

# January transfers show market continuing strong

By ANDY DODGE

THE steady climb of residential real estate prices in Westmount continued for the more expensive houses during January, transfer details show, though the sales were not quite as strong as in December.

The stone mansion at 64 St. Sulpice road sold for \$300,000, a repeat of the record price obtained in December for 757 Lexington avenue. That sale, plus one of \$240,000 (a 130.8 percent markup over its valuation for tax purposes) for the colonial home at 3803 The Boulevard, helped bring the average price of Westmount homes transferred during the month to \$120,778, a monthly high surpassed only by that of December.

While a few homes sold for prices very close to their Montreal Urban Community valuation, the majority went at well above that level, resulting in an average markup of 44.8 percent in 18 sales.

The markup figure, when applied against the average valuation, indicates that sales in January were reaching back to the levels of the spring of 1976, when they were the highest in Westmount's history. The markup is surpassed only by levels obtained in April, May and June of that year.

#### Market still brisk

The off-month volume indicates that the market continues to be relatively brisk, despite the price levels obtained. Eighteen seemingly straight residential sales (74 and 76 Belvedere place were sold to the same person, however) compare favorably to 16 in the same month last year, and are far

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#### Lifters nabbed

Eight shoplifters were arrested in Alexis Nihon Plaza last Wednesday, a peak performance by store personnel and police there. Eight others were collected in the plaza during the following four working days (including Saturday), while another was picked up allegedly trying to steal from a Westmount Square store last Thursday.

## Council to meet Monday

City council may take important steps Monday night in trying to resolve its dispute with the provincial roads department over loss of part of the corporation yards for construction of the Ville Marie Expressway (The Examiner, Feb. 15).

A resolution authorizing the city attorney to act on council's behalf in the matter highlights the agenda for the March statutory session, which is scheduled to begin at 8 pm Monday in the council chambers at city hall.

Council is also expected to write off bad debts among its business taxes, to approve two new by-laws concerning its mutual aid firefighting pact with five other municipalities, and to consider tenders for a new computer terminal and several vehicles.

City Clerk Peter Patenaude will offer a report on the progress of zoning amendments approved by council at its last meeting, one affecting property

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## Occupancy by May 1:

# Manoir residents accepted; public meeting set March 20

Manoir Westmount, the Rotary Club-sponsored senior citizens' residence nearing completion at Lansdowne avenue and Sherbrooke street, has formally accepted its first eight residents' applications.

It was reported following a board meeting of Manoir Westmount Inc. last Thursday evening that 67 applications were in various stages of processing for the 148-place building.

The eight persons concerned since have been notified. Others will be so notified as interviews and other formalities are completed. First residents are expected to move in by May 1.

It also was announced that a public information meeting with open-house tours of the new building and of the reconstructed and interconnected ground floor of Victoria Hall is to take place Tuesday evening, March 20, at 7:45 pm, for any and all persons interested; prospective residents and their kin, donors, neighbors of the residence and members of the community at large.

#### Mayor to speak

The meeting has been called by the sponsoring Rotary Club of Westmount and will be chaired by President George Sklivas. Mayor Donald C. MacCallum will make comments in behalf of the City of Westmount, which provided the Victoria Hall ground floor on a long-term lease to the non-profit Manoir Westmount Inc., which owns and will operate the residence.

President of the corporation  
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## Westmount Y starts drive

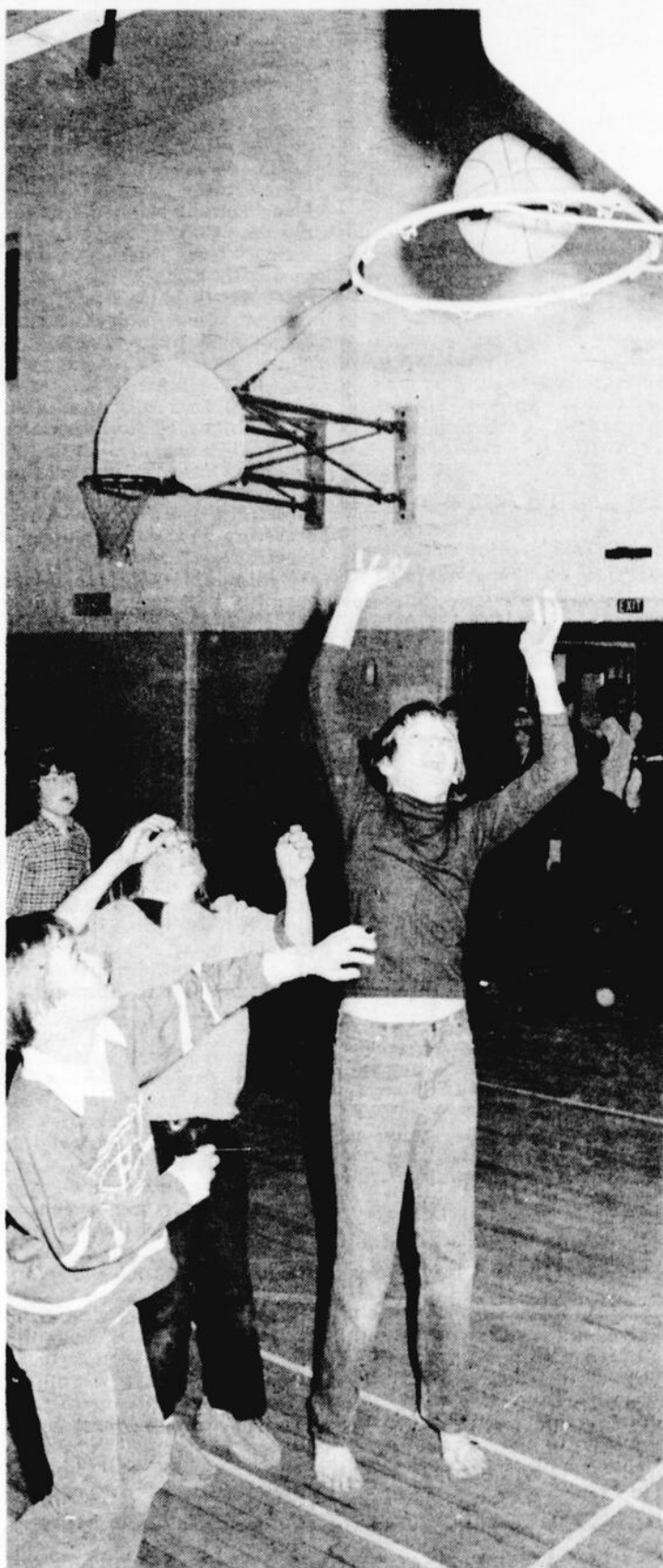
The Westmount Family YMCA is beginning its annual fund-raising campaign today, using the world premiere of "Jacob Two-Two Meets the Hooded Fang," which the local "Y" has sponsored, as a kick-off for the three-week effort.

The regular campaign has a goal of \$20,000 this year, which will be used to offset the local association's operating deficits and to allow for community programs.

Some 60 canvassers will be working in the Westmount area, headed by Robert Tayler, 601 Belmont avenue.

## Smash 'n' grab

A thief or thieves smashed a St. Catherine street display case outside Alexis Nihon Plaza late last Wednesday or early Thursday, removing various items and leaving only one jar of perfume. Value of the theft is unknown.



**CHRISTIAN HARMONY:** The choir boys of Christ Church Cathedral and St. Matthias' Church clashed in earthly combat Friday evening on the basketball court of Selwyn House School. Here, junior members of the "Cathedral Crushers" and the "St. Matthias Mashers" look for heavenly guidance for a ball beyond their control. In the junior game the Crushers beat the Mashers 12 to 10, although some claimed it was a 10-10 tie. However, in the senior game the Mashers took more than an eye-for-an-eye revenge by downing the Crushers 40-15. The two choirs have competed on the hockey rink for the past 10 years but melting weather this year forced a change in sports. Hot dogs and movies followed the contest. Choir directors Stephen Crisp of St. Matthias' and Gerald Wheeler of the cathedral were on hand to watch out for raucous voices from the singers-turned-athletes.

## Next Week's WEATHER by Capt. Eric Neal

MARCH 1 to 9

Blizzard conditions always develop this fifth week before Easter, from the first quarter to the full moon. The barometer rises and falls twice, while heavy storms pass in series, each with 10 to 12 cm of fluffy snow.

Wind damage and sleet, hail and thunder likely. Improving generally Thursday to give us more cold nights and mild, sunny afternoons through the weekend. Blustery winds will drive ice floes into the lower St. Lawrence to halt shipping. Next week bright but cold.

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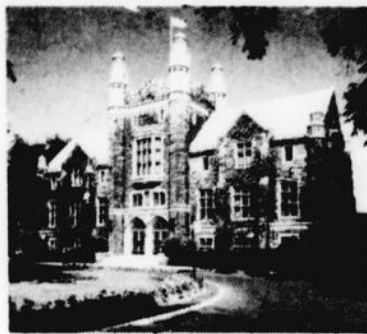


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**COUNCIL . . .**

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at 55 Delavigne road and the other involving the Church of the Advent, 4119 de Maisonneuve boulevard. Registrations for objections to the zoning amendments were to be entered yesterday and today, barring

which the amendments would be deemed to have been approved by elector-proprietors.

Council is also expected to hear two notices of motion, one to approve a loan by-law for street construction this summer, and the other to increase the city's working fund. The solons might also review lists of city accounts for December and January.

Mayor Donald MacCallum is scheduled to report on recent activities of the Montreal Urban Community and the Conference of Montreal Suburban Mayors, including the mayors' annual meeting scheduled for today and tomorrow.

**Crashes down**

Automobile accidents in Westmount were fewer in number during the past week, with 11 reported to police between Tuesday last week and Monday this week. Of the 11, however, four were called in on Friday and four more on Monday.

**Victor Drury succeeds Virginia Heward:**

**Former MP's son named local Liberal president**

The Westmount-St. Henri Federal Liberal Association held its second-ever general meeting and its first in almost two years on Thursday night, electing Victor M. Drury, son of the former Westmount member of Parliament, as president.

Mr. Drury succeeds Mrs. Virginia Heward, 21 Grove Park, who had been installed as interim president last December when Mrs. Diana Weatherall moved out of Westmount. A resident of Town of Mount Royal, he works at Imasco Ltd. in Westmount Square and has been a member of the Westmount Liberal Association for the past three years. Mrs. Heward again took up a vice-presidential post, her position before Mrs. Weatherall's departure last year.

The association also expanded the number of vice-presidential posts from four to six in order to allow for top-level executive members from the St. Henri district of the riding. Mrs. Lucille Michaud and Rock Chatigny were elected to fill those posts.

Other vice-presidents include Jean-Marc Côté Pouliot of Notre Dame de Grâce, Miss Natalie Lalonde from downtown Montreal and Paul Lamontagne, 55 Forde avenue. John Dobson, also from the downtown area, was elected treasurer, while Mary Baxter of Montreal was appointed secretary at the first executive meeting last evening.

Westmount MP Don Johnston, who will seek re-election in the coming general election to represent the new riding, offered words of encouragement to the 83 members who turned out last Thursday, warning them that "nothing is to be taken for granted" in the election.

**First in two years**

The annual general meeting was the first of its kind in two years, thanks to confusion over identity of the riding last spring, when officers were uncertain whether or not the association was to represent the newly chartered St. Henri-Westmount riding or the old Westmount constituency.

At the time, a by-election had been called to replace Westmount MP Hon. Charles M. Drury, who had resigned to head National Capital Commission. Most political pundits, however, expected a general election — which would have seen the new boundaries in place — before the October by-election.

The previous annual meeting, on March 16, 1977, was the "founding meeting" for the St. Henri-Westmount Federal Liberal Association and now, according to Mr. Johnston, the Westmount riding is "one of the strongest ones in Canada," thanks to heavy recruitment



Westmount MP Don Johnston addresses some 83 St. Henri-Westmount Federal Liberal Association members last Thursday as newly-elected President Victor Drury and outgoing interim President Mrs. Virginia Heward look on.

during the nomination campaigns following Mr. Drury's resignation. While Mr. Dobson reported the local association was "in good financial shape," the MP urged St. Henri-Westmounters to make a special effort to turn out at the \$125-a-plate fund-raising dinner at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel on March 10.

The meeting also saw the election of directors for the coming year, including 11 members from Westmount, five from the downtown area of the riding, three from St. Henri, two from N.D.G. and one from Côte des Neiges. Also, nine women, nine men and nine "youth" delegates were chosen for the Quebec regional policy convention.

**Westmount directors**

Directors of the association from Westmount include: Jean-Paul Arseneault, 628 Murray Hill; Mrs. Joan Bell, 78 Arlington avenue; Robert Cowling, 459 Strathcona avenue; Peter Deignan, 56 Columbia avenue; Jack Greenstein, 653 Roslyn avenue; Mrs. Yolande Masella, 5 Springfield avenue; Roy Naudie, 623 Belmont avenue; Mrs. Benoit Noble, 4565 Sherbrooke street west; Kalman Samuels, 10 Roxborough avenue; James Thom, 467 Mount Stephen avenue; and Dr. Dale Thomson, 458 Elm avenue.

Directors representing the downtown area of the riding (north of Sherbrooke street eastward to Peel street) are Samuel Berger, John Claxton, Miriam Kagan, Naomi Lapin, and Mrs. Robin Quinlan. From St. Henri, the directors are Joseph Amyot, Rock Chatigny and Cecile Plante, while the

N.D.G. directors are Cynthia Johnston (niece of the MP) and Miss Yvette Sentenne. Côte des Neiges is represented by Richard McConomy.

The Quebec policy convention is scheduled to begin March 30, unless an election has been called during the month. If it is postponed, it will be held before October in any event, according to Michael Wihby, regional director of the Quebec wing of the Liberal Party of Canada.

Convention delegates, nominated from the floor at the meeting, include, for the women, June Ellingsen, Mrs. Heward, Ms. Kagan, Cecily Lein, Mrs. Noble (alternate), Elizabeth O'Connell and Miss Sentenne. Mrs. Heather Johnston, wife of the MP, was chosen as an alternate and will replace Brenda Norris, who was nominated but has since said she will be unable to attend.

Among the men chosen were Mr. Arseneault (alternate), Mr. Chatigny, Jacques Clément, Mr.

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**4:01 pm:** 264 Olivier, burst water pipe;  
**11:55 pm:** 90 Hillside, heat detector ringing;

#### Feb. 21

**11:19 am:** Reddy Memorial Hospital, 4039 Tupper, strange odor;  
**2:30 pm:** 1216 Greene, strange odor;  
**7:26 pm:** 570 Victoria, burst plumbing;

#### Feb. 22

**11:15 pm:** 4625 St. Catherine, false alarm;

#### Feb. 23

**11:18 am:** 19 de Casson, burst plumbing;  
**12:31 pm:** 470 Mount Stephen, steam scare;  
**12:50 pm:** Pom Bakery, 4670 St. Catherine, male transported to QEH;  
**3:41 pm:** corporation yard, Bethune street, burst plumbing;  
**3:44 pm:** 517 Clarke, smoke scare;  
**7:37 pm:** 4508 St. Catherine, trouble with oil heating unit;  
**8:58 pm:** 4000 de Maisonneuve, apt. 2716, ambulance transport;

#### Feb. 24

**8:10 pm:** 4557 Sherbrooke, apt. 109, strange odor;  
**11:02 pm:** 4000 de Maisonneuve, apt. 3103, ambulance transport;

#### Feb. 25

**3:58 pm:** 52 Arlington, man transported to QEH;

#### Feb. 26

**12:06 pm:** 6 Weredale, trouble with oil heating unit.



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#### Feb. 21

**3001 St. Antoine:** for Atwater Holdings by selves, alterations, \$1,200;  
**4309 Montrose:** for E. B. Newcomb by James Griffin and Son, replacing water service, \$800;  
**607 Victoria:** for Mrs. M. Smith by James Griffin and Son, replacing water service, \$500;

#### Feb. 22

**4060 St. Catherine:** for McGill Research Lab by Outremont Plumbing, plumbing, \$17,000;

#### Feb. 23

**4150 St. Catherine:** for Aetna Financial by D. & S. Decors, alterations for office, \$42,000;  
**439 Mount Pleasant:** for D. Day by Les Constructions deLuxe Inc., interior alterations, \$6,000;

#### Feb. 26

**4250-52 Dorchester:** for D. Moulin by self, alterations, \$1,000;  
**4060 St. Catherine:** for Government of Canada (Canada Manpower) by Toulon Construction, alterations to fourth and fifth floor, \$6,000.

### In the back

An open back door might have provided thieves entry to a store on Greene avenue sometime before 5:35 pm Sunday. Though the store was not ransacked, some \$133 in petty cash was missing.

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The new numbers are the result of overdemand for telephones in the "93" area which covers southern and eastern Westmount, the western downtown area and parts of St. Henri and Little Burgundy. The "989" prefix was initiated last September and over 1,000 customers have been given such numbers.

A Bell Canada spokesman said many new customers would probably still get 93 numbers as they become available; though, with the



**VISUAL ARTS CAMPAIGN:** The Visual Arts Centre, 350 Victoria avenue, launched its \$200,000 development fund campaign Monday evening with a reception in the gallery. Mr. Robert Demers, right, Montreal Stock Exchange president and campaign chairman is seen here discussing the development fund with the chairman of the centre's board Mr. Robert Hackett, left, and Westmount Mayor Donald MacCallum. The fund will be used for an underprivileged children's program, new books and equipment, expanded curriculum and renovations.

availability of 989 prefixes, the turnover of numbers will not have to be quite so rapid. At one time numbers were being transferred from an old customer to a new one in a matter of weeks.



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## We Say

# Dons wrong

MAYOR Donald MacCallum has expressed himself favoring the principle of Westmount MP Donald Johnston's Commons motion that the interests of municipalities be directly represented in ongoing constitutional talks.

By all means the cities, towns and villages of Canada, which were nothing as now when the BNA Act was drafted, not only should but must have a voice in the country's future form. Local government is the most significant for the vast majority of Canadian citizens yet gets the short end of the stick, in virtual tutelage under provincial regimes and, thus, is cut out of most federal considerations.

However, we must take issue with His Worship and the Honorable Member if they are thinking this can be achieved simply by having the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities join the periodic power playing in Ottawa's old Union Station conference centre.

We have just been through another demonstration of the near futility of

rationalizing the future order of Canadian affairs through meetings of first ministers, with or without first magistrates.

Political leaders are not necessarily best suited to this task. There is nothing wrong with political byplay, or even with a healthy regard for regional, sectional, ethnic or other considerations. But to depend alone upon the representatives of such interests to thrash out new constitutional arrangements is akin to having no one but the guards making prison rules.

If national goals and priorities are to be established along with reform of the institutions by which we govern ourselves, persons with broader concerns than those possessed by prime ministers, premiers and even mayors are going to have to be got together: a judicious mixture of ordinary and extraordinary people whose credentials are clearly Canadian before they are regional or provincial, urban or rural, French or English or Ukrainian, rich or poor, white or red or black or yellow.

## Freedom threatened

ONE wonders why Premier Lévesque expends so much time and energy courting United States benevolence toward Quebec independence from Canada — with little apparent success. Specially when members of his cabinet, riding their own hobby horses, undermine what little sympathy the Parti Québécois may find in the States with illiberal measures which are the antithesis of the American concept of freedom.

*Editor & Publisher*, the leading voice of the U.S. newspaper industry, doesn't usually pay too much attention to Canada. However, it has devoted its Feb. 10 leading editorial to some direct language in our direction, titled *Freedom threatened in Quebec*. It says:

One paragraph of a proposed law to regulate the book industry in the Province of Quebec says: "The present ruling is not intended to forbid, limit or restrain the rights and liberties of persons or of press."

Don't you believe it.

As explained in Montreal's morning *Le Devoir*, under this law the minister of cultural affairs of the province will become lord and master of books with full power to regulate all activity of the book world in Quebec.

Every publisher, bookstore and distributor must obtain a license or a certificate of accreditation from the minister. To get a license to carry on business, every company must open its account books to the minister. To get a certificate of approval, a company must be entirely Quebec-owned and controlled and run by Quebecers. Forty percent of its books must be by Quebec authors.

Bookstores are told the number of Quebec titles and non-Quebec titles that must be carried on specific subjects.

*Le Devoir* calls it "an iron yoke" on the book field, which it is. The disclaimer cited herewith in the first paragraph is meaningless. Daily and weekly newspapers of that province must realize that if the government can impose such a yoke on book publishing and distribution it can do the same to them.

Books are part of the press, freedom of which in a democracy provides the people with the means of expression and dissent. Bill 101, with its interference with free commercial speech, and now this book business trample on beliefs enshrined in the American constitution.

Basic freedoms are no less Canadian.

## You Say

### Home-owners tax relief seen worthy objective

Sir: A few weeks ago I was pleased to find out that a bi-partisan group of

members of Parliament went to Washington to study the feasibility of tax relief from mortgage and property taxes, even though it appeared to be in response on the part of the Liberal party to counteract the Conservatives' proposal regarding housing costs.

Although I would have relatively little benefit from having interest payments on mortgages and property taxes as deductions from my taxable income, since my home is substantially

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## Editorial Notes

WESTMOUNT'S William Weintraub, whose new novel *Underdogs* was reviewed in *The Examiner* on Feb. 8, is the principal of "A Day with William Weintraub" at John Abbott College, Ste. Anne's, today. The 433 Wood avenue resident will be around there from 1 to 5 pm. A showing of the film *Why Rock the Boat?*, made from his first novel, is to be shown, after which he will be answering questions . . .

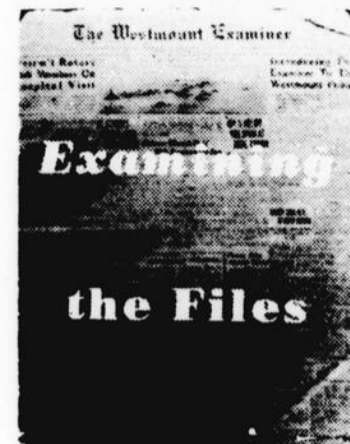
MONTREAL Catholic School Commission adult education service reports "exceptional response" to its extensive advertising in this paper for its special program of French courses, both intensive (six hours a day for three weeks) and semi-intensive (three hours per day for six weeks). Anyone still wanting to get in on this training now has another chance, with new courses starting March 19. Phone 931-3973 for details.

OUR fancy is tickled by a piece from Supply and Services Canada — the government department which is one of the really big spenders of public funds — reporting that it is selling its audit services bureau expertise to the Algerian government under a \$700,000 contract. A nice switch of role . . .

ANOTHER federal department, Consumer and Corporate Affairs, also making itself useful with supermarket shopping tips, such as: Buy only what is on your shopping list; watch for mistakes rung up on the cash register; shop alone — family members along can increase impulse buying; shop quickly to leave no time for whims; forget brand loyalties; buy seasonal foods; buy less meat and substitute eggs, cheese, milk, fish; bend down or look up—the popular and more expensive items often are on the shelves at eye level . . .

OF some 50,000 small and medium Canadian firms which folded up last year, fewer than 5,000 were bankrupts, according to the Canadian Federation of Independent Business. Unbelievers in the free enterprise system cannot credit that the starting and stopping — for a multiplicity of reasons — of so many companies is the way it is supposed to be. In short, firms, like people, come and go, make their contributions to society and the economic life of the nation, and then are gone when their usefulness is over. An even more important statistic is that while those 50,000 outfits passed on, 60,000 new businesses were created in Canada last year. The turnover represents renewal and growth . . .

READERS may notice the ads for summer camps are making their annual late-winter appearance; there are three this week, on page nine. The Quebec Camping Association over the next nine days is marking Camp Week. Camping is a big thing: over 56,000 Quebecers attended accredited summer camps in 1978. There are 41 accredited members of the English section of the Quebec organization.



Thirty-five Years Ago  
March 3, 1944

"The Westmount Historical Association, having for its object the gathering of the historical data and the formulation of a history of what is now the City of Westmount, was formed on Thursday of last week at an organization meeting of a group of approximately 25 Westmount citizens in Victoria Hall, under the chairmanship of W. B. Scott, K.C. The meeting was called by the president of the Westmount Municipal Association, Roy Campbell, in a circular letter which explained that although some brief history accounts of Westmount are available a really adequate treatment of the origin and development is still lacking."

Twenty-five Years Ago  
February 26, 1954

"Don MacCallum, Redfern avenue, for several years worked for an inspection engineering company. He decided to resign. He did. And with him resigned 24 of its employees, including four top men: John Racey, John Lochhead, John Norlin and Eric Rankine. They have now formed their own company, Racey, MacCallum and Associates, Limited, and have built their own building on Sherbrooke street just west of Wood avenue."

Fifteen Years Ago  
February 28, 1964

"Westmount Police will begin their move into brand-new headquarters on Stanton street in two weeks, it was announced this Wednesday. Construction of the building on the north side of the present fire station is right on schedule. Plans have been completed for a special feature of the building — a shooting range which can be converted into a command headquarters for the city's newly established civil protection force. The room is being constructed with lead shielding in the walls to offer protection from radiation in the event of nuclear attack."

Five Years Ago  
February 28, 1974

"One of Westmount's most valuable pieces of property was delivered into American hands during December, as the land on which Westmount Square is built was sold to a Philadelphia-based insurance company for nearly 2½ times its assessed value. The Fidelity Mutual Life Insurance Company purchased the property, but not the buildings, for \$8,056,749 in U.S. funds, on the understanding that Mondey Corporation, which has owned the property since Westmount Square was built, add another \$4,000,000 tower to the three already standing. City officials are working on a rezoning measure to allow for a new tower, at the corner of St. Catherine street and Greene avenue."

# Art also in the frame

By JOAN CAPREOL

PICTURE framing is an art and artist Sid Menkes is a master of that art.

"There are very few good picture framers," said the enterprising young man with mesmerizing brown eyes. "Most are primarily businessmen and not artists. Consequently they are not trained in this craft."

Sid, as he likes to be known to everyone, has just opened a new framing and print gallery at 4869 Sherbrooke street west. He moved from 353 Prince Albert avenue after four years in business.

Sid has called his gallery Magnum Opus, which is Latin for important work. "The name aspires to what I am trying to achieve," he said. "Framing is an art and there are 10,000 wrong ways of framing a picture and one ultimate right way, keeping in mind the budget of the customer and the room decor in which the picture will hang."

Sid is 35, six feet one, popular, obliging, handsome and gallant. With a devastating smile, he is a very private person, showing a reluctance to talk about himself.

"There is nowhere else in Montreal that specializes in carrying only graphics and framing combined," Sid said. "A lot of frames that I sell are original designs and very often I will consult with the interior decorator on the selection of art works and frames to go into offices and homes."

Picture framing can get a trifle emotional some times, according to Sid. "Most people bring me something they love, to frame, and therefore it is very important that I do not in any way detract from the actual piece itself but try to make the framing as innocuous as possible," he said.

**Art deco is back**

Right now, Sid said, there is a resurgence of art deco and there are certain trends in framing that bring back this era, such as new burl wood and rounded-corner frames. "Aluminum is 20 years old and is on its way out," said Sid. "In its place will be very simple, natural-wood frames."

Where did he learn picture framing?

"I started framing my own pictures

and then studied design at Sir George Williams University," said Sid, who graduated in fine arts in 1966. His teachers included Alfred Pinsky, Chris Lacki, curator of the Sir George Williams Gallery, and Allan Harrison.

After Sir George, Sid got into display work — store window dressing and merchandise display. "That gave me an overall sense for design of right proportions and colors," he said.

As for the gallery, it is most attractive, and painted stark white. The prints on the walls are beautifully framed. "It is primarily a works-on-paper gallery," said Sid. "This means that all the works are on paper — lithographs, etchings, silk screen and drawings." Prices range from \$50 to \$3,000. One of the most valuable is an Alex Colville lithograph of an early morning bird in flight.

On the walls are prints by David Blackwood, a Newfoundlander; Ghitta Caiserman-Roth, Philip Surrey, Tobie Steinhouse, Roslyn Swartzman, Marcel Bellerive and Luba Genush. The first show in the new gallery will be Caiserman-Roth's in April.

**To tour across Canada**

This spring Sid plans a trip across Canada to collect prints by established artists and new, promising ones.

Many of his clients come from all parts of the country and the United States. More and more French people are visiting his gallery.

As an artist Sid has had one-man shows in various galleries, including Galerie Libre, and has participated in several group exhibitions. He does not display or sell his own work.

"Running a successful business demands a lot of energy and time, and I like to unwind and relax by doing my own painting," said Sid. "I use mixed media on paper."

Sid was born in Montreal and attended Northmount High School. He is married to Arlene Rill who teaches at Bancroft School.

He believes in keeping fit. He jogs and plays tennis.

Does he have fun owning a gallery?

"Oh, yes, I find it very exciting and I love what I am doing," he replied.



Sidney Menkes

Examiner photo by RICK KERRIGAN

**our M.P.**

Donald J. Johnston

**says . . .**

**New riding association**



As reported elsewhere in *The Examiner*, last Thursday a new board of directors and a new executive were elected to lead the St-Henri-Westmount Federal Liberal Association.

Mrs. Virginia Heward opted to become a vice-president after acting as interim president since the departure of Mrs. Diana Weatherall. She has done an outstanding job during that period.

While there are many new members, there is also substantial continuity, particularly with Vic Drury becoming president. I was delighted that Dale Thomson is remaining on the board of directors.

The new administration also reflects the bilingual nature of the new riding and proceedings were conducted in both languages during last week's meeting.

Often unilingual members of the association may feel uncomfortable in such circumstances — but they should not. The cost of simultaneous translation renders that solution uneconomic, but a summary of any significant comments should be given in the other language and will be in future.

Another gratifying development is the increasing level of youth participation which was apparent at the meeting.

In Ottawa the standing committee on finance, trade and economic affairs has moved into closed-door sessions to complete its report on Bill C-15, the new bank act. There will be morning, afternoon and evening meetings this week with a view to presenting a report before March 5. This work should be of value, even if the general election is called before the new act is adopted.

**our M.N.A. George Springate says . . .**



**New session: the economy**

The Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec will address the National Assembly next Tuesday. He will deliver the traditional throne speech to open the new session. The speech will have been prepared by the Parti Québécois government. It will contain the government's plans, pledges, promises and potential areas of concern.

The economy will be highlighted. The PQ has little choice in this regard. Look also for the government to announce how it will proceed with the upcoming contract negotiations with civil servants, hospital workers and teachers. Many believe these talks will seal the fate of the Lévesque team.

Labor unions supported the PQ in 1976. They now want their reward. But, the government doesn't have the funds. So the battle lines are being drawn. Watch for very interesting events in these contract discussions.

Debate on the throne speech will commence next Wednesday. This provides all members with opportunity to speak in the Assembly. Government members will support the plans and proposed programs while opposition parties will attack the government record and show why the plans are not

sufficient.

This spring's session will continue through to June 22. The 16 weeks should not hold too many surprises, legislatively speaking. Departmental budgets and spending estimates will be studied. The budget will be presented, with ensuing debate. Most of the activity will occur outside the National Assembly. The federal election and the two provincial by-elections are the major points of interest.

**WESTMOUNT WANDERINGS**

Congratulations to Al Fisher and Lancer Senior Citizens for their cameo roles in a police film that was shot in part at the Fairview Shopping Centre . . . Deepest thanks to those at the Westmount Library for their kind note regarding a grant that I arranged . . . Knowing that the spring session would commence next Tuesday, in December I agreed to be in Southern California and surrounding neighborhood today through Sunday. Will return late Sunday night . . . Members of the Westmount Senior Citizens group will be traveling to Quebec City in June as my guests to tour the National Assembly.

# Beyond Westmount's Borders

*A random sampler of things to see or do*

*in the bigger city surrounding us*

by RICK KERRIGAN

Yet another English language theatre group has burst upon the Montreal theatre scene; this is either a statement about the health of English language theatre or a triumph of youthful optimism over reality. Let us assume the former.

The group is called the Mainline Theatre Company and they have produced a first show that is, as they promised, entertaining. However, given the material with which they started, the show could never really fail. Called "Le Tarot," the production is a musical revue that attempts to evoke the magical atmosphere of the theatre with some of the best songs from Broadway shows and some from more obscure productions.

The material is uniformly strong and is woven together effectively by director Grémar Farlang, a mythical character comprising Gregg Ernst, Mary Burns, Geraldine Farrell, and Jack Langedyke, the company's four actors. All are products of Concordia University's theatre program and have appeared in numerous Montreal theatre productions.

The show starts with the actors approaching the stage from the audience where they have been waiting on tables in the small café-theatre in Vanier College. We follow them through acting class and the trials and tribulations of auditions and the theatre life. Much of the show's humor derives from the juxtaposition

of the musical material with the scenes being enacted: the girl singing an impassioned "You made me love you" while her boyfriend sits engrossed in a sports event on TV and an old lady vamping through a spicy rendition of "Broadway Baby."

In unison and harmony, the group's singing is very strong and even haunting. Individually, the actors' voices are sometimes taxed by some of the more difficult songs but, for the most part, they are good. Occasionally, however, the song is so strong it cries out for a more dynamic voice. The two women's voices in particular had very limited ranges.

"Le Tarot" will make you laugh and it will entertain you. Despite the flaws, the show is carried by the enthusiasm of the actors who very obviously are enjoying what they are doing. The intimate atmosphere of the little café-theatre (with free coffee) is well suited to this type of revue and even the small opening night audience filled enough tables to give the illusion of a bigger audience.

Unfortunately, the location of the theatre at Vanier College, 821 Ste. Croix boulevard in St. Laurent, is not conducive to drawing large audiences. It is, however, fairly easy to reach for Westmounters: not much more than a quick run up Decarie. The difficult part is finding the theatre once in the building, a problem that should be rectified by the company.

Don't let these minor inconveniences keep you from an evening of solid entertainment. The show runs until March 11, Thursdays to Sundays, 8:00 pm. Tickets are \$4.00 (\$3.00 for students and senior citizens).

each night to accommodate the 18 acts being used. This is an opportunity for students to show off their talents and a fine time is promised for all. Arrive early for a seat.

The Town Stage in Dollard des Ormeaux is opening its second season with a production of Arthur Kopit's "Indians," a play about the "fantasy and myth of the wild west" in the U.S.A. It deals with the events leading up to and including the massacre at Wounded Knee in a theatrical collage of vaudeville and circus. The play premiered in London in 1968 with the Royal Shakespearian Company. It will run at the Dollard Civic Centre, 12001 de Salaberry, Wednesday, March 7 to March 18, Wednesday to Sunday, 8:30 pm. For more information call 684-1032.

"American Buffalo" is the current production of the Phoenix Theatre, 1339 Canora road in T.M.R. The action takes place in a Chicago junk shop where a coin collector finds a rare American buffalo nickel and the owner of the store and some friends decide to steal it from him. The play is written by David Mamet and it won the New York Critics Circle Award in 1976 and 1977 as the best American play of the year. For information and reservations call 733-2039.

Montrealers will have a chance to see some of the city's contemporary choreographers and dancers as well as those of Toronto this month, thanks to the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts. Performances this Saturday, March 3, will be given by Paula Ravitz and Margaret Dragu of Toronto and Margie Gillis of Montreal at the museum. Future performances will be given March 17 and 31 by other dancers and for further information you can call 285-1600. Tickets for the shows are \$3.00 (\$2.00 for students).

The work of Polish artist Krzysztof Wodiczko is being exhibited at the Optica Gallery until March 16. The show will comprise drawings, photographs of phototypes and models of vehicle design projects which the artist has done during his stay in Canada. The vehicles he creates on

## Ann McCall exhibition opens today

An exhibition of silk-screen prints by Westmount artist Ann McCall, 509 Argyle avenue, opens this evening at Galerie Mira Godard, 1490 Sherbrooke street west, until March 10.

A native of Toronto, Mrs. McCall, wife of McGill philosophy Prof. Storrs McCall, has studied at McGill, University of Pittsburgh and Concordia University.

She began showing nationally in 1975 with silk-screen prints and her work has since been in exhibits in many locations in the U.S. and Canada as well as in the United Kingdom and, last year, at the 7th Graphics International in Krakow, Poland.

She has had seven solo exhibitions and has won awards in several local and national exhibitions entered.

In the current exhibition at the Galerie Godard, the artist has combined geometric architectural forms suggesting window frames with a subtle atmospheric rendering of landscape. The contrast between the two produces tension in the distance that separates them.

paper go through a variety of movements for the sake of movement and with no apparent purpose. Such is art. The gallery implies that the artist's work is better known in Europe than in North America. He is currently teaching at the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design.

The annual Lenten series of concerts at Christ Church Cathedral begins Monday, March 5, at 12:30 pm and continues every Monday throughout Lent. The concerts are free and last about 50 minutes so they are perfect for lunch hour diversion. The music is almost exclusively by Bach and Monday's concert features Gerald Wheeler at the organ.

Another free concert is being presented by MUSIQAM, Monday, March 5 at 8:30 pm at Pavillon Lafontaine, 1301 Sherbrooke east. The concert will comprise a soprano, flute and guitar in various combinations and permutations.

Musica Camerata Montreal seems to have removed the \$2.00 admission, and this Saturday's concert at 5:00 pm

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**TO CHAIR DINNER:** Martin Levine, 12 Bellevue avenue, has been appointed chairman of the 1979 Montreal Negev Dinner, to be held June 12 at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel. Mr. Levine, a well-known businessman, is actively involved in many activities within the general and Jewish community and brings his knowledge and expertise from many past endeavors to this annual event. The Negev Dinner this year will pay tribute to Harris D. Gulko, 200 Kensington avenue (The Examiner, Feb. 8), executive vice-president of the Jewish National Fund of Canada.

### Laszlo Mezei meeting guest

Laszlo Mezei, 4000 de Maisonneuve boulevard, will be guest of honor at the meeting of the Montreal Camera Club Monday, March 5, at 7:45 pm in the auditorium of the Atwater Library.

Mr. Mezei, former president of the Professional Photographers Association of Quebec and a distinguished Canadian portrait photographer, will make a presentation titled "Portrait—simplicity in posing and lighting."

Sydney Sandell, vice-president (program) of the club, will chair the meeting which is open to the public without admission charge.

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### BEYOND . . .

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will be free. It will take place at Christ Church Cathedral and will include works by Rossini, Beethoven, Verdi and Prokofiev.

Dr. Harold N. Segal will be the next speaker presented by the Jewish Historical Society of Montreal Thursday, March 8, at 8:15 pm, 5151 Côte St. Catherine road. He will be speaking about the "four Gs" of the McGill medical class of 1916: Goldbloom, Goldblatt, Greenspon and Gross.

Even if there were no other entertainment outlets in the city, the CEGEPs and universities would provide more information and entertainment than you could possibly absorb. The big event this week is the Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union swimming and diving championships being hosted by McGill University at the Pointe Claire Aquatic Centre, today through Saturday. The best athletes from 25 Canadian universities will be competing and some high calibre competition is expected. Action starts at noon on Thursday and 7:45 am Friday and Saturday. Tickets are \$2.00 each day. For more information on scheduling call 392-4754.

Over at Macdonald College, students and faculty are opening labs, lecture halls and farm facilities to the public this weekend, Friday through Sunday. It is an open house with something for everyone. You may be interested in attending the college or you might want to take in the livestock show and see the latest developments in agriculture. There will be horse-drawn sleigh rides around the campus.

At Concordia University, Edith Whitefield Seashore will be speaking on "Breaking sex role stereotypes in organizations" Monday, March 5, 8:00 pm in the Loyola Campus Centre, 7141 Sherbrooke west.

She is a consultant in the field of organizational change and group dynamics and lists several large corporations as clients.

City mice will be interested in the "Urban perspectives — West Island planning" workshop to be held at John Abbott College Friday, March 2, 9:30 am to 3:00 pm, at 16821 Hymus in Kirkland. For more info call

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697-9610, ext. 60.

Dawson College and the Junior League of Montreal will be holding a "Grantsmanship" seminar April 4 but registration closes Mar. 16 and participation is limited to 50 persons. The seminar will help organizations locate sources of funding and teach them how to make proposals to obtain those funds.

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11:00 am Morning Worship  
Sermon: "Facing Aloneness"  
Dr. Phyllis Smyth

Coffee Hour following Worship  
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**Lent I**  
8:00 am Holy Eucharist  
10:30 am Choral Eucharist  
Sermon: The Rev. B. B. Clarke  
10:30 am Church School and Crib Corner

**Tuesday**  
8:00 pm Holy Eucharist and Study Group

**Wednesday**  
10:00 am Holy Eucharist and Bible Study

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8:00 am The Holy Eucharist  
10:30 am The Sung Eucharist (Church School and Nursery)

**Holy Eucharist During the Week**  
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**March 4**  
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Sabbath Day, 8:40 am in the Main Synagogue  
Sabbath Twilight, 5:45 pm.

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**March 4**  
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11 am Church  
11 am Sunday School  
Wednesday, 8:00 pm, Testimony Meeting  
Public Reading Room  
In the Church Edifice: Open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1 to 4 pm, Wednesday 6:30 to 7:45 pm  
*All Are Welcome*

**Two groups do study during Lent**

Two Lenten study groups will meet at St. Matthias' Church weekdays during the pre-Easter season.

Tuesday evenings at 8 o'clock, the Rev. B. B. Clarke will lead a study group on the structure and shape of the Eucharist. Wednesday mornings at 10 o'clock, Archdeacon J. N. Doidge will lead a study group on "Children of the Bible," a theme chosen in conjunction with the International Year of the Child.

Each of these study periods will begin with a celebration of the Eucharist in the church.

**Prayer service is tomorrow**

The local World Day of Prayer service will be held tomorrow, Friday, at 10:30 am at Holy Trinity Serbian Orthodox Church, 349 Melville avenue. The service will be led by Mrs. F. A. Sutcliffe with music by Phillips Motley and members of the choir of the Church of the Ascension.

Guest speaker will be Dr. Sylvia McDonald, CND, director of the retirement centre of Marianopolis College. Refreshments will be served following the service.

## 'Facing aloneness' first in Lenten sermon series

Dominion Douglas Church will observe the first Sunday in Lent with a service at 11:00 am at which Dr. Phyllis Smyth will give a sermon titled "Facing aloneness." This will be the first of a Lenten series titled "Steps towards Easter."

Appropriate music by the choir of the "church on the hill" will include "Alone with none but thee, my God" by Godfrey Ridout, "O taste and see" by Vaughan Williams and "Dear Lord and father of mankind" by Hubert Parry.

The organ prelude will be "Through Adam's fall" by Dietrich Buxtehude and the postlude will be "Prelude and Fugue in E Minor" by J. S. Bach (BWV 533). The organ stop to be demonstrated this week will be the 8-foot "Dulciana" on the great organ.

Hymns to be sung this week are "Come let us to the Lord our God" (Belmont), "Jesus, friend of little children," (Farnham), "Jesus, lover of my soul" (Hollingside), and "Through all

the changing scenes of life" (Wiltshire). Lenten hymn tunes played on the chimes from 10:45 am will begin this week with "Song 13," No. 436. A welcome to all in the community is extended to attend this service.

The annual "Sunday sundaes" will be held at 6:30 pm beginning in Leslie hall, where you can make a scrumptious sundaes, exactly as you like it, then go up to the choir loft to sing favorite hymns, old and new. Please bring a cushion to sit on.

On Monday, March 5, the board will welcome new members with coffee and dessert at the manse at 7:00 pm. A meeting of the board will follow at 8 pm in Leslie hall.

Tuesday evening, March 6, the third of the six-week lecture-discussion series on the theme "Resurrection living" will be held, led by Dr. Phyllis Smyth. The subject for this week will be "The risen Christ throughout history." Everyone is welcome to attend, from 8:00 to 10:00 pm.

## Communion marks start of Lent at St. Andrew's

St. Andrew's Church marks the beginning of Lent with a communion service this Sunday at 10:15 in the chapel.

Coin boxes for Lenten contributions to world development and relief will be distributed to the congregation and members of the church school during the 11 am service. The sermon by Dr. E. A. Kirker

will be on the subject "Heart of Darkness."

A Lenten group meets Wednesday at 8 pm to continue studies in the meaning of discipleship. The topic will be "The Teaching" and will examine the relationship of law and love in the words and actions of Jesus. This weekly study includes a period of preparation for church membership.

Members of the Côte St. Antoine road congregation will attend the annual World Day of Prayer service which takes place tomorrow, Friday, at 10:30 am in the Holy Trinity Serbian Orthodox Church, 349 Melville avenue.

The church's teen club met last Monday and the women of the guild will hold their monthly meeting next Wednesday at 10 am. At last Monday's board meeting, chaired by Cameron Lamond, 484 Elm avenue, two visitors from presbytery, Rev. Dr. George Johnston and Prof. David Woodsworth, were present as part of an ongoing program of visits by the council to local churches.

## MANOIR . . .

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and chairman of the principal Rotary committee, Dr. Preston C. Staples, will be the main speaker and the chairmen of the various sub-committees such as design, operations, fund-raising, admissions, etc. will be available to answer specific questions.

Tours of the facilities by groups of about 20 persons, each led by a knowledgeable Rotary committee member, will then take place.

This event originally had been scheduled for Tuesday of this week but was postponed so as not to interfere with the work of finishing trades now at a critical stage, including painting and carpet-laying.

Total capital cost of the structure and its furnishing is placed at approximately \$4.7 millions, being raised by Rotary entirely from private — not government — sources. Of this amount, slightly more than \$1 million is yet to be donated and Rotarians currently are engaged in an intensive campaign on special names, primarily Westmounters, to complete the funding so that no capital cost need be assessed against residents' rental fees. Donations are tax-deductible.

The Rotary organization recognizes that there are many questions being asked requiring answers — and others which may be posed — and the public meeting approach was chosen as the best and most direct means of satisfying such inquiries.

Manoir Westmount Inc. has an office at 4101 Sherbrooke street west, Westmount H3Z 1A8, for receipt of applications and of donations. The phone number is 931-7274.

## Women set to lead '79 Appeal

Local women are among 12 named recently to leadership positions in the women's division of the 1979 Combined Jewish Appeal and Israel Emergency Fund.

Barbara Bronfman will chair the top gifts category while Mrs. Mandy Roskies, 250 Clarke avenue, and Elza Cypis will chair the special names section.

Other leaders named include: Wendy Litwack and Faigie Zimmerman, co-chairmen of pacesetters; Sheila Kussner and Sheila Schouela, trendsetters division; Ida Skolnik and Diane Yancovitch, \$500 to \$1,000 category; and Anne Perlman, Joyce Tanner and Dorothy Zelnicker will lead the large \$50 to \$100 category.

The appointments were announced recently by Mrs. Zelda Thow, chairman of the women's division.

## This movie's great for kids; this movie's great for kids

The following review really should be written by a kid. And while some may argue that I qualify for the job, I like to think that chronological age has some bearing on maturity.

However, I mingled unnoticed with a horde of elementary students from Victoria School recently for a preview screening of the film "Jacob Two-Two meets the Hooded Fang," adapted from Mordecai Richler's children's book of the same name. The film opens to the public at the Snowdon Theatre tomorrow, March 2.

The din of several hundred children freed from school for a morning at the movies was silenced only when the house lights dimmed and the silver screen flickered to life. Even the junior track stars in the aisles found their seats. I stopped braiding black licorice into the hair of the little girl seated in front of me and sat back to watch.

One thing should be mentioned straight away about this film. It is a movie for kids. The special effects are rather crude and obvious but once the expectation of "Star Wars"

quality effects is dispensed with, the simple effects provide a refreshing theatricality. Besides, kids can probably relate more to a character with a homemade cape and plastic sword than to sophisticated weaponry.

The story is based on the adventures of Jacob Two-Two, who got his name because he always says things two times. Because he always says things two times. He does this because he is the littlest in a family of five kids and a world of grown-ups and nobody hears him the first time.

The little brat ... uh, child ... gets into trouble when he tries to buy some ice cream and the shopkeeper thinks Jacob is making a fool of him by repeating himself. A policeman pretends to write him a ticket, Jacob is frightened and he runs into the park where he hides in a pile of leaves, falls asleep and dreams of being taken to court for being disrespectful to a grown-up.

This first part of the movie will present some problems for Westmounters familiar with the city and with Montreal. The locations are so recognizable

that it requires a certain suspension of one's own reality to follow the action without being disturbed by the obvious impossible jumps in location. However, this is not the fault of the film and is only a minor inconvenience.

The film really starts with the courtroom scene, in which Jacob, played by Westmounter Stephen Rosenberg, is tried, not by a jury of his peers, but by a jury of grown-ups and a judge who directs a choir spouting sanctimonious phrases about kids always being wrong and grown-ups always right.

Former Westmounter Les Nirenberg as the jury foreman is delightfully rotten as he leads his twelve charges in a sing-song chorus of "guilty, guilty, guilty." Jacob is the ultimate cute kid thrown into a world of grotesque grown-ups mouthing platitudes.

Our hero is sentenced to two years, two months, two weeks, two days, two hours, and two minutes in the dungeon on Slimers' Island for saying everything twice. He is taken away by the evil Mister Fish and Mistress Fowl to the island, which is presided over by the supposedly evil Hooded Fang and the slime patrol, a group of revolting creatures that will delight children and leave them lumbering through your hallways in imitation.

The children incarcerated on the island work in a smog-producing factory. All day they shovel coal into the burners in a most Dickensian scene. However, discipline begins to break down because Jacob is not frightened by the Hooded Fang. In fact, he thinks the Fang is really a good person and actually funny when he tries to be terrifying.

### Liberation climax

The climax comes when the Child Power duo of the Fearless O'Toole (played by Thor Bishopric) and the Intrepid Shapiro (played by Marfa Richler) discover the location of the prison and liberate the children in a pitched slime battle. The sun bursts through the smog and the Hooded Fang is revealed as having a heart of gold.

Subtlety is not a strong point of the film and there is some fairly amateurish overacting (some of it obviously intended) but the kids I viewed it with seemed to love it.

The most restrained and effective character in the film is Jacob. Whether he knew what he was doing or not, Stephen Rosenberg delivers Jacob's lines with a disarming and simple straightforwardness, and he wins our hearts when he gives the Fang a big hug and a kiss after the latter tries his most terrifying faces to scare Jacob.

Music for the film was composed and sung by Montreal's Lewis Furey, a high point of the film for Furey fans. Anyone familiar with his music can see he was a natural for a slightly crazy film. Who else but Crazy Lewis could identify with the netherworld of Slimers' Island in the Land of Smog?

"Jacob Two-Two" will delight the kids, and grown-ups will learn that Child Power always wins in the end.

You can say that again.

—RICK KERRIGAN



Jamie Rosenberg as Jacob Two-Two taunts his oppressor, The Hooded Fang, played by Alex Karras, in this scene from the film "Jacob Two-Two meets The Hooded Fang."

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### TRANSFERS...

more than in any January of the previous five years.

Average valuation of the 18 houses sold was \$83,408, well above the \$74,658 average for one- and two-family dwellings in the entire city. This indicates a predominance of more expensive homes sold during the month.

While residential sales continued to highlight the monthly registrations, other sales also were relatively brisk. The small apartment building at 1336 Greene avenue brought the highest price recorded in the month, \$366,000 in a double-sale, while lowest registered price was for the building housing Westmount Plumbing and



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Heating Ltd., a long-established local firm. It was sold from the estate of Normand Gauthier to plumber Louis Charbonneau for \$25,000.

The E. G. M. Cape building, which some had feared would be sold for redevelopment some years ago, changed hands to a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Cape company for less than half the assessed value of the entire lot, which includes four small residential buildings. A Cape official told *The Examiner* that the transfer was simply for tax reasons, and that the company had no intention of leaving Westmount.

#### Other markdowns

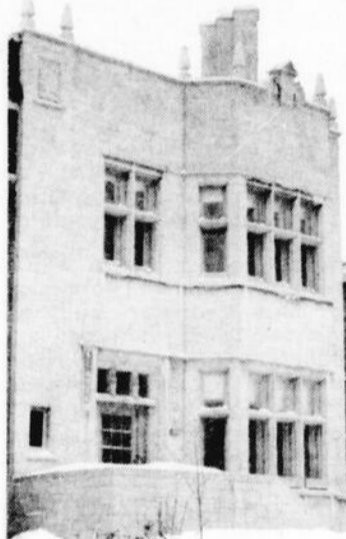
The Cape markdown was the biggest of three, exceeding a condominium sale at 399 Clarke avenue (25.3 percent below valuation) and the sale of two three-family dwellings at 10-20

Somerville avenue (11 percent markdown).

Residential sales saw a total of \$2,174,000 change hands in 18 transfers of property with a total tax assessment of \$1,501,350; of these, details are available for 12 homes which ranged in price from \$54,000 to \$300,000. While none of those involved markdowns, the lowest apparent markup was obtained at 360 Redfern avenue, \$1,050, or 1.1 percent above its \$92,950 valuation.

On the non-residential side, 17 properties with an assessed value of \$2,167,700 changed hands for a total \$2,113,070, representing an overall average markdown of 2.5 percent. Details are published for only seven of those sales; they are unavailable on four others, and the remainder were inter-family transfers, mostly from spouse to spouse.

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**January details**

Details of Westmount's real estate transfer registrations for January are as follows:

- 462 Argyle: from Mrs. Robert Emmett Lunny to Geoffrey Stevenson, sale price \$70,000 (MUC valuation \$55,250);
- 74 Belvedere place: Franklin Lane MacPhail to Mrs. Louise Bouvier, \$100,000 (\$98,650);
- 76 Belvedere place: Harold Fassett Stanforth to Mrs. Louise Bouvier, \$150,000 (\$104,950);
- 69 Bruce: Tanguay Rivard to Mr. and Mrs. Michel Laroche, \$74,500 (\$54,950);
- 3803 The Boulevard: Mr. and Mrs. Allen Zeman to Mrs. Christopher Hampton-Davies, \$240,000 (\$104,000);
- 377 Claremont: Mrs. Coleen Main to Robert Del Giudice, \$54,000 (\$35,100);
- 399 Clarke, apt. 304: Norimobile Ltée to André and Philip Napier, \$46,000 (\$61,600);
- 4898 de Maisonneuve, 39-51 York: E. G. M. Cape and Co. Ltd. to La Société de

- Construction et de Terrassement Inc., \$281,070 (\$596,550);
- 50 Forden crescent: Mrs. Blair Dalzell Russel to Mrs. Henry Jonathan Birks, \$1 and other considerations (\$137,000);
- 1336 Greene: Zwi Wagner to 85839 Canada Ltd., \$1 and cons.; 85839 Canada Ltd. to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Erickson, \$366,000 (\$297,000);
- 130 Irvine: Arthur George Dirkman to



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**Exhibit set at Library**

Téri Mayer, 4911 de Maisonneuve boulevard, one of last year's Westmount Historical Association contest winners, and Ginny Taruffi will exhibit multi-media works March 5 to 17 in the Westmount Public Library.

Both women are fine arts students at Concordia University and this is their first exhibition. It will be on view during regular library hours.

- Donald F. Cutway, \$1 and cons. (\$32,800);
- 465 Lansdowne: Mr. and Mrs. John Edward McGovern to The Senior Design Group Inc., \$55,000 (\$49,350);
- 491 Mountain: Ernest Usher Jones to Mr. and Mrs. Roman R. Rozencwajg, \$110,000 (\$105,850);
- 206 Olivier: estate Normand Gauthier to Louis Charbonneau, \$25,000 (\$22,400);
- 539-41 Prince Albert: Mrs. Manuel Betanzos Santos to Les Associés Santé Service Consolidés Ltée, \$75,000 (\$64,600);
- 360 Redfern: Mr. and Mrs. Ivan R. C. Jackson to Mr. and Mrs. Mark Rosenstein, \$94,000 (\$92,950);
- 21 Renfrew: Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Stevenson to Garrick Pam Fisher, \$115,000 (\$86,000);
- 552 Roslyn: Mrs. Howard Thomas Cohen to Stephen Brian Yaffe, \$125,000 (\$85,600);
- 64 St. Sulpice: Mrs. Irving Braverman to Mr. and Mrs. Richard M. Clarke, \$300,000 (\$182,750);
- 10-20 Somerville: Lionel Joshua Shine to Dennis Trudeau, Suzanne Jobin, Michel Roy and Louise Lepage Roy, \$110,000 (\$123,550); and
- 640 Victoria: Mr. and Mrs. Hilliard William Crawford to Mr. and Mrs. Christopher B. Lyle, \$83,000 (\$63,650).

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The owner of a grey 1972 Ford Mustang, who worked the night shift at Alexis Nihon Plaza, left his car on de Maisonneuve boulevard near Atwater avenue before going to work last Thursday night. Because the ignition switch was defective, he could not pull out the key, and left it inside with the car

doors open. The vehicle was stolen sometime before 4 am Friday. Police discovered the car at 10:05 pm Saturday, on Centre street in Pointe St. Charles. No arrests were made. Police did not indicate whether or not the key was still inside, and there were no reports of damage.



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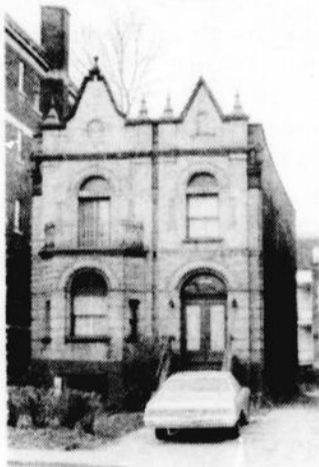
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### RESTORATION WORKSHOP

The Westmount Historical Association will hold a workshop meeting on the restoration of old houses on Tuesday, March 6, at 7:30 pm in the children's Library. Mr. Michael Fish, BArch, will lead the discussion with a talk, "Definitions and Ethics of Restoration." Members and visitors are invited to bring slides or photographs and information on the maintenance of older homes which could be of general use.

### ENGLISH SPEAKING UNION WINE & CHEESE PARTY

Will be held on Friday, March 9th, 1979, at 8:00 pm. Club Rooms - 1260 University St., No. 201, Montreal, Quebec. Guest Speaker - Mr. R. MacConnachie of the Cheese Shoppe, Montreal. Tickets 861-8186.

### Reddy Auxiliary sponsors show

The Women's Auxiliary of the Reddy Memorial Hospital has announced it will be sponsoring the opening night performance of Nana Mouskouri at Place des Arts on May 29. The performance will be held under the patronage of the Mayor of Westmount, Donald MacCallum, and Mrs. MacCallum. Information on the event is available by calling 481-9467, 489-6694 or 489-7723.

### THE ECKANKAR WEST END SATSANG SOCIETY

Will present a "Day In Eck," a presentation of lectures, films, books and the creative arts on Eckankar as a way of life. At the Queen Elizabeth Hotel, Salon Joliette, on Saturday, March 3, from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm. A children's room will be available. Information 484-1707.



TO BE PRESENTED: Victoria Czapari-Martine, left, and her sister Andrea, right, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Czapari-Martine, 510 Lansdowne avenue, and Jennifer Jonas, centre, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Jonas, 311 Metcalfe avenue, are three of 22 debutantes to be presented to His Excellency Jean-Pierre Côté, Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec, and Mrs. Côté at the Hungarian St. Stephen's Ball to be held Saturday, March 10, at the Windsor Hotel. The ball has been held annually for the past 21 years.

### Speaks Friday

The early Jews of Quebec will be the topic of an address tomorrow, March 2, by Allan Raymond, treasurer of the Westmount Historical Association. Mr. Raymond, an amateur historian and collector, will speak to the monthly meeting of the University Lodge of B'nai B'rith.

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CANADA-ISRAEL FOUNDATION: A concert by Israeli pianist Daniel Adni will be held Wednesday, March 7, at 8:30 pm in Pollack Hall, sponsored by the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation. Executive committee members of the newly-formed Montreal CICF Chapter include, from left, Westmounters Jack Greenstein and Mrs. Reuven Koffler and Mrs. Jeremy Reitman. The foundation has been expanding its efforts to promote increased awareness and understanding between Canadians and Israelis and as part of this it provides a forum for Israeli artists in Canada. Tickets for Wednesday's concert, at \$5.00 or \$2.00 for students and senior citizens, are available at the hall's box office from noon to 2 pm or from Naomi Lapin, 861-8546.



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# Westmount volunteers, donors help Montreal Children's Library into second 50 years' service

By RICK KERRIGAN

A well-stocked and fully staffed children's library is one of the many services that Westmounters support and appreciate, but such services are not as readily available to children in the City of Montreal.

Recognizing the need to bring books and kids together, the Montreal Children's Library, a volunteer organization, opened their first branch in the Fraser Institute in 1929. Today, 50 years later, six branches serve Montreal inner city children of diverse ethnic origins, from English and French speaking Canadians to Greek or Chinese who are the first generation of their families to be born in Canada.

Among the many Westmounters involved in the operation of the library is Sheila Parsons, 11 de Casson road, chairman for three years of the 25-person volunteer board of directors. She has been involved with the library for the past seven years.

Mrs. Parsons says that the library is "creating new Canadians" by making books available to the children of immigrant families. Canadian books are not pushed but they are marked with a red maple leaf on their spine.

Mrs. Parsons adds that while many of the children's parents are not readers themselves, often having come from small villages, they do value books and need help in choosing material for their children. The library helps to fill this role.

## Book needs vary

The library's choice of books for each of its branches depends on the area in which it is located. The type of book depends on the age and ethnic origins of the children in the area and books in Greek, Chinese, Portuguese, Italian and Spanish are borrowed from the Multilingual Biblioservice of the National Library in Ottawa. This enables parents and grandparents who are unfamiliar with English to read stories with the children. Mrs. Parsons says the Grimm Brothers fairy tales are so familiar to most European



Mrs. Sheila Parsons

parents that they can follow the story even in English.

The main branch of the library is in Devonshire School on Sewell street. An arrangement with the Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal gives the library free space in return for providing a library service for the school. Also housed in that building is the library's book-binding and repair service which restores and renews its books. The work is done by volunteers and the money saved by doing their own repairs allows the library to continue operating.

Other branches are located in Pointe St. Charles, Little Burgundy, Park Extension and on St. Dominique street. The Park Extension branch has increased its circulation from 13,000 in 1949 to 27,900 in 1978, all within one room in a city-

owned building above a fire station and a well-baby clinic. The total book stock of all the branches as of August 31, 1978 was 39,483, with a circulation of 94,933.

A new mini-library branch has recently opened in the downtown YMCA on Drummond street as an experimental

community project and Mrs. Parsons says they were probably the first to lend books to the refugee Vietnamese boat-people who arrived recently in Montreal, and she remembers finding an Alfred Hitchcock book in Spanish for a 16-year-old Ecuadorian boy staying at the Y. The multilingual nature of the operation is emphasized by the fact that overdue notices are sent out in Greek or Chinese if necessary. As well as lending books the branches have story hours, book talks and class visits.

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All the library branches are housed rent-free, some in churches or church-owned property, and the paid staff consists only of the librarians for each branch. The librarian is responsible for the book-buying of each branch and day-to-day administration. Helen Layton, a former children's librarian at the Westmount Public Library.

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Let me warn you again never to take rides from strangers, no matter how cold the day might be or how "nice" the person might seem. You should also be wary of strangers who try to get close to you or pull you aside or who are following you.

If you are suspicious, go another way, go back to school, to home or to a public place. Also, don't forget to watch out for "block parent" signs: even though these residents might be strangers, I have screened every one of them and they can be relied on to offer you shelter and to call police. Don't be embarrassed to ring the doorbell if you see the red sign.

On another subject, I have been told that many students are not obeying the school crossing guards, and are endangering themselves by crossing without permission. Let's have a bit of good will—and common sense.

**YOU SAY . . .**

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paid for with after-tax dollars, I was disappointed with the conclusion arrived at by the representatives in Washington as stated in the Feb. 16 issue of

**The Examiner.**

Being a homeowner, it is obvious that the investment cornerstone of the "silent majority" of families in North America is the home. It is also not wise to put all of one's eggs into one basket but most of us, specially with young families,

really have no alternative in this matter. Our taxation system permits a multitude of credits, loopholes, deferrals, transfers, shelters, subsidies and deductions, but what good are these to bread-winners whose greater portion of cash flow is taken up by food, clothing, taxes and mortgage payments?

Where have our priorities gone? Or are we merely forgetting that the family constitutes the cornerstone of society? Where else can tax relief be best put to use?

I do realize that this conclusion arrived at from discussions with a number of influential groups in the United States should have some bearing, but have Canadian counterparts been consulted as well? The department of finance should relate to what is essential to Canadian needs.

Houses are much more expensive north of the 49th parallel and the taxation system has become very complicated, particularly for Quebec residents.

However, there are two points which Mr. Johnston stated in his article which should be clarified:

How can a general reduction in income taxes be advocated under the pressure of record government deficits?

"A myriad of negative social and economic aspects" is a wide encompassing term yet much too vague to understand why should these deductions be ruled out; and if so, would these negative aspects in essence outweigh the obvious advantages from this proposal?

Moreover, during the last election Mr. Johnston stated on a public platform that he had advocated mortgage deductibility before Mr. Clark and that if elected he would pressure the Liberal Party to adopt this as a platform. Why has he changed his position?

In conclusion, his article appeared to provide a much too ready answer, thus frustrating possibilities of tax reforms, a domain where certain ideals must at least be aspired to.

**Hugh J. Quinlan**

321 Roslyn avenue  
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**St. Paul's School closing reporting appreciated**

Sir: I personally wish to congratulate you and your paper for the reporting of our situation.

It's particularly refreshing to read a report on a situation as it is rather than one with a little twist toward sensationalism.

Many thanks again.

**Bill Dubé**

45 Burton avenue  
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(Editor's note: Our thanks to Mr. Dubé, who is chairman of the school committee at St. Paul's School, the closing of which is referenced above.)

The City of Westmount Official Notice Board leads off page two of *The Examiner* every week—important information for local citizens.

**Liberal rift averted:**

**Compromise reached on membership question**

A debate on whether or not members of the local federal Liberal riding association would be allowed to come from outside the boundaries of the constituency nearly divided the fledgling St. Henri-Westmount Federal Liberal Association last Thursday.

The more established former Westmount association members tried to push through a motion to allow up to five percent of the membership to come from outside the new riding, but only after some compromise were the new St. Henri members willing to accept the motion.

The new association has been formed in anticipation of the upcoming general election, when the old riding of Westmount will be changed to bring in St. Henri on its southern border, while losing parts of downtown Montreal and the Côte des Neiges area.

St. Henri members objected to the idea of allowing membership by persons who no longer live in the riding, claiming it discouraged the various old riding associations from fully integrating into a new body. Mme Lucille Michaud, one of the chief St. Henri spokesmen, who was elected vice-president of the new association, worried that the proposal would simply perpetuate the linkages established before the revision of the electoral map.

A compromise amendment by Dr. Dale Thomson, candidate last year for the local Liberal nomination, convinced most members that the association could accept some members from outside the constituency, on the condition that they once

were members of an association whose territory is now part of the new St. Henri-Westmount district. The amendment also asked that the policy come up for review in a year's time.

Mme Michaud later told *The Examiner* she didn't think any persons from the old St. Henri association now outside St. Henri-Westmount wished to join the new riding association (the St. Henri riding will be dissolved in the redistribution). Retiring St. Henri MP Gérard Loiselle, however, lives outside the St. Henri-Westmount boundaries.

Robert Cowling, who originally asked for the resolution, explained that most riding associations allowed such outside membership to bring in persons who have worked hard for a particular candidate or party or who express a particular interest in the association.

Victor Drury, for example, is the son of Westmount's former MP and though he lives in the Town of Mount Royal, he works in Westmount, and was elected president of the association during Thursday's meeting. (Because he joined the Westmount association several years ago, it seems, he would not be affected by the motion.)

"If you have had the type of by-election we have just been through, or the type of general election we are going to go through, I think we should (allow such members)," offered Mr. Drury.

The motion, with Dr. Thomson's amendments, finally passed with a half-dozen negative votes among the 83 members on hand. St. Henri delegates generally accepted the amended version.

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## Engineer and teacher Stanley A. Neilson was life-long resident

Engineer, teacher and life-long Westmounter, Stanley Alexander Neilson died Monday after a brief illness. He was 83.

He was stricken Saturday while he and Mrs. Neilson were showing their home at 52 Arlington avenue to prospective buyers. The house had been built for his father. Mr. Neilson had lived there since his youth, except for a short period after his marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. Neilson were preparing to be among the first residents of Manoir Westmount, a project of The Rotary Club of Westmount of which he was one of its first members in 1930 and its president in 1937-38. At his death he was an honorary but still active member.

Stanley Neilson was born in St. Thomas, Ont., but brought up here — he was one of the first boy scouts in Westmount's first troop — and graduated from Westmount Academy and, in 1916, from McGill University as a Bachelor of Applied Science in civil engineering. He joined the Royal Canadian Engineers and served in Canada and overseas in the latter part of the First World War.

Until 1926 he was engaged in engineering and then joined the Sun Life Assurance Company. In the Second World War he was in government service, including Allied War Supplies.

### 'Pop' to students

Mr. Neilson taught at the post-war Dawson College and then returned to McGill in 1947 to lecture in engineering, where he was affectionately known to his students as "Pop." Though he officially retired in 1961, he continued to lecture there for three more years before taking his teaching skills to Loyola College's engineering faculty until 1970.

He was secretary of the McGill Science Class of 1916, a member of the Engineering Institute of Canada, the Quebec Corporation of Professional Engineers and the Masonic Order, University Lodge.

Mrs. Neilson was the former Hazel Allan of Westmount. They were married 59 years in January. They had three children, Patricia (Mrs. M. N. Davies) of Ottawa, Norma (Mrs. W. H. Fleischman) of Toronto and Allan of Winnipeg. There are eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Westmount Rotarians paid a



**RETIREMENT REMINDER:** Dr. Sylvia McDonald, CND, co-ordinator of the retirement centre at Marianopolis College, returned to the Rotary Club of Westmount last week to remind members to plan early for retirement, continuing on the theme she had taken up with the club in November, 1977. Her message was that "old age is something to be proud of" and that her intent is to "try to make people who are 65-plus feel alive." Retirement planning should begin at about age 45, she said, and in that spirit she has been called to major companies around Montreal to work on developing retirement programs. Once a person has left his life's employment behind, that work can no longer be used as a measure of self-esteem, she said, and older people must look for something else. Sister McDonald suggested there should be no legislation forcing retirement at a certain age: "If there are people who want to work there should be no reason why they should retire," she said. She was introduced to the club by Wilder Penfield, Jr., and thanked by one of its youngest members, Haagen Kierulf.

### LIBERALS . . .

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Cowling, Mr. Greenstein, Mr. McConomy, Mr. Naudie, Mr. Pouliot and Bernard Tailleux (alternate); while the youth delegates will be Dominique Bruyère and Michel Fortier (both alternates), Pierre Goad, Miss Johnston, Miss Lalonde, Mr. Lamontagne, Stephen Takacsy, Mitchell Wigder and Mark Wittall.

At the end of the meeting Mr. Johnston noted that Mrs. Heward had "presented herself" as a nominee to become the English-speaking vice-president for the Liberal Party of Canada-Quebec, replacing her predecessor as local president, Mrs. Weatherall.



Stanley A. Neilson

brief tribute at yesterday's weekly luncheon meeting to their most senior past president. A private service was held at 2 pm yesterday at Mount Royal Crematorium, conducted by Archdeacon J. N. Doidge, rector of St. Matthias' Church.

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## Deadline for contest month away

One month remains for young scribes in Westmount to put pen to paper and come up with an essay on city government — either their own or any other — to try to win \$300, \$200 or \$100.

The contest, open to all students either resident of or going to school in Westmount, is called the city's "Scholarship Trust Fund Essay Contest" for those writing on "some aspect of municipal government."

Contestants should not be put off by the name, however. The prize money can be won simply by writing 2,000 to 5,000 words about anything related to local city administration.

One could, for instance, attend a city council meeting, then talk to the mayor or aldermen about the items which came up at the meeting. Or, one could explore the city's greenhouses, talk with personnel in the parks department to find out how much they have to do in a year's work, or, if they're not busy cleaning streets, talk with public works officials about what's involved in snow removal.

"Kids don't like writing essays these days," one unnamed principal told Ald. Muriel Kaplan recently when she tried to promote the contest in local schools. "There are all kinds of contests — they're a dime a dozen."

Prizes in this one, though, are much more than a dime. For details, contact local school principals or call city hall, 935-8531.

## LIBRARY . . .

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was the librarian at the Park Extension branch for 10 years until last June. She is now at the Richmond Square branch in Little Burgundy.

Other expenses incurred by the library include the purchasing of books and the operation of the bookbindery which is ultimately a money-saver. All books are acquired new, says Mrs. Parsons, because used books often are in poor shape and are missing the dust jacket, which can be the eye-appealing aspect of a book. Some books are donated to the library by the Westmount-based *Reader's Digest*.

The library is currently in the middle of its fund-raising campaign for \$22,000 of its \$68,000 operating budget. The remaining \$46,000 is provided by the City of Montreal.

The campaign is carried out by mail using a file of names. Mrs. Parsons adds, however,

# Registration set for soccer program

By PIERRE GOAD

There might still be snow on the ground but plans for Westmount's spring soccer program have already been finalized.

The soccer program has been functioning for several years but it is only in the past two that there has been a great increase in registration and participation. Registrations for both the boys' and girls' programs will start Monday, April 2, and will continue through to Friday, April 20, at the recreation department office in the ice rink.

Boys will be divided into four leagues: novice, under age 8; atom, under 10; peewee, under 12 and bantam, under 14. Ages are those as of Jan. 1, 1979.

Novice and bantam players will practice and play at Westmount Park while atom and peewee participants will gather at the Westmount Athletic Grounds.

The girls' program will operate Monday and Wednesday afternoons at Prince

Albert Park with teams and leagues, as in the boys' program, being formed provided there is sufficient registration.

Contrary to information provided at a recent meeting of the Westmount Municipal Association's advisory council (*The Examiner*, Feb. 15), the cost of the program is borne, like other sports programs, by the City of Westmount which supplies team shirts and other equipment, maintains and marks the three fields and installs and removes the soccer nets. The program is administered by the recreation department.

Coaches and referees are all volunteers with Jan Spaniel again this year acting as head coach to be liaison man with the recreation department. Department officials note that these volunteers, who give generously of their time, are absolutely essential in ensuring the success of the program.

## Fashion show in April: Fashion takes over WHS as model hunt continues

By JENNIFER CLARE  
PEARSON

To start spring off on the right foot, the Westmount High School fashion show committee is holding tryouts for students who want to be models. Since last week the halls have been spotted with the best-dressed students WHS has seen since the first day of school.

Students in grades 9, 10 and 11 have been anticipating the fashion show, for which only 32 models will be chosen. The show, which will be held sometime in April, is being sponsored by several popular Montreal clothing stores.

Last Friday, a professional day at the school, the WHS ski club headed for the hills with their skis, more specifically to the north side Expo run at Mont Tremblant. Senior Greg Bouskill claims there was excellent spring skiing and organizers Josh Korman and Sarah Fleming are planning another ski trip from this Sunday to the following Wednesday at Smugglers' Notch.

In a recent interscholastic tournament, the WHS chess team scored highest out of some 41 school teams from all over Montreal. The team, coached by math teacher Mr. H. Mahabir, achieved two seconds and two thirds and is to be congratulated.

At lunch Monday, senior Andrew Waibel celebrated his 17th birthday by receiving a lemon meringue pie in the face and by being mobbed and hung

by his feet in the school foyer. Happy birthday!

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Because of the solar eclipse, the school day Monday was changed drastically; for the better, some feel. Each of the six periods lasted only 45 minutes instead of the usual torturous 50 and the whole day was condensed, with only one 15-minute recess after the first three classes.

As a result, school was dismissed at an early 1:15.

Reason for the temporary schedule was to prevent students from leaving the school during the eclipse and risking damaging their eyes by watching it unprotected. However, it snowed all day and the eclipse was not visible anyway.

It has been reported that a petition is circulating at the school asking the school be converted permanently to the schedule adopted Monday.

# Novice, atom hockey playoff spots set

By **PIERRE GOAD**

Though each team in the two leagues has one regular season game left to play, the playoff spots have been settled in both the novice and atom leagues of the Westmount recreation department's hockey program.

The novice Knights and Dragons will meet in their playoff at 9 am Saturday, March 10, and will be followed on the ice an hour later with the atom playoff between the Bulls and Broncos.

Despite losing 1-0 to the last place Guards, the Dragons clinched the second and last playoff spot in the novice

league last Saturday when the Knights, who locked up first place some weeks ago, defeated the Bears and left them three points behind the Dragons with just the final game of the season left to play.

The Knights have dominated the league, winning 13 of 14 games for 26 points while the second-place Dragons have half that, 13 points. The last time the Knights and Dragons met, the first-place team took a 4-0 victory.

It thus appears the Dragons have their work cut out for them in the playoffs but they get a trial run at the Knights this Saturday when the two

teams meet at 11:15 am in the final game of the regular season.

### Split atom league

In atom, the Bulls and Broncos locked up the two playoff spots a long time ago. The two top teams have 23 and 21 points respectively with one game to play while the Huskies and Mules trail with just seven and five points respectively.

The Bulls have 11 wins and a tie in 14 games while the Broncos have 10 wins and a tie and their goals for and against totals are

also close. The last time the two teams met, the Bulls managed a 3-2 win in a close game which, at this point, accounts for all the difference between them in the standings.

As in the novice league, a freak of scheduling also has the two playoff contenders facing each other in the final game of the regular season, giving the Broncos a chance to draw even in the standings and gain momentum for the playoffs.

The close action augurs well for spectators who wish to witness exciting local hockey in the next few weeks.

## HOCKEY SCOREBOARD

Following are the scores of games played in the City of Westmount recreation department hockey leagues during the week ending Saturday, Feb. 24:

### NOVICE

Knights 2, Bears 1  
Guards 1, Dragons 0

### ATOM

Broncs 7, Mules 0  
Bulls 3, Huskies 1

### PEEWEE I

Huskies 3, Mules 3  
Bulls 8, Broncos 1

### PEEWEE II

Capitals 2, Kings 1  
Scouts 2, Seals 0

### BANTAM I

Rangers 6, Leafs 2  
Rangers 5, Bruins 2

### BANTAM II

Flyers 2, Hawks 1  
Hawks 3, Flames 2

### MIDGET

Spartans 4, Mustangs 4  
Hornets 1, Badgers 1

### JUVENILE-SENIOR 'B'

Oilers 8, Aces 1  
Astros 6, Jets 4

### SENIOR

Wanderers 4, Bruins 2  
Stars 5, Sabres 2  
Sabres 1, Bruins 0  
Wanderers 2, Stars 1

### EXHIBITION

Westmount Old Timers 3, N.D.G. 2  
Lachine 4, Atom All Stars 1  
Pee wee All Stars 7, Dollard 2  
Chateaugay 6, Bantam All Stars 3  
Midget All Stars 4, Chateaugay 4

## Selwyn House wrestling champs

Westmount's Selwyn House School recently won the Greater Montreal Athletic Association wrestling championship following competitions held at Outremont High School.

Involving some 80 wrestlers and 100 different matches, the meet was a climax to the high school wrestling season. The victory by Selwyn House culminated a dramatic rise from third position after league competition to second after the first day of individual competition, ending with the overall title.

The team of 20 boys, of whom 10 were Westmounters, won at

least one medal in 14 of the 15 weight classes. Medal winners from Westmount included: Gerard Reusing, 558 Roslyn avenue, silver, 79 lbs.; Tim Andry, 560 Lansdowne avenue, bronze, 79 lbs.; Denis Stevens, 11 Edgehill road, bronze, 87 lbs.; Stephen Hasko, 388 Roslyn avenue, gold, 92 lbs.; Jon Carter, 523 Prince Albert avenue, bronze, 92 lbs.;

David Skinner, 85 Sunnyside avenue, bronze, 103 lbs.; Jon Zyto, 119 Aberdeen avenue, silver, 119 lbs.; Christian Broomfield, 616 Victoria avenue, bronze, 132 lbs.; and John Warner, 105 Sunnyside avenue, bronze, 175 lbs.

## HOCKEY STANDINGS

Following are standings in the City of Westmount recreation department hockey leagues as of Monday morning. The figure in brackets after the league name indicates the number of games each team in that league has remaining in its regular schedule.

NOVICE (1)							
	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Knights	14	13	1	0	44	8	26
Dragons	14	5	6	3	15	23	13
Bears	14	4	8	2	19	26	10
Guards	14	1	9	3	12	33	7

ATOM (1)							
	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Bulls	14	11	2	1	47	22	23
Broncs	14	10	3	1	50	27	21
Huskies	14	3	10	1	26	48	7
Mules	14	1	10	3	10	36	5

PEEWEE I (2)							
	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Broncs	13	6	5	2	50	51	14
Bulls	13	5	4	4	52	49	14
Huskies	13	5	5	3	47	47	13
Mules	13	5	7	1	45	47	11

PEEWEE II (2)							
	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Capitals	13	12	0	1	43	15	25
Scouts	13	5	5	3	23	22	13
Kings	13	3	6	4	27	36	10
Seals	13	1	10	2	19	39	4

ALL STAR							
	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Atom	3	1	2	0	4	8	2
Pee wee	17	12	5	0	111	53	24
Bantam	10	4	5	1	39	34	9
Midget	9	6	2	1	44	26	13

BANTAM I (4)							
	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Rangers	18	12	2	4	67	37	28
Leafs	18	6	9	3	44	56	15
Bruins	18	4	11	3	35	53	11

BANTAM II (4)							
	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Flames	18	11	4	3	63	40	25
Hawks	18	10	7	1	61	44	21
Flyers	18	3	13	2	31	71	8

MIDGET (3)							
	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Mustangs	13	7	4	2	52	42	16
Hornets	13	6	4	3	46	39	15
Badgers	13	5	6	2	29	32	12
Spartans	13	4	8	1	39	53	9

JUVENILE-SENIOR 'B' (3)							
	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Oilers	19	14	5	0	83	50	28
Astros	19	8	9	2	60	61	18
Jets	19	7	11	1	59	67	15
Aces	19	7	11	1	55	69	15

SENIOR (2)							
	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Stars	28	16	10	2	94	72	34
Bruins	28	15	10	3	93	66	33
Wanderers	28	13	11	4	84	73	30
Sabres	28	6	19	3	39	99	15

EXHIBITION							
	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Fathers (Old Timers)	13	5	5	3	46	39	13

## Lac St. Louis offers trophy for fencing

Regional fencing finals in the Lac St. Louis region will be held March 18 at Polyvalente Pierrefonds. The Examiner learned this week.

The occasion will be used to launch a special "Coupe Lac St. Louis" for fencers at the Benjamin and Cadet levels, and it is hoped that the cup competition can be expanded to other age groups in future years.

Though the Lac St. Louis sports region takes in Westmount and island municipalities west of Montreal, the cup competition is open to anyone in the Montreal area, according to Albert Nacawa, director of fencing for the region.

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**Eight boys win Selwyn House scholarships**

Eight boys who will enter grade 7 next fall have been awarded scholarships by Selwyn House School as a result of special examinations written by Feb. 3 by 53 boys.

Marc Audet of Greenfield Park (Royal George School) was awarded the Speirs Scholarship, valued at \$1,000.

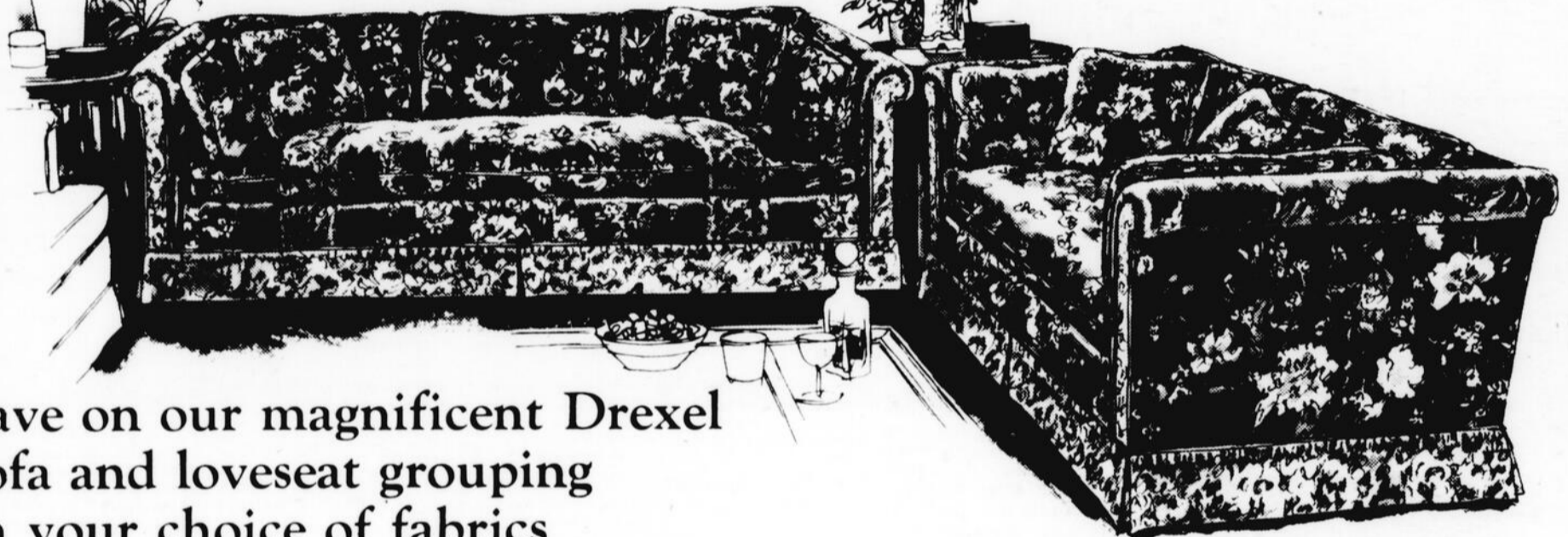
Two Wanstall Scholarships of \$500 each were won by Ferhaan Ahmad of Notre Dame de Grâce (Somerled School) and Alexander Brown, 357 Melville avenue (Selwyn House).

Three of the five winners of \$100 scholarship prizes are Westmounters attending Sel-

wyn House. They are: Eric Blachford, 634 Lansdowne avenue; Eric Bunge, 29 Bellevue avenue; and Mikael Sandbloom, 3210 The Boulevard.

Other scholarship prize winners were John Bogert, 3772 Grey avenue, Selwyn House, and Pankaj Handa, Montreal, Iona School.

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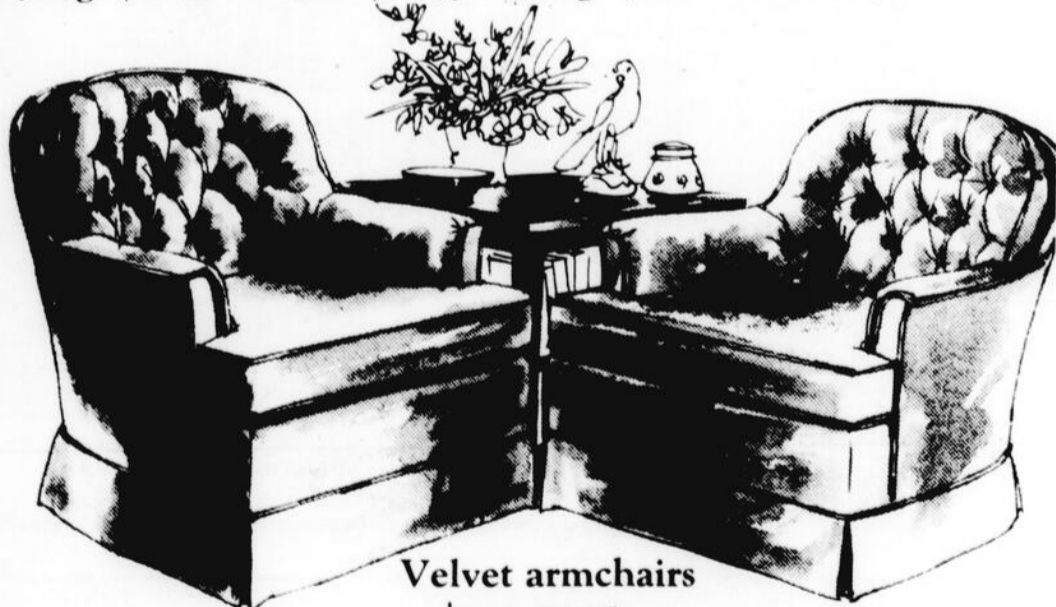
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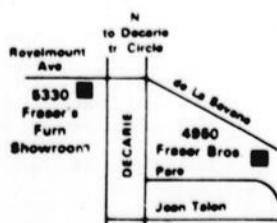
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