessary, the second ballot will be held July 8.

Backers of Manning's chief rivals, Alberta Treasurer Stockwell Day and Ontario Tory Frank Klees, had hoped to keep the membership rolls open in the belief their candidates would have stronger second-ballot growth than Manning.

Calgary MP Jason Kenney, a Day backer who had promoted keeping the membership sells open, said "newer, non-incumbent candidates" probably had the most to gain.

Membership rules for the leadership vote was one of several issues addressed at the first working meeting of the new party that will be registered as an official entity this week with Elections Canada.

The political stakes are high, and the manoeuvring over the next few weeks promises to be fierce.

"This is a real chess game," declared Gee Tsang, a member of the Reform party's national executive council that has been merged with the new Canadian Alliance national council.

Council member Rod Love, a Ralph Klein Tory, agreed. "There's a lot of politics going on," he observed.

The national council unveiled an elegant Canadian Alliance logo, a careful 50-50 mix of Reform green and Tory blue with a small green maple leaf. A video presentation dismissed the Liberals as the party of the 20th century and billed the Canadian Alliance as "the party of the 21st century."

Council co-chairman Tony Clement, Ontario minister of municipal affairs, announced there would be no spending limits for candidates in the leadership campaign, a decision the council defended as encouraging free speech and the widest possible public participation.

The 53-member council promised at least three national debates during the three-month campaign. There was no commitment to a debate in French, a language only two contenders, Day and Toronto lawyer Joe Peschisolido, speak with any facility.

A "neutral" oversight committee also was being established to oversee compliance with the rules developed for the leadership contest. And a 13-member election-planning team was charged with ensuring the Canadian Alliance

will be "election-ready by Labour Day 2000," as Ken Kalopsis, the council's other co-chair put it.

The council meeting came only hours after the results of a Reform party referendum handed Manning a giant victory in his campaign to forge a broader coalition of small-c conservatives to rival the ruling Liberals in the next election.

Reformers voted 92 per cent in favour of dissolving their 13-year-old party into the Canadian Alliance, a coalition dominated by erstwhile Reformers and their official new allies drawn from the ranks of federal and provincial Tories, primarily in Ontario and Alberta.

Though the faces won't change, the reality of the new party set in on Monday. Members of the 57-strong Reform caucus take their seats in the Commons as members of the Canadian Alliance.

Two Saskatchewan MPs who have held out against supporting the Canadian Alliance - Lee Morrison and Al Kerpan - have agreed to sit under the new banner until they have polled their riding members on what to do.

Federal Conservative Leader Joe Clark, in Calgary to promote his bid for election in a downtown riding in the next federal poll, took a dim view of the birth of the Canadian Alliance.

Clark, whose fifth-place party is struggling with internal dissent and lagging memberships, disparaged the Canadian Alliance as a Reform makeover and said he saw no evidence of federal Tories in Ontario, Quebec or Atlantic Canada flooding to Reform's successor.

Another bone of contention on Day 1 of the new party was how soon membership lists would be available to candidates once they officially declare their candidacy, pay a \$25,000 deposit and a \$5,000 rental fee for the lists.

Manning makes his months-long unofficial leadership campaign official Monday at a rally in Calgary. Day follows with a rally in Red Deer on Tuesday before embarking on a campaign swing to southwestern Ontario, Montreal and Halifax.

The non-Manning leadership camps fret the Reform leader has a huge organizational advantage over them, given his familiarity with the party membership and his years in the trenches. They charge privately that the Manning team is trying to draw out the "power of incumbency" as long as possible.

Rick Anderson, a member of the Manning team, rejected the sniping as unfounded, arguing Manning has done everything to break from his incumbent status.

Manning, now acting leader of the Canadian Alliance, has resigned as leader of the official Opposition. He also has removed himself from the Canadian Alliance national council except when his signature is needed for legal purposes, Anderson said.

Day supporter Kenney said there is no excuse for the candidates not having the lists "within minutes" of making the required deposits. Kalopsis suggested it might take some time to get the lists into shape.

Vladimir Putin wins Russia's presidential elections

By Mike Trickey
SOUTHAM NEWS
MOSCOW

It was closer than expected, but Vladimir Putin has apparently won Russia's presidential election.

With about half of the ballots from Sunday's election counted, Putin had 50.67 per cent of the vote, just enough to win an outright victory and avoid a runoff election with the runner-up.

Communist party Leader Gennady Zyuganov was a surprisingly strong second with 30.77 per cent and reform-oriented economist Grigori Yavlinsky, the favourite of western capitals, a distant third at 5.78 per cent.

None of the other eight candidates reached four per cent. About two-thirds of Russia's 107 million eligible voters participated.

Zyuganov complained even before the polls closed of widespread irregularities and vote theft, saying he has proof of fraud that will bring Putin's total below the 50-per-cent threshold needed for an outright victory in the first round.

He complained that government officials had sent many more ballots to war-ravaged Chechnya than there were

people and claimed to have evidence of vote manipulation in several other regions.

Russian television reported Sunday night that 64 per cent of Chechnya's population voted - the majority for Putin - despite enduring more than six months of war.

Putin, a virtual unknown when appointed prime minister by former president Boris Yeltsin last August, soared to more than 70 per cent popularity in January as he talked the tough talk of "eliminating" Chechen "terrorists," but that support has dropped sharply in the past month.

He was characteristically low-key as he cast his ballot Sunday morning. His face expressionless, the not-quite five-foot, six-inch former spymaster said he planned to spend the rest of the day enjoying a steam bath in a village 120 kilometres outside Moscow, watching the results on television and going to bed early.

That changed, however, as the low-tech vote-counting process dragged on, leaving the result in doubt until this morning's early hours, and he returned to his campaign headquarters.

The usually inaccessible president

held an impromptu press conference at 1:30 a.m. and struck a conciliatory tone as he called on Russians to unite to rebuild the country.

He noted that the Communists' share of more than 30 per cent is an indication of a deep-seated dissatisfaction with the country's post-Soviet economic and political reform process.

"Our strategy should be oriented toward satisfying the needs of the simple people so they can feel the advantages of the policies we are pursuing," he said.

He stopped short of saying there was a place for Zyuganov or Yavlinsky in his new government, but said he was willing to talk to both of them.

Putin also reached out to former prime minister Yevgeny Primakov and Moscow mayor Yuri Luzhkov, whose rival party was destroyed by the Kremlin's powerful television networks' scandal-seeking campaign during last December's parliamentary elections.

Putin said he knew a lot of people were holding him responsible - or giving him credit - for the Chechen war, but he said that was wrong.

"I know what I did there and I don't want to diminish my role, but we would

have never achieved what we have now in the Caucasus without the significant efforts of several people who are deeply respected by our nation, like Primakov, Luzhkov and Zyuganov.

"You can criticize them for whatever you want, but even though they understood the 'Caucasus theme' played in my favour, they never let themselves take an anti-state position.

"All the people who will be invited to participate in executive power have to think similarly, should play the same game."

Boris Yeltsin, who has admitted the 1994-96 Chechen war was his biggest mistake as president, made a rare public appearance to cast his vote and signal his support for the 47-year-old lawyer from St. Petersburg whom he appointed prime minister last summer and anointed as the next president.

"Everyone is waiting for change," said the former president, puffy-faced but looking stronger than he did prior to his New Year's Eve resignation.

"There will be some changes but the main thing is that the reform course be maintained and it will be. Of this, I am sure."

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PM insists opposition to private hospitals strong

By Janice Tibbetts
SOUTHAM NEWS
EDMONTON

Prime Minister Jean Chrétien insisted Friday that he "didn't blink" in his opposition to private hospitals, saying he'll punish any province that breaks the rules of medicare.

He was responding to criticism that he has backed down in a battle with Alberta Premier Ralph Klein by telling him Ottawa won't stand in the way of him passing Bill 11.

"For me, I didn't blink at all," Chrétien said at the Edmonton Space and Science Centre. "If they pass the law here that will defy the five conditions of medicare

then we will take the money away from him as we have done in the past."

Chrétien's assertion that Alberta will be docked transfer payments if Klein's bill is found to violate the Canada Health Act came a day after the two leaders reached a truce in a dispute that began when federal Health Minister Allan Rock attacked the legislation on a trip to Calgary two weeks ago.

Chrétien has promised to avoid commenting on the bill before it is passed and says he is satisfied Klein wants to adhere to the act.

The prime minister is also sympathetic to Klein's contention that several other provinces don't ban private facilities.

In the House of Commons on Friday, Chrétien was accused of caving in to Klein's bid to introduce a separate health-care system in Alberta for people who can afford to pay.

"The prime minister went to Alberta, looked the premier in the eye and blinked," said NDP MP Bill Blaikie. "The nation was treated to the spectacle of the prime minister playing Art Carney to Alberta's Ralph Cramden."

Chrétien's softened position follows a poll earlier this week that shows Klein is having a hard time convincing Albertans that overnight clinics will ease hospital waiting lists that he says have swelled as a result of decreased health funding

from Ottawa.

"He can pass any bill he wants," said Chrétien, who also indicated Friday that his health minister will tone down his rhetoric by ceasing to call on Alberta to scrap the bill.

Chrétien said his position is "our position," referring to himself and Rock.

The Liberals' softened stand stops in its tracks Klein's efforts to muster public support for his troubled bill by accusing the federal government of an "anti-Alberta" agenda. Ministers of health will now be asked to compare Klein's proposal to practices in other provinces and then write a report that will be discussed in a meeting of premiers next fall.



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Philbrick, McLean honoured at Gala Défi

Awards recognize intellectually disabled and their employers

By Rita Legault
LENNOXVILLE

Two Lennoxville residents were among those honoured at a gala to recognize the contributions of intellectually disabled people to society and the assistance their employers provide in helping them integrate into the workplace and community.

Craig Philbrick, the affable dining room attendant at the McDonald's in Lennoxville, and businessman Paul McLean, who offers stages for intellectually disabled workers in his chain of local restaurants, were honoured at the sixth annual Gala Défi held recently to mark Intellectual Disability Week.

Philbrick, 42, has been a dining room attendant in Lennoxville for the past seven years. Before that, he filled the same position in Sherbrooke for 18 years, where he received a number of honours from employee of the month to recognition awards for 15, 20 and 25 years of service.

"Not only does Mr. Philbrick remain a trustworthy worker and model, he has much more. This man also aims to please," said Manon Rochette, of the Dixville Home that nominated Philbrick for the award.

Rochette said Philbrick has been a volunteer at St. Andrew's church in Sherbrooke where he filmed the Sunday morning service, transferred it to videocassette and delivered it to elderly people who could not attend mass.

"There is no doubt that Mr. Philbrick has been an asset to McDonald's and for his contributions to the community by his successful integration," Rochette said. "He has given us reason to believe."

Philbrick will also be a finalist for provincial awards to be handed out in Montreal.

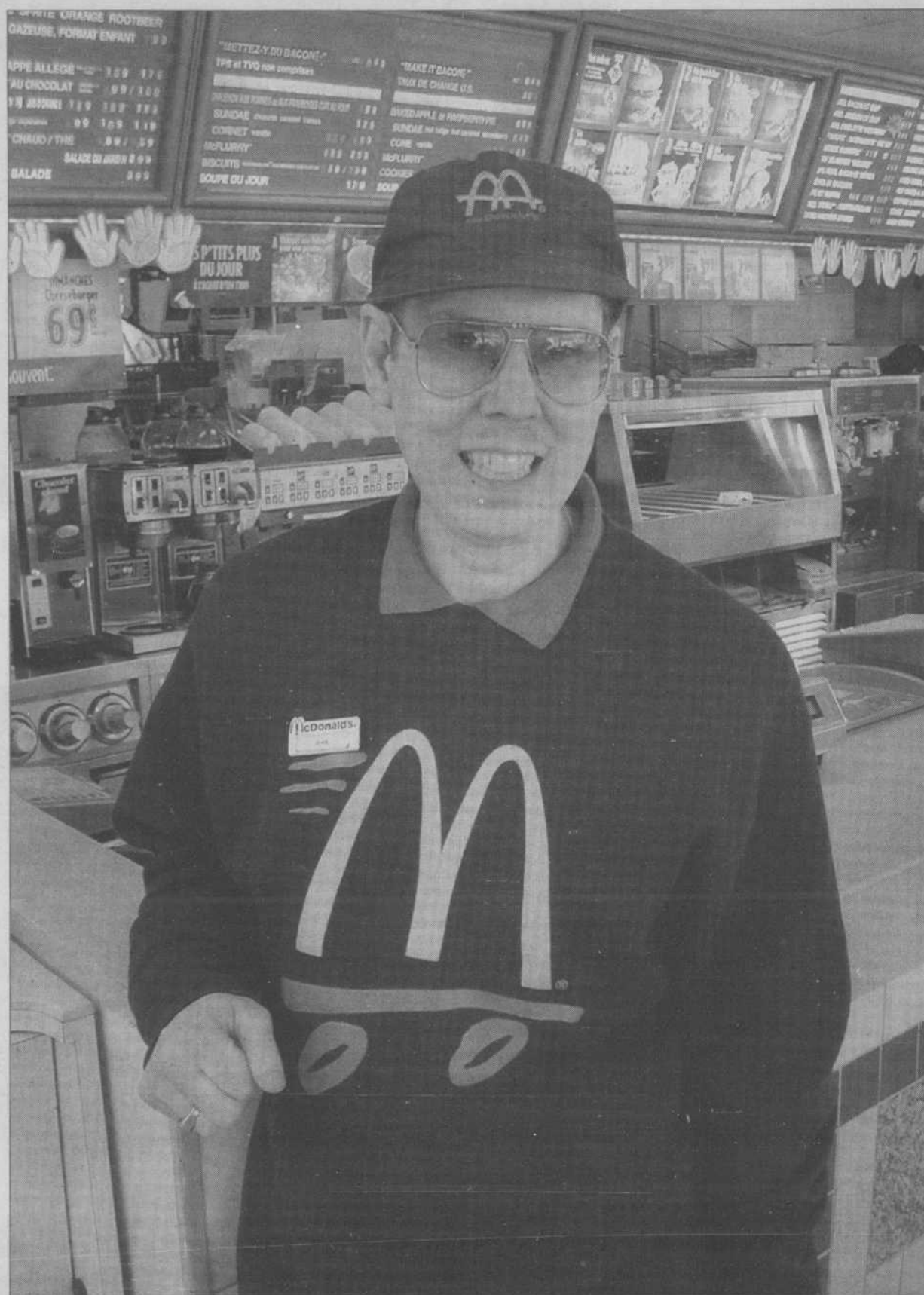
McLean, the owner of Sublett that owns four Subway restaurants in Sherbrooke, Lennoxville and Coaticook, received the award for providing work experience to mentally disabled people.

Rochette said two years after McLean opened his business in 1995, he jumped at the opportunity to integrate people with intellectual disabilities.

"Mr. McLean always foresees a variety of stimulating tasks and easily points each out each one's contributions to the business," Rochette said, adding the respect and concern he provides to each of his interns gives them an equal chance to work and be independent individuals at the same time.

McLean has also made himself available as a spokesman for the cause of work integration and participated in a promotional video for the integration service of the Dixville Home.

"Paul McLean and his team are important in the eyes of integration for the example they set by their collective openness toward integration in the workplace," Rochette concluded as she presented McLean with the award. "The energetic enthusiasm demonstrated by the people of this pioneering enterprise makes them worthy of special recognition."



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Craig Philbrick, 42, has been a dining room attendant in Lennoxville for the past seven years. Before that, he filled the same position in Sherbrooke for 18 years, where he received a number of honours from employee of the month to recognition awards for 15, 20 and 25 years of service.

Women the focus of Champlain one-acts

Mini-festival of American one-act plays winds up this weekend

By Catherine Dean
RECORD CORRESPONDENT
LENNOXVILLE

A mirror is held up to baby boomers in Champlain Theatre's mini-festival of American one-act plays.

Featured are two plays by Corinne Jacker.

"I've done one of her plays about 10 years ago," said Kenneth Tomlin, Champlain professor. "I found her particularly capable of capturing the growth of my generation — the baby boomers."

Tomlin went on to pinpoint the immediacy of Jacker's plays.

"Bits and Pieces' concerns a woman who's grieving the loss of her husband — a professional in the education area — and we have flashbacks about the evolution of their love relationship. Using flashbacks, Jacker captures the here and now and the inside," explained Tomlin.

"Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner' captures remarkably well in 45 minutes the place, mentality, kinds of concerns and conflicts so typical of my generation — the people who emerged from the university system in the 50s and 60s — the whole counterculture."

While the post-war generation provides the wider focus, all four one-acts are concerned with women.

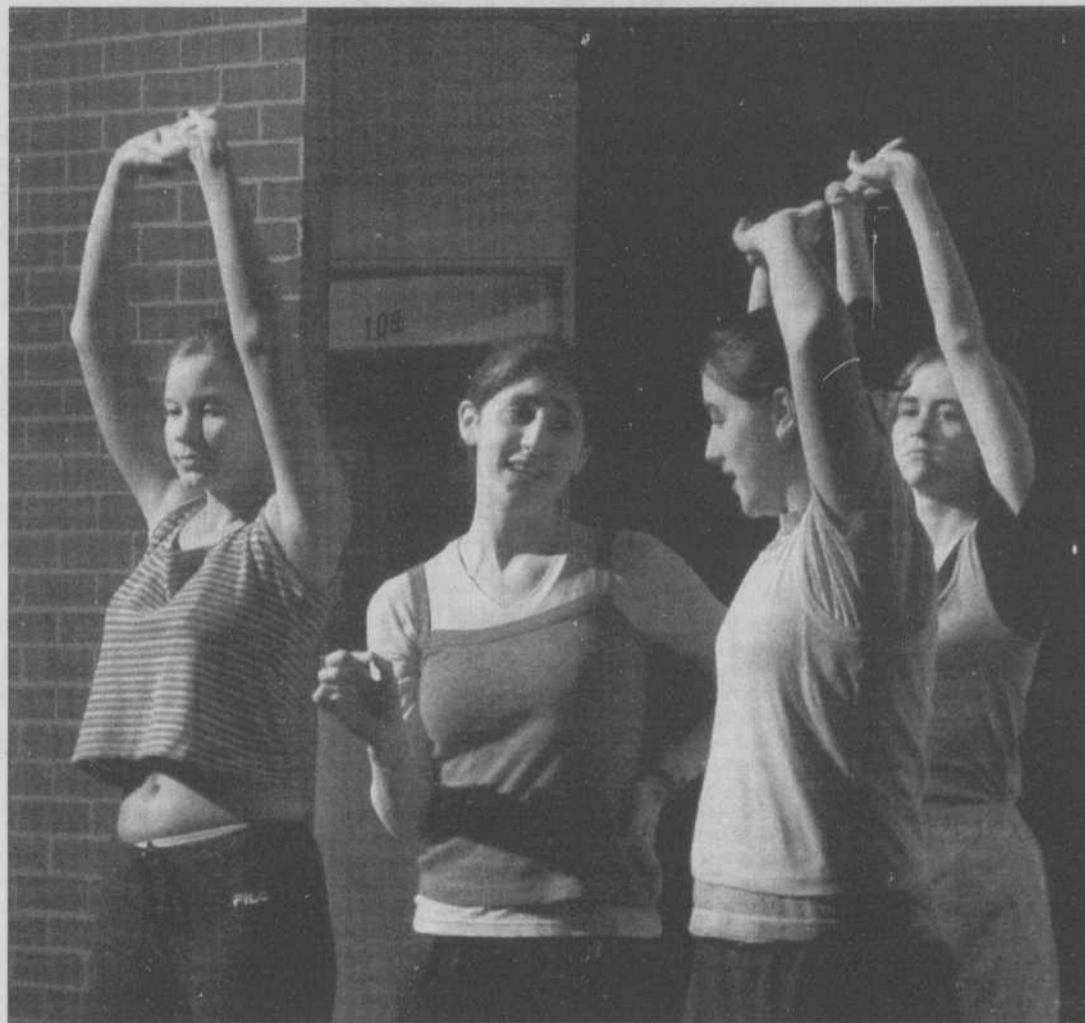
"It is interesting that women have been initiating the important social changes in North American experience in the last 50 years — women's evolution and effective liberation," said Tomlin. "In every one of these plays, women are getting caught up in and advancing the positive sides of this liberation and some are simply left behind, as in 'The Patio,' or are aware of the possibilities of new freedom from household tasks and raising children but don't have the courage to exercise the freedom that beckons them and they back away."

These are not merely plays which appeal to women.

"We see very much in these plays where we have come from," said Tomlin. "It's given me a deeper appreciation of the good things about the emergence of the new woman. We know it's not all good, but it's really nature correcting itself as it goes."

Valérie Carreau has roles in two of the plays.

"Barbara, in 'Breakfast, Lunch, and



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Valérie Carreau, Sayard Chartrand, Natalie Finklestein and Élise Duplessis star in *The Art of Self Defense*, by Trish Johnson.

Dinner,' was more challenging for me," she said. "She's a middle-aged woman who has a communication problem with her husband. She seems very cold although, at the end of the play, we feel her pain and frustration. There's a liberation for Barbara, who decides to get a divorce after so many years of a bad marriage. It's rough to think how a woman can feel after so many years that she's living with a man she loved before and doesn't love any more."

"She's hard to play because I'm a young student," Carreau continued. "I had to do some research on this."

Carreau's character Elizabeth, in 'The Art of Self-Defense,' comes more naturally.

"Elizabeth is a businesswoman in her 20s. She doesn't have many friends. She has problems opening herself up with different people. She has many dates and men friends," Carreau said. "I like both of the characters. They are two very different people and I liked having the chance to experiment with two different characters."

Student Jennifer Clermont plays the role of Iris in 'Bits and Pieces.'

"What I liked best about this is that Iris went through every possible emotion during the play. I was able to go from being really frustrated to being happy and in love, back and forth

wants. Her biggest problem is when she didn't get what she wanted, her emotions broke out and she went crazy — she went looking for what she needed to survive."

Jewel, played by Laurie Brochu, is looking to escape the confines of a small town.

"Jewel is a woman who would have liked to do all sorts of crazy things in her life, but she didn't get a chance to. Now, she feels like she has to do something. It's time to move on and discover life. She feels really excited about leaving the small town she's been in all her life. That's why I like her," enthused Brochu. "I'm always excited too. At one point, she feels like she wants to fly away."

Jewel is a dreamer.

"She has big, huge expectations," added Brochu. "Jewel wants to move to Hollywood and work for all the stars. She has so many funny dreams. That's why I fit in really well with her."

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The final performances of "Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner" and "Bits and Pieces" take place on Saturday, April 1, at 8 p.m. "The Art of Self Defense" and "Patio" will take the stage for the last time on Sunday, April 2, at 8 p.m. Performances take place at The Hangar at Bishop's University. For tickets, call Sylvie Bussièrès at 564-3666 between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

through time," Clermont said. "Iris is very determined. She knows what she

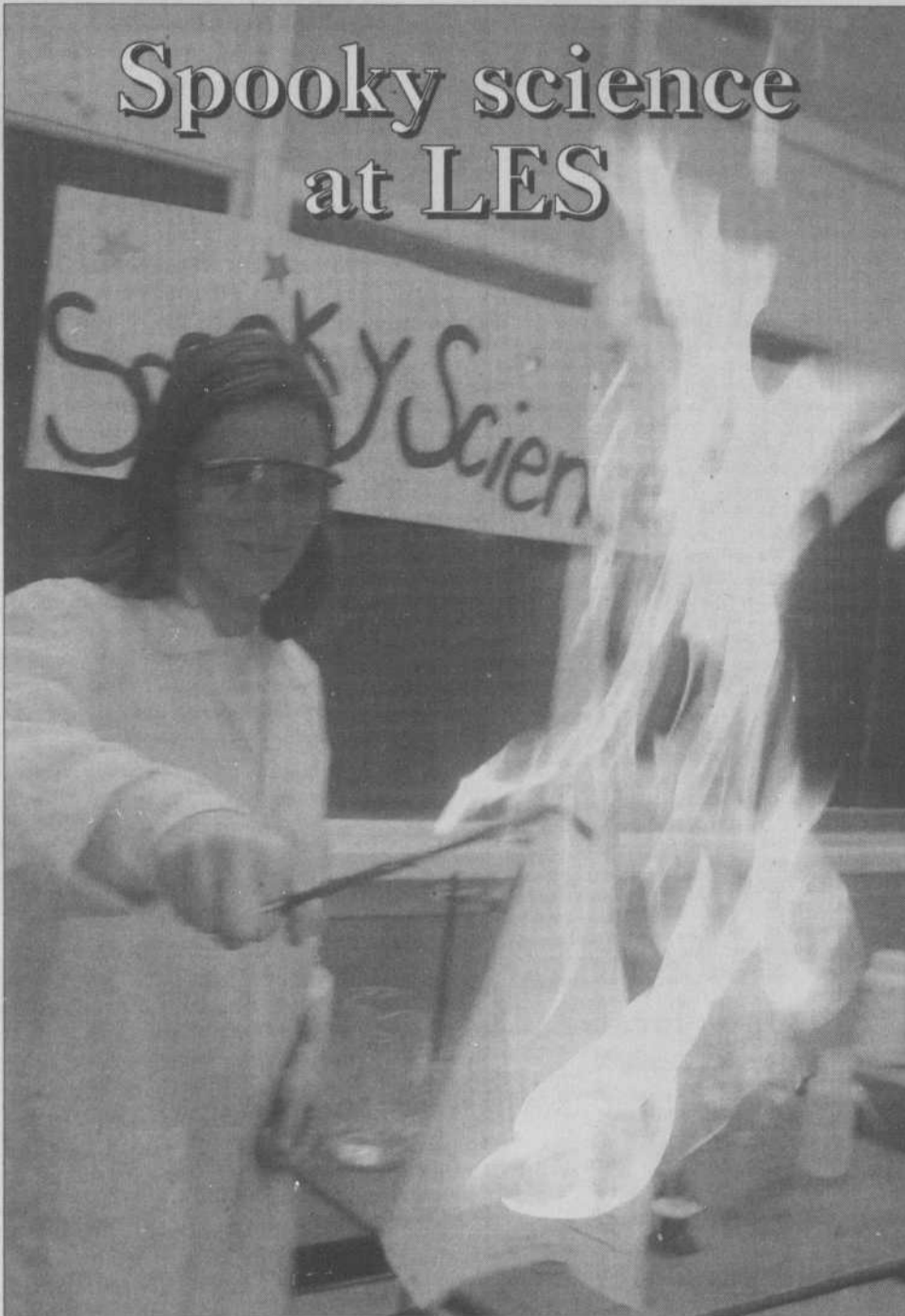
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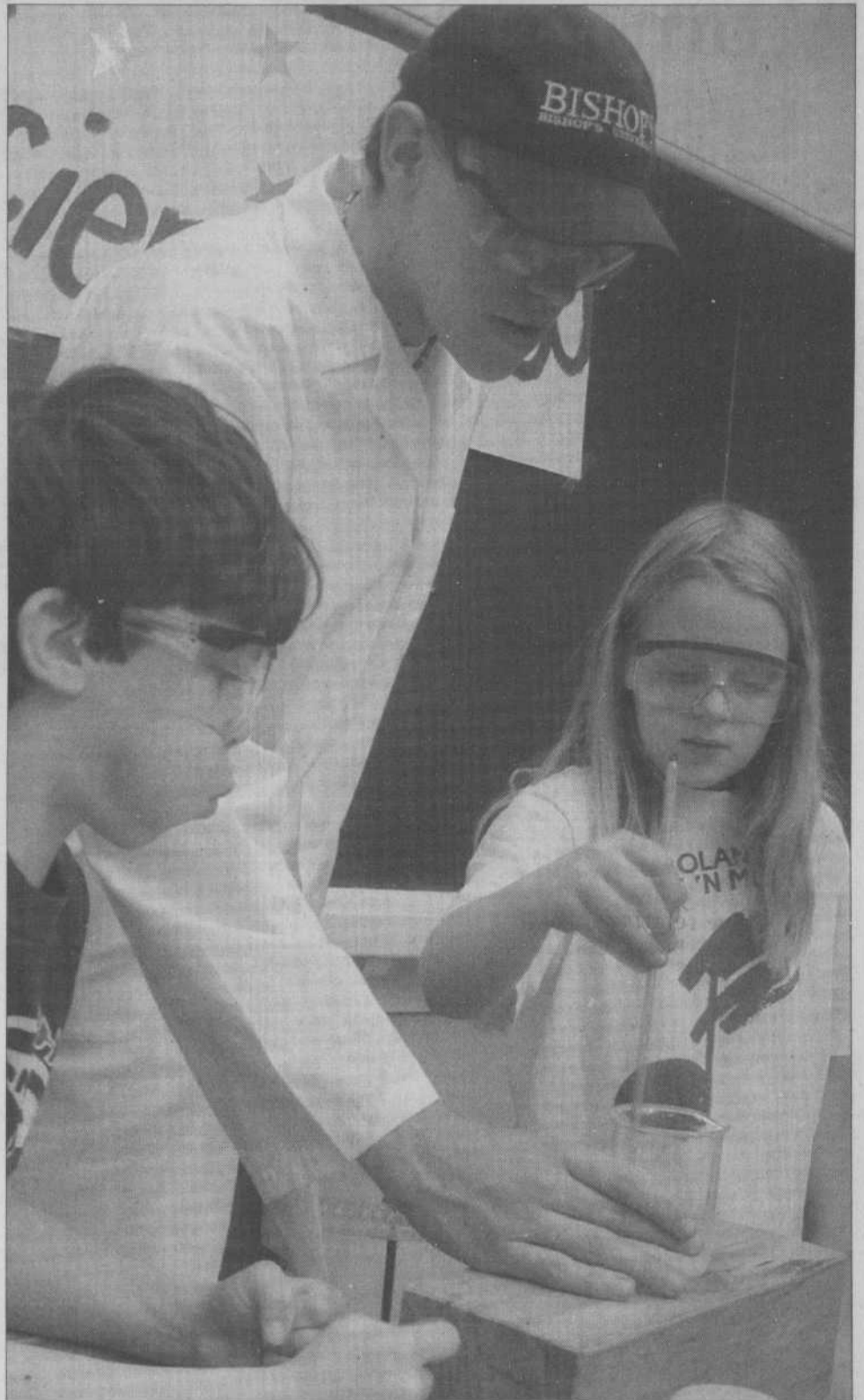
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Laury Brochu-Boisvert and Dominique Roy in *Patio*, by Jack Heifner.

Spooky science at LES



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Bishop's chemistry students came to Lennoxville Elementary School on Thursday with their Spooky Show. There was Amy Keirstead and her glowing pickle; Gina Black and Benjamin de Sève-Simard blowing and stirring, helping Chris Koltz make a beaker so cold that it froze to a block of wood; and Courtney White, who made a piece of paper burn without being consumed. There were lots of questions.

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From the pens of Cookshire Elementary School students

Pollution

Pollution is a major problem in the world today. Cars, factories, boats, it's all humans that control these things. Animals are near extinction. Some fish die because they get caught in trash or in oil spills in the water. They don't have enough places to make their homes because we're too busy cutting down trees and building things instead of leaving homes for the animals. If we don't stop this, in the future we're probably going to be living in big domes because it is too polluted to live outside. Maybe instead of taking our car to go down the street, we should just walk or take our bikes. If we absolutely have to drive long distances and we know someone that is going to the same direction, then we can go in one car and minimize the amount of pollution. If we change our lifestyle, we'll have a much better world to live in.

Corey Main
Grade 5

War

War is a dangerous thing to go in. Many, many people die in the war because it's a blood killing thing. When my grandfather came back from the war he had a broken leg because he got shot in the leg. The war is about guns. Guns must be terribly loud and will get some people dead. Who invented guns? Humans. If I think about having guns, it would be just for hunting, but if you're taking a gun to go in the war and to kill, I really don't think it should have been invented. I can't really give any solution to war because I know that I can't stop an army because some people will listen, but some others will never listen.

Cody Stickles
Grade 5

Hunger

My name is Rachel MacRae. I would like to talk to you about hunger and how much there is in this world. Hunger has been a problem since the beginning of time. People are starving all over the world. Why buy things we do not need when we could be saving a person's life? They need our help! We had over two thousand years to stop hunger. But have we really tried? What I mean by two thousand is when Moses was alive and Ramsys was the king and all the slaves got little to eat for all the work they did. Please help us stop the hunger in little children like the boys and girls in our schools. You might not see them, but sadly they really exist. Do you want to make a child's day? That's up to you. Give a little, receive a smile from a child that was able to eat that day.

Rachel MacRae
Grade 6

SPORTS

Castors face uphill battle against Huskies

Sherbrooke drops a 3 - 2 decision Sunday

By Mike Hickey

SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

The Sherbrooke Castors entered Game 4 of their best-of-seven series against the Rouyn-Noranda Huskies last night in desperate need of victory. Sherbrooke began the day trailing Rouyn-Noranda two games to one in the opening round of the Quebec Major Junior Hockey league playoffs. A win last night would have tied the series at 2 - 2 and restored Sherbrooke's home-ice advantage. Otherwise Sherbrooke will be facing elimination when the series returns to the Palais des Sports Wednesday night.

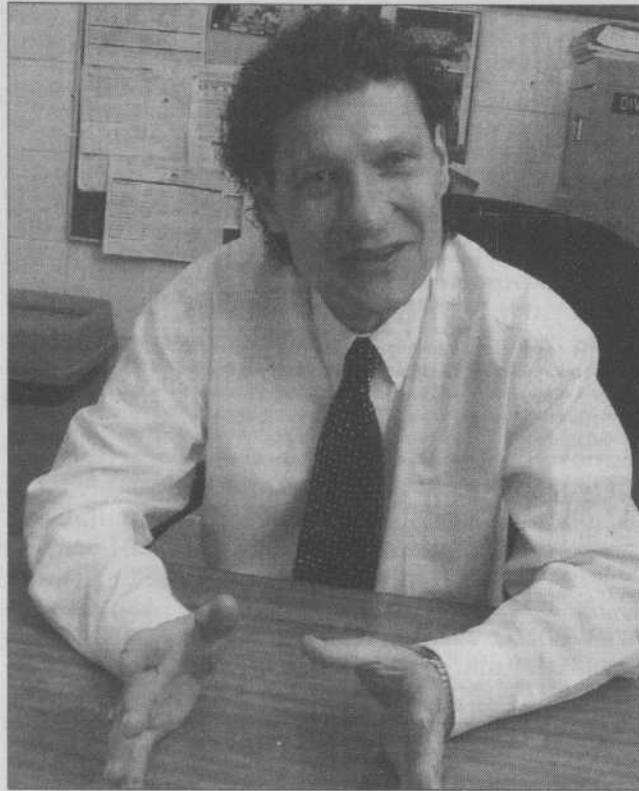
While the Castors have played well, they need to be a little bit luckier.

The Castors appeared in control of Sunday's contest and held the lead for most of the game. Dmitri Afanassenkov opened the scoring with a short-handed goal at the 14:14 minute mark of the first period. Steve Mordancy gave the visitors a 2 - 0 lead three minutes later when he scored a power-play tall, his first goal of the series.

After a scoreless second period things began to heat up in the Dave Keon Arena. Defenseman Jonathan Gauthier scored a power-play goal at the midway point of the third period to cut the Sherbrooke lead to 2 - 1 and the Huskies pressed hard for the equalizer. With goalie Sebastien Centomo off for an extra skater, Rouyn-Noranda took advantage of a questionable call by referee Jean Hould to tie the score.

Hould judged that the Sherbrooke goaltender Danny Sabourin had intentionally knocked the net off its moorings and awarded Rouyn-Noranda a penalty shot. Marc-Andre Binette took the shot and beat Suborn cleanly to send the game into overtime.

"It was a questionable call at best, but this was the call and we have to live with it," Sherbrooke head coach Joe Canale said from his hotel room in Rouyn-Noranda Monday afternoon. "We don't want to make excuses but on the win-



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Castors head coach Joe Canale: 'We're not going to try and do anything differently, we just want to do it better.'

ning goal the puck takes a bad bounce and ends on their stick in front of the net. It's part of the game but it has put us in a tough situation."

The play that Canale was referring to was the winning goal by Jerome Tremblay at the 13:13 mark of the first overtime period. The Castors were attempting to clear the puck when the rubber disc took a strange bounce off the boards and ended up on Tremblay's stick right in front of Suborn, who had no chance of making a save on the plays.

Not only does Sherbrooke find itself in a hole, they must rebound with some key defensive players missing from the line-up.

Pierre-Luc Courchesne and Bryan Lachance are out indefinitely while Martin Beauschesne is day-to-day. Still Canale believes his team will find a way to regroup and get back into the series.

"We're not going to try and do anything differently, we just want to do it better," Canale said. "We have to be strong on the puck and finish our plays."

"Last night when they were six against five in the final minute we took two icing calls when we should have just cleared the puck out of our zone. Sometimes it is easier said than done and we just have to keep working our system."

They may have their backs to the walls, but don't count out Canale's squad yet, they still have some hockey left in them.

Bishop's University Athletic Award winners

1999-2000 Varsity Award Winners

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| FOOTBALL | - Newcomer of the Year | Dennis Halfpenny | |
| | - Marcel Lebrun Award | Adam Jezewski | |
| | - Best Lineman of the Year | Peter MacPhie | |
| | - Special Team Player of the Year | Jon Chatburn | |
| | - Jim Etcheverry Award | O.J. Burnett | |
| | - Brian Morley Defensive Player Award | Dave Stipe | |
| | - Most Outstanding Player | O.J. Burnett | |
| GOLF | - Most Valuable Player | Evan Mooney | |
| WOMEN'S SOCCER | - Rookie of the Year | Jessica Romani | |
| | - Most Improved Player | Meaghan Stevens | |
| | - Most Valuable Player | Erin Patrick and Alison MacDougall | |
| WOMEN'S FIELD HOCKEY | - Rookie of the Year | Liz Caron | |
| | - Most Improved Player | Bree Saulnier | |
| | - Most Valuable Player | Marla Pisegna | |
| WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY | - Rookie of the Year | Corinne Lewis | |
| | - Charles Chapman Award | Jen Conroy | |
| | - Most Improved Player | Amanda Vail | |
| | - Most Valuable Player | Michelle Dunn | |
| WOMEN'S BASKETBALL Charbonneau | - Rookie of the Year | Stephanie Russo | |
| | - Most Improved Player | Catherine | |
| | - Team Award | Lindsey Huff | |
| | - Most Valuable Player | Cynthia Hitchcock and Melissa Lemay | |
| MEN'S RUGBY | - Rookie of the Year | Sean Rupka | |
| | - Coaches Award | Jason Thompson | |
| | - Best Forward | Alex Austen | |
| | - Best Back | Dan Hawker | |
| | - Most Valuable Player: B Team | Patrick Charbonneau | |
| | - Most Valuable Player: A Team | Brad Current | |
| WOMEN'S RUGBY | - Rookie of the Year | Ashley Smith | |
| | - Most Valuable Forward | Mia Kakebeeke | |
| | - Most Valuable Back | Stacey Kennedy | |
| | - Miriam Cozen-McNally Memorial Award | Jennifer Tranter | |
| | - Most Valuable Player | Tara Moreau | |
| SKIING | - Rookie of the Year | Kara Morteit | |
| | - Most Improved Player | Anne Wormsbeck and Dave Millard | |
| | - Most Valuable Player: Female | Rebekah Smiley | |
| | - Most Valuable Player: Male | Joey Gibbons | |
| MEN'S BASKETBALL | - Rookie of the Year | Paul Stephens | |
| | - Most Improved Player | Phil Miguel | |
| | - Garth Smith Award | Remi Aucoin | |
| | - Most Valuable Player | Patrice Lemieux | |
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| | Ray Almond Award: | Gord Smith | ----- |
| | Freshman Athlete of the Year: | Paul Stephens | Jessica Romani |
| | Athlete of the Year: | Patrice Lemieux | Erin Patrick |

Your Birthday

Tuesday, March 28, 2000

An enterprise you might have had a difficult time launching could be regenerated or revitalized in the year ahead. Changes could bring about the type of success denied you previously.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Again today career or financial matters have good chances of going your way. In fact, this could be a day to ask for small concessions. They could turn out to be significant.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Stick to our guns and honor all your promises. You will garner greater respect from your peers as they watch you in action.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) A favor may be granted you today from someone you'd least expect, but what is really significant is that this small gesture could turn out to mean more than anyone thought.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Should you be asked to choose sides on an issue that impacts others as well as yourself, base your decision on what's best for all concerned and everything will work out well.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Continue to focus your efforts on objectives that are truly meaningful, no matter how difficult they appear to be. Things could go more smoothly today.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) A serious matter you've been eager to resolve could have a good chance of being discussed in a congenial manner if you select a friendly place to meet.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Don't wait for changes to come about that you think would benefit your family. Make things happen yourself, even if you have to transform your lifestyle.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Today you might have to deal with someone who is a tough nut to crack. Employ diplomacy, because it will go a long way toward overcoming demands.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A bonus or promotion could be in the offing for you today because of some difficult service you performed on the job in the past few days or weeks. Enjoy. You deserve it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If a group with whom you're involved appears to be leaderless today, don't be hesitant to step forward and take the reins. You're the person who can get things back on track.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Give top priority today to a matter that has the potential to generate a steady flow of returns. Someone in the position to do so will help you along the way.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) A lesson you learned recently by observing others will get its chance to be put into practical application today. It should work out just as well for you.

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Tuesday, March 28, 2000

One lap after another

By Phillip Alder

F. Scott Fitzgerald (what was his full name?), in an undated letter, claimed that "all good writing is..." what?

Long-distance swimmers in pools do laps, up one way, back in the opposite direction; up one way, back in the opposite direction. There is a declarer-play technique like that; I'm sure you know which one. It is correct to use it in today's deal, but some preliminary strokes must be taken first.

How would you plan the play in six spades? West leads the club king.

North is worth game on the second round. However, a modern player would jump to four clubs, a splinter bid showing game values in spades with at most one club. Here, though, that might persuade West to lead a trump, which kills the contract! Modern isn't always best.

The deal sets up perfectly for a cross-ruff. However, when planning that approach, you must cash all your side-suit winners first. So, win with the club ace and play off the ace-king of diamonds. Then, because you need four heart ruffs in hand, play a heart to dummy's ace. Finally, ruff a heart, ruff a club, ruff a heart, ruff a club, ruff a heart, ruff a club, and ruff a heart. That is the first 11 tricks in, and dummy still holds the trump ace.

If you don't take those diamond tricks at the beginning, West will discard his diamonds while you take the last two heart ruffs. Then, he will ruff in when you try to cash those tricks.

Francis Scott Key Fitzgerald wrote, "All good writing is swimming under water and holding your breath."



WEST BROME

A CARP representative (Canadian Association of Retired Persons) will be the guest speaker of the Canadian Club of the Yamaska Valley on Monday, April 3 at 2 p.m. at the Auberge West Brome, 128 Route 139, West Brome. Topic: "Aging in the Millennium". For membership, contact Shirley Wescott (802) 933-4394, P.O. Box 198, Stanbridge East, Que., JOJ 2H0.

BULWER

Annual Brunch, sausages, pancakes and syrup, scrambled eggs, scalloped potatoes and home baked beans, Bulwer Community Centre, Sunday, April 16 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., for the benefit of the Compton County Historical Museum Society.

Lennoxville and District Community Aid will hold Blood Pressure clinics on the following dates:

LENNOXVILLE: Tuesday, March 14 and Tuesday, March 28 at the Masonic Hall, 2 Belvidere, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

WATERVILLE: Tuesday, March 28 at the Town Hall from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

NORTH HATLEY: Friday, April 7 at the Library from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

RICHMOND

Richmond-Melbourne United Church will hold a Roast Beef Supper on Saturday, April 1 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Admission charged.

MAGOG

Annual Princess Elizabeth Elementary School Italian Supper, 420 Bellevue West, Magog (turn left at McDonalds), on March 31 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Menu: spaghetti, garlic bread, coleslaw, dessert (carrot cake or fantasy chocolate cake), coffee, tea or juice. Admission charged. Proceeds to school cafeteria and Grade 6 year end class trip.

HATLEY

Luncheon on March 29 starting at 11:30 a.m. in St. James Church Hall. Also Rummage Sale on April 15. Sponsored by A.C.W.

RICHMOND

Flea Market and Bake Sale on Saturday, April 1 from 9 a.m. to noon at Richmond Legion Hall. Lots of bargains. Last chance for ticket on hand-knit sweater raffle. Sponsored by Ladies Auxiliary Branch #15.

RICHMOND

The Richmond Branch of the Quebec Farmers Association will be holding a Brunch at the Legion Hall, 235 College North, Richmond on Sunday, April 2 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Merrill Hodge Memorial Trophy will be presented. Come and visit. Hope to see as many members as possible.

WATERVILLE

It's Spring time, don't throw away your outside toys, give them to Refuge Mimos, a youth group. I will go and pick up. Call Marie-Paule Gaudreau (French speak-

ing), Waterville, (819) 837-2613.

LENNOXVILLE

Giant Bingo at the A.N.A.F. Unit 318 "The Hut", 300 St. Francis, Lennoxville on Wednesday, March 29 at 7:30 p.m. Wide assortment of prizes and half 'n' half. Proceeds for A.G.R.H.S. student trip to England and France. Everyone welcome.

RICHMOND

"Women on their Way", a series of free English workshops for women, animated by Jo-Anne Anderson, sponsored by the Richmond Volunteer Centre, is being offered on three consecutive Wednesdays, April 5, 12 and 19 from 1-4 p.m. These workshops are designed to help women in objective self-evaluation, setting of personal goals and realization of dreams. What we do and think should contribute to our sense of purpose and value and motivate us to accomplish our innermost dreams. Please call Jo-Anne to register at (819) 826-2807 before April 4 as space is limited.

RICHMOND

We here at the Richmond Boy Scouts are fundraising for the 2001 Jamboree in P.E.I. and we are looking for articles for a garage sale. Anyone who would like to donate, we pick up. Richard (819) 826-6239, Glenna 826-2692.

This column accepts items announcing events organized by churches, service clubs and recognized charitable institutions for a \$6.00 fee, \$9.00 for 2 insertions of same notice, \$12.00 for 3 publications. Maximum 35 words. If you have more than 35 words the charge will be \$10.00 per insertion. Requests should be mailed, well in advance, to The Record, P.O. Box 1200, Sherbrooke, Quebec, J1H 5L6, be signed and include a telephone number and payment. Telephone requests will not be accepted. Admission charges and trade names will be deleted. No dances.

Young in Heart meet

GRANBY

The February meeting of the Granby Young in Heart was cancelled due to the snow storm. The Young in Heart met in the United Church Hall on Wednesday, March 15.

President Eleanor Hope opened the meeting at 1:30 p.m. and welcomed 32 members.

Happy birthday was sung to all those who celebrate birthdays during the month of March.

President Eleanor announced that the sugar party will be held on Thursday, March 23, at Chalet de L'Etable at 2 p.m.

There were three tables of 500 and the winners were: 1st prize, Yvette McElravy; 2nd prize, Lise Wenning. There were five tables of Bridge and the winners were: 1st prize, Vivian Miller; 2nd prize, Phyllis Dougall.

Lunch was served and enjoyed by all. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 19 at 1:30 p.m.

Submitted by Patricia Jean Hansford

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Women's Institute meetings

SUTTON

The first meeting of the Sutton W.I. was held in the United Church hall, March 14. The concerns about the predictions as to what might happen entering the new century has come and gone without problems and we can move on with our lives.

Reda Lewis president, welcomed 12 members including Mary Godbeer. We welcome Mary back after a few years absence. It is always nice to have Anita Carr McFeeters with us when she is in town.

The meeting opened with the Collect and Motto: good ideas need landing gear as well as wings. Roll call: payment of dues.

Kathy Edgar, secretary read the minutes from the November meeting, December gathering was in the form of a Christmas party.

Dorothy Lawrance presented her detailed annual financial report showing a satisfactory bank balance.

Kathy read a thank-you note from Elizabeth Goyette for a lap robe at Christmas time. Several expressed their thanks on the phone for robes received.

In my December report I accidentally omitted the names of the books that the Sutton W.I. have donated to the Sutton Library. They are, Canada Our Century, Montreal's Century, and Who Speaks For Canada.

New business: The annual Brome County Convention will be held in Austin April 26th.

A thank-you to Kathy for printing the programmes again this year. She will purchase the maple leaf sugar cake from Stanley O'Brien for the provincial convention in May.

Ola Carr reminded us that Bill Schnutgan has opened his art shop on Pine Street here in Sutton.

Get well cards were signed by all for Hilda Lahue and Norma Jennings. A plate of goodies from our lunch was taken to Hilda after the meeting. She was pleased and said she would be joining us later.

The Lenten Soup Luncheons began March 15th and will continue every Wednesday throughout Lent. The four churches will take part.

A letter of congratulations will be sent to Sally Meyer on receiving the International Helen Prize, an award that celebrates the accomplishments of women in many walks of life. Sally's talent and energies take her into the schools to work with troubled students,

to raising money for hurricane victims and in many other fields.

The collections were taken. The W.I. grace was repeated and finger food pot luck lunch was served. A social hour was enjoyed. The next meeting will be April 11th, guests are most welcome.

Vi Knights, Publicity

AYER'S CLIFF

The W.I. met at the United Church on March 10. President Lorraine Harrison welcomed the members, and opened with the Collect and The Lord's Prayer.

Roll Call was answered by eight members telling about a product they had tried and liked. Motto: Let a good beginning guide you to the end.

The minutes were read and approved, followed by the Treasurer's report.

Correspondence: Thank you letters were received from Joleen Smith, Melanie Roarke and Norma Farwell, also one from the Wales Home.

A motion was made by Frances Lebrun, and seconded by Norma Farwell, that the bill be paid, for the bills which were presented.

Convenors reports: Agriculture: Lorraine stated that seed potatoes will be expensive.

Canadian Industries: Frances told about a factory outlet store at King West Shopping Centre, which sells shoes very reasonably.

Citizenship: Norma read about a bus driver in Montreal, a Mr. Bergeron who had been honored for an act of bravery. There are many visitors to Rideau Hall, the official residence of the Gov. General.

Cultural Affairs: Irene reviewed the handicraft list again.

Environment: Audrey read a clipping from 125 years ago: The thaw of last week was a great relief, to those out of water, filling the small streams and springs, so that the water famine is greatly relieved. Winter had since resumed its sway, with blows, snows and freezes.

Safety: Doreen stated the air bags are dangerous for children.

Sunshine: Lorraine had sent four cards.

New business: A card party is planned for June 20. County meeting is March 22 and plans were finalized for the luncheon. Lorraine has purchased the pen and pencil sets for the students.

The meeting was adjourned, followed by a social hour, the hostess being Frances Lebrun.

Aileen Lard

Deaths

BISHOP, Elizabeth Bendall - Peacefully at Sherbrooke, Que., on March 26, 2000 at the age of 85. Beloved wife of Dean R. Bishop. Predeceased by her first husband, Gordon Stewart. Step-mother of the late Curtis Bishop (Joan), Ronald Bishop (Carole), Craig Bishop (Denise) and Barbara Bishop. Visitation at Cass Funeral Home, 6 Belvidere St., Lennoxville, tel: 819-564-1750, Wednesday, March 29 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Funeral from St. Peter's Church, 200 Montreal St., Sherbrooke, on Thursday, March 30 at 2 p.m. Reception will follow in the church hall. Parking will be available at Plymouth Trinity Church. As memorial tributes donations to the Wales Home Foundation, 506 Route 243 N., Richmond, Que. J0B 2H0, or the Sherbrooke Geriatric University Foundation, 375 Argyll St., Sherbrooke, Que. J1J 3H5, will be gratefully acknowledged. Interment in St. Peter's Cemetery, Sherbrooke. Rev. Patricia Peacock officiating. Special thanks to the nursing staff for the wonderful care given to Mrs. Elizabeth Bendall Bishop from the time of admission, October 15, 1998.

COPPING, Mabel - Passed away on March 26, 2000 at the C.U.S.E. Fleurimont site in Sherbrooke, Mrs. Mabel Copping (nee Waterhouse) in her 77th year. Loving wife of the late Earl Copping and dear mother of Terry Ann (Gerry Soules) and Robert (Dolores Cloutier). Devoted grandmother of Amy, Jeremy, Matthew and Deidre. Mabel also leaves to mourn her brothers, sisters, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, and many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Resting at Cass Funeral Home, 295 Principale St. S., Richmond, Que., where friends may visit on Wednesday, March 29 from 7 to 9 p.m. and on Thursday from 1 to 2 p.m. A funeral service will be held in the funeral home on Thursday, March 30 at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Ruth Matthews officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be greatly appreciated by the family.

Deaths

GEMMELL, Clarice - At Lakeridge Health Bowmanville, Ont., on Saturday, March 25, 2000 in her 90th year. Beloved wife of the late Stuart Gemmell. Dear sister of Gerald Allison and the late Muriel Cletheroe, Pearl Sutor, Ashley Allison. Dear aunt of Debbie Easterbrook, Joan Perry, David Allison, Ben Allison, Eleanor Allison and the late Robert Allison. Visitation at Northcutt Elliott Funeral Home, 53 Division St. N., Bowmanville from 10 a.m. Tuesday. Funeral service in the chapel at 11 a.m. Tuesday. Interment White Chapel Cemetery, Hamilton at approximately 2 p.m.

HAMILTON, Mr. Bryce - Peacefully at the Centre d'Accueil in Cowansville, Que., on Sunday, March 26, 2000, in his 79th year, Mr. Bryce Hamilton. Predeceased by his sisters Elenor Johnson and Adele Elm. He leaves to mourn his sister Elizabeth Clay, many nephews, nieces, other relatives and friends. Resting at the Desourdy Wilson Funeral Home, 104 Buzzell St., Cowansville, Que. J2K 2N5, tel: (450) 263-1212, fax: (450) 263-9557, where friends may visit on Tuesday, March 27, 2000 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Funeral service from the chapel on Wednesday, March 28, 2000 at 11 a.m. The Rev. Burn Purdon officiating. Interment of ashes at a later date. Please note: Wednesday, day of the service, the funeral home will be open from 10 a.m. Donations in his memory to the Centre d'Accueil, 200 Principale, Cowansville, Que. J2K 1J2, or the Brome-Missisquoi Perkins Foundation, 950 Principale, Cowansville, Que. J2K 1K3, would be appreciated by the family.

Card of Thanks

BEATTIE, Mary - We wish to express our sincere thanks to our friends, neighbours and relatives for their thoughtfulness and kindness during the illness and death of our dear mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. A special thank you to the staff of the Grace Christian Home, Cass Funeral Home, Rev. Potter, Mrs. Fox, Paulette Haseltine and Unit 5 of the Lennoxville United Church. All was deeply appreciated.

WENDELL, JOYCE & FAMILY
WENDA, TOM & FAMILY
TERRY, LYNNE & FAMILY



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Austin Women's Institute meeting

AUSTIN

The regular meeting of the Women's Institute met on Wednesday, March 8 at

noon hour at the home of Jean Lee. A delicious lunch was served by the hostess. The meeting opened with nine mem-

bers and two visitors repeating the Mary Stewart Collect and a salute to the Canadian flag. Secretary Elizabeth Davidson

read the minutes of the last meeting. Reports were read from Gerry Messen, our Agriculture Convenor; Eileen Taylor, International Convenor; Sylvia Hopps, our Home Economics and Health Convenor; and Elizabeth Davidson, Canadian Industries Convenor. Winnie Kirby was asked to be Publicity Convenor in place of Elizabeth. Our president welcomed Tina Linde as a guest and thanked Jean for opening her home. Plans were discussed for the Brome County annual meeting to be held at the Austin town hall on April 26. Invitations are to be sent out to the Mississquoi County branches and also to the Brome County ones.

Sylvia Hopps thanked everyone for the lovely bouquet of flowers that were sent to her for the years she'd served so faithfully as president. She named several former members who had given her such great support during her presidency. Several lovely knitted articles were brought in by Elizabeth Davidson.

Happy Birthday was sung to the ladies having birthdays in the month of March, Bea Jubly, Phyllis Larsen, Nellie Carrière and Evelyn Jackson.

The meeting closed by Evelyn Jackson and a time of visiting took place. The next meeting will be held on April 12 at the Austin Town Hall and it will be a pot luck luncheon at 11 a.m.

Winnie Kirby,
Publicity

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- Chrome grille, bumper and wheels • Front split bench seat with center armrest • Air conditioning (extended cab model only) • AM/FM stereo cassette



Regular cab

| \$278 /month* 36-month lease | Payment Options | |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| | Cashdown (or equivalent trade-in) | Monthly payment |
| | \$ 0 | \$378 |
| | \$2,054 | \$318 |
| 2.9% purchase financing for 48 months | | |

| Payment Options | |
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| Cashdown (or equivalent trade-in) | Monthly payment |
| \$ 0 | \$378 |
| \$2,054 | \$318 |
| 2.9% purchase financing for 48 months | |

Extended cab

| \$358 /month* 36-month lease | Payment Options | |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| | Cashdown (or equivalent trade-in) | Monthly payment |
| | \$ 0 | \$428 |
| | \$1,322 | \$388 |
| 2.9% purchase financing for 48 months | | |

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| Cashdown (or equivalent trade-in) | Monthly payment |
| \$ 0 | \$428 |
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2-door

| \$278 /month* 36-month lease | Payment Options | |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| | Cashdown (or equivalent trade-in) | Monthly payment |
| | \$ 0 | \$415 |
| | \$2,589 | \$338 |
| 1.9% purchase financing for 48 months | | |

| Payment Options | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Cashdown (or equivalent trade-in) | Monthly payment |
| \$ 0 | \$415 |
| \$2,589 | \$338 |
| 1.9% purchase financing for 48 months | |

4-door

| \$348 /month* 36-month lease | Payment Options | |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| | Cashdown (or equivalent trade-in) | Monthly payment |
| | \$ 0 | \$486 |
| | \$2,673 | \$408 |
| 1.9% purchase financing for 48 months | | |

| Payment Options | |
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| Cashdown (or equivalent trade-in) | Monthly payment |
| \$ 0 | \$486 |
| \$2,673 | \$408 |
| 1.9% purchase financing for 48 months | |



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| | Cashdown (or equivalent trade-in) | Monthly payment |
| | \$ 0 | \$336 |
| | \$1,271 | \$298 |
| 3.9% purchase financing for 48 months | | |

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| 3.9% purchase financing for 48 months | |

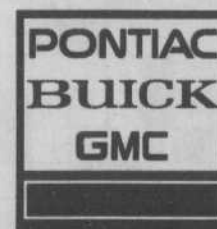
4x4

| \$308 /month* 36-month lease \$26,298 with purchase** | Payment Options | |
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| | Cashdown (or equivalent trade-in) | Monthly payment |
| | \$ 0 | \$409 |
| | \$1,688 | \$358 |
| 3.9% purchase financing for 48 months | | |

| Payment Options | |
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| Cashdown (or equivalent trade-in) | Monthly payment |
| \$ 0 | \$409 |
| \$1,688 | \$358 |
| 3.9% purchase financing for 48 months | |



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Some people don't enjoy mindless chatter Birthday announcement

Dear Ann Landers: I read the letter from "Happy and Anti-Social in Every-land," and had to write. She said some people simply do not enjoy an evening of "mindless chatter" any more than others want to spend hours watching foreign films or listening to heavy-metal music.

My husband was also unwilling to participate in social events and family gatherings. He would just say, "No, I'm not going," and that would be the end of it. This meant I went alone, or stayed home a lot. I never forced him to go with me. I simply accepted the situation as part of "for better or worse."

A few months ago, while going to a pain clinic for chronic back pain, my husband was diagnosed with depression, and the doctor put him on an anti-depressant. It has worked wonders for him. I now have a new husband. Even his co-workers have remarked that he is never in a bad mood anymore. Social events no longer bother him, and he is a willing participant.

You might want to mention this possibility to your readers who cannot bear cocktail parties and other social gatherings, and therefore, stay home a lot. It certainly has been a lifesaver for us. — Sally in Utah

Ann Landers

Dear Sally: I'm so happy the anti-depressant worked for your husband. Here's your letter, with the hope it will work for others. I'm betting it will.

Dear Ann Landers: I have a problem that I have never seen addressed in your column, although I have been reading your advice since I was a teenager. There is no one I can talk to about this, and I really do need some help. Please respond in the paper. I can't take a chance on having my husband know I wrote to you.

I have been married to "Donald" for only a few months. I am 22 years of age. He knows he is not the first man I have ever slept with. I told him about "Louis," but I decided not to tell him about "Al," "Charley," "Eddie," "Paul," "John," or "Jimmy." I figure he doesn't need all that information. It might make him think I was loose morally, and I don't want to risk losing him.

The problem is this: When Donald and I make love, I really put myself into it, body and soul. Sometimes, I wind up saying things I wish I hadn't, such as calling Donald by the name of one of my former boyfriends, or the name of a

man I work with, but have never actually had anything to do with sex-wise. This sort of spoils things for Donald. He says he does not like it when, at a crucial time in our lovemaking, he hears me shout out the name of some other guy.

Ann, I realize he has a point, but I don't know what to do about it. I love Donald, and don't want to be with anyone else ever again, but the names of the other guys somehow pop out of my mouth. I am not fantasizing about these guys, or anything like that. None of them could hold a candle to Donald.

Can you suggest something to keep my mouth from getting the better of me, and undermining my husband's trust? — Out-of-Control Southern Woman

Dear Southern Woman: Since you really "put yourself into it" when you make love, make a conscious decision to call Donald by his name at the very beginning of your lovemaking sessions. Repeat it several times throughout, and make a strong effort not to think about anybody else. Good luck. I hope it works.

Gem of the Day (Sent in by Larry Johnson, who is "Somewhere in Florida"): Help a man when he is in trouble, and you can be sure he will remember you — when he is in trouble again.

A heartfelt wish to Mrs. Myrtle Lancaster of Sawyerville, Que., on the occasion of her 80th birthday on March 30th. To help celebrate this special day, Mrs. Lancaster's family invite her friends and family to the Sawyerville Residence, 5 Station St., Sawyerville on April 2nd from 1-3 p.m. Best Wishes Only.

Danville
Marlene Brown
839-2726

Delmar and Nancy Marston enjoyed a week at Willowbank resort in Bermuda. While there they met several friends from their former visit and enjoyed meeting new people. Willowbank is a great place for Christian fellowship.

Nancy and Delmar entertained Kathleen Smith, Sandra Young, Ian and Shirley Smith, Jules and Peggy Blouin as well as Rod and Jennifer Gilpin for dinner on St. Patrick's Day.

Ian and Shirley have returned from two months in Arizona where they vacationed with Melvin and Lucy Taylor (formerly of Danville). While in the west, they enjoyed visits with their sons Scott and David and their families.

CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- 1 Pumps and loafers
- 6 Quantity of paper
- 10 Happy starter?
- 14 Soup dispenser
- 15 Fairy-tale beast
- 16 Turn soil
- 17 Leading
- 18 Cause injury
- 19 Cinema pooch
- 20 American showmen
- 23 Metal container
- 24 Church officials
- 25 Hot-air balloon gondola
- 29 Garr or Hatcher
- 31 Palm-reader's opening words
- 32 Water pitcher
- 34 Language group of Zulu

- 39 Specialty of 20A
- 42 Second decade
- 43 Entrance
- 44 Charged particles
- 45 Prophet
- 47 Pencil end
- 49 Typewriter roller
- 53 Fruit concoction
- 54 Star of 39A
- 61 God of war
- 62 Designer Cassini
- 63 Macabre
- 64 Dispatched
- 65 Bring up
- 66 Dwarflike creature
- 67 Whirlpool
- 68 Catch sight of
- 69 Ferber and O'Brien

- 27 Ecological cycle
- 28 Avid
- 29 Caruso, e.g.
- 30 Therefore: Lat.
- 33 Broad
- 35 Opera song
- 36 Sgts., e.g.
- 37 Melody
- 38 Intl. power, once
- 40 Ruhr Valley city
- 41 Formulated belief
- 46 Additional performance

- 48 Mistrump
- 49 Temporary pattern of behavior
- 50 Enticed
- 51 Improve
- 52 Delectable
- 53 Enraged
- 55 Pub choices
- 56 Lowest high tide
- 57 Warp
- 58 Presley's middle name
- 59 Capital of Peru
- 60 Wine sediment

Monday's Puzzle Solved

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DOWN

- 1 Thick piece
- 2 Sarcastic laughter
- 3 River to the Baltic
- 4 Flair
- 5 Act alluring
- 6 Latin speaker
- 7 First governor of Alaska
- 8 Like the Gobi
- 9 Dues-payer
- 10 Serious
- 11 Strong cotton thread
- 12 Change
- 13 Huddle instructions
- 21 Alma
- 22 Mystery excuse?
- 25 Anchor chain attachment
- 26 U.S. tennis stadium honoree

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By Philip J. Anderson
Portland, OR

3/28/00

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another. Today's clue: A equals D

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ZPFIS NBOX OX PFAEXOFR
ASONB VOFWB - DPPNJOKK
WPOWB KPM BPKNC, PX IHFEXL

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KIT N' CARLYLE

Carlyle's CAT HALL OF FAME
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HERMAN



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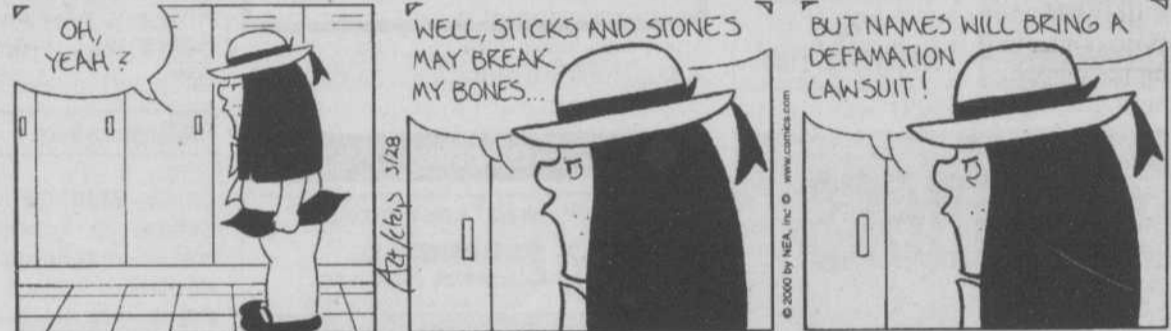
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Danville bits of nostalgia

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Many thanks to Dave Gifford of Danville for phoning me with all this information. I am sure former residents and the younger generation will be very interested in this bit of nostalgia about Danville in the late 1920's and early 1930s the way Dave remembers it.

Now our journey through Danville is going to start at the northern edge of town on what is known today as Daniel Johnson Street and Depot. Henry Pellets used to buy cow, calf and horse hides, jute bags, old batteries, actually whatever you had for sale he was interested in purchasing.

Back then the railway lines were busy as there was no less than eight passenger trains going in and out of Danville each day. At the station you would also find the freightshed and office and the stockyards. Bill Greer and Rosario Belisle were wheeling and dealing, buying stock. On Saturdays the farmers would drive the cattle by foot to the stockyards, where they were kept until they loaded into boxcars ready for shipment to Montreal for the market Monday morning.

Next you had Henry Rioux, who has a jack of all trades and owned a sawmill, chair factory, gristmill and feed store.

Back then there was also a tannery. Now as Dave says, "If there is any of you still around that ever had the pleasure of hauling dry hemlock back to the tannery in Danville, in the late 20s on a good cold day with a train of horses on snow filled roads you will know what I am talking about." But if you haven't then that would be another story, Dave would explain to you.

Also in same vicinity Clovis Thibault owned a saw mill and feed mill, Albert Parenteau had a blacksmith shop, Proulx Restaurant, Vilandre's Store - better known today as Bar La Casino, Neopeloin Roux's Meat Market, the veterinarian, Dr. Fortin and C. Hamel Restaurant where you could even get a haircut.

Tebel Giguère owned an oil delivery service. His oil came in by railway. In the winter it was delivered by a team of Belgian horses on a sled by Mr. R. Hamel. In the summer, Mr. Giguère provided Nelson Defoux with a truck for delivery. Another one of Tebel's services was that while the citizens of Danville went to church on Sunday morning they could hitch their horse in the stable to keep it warm.

The town also consisted of a convent and The Brothers School. The Brother's School was situated where L'école Mason is today.

Mr. Lallier owned a grocery store where today you would find Mode Piedor Inc., owned by Mrs. Reginald Couture. Across the street you found the Paroisse Sainte Anne-Danville.

Just next door to this was Dr. George Latendre and directly across the street he owned a drugstore. This is where Mrs. Claude Lacroix lives today.

A few other businesses along today's

street of Daniel Johnson was Rivard's Blacksmith Shop, Sterling Ricks, White Rose Gas Station, Taxi Plante, Bolduc's Backshop and delivery service.

When Dave told me this story I thought to myself, "I just wonder how many people had the nerve to do this." Dr. Bolten House where you could have a tooth pulled without having it frozen. I sure applauded the people who were able to stand this procedure. I sure couldn't.

Next you would have found the Danville Town Hall, The Post Office, Municipal Office for Shipton and a soap factory. The soap factory was in business for approximately one year. In the bottom of the Town Hall building there was a barred off area for a jail. Police services were available back then by Mr. Bennett. Dave said, "The busiest night of the year was Halloween, but of course not was you would think of it today. Back then the young gaffers would fill the square with the Big Road Rollers and baskets from the stockyard."

O.J. Ingalls owned the Danville Hotel better known as the Danville House. Mr. Ingalls also had a taxi service. Now think of this. His taxi service consisted of a horse drawn vehicle that would meet the business men getting off the train and Mr. Zoel St. Toris would transport them back to Danville House. Mr. Ingalls had two very trustworthy men, Jim Welch and Bobby Moreland.

Now we move onto Coté's Jewelry Store and in behind that was Mel Lodge's Theatre. People would gather there to watch silent movies for a very cheap price.

Moving right along up Daniel Johnson where you would have the Buttery Factory, Joe Campaign's Barber Shop, Frechettes Barber Shop and J.J. Barlow's Music Shop. This music shop was nothing like the music store of today. This shop consisted of a big gramophone, records, mouth organs and violins. Also in this same district you would have the towns' bailiff.

Next to the telephone office, Herbert Laters had his taxi service and Maggie Houstons Restaurant - where Salon Mimi is today.

Now we have arrived to the center of town where you would have found the Provincial Bank (now Le Bisto du Coin) Laundry's Restaurant (Familiprix) Stanley Gibson's feedstore (Boisvert's Barber Shop) Nadeau's Hardware, then sold to Russell Carrignan, Bastein, owned shoe store, he was a midget and was well liked for his sense of humor, next door a five and dime and last but not least Nel Smith's Meat Market and The Old Bank of Montreal. The bank was housed in the building right next to Danville Asbestos Trinity United Church.

On the outskirts of Danville you would have found Chris Hall, a milkman that delivered milk to the residents of Danville. Now imagine, you buy a quart of milk for 4 or 5 cents! One of his delivery boys was Gordon Frost, who today is 93 years young.

Next you would have found McCrack-

en's Store where you could purchase Irving Gas and then next door was a tin-smith shop owned by John Philbrick.

Right in the heart of Danville Square you could have found a belt factory.

Another popular businessman in Danville, was Herb Boutell, the undertaker, where you could purchase a casket or even a set of dishes, bed or bureau. Herb hired a very young man, Stuart Lockwood to be his business partner. Later, Stuart took over the business from Herb. Stuart was the first man to open a funeral home in Danville. Back then when someone died they were exposed in their own home.

In the square at the corner of Daniel Johnson and du Caramel where the Ian Smith Park is situated you would have found Arnold Leet's Meat Market. Right across the street on Prince Albert you would have the Farmer Hall. It got its name from the United Farmers, an organization that bought fertilizer by carloads and was shipped in on the railway. Alton Goodenough was president of the organization for a period of time. Maggie Houston organized for big bands such as George Wade and The Corn Huskers, who is well remembered for his square dance calls, and Kate Smith and the band. Dave can remember going there at the age of 15 and listening to the square dance calling. This must of been how Dave got so good with his square dance calling, he learned from the best!!

Continuing on up du Caramel Street you'd have found Barnard's Hardware Store, Gilmet Brothers Garage, Wilford Carrignan Blacksmith Shop, Ali workshop and Dehaies Garage (Beauchemin's Metal Shop). Right across the street was the old Danville Academy.

If you were looking for Jim McCalliums creamery it was situated about a half mile out of town, (today taking Lebeau street to find it) and the Cleveland Farm.

During the Duplessi Government Armand Dion Licence bureau was situated on today's 2nd Ave., where Mr. Paul Bergeron lives today. Later during the Liberal Government Mr. Gilles Proulx owned the business.

Now here's something to think about. You could go to Dummie Pruneau's Barber Shop and in less than 10 minutes get a haircut for 15 cents. This is where Dave got his hair cut the morning he married Ida.

Today where the Servi-Plus is located owned by Mario and Lyne Gagné you would have found Fred Paul's General Store. Victor and Hormidas Roux, a father and son combo, owned a harness shop where today you find Au Lever Du Jour and right next door was Berni Lebeau's Printing Shop, and next to that Moulin's Bakeshop.

Next you found Dr. Stevenson, M.D., more familiarly known as Dr. Bob. He helped the sick whether they could pay or not, English or French. Next was Jack Ashmore's Workshop. This was where people came to get their horses shawed.

The cost was 80 cents for a reset or \$2.00 for new shoes.

W.N. Lodge (Bill Lodge) and George Delisle owned an International Harvester Business (situated where Auberge Jeffery is today). You could even buy a refrigerator. Dave said, "By the way he still has the one he purchased in his kitchen. The only repair he has ever made to it was changing the rubbers. It's 55 years young and they sure don't make them like that anymore.

Just up the street a little ways was Chaddock's Service Station where Everett McCoy did mechanic work.

Up the road was The Dominion Clothespin Co. and sawmill owned by Carl Brown (today you would find Burbank Pond and the Municipal Office).

Next was Dubois Ice House, where Mr. Dubois got his ice from Berbank Pond and would deliver it around town. Approximately another 250 feet from where Kingsley Bullard lives today, Sandi Grimard would cut ice in the wintertime too. Dave says he can remember back in the 20s how ice was cut by hand using a saw, later on in years a circular saw. Then someone came up with the bright idea of putting saw on a sled, where the ice would be measured and marked. The only drawback to this idea was that the saw would cut 24" thick, unfortunately the ice was known be 28" thick at times, therefore in order to finish the job it was done by a hand saw.

One very popular event that took place in Danville every year was the Danville Fair. Dave recalls how it was around the 1930s Fair Day was held the last Saturday in September, on the Commonwealth behind the Old Town Hall (where the ball park is today just beside the new post office). You would find a merry-go-round, games, food concessions, etc. Judging of livestock and poultry was held in the grandstand area. At one time gypsies used to gather at fair time just outside the village at Sandi Grimard's Ice House. A certain amount of celebrating went on, you would have been surprised how some of Danville's upstanding citizens became a gypsy for the day.

Dave has one last story to tell you about. "Our jolly old mailman, in the late 20s was a very big man. His mail route was 22 to 25 miles per day, six days a week. Come mud or high snowdrifts your mail came through, with of course horse drawn vehicles. Back in those days most everyone did their shopping through the Eaton catalogue. Any item that would fit in the mailbox he would deliver. I can also remember the mailman going out and doing part of his run on Christmas Day due to the fact that he had so many parcels that needed to be delivered. I am not sure if any of the jolly old mailman's family is still living, but I am sure they would be pleased to know that someone is still living at R.R. #1, Danville, Quebec that still remembers jolly old Pat (Johnson).

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