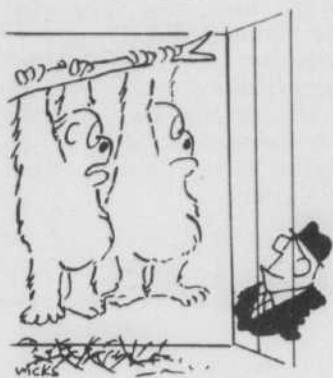


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de Cotret finds billions to relocate

OTTAWA (CP) — Treasury Board President Robert de Cotret has pinpointed \$5 billion in government spending that could be reallocated — \$4 billion to cut the deficit and \$1 billion for jobs — says Employment Minister Flora MacDonald.

She told a committee Tuesday the \$1 billion will be used to help some of Canada's 1.3 million unemployed find jobs. But she couldn't say exactly how it will be spent or whether it will all be channelled through her department.

Those decisions will only be made after consultations with the provinces, the private sector and other interested groups, she said.

The \$1-billion fund was announced in the Nov. 8 economic statement by Finance Minister Michael Wilson, who said it would be used "to help Canadians to acquire new skills and to find jobs in the private and public sectors."

While Wilson didn't say how the money would be spent, he specified it wouldn't be used for temporary make-work programs, "but to offer those who are unemployed real opportunities to make a useful contribution to society."

McDonald said some of the money may be used for tax incentives to induce companies to create jobs.

"I'm not ruling anything out," she told the committee, adding that she wanted to keep an open mind until consultations were complete and couldn't say when new programs will start.

PRIORITY AN ISSUE

Since release of the Nov. 8 economic statement, the opposition parties have criticized the Conservative government for making the deficit, rather than employment, a priority. Opposition critics say the Conservatives haven't made good on their campaign promise of instant job creation.

Wilson has defended the focus on the deficit, saying long-term job creation will only be possible once the country's fiscal house is in order. He has forecast the deficit for this fiscal year will be \$34.5 billion, increasing slightly to \$34.9 billion next fiscal year.

Those projections include spending cuts and revenue increases totalling \$4.2 billion that were announced in the economic statement. Of that amount, \$432.3 million was cut from the 1985-86 budget for Employment and Immigration, including \$200 million from the unemployment insurance program.

Asked Tuesday whether this \$432.3 million was part of the \$1 billion for jobs, MacDonald said it was difficult to say exactly where the money came from. "It came from other departments as well," she said. "Very little (of it) came from this department."

Pressed by New Democrat MP Lorne Nystrom on whether any of it was new money, MacDonald said that while the money would be used for new programs "you could say none of it is new."

The planned consultations will also deal with new training policies, said the minister, who then listed a number of recommendations in a Conservative report on training released last April.

"Perhaps all social and economic partners could contribute to a training fund that would go to those providing training," MacDonald told the committee. "Perhaps we should use tax credits to encourage training."

"Perhaps skill development leave must become a right just as vacation leave. Perhaps we need an educational savings plan to encourage people to save for future training. Perhaps collective bargaining can play a role in developing training initiatives that benefit both employer and employee."

Asked to elaborate later on these suggestions, MacDonald said they were just a few of the many she would like to see discussed.

Pawley mad over Mulroney transfer payment refusal

MONTREAL (CP) — An angry Premier Howard Pawley asked Tuesday for a meeting with Prime Minister Mulroney after learning the federal government does not plan to accept Manitoba's demands for an additional \$72 million in transfer payments.

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obtained by a Winnipeg newspaper indicating Ottawa will not accept Manitoba's arguments for a greater share of transfer payments.

"I'm asking for a meeting with the prime minister this Friday," he said. Pawley wants Mulroney to explain whether Finance Minister Michael Wilson will follow "the advice of senior bureaucrats to play hide and seek with Manitoba."

The premier said Manitoba Finance Minister Vic Schroeder told him Wilson hadn't committed himself when the two ministers met in Winni-

peg Monday. "We had the impression the discussions would continue," Pawley said after a luncheon address to the Chamber of Commerce.

QUOTES MINISTER

Wilson left behind briefing notes which were behind by the Winnipeg Free Press on Tuesday. The notes said Deputy Finance Minister Marshall Cohen had advised Wilson not to build false hopes Manitoba would get the \$72 million it is seeking.

The premier added that the briefing notes acknowledge Manitoba's claim that it has been hardest hit by transfer-payment rollbacks. The adjust-

ments, which will mean shortfalls only for Manitoba and Quebec, were announced by the previous Liberal government.

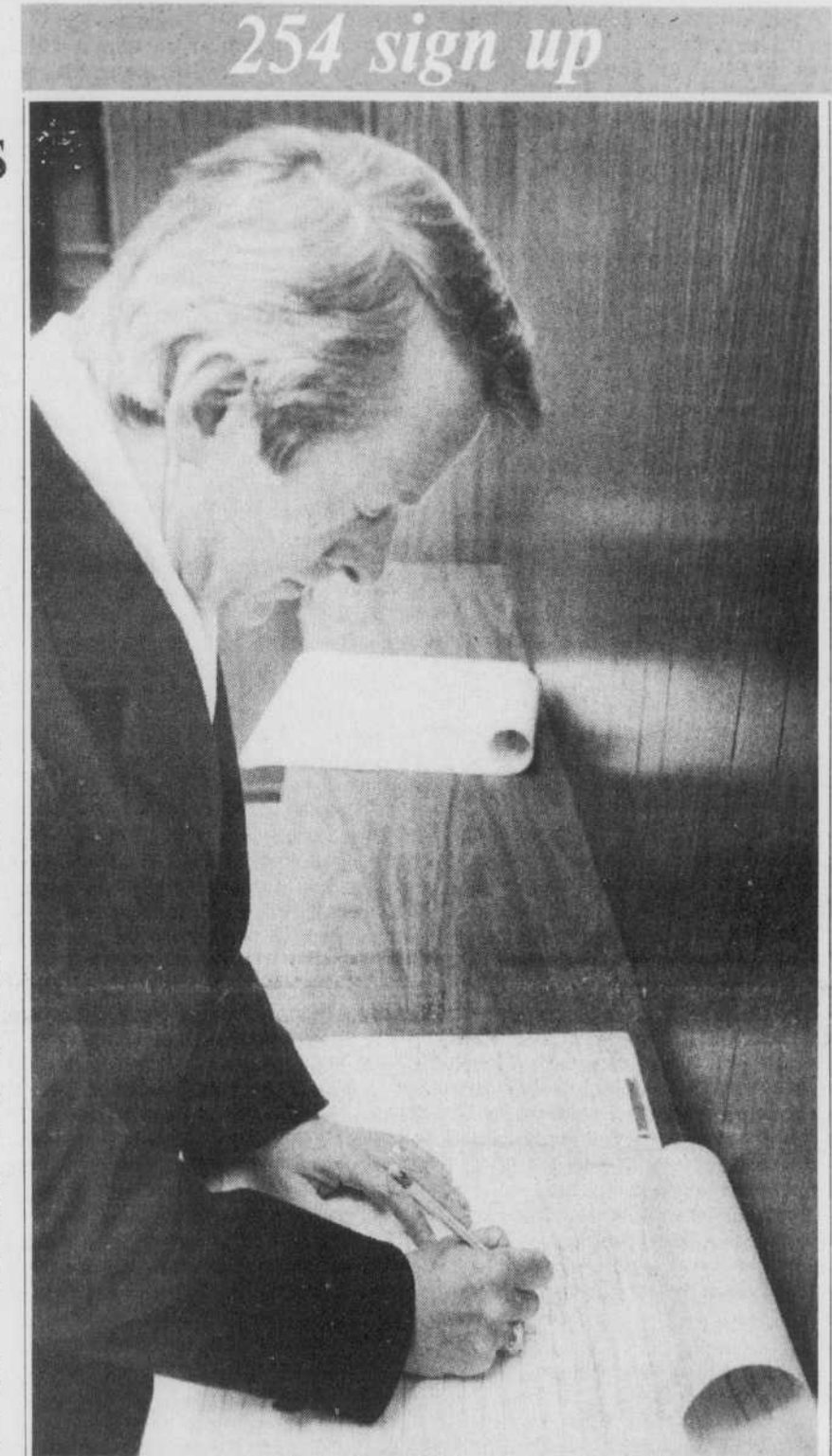
"While it is true the impact of the new equalization formula fell hardest on Manitoba, their current difficulties are in large part a product of recent economic conditions," Cohen is quoted as saying.

"Manitoba does not have much sympathy among other provinces for its request, except those who see themselves benefiting from a positive federal response."

Cohen said agreeing to Manitoba's demands might spur Quebec and possibly Nova Scotia to seek larger transfers from Ottawa.

In Regina on Tuesday, Wilson insisted the Conservative government has made no decision on proposed changes in the federal transfer formula. The finance minister also said he considered publication of the notes an invasion of privacy.

Defending the newspaper, Pawley said it would be "beyond human expectations" to expect a reporter not to pick them up.



Claude Nadeau was among 254 Sherbrooke taxpayers who asked Tuesday for a referendum on the proposed city purchase of the shaky Gabr building at 101 Frontenac. As the debate continued, Mayor Pelletier was caught in a contradiction over the \$1.3 million buy. Story, page 3.

Canagrex canned out of private sector mistrust?

TORONTO (CP) — The federal government eliminated Canagrex, the Crown corporation involved in agricultural exports, because private companies mistrusted the firm so much they wouldn't get involved in deals with it, Agriculture Minister John Wise said Tuesday.

Wise told the annual meeting of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture, which had boosted the concept of the export corporation, that the former Liberal government had imposed Canagrex on the agricultural industry.

"It was conceived in an atmosphere of pressure, mistrust and anxiety," he said. "People walked away from the corporation thinking that it was not

going to work and they were not going to allow it to work."

The creation of Canagrex was opposed by meatpackers and other export firms that didn't want a Crown corporation involved in the export business, even as an adviser or intermediary on deals.

Wise said Canagrex made several unsuccessful attempts to take part in export deals.

"On a couple of occasions, if Canagrex hadn't pulled away, there wouldn't have been a deal," he said, although in an interview later he declined to reveal which agreements had been threatened by Canagrex's involvement.

Lévesque claims PQ caucus leak plugged, promotes backbenchers

QUEBEC (CP) — Claiming the recent flood of resignations from his cabinet and caucus has ended, a defiant Premier René Lévesque rebuilt his shattered cabinet Tuesday and announced that three Parti Québécois backbenchers have changed their minds about quitting caucus.

Just hours earlier, Louise Harel announced her resignation as employment minister, becoming the sixth minister in as many days to defect from cabinet because of Lévesque's decision to drop independence as an issue in the next provincial election.

But Lévesque said he was sure there would be no more defections, indicated he has no intention of backing down on his controversial stand on sovereignty and refused opposition Liberal calls for a snap election, adding that he is in firm control.

"The government will be more efficient than ever until the end of its mandate and I believe it is my duty to stay and lead it," the premier said during a bitter exchange with the Liberals.

During the session, Lévesque saw his former finance minister, Jacques Parizeau, resign his L'Assomption seat, while two more of his departed ministers, Denise Leblanc-Bantey and Jacques Leonard, crossed the floor to sit as independents.

PLUGS THE HOLES

Immediately after question period, the premier moved to plug the holes in his cabinet, shuffling two veterans, promoting two backbenchers and giving four ministers extra duties until permanent replacements are found for those who have quit the cabinet since the crisis erupted last week.

Asked for an assurance that there would be no further resignations, Lévesque replied: "I've missed out on some prophecies, but this one I can say with rather good certainty — yes."

He also announced that three backbenchers — Jules Boucher (Rivière du Loup), Denis Vaugeois (Trois-Rivières) and Jacques Baril (Arthabaska), all of whom had indicated they might cross the floor to sit as independents, have decided to stay in the PQ caucus.

And the premier said he will not change his mind in the dispute with party hardliners who want Quebec independence to be an issue in the election expected next year.

The defections, coupled with a Liberal victory in a byelection Monday, leave Lévesque's government with 66 members, an 11-seat majority in the 122-member legislature. There are 49 Liberals, six independents — four of them former PQ caucus members — and one vacancy, created by Parizeau's departure.

WALK SAME ROAD

Lévesque told reporters his new cabinet now has people "going in the same direction." Asked if the rash of resignations meant he now had the government he had wanted all along, the premier replied: "That's going a bit far."

Lévesque named Yves Duhaime, a moderate small-town lawyer, to the key finance post vacated by Parizeau, who was the only finance minister the PQ had known since coming to power in 1976.

Two little-known PQ backbenchers, Jacques Rochefort and Jean-Guy Rodrigue, were named ministers of housing and energy respectively.

Lévesque also made interim appointments to replace other ministers who resigned. But while the worst of the crisis seemed to have passed, Lévesque's long-term problems are far from over.

Of the defectors, only Parizeau has quit politics altogether.

Backbenchers Pierre de Bellefeuille and Jerome Proulx quit the PQ caucus last week and sit as independents. They were joined Tuesday by Leonard and Leblanc-Bantey, who resigned from her women's affairs portfolio Monday.

STAY TO FIGHT

But Harel and the remaining two of the three defecting ministers — former science minister Gilbert Paquette and former social affairs minister Camille Laurin — have chosen

to remain in the PQ caucus at least until the party's special convention Jan. 19, when delegates will either ratify or reject Lévesque's stand.

Sources close to the dissenting ministers say they don't want to bring down the government before the convention, and have also rejected the possibility of forming another political party for the time being.

Instead, they will concentrate on organizing for the January meeting, where they are determined to take control and force Lévesque to back down or resign.

When she announced her resignation from cabinet Tuesday, Harel promised to campaign actively, along with other leading PQ dissidents in the debate that is about to begin in the 122 riding associations on Lévesque's decision on independence.

Paquette said he will remain in caucus because he believes he will be able to more effectively oppose Lévesque from inside.

And Laurin, whom many view as the conscience of the PQ, told a news conference he has "great hope in what the party will be after the convention. The party is more important than the chief, and anything can happen."

The comings and goings inside the Parti Québécois

MONTREAL (CP) — "There are more ways of quitting the Lévesque government than Howard Johnson's has flavors of ice cream" noted a Quebec political commentator.

The following is a summary of the recent comings and goings within the Parti Québécois government.

— Jacques Parizeau (L'Assomption), finance minister since the PQ first won power in 1976, resigned from cabinet last Thursday and announces Tuesday he was also resigning his seat.

Parizeau, an economist trained in London and Paris, has been one of the PQ's most powerful and respected members.

— Jacques Leonard (Laurentides-Labelle), first elected in 1976, quit last week as transport minister and decided Tuesday to sit as an independent.

Leonard is an accountant and former university administrator. He has served as minister for planning and vice-president of the Treasury Board.

— Gilbert Paquette (Montreal-Rosemont), who has served as minister of science and technology since the position was created in 1982, quit cabinet Monday but will remain a member of the caucus and party executive. A mathematics professor, Paquette was first elected in 1976.

— Camille Laurin (Montreal-Bourges) resigned his posts as vice-premier and social affairs minister on Monday, but remains in the PQ caucus.

Laurin, a psychiatrist, is the author

of Quebec's controversial French-language law, known as Bill 101. He has been a member of the PQ cabinet since 1976.

— Denise Leblanc-Bantey (Iles-de-la-Madeleine), quit her women's affairs portfolio Monday and crossed the floor Tuesday to sit as an independent. She was first elected in 1976.

— Louise Harel (Montreal-Maisonneuve), a lawyer named immigration and cultural communities minister only two months ago, left cabinet Tuesday but remains in caucus. She was first elected in 1981.

— Pierre de Bellefeuille (Deux-Montagnes) was the first PQ backbencher to resign in protest over Premier René Lévesque's plans to drop independence from the party election platform. First elected in 1976, he quit the party caucus last Tuesday to sit as an independent.

— Jerome Proulx (St-Jean), first elected as a PQ member in 1976, quit the caucus last Thursday and will also sit as an independent — for the second time in his career. Proulx began his parliamentary career as a member for the Union Nationale in 1966, leaving three years later to sit as an independent.

— Backbenchers Jacques Baril (Arthabaska), Jules Boucher (Rivière-du-Loup), and Denis Vaugeois (Trois-Rivières), all first elected in 1976, threatened to quit at various times in the past week, but Lévesque announced Tuesday they had decided to stay in the caucus.

Wise says farmers must bite bullet like everyone else

TORONTO (CP) — Farmers have to bite the bullet along with the rest of society in the effort to clean up the government's deficit, says federal Agriculture Minister John Wise.

But in a speech to the Ontario Federation of Agriculture on Tuesday, Wise gave confusing signals, promising new programs on stabilization, crop payments and export sales.

"When we talk about what the government can or should do for agriculture, or any other business for that matter, clearly it is in your best interest to see the federal deficit reduced," said Wise, 48, a fifth-generation dairy farmer from southwest Ontario.

"That is a painful process. And everyone

has to share in the rain." Later in his address, the first to the federation since he succeeded Liberal minister Ralph Ferguson, Wise held out several promises that could mean increased subsidies for farmers.

In addition, he told reporters most cuts to agricultural spending are complete.

DETAILS PLANS

Here are some of the program promises:

— Confirmation of statements Monday by Ontario Agriculture Minister Dennis Timbrell that legislation will be introduced soon on tripartite stabilization, a plan in which the provinces, federal government and producers will contribute equally to

raise farm incomes in years of low commodity prices. The plan will apply to beef, sheep and hog producers.

Wise said the plan will not likely go into effect until after the new year. He declined to offer cost estimates.

On Monday, Timbrell said farmers in provinces that do not participate in the program will be cut off from existing federal stabilization payments.

— Reiteration of promises by Finance Minister Michael Wilson to study farm tax reforms. Changes to capital gains regulations and implementation of tax-free agrifonds could mean Ottawa will have to forgo millions of dollars in tax revenue.

— Investigation of ways to streng-

then export sales of farm products. This is needed to replace Canagrex, chopped as a budget-saving measure. Wise said the government may spend more money through trade commissioners and delegations.

— Legislation to widen advance payments to western grain producers to other commodities. No cost estimates were given.

— Reiteration of an earlier announcement that the federal and Ontario governments are sharing the costs of buying up to 30,000 tonnes of surplus grapes. On Monday, Timbrell said the purchase will cost each government \$3 million.

But Wise said he has been assured by his officials that "it won't cost a

dime" because they will be able to recover the purchase cost by selling grape concentrate.

Despite these promises, Wise maintained throughout the speech the government is facing hard choices.

"We have to ensure that the course of action we pursue is affordable as well as effective."

Still, he said agriculture got off easier than many departments in the budget cuts announced in Wilson's economic statement Nov. 8.

The agriculture department's budget was cut two per cent while economic development was cut 11 per cent and cabinet ministers' salaries were cut 10 per cent.

Liberal stalling legislation stripping Thatcher of house status

REGINA (CP) — The lone Liberal member of a legislature in Western Canada continued Tuesday to put roadblocks in front of the best-laid plans of the Saskatchewan government.

Bill Sveinson, who represents the suburban Regina North West riding, once again halted legislation which would revoke convicted murderer Colin Thatcher's status as a member of the 64-seat house.

Sveinson spoke for 3½ hours — including the entire evening sitting — on Bill 105, amendments to the legislative Assembly Act.

His central point has been to ask why a special session of the assembly was needed to deal with Thatcher.

Sveinson has successfully stalled the bill almost a week.

He twice denied unanimous consent needed to introduce the Legislation, refused to allow second-reading debate the same day the bill was introduced, and talked about the proposed law until the Tuesday adjournment time of 10 p.m.

As a result, Government House leader Eric Berntson will ask cabinet today to delay until Dec. 6 the speech from the throne opening the fall session.

Sveinson sometimes strayed from the issue in his lengthy monologue, once reading from a letter sent by a Grade 6 student on the Thatcher matter and another time quoting from a history book about Metis leader Louis Riel.

"I debated the legislation," he said outside the assembly. "I suppose members of the press could suggest I was filibustering. I don't know what the word means."

WANT APPEALS HEARD

Sveinson and Murray Koskie, the New Democrat's justice critic, oppose stripping Thatcher of his status before all appeals are heard.

Thatcher, a former provincial energy minister, was convicted Nov. 6 of the first-degree murder of his former wife, JoAnn Wilson. No date for the

appeal has been set.

"I believe that all of us feel that a career of a man with talent was ended," Justice Minister Gary Lane said in his brief second-reading speech.

"A life has been lost and families hurt, torn apart. But this legislature must act to maintain its dignity and to maintain its stature in the eyes of the people of Saskatchewan."

Existing law, Lane said, doesn't deal with expelling a member who is convicted and imprisoned for a criminal offence.

The son of Liberal Premier Ross Thatcher has been in jail since his arrest May 7. He has received his regular monthly pay cheque as a member of the legislature. Saskatchewan legislators receive a \$13,612 annual indemnity plus a \$13,002 expense allo-

wance. Members of the legislature also receive a sessional allowance of \$7,356. For each day a member is absent from the assembly and not working on constituency business, \$71 is deducted from the allowance paid at the end of the session.

Koskie said it would have been enough to suspend Thatcher and remove his privileges. The Thunder Creek riding surrounding Moose Jaw shouldn't be declared vacant until all appeals have been exhausted, the NDP member said.

Thatcher was stripped of his membership in the Conservative party last week by its provincial executive. He was elected as Liberal in 1975, but crossed to the Conservatives two years later.

National relief coalition formed to aid Ethiopia

OTTAWA (CP) — A coalition of national relief agencies has been established to funnel aid to Ethiopia and other African countries. David MacDonald, emergency co-ordinator for African relief aid, said Tuesday.

The coalition brings together non-governmental organizations and federal government representatives to work out plans for distributing money from a recently created \$50-million fund for relief aid established by the federal government.

MacDonald, who has already visited Ethiopia and says he is returning soon, said every effort is being made to get aid to the drought-ravaged country quickly, and private donations are pouring in.

One offer has been made to ship sur-

plus Prince Edward Island potatoes to Ethiopia, but MacDonald said that doesn't appear to be a very practical proposal. Potatoes aren't part of a regular African diet and are hard to ship, he noted.

The new mechanism for distributing aid, called African Emergency Aid, has a 10-member board of directors made up of eight representatives from non-government organizations and two appointed by the federal government.

In future, private contributions can be made directly to a relief agency for African aid or directly to the African Emergency Aid fund. The federal government will match the private contributions.

Newspapers coping well in hard times — StatsCan

OTTAWA (CP) — Daily newspapers are coping well with the current economic climate as revenues for 1982 increased nine per cent from the year before, says a report by Statistics Canada released Tuesday.

"Many people believe that advances in telecommunications over the past few years are about to wipe out the print medium," the agency said. "Judging by this report, that would not appear to be imminent. The newspaper and periodical industry is coping well with the current economic climate."

Revenues of daily newspapers climbed to \$1.5 billion in 1982, while revenues of daily newspapers and periodicals combined rose four per cent in 1982 from the previous year.

Advertising revenues were down on paper cent to \$1.1 billion in 1982. However, street and subscription sales, worth \$325 million, were nine per cent higher than in 1981.

In 1983, the daily newspaper industry remained fairly stable, said the study of the 118 dailies that reported their circulation. There were 124 dailies in 1983.

While total daily circulation slipped

one per cent to 5.56 million from 5.57 million in 1982, the downturn isn't considered a warning sign yet, said the report.

Daily circulation of English-language papers remained firm but French-language dailies fell marginally.

Chain ownership remained a prominent feature of the Canadian newspaper industry. The largest group, Southam Inc., owns 16 dailies with a combined average daily circulation of 1.54 million, representing 28 per cent of the Canadian total. Thomson Newspapers Ltd. owns 39 of the 116 dailies that reported their circulation and has a combined circulation of 1.11 million representing 20 per cent of the total.

The total circulation of non-dailies, including community, university, armed forces and ethnic newspapers, weekend tabloids and supplements, was down two per cent in 1983 from the previous year and the number of non-dailies decreased by 34 to 1,154.

Community newspapers accounted for 73 per cent of all non-dailies and 62 per cent of total non-daily circulation.

Soil erosion most serious farm crisis ever — Senate

TORONTO (CP) — The erosion of agricultural soils is the most serious farm crisis in Canadian history, says Herbert Sparrow, chairman of the Senate agriculture committee.

Sparrow, who headed the committee's investigation into the issue last spring, told the annual meeting of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture on Tuesday that water erosion, wind erosion, soil compaction, salinization and urban expansion are costing farmers \$1 billion a year in lost income.

And if major changes to cropping practices were not made soon, significant parts of the country would become unproductive within 20 years.

Sparrow said contemporary farming practices such as intensive cropping of corn, other grains and oilseeds are largely responsible for the erosion. And almost no part of the country is safe.

He said water erosion is the most significant problem in the Atlantic provinces and parts of Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick could become unproductive in 20 years unless major changes are made.

In Quebec, powdery organic soils are picked up by the wind. These areas would also become unproductive within 20 years unless something was done.

Urban expansion is the most important problem in Ontario, he said, adding that 50 per cent of Canada's Class 1 and 2 soils are located within a two-hour drive of Toronto.

In the west, salinization has already decreased yields by 25 to 75 per cent in some parts. This reduction occurred even after farmers increased their fertilizer use.

In its report released in July, the committee called for a number of federal and provincial soil conservation measures.

Weather

Sunny with moderate winds today and increasing cloudiness tonight. Rain Thursday. High today 12, low tonight 6-8, high tomorrow 9

Scientists to launch man-made comet Dec. 25

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Scientists will launch the first man-made comet on Christmas Day, hoping to learn more about the formation of the solar system and triggering what may be a spectacular display visible throughout western North America.

The experiment — part of a \$78-million, three-satellite effort by three countries to study how solar wind interacts with Earth's magnetic field — has already drawn inevitable comparisons to the star of Bethlehem, which the New Testament says appeared during Christ's birth.

"Any number of jokes have been made about taking the three top scientists in the mission and putting them on camels and riding them down Constitution Avenue" in Washington, said Richard McEntire of the applied physics laboratory at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore.

"While the symbolism is neat, it's purely coincidental."

Early Christmas morning is the best time for making observations

from two related satellites, two instrument-laden airplanes and from telescopes in New Mexico, Arizona and Hawaii, McEntire said.

The man-made comet should be visible to the naked eye, west of a line running from Chicago south to the southern tip of Texas, though it will not be visible where the sun has risen, said Paul Bernhardt, in charge of ground observations at Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico.

It also will be visible from southwestern Canada, northern Mexico, Hawaii and perhaps Tahiti.

SHARED EFFORT

The comet project is part of a research program — shared by the United States, West Germany and Britain — for which the three satellites were launched Aug. 16 from Kennedy Space Centre in Florida. One satellite came from each country.

The artificial comet will resemble a real comet, which is an orbiting ball of dust and gas with a long tail. But the man-made comet will be composed of

Barium, a metallic chemical element commonly used in another form to make the digestive tract visible under X-rays.

At about 4:08 a.m. PST Dec. 25, a West German satellite 112,650 kilometres above the equatorial Pacific Ocean will eject four canisters of barium. The man-made comet will appear about 4:18 a.m., when the canisters will release two kilograms of barium atoms into space, where the sun will energize the atoms and cause them to radiate colored light.

The aim is to learn how solar wind — a "plasma" of electrically charged particles of hydrogen and helium that stream off the sun at more than 1.6 million kilometres per hour — interacts with Earth's magnetic field, said Stamatios Krimigis, the Johns Hopkins physicist co-ordinating the U.S. part of the program.

When solar wind collides with a real comet, it helps create an ion tail, which usually is less visible than a comet's dust tail. The collision of the

solar wind with dust and gases in the infant solar system probably was essential to how the planets formed, Krimigis said.

By using the man-made comet to study how solar wind affects Earth's magnetic field, "We are getting close to (understanding) a process which is fairly basic to the formation of the solar system," he added.

Researchers are not sure exactly how large the comet will appear to ground observers. But they said it should start out as a dot about as bright as the North Star, then expand within seconds to a reddish-yellow ball appearing about one-sixth the size of the moon.

As solar energy hits the barium atoms and ionizes them — causing them to illuminate — within five to 15 minutes, the comet may turn purple and form a tail that could appear 10 times the length of the moon's diameter to people watching from Earth, although the comet will grow dimmer as it gets larger, scientists said.

World's first nuke treaty now in different light

LONDON (Reuters) — The Antarctic Treaty, the world's first accord on limiting nuclear weapons and considered one of the great success stories of modern diplomacy, faces new challenges 25 years after its signing.

The prospect of extracting oil and other riches from the frozen wasteland, has made some countries rethink Antarctic explorer Robert Scott's words: "Great God. This is an awful place."

The treaty signed by 12 countries December 1, 1959, did not mention mineral resources, but interest in a potential bonanza has been a driving force behind the growing number of signatories. There are now 32, four of which joined this year.

Lasting indefinitely but subject to review in 1991, the treaty demilitarized Antarctica, established the continent as a nuclear-free zone and promotes international scientific exchange and environmental conserva-

tion. It also sets aside the prickly question of sovereignty. Seven of the original signers had claimed parts of Antarctica and disputes on overlapping claims by Britain, Argentina and Chile gave impetus to the accord.

"It is in many respects the very model of the type of agreement that countries have been trying to negotiate in other areas," said Thomas Duggin, head of the polar regions section at the British Foreign Office.

The Soviet Union and the United States, both original signatories, and other countries conduct periodic aerial and ground inspections under a treaty arrangement which has eluded negotiators at wider forums on arms control.

Other signers include Australia, France, Japan, South Africa, Poland, East and West Germany, China and India.

Any country which carries out subs-

tantial scientific research in the area is entitled to vote in the so-called Antarctic Club on matters of common interest. Half the treaty members now have this status.

These members have been meeting since 1982 to work out ground rules for mineral exploitation. Diplomats say progress is slow but agreement has been reached on allowing operations by private companies and consortiums.

Many non-treaty countries, particularly non-aligned movement members, are alarmed that they may be excluded.

Malaysia led a drive to bring Antarctica under wider control at last year's UN General Assembly session. Renewed debate begins at the UN this week.

NOT YET TIME

This move is seen as an attempt to apply the same "common heritage" approach of a new international law

of The Sea Treaty to Antarctica, although the UN says resources are unlikely to be exploited for some time.

Geologists estimate there could be 45 million barrels of oil in Antarctica. Not a drop has been found so far and the prospect of drilling through ice with an average thickness of 1,800 metres is daunting.

Coal, iron ore and other minerals have been found, but their extraction is not now viewed as viable. Fishing is a major industry, mainly for the Soviet Union, Poland and West Germany.

The United States and other treaty members oppose moves to open Antarctica to UN control.

While environmental gains have been praised, there is concern over the effect of mining and other exploration. The Antarctica and Southern Ocean Coalition and the Greenpeace environmental group want a total ban on such activities.

News-in-brief

Porn displays limited

QUEBEC (CP) — City council adopted a law Monday that prevents vendors from displaying pornographic material in windows facing the street. Magazines and books are to be placed in racks with only their titles showing. Opposition councillors sought a total ban on the distribution of pornographic material.

Homeowners seek settlement

MONTREAL (CP) — Quebec homeowners seeking compensation for damages they say resulted from the use of urea formaldehyde foam insulation would like to negotiate an out-of-court settlement. Six test cases against foam manufacturers and installers and Canadian and Quebec government agencies have been launched in Quebec Superior Court. But Nicole Lamer, spokesman for an association representing 10,000 Quebec homeowners, said Monday a court settlement could take years. The group wants to meet with federal Corporate and Consumer Affairs Minister Michel Cote to discuss out-of-court compensation. The federal government banned the foam in 1980 after previously approving grants for its use.

Speed limit saves lives study says

WASHINGTON (Reuters) — The 55-mile-an-hour (88-kilometre-an-hour) U.S. highway speed limit should remain in force because it saves thousands of lives, says a new federal government-sponsored study.

The National Research Council, which conducts government investigations in the fields of science and technology, also urged the government to improve procedures for monitoring states' compliance with the law.

Son of Reagan lawyer committed

LOS ANGELES (Reuters) — Michael Miller, 21-year-old son of President Reagan's personal lawyer, was committed to a state hospital for life Tuesday after being found insane when he murdered his mother.

Miller was accused of the murder and rape of his mother, Marguerite Miller, 52, in March 1983. Her nude and battered body was found in the family's luxurious home on the outskirts of Los Angeles. The father, Roy Miller, 53, Reagan's lawyer, had called police to the home after finding blood and a broken pair of spectacles inside the front door.

Doctor finds way to better X-rays

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a mixture of folk and modern medicine, a doctor from China has combined acupuncture with X-rays to improve the diagnosis of stomach ailments.

Dr. Hsiao-cheng Chou said Tuesday she has developed the technique of placing acupuncture needles into prescribed points under the knees to relax the stomach and upper intestine.

The physician said the treatment reduces spasms and contractions in the stomach, allowing for clearer and more detailed X-ray pictures for specialists to study.

The radiologist described the technique this week at the annual meeting of the Radiological Society of North America. The scientist is the first from China to attend the meeting, one of the biggest in radiology.

British diplomat shot dead

BOMBAY, India (AP) — A senior British diplomat was shot and killed on the way to work Tuesday and police said they are hunting for two men, perhaps connected with the Irish Republican Army.

But telephone calls claimed responsibility in the name of a radical Moslem organization.

Indian authorities said Percy Norris, 56, Britain's deputy high commissioner in Bombay, was shot and killed by two white "European-looking" men on foot.

Bombay Police Chief Julio Ribeiro said at least three shots were fired as the car in which Norris was riding slowed at a traffic circle shortly before 8 a.m.

Bonn opposes sea treaty

BONN (AP) — West Germany has become the second major industrial power, after the United States, to refuse to sign the Law of the Sea, an international convention controlling the use of the sea and its resources.

Government spokesman Peter Boenisch, who announced the cabinet decision Tuesday, said Bonn opposes the treaty because its "regimental and protectionist elements don't correspond to our idea" of how the sea's resources should be regulated.

Deadline for signing the treaty, which has been signed by about 140 countries, is Dec. 9. Negotiations on the Law of the Sea convention, strongly backed by Canada, lasted about a dozen years under the auspices of the United Nations. The final act was signed in December 1982.

Ancient city discovered

MOSCOW (Reuters) — Soviet archeologists have discovered the remains of a 1,000-year-old silver mining city amid the towering peaks of the Pamir Mountains in Central Asia.

Tass news agency reported the city, at an altitude of 3,960 metres, had evidently been an administrative centre between the 10th and 12th centuries and its inhabitants had excavated silver from even higher up the mountainsides. The silver was traded with China and other Far Eastern countries.

The archeological team uncovered the outline of the city's streets and remnants of a temple. They also dug up business papers, tools and jewelry.

China to get Hong Kong in 1997

PEKING (AP) — British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher will visit China Dec. 18-20 to sign the agreement reached in September that returns Hong Kong to Chinese rule in 1997, the Foreign Ministry has announced.

Under the agreement, China will regain sovereignty over Hong Kong when Britain's 99-year lease on the bulk of the colony's territory expires in 1997.

The British statement said Thatcher, accompanied by Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe, will stop over in Hong Kong on Dec. 20-21 after the China visit.

Under a draft agreement initialed by Britain and China in Peking on Sept. 26, the Chinese government pledged to retain Hong Kong's present economic and legal systems for 50 years after its takeover.

Faith healers charged with fraud

MOSCOW (Reuters) — Two Soviet faith healers who attracted hundreds of followers throughout the country have been jailed on charges of fraud, a Kiev newspaper says.

The daily Pravda Ukraine said huge crowds had regularly gathered at the Kiev apartments of the men, identified as I. Bolotov and A. Murachev, and that some were convinced they both had miraculous powers.

Describing the pair as swindlers, it said they had charged hefty rates to treat the sick by using "bio-energy fields" and prescribing foul-tasting homemade medicines.

The paper said medical tests had shown that Bolotov and Murachev had never really cured anyone and noted that their own wives used regular medical services.

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The Townships

Pelletier's claim building checked conflicts with engineering firm

By Charles Bury

SHERBROOKE — Controversy continued to fog the question of the safety of the Gabr building Tuesday as Mayor Jean-Paul Pelletier said it has been checked by engineers, while the head of the engineering firm he names says it has done no such thing.

A Record report Tuesday said the infamous building at 101 Frontenac, which the city has offered to buy for \$1.3 million, has "urgent" defects

which could result in its collapse into the Magog River, over which it is built. The report quoted a severe special warning in the deed of sale drawn up when enigmatic millionaire Saad Gabr bought the abandoned grocery store from Steinberg in 1982.

The deed says that there has been serious deterioration of the concrete foundation of the building and singles out the pillars supporting it over the river as dangerous.

Mayor Pelletier was reached in Toronto later Tuesday by Sherbrooke radio station *CHLT*. He repeated that the Gabr building is "absolutely, totally, safe," and that it had been verified by the engineering firm *Consultants SM* on behalf of *Adricon Construction*, which had performed some renovations for Gabr's firm *Haley Acres Ltd.* "And they checked the pillars," Pelletier claimed.

But Bernard Poulin, president of *SM*, has a different story. Poulin told reporters Tuesday that he was "hired by Gabr" — not *Adricon* — and that "SM did not have a mandate" to study the safety of the building, but was hired only to check work done for Gabr, which did not include replacing the faulty pillars.

"Only his architect could say if that was done," Poulin said. *SM* has never been paid for the work.

Meanwhile a bankrupt Montreal contractor told the newspaper *La Tribune* that he had done some work beneath the building, "on the pillars

which are in the water" beneath the 30-year-old structure. Fernand Bolduc of *Piscines LB*, of St-Elie d'Orford, said he was hired by a subcontractor.

But none of the faulty pillars were replaced during the Gabr renovations. The wooden boxes holding the concrete posts in place were replaced with small concrete pyramids and some cracks were filled.

However an examination of the underpinnings Tuesday showed that there are still many large open cracks in the pillars, and none of them appears to be newer than the others.

As well, two former Gabr aides have now confirmed that the mysterious Moroccan-born recluse never

took steps to have the foundation repaired. Both asked to remain unidentified. Both also recall that Gabr "was only interested in the appearance of the building, what it looked like, inside and out, but not underneath."

Meanwhile Tuesday at least one contractor is still working on repairs to the building — up on the roof! Workers for the *Jos Labreque* roofing company spent the afternoon removing sheet metal from the roof and throwing it into a truck to be hauled away.

City councillors added to the complaint list Tuesday, telling reporters that Mayor Pelletier has been keeping all the information concerning the building to himself.

Councillor Hilaire Beliveau said he wants a complete engineering study before the city buys the building.

Councillor Jean Perrault said he has never seen any report on the building. "The mayor has kept all the information to himself," Perrault said. "I can understand why the people of Sherbrooke don't know what to think."

"Contradictions are coming out left and right," he added.

Councillor Roméo Quintal said the city now "has to check before buying the building."

Councillor André Côté, who has led the fight against the purchase, observed dryly: "So there was some reason to ask questions about it."

Correction

In a report Tuesday *The Record* said Mayor Jean-Paul Pelletier had claimed there was "\$900,000" of computer equipment in the Gabr building which would be part of the \$1.3-million deal.

City public relations officer Charles-André Beaudoin called to say that Mayor Pelletier had not said \$900,000, but had said \$300,000, and that it was not computers he was re-

ferring to but a special climatized room on a suspended floor which was prepared and wired for computers.

"The \$936,000 figure was the total for Mr. Gabr's improvements," Beaudoin said.

He added that there were no other clarifications to make in connection with the report.

The Record regrets the misunderstanding.

Last day for taxpayers to sign for referendum

SHERBROOKE — Opponents of the Gabr building purchase are halfway to their first goal.

Five hundred signatures are required in the special register set up at city hall Tuesday to see if there is sup-

port for a binding referendum on the \$1.5-million loan the city will make to finance the deal.

With today (Wednesday) left to win support, the anti-purchase faction has already convinced 254 taxpayers to

sign their names and call for a referendum.

Others wanting to add their support to the anti-purchase cause have until 7 p.m. today to get to city hall, prove their identity and sign the book.

CNR hit with \$15,000 fine over Vermont track spraying incident

By Robert Palmer

ST. JOHNSBURY, Vt. — Canadian National Railways was fined \$15,000 in county court here Tuesday for violating state pesticide control and permit regulations during a two-day track spraying operation last summer at Warren's Gore and Norton, Vt.

CNR pleaded no contest to two counts which carried a maximum penalty of \$25,000 each.

A plea of no contest is not an admis-

sion of guilt but rather a consent to be found guilty. It cannot be used as an admission of guilt in any related or subsequent civil case, according to Vermont law.

The original charges consisted of six counts but lawyers for the state decided to prosecute on counts one and three only. The state also agreed not to bring further charges arising directly from the incident.

CNR pleaded no contest to using pesticides Krovar-1 and Atrazine at

Warren's Gore and Norton without first obtaining a permit from the Vermont department of agriculture, and to failing to contact the department 24 hours prior to the July 21 operation. They were fined \$7,500 on each count.

SPRAYED PAST LIMIT
The charges stem from a bungled track spraying operation on that day when the contractor hired by CNR accidentally sprayed 16 miles beyond the Island Pond-Bloomfield limit for which the permit had been issued.

Lawyers Robert Hemley and John Montgomery, representing CNR, argued the incident was "an unfortunate mistake."

"There is no question there was spraying beyond the limit (for which the permit had been issued)," Hemley admitted. "But it was due to a peculiar foul-up and there was no intention on the railway's part to take advantage of a situation."

"It was a comedy of errors," he added.

Hemley said the overspray was an "innocent oversight," and claimed no area maps were given to the operation foreman.

William Rice, assistant attorney general for the agriculture section of the environmental division, said state

records show all the necessary material — including maps — were sent.

MAPS STILL MISSING
Hemley said to this day those maps have never been found at CNR offices in Montreal.

The CNR overspraying included a right-of-way which cuts through the Norton farm of Edward and Brigitte Graham. Shortly after the operation the Grahams complained of health problems which they say turned up in themselves and their animals.

One sheep died mysteriously and respiratory problems already present in a 7-year-old Arabian horse became more serious.

Brigitte Graham, who does much of the work around the farm, developed a severe skin condition on her hands and feet.

The family also had to begin using expensive bottled water.

CNR's Hemley claimed "it would have been virtually impossible for a chemical to travel the route of geography from the track to the (Graham's) house."

The Grahams complained both their barn and house water wells had been contaminated by the chemicals used. Hemley argued that since their house well is uphill from the tracks

and "two hundred feet away", that would be virtually impossible.

The Grahams say the house well is under 125 feet from the tracks.

Hemley also argued only three parts per billion of Bromacil — one of the chemicals in Krovar-1 — was present in the well. Hemley said the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency lists the danger (NAR — No Adverse Response) level of Bromacil at 125 parts per billion.

BLAMES ROADS DEPT.

Hemley claimed any Bromacil found in the well was there as a result of state spraying of the foliage beside the highway, which runs about 100 feet from the other side of the well.

William Rice, assistant attorney general for the agriculture section of the Vermont environmental division, argued the offences of spraying without a permit and lack of prior notification are the main issues, regardless of any test results or speculation on the chances of contamination.

"Our impression was that it was a gigantic mix-up," he told District Court Judge Dean Pineles. "The state takes its program very seriously and we believe a \$15,000 fine is significant, that it will serve as a deterrent to other users of pesticides."

"I don't think we'll see CNR in this situation again," Rice added.

CORRECTIVES NEEDED

Before accepting CNR's no contest plea, Judge Pineles asked what steps would be taken by the railway in the future to ensure this type of incident does not happen again.

Montgomery, a Portland, Maine lawyer who represents CNR in New England matters, explained that responsibility rested with too many departments at the railway. One department negotiated, another complied, another acted, he explained.

"The engineering department will from now on have one individual responsible for compliance will all appropriate regulations," he promised.

"The railroad takes this situation very seriously," he added. "I would be surprised if this situation recurs."

Judge Pineles gave CNR until Dec.

7 to pay the \$15,000 fine. "I suspect they may even be able to take this out of the operating budget of the (track spraying) operation," he said.

Victims frustrated over Vt. decision

ST. JOHNSBURY, Vt. (RP) — Brigitte Graham is upset over the court's decision to fine CNR \$15,000 for the bungled spraying operation near her farm in July, but she says she really wasn't expected much to happen to the railway anyway.

Outside the courtroom, Mrs. Graham was close to tears. "I suppose we kind of expected this," she said.

The Grahams have their own lawyer, Walter Morris, negotiating with CNR for civil damages resulting from the spraying.

Asked how Tuesday's decision will affect their case against the railway, Mrs. Graham said "I hope it helps."

Mrs. Graham called life these days on her Norton farm "miserable". Showing this reporter her badly blistered hands, she said "I was washing my windows."

She says her farm animals are much the same as they were this summer "now that they're on medication." She says her horse's respiratory problem is "under control" but her voice trembles when she speaks of it.

"Some days, good; some days, bad," she says.

Morris admits his client "doesn't feel the fine is a real deterrent", but he says he is encouraged by conversations he's had with CNR on the subject of the family's grievances.

"We could have some sort of settlement before we have to go to court," he said outside the courthouse.

"Their comment about being a 'good corporate neighbor' is interesting."

For the time being, Morris said, he'll continue negotiating with CNR lawyers. He couldn't say when he expected a settlement.

CN contractor needs a compass

ST. JOHNSBURY, Vt. (RP) — The reason last summer's CNR track spraying operation went 16 miles too far north to Warren's Gore and Norton was because the contractor didn't know whether he was going north or south, the railway's lawyers say.

Calling the whole incident "a comedy of errors", CNR lawyer Robert Hemley told District Court Judge Dean Pineles "the applicator headed north instead of south because he didn't have any maps."

The applicator, Asplundh Tree Expert Company of Pennsylvania, figured they would just keep going until

they hit the Atlantic Ocean (through Portland, Maine), Hemley said in jest.

Hemley said it was clear "the men on the ground" had not been provided with either maps or a copy of the permit. The state department of agriculture maintains its records show all that material was mailed to CNR.

Hemley also said the CNR man who handled the operation was doing "his first spray job in the U.S."

"It should have been supervised by someone who was completely familiar with all the U.S. laws," Hemley admitted.

Poverty becoming feminized — Francine McKenzie

By Louise Léger
SHERBROOKE — "There is nothing we cannot do," Francine McKenzie, president of the Quebec Council on the Status of Women, told a group of Sherbrooke and District University Club members Tuesday.

McKenzie, president of the council since March, said the council's priorities presently lie in the economic sector. "I am convinced that the most important issue for Quebec women in the coming years is their economic status," she said. "For the first time in our history, as many women are at work in the marketplace as there are working at home."

McKenzie said that with the disintegration of the family unit women are more often playing the role of providers. "There are 210,000 single-parent families in Quebec. 195,000 of these single parents are women. They are the bread-winners — but for many of them this implies poverty."

"Poverty is becoming feminized," she said.

MOTHERHOOD 'NOBLE'

McKenzie said work in the household and the education of one's children are "...noble tasks. As such we must demand that their social and economic value be recognized."

"For the upcoming generations you are the living proof that even with the structural handicaps still built into

our society for women, there is no challenge too arduous, no goal unattainable," she told the group.

McKenzie pointed out that between 1975 and 1980 the number of women graduating from Quebec universities has almost doubled and that this year, for the first time more women than men entered Quebec universities as undergraduates.

McKenzie said the role of the council is to serve people across the province and to relay information to the public at large and to the more than 1500 women's groups across the province. She said she had a commitment to "reach out to the regions, to be present with the different cultural communities, with immigrant women and all the problems they face, and also, of course, with the English-speaking women of Quebec who, after all, make up at least fifteen per cent of the female population."

MEN MUST UNDERSTAND

In conclusion, McKenzie said the way in which others perceive the council's message is important. "It is of the very essence of feminism to be understood... women cannot occupy all the room that is their right unless men understand that they must move over."

McKenzie said it was important to communicate with the young. "After all, we have something to tell them.

We have a story to tell. It is a story of a more humanistic world, a world where being a woman and being a man has a new meaning, a meaning they can share."

In an interview earlier McKenzie told a reporter the economic problems of women stem not only from the rise in single-parent families but also from increased technology which eliminates jobs. "We have to encourage young girls to choose untraditional jobs or jobs of the future," she said.

CULTURE AHEAD

McKenzie said that in the past the important women's issue was the law, presently it is the economy and in the future, she predicts, it will be cultural. "We already have examples of cultural change," she said, pointing out the increase in sharing household work.

McKenzie said that in the past women had a moral influence on the government, but now they have "a real electoral influence."

"Our group doesn't just get considered every four years," she said.

McKenzie described her job as "the most interesting challenge. Nothing can be accomplished without determination — I like to fight."

McKenzie spoke in English to the group of approximately 25 at Restaurant Le Parequet on King Street.



Francine MacKenzie... Women are gaining their place.

Judge grants another delay in Rock Forest hearings

SHERBROOKE — A Quebec Superior Court judge ordered the Quebec Police Commission on Tuesday to postpone once more the start of its public hearings into a bungled police raid in which an innocent man was killed in a hail of bullets last December.

Mr. Justice Thomas Toth made the decision after Sherbrooke police lawyer Michel Proulx argued that comments by Premier René Lévesque on the acquittal of two local detectives in the case contributed to a bias. Proulx also charged that police commission hearings are unconstitutional.

The hearings were set to begin Thursday, but won't start until after Dec. 17 when Proulx will present formal arguments in an attempt to permanently block the commission from conducting the inquiry.

Proulx is representing 16 policemen subpoenaed to testify at the inquiry which will investigate the events leading to and during the shooting of Quebec City carpet layer Serge Beaudoin.

SHOT THROUGH DOOR
Beaudoin was killed and his partner Jean-Paul Beaumont wounded when

police fired through their motel room door in nearby Rock Forest. Police mistakenly believed the two men were bandits who had slain a Brink's guard the previous day.

Sherbrooke detectives André Castonguay and Roger Dion were acquitted by a jury last month of criminal charges in Beaudoin's killing.

Proulx argued that Lévesque damaged the possibility of a fair hearing when he told the National Assembly that Justice Ministry officials should consider an appeal of the acquittals of Dion and Castonguay.

The lawyer also claimed procedures used by the commission violate the Charter of Rights and Freedoms because the commission forces witnesses to testify and possibly incriminate themselves.

However using the rights charter to protect an entire 200-man police department would also constitute a cover-up of the force's chain of command and of how superior officers were involved in setting up the fatal raid. The force itself cannot be charged with a criminal offence.

MINISTER WANTS SPEED
Proulx failed to mention that Jus-

tice Minister Pierre-Marc Johnson, responsible for both the administration of justice and the operations of the province's police forces, wrote to the police commission Oct. 23, asking it to continue the investigation "as quickly as possible."

The commission hearings were first set to begin Feb. 28 but were delayed because a coroner's inquiry into

the killing was underway. The hearings were then set to begin two weeks ago, but had to be delayed again because the commission's chief lawyer had died. They were then set to begin Nov. 29.

But Mr. Justice Toth has now postponed the hearings until at least Dec. 17, one week short of the first anniversary of the death of Serge Beaudoin.

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A weighty problem

Following the events of the last couple of days Sherbrooke Mayor Jean-Paul Pelletier has to be a real believer in 'Murphy's Law', article 13 or something legalise like that, which in effect says "Everything that can go wrong will."

The mayor has been pushing hard since early summer for the city to purchase the flashy Gabr building at the end of Wellington Street. In the past few days however, things have gone sour with Mayor Pelletier's well-intended plans, beginning with the revelation in yesterday's *Record* that the pillars supporting the building are unsafe and that the one-time-grocery-store-turned-mini-palace could fall into the Magog River.

Today, reports have the mayor claiming the building's pillars were checked by the Sherbrooke consulting firm *Les Consultants SM* while that company's president, Bernard Poulin, says they weren't. One of the two has got crossed wires or cracked pillars. It will be interesting to watch in the next few days and see who first tells us that "there was a bit of a misunderstanding" but that "everything has been worked out."

But perhaps too much blame for negligence is being put on the mayor, who has hastily tried to get the purchase through before the building goes up for public auction December 21.

He has a good idea. Buying the renovated (\$3- to 4-million) structure and turning it into city hall falls right in line with the image of a youthful and vibrant city with strong links to the past Mayor Pelletier has peddled Sherbrooke as being.

It's a noble thought and there is no doubt the building would impress potential investors visiting the city but the mayor has made the mistake of acting too quickly without first getting all the facts straight.

Mayor Pelletier has said the purchase price of \$1.5 million is a "real steal" but if the pillars down under must be reinforced with real steel at an additional cost of several hundred thousand dollars he may find taxpayers won't feel like picking up the tab.

Or carrying the weight.

BOBBY FISHER

Bruce Levett



Do you think if you were to write a column about our problem. . . ?

The Canadian Press

A tear coursed the weathered cheek. "We are as a house divided," she gulped. He held her close. "It isn't your fault," he said. "It is but the way of the world. . ."

Where had they gone wrong? They had nursed their son Roger through mumps and measles, through all the ills that afflict the childhood flesh.

And when he had grown up he had left — for Ottawa, to work in government. "He never calls anymore," she said. "There was a time. . ."

"That was long ago. Life goes on." She sniffled. "Do you think he ever thinks of us anymore?"

"I'm sure he does. This silence isn't his fault." He realized that she understood — deep down. In this day and age, government employees are discouraged from talking to newspapermen.

"But, you're his FATHER, for heaven's sake!" He sighed. "All the more reason for caution," he said. "A misplaced word at Thanksgiving, a slip of the tongue by the tree at Christmas. . ."

She nodded. "Who knows what damage might ensue," she agreed. "Governments have fallen through just such indiscretion."

However, she wasn't giving up. Not quite yet. After all, it wasn't as if they had raised a son just to plant him in deep cover within the government, awaiting the day when he might be useful.

She forked another dollop of cranberry sauce onto his plate. "Do you think if you were to write a column about our problem it might move that nice Mr. Mulroney to waive the rules a bit and ease the guidelines just enough to allow him to phone his mother now and then?"

The father was silent for a moment, recalling the little amber-eyed boy who once they had dandled at the knee.

"Oh, what the heck," he sighed. "It might just be worth a try."

Soviets modernize, NORAD better learn to duck!

By Robert Trautman
CHEYENNE MOUNTAIN, Colo. (Reuter) — Officials at NORAD — the North American Aerospace Defence Command — are increasingly worried about the fast development of Soviet bombers and missiles.

Their concern centres on new low-flying Soviet cruise missiles, Backfire bombers able to reach the United States, at least on a one-way flight, which are being built at a rate of 30 a year, and longer-range Blackjack bombers being developed.

In addition, SS-18 and SS-19 missiles deployed since the 1970s are big and accurate enough to take out even the most hardened U.S. defences.

The concern extends even to the nerve centre of NORAD buried 425 metres under Cheyenne Mountain, near Colorado Springs.

Said a NORAD officer: "An SS-18 or 19 could split it open." The entrance to NORAD headquarters is protected by metre-thick steel blast doors each weighing 25 tonnes. They can be closed in an emergency in 45 seconds.

REST ON SPRINGS
Inside the cavern, carved out in the early 1960s, are 15 free-standing steel buildings, separated from the mountain's walls and ceilings and resting on more

than 1,300 steel springs, to protect them from a nuclear blast.

At the heart of the operations are communications lines, radar screens and computers that bring in data swiftly on worldwide aircraft, missile and submarine operations from reporting posts throughout North America.

Officers inside the NORAD command post can bring up on one of two black-and-green screens, each 12 by 16 feet (3.6 by 4.8 metres), some 15,000 different images — anything from a Chinese airliner on a routine flight across the United States to a Soviet missile launch or an incoming Soviet bomber.

But the officials said it will be increasingly difficult to pick up these images as the radar-swarming ability of Soviet bombers and missiles improves.

When Cheyenne Mountain was built, Soviet missiles were not large or accurate enough to knock it out of operation. That has now changed, they said.

TAKES MINUTES
But they said it would take a missile 30 minutes to reach the mountain from the Soviet Union — 15 minutes for a submarine-launched missile — while NORAD could assess the threat and report to the White House in three to five minutes.

To avoid mistakenly reporting a launch,

NORAD commanders insist on voice communications with the reporting radar station to confirm computer warnings of a Soviet launch.

"We are not about to make a decision on the basis of a machine," said one command officer. Another, emphasizing the speed NORAD insists upon, said: "When we pick up a telephone, we expect to talk to someone at the other end — right now."

There have been some recent mistakes, but NORAD officials said the fact that they were caught quickly showed their system of checks works.

In 1979, a test tape was accidentally fed into a computer, triggering an alarm, and in 1980 computer circuits broke down twice and sent out false warnings of missile launches.

WERE SPOTTED
But because these "glitches" did not go undiscovered for long, the officials are confident that mistakes could not lead to a false assessment that a Soviet attack was in progress.

"We don't think it is possible to give a false warning," one said during a reporter's recent visit to the facility.

But, as fast and accurately as warnings of a Soviet missile attack can reach NORAD and be sent on to Washington, offi-

cials still see the United States falling behind Soviet advances.

To recoup, U.S. modernization plans call for new radar installations, 15 squadrons of new F-15 and F-16 fighter-interceptors, and a proposed space-based missile defence, nicknamed Star Wars.

Twelve AWACs (airborne warning and control system) radar planes are also being added to NORAD's defences under a \$3.4 billion Reagan administration modernization program.

REPLACE DEW
NORAD officials said old DEW (distant early warning) radar stations strung across Canada, Alaska and Greenland with dangerous spaces between them are to be replaced by new, closely-spaced microwave radar units.

Eight "over-the-horizon" scanners, which bounce radar off the ionosphere and give a range of about 3,200 kilometres are also to be installed.

Canada, a member of the NORAD defence system, is sharing the cost of the new radar units.

The Star Wars project intended to use lasers and other new technology to detect and destroy incoming missiles before they reach North America, has gone into its research phase but there's no date estimated for deployment.

Falklands or miners, it's all the same to Maggie

LONDON (CP) — The Iron Lady is proud of her nickname. Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher hates to lose and doesn't win gracefully.

But the same determination — critics call it inflexibility — on which she has built a political career and international reputation has a price.

Thatcher hasn't lost much since she was the twice-unsuccessful Tory candidate Margaret Hilda Roberts in 1950 and 1951.

She reached the pinnacle of British politics by being a firm friend and fearsome foe and the same traits have characterized her five-plus years as prime minister.

Her unwavering adherence to principle and forceful command of her cabinet has shunted aside all but her most doctrinaire loyalists.

In war, she was a remarkable success — emulating her idol Winston Churchill. Argentine generals clearly underestimated the resoluteness with which she was willing to risk all to recover the Falkland Islands.

In the process, she also reversed her own sagging popularity and went on to paste the opposition Labor



Paul Koring

IN LONDON

party with its worst defeat since the Second World War. Doggedly refusing to give an inch has worked for Thatcher.

To this day she flatly dismisses any talk of cutting a deal with Argentina even though history and geography dictate that colonial outposts half-way around the world will not survive the test of time.

TOUGH WILL ALLIES

Thatcher has adopted the same do-it-my-way-or-else tactics with equal domestic dividends in her dealings with allies.

She demanded what she believed was Britain's due in budget rebates from the European Economic Community and, after bringing it to the brink of bankruptcy, got the money.

Still, foreign leaders — in that case French President François Mitterrand — don't appreciate Thatcher's often-graceless manner in victory.

Playing ace with little regard for the consequences suffered by the high-stakes losers when they face their own publics has won Thatcher admiration but little affection.

Similarly, she caused Irish Prime Minister Garret FitzGerald considerable embarrassment by easily ticking off as impossible all the options he proposed for finding solutions to the problems of Northern Ireland.

Still, foreign leaders have to expect to hold their own. But Thatcher has adopted the same I-win, you-lose, tactics in Britain's bitter and dangerously divisive coal-mining dispute.

STANCE SIMILAR
Her supporters argue that her unwillingness to negotiate only matches the inflexible approach adopted by the National Union of Mineworkers leader Arthur Scargill.

However, the realities of the last few weeks belie that argument.

The government is winning. It has sufficient coal to avoid economy-paralysing power cuts. A slow drift back to work has further undermined the striking miners' strength. And perhaps most importantly, the vast majority of Britons believe the government is determined to, and therefore will, emerge victorious.

What the Thatcher government seems incapable of doing is hastening an end to the strike by giving the increasingly beleaguered striking miners a dignified way out of what is becoming an intolerable position.

It's not that the government is incapable of making deals. When the pit supervisors threatened to walk out and close every pit in the country, the necessary face-saving formula was devised.

Now, Thatcher — through her personally appointed coal board chairman Ian MacGregor — has said if that agreement was good enough for the supervisors, it has to be good enough for the miners.

Take it or leave it. Which completely fails to take into account the very real problems of dignity faced by more than 120,000 miners who have been on strike for almost nine months.

To agree to precisely the same wording as the supervisors got without striking makes the miners and their leaders look immensely foolish, especially given the hardship many of their families have been forced to endure.

But it is not Thatcher's style to worry about the politics and the problems of losing.

However, the longer the miners hold out — even in the face of what is becoming an obvious eventual defeat — the deeper the bitter divisions in pit communities and between strikers and police will become.

Thatcher may relish winning on domestic issues as much as she does on foreign policy. The difference is that applying the same tactics at home can tear the social fabric.



A thousand a day head for food-supply village

By James R. Peipert
BATI (AP) — Eight small bundles stitched inside burlap sacks lay beneath the conical grass roof of a mortuary on the fringe of this Ethiopian famine relief centre.

Two of the bundles — the bodies of children who had died within the last few hours — were placed head-to-toe on a canvas litter next to the shrouded body of an adult, presumably their mother.

By the light of a late afternoon sun slanting through the cracks between the wooden pole walls, two men stitched together more shrouds.

In a tent not far away, 27 children and a few adults lay on litters in the camp's intensive care ward. Many of the emaciated, dehydrated patients were on fluid drips in a last-ditch bid to save their lives.

Dr. Miles Harris, a British physician working for the Red Cross, said about five of the patients would die before sundown.

The body of a boy whose life had just left him was already covered with sacking to keep off swarms of flies. On a litter next to

him lay the skeletal frame of a man, also plagued by flies. An occasional twitch of his arm was the only indication he was alive.

DEATHS COMMON
The famine victims were some of the 25,000 people who have flocked to this camp in the last few weeks in the hope of getting the food they need to survive. Bati is on the edge of the Danakil Desert, where Ethiopia's central highlands rise from the desert depression.

About 50 people have been dying every day at Bati, which over the last few weeks has become a focal point in the battle to alleviate hunger in this Horn of Africa country.

Fifty-five people had died already on the day a group of journalists visited the camp with officials of the government's Relief and Rehabilitation Commission, the main agency coping with the famine.

Fifty-five died the day before and 46 the day before that.

The officials said 20 to 30 people at a time are buried in common graves on the sides of the steep hills that ring Bati.

By government estimate, 6.4 million people out of a population of about 42 million have been seriously affected by a prolonged drought and famine in Ethiopia.

A western diplomat closely involved with an international relief effort has predicted privately that the famine could take 900,000 lives by the end of this year.

CROWDS CAMP
Eriem Mengesha, field officer for the Ethiopian Red Cross at Bati, said he set up the camp, consisting of about 200 tents and a few structures made of corrugated tin, toward the end of October. It was built to accommodate about 11,000 people, most of them from the parched region between Bati and the southern Red Sea.

About 10,000 people had already arrived at this small market town when the camp was constructed and the population has since swelled to about 25,000.

Late arrivals not lucky enough to be assigned tents live in crude shelters made from sticks, dried shrubbery, scraps of animal skins and burlap sacks. Shallow holes scooped out of the ground serve as

cooking hearths.

Eight hundred to 1,000 people still arrive every day, said Eriem. About 75 per cent of them are farmers of the Oromo tribe, and the rest are nomadic Affars.

Sigrður Gudmundsdóttir, a 30-year-old Red Cross nurse from Iceland, said some of the people in Bati trekked as far as 200 kilometres and were in a desperate state when they arrived.

She said about 3,500 small children and their mothers were on an intense feeding program of four meals a day consisting of a porridge made from ground soybeans and wheat, butter oil, sugar, rice and high-energy biscuits.

Gudmundsdóttir said she has had experience with refugee relief in neighboring Somalia and in Thailand. But she added: "This is the worst situation I have ever seen. Especially the children are very, very skinny and thin."

The camp has a staff of two doctors, six nurses — three of them foreign and three Ethiopians — and eight Ethiopian field assistants.

The Townships' first physicians

Early doctors were few and far between but they were colorful

By Bernard Epps

The Eastern Townships has been lucky both in doctors and diseases. The settlers had sickness enough to contend with — God knows! — but our isolation kept us relatively free of the deadliest epidemics — typhus, cholera, smallpox — which periodically raged the length of the St. Lawrence and deep into Ontario. Our first physicians, while few and far between, included a number of colourful and independent stamps that would stand out in any age. One built Sherbrooke's first jail; another was a celebrated forger. We had a hero of the liberation of Texas, an opinionated body-snatching surgeon who performed Canada's first major operation using anaesthetic, a famous Canadian poet and — if we care to include Thomas Neill Cream — a homicidal maniac whose effigy long graced Madame Tussaud's Chamber of Horrors.

Sherbrooke's first physician was Moses Nichols who arrived from New England in 1802 and was licensed to practice 'Physic and Surgery' in Lower Canada two years later. Sherbrooke, at that time, was no more than a handful of crude log cabins among the stumps, and the surrounding settlements were so sparsely populated that it was not likely Dr. Nichols was a physician full time.

As a captain, he became the first surgeon attached to Jesse Pennoyer's militia unit, the 5th Eastern Townships Battalion, during the War of 1812, but he also had various business interests. Pennoyer's 1824 map of Sherbrooke shows 'Dr. Nichol's lot' just east of the Dufferin Street bridge about where the Municipal Library stands today, but his residence was on the road to Lennoxville. When Sherbrooke became the judicial seat of the newly created Inferior District of St. Francis, Moses Nichols helped Sheriff Charles Whitchee build the jail.

Almost everyone has heard of Stephen Burroughs, notorious counterfeiter and confidence trickster who came to Burrough's Falls around 1800 when New England grew too hot for him. He'd seen the inside of a good many jails and dabbled a bit in counterfeit bank notes in the Townships before being converted to Catholicism and settling down to teach school in Shipton and Three Rivers.

But he had briefly attended Dartmouth College (before getting expelled) and had education enough to serve as ship's surgeon aboard an American packet. When smallpox broke out in Hatley in 1802 and spread rapidly throughout the Townships, Burroughs was the closest thing many people had to a doctor and served his patients creditably.

Smallpox was only one of the contagious diseases our first physicians had to struggle with but it was a constant threat. It was called smallpox to distinguish it from the Great Pox, vulgarly called French syphilis, and barely five of every thousand escaped its deforming touch in the 17th Century. In the 18th, it was responsible for a tenth of all deaths throughout the world.

Cortez brought it to the New World where it quickly killed 3½ million Indians. Lord Jeffrey Amherst, who captured Montreal in 1760, suggested it be deliberately used as a weapon against the Indians. "You will be well advised," he wrote to a subordinate, "to infect the Indians with sheets upon which smallpox patients have been lying, or by any other means which may serve to exterminate this accursed race." One-third of all Plains Indians died of the disease and it did more to conquer the West than guns and bullets.

Tuberculosis was common and scarlet fever carried off many set-

tlers' children with its complications. There was also 'throat distemper', more generally known as diphtheria, which was particularly prevalent during the autumn and rose to epidemic proportions every five or ten years. 'Spotted fever' was a term applied to epidemic cerebrospinal meningitis. It was colourfully described in *Forests and Clearings* by Grace Abbott who had lost three members of her family to the malady.

"The disease usually commenced with chills and general prostration, sudden and severe pain in the head and stomach, and vomiting. The brain soon became deranged and generally continued in that state until death, purple spots or blotches appearing and covering the surface of the body... Many of those who recovered were rendered partially or entirely deaf."

Spotted fever carried off a heartbreaking number of children in Stanstead County between 1811 and 1814. Dr. John Weston, who had come to Hatley in 1810, was the only surgeon in the County and Dr. Thomas Chapman, a Yale graduate who settled in Barnston in 1808, so exhausted himself fighting this outbreak that he died in 1814 at the age of 38.

A great many pioneers, of course, died of mysterious ailments that were never identified. Early cemeteries are full of the graves of children — sometimes five, six or seven to a family — who fell ill and wasted away while their parents sat helplessly by with no weapons but prayer and folklore.

Old English medical texts, brought to the Townships by the few who could read, were compendiums of witchcraft, herbal remedies and astrology. *Culpepper's Family Physician*, reprinted in Exeter, New Hampshire, in 1824, explained that some diseases were caused by devils and others by malevolent influences of the planets. "A Physician without Astrology," it said, "is like a pudding without fat." It contained an alphabetical listing of some 300 herbs, described their medicinal properties and the correct astrological time to gather, dry and administer them.

No better were the enormous number of quack medicines touted on the front pages of Townships' newspapers. Many claimed to cure virtually every disease. "The Greatest MEDICAL DISCOVERY of the Age," crowed one Townships' ad. "Mr. KENNEDY of Roxbury has discovered in one of the common weeds a remedy that cures EVERY KIND OF HUMOUR from the worst scrofula down to the common pimple."

Bowman's Real Old English Gargling Oil, made in Montreal, was very popular throughout the Townships and touted as "A Miraculous Medicine unequalled in the world as an external application to Wounds, Strains, Swellings of all kind, Rheumatic Pains, Burns and Scalds, Corns on Feet, etc. etc."

"We face ten thousand advertisements, handbills of quacks and almanacs," one doctor wrote in outrage. "We keep grim quiet while they shout their ten-cent nostrums."

TEXAS HERO

Dr. Joseph Henry Barnard came to Lennoxville from Massachusetts in 1829 and he was 25. He'd been educated at Williamsston and had spent three years as a ship's doctor before being licensed to practice medicine in the Townships. He later moved to the village of Sherbrooke and C.B. Felton's 1834 sketch depicts "Dr. Barnard's Residence (frame clapboard)" on the Orford side of the Magog River.

But the following year, after six years in the Townships, Dr. Barnard travelled to Chicago and enlisted as a private in Sam Houston's Red Rovers. In a short time, he was stationed at Fort Goliad, Texas, just downriver from the Alamo and in the path of an overwhelming Mexican army. The Fort and all its garrison was overrun and 320 prisoners were marched out onto the prairie and massacred on orders from Santa Anna.

Dr. Barnard was one of the few survivors and tended the wound from the later and more famous Battle of the Alamo. His journal of these exciting days is a primary source for historians and readers of *The Record* will recall he died of a heart attack while visiting Richmond in 1860 and that, in 1981, Texas took his bones back for a hero's funeral.

He was replaced in Sherbrooke by a Dr. Watson of whom we know little except that Eliza Stacey (wife of George Stacey who built a mill at Ascot Corner) had a crush on him. On December 12, 1836, she wrote to her sister in London:

"We have one friend here who delights to talk of London. It is Doctor Watson, our medical attendant. It is two years since he left London for a most extensive practice here. He also has a salary from the British Ameri-



can Land Company to attend the hospital and the immigrants.

"He is quite the most handsome man I know, his age about twenty-five, well made, black eyes, beautiful teeth and altogether a very elegant gentleman. I am thus particular in his description as I think if you were to come out here you might make up a match! There's nothing I would like better!"

There was no hospital in the Townships at this time but the Montreal General had opened its doors in 1822 to help the ancient Hotel-Dieu take care of the increasing swarms of immigrants. In Quebec, the Marine and Emigrant Hospital was founded a few years later for the same reasons and Dr. James Douglas, often called 'The Grand Old Man of Quebec medicine', was placed in charge.

James Douglas was born in Scotland and attended Edinburgh University, the foremost medical school in the world in those years — and notorious in 1829 for the activities of Burke and Hare. Finding it too much work to dig bodies from the graveyards, these two took to murder and delivered corpses to the anatomy rooms of Dr. Knox that were sometimes still warm.

Douglas sailed on an arctic whaler, fought cholera in Calcutta and yellow fever in Honduras until he settled in Utica, New York, to teach anatomy. The attic of his house was given over to the dissection of corpses and a scandal involving two such specimens stolen from a graveyard, forced Dr. Douglas to flee across the border to Quebec.

He had brought his younger brother, George, over from Scotland to serve as his assistant, and took as an indentured apprentice a 14-year-old Irish immigrant named Edward Dagge Worthington. They established themselves in Quebec City just in time to face the cholera epidemic of 1832 — an epidemic which killed more of Lower Canada's half million people in three months than of England's fifteen million in six.

It had long been expected. In fact, the Grosse Isle quarantine station had been set up to intercept the cholera. This particular outbreak had begun in India during the winter of 1816-17 and

spread like a stain from one country to the next. It reached China in 1820 and killed as many as 1,000 a day in Manila. It spread across Russia, through Germany and France and crossed the English Channel in 1831. There it ran through the squalid slums and poor tenements to the Highlands of Scotland and the bogs of Ireland, sometimes taking half the population of a village. It was only a matter of time before it emigrated.

When it shipped across the Atlantic the following June, nobody was prepared for the swiftness and severity of its coming and the Grosse Isle facilities were overwhelmed. Despite strict precautions, it was in Quebec City the very next day and in Montreal a few days later. By June 16th, 400 cases had been admitted to the Montreal General and 180 of those died. On June 20th alone, 165 new cases were reported and 88 of those died. On June 21st, there were 137 new cases and 77 proved fatal.

Cholera reached its deadly fingers into the Townships where six cases were reported in Drummondville on July 17 and several people died at St. Jean but the Townships lacked the crowded and filthy conditions where the disease flourished. By September 30th, when cold weather put an end to the outbreak, 20,000 Canadians had been killed.

ANAESTHESIA

Meanwhile, the handsome Dr. Watson had left and Sherbrooke was without a doctor. In 1839, the villagers sent a letter to Dr. James Bell Johnston inviting him to practice in the village and for forty miles around, and guaranteeing him a minimum of \$25 a week (most of this would have been in goods because there was very little real money in the Townships then).

Dr. James Bell Johnston, related to Sherbrooke's representative, Bartholomew Gagy, was then 29 and a graduate of Montreal Medical School. He had also taken a degree at Edinburgh University where his thesis had been on *delirium tremens*. Considering the Townshippers' taste for potato whisky this may — or may not — have had any bearing on his invitation.

In 1843, he was joined by Dr.

Edward Dagge Worthington who had been released from his indenture to Dr. Douglas to serve as an army surgeon during the Papineau Rebellion and then he, too, had taken his degree at Edinburgh. The very first winter he lived in the Townships an outbreak of erysipelas carried off old people and young alike.

For the next thirty years, Dr. Worthington had virtually all the surgical practice of the Townships, but the effectiveness of major surgery was severely limited by the attendant pain and shock. The cure was often worse than the complaint. However, a year after he set up practice, an American dentist took nitrous oxide (laughing gas) to have a tooth extracted and felt no pain. Two years later, a Boston dentist used ether for another extraction and in January of 1847, Sir James Y. Simpson employed chloroform as an anesthetic in Edinburgh.

So important were these experiments to surgery that they were quickly taken up everywhere. A few weeks after the Edinburgh experiment, Dr. Wolfred Nelson and his son, Dr. Horace Henry Nelson, employed chloroform for the first time in Canada in excising a tumor. (Dr. Wolfred Nelson, an English physician, had been allowed to return to Canada after his exile to Bermuda for his part in the Papineau Rebellion and later served as mayor of Montreal. He also authored an important paper on "Prevention of Cholera" and his grandson, Dr. George Nelson, later practiced in Marbliton. Dr. Horace Henry Nelson was also an author. He wrote the immortal "Strictures of the Rectum".)

In Sherbrooke, Dr. Worthington was also excited by the new discovery and was eager to try it himself. His chance came early in March when an Eaton Corner man suffered a crushed leg and would die of gangrene unless it was amputated. The usual practice was to restrain the patient by force while the leg was sawn off, but on March 14, 1847, Dr. Worthington, assisted by Dr. Andrews of Cookshire and Dr. Rogers of Eaton, performed the first major operation in all Canada using chloroform. He wrote a report on the event for the *Montreal Medical Journal* and reported using it three times more in Sherbrooke on

February 10th of the following year. Before long, chloroform — and Dr. Worthington's articles — were routine.

1847 was also the year when Dr. George Douglas, now in charge of the Grosse Isle quarantine station, spotted the first signs of a new epidemic. Of the 241 Irish immigrants aboard the Syria, the first ship to arrive that spring, 84 were ill with typhus and nine had already died on the voyage. Four days later, eight more ships arrived bringing 430 new cases and still more were on the way.

To ease the pressure, immigrants who showed no sign of illness were allowed to pass on up the river over the desperate protests of Dr. Douglas. "Out of the 4,000 or 5,000 that have left since Sunday," he cried, "at least 2,000 will fall sick somewhere before three weeks are over... Good God, what evils will befall the city where they alight!... Give the authorities of Quebec and Montreal fair warning from me!"

High salaries and cash bonuses lured extra doctors to Grosse Isle but of the 26 who laboured there that terrible summer, 22 caught the disease and four died. Dr. Douglas himself came down with it — it was spread through body lice — but laboured on. Six thousand died on the ships, 5,300 at Grosse Isle, 6,000 more in Montreal and another 2,000 inland. A few cases appeared in the Townships but again our isolation and scattered population saved us.



Sir Sam Hughes



Dr. James Bell Johnston

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No one is obliged to accept office

Q. If I accept to be a testamentary executor now, at the time of the death of the testator, may I refuse to act and give the settlement of the estate to a trust company?

A. The Civil Code of the Province of Quebec states that no one is obliged to accept the office of testamentary executor. However, once one has accepted, one may no longer renounce without an authorization of the judge and for sufficient cause unless the will states otherwise.

Nevertheless, this acceptance is only valid from the time of the death of the testator. Therefore, in the case which concerns you, any promise that you may have made to the testator during his or her lifetime is without effect. You are therefore free to refuse to act as testamentary executor and the heirs to give the settlement of the estate to a trust company unless the will has provided for the manner in which a replacement executor is to be appointed or has provided for successive replacements.

Devolution of an abintestat succession

Q. If my wife dies without leaving a will and we have two children, is it true that I will inherit everything?

A. If your wife dies abintestat (without a will)

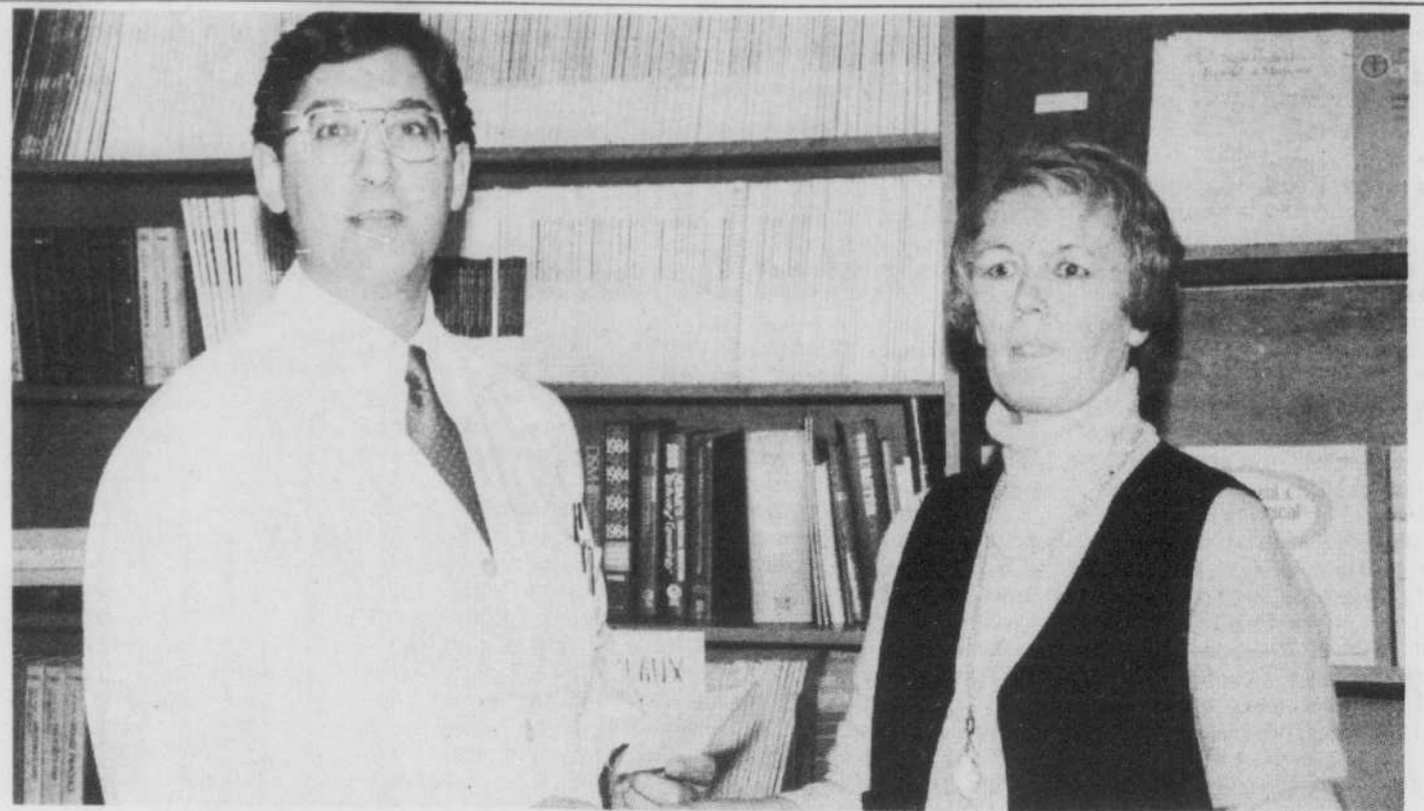
Legally speaking

By Jacqueline Kouri



and you do not have a marriage contract in which there is a testamentary clause, her estate will be divided according to the Civil Code of the Province of Quebec, that is, one-third of the estate will devolve to you and two-thirds to your children in equal shares.

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BMP Hospital receives cheque

Paddie Ellson, owner of Paddie's Fashion Boutique, Knowlton, presented Dr. William Barakett with a cheque of \$1,800 at the Brome-Missisquoi-Perkins Hospital. The funds were raised at a highly successful fashion show when over 250 showed up at the Knowlton Legion Hall. The money will be used to purchase new equipment and Ellson says she is planning another show

on April 27, 1985 featuring spring and summer fashions, with the proceeds again going to the BMP. "Not only is it a vital community service, but it is also my favorite charity," she said citing the excellent care she received.

(John McCaghey)

social notes



Langlois—Gagné

A very pretty wedding took place at the Lennoxville United Church, on July 14th, 1984. Penny Langlois, daughter of Mrs. Mildred Langlois and the late Bill Langlois of Lennoxville, Que., became the bride to Pierre Gagné, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henri Gagné of Magog.

The bridesmaids were Kim Dier, Melodie Brier; Matron of honor, Lisa Hill; flowergirl, Andrea Woolford; ringbearer, Kevin Woolford; best man was Ron Warnholtz; ushers, Tim Brier, Bertrand Gagné.

The reception was held at the F.L. Restaurant. Later Pierre and Penny left for Maine for their honeymoon.

The couple will reside in Magog, Que.

Miscellaneous shower

The Municipal Hall in Bishopton was the scene of a most enjoyable event on Saturday afternoon when Miss Maude Roy of Brookbury was the guest of honour at a miscellaneous shower.

Miss Roy, a December bride to be, her mother Mrs. Roy and prospective mother-in-law Mrs. Lena Joyce, were presented with lovely corsages and escorted to seats at a large table heaped with gifts. Maude was assisted in the pleasant task of opening the gifts by her mother and Mrs. Joyce as well, as Janet Joyce, the groom's sister from Montreal.

After the many gifts had been opened and admired Miss Roy thanked everyone for their gift and also the hostesses for arranging the shower.

A delicious lunch was served to over fifty guests. A beautiful shower cake made, decorated and given as a gift by Mrs. Lorna Bennett was then cut and passed around by the bride to be. The hostesses were Mrs. Irene Harrison, Mrs. Rita Lebourveau, Miss Mary Labourveau, Mrs. Janet Labourveau, Mrs. Mamie Clark, Mrs. Janet Hartwell and Mrs. Florence Harrison.

45th anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Clark of North Hatley have just returned from visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ride in Beaconsfield, Quebec. Sunday, November 18 was Ronald and Thelma's 45th wedding anniversary and they were extremely surprised to be honored by a family party planned by their daughter, Faith.

Champagne and a delicious buffet supper was served to the guests.

Those present were Jack and Faith Ride and family, Jennifer, Michael and Scott all of Beaconsfield, Lyndall and Michael Atterbury and family Colin and Brian of Ottawa, Carole Clark of Montreal and friend Laz Bourous of Ottawa, Gavin and Donna Morton of Burlington, Ontario, Michael Barker of Cornwall and Anne Cheatham of Kingston.

Laz Bourous entertained on the guitar and a very happy time was enjoyed by all.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Pierre and Doris (McGee) Sarrasin of Keswick, Ont., who are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on December 3.

Birthday wishes

Congratulations to Mrs. Winifred Bilodeau of Bromptonville formerly of Stanstead who will celebrate her 86th birthday on Sunday, December 2nd.

Best wishes and Happy birthday from her family and friends.

Wishing a very happy birthday to Mrs. Jennie Beers of The Wales Home who will be 91 years young on November 30th from her relatives and friends.

Uplifting to see employee devotion

Dear Ann Landers: In reply to the lady who wrote that she hoped when she was old her children would want her as much as she wanted them when they were young: Only if you have money, Lady.

I work in a nursing home and see the heart-break among our elderly. It is additional evidence that the world is a spiritual and moral mess.

The most uplifting part of my job is seeing the devotion from the employees. I mean the people who work in the laundry and the kitchen, the aides and the nurses. They manage to give the frail and lonely patients (ignored by their families) the love and attention they crave.

Too many nursing homes have become warehouses for the old and unwanted. Where are their families? Why doesn't anybody come? Why don't they write or send an occasional gift? I have spent my own money to buy patients combs, brushes, cologne, dusting power, writing paper - just to name a few items. They need warm socks, shawls, clocks, magnifying glasses and dozens of other things.

The well-to-do old folks get quite a lot of attention - until they become senile, that is. The poor are often so lonely it is heartbreaking. I'll sign this - Everywhere, U.S.A.

Dear U.S.A.: I hate to believe there is any validity to your indictment, but I'm sure there is. Many elderly folks are visited regularly by their children, however, and I shall undoubtedly hear some cries of outrage when your letter appears.

Dear Ann Landers: A few years ago, when we lived in Chicago, a neighbor lady was struck and killed by a car. She was lovely person and we were sick about it. The police never found the driver.

Since then my family has moved to another city. Within the last year my oldest daughter has turned into a chronic alcoholic. She has been fired from several jobs, stolen money from us, and refuses to take care of herself. A few weeks ago I caught her with pills.

I finally decided to have a heart-to-heart talk

Ann Landers



and try to find out why her life had taken such a bad turn. I was shocked when she confessed to me that she was the driver of the car that had killed our neighbor.

The girl wants to get help, but my husband will not allow it. He claims that under the law, the psychiatrist must turn her in for what she has done.

We love our daughter, but we don't want to be responsible for making her a defendant in a murder trial.

I am a faithful reader and never miss what you have to say. Please hurry and print this letter. I can't give you my name and address for obvious reasons. The last thing we need is a dead daughter. — Desperate For Help.

Dear Desperate: I consulted with one of Chicago's most knowledgeable and respected criminal attorneys, Edward M. Genson. He said:

"Since the laws regarding privileged information between patient and psychiatrist vary from state to state, it would be wise to consult a lawyer and learn what the law is in your state. (No — the lawyer is not obligated to turn her in.)"

"In many states, subject to certain carefully circumscribed exceptions, information given to a duly licensed psychiatrist by a patient is considered privileged communication and need not be disclosed to anyone."

I hope for your daughter's sake and for yours that she will be able to confess what she has done and get right with her conscience. I am sure she did not intentionally kill the woman. Her big mistake was fleeing from the scene of the accident and keeping silent all these years.

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Galt News: Students awarded for contributions, accomplishments

Last week's column included all the bursaries and scholarships which were awarded at the thirteenth annual AGRHS Awards Night which was held on November 15, 1984.

After the presentations of the scholarships and bursaries, the Honour Roll Certificates were awarded. From all six houses, there was a total of 184 certificates awarded.

The evening continued with the Galt Student Council Awards for the school year 1983-84. The President's Award went to Kim Dutcher, the president of the Students' Council for 83-84. Honorable mention went to the following students: Vice President - Erin Cosgrove, Secretary - Lisa Grant, Treasurer - Mike Prevost, Cultural Affairs - Christine Gagne, Publicity - Robyn Huff, Yellow House President - Wayne Lowry, Orange House President - Mauricette Monvoisin, Red House President - Kathy Musty, Purple House President - Pauline Tsai, Blue House President - Judi Rever, and Green House President - Kathy MacKinnon.

Next, there was a special presentation made by Robert Halsall. A trophy was presented to Kathy Musty for her writing Galt News during her five years at Galt.

Mrs. P. Losier presented the cycle one English awards to the following students: English 110 - Pam Buzzell, English 120 - Pam Lowry, English 130 - Kim McKell, English 210 - Wyatt Coates, English 220 - Tanya Bellehumeur, English 230 - Kathryn McBurney.

The level three English Awards were presented by Mr. J. Bertram. The English 310 award went to Christian Giroux. The English 320 award went to Stephanie Brown. Yolanda Shattler won the English 352 award. Mrs. D. Beldon presented the level four English awards to the following

students: English 412 - Melita Lavallee, English 422 - Blenda Jong, English 452 - Gisile Parent.

Mrs. J. Kingsley presented the following English awards: English 512 - Todd Clowery, English 522 - Christine Theoret, English 532 - Philip Côté.

The Sherbrooke and District University Women's Club Essay Contest Awards were presented by Mrs. B. Sanborn. The first prize went to Carolyn Groves. Tanya Bellehumeur and Kathleen Cassidy tied for the second place prize.

The French awards came next. The Daphne Codere Memorial Prizes For Progress in Oral French were donated by the Sherbrooke and District University Women's Club, and presented by Mrs. B. Sanborn. The prize for Junior French went to Christina Sullivan. The prize for Senior French went to Penny Lafontaine.

The Junior French Awards were presented by Miss P. Rondeau. The following students won the awards: French 110 - Craig Sager, French 120 - Stephanie Smith, French 130 - Maryse Cadrin, French 150 - Michael Brock, Special Achievement - Tina Simonneau, French 210 - Peter MacElrea, French 220 - Wendy Hornby, French 230 - Kanishka Sircar, French 250 - Laurel Thomson.

The Senior French Awards were presented by Mrs. B. Sanborn. The following students were awarded: French 300 - Jocelyn Driscoll, French 310 - Shawn Vancour, French 320 - Michael MacGregor, French 330 - Kathleen Turgeon, French 400 - Gisele Parent, French 412 - Nicholas Shattler, French 422 - Lana Humphrey, French 442 - Randi Heatherington, French 512 - Terri Neal, French 522 - Rafael Tirado, French 542 - Kathy Musty.

The Spanish Awards were presented by Miss P. Rondeau. The Spanish 310 award went to Anne Reed. The

Spanish 412 award went to Jennifer Epps. The Spanish 512 award went to Lucie Labreque.

The Nursing Assistants Graduation Pins were presented by Miss M. Strom. Following are the students who graduated: Doris Christie Clough, Katrina Crosby, Penny Fowler, Wendy Hughes, Wendy Irving, Pricella Keet, Kellie King, Laura Laprise, Marie Lousin, Nancy MacIver, Linda Rowe, Sylvie Skuse, Carol Smith Geary, Gary Smith.

The Home Economics Awards were presented by Mrs. K. Kercher. The Junior award went to Joanne Tracy. The Senior award went to Marlene Cairns and Bruno Petrucci.

The Milby Women's Institute Home Economics Awards was also presented by Mrs. K. Kercher. Heather Matheson won that award.

The Business Education Awards were presented by Mrs. S. Cochrane. Following are the students who won: Accounting Clerk - Cindy Bryan, General Secretary - Laurie Jenkin, Steno Typist - Sarah Wilson, Receptionist - Lorraine Andrews, Office Clerk - JoAnn Gill, Junior Clerk - Gisele Parent.

The Special Achievement Awards were presented by Mrs. D. Fidler. Roy Cunningham, Paul Despres, and Lisette Turcotte won that award.

Next came the Art Awards which were presented by Miss M. Mildon. The Art 412 award went to Owen Jenkins and Sheila Oakley. The Art 512 Award and the Captain Brown Award in Art both went to Lorraine Andrews.

The Drama Awards were presented by Mr. N. Gonyer. The award for achievement went to Jennifer Epps, and the award for participation went to Patricia Rowe and Alexandra Zivkov.

Next came the Music Awards. The Piano Trophy was presented by Mrs.

E. Warlund, and was won by Janice Patterson and Derek Edwards.

The Music Trophy went to Alison Arnot and Michelle Rahn. The trophy was presented by Mr. J. Pille.

The Jimmy Musty Memorial Award for Music was also presented by Mr. Pille. Sheila Buck won that award.

The Ella Hoy Trophy was won by Pauline Tsai and Gloria Cheal. The Newton Memorial Trophy was won by Jeffrey Mariasine. Both trophies were presented by Mrs. N. Brown.

The Ladies Hairdressing award went to Gail Talon. The Commercial Cooking award was won by Elaine Buckle. Both awards were presented by Mrs. C. Smith.

Mr. C. Smith presented the award for the top Technical Vocational student (male) to William Cambell.

The Drew-Hartwell-Naylor Memorial Award was won by Luc Johnson. Mr. E. Taylor presented that award.

The Sears Award for Photolithography was presented by Mr. F. Jenne. Sylvie Cotoir won that award. Sylvie is the first female to ever receive this award at Galt.

The Bown Lumber Award for Construction was won by Nelson Garfat. Mr. C. Smith presented that award.

The Stanley Tool Company Award in Woodworking was won by Alain Jacques. Mr. H. Musty presented that award.

Mr. B. Lemelin presented the Drivers' Education awards. The top female student was Kathy Musty, and the top male student was Paul Anderson.

The Moral and Social Development awards were presented by Mr. H. Brown. Sarah Warlund won both the 421 award and the 521 award.

The Religious Education award was presented by Mr. J. Prah. Linda Beaudoin won the 421/521 award.

The Public Speaking and Debating Awards were presented by Mr. J. Bertram. The Senior Public Speaking Award was won by Blenda Jong and Sarah Warlund. The Junior Public Speaking Award was won by Elliott Kanner.

The Social Studies Awards were presented by Mr. C. Rodger. The History 412 award was won by Joaquim Basora. The History 512 award was won by Susan Stewart. The History 522 award was won by Jennifer Epps. The Geography 412 award was won by Alexandra Zivkov. The Economics award was won by Brenda Jong. The English-History 320 awards went to Marie-Josée Lambert, Brenda Bergeron, and Anushree Varma.

The Mathematics awards came next with the Level Four Math award going to Carl Nassar, and the Level Five Math award going to Bruce Tracy. Both the awards were presented by Mr. A. Edwards. The Level Three Math award was donated by the Brompton Road Women's Institute. The winner of that award was Joaquin Basora. Mrs. N. Mackey presented the award.

The Science Awards were presented by Mr. B. Patton. The Biology 532 award went to Heather Dunn and Anushree Varma. The Chemistry 562 award went to Carl Nassar. The Physics 552 award was presented to Paul Chamourain.

The Tracy Sheldon Memorial Award (For citizenship in Red House Cycle One) was presented by Mrs. R. Sheldon. Sandy Isabelle and Jane Little won that award.

The Whitman Haines Citizenship award was won by Judi Rever. That award was presented by Mr. Bob Halsall.

Mr. H. Auger presented the Top Academic Student Trophies. The Level Four winner was Manon Garand.



Jennifer Epps... 90 per cent average.

The Level Five winner was Christine Theoret.

The Bishop's University Scholarship (For highest academic achievement in Level Five) was presented by Dr. Robin Burns. Christine Theoret won that scholarship.

The final presentation of the evening was that of the Everett 'Doc' Porter Award (For academic excellence over five years at Galt) The runner-up was Paul Chamourain with an amazing 87 per cent average. The winner, however was Jennifer Epps, who by this time, could find the stage with her eyes closed! Her average for her five years at Galt was an incredible 90%. How she pulled that one off, I don't know! Throughout the ceremony, Jennifer made her way to the stage eight times for various scholarships, bursaries, and awards which she earned. One could easily say that Jennifer has had a most successful high school career!

Cookshire Primary School

COOKSHIRE — The 8th meeting of the Cookshire School Centennial Committee was held recently in the school, with 14 in attendance.

Following the reading of the minutes and their approval, general business was discussed.

The next newsletter will be sent out as soon as possible. Marilyn Ross agreed to compose the letter, and the correspondence committee will look after the addressing and mailing the letters.

Mention was made that any material for the book must be submitted to the publishing committee by Dec. 15th. There will also be a note that advertising and family pledges should be submitted along with payment. It is also important to know how many

will be attending the banquet.

The meeting was interrupted for a few minutes when Pat Fremont arrived to take photos of the committee.

The committee has started selling advertising and the response has been good. In exchange for an ad, Mr. Vaudry is donating a large centrepiece for the head table, and 32 small flower arrangements for the banquet.

A notice will be put in the Galt Bulletin for any Galt students who had attended Cookshire Primary School to leave their names with Gail Olsson.

A motion was made that the contract with Imprimerie, Rock Forest, be approved.

More photos would be appreciated; please write your name on the back of them. Bob Gill will be approached to

write up an article on Frank Hurd. It was agreed that several books would be donated to the various libraries and museums in the area.

Two downstairs halls have been reserved for the banquet and dance. The banquet will start at 7 p.m. and the dance at 9 p.m. 48 hours notice prior to the banquet will be required in order to calculate how many will be attending. The meal plan proposed by Malcolm Fraser was accepted; there will be a full course turkey dinner, the approximate price will be \$11.00 per person, with tax included.

Tentative plans were made for hiring music for the dancing, and also for the "under 18" dance on the Friday evening and for background music at the banquet, and during intermissions.

Rolling into another challenging season of sports

Massey-Vanier Views

offers. It is hoped that as many people as possible will make an effort to attend the Parents' Night as it is a truly educational experience for the parents.

Radio and news broadcasts have brought the public to realize the situation in Ethiopia and due to their obvious need for help, Massey-Vanier is planning to raise money for the UNICEF Fund. We are hoping to have the participation of the full student body. Any donations from the public would be greatly appreciated.

The soccer and cross country running season has come to an end. Unfortunately the girls' soccer team failed to accomplish their goal of making the finals but they certainly showed a great deal of team spirit. The cross country runners

turned the tables in our favour showing the best participation level ever and a great amount of promising runners. The girls won the B.C.S. Invitational Championships on October 27. Four of our runners qualified for the provincials; Lisa Rozon, Stephanie Terrill, Valerie Terrill and Willie Turner. Volleyball, basketball and hockey, our three main winter sports have started. The players are putting lots of effort into these beginning practices, providing us with an optimistic outlook for this season. Because of this, we believe we are rolling into another exciting and challenging season of sports.

On November 22nd and 23rd the Massey-Vanier hockey team, the Vikings, held an Invitational Hockey Tournament at the Pavillon des Sports.

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New weekly newspaper very popular with students

Few activities are taking place at Richmond Regional. But we have dug up a few to spark our readers' attention.

On Wednesday, November 21 a representative of Champlain CEGEP in Lennoxville came to speak to those level V students interested in attending Champlain. There were slides and a commentary. The slides focused on the CEGEP in Lennoxville. Students' questions were answered after the presentation.

A ping-pong tournament began Monday, November 26 at noon. There are three categories: level 1 and 2 students; level 3, 4 and 5 students; and an open category for teachers and students of any level. Cash prizes will be awarded.

Public-speaking competitions are being held December 10 for juniors and December 13 for seniors. The students will speak in front of their classes for a given length of time (3-4 min., juniors and 4-5 min. seniors). They will be judged, and the winner in each category will receive a trophy.

The yearbook staff is struggling to sell adverti-

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By Erin Mallory and Stacey Lancaster

sements for a calendar to raise much-needed money for the yearbook. The yearbook may fold if the support that we had in the past years is not repeated. The editors, Peggy McCourt, Shelly Grainger, and Kelly Patrick are working hard to meet deadlines.

A raffle will be held at RRHS to help fund the yearbook and Grad trip. A large succulent turkey will be raffled off as first prize, and a tantalizing ham will go to the second prize winner.

Donations for the Christmas Basket fund will begin soon. The students of RRHS bring in food or money, and it all goes into one fund. It is then

divided up and given to the less fortunate families of our community.

Practices are taking place for the long awaited basketball season. All the teams are being tuned to fine form for the season which began Friday, November 23. Players and coaches alike were anxious to get the season underway. Good luck to all our basketball teams.

A new addition to the school this year is **The Bugle**, a weekly newspaper that is posted on bulletin boards in every classroom and elsewhere around the school. Tom Vandermeulen, the head of the PASS Program (Positive Alternative to Student Suspension), is the editor of this school newspaper. At the start of the school year all the articles were written by the editor, but since then students have been submitting art work, poetry, articles and cartoons to the newspaper. **The Bugle** is very popular with the students and personal copies can be obtained for a slight charge. Both students and staff are pleased with the results of **The Bugle**. There is no doubt that this newspaper is an asset to Richmond Regional.

The root of the problem is nervousness about sex

WINNIPEG (CP) — In Montreal, students in a Protestant school talk candidly about sexual abuse, pornography and abortion.

In Lethbridge, Alta., only a few students have opted out of the school system's human sexuality program.

In Winnipeg's St. Vital School Division, more than 92 per cent of students signed up for a family life program, with a strong sex education component, despite loud protests from some parents.

Advocates of sex education in schools consider these programs oases of enlightenment in a country struggling to teach its children about their own sexuality.

"The root (of the problem) isn't sex education," says Sam Luker, a Guelph University family studies professor. "The root is that we are very nervous about sex in this country."

Luker the state of family life education in Canada is spotty at best, with provincial governments not wanting to handle what has become a hot issue.

For example, in British Columbia, there is no family life education curriculum. A proposed curriculum was drawn up for the 1982-83 school year, but the Social Credit government of Premier Bill Bennett shelved the program and there are no signs of it being renewed.

B.C. curriculum director Bob Overgaard has suggested that family life and health education may not be a high priority considering the need for other programs in such areas as career and consumer education.

IMPORTANT SUBJECT

Luker counters that sex education is "at least as important as geo-

graphy."

Schools in Quebec have a choice of two provincially approved programs — one secular and one that incorporates the topic in a moral and religious education program.

In the Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal, sexual issues are taught as a "very broad concept" starting in Grade 1, says Quebec consultant Margaret Capes.

By Grade 9, topics such as anatomy and reproduction have long been covered and controversial issues are raised.

The Lethbridge program involves parents. Board official Sharon Gibb said the Grades 1 to 10 program has been nurtured along by a series of parents' advisory committees.

But in most jurisdictions, children are not guaranteed any comprehensive information about sexuality.

In Saskatchewan, the department of education includes human sexuality as an option in its health program but few school boards have picked it up.

TEACHERS TRAVEL

Saskatchewan provincial consultant Mary Jean Martin said that instead, students in many school systems receive sex education from a travelling team of resource teachers who talk about fertility and conception and are sponsored by a group that lobbies against abortion.

In Ontario, local boards are left to deal with sensitive issues — such as abortion and masturbation — on their own. Boards have started demanding that the province be more specific in family life education guidelines now being drawn up.

Disks can last a long time with careful handling

Computer File

By Mike Fuhrmann

OF THE CANADIAN PRESS

Personal computer users tend to be extremely careful in handling their floppy disks — with good reason. One false move and a day's work might be wiped out.

Users are cautioned about smoking near them (an ash on a disk is like dropping a boulder on an LP), touching a disk's exposed surface (a guarantee of instant data loss) or placing one near an electric motor or magnet.

But regardless of how carefully they are handled, can these fragile sheets of plastic that store information eventually self-destruct?

"There is a shelf life, but nobody knows what it is," says Mark Welland, national sales manager for disk maker Maxell Corp. of America Inc.

"In theory a disk should last forever," he says, but in fact the shelf life of a floppy disk full of information and stored unused "could be 50 or 100

years." Since disks haven't been around that long, no one knows how long they'll last.

COPY IN DECADE

But to be on the safe side, Welland recommends that information be copied on to a fresh disk every 10 years (he admits the number is an arbitrary one).

As for disks in constant use and subject to the wear and tear of disk drives, tests show that they will survive 10 million passes — moments of contact between the disk and the drive mechanism when information is transferred from one to the other.

That could be equivalent to more than 50 years of heavy daily use, and Welland says the figure is a conservative estimate.

However, a faulty or grime-clogged disk drive could chew up a disk in a day.

"Disks are more durable than people think," Welland says, but it's not a fact he wants spread around.

"We want people to be cautious" in handling disks, so that disastrous loss of data won't happen because of carelessness. After all, in the event of a disaster someone might blame the disk maker.

AVOID BAD NEWS

The credibility of many computer magazines has always been somewhat suspect in the eyes of a number of readers, since it's hard to find a

negative review of a product in any of them. That would offend advertisers.

In some remarkable admissions made at a Vancouver forum of computer publishers and reported by the trade newspaper ComputerWorld Canada, two magazine representatives confirmed what many people have suspected: Some publications have a policy of not printing bad reviews.

Les Solomon of Popular Electronics said that if a hardware or software product doesn't work properly the magazine requests a second sample. "If it's as bad as the first we just don't say anything about it," said Solomon.

And Doug Clapp, a former columnist for InfoWorld, said "we want companies to succeed."

"Nobody wants to say anything bad about a product."

Sports

Gretzky shows off for family, friends in Toronto

Edmonton Oilers coach Glen Slatner thought Wayne Gretzky was a bit tired so he let him rest most of the third period. It was too late as far as Toronto Maple Leafs were concerned.

Gretzky had already recorded the 30th three-goal performance of his five-plus years in the National Hockey League in addition to two assists as the Stanley Cup champion Oilers cruised to a 7-1 triumph over the forlorn Leafs.

On Sunday, the ace centre left Edmonton before his teammates to squeeze in a cereal promotion and a charity luncheon in Toron-

to, but his plans were wrecked when fogged-in airports forced diversions to Calgary, Cleveland and Montreal. The rest of the team left Monday morning and was on the ice practising that afternoon before No. 99 checked in.

Tuesday night, linemates Gretzky, Mike Krushelnyski (two goals, two assists) and Jari Kurri (three assists) produced 15 points by the seventh minute of the second period.

GIVES LINE REST
So Sather sat them down in the third.
"He didn't need to be out on the

ice any more," Sather said of Gretzky. "He was stuck flying for about 24 hours because of the fog and he hadn't been on ice for

Oops!
The Champlain Cougars Quebec AAA CEGEP Hockey League game scheduled for tonight against C.M.R. is at 8:30 and not 7 p.m. as it was reported in Monday's Record. We regret any inconvenience the error may have caused.

about two days." Gretzky's three goals gave him 24 this season and a career total 380. He also now has 598 career assists. In 22 games this season, Gretzky has compiled a league-leading 64 points.

Gord Sherven and Pat Hughes also scored for the Oilers, while Walt Roddubny spoiled Andy Moog's shutout in the third period.

The Oilers improved to 16-3-3. The Leafs, who have lost four straight since upsetting Montreal Canadiens, and now sport a dis-

mal 4-15-3 won-lost-tied record. Gretzky had a piece of advice to the Leaf fans - don't panic. "You need to play guys like (defenceman Al) Iafate and the goaltenders and (defenceman Gary) Leeman and let them learn and make mistakes," Gretzky said. "You've got to build your own group of people."

CAPITALS 9 NORDIQUES 2
Gary Sampson and Craig Laughlin both scored twice to power Washington past Quebec, ending the Nordiques' winning streak at four.

the Record

William Harris



Not enough

Gordie Howe's ability to play professional hockey in the 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s and 80s has become legendary, establishing him forever as one of the world's truly remarkable athletes.

But how do most of us remember Howe? Most members of my generation remember him only as an old man, talented but past his prime, a bit of a novelty. We tend to forget that in his day Gordie Howe was one of the most talented hockey players in the history of the NHL. All that comes to mind now is how LONG he played hockey, not how WELL he played hockey.

At 33 years of age, Guy Lafleur has decided to take another route. There's no doubt in my mind that Lafleur is still good enough to play professional hockey. Sure, he's slowed down a little. He gets hurt more often. His goal scoring production isn't what it used to be, and his flyaway hair, which for years was the danger signal in other NHL cities, isn't so thick anymore.

But Lafleur still has enough natural talent to play regularly on any one of the league's 21 teams, despite his problems. He could still be an average NHL hockey player.

But being average just wouldn't be enough for Guy Lafleur.

The personal pressure on Lafleur must have been incredible over the past few months, as he carried the weight of the world around on his shoulder pads. When considering that Lafleur is a hero around the league, and a God in the province of Quebec, it's easy to see how he was pushed to the breaking point. Or rather, how he pushed HIMSELF to the breaking point.

Contrary to what most sportscasters in the country have recently been telling you, Lafleur's performance throughout the first quarter of the 1984-85 season wasn't really so terrible. He certainly wasn't breaking any scoring records, and luck obviously wasn't following him around, but he was still playing solid, basic hockey, and still making a valuable contribution to the Montreal Canadiens.

In terms of vintage Guy Lafleur, however, his performance must be measured on an entirely different scale. To Lafleur himself, a class act right up until the very end, this was the only scale that mattered.

Lafleur has decided not to play on past his prime, declining to become a second Gordie Howe, although he certainly could if he wanted to. Instead, Lafleur wants to be remembered for what he was in his prime — one of the greatest players in hockey history.

Lafleur has bailed out just in time, retiring before his current difficulties began to distort the memory of his outstanding career. Saying goodbye to the only life he's ever known must not have been easy for Lafleur, especially when he knows that he is quite capable of continuing. But Lafleur displayed two of his most famous qualities — class and guts — in making the most difficult decision that ever faces a professional athlete.

I know that my praise means absolutely nothing to Lafleur himself, but for what it's worth, he made me feel proud. Proud that he was my hero.

Harold to let Soviets into the Gardens

TORONTO (CP) — Harold Ballard has welcomed Moscow Dynamo into Maple Leaf Gardens on Jan. 4 for an exhibition game against Team Canada '85, Hockey Canada and the Labatt Brewing Co. announced Tuesday.

The game is one of 10 the two teams will play in Canada and the United States, beginning Dec. 26 in St. John's, Nfld.

Team Canada will be comprised of 1988 Olympic hopefuls and other selected players, and the series is part of a Hockey Canada program to assess and develop potential Olympic players.

In recent years, Ballard, president of Maple Leaf Gardens, has banned Soviet teams — hockey or otherwise — from competing in his building. However, he recently said the Gardens will allow a hockey game between Soviet and Canadian midget teams in December.

"I also feel it is important to contribute to the development of our Olympic hockey program as Canada prepares to host the 1988 Winter Olympics in Calgary," Ballard said in a statement. "We all realize that, in order to compete successfully, our young Canadian Olympic hopefuls must play top international teams, and this tour is one of the stepping stones to provide the necessary experience."

Alan Eagleson, international negotiator for Hockey Canada, said money was one of the conditions Ballard attached to the agreement.

"When he heard that the Soviets weren't getting any money, he said that's fine," Eagleson said.

Sam Pollock, chairman of the Canadian Olympic hockey committee, said the program goes beyond Olympic competition.

"Medals aren't the only thing," he said at a news conference Tuesday. "We want to have an exciting, very important program for young hockey players in Canada."

Can Gaetan replace Guy in Quebecers' hearts?

By Terry Scott

MONTREAL (CP) — If the reality had not set in Monday that Guy Lafleur had retired from Montreal Canadiens, it surely hit French-speaking hockey fans in Quebec when they opened their newspapers Tuesday.

The two largest French-language publications had devoted 18 and 12 pages respectively to Lafleur's announcement that he was retiring after a 14-year National Hockey League career.

The universe continued to unfold in a normal fashion Tuesday, but for many hockey fans, especially French Canadians, there was a feeling of emptiness, a longing for a new sports hero to assume the ambassadorial role that Lafleur filled for them over the years.

There has always been someone through the decades — Rocket Richard, Jean Beliveau, auto racer Gilles Villeneuve, Lafleur — Quebec-born athletes who have brought pride to their fellow francophones and caused them to look at their exploits as an extension of themselves.

Through retirement or death, all of them are gone now, and the logical assumption would be that

the athlete who is No. 1 in the hearts of French Canadians is Gaetan Boucher, the double gold medalist in speedskating at the 1984 Winter Olympics.

"I've never thought about it," Boucher said Tuesday when the question was raised. "When I compete, I don't look at it as being for French Canada or English Canada, but for Canada as a whole."

"It's not something where you say to yourself, 'Lafleur has retired, so now I must be No. 1.'"

A recent Sorecom public opinion poll ranked Boucher at the top as the most popular athlete among Quebec sports fans. The survey was conducted several months after the Olympics, undoubtedly showing that Boucher had made a lasting impression.

"It's true to say that French Canada lost an idol when Guy Lafleur retired," said Pierre Lacroix, the business agent for Boucher, who has also served many hockey players in a similar capacity. "But I don't think being No. 1 has ever been in Guy's or Gaetan's mind."

"It's a known fact that since the 1984 Olympics, a lot of the Canadian population have identified

themselves with Boucher. But there's a difference in the adulation for Gaetan and a professional athlete such as Lafleur. The way the public looks at it, it's a question of pride. They're proud of Lafleur, but they look at him as more like a movie star.

"With Gaetan, they come up to him and they're happy to thank him on behalf of the country."

There is every indication that Boucher will become an even larger source of French-Canadian pride as the winter progresses. Last weekend, he won the overall title in the 1984 international sprint meet at West Berlin, proving he has lost none of his competitive edge despite a hectic summer filled with personal appearances.

On Tuesday, it was announced that Boucher will be affiliated with a French-language radio station, delivering 60-second health messages to a 25-member network throughout the province.

While Boucher may be handicapped in that he cannot compete before a partisan audience every few nights like Lafleur — most speedskating events are held in Europe — he figures to remain a large part of the public conscious-

ness through this type of exposure.

"The important thing about Gaetan is that he still has the desire to do better, to break his own records," said Lacroix. "You'll see this year."

"The amount of publicity he's been getting is unreal. And it's not just in Quebec. When he won on the weekend, it was in newspapers everywhere in Canada on Monday morning. We never had that before his performance at the Olympics."

And much like Lafleur, Boucher accepts his superstardom modestly, coming across as a shy but candid person, one who feels a sense of duty toward his public.

Boucher could easily have retired on his Olympic laurels, but he is a man of considerable motivation.

"I've set other goals now than the ones I had before," he said. "If I can win the world sprint championships, I would be the only person to do it twice."

"Then, there's the 1988 Olympics. People have won more than one gold medal at the Olympics, but there aren't many who have done it twice. That's one of my goals."

Little effort used for Navratilova to advance

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — It took defending champion Martina Navratilova just 39 minutes to advance today to the second round of the \$1.28-million Australian Open tennis tournament.

The 28-year-old Czechoslovakian-born left-hander, trying to complete the grand slam — Wimbledon and the United States, French and Australian opens — in a calendar year and record her 100th career tournament victory, lost only 24 points in trouncing South African Yvonne Vermaak 6-1, 6-1.

Navratilova, who now faces fellow American Mary Lou Piatek, refused to look ahead to an anticipated meeting with a third American, Chris Evert Lloyd, who advanced Tuesday by defeating compatriot Kim Schaefer 6-0, 6-2.

"History suggests Chris is my main rival, but I'm not looking that far ahead," Navratilova

said. "I just try to concentrate on my next match."

The victory extended Navratilova's winning streak to 71 matches as she tries for her seventh straight grand slam title. After the match she iced an ankle injury, but said it was not causing her any pain on the court.

NO PROBLEMS
"It doesn't give me any problems and its not hampering my mobility at all," she said.

She sent to the United States an order for some special high-top shoes to help alleviate the problem, but an Australian customs dispute has kept the shoes in storage.

Piatek advanced by downing compatriot Barbara Gerken 6-2, 6-4.

Wendy Turnbull of Australia, the fourth seed in the women's singles, defeated Larissa Savchenko of the Soviet Union, 6-2, 6-1.

Turnbull's next victory in the tournament will lift her over \$2 million in career earnings.

In other women's singles matches, Dianne Balestrat of Australia defeated Svetlana Chernetva of the Soviet Union 6-0, 6-1 and Corinne Vanier of France downed Sara Gomer of Britain, 6-3, 6-1.

In men's play, American Scott Davis completed a 7-5, 7-5, 6-4 victory over Mark Kratzmann of

Australia in the first round. The 22-year-old Californian had led 2-1 in the third set when the match was called Tuesday because of bad light.

Also, Stefan Simonson of Sweden outlasted Israeli Shlomo Glickstein, 6-2, 7-6, 4-6, 7-5; Eddie Edwards of South Africa beat American Danny Saltz, 5-7, 6-0, 6-2, and American Tim Gullickson defeated Peter McNamara of Australia 6-4, 3-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Mi-Habs ship Landon to Saints

SHERBROOKE (CP) — The American Hockey League Sherbrooke Canadiens have sent forward Larry Landon to St. Catharines Saints, a club spokesman announced Tuesday.

Pierre Creamer, coach of the Sherbrooke affiliate of Montreal Canadiens of the National Hockey League, said the club

agreed to send Landon to the Ontario team, so he could be closer to his family.

The club also announced that goaltender Paul Pageau had suffered a broken finger on his right hand in practice and would be out of action indefinitely.

Cowansville Curling Club has seen some hard times

By William Harris

COWANSVILLE — Since its founding in 1963 the Cowansville Curling Club has had the potential to be one of the most popular and important curling centres in the area.

Not only does the curling club benefit from most of the Cowansville Golf Club's excellent facilities, but the three sheets of curling ice are also consistently said to be of above average quality by most curlers in the region.

Still, for a variety of reasons, the Cowansville

Curling Club struggles to survive each winter.

Ron Harris, a CPGA professional at the Cowansville Golf Club, and a curling instructor at the club since it's first year, sees poor communication as the main reason that the club suffers from a lack of widespread local appeal.

"The community in general just doesn't realize what the curling club has to offer," says Harris. "We have the best facilities of any club around, with large locker rooms, showers, sauna, lounge, and bar prices lower than most places in the area. For all this a man's membership is only \$90 a year, which works out to less than \$25 a month."

UNKNOWN
According to Harris, the Cowansville Curling Club's reputation seems to hinder it's success.

"People have the impression that we're a private club and they don't realize that we're open to everybody," he says. "You don't have to be an experienced curler to join our club. Until Christmas this year I'll be giving free lessons, with all equipment supplied, on Wednesday nights and Saturday afternoons. This gives people who just want to come down and try the sport an opportunity to do so."

"New people seem to be intimidated by us," adds Harris. "Actually, we want and need new, enthusiastic curlers very much."

NEW BUILDING
There was a time when the Cowansville Curling Club had a strong and active membership. After the clubhouse at the old Cowansville Golf Club burned down in the spring of 1962, the present club was built, along with three sheets of curling ice, about four miles out of town on highway 104.

"Those early years, in the mid and late '60s, were successful because we used a very aggressive style of recruiting," recalls Harris. "These days the average person just doesn't realize that the curling club won't bite them if they want to stop by and take a look. We're trying to change our image."

One consistent knock against the Cowansville Curling Club has always been its inconvenient location. While many people feel that a downtown club would vastly improve the membership situation, Harris does not believe that the club's location is its biggest problem.

"The Sutton Curling Club is successful now, but it wasn't always," says Harris. "A number of years ago they were almost ready to fold up, even

with their excellent location in downtown Sutton. Hard work and good advertising saved curling in Sutton, not the convenient location of their club."

"In short," says Harris, "a better location would certainly help us, but I don't think that we can realistically use it as an excuse for all of our problems."

BETTER ADVERTISING
Harris also feels that while French Canadians traditionally don't have a great love for curling, this too could be overcome with the proper publicity, advertising and recruiting.

"It's true that at present we have more English members than French members," he says. "The fallacy is that we want it that way." Christmas parties and special curling events can presently be arranged for groups who wish to rent the facilities on a nightly basis. Along with Harris' lessons, free equipment and more than reasonable membership fees, the Cowansville Curling Club is making an effort to take curling to the people of Cowansville.

"The club has the potential to be a real community centre," says Harris, "but people have to know about it first."

Still, as the Cowansville Curling Club stumbles into it's 21st season, nothing much has changed. A small, dedicated group of people are again working very hard, hoping and waiting for the day when curling in Cowansville catches on in a big way.



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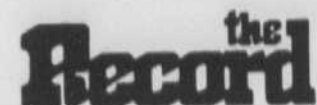
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Farm and business



Federal, provincial and municipal money going long way in local projects

By Robert Palmer

SHERBROOKE — If there was a place to look for VIPs Monday, it was here.

The city's huge Andrew Paton Place housing project was the site of a visit by nearly half-a-dozen officials, including Sherbrooke MP Jean Charest, PQ Labor Minister and Sherbrooke MNA Reynald Fréchette, St. Francis MNA Réal Rancourt, Sherbrooke Mayor Jean-Paul Pelletier and city councillor Françoise Dunn. Charest announced the federal government would lend money to cover the entire estimated \$3,018,045 construction cost of the project, which will see 51 one-bedroom units and seven two-bedroom units finished by next spring.

The CMHS will lend the money at a rate of 12 and one-eighth per cent and payments will be spread out over a 35-year period.

The CMHS will subsidize the inter-

est payments for a total of \$250,686, the provincial government for a total of \$104,812 and the city for a total of \$39,000.

All units are for senior citizens and will be subsidized jointly by the federal and provincial governments through their respective agencies: the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation and the Société d'habitation du Québec.

Charest et al spent noon-hour touring the project, on which construction began Oct. 1. Completion is set for June 1, 1985.

However, Sherbrookers won't be seeing any big red-and-white federal government signs on the corner of King and Belvedere for a while.

According to André Fréchette, director of social programs at the Sherbrooke office of the CMHC, the Tories have put a temporary "freeze" on big, brassy project openings.

But there was certainly no freeze on

Quebec government money Monday. St. Francis MNA Réal Rancourt, acting on behalf of Industry and Commerce Minister Rodrigue Biron, visited Berkley Wallcovering Incorporated's Four Seasons division to announce a government loan of \$900,000 for renovations.

Rancourt was also there to underline the company's own \$6,703,000 investment in the old Woodward St. factory.

The investment will create 80 jobs. A big part of the company's future plans include a new Stork screen printing press. Manufactured in Holland

and worth approximately \$1.5 million installed, the huge press will give Four Seasons Inc. the distinction of being the only wallpaper manufacturer in Canada using the screen printing technique.

Currently, most wallpaper in North America is manufactured on a flexographic press.

Neville Bowers, on loan from Leyland Wallpaper in Lancashire, England, to teach Sherbrooke operators how to run the company's newly-acquired flexographic press, says he's heard about the Stork but has never seen one running.

"This is the finest flexographic press you can buy," he said proudly, pointing to the 75-foot long blue beast churning out a floral pattern.

"I've heard the Stork is a fantastic machine but I've never seen one running so I really couldn't comment," he said.

As for his stay in Sherbrooke, Bowers said in a thick accent, "It's alright. A bit cold though."

"It's nice to go somewhere and see something different," he added.

Bowers said he was also impressed with the way Four Seasons operates. Rancourt agreed. "The curve of the

growth of Four Seasons is eloquent," he said. "This innovative business will be the only manufacturer in North America with equipment so modern."

"The company actually responds to the demands of eight distributors in Canada and 15 others in the United States," he said.

Rancourt also said Four Seasons is likely to lead the way in the future. "The completion of this project will create 80 jobs in Sherbrooke and permit it to definitely take routes as yet unexplored. With this kind of attitude, Four Seasons opens itself to some rather interesting perspectives."

Industry Minister Biron has a busy chequebook

SHERBROOKE (RP) — Government money was flowing so fast Monday that Rodrigue Biron, Minister of Industry and Commerce, couldn't keep up with it.

In McMasterville, Biron announced the investment of \$1,860,000 in C-I-L Inc., which makes commercial explosives, for the construction of a new plant and the purchase of more modern equipment. The loan will permit the company to keep all of its 500 employees.

In Saint-Marc-sur-Richelieu, Biron announced a \$95,000 interest-free government loan to L'Auberge Handfield Inc., for the development of tourism. The hotel will maintain its 32 employees.

Those were just the announcements the minister was able to attend.

Meanwhile, in Sherbrooke Labor Minister and Sherbrooke MNA Reynald Fréchette sat in for Biron and announced a \$225,000 government investment in Shermag Inc. for its Thurso plant, and guaranteed a \$2.4 million loan (with no interest increases) to the huge furniture maker for its Disraeli plant.

Shermag Inc. will create 30 jobs at each location. The company also has plants in Lennoxville, Granby and the United States.

Still in Sherbrooke, St. Francis MNA Réal Rancourt visited Berkley Wallcovering Inc. to announce, again

in the name of Biron, a Quebec government loan of \$900,000 for renovations to its Four Seasons Inc. division plant.

Berkley is currently investing nearly \$7 million at the Woodward St. factory. The company will create 80 new jobs in Sherbrooke.

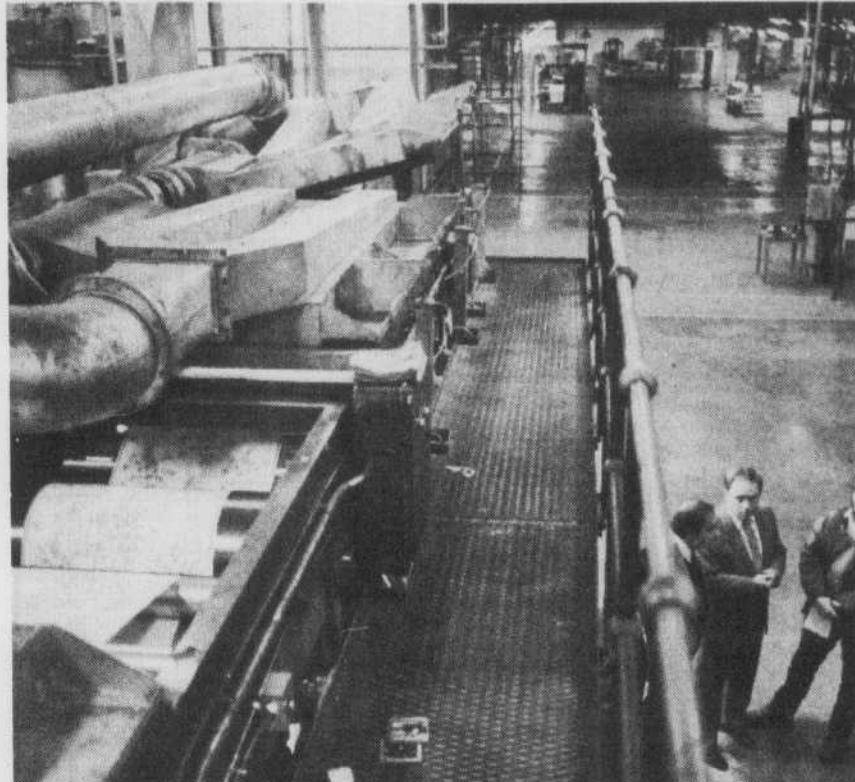
Back in Montreal, housing and

consumer protection minister Guy Tardif, sitting in for Biron, announced a \$117,000 investment in Shirmate Inc. which makes women's clothing. Forty-five jobs will be created.

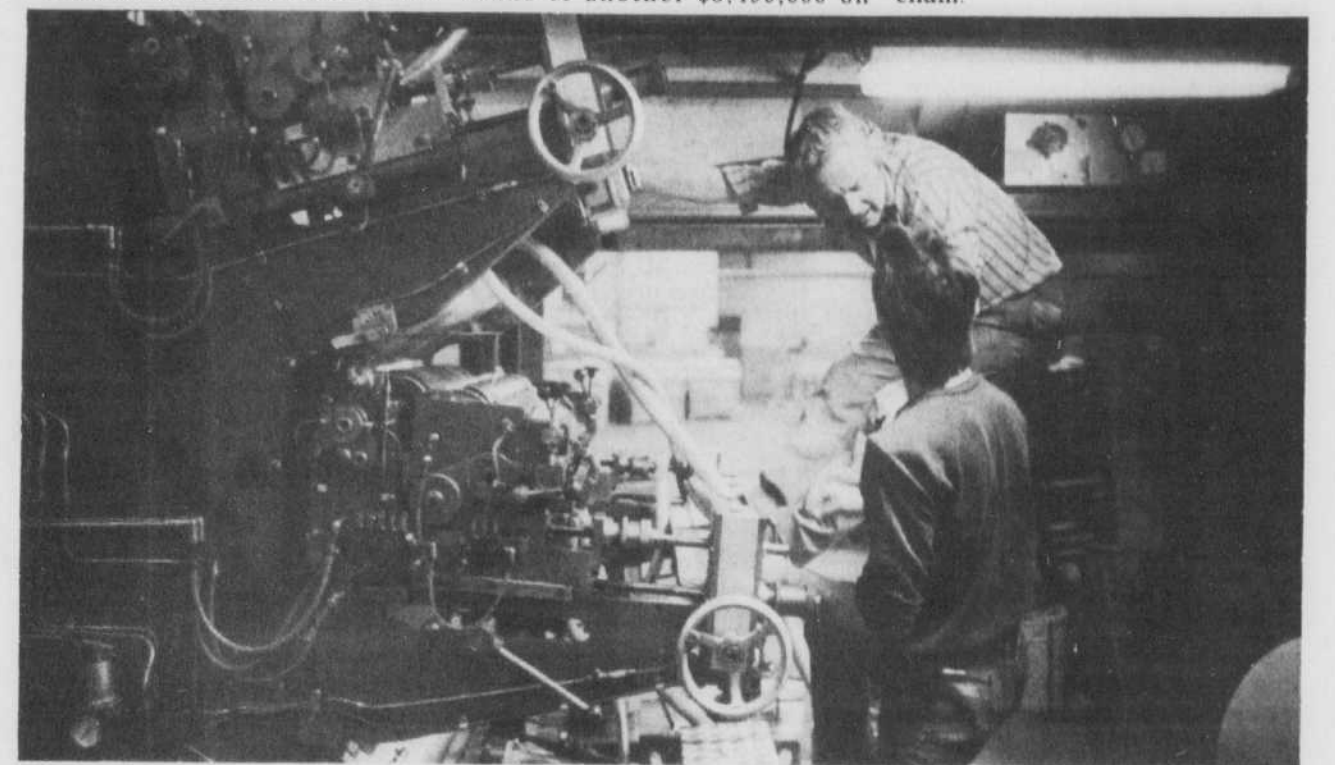
All in all, Biron handed out \$2,202,000 and loaned or guaranteed loans of another \$3,490,000 on

Monday.

In other Quebec government investment news Monday, interim tourism minister Marcel Léger announced a \$1,180,000 government investment in Hull's new Place Notre-Dame, which is being built by the Ramada Inn hotel chain.



Berkley Wallcovering's Four Seasons division's one-month-old flexographic printing press will get a new companion next month with the installation of a \$1.5 million Stork press.



Sherbrooke's Berkley Wallcovering is investing nearly \$7 million in its factory.

GM to recall defective mid-size automobiles

WASHINGTON (AP) — General Motors Corp., heading off a possible government safety recall order, agreed Monday to call in 3.1 million mid-sized cars for inspection to determine whether they have axles that might cause the rear wheels to separate.

The action, involving 10 different 1978 through 1980 models, was jointly announced by the automaker in Detroit and the Transportation Department in Washington.

Nick Hall, a spokesman for General Motors of Canada Ltd., said the recall affects 429,000 cars sold in Canada.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has been investigating complaints about axle and wheel separation on some GM A-body mid-size cars for nearly three years and announced an initial determination of a safety defect in the cars in April 1983.

Spokesman Dick Burdette said Monday the agency has received 1,063 reports of axles failing in the cars, including 264 in which wheels came off and 208 accidents involving 30 injuries. General Motors said it knew of 15 injuries and about 200 incidents of axle separation.

General Motors has disputed government allegations that the axles pose a safety concern, strongly resisted a recall and at one point accused the government of rigging a test, showing a wheel separating, to gain publicity.

The cars to be examined under the program announced Monday are the Chevrolet Malibu and Monte Carlo, Pontiac Le Mans and Grand Prix, Oldsmobile Cutlass and Cutlass Supreme, Buick Century and Regal and two lines of trucks made from car chassis, the Chevrolet El Camino and GMC Caballero.

WRITING OWNERS
GM said it will send letters to the car owners advising them to bring their vehicle in for inspection and repair if necessary.

General Motors and the government already are embroiled in a 9-month long court battle over the recall of 1.1 million 1980 X-body cars. The government filed the suit after GM refused to recall the vehicles despite findings by the safety agency that the brakes in some of the cars have locked unexpectedly causing them to go into a dangerous spin.

The agency also is conducting a sepa-

rate investigation into whether the 1980 GM X-cars should be recalled because of complaints about power-assisted brake problems. GM said over the weekend it was rejecting an informal government request for a voluntary recall.

Meanwhile, in the other developments Monday involving auto recalls:

— Chrysler Corp. said it will notify 344,000 owners of 1984 and 1985 cars equipped with carbureted engines to return them to correct a possible fuel leakage problem. The advisory covers the 1984 and 1985 Plymouth Horizon, Turismo and Reliant, the 1984 and 1985 Dodge Omni, Charger and Aries, the 1984 Chrysler LeBaron; and the 1984 Dodge Rampage and two-door 600 models.

— Chrysler, in a separate action, said it was notifying 82,500 owners of 1984 and 1985 Dodge Caravan and mini-Ram vans and some Plymouth Voyager models to bring their vehicles for installation of a clip to prevent cracking of a fuel supply tube.

Chrysler Canada Ltd. said the recalls will affect 80,600 cars and 8,000 vans and trucks in Canada.

Scientific research tax credit popular

TORONTO (CP) — Companies are still trying to take advantage of the scientific research tax credit despite the Conservative government's moratorium on the practice, says Revenue Minister Perrin Beatty.

Beatty said in an interview earlier this week investors are still trying to get the benefits of the tax break known as the "quick flip" through a special grandfather clause that covers transactions begun before the moratorium was imposed last month.

Beatty said a staggering number of companies are trying to take advantage of the clause, which is only supposed to apply to transactions that were already substantially advanced.

He said in some cases "it's pretty tenuous how grandfathered they are. "You know it's amazing. The grandfathers are still having children."

The scientific tax credit was designed to encourage investors to put their money into companies carrying out research and development. These companies were entitled to a 50-per cent tax break.

The quick flip provision allowed firms to transfer unused research and development tax deductions to investors, who in turn could claim a 50-per cent credit when they filed their returns.

Careers



A Centre supporting a network of developmental services to mentally handicapped people with services located in the regional municipalities of Haute-Yamaska, Brome Missisquoi and Memphremagog.

The centre is looking for a Responsible for its vocational training (S.A.H.T.) program situated temporarily in Magog, but located in Austin on a permanent basis. This service has a sheltered training program, as well as a community based training dimension that relies on a series of work stations spread throughout the normal work community in the area. The service has a capacity of 70 clients, with 80% working in the workshop and 20% in the community. The successful candidate will have to have a strong clinical program background in the field of mental retardation and significant leadership skills.

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Catholic Women's League members hold meeting

MAGOG (CG) — The regular monthly meeting of St. Mary's Council, Catholic Women's League of Magog was held on Tuesday, November 13 at 7:30 p.m. in St. Anne's Hall, with 13 members present.

President Virginia Boileau opened the meeting with the League prayers. The treasurer, Anna Buck, reported that the White Elephant Sale held in October was a success and we have funds to be

used for Christmas donations. Hospital convenor, Ruth Pott, announced that eight visits had been made to the hospital and nine to shut-ins since the last meeting.

It was decided to hold a Bake Sale, Tea and Raffle on Thursday, December 13 from 2 to 4 p.m. in St. Patrick's Church Hall. First prize for the raffle will be \$50.00 and second prize a set of sheets donated by Dominion Textile Ltd. Proceeds will be used for families or persons in need of assistance.

The League had invited Miss Lorie Curtis, Coordinator of Health and Social Services for the Townshippers Association, to be their guest for the evening. She spoke about the various government services available to the population, pertaining to the fields of hospital and home care, women's shelters, consu-

mer protection, and compensation for victims of criminal acts, a very pertinent subject today with the increase in violent crime. Problems in housing especially unjustified rent increases, legal assistance, transportation needs and communication needs, such as distress centers, were also discussed. In response to a question concerning abused children, Miss Curtis advised calling the Social Services Center on Laurier Street to inform them of the problem, and she emphasized that the caller may remain anonymous. She also said that many people feel they must be a certain age, or on welfare, to benefit from these various services, but that this is not the case. In some cases, while the services are not completely bilingual,

there is usually someone available who can communicate in English. A list detailing the services may be obtained by calling Miss Curtis at the Townshippers Association, telephone 566-5717 (area code 819 for those outside the region).

The President thanked Miss Curtis for a very interesting evening and the valuable information given to our members, after which she joined us for a delicious lunch served by hostesses Alice Begin and Ann Thoun. Next meeting will be December 11, which will also be the Christmas party.

Pastoral Committee meeting

A meeting of the Pastoral Committee for English speaking Catholics of the Sherbrooke diocese was held on Thursday, November 15 in Sherbrooke. Virginia Boileau, representing the Magog area, was one of nine in attendance at the meeting, chaired by Father Douglas Daniel, president of the Committee. Since the death recently of Msgr. Moisan, Father Daniel

announced there is no permanent chaplain at the Sherbrooke Hospital, but volunteers are helping out until a replacement can be found. Msgr. Andre Tardif, representing Archbishop Jean-Marie Fortier, spoke of the pastoral guidelines which are designed to involve the parents in the preparation of their children for the sacraments of Confession, the Eucharist and Confirmation, starting in 1985. These programs are already being initiated in various parishes of the diocese. The Committee is also planning a Faith Celebration to be held probably in January or February of the new year. More details about this will be available later. Members of the Committee felt that the Papal Visit had been a success, and that His presence in Canada had a great impact not only for Catholics but for persons of different faiths.

If possible, films of the Pope's trip will be shown at the Faith Celebration. The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

St. Monica's Guild meets

LENNOXVILLE — St. Monica's Guild held their regular meeting in St. George's Hall on Tues. Nov. 13 with 15 members present.

President Pauline Draper opened the meeting at 8 p.m. with prayers.

Secretary Irene Dorick, read the minutes of last meeting and were accepted as read. Correspondence letter of thanks from the Altar Guild for donation. Treasurer Mickie Povey gave her report and two donations had been received for our Military Whist held in October.

We regret to report, that two members, May Beers and Margaret Little were on the sick list, but we hope they are feeling much better.

We send sincere thanks to Mrs. McBean and Flora, for the many knitted articles they

have given us for our Bazaar to be held on Dec. 1st at St. George's Hall and also to Mrs. W.J. Delisle, who has given us Cabbage Patch doll clothes and other articles as well.

The Christmas Bazaar was discussed and we all have food and articles of candy etc to donate. We gave donation to Lennoxville School for hot lunch fund.

A sympathy card to be sent to Mrs. Robert Blake as her husband passed away. She was one of our former members.

We are to meet at the home of Alice Kobelt for our December meeting.

No further business, Ena Smith adjourned the meeting.

Hostesses were Mickie Povey, Pearl Casteau and Margaret Little.

St. Faith's Guild

MAGOG (CG) — St. Faith's Guild met at the home of Mrs. Myrtle Buzzell, October 31, with ten members present.

The meeting opened with prayers. Minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary, Agnes Heckley. It was moved by Dorothy Kirby and seconded by Edie Renaud that minutes be adopted as read.

Raffle tickets were

given to members to sell on a doll donated by Edie Renaud and a hand-knit sweater donated by Nellie Hudson.

Evelyn Jackson sent church calendars to our Guild to be purchased by the members.

The meeting was adjourned by Pearl Shea. The hostess, assisted by her daughters, Nellie Hudson and Glenna Corbiere, served delicious refreshments.

Philathea Unit UCW members hold regular meeting

LENNOXVILLE — The Philathea Unit of the Lennoxville United Church held their monthly meeting in the Douglas Hall Parlor, with the leader Miss Edna Davidson in the chair and seven members and one guest present.

Opening with the Purpose, Mrs. Dorothy Geddes was in charge of devotions, taking as her theme, Remembrance Day. All members responded to the roll call by repeating a bible verse containing the word "peace" and presenting a poppy.

The treasurer's report was given and the sum of \$200.00 was voted to the general U.C.W.

Seven members were present and one guest. The report showed 19 visits made to sick and shut-ins.

It was noted unani-

mously that all officers be renamed for the coming year.

Plans were made to pack the usual cheer baskets for sick and shut-ins. The new list was read, to be packed at the church hall on Friday December 7.

The regular and Christmas meeting to be held at La Paysanne Motel, Queen Street, members to bring guests and have program and exchange of gifts. Mrs. Lyman Rothney to be notified of number of guests.

This concluded the business and members will assist at the upcoming bazaar.

Miss Dorothy Smith gave an interesting report of the recent UCW general meeting.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Lorne Butler and Mrs. M. Sewell and a social hour enjoyed.

Girl Guides assist at veterans parades

BEDFORD — The 1st Bedford Girl Guides are proud to announce they assisted in two Armistice parades on November 11th.

Fall-in at Bedford was 10 a.m. at Butler Elementary School, with 11 girls and three leaders assisting.

The march took them to Main Street and the parade came to a halt at the Cenotaph where the service took place.

The girls placed a white cross bearing poppies at the base of

the monument to honor those who fought for our country and our lives.

The second parade took place at 2:30 p.m. in Philipsburg, leaving from the Legion parking lot to parade around town.

Here a white cross bearing poppies was placed at the monument.

After the parade the girls enjoyed a light lunch served in the church hall before returning home with their families.

Canterbury

Mr. and Mrs. N.G. Bennett visited Harley Asker at Kingston General Hospital where he was a surgical patient.

Mrs. Clara Chapman is spending some time in Lennoxville with Mrs. John French.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. N.G. Bennett have been Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Purdie, Pointe Claire; Eric Bjergso, Carleton Place; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sutor, Lennoxville; Mr. and Mrs. D.F. Edwards, Ottawa; Mrs. M. Nelson, Belleville; and Mr. A. Goussly of Sawyer-

ville. The Salmon Valley Fish and Game Club held a meeting in Canterbury Hall on November 6. Local farmers were invited.

West Keith

Mrs. Glen Olson

Mrs. Gertrude Crawford of Westerville, Vt. and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lowery of Windsor Vt., were weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Glendon Morrison. During their stay June and Glendon drove them to visit Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Henderson in Thetford Mines and Mr. and Mrs. Eric MacRae in Kinnears Mills. They were also Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Morrison and Mr. and Mrs. Orla Neilson in Sawyerville.

Friends and neighbors of George Iasenza are pleased to know he has returned home after his stay in the Sherbrooke Hospital.

Mrs. Larry Smyth and Mrs. Richard Coates hosted Mrs. Keith Broadhurst of Lennoxville (nee Janet Morrison, formerly of this locality) at a Stork Shower at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Olson on Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Glen Olson attended the Townshippers Association weekend "Think Tank" at Domaine St. Laurent in Compton, where priorities for the forthcoming year were discussed in the fields of Health and Social Services, Education, Economic Development, Job Opportunities, Heritage and Cultural Affairs and means to retain and increase their membership.

Mrs. Glendon Morrison

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Mrs. Gaston (Margaret) Schink of Highwater entered the St. Vincent de Paul Hospital, Sherbrooke, on November 22 for cataract surgery. Mail will reach her addressed to Room 36 (third floor) with postal code G1G 1B8. Best wishes for a speedy recovery, Margaret.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Reg Darbyson of R.R. 3 Mansonville who will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on December 8. This couple were married in the Fairmount Presbyterian Church in Rosemount by the Rev. Marvin Lee in 1924.

Wishing them well are their two sons, Wallace Earl, and Robert Winston; and five grandchildren, also two great-grandchildren. The Darbysons have been residing in Potton Springs, Mansonville, since August 1966.

This community is saddened by the death of a long-time resident, Norman MacDonald, who died on Sunday morning, November 18, at the B.M.P. Hospital. Norman had lived his whole 74 years as a friendly and concerned citizen, interested in the local activities and any event which might touch the lives of the people of Mansonville. His friends will miss his quiet presence and ready smile. Interment in the Mansonville Protestant Cemetery after funeral services at the United Church with Judith Perry officiating. The family and friends gathered afterwards in the Town Hall where the Golden Age Club had arranged for refreshments to be served.

Mrs. Anna Cherrett has sold her home in Ruitter Brook and has moved into an apartment on Mill Street.

Deaths

BACHELDER, Richard Elwyn — At the Montreal Convalescent Hospital on November 26, 1984, aged 52 years. Dearest husband of Elizabeth Florence Stacey. Loving Dad of Thomas Stacey, Ronald Grant (Kingston, Ontario) and Linda Jayne. Beloved son of Georgia Mevoline Bachelder (Georgeville, Que.) and the late Howard H. Bachelder. Dear brother of Hilton (Newmarket, Ont.), Bessie Miller (Ottawa, Ont.), Emerson and Judy Bachelder (Georgeville, Que.), Marilyn and Lawrence Harris (Blairsville, Ga.), and Edward (Murphy, N.C.). Funeral from St. Philip's Church, 25 Brock Avenue North, Montreal West on Thursday, November 29 at 2 p.m. Thence to Mount Royal Crematorium. No flowers please, contributions to St. Philip's Church, 3400 Connaught Avenue, Montreal, H4B 1X3, will be gratefully acknowledged. Arrangements entrusted to Collins Clarke MacGillivray White Funeral Directors, 5610 Sherbrooke St. West, Montreal. No visitation by family request.

Card of Thanks

BOOTH — The family of the late Vernon Booth wish to express our sincere appreciation to all those who helped during his illness and recent death. Special thanks to Dr. Paulette and the Nurses and staff of the 4th floor Sherbrooke Hospital for their kindness and competent care which was most comforting, and to his life long friend, Percy Dunbar, a special thanks for his daily visits and acts of kindness, also to friends and relatives who visited, and sent cards during his hospitalization. To the bearers and those who came to the funeral home sent flowers, food, and sympathy cards; William Bryant and Wayne Hutchison for conducting the funeral service; Susan Cobb and Betty Pratt for beautiful hymns sung. We thank everyone from the bottom of our hearts and to anyone we missed, Thank you all.

JEAN BOOTH & FAMILY

FOSTER — I would like to express sincere thanks to our many relatives and friends for their help, comfort and support to my children Deborah, Connie-Jane, Mark, Nancy-Ann and Trouper Donald Foster at the time of the death and burial of their beloved Dad, Hiram Sowell Foster passed away at Smith's Falls, Ont. on November 16, 1984 at age fifty-seven after a long and painful illness. Especially appreciated was the help and support of our beloved Aunt Muriel at this time.

BARBARA PAGE

HART, Alice — At the Greater Niagara General Hospital, Niagara Falls, Ontario, on Tuesday, November 27, 1984, Alice Hart, wife of the late Gordon Hart. Loving mother of Rexford Hart of Australia, John and Robert Hart of London, Donald and Doug Hart, both of Niagara Falls, Mrs. Allan (Barbara) Deacon, of Saskatchewan, Mrs. Gordon (Joan) Hazen, of Trenton, Mrs. Reg (Carol) Campbell, and Mrs. Jim (Judy) Thompson, both of Niagara Falls, and Mrs. Bud (Nancy) Isnor of Grimsby. Dear sister of Elmer Pickett of Sherbrooke. Also surviving are 14 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Funeral service will be held in the Henry Funeral Chapel, 5647 Main St., Niagara Falls, Ont., on Thursday, November 29 at 11:30 a.m. Cremation to follow. Visiting hours Wednesday 2-4 and 7-9 p.m.

ROBINSON — The family of the late Louise Robinson would like to express their sincere thanks to relatives and friends who helped in any way at the time of her illness and death. A special thanks to doctors and nurses of the Sherbrooke Hospital, Dr. Bouchard of Rock Island, Ruth Clough who was always available when needed and Cass Funeral Home. Also the bearers, organist, Heather Kinkaid, and the U.C.W. & W.I. for serving lunch. And everyone who called, sent flowers, cards and donations.

THE FAMILY OF LOUISE ROBINSON

Obituary

HAROLD ARTHUR SANBORN of Knowlton, Quebec

The community was shocked to hear of the death of Harold Sanborn who passed away at the B.M.P. Hospital on November 4, 1984.

Harold Arthur was the eldest son of John and Alberta Farmer Sanborn of Brome, born on April 7, 1904.

The funeral was held at Ledoux Funeral Home in Waterloo by request, on November 6, the Reverend W. Davidson speaking words of comfort to the family and the many friends who attended.

The bearers were Lawrence and Winston Rhicard, George Rogerson and James Mullarkey, former employees, Rod Crandall and Arthur Dudley, neighbours. Interment in the family plot in Knowlton Cemetery.

On July 14, 1928, he was united in marriage to Florence Rollins at St. John's Church, Brome, and since had made his home in Knowlton. Five children were born to this union. He had worked here as a carpenter, then as a contractor and had built many homes here and in the surrounding vicinity.

He was greatly interested in the Brome County Historical Museum and spent many hours there as a director and chairman of the Building Committee.

Survivors are his family and families, Jessie and Andy Chevrefils, California, Arthur and Beverly Sanborn, Lennoxville, Que. Deanna and Heinz Irriger of Montana, Lois and Frank Stanbridge of Ontario, John of Edmonton, Alberta, nine grandchildren, one grandson, three great-grandsons, two great-granddaughters, one sister, Dorothy Grenier of Waterloo, two brothers, Lawrence of Montreal, Carlton of California, several sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

The funeral was attended by relatives from California, Montreal, Vermont, Ontario, Lennoxville and Beebe, Que. and the surrounding areas.

He has left a wonderful memory behind him.

St. Paul's Presbyterian W.A. and W.M.S. hold joint meeting at Melbourne

MELBOURNE (KA) — A joint meeting of W.A. and W.M.S. of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Melbourne, was held on Wednesday, November 14 at 7 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Philippe Perron with eight members present.

W.A. MEETING

The meeting opened with our President Lillian Perron in the chair, hymn 180 was sung. Minutes were read by the secretary Lucille Vidal, approved by all.

Our rummage sale held in September proved very satisfying. Our November Tea was very successful, we thank everyone who helped to make it so. A cup of coffee is served in the basement of the church every Sunday after the service. It is a good way to fraternize and know our members and friends better.

After a few business discussions, the election of officers for 1985 were held. Everyone holding an office were unanimously re-elected. They are President, Lillian Perron; Vice-President, Gertrude Nadeau; Treasurer, Rachel Gifford; Secretary and also Publicity, Lucille Vidal.

We closed the meeting with the Auxiliary Prayer.

W.M.S. MEETING

W.M.S. meeting was called to order by the President Yvette Larochele by repeating the "Aim and Purpose" and leading in devotions.

The 23rd Psalm was read plus a French meditation taken from "Aujourd'hui devant Dieu," and concluded with prayer. Hymn 355, 1st verse was sung by all.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by Blanche Fortier, approved by all. The treasurer's report by Lillian Perron was well received. Correspondence, a letter from Ewart College was read and discussed. Eleven visits were made and two cards were sent to shut-ins.

Our election then took place for 1985, resulting as follows: President, Yvette Larochele; Vice-

President, Pauline Davidson; Treasurer, Lillian Perron; Secretary, Blanche Fortier; Friendship and Service, Jeanne Reed; Glad Tidings, Lucille Vidal; Life Membership, Lillian Perron; Historian, Blanche Fortier; Literature, Pauline Davidson and Publicity, Lucille Vidal.

The meeting disbanded at 9 p.m. with prayer by the President.

LABOURERS TOGETHER WITH GOD written by Yvette Larochele

From the hands of God our Master, Came the gift of love supreme, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour, Came to earth, souls to redeem.

Once ransomed, saved, and edified, Jesus for each had work to do, And he hoped we'd work together Using talents, he gave, to me and you.

Labourers together with God, must we As children of light and liberty, Keep watch and be sober all day long And sing in our hearts a joyful song.

Have faith in the midst of troublesome times The hope of salvation is yours and mine, If with Him daily, together, we live Comfort and peace, His love will bring.

Our fellow men, we must edify To comfort the sick, we both must try, Support the weak, be patient and kind, And the Lord will bless, in His good time.

Pray together, as stewards of God, Abstain from evil, do good to all, Give thanks, rejoice, and prove all things, And in God's house, together we'll live.

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A trip to the Royal Winter Fair at Toronto

By Dora McCourt

WINDSOR — The morning dawned bright and sunny on Thursday, Nov. 8, for the start of a bus trip to the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto, organized by Randy and Marlene McCourt in collaboration with Voyages Bellevue. Ours was a dandy new bus from L'Estrie Bus Lines with popular driver Tom Dearden at the wheel. The first stop was at

Sawyerville at 7 a.m., then on to Lennoxville, Windsor and Richmond where the last of 38 passengers got aboard. Name tags were pinned on and we were on our way. With visiting, snoozing, and sight-seeing it was no time till we were through Montreal and Tom announced we'd take a break for coffee. After fifteen minutes of leg stretching we were back

aboard and along 401 to Mallorytown where we stopped for lunch. We arrived at our destination in good time and checked into our rooms at the Ramada Hotel with a bit of time to relax before the supper hour. That evening several members of the group went off to the Fair, others found a nearby shopping center, while others called up friends and relatives to

let them know they were in town. Certainly the Royal Winter Fair is everything they say it is, with something to see and interest everyone, young or old. The flower display was gorgeous, this year's theme being Winter Wonderland. Four musical programs were performed during the day, featuring Christmas music on the organ and drums and

four song and dance artists doing Christmas songs. The livestock exhibits were very large and judging were going on in many sections while we were there. The poultry section could best be described as the noisiest place there. We passed through to get to the rabbit section but one couldn't hear anything but cackling hens and honking geese. Made

me wonder "do show birds make the dinner table?" Our tickets included the evening's horse show and there was also a free matinee of equestrian events. We were privileged to be present on opening night and the Fair was officially opened by Mr. Dennis Flynn, chairman of Metropolitan Toronto Council. The International jumping competition

featured horses and riders from Australia, Sweden, Germany, England, U.S.A. and Canada. Our own Gilles Deslauriers from Bromont was among those competing that night. It would be endless to list the evening's program with each event as interesting as the other. Also presenting a command performance were the cadets from the Royal Military College in Kingston.

Saturday morning was far from pleasant weatherwise, with rain and fog marring the day. The morning was spent in a large shopping mall - Scarborough Town Center - where we had lunch before leaving homeward bound. It had been a pleasant experience and a real good trip. Randy and Marlene have dubbed them-

selves, have more trips coming up. They, with driver Tom Dearden along, are planning an early June trip to the Trapp Family Lodge in Vermont and on into Ontario to Upper Canada Village and other points of interest. In August they'll be on the road again with a trip to the Gaspé.

Further details on both trips will be forthcoming.

From the pens of E.T. writers

HELLO CENTRAL, GIVE ME HEAVEN
Papa, I am so sad and lonely,
Sobbed a tearful little child,
Since dear mamma's gone to heaven,
Papa darling, you've not smiled,
I will speak to her and tell her,
That we want her to come home,
Just you listen and I'll call her
Through the telephone.

Chorus
Hello Central, give me heaven,
For my mamma's there,
You will find her with the angels, on the golden stairs,
She'll be glad it's me who's speaking,
Call her, won't you please,
For I want to surely tell her,
We're so lonely here.

When the girl received the message,
Coming o'er the telephone,
How her heart thrilled in that moment,
And the wires seemed to moan.
I will answer just to please her,
Yes, dear heart I'll soon come home
Kiss me, mamma, kiss your darling,
Through the telephone.

TWO LITTLE BOYS IN BLUE
Listen my dear, and you will hear
Of two little boys in blue,
Gaily they'd play, each summer's day,
With a little girl they knew.
She taught them games,
Called them pet names,
Till she won each little heart;
They'd hear a sigh
As she bade them good-bye.
When the hour had come to part.

Chorus
Two little boys, all in blue, dear,
They loved a girl all in gray,
Two little hearts — and true, dear,
Longed for her day by day!
She threw a kiss when they parted,
To which one they never knew,
Both marched away broken-hearted,
Her two little boys in blue.

Years passed away, war came one day,
And they volunteered to go;
She heard their cheers, smiled through her tears,
Though her heart was sad, I know,
And though she yearned
They never returned,
Side by side they fell one day;
Breathing a sigh,
Just a tender good-bye
To a little girl in gray.

Note — I noticed in the October 18th issue of The Record Mrs. Joanne Smith of Sherbrooke would like to have the lyrics of a few old songs — as I am a collector of old songs and poems I am sending along the version that I have of Two Little Boys in Blue — hoping it is the right one — and Hello Central Give Me Heaven.

SCHOOL MEMORIES
I took a walk to my old school, went inside and tried to act cool
A tear formed in the corner of my eyes, God how the years have passed quickly by
Kids in the halls all talking at once, some alone and others in a bunch
Running shoes, old blue jeans, long hair and arm tattoos for those who dare.

Twenty years since I last was here, 1964 was the year
Not a care in the world we had then, boys most anxious to become men
Girls all trying to look like ladies, soon to be married and having babies
Where have all the friends gone, the friendships that once formed a bond.

I received the strap in grade seven, thought I would die and go to heaven
Grade 8 I learned to sew, doing grade 9 gym I broke my toe
Mr. "H" was my grade ten teacher, but he would have made a better preacher
Eleven was the grade I graduated from, my high school now completely done.

My school friends have gone their own way, I hope to see them again some day
Teachers we knew and had then, have since retired their ruler and pen
Out in the world I had to find a career that would suit me just fine.
I chose to work with figures and numbers, I hope not to make too many blunders.

With these memories going through my mind, I close the door for one last time.
I turn to look at my old school and thank her for educating this old fool
In the distance I hear the school bell, the sound of which I know too well
It will ring and ring and ring, and another generation will graduate this spring.

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SALE OF IMMOVABLES PUBLIC NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that in virtue of a resolution of the municipal council of Ville de Lac Brome #84-134 K, dated November 12, 1984 the immovable properties hereinafter described will be sold by public auction at the Fire Station, 27 Mont-Echo, Lac Brome on Thursday, December 27, 1984 at 10:00 a.m. for payment of municipal taxes, interests and costs, school taxes and interest unless these taxes, interests and costs are paid before the date of the sale. The immovable hereinafter described will be sold subject to a one (1) year right of redemption.

They shall be sold with building(s) erected thereon circumstance(s) and dependency(ies) if any, subject to any servitude(s) both active(s) and passive(s) apparent(s) or unapparent(s) which may affect them. The Municipal Commission of Quebec on date of June 14, 1984 authorized an abridged enumeration of the lot numbers. The purchase price of each immovable must be paid in cash or with certified cheque. All lot numbers are of the Cadastre of Township of Brome.

#centroide: 8216-87-7430
#lot(s): 1128, p 1129
taxes municipales: \$396.74
taxes scolaires et intérêts: \$30.33
Borne P 1129: vers le nord par une partie du lot 1127 et par le lot 1128

NOM: Carter, Gérald
adresse civique: 741 Lakeside
intérêts et frais: \$226.51
TOTAL: \$653.58

vers l'est par le lot 1128 et par le chemin public sans désignation cadastrale vers le sud par une autre partie du lot 1129

vers l'ouest par une autre partie du lot 1129

#centroide: 8308-26-5504
#lot(s): 1292-13
taxes municipales: \$56.16
taxes scolaires et intérêts: \$8.57
#centroide: 7911-32-6535
#lot(s): P 936

NOM: Crandall Tracy
Mary Hazel
adresse civique: Rockhill
intérêts et frais: \$33.43
TOTAL: \$98.16

taxes municipales: \$24.56
taxes scolaires et intérêts: NIL
Borne P 936: vers le nord par une autre partie du lot 936

NOM: Dunn Best
Evelyn
adresse civique: St-Jude
intérêts et frais: \$13.29
TOTAL: \$37.85

vers l'est par une autre partie du lot 936
vers l'ouest par une autre partie du lot 936

vers l'ouest par une autre partie du lot 936

#centroide: 8215-11-8657
#lot(s): 1135-13 p

NOM: Dunn Best
Evelyn
adresse civique: 11 Thomas
intérêts et frais: \$32.76
TOTAL: \$96.15

Taxes municipales: \$48.90
taxes scolaires et intérêts: \$12.21
#centroide: 7911-82-7869
#lot(s): 936-298

NOM: Martineau, Jean-Pierre
adresse civique: Montagne
intérêts et frais: \$10.88
TOTAL: \$32.79

Borne P 1135-13: vers le nord-est par d'autres parties du lot 1135-13 vers le sud-est par le lot 1135-13-1

vers le sud-ouest par une partie du lot 1135-14 (rue Thomas)

#centroide: 8012-89-6530
#lot(s): 1088-58
Taxes municipales: \$48.90
taxes scolaires et intérêts: \$12.21
#centroide: 7911-82-7869
#lot(s): 936-298

NOM: Lalancette, Lise
adresse civique: Robin
intérêts et frais: \$30.32
TOTAL: \$91.43

vers le sud-est par le lot 1033-5 et par une autre partie du lot 1033

vers l'est par d'autres parties du lot 1033

vers l'ouest par le lot 1033-5 et par le chemin public sans désignation cadastrale vers le sud-est par le lot 1033-5 et par une autre partie du lot 1033

Borne P 1034: vers le sud par une partie du lot 1033

vers l'est par une autre partie du lot 1034

vers le nord-ouest par le lot 1034-1

#centroide: 8015-72-8555
#lot(s): P 1097
taxes municipales: \$90.78
taxes scolaires et intérêts: \$19.29

NOM: Shap, Yale
adresse civique: Brandy
intérêts et frais: \$55.41
TOTAL: \$165.48

Borne P 1097: vers l'ouest par le chemin public sans désignation cadastrale vers l'est par une partie du lot 1096

vers le nord par le lot 1098 vers le sud par une autre partie du lot 1097

#centroide: 7207-43-0550
#lot(s): P 274
Taxes municipales: \$736.52
Taxes scolaires et intérêts: \$99.24

NOM: Weiler, Peter Sr.
adresse civique: 975 Knowlton
intérêts et frais: \$404.05
TOTAL: \$1,239.81

Borne P 274: vers le nord-ouest par le chemin public sans désignation cadastrale vers le nord-est par une autre partie du lot 274

vers le sud-est par une autre partie du lot 274 vers le sud-ouest par une autre partie du lot 274

#centroide: 8008-85-8100
#lot(s): 1036-10
Taxes municipales: \$1.17
taxes scolaires et intérêts: NIL
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NOM: Page, Archie
adresse civique: Elm
intérêts et frais: \$0.53
TOTAL: \$1.70

Lucie Viau
Town Clerk

Socials around the Townships

East Clifton

Alice Wilson
889-2932

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon French were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Goodhue in Lucknow, Ont. Dr. Mark and Mrs. Waldron and family at Guelph, Ont. and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bissell, Kathy and David in Beulah, Mich. On their return home, weekend visitors were Mr. and Mrs. David Rainville, Jeffrey, Julie and Albert of Colebrook, N.H. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Rainville met them at Veilleux Hall where they attended the oyster supper and dance.

It is with appreciation that the residents here attended the Armistice Day service at the Cenotaph at the East Clifton Church. Many veterans from nearby towns came to make this a special day to honour the many soldiers who served from this town.

Bishopton

Mrs. Cyril E. Rolfe
884-5458

The Christmas Club met with Mrs. Grayce Betts on Tuesday evening with an attendance of nine members present.

One table of 500 was played with Mrs. Clara Herring winning the prize and one table of Yahtzee with Mrs. Irene Harrison having the highest score.

A delicious lunch was served by the hostesses and a social hour enjoyed. Mrs. Grayce Betts is president for the next year and Mrs. Ona Gilbert, treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Rolfe spent a couple of days recently as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Harrison and Miss Carole Harrison in Sherbrooke.

Sand Hill

Mrs. R. Rothney
875-3504

Mrs. Herbert Whittier has returned home after spending a few days with her son and daughter-in-law at Palgrave, Ont. While there, she spent two days at the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto, where she attended the horse show both days. The highlights of these shows for Arlene were the beautiful ten, six-horse teams of Belgians with their gleaming harnesses and wagons all assembled at one time in the Coliseum, followed the next day with jumping for the International Team Challenge Trophy by Canada, U.S.A. and Great Britain.

Rev. David Fearon and Mr. Joe Webster of

Norwich, Ont., spent a couple of days with the former's mother, Mrs. Jack Sims and Mrs. Sims.

Mrs. David Grey and baby Emily spent Sunday afternoon with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Rothney at Twin Pine Farm.

Mrs. J. Sims and Mrs. R. Rothney accompanied Mrs. Harry Little to Cookshire where they attended the tea and sale sponsored by the U.C.W. in the United Church Hall.

The Ascot W.I. held their November tea at the home of Mrs. Harry Little with a good attendance on November 15.

East Angus

Mrs. Murray Labonte
832-2397

Johnny Davis of Montreal North was visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Davis in East Angus, also Mike Thompson of Mascouche, Que.

Mrs. Hilda Lawrence visited Mrs. Edith Lemire in Geor-

geville and Mr. and Mrs. William Jones and family in Tomifobia.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Parsons and Danny were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Parsons and Judy in Scotstown.

Johnny Davis visited Mr. and Mrs. Gilles Paquette in St. Elie, Mr. and Mrs. Sandy Davis in Sherbrooke and also his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jean Paul Hudson at Mirror Lake.

Mrs. Thomas Rowland and Miss Margaret Rowland called on Mr. and Mrs. Alden Clark in Bishop-ton recently.

Mikeal Campagna of Jordan, Ont., visited

his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Parsons, Danny and Mrs. Hilda Lawrence were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Jones and family in Tomifobia on Saturday.

William Davis visited his sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Gilles Paquette in St. Elie.

Keith Hall of Beaconsfield, spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Allen Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Ian Gregory of St. Lambert were recent guests of Mrs. Ransome Hayes Sr.

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Revenues	1983 Financial Statements	1984
Taxes	101,190	119,548
Service to other municipalities	997	1,040
Compensation taking place of taxes	8,953	10,150
Other Services	9,945	7,223
Other Revenues	11,176	7,010
Conditional Transfers	110,382	51,847
Total	242,643	196,818
Expenses		
Adm. General	48,534	1,707
Public Security	63,994	37,352
Road Transportation		10,662
Area Hygiene		128
Urbanism		128
Recreation & Culture		23,395
Other Activities		31,744
Other Expenses		208,457

There is still \$7947.00 of the 1984 taxes to be collected. The \$15,000.00 grant for road work has not yet been received.
A new truck was bought at an expense of \$23,795.00.
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Sincerely yours,
Adolphe Larivière,
Mayor

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Armistice service held by veterans at Sawyerville

Sawyerville broke with tradition this year when Armistice was celebrated on Saturday, November 10 instead of the 11th. This was done to be able to have outside Legion branches participate, as Sawyerville Legion is a small branch. Members from Bury, Cookshire, East Angus and Sherbrooke were in attendance, as well as a large contingent from Lennoxville A.N.A.F. The weather was warm with just the odd drop of rain which did not hamper proceedings.

The Legion Hall was full to overflowing, one of the largest turnouts on record. The major part of the service was held in the Hut, with all of the clergy taking part. Zeph Rousseau acted as master of ceremonies, while Captain Lionel Hurd was in charge of the parade. Before leaving the hall, a demonstration of Rifle Drill, using the rifles of 1939-45 was given by the Honor Guard, comprised of

veterans George Rowell, Uwe Lowry, Glen Nesbitt and George Pinchin. This is the only branch in the district that has members of their branch acting as Honor Guards. The Parade was headed by the colors of each Legion Branch present, with a Drummer to help keep in step.

After the ceremony at the Cenotaph, at which Cecil Dougherty of Lennoxville used his loud speaker, a large number of veterans, Ladies' Auxiliary and friends went to East Clifton to hold the same Ceremony at the Cenotaph there. Then all returned to the Legion Hall where the Ladies' Auxiliary served a delicious dinner to over 60 veterans and friends, after which a large delegation went to Island Brook and Scotstown to take part in their Armistice Services.

The members of Sawyerville Legion wish to express their thanks to all who took part to make this special day a success.

Club meets

ROCK ISLAND (DB) — The members of the Border Christmas Club decided to hold their Christmas banquet early while the weather and roads were good. They beat old man winter by just a few hours.

On Monday evening, Nov. 12, the ladies drove to Omerville for a chinese dinner, afterwards returning to the home of Marie Bessette in Rock Island where a short business meeting was held and exchange of

names before they settled down to playing cards for the remainder of the evening.

When the scores were added up, the highest went to Madelyn Curtis and the consolation to Doris Belanger. June Federico's name was drawn for the door prize.

Aline Pierce will be hostess for the December get-together when cards will be played and the Christmas gift exchange will take place.

BRIDGE

James Jacoby

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♠ AK8			
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Pass	5♦	Pass	5NT
Pass	6♠	Pass	6♣
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead: ♠K			

Skirting disaster

By James Jacoby

If I tell you to cover up the East and West hands and plan the play in six spades, what happens? Of course you can simply ignore the instruction and quickly read on to find out the solution to the problem. Or, bearing in mind that something exists beyond the obvious, you may ponder what might happen to cause six spades to go set. If you decide that a 4-0 trump split is the only danger, you will perhaps see what must be done to give yourself a chance for success.

At trick two you must trump a club with one of your little spades. Now the spade ace reveals the bad split. Play ace of hearts and ruff a heart. Then ruff another club. One more heart ruff and one more club ruff enable you to make the small-slam contract, since West must follow to the ace and king of diamonds. The last trick goes to the opponents, who are forced to play a winner on a winner — West with his long trump and East with his diamond queen.

There is a lesson in this deal. We can all be better declarers if we remember to ask ourselves what can go wrong. The next question follows logically — what can we do about it? In this case, making all our trumps separately is the answer, but that doesn't work if we don't trump a club at trick two.

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Thursday, Nov. 29

ASTRO-GRAPH

Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Nov. 29, 1984

This coming year you could be financially fortunate from situations initiated by others. These people might be relatives or merely good friends of your family.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Allow your natural sense of timing to come to the fore today if you are trying to close a delicate deal. Move when your intuition says go. Major changes are in store for Sagittarius in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, Box 489, Radio City Station, New York, NY 10019. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Do not hesitate to ask questions today if you get involved in something unfamiliar. Probing makes you look bright, not dumb.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Two promising situations that could be of importance to you financially may develop today. One could come through a confidential source.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Overall conditions tend to favor you today and you should be able to manage things to your liking. Assert yourself and be the one who pulls the strings.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be patient in your present endeavors, even if they are proceeding slowly. Some surprising developments may occur behind the scenes to speed everything up.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Friendships can be enhanced today if you go out of your way to be helpful to pals who have treated you kindly over the years. Don't wait to be asked.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Even though your goal today may be personal, you'll receive unexpected support from associates to help you reach it.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Do not use intermediaries today to represent you in important matters. You'll fare better handling the negotiations on a one-to-one basis.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Strive to take a more active role today in a situation where you share a mutual interest with another. Your input will be of considerable help.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Conditions are generally favorable today for putting important agreements together. Don't waste time because later influences may be less friendly.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Today, unique premiums could be attached to any work or service you perform for others. Don't fret about compensation, just do a good job.

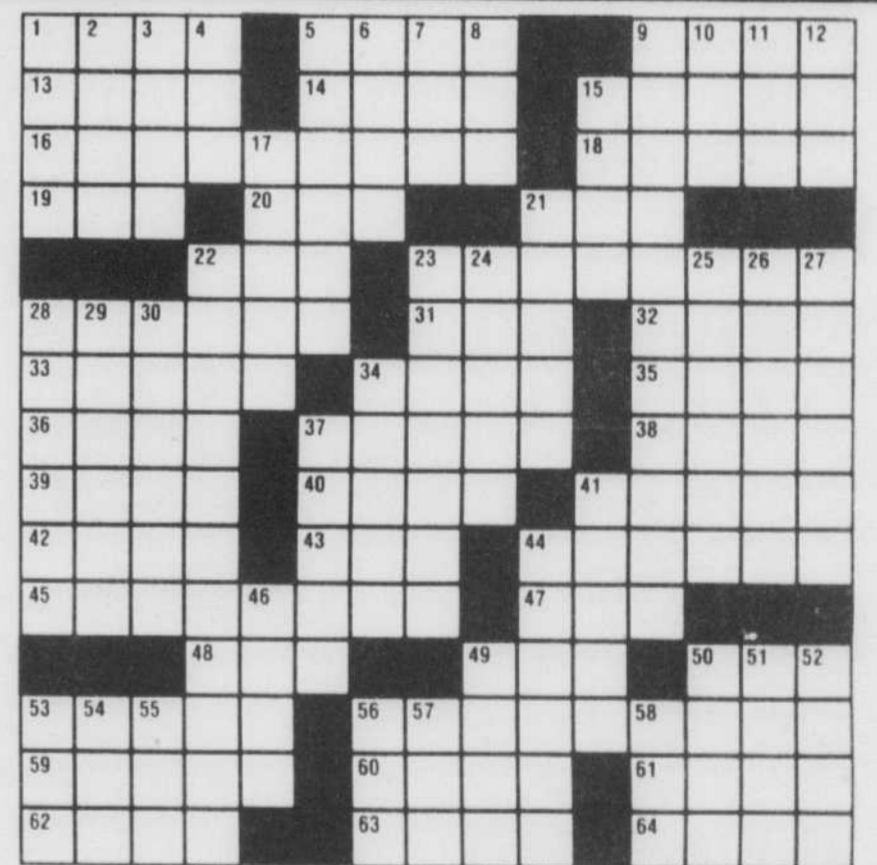
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your thoughts are likely to prove the wiser today so take a chance on your own ideas and concepts, rather than gambling on those of others.

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Crossword

- ACROSS
- Dugout
 - Former crooner
 - Small sailboat
 - Glance
 - Cantata melody
 - Austin's state
 - The — State (Kentucky)
 - Watchful
 - Before Sun.
 - Map abbr.
 - Total
 - Tiny
 - Minuteman's foes
 - Assemble
 - Tree
 - Message
 - Medieval "mightily"
 - King of the Huns
 - Central European
 - Barbecue bar
 - River into the Danube
 - Flooring piece
 - Whine
 - Solar disc
 - Blunder
 - Author Waugh
 - Communications co.
 - Depends (on)
 - Traffic stopper
 - Native: suff.
 - Small fish
 - Ziegfeld
 - 50 52
 - Irritate
 - World's largest island
 - Isr. port
 - Intend
 - False god
 - Adherents: suff.
 - Wading bird
 - Refute

- DOWN
- Vestments
 - Gaucha's weapon
 - Defeat
 - DDE



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Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:



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| 41 Buffalo | 53 Windy City: abbr. |
| 44 Western state capital | 54 Owns |
| 46 Brainstorm | 55 Isle |
| 49 Apprehension | 56 Small weights: abbr. |
| 50 Put on freight | 57 Antique auto |
| 51 Privy to | 58 Cover |
| 52 In a lazy way | |

Sawyerville Oddfellows and Rebekah Lodges 75th anniversary

Eaton Valley Lodge No. 60, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Wilhelmina Rebekah Lodge No. 23 celebrated their 75th anniversary on November 3rd, at the I.O.O.F. Lodge Rooms in Sawyerville.

At 2 p.m., members and guests were welcomed and signed the guest book. Table displays consisted of history and cook books, ceramics, interest items, including a replica of the I.O.O.F. Hall, crafted by Bro. Douglas Twyman. Punch was served. The room was decorated with large silver 75's and posters. At 3 p.m., Noble Grand Sis. Barbara Blair opened the afternoon program. Brothers and Sisters of Wilhelmina No. 23 participated in an umbrella drill, to welcome the guests. O Canada was sung, followed by the Lord's prayer. Then an official welcome and a bit of history followed. Two humorous readings were enjoyed. A dedication of a plate with the Lodge name, crest and 75 in gold, purchased by Wilhelmina Lodge, to commemorate this memorial occasion followed, with Sis. Laura Burnham, Warden of the Rebekah Assembly of Quebec, assisting in the ceremonies. Sister Burnham was representing Sister Margaret Horan, President of the Rebekah Assembly of Quebec, who was unable to be present, due to previous commitments.

Updated jewels were presented from Wilhelmina Lodge No. 23, to Sis. Maud Downes, 55 years (absent), Sis. Kathleen Mackay, 50 years, and Sis. Evelyn French, 50 years (absent), by Sis. Laura Burnham, assisted by Noble Grand Sis. Barbara Blair. Brothers presented with engraved mugs were Bro. Douglas Twyman, 45 years, Bro. Douglas Mackay, 40 years, and Bro. Gerald French, 35 years. Others present, with a membership of from 33 years to 49 years, being honoured, were Sisters Jessie Coates, Norma Westman, Mabel Mackay, Mayotta Taylor, Abbie French, Ruth French, Gertrude Raymond, and absent were Sisters Gertrude Montgomery and Glenna Evans. Also present and honoured at this time was Sis. Emma Watt, now a resident of the Wales Home, Richmond. Later we were rewarded with a lovely recitation from this dear lady. On the lighter side again, "The Flower Garden" was presented by Brothers and Sisters of Wilhelmina Lodge. A beautiful anniversary card was read from Sis. Margaret Horan, President of the Rebekah Assembly. Closing remarks and a poem "Odd Fellows and Rebekahs", followed by a prayer, and God Save the Queen, brought the afternoon entertainment to a close. Many pictures were taken of the day's activities.

At 5:30 p.m., a banquet was held at the Community Centre, attended by 97 guests. Grace was said by Rev. Linton Westman. A toast was proposed to the Queen, and also one to the Rebekahs and Odd Fellows. Introduction of head table guests included Bro. Ronald Tryhorn, Sr., Deputy Grand Master of Quebec, representing Bro. Barry Draper, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, and Sis. Isobel Tryhorn, Bro. Percy Burnham, Grand

Conductor, Grand Lodge of Quebec, Sis. Laura Burnham, Warden of the Rebekah Assembly of Quebec, Bro. Fred Currier, Secretary, Grand Lodge of Quebec, and Sis. Margaret Currier, Secretary of the Rebekah Assembly of Quebec, also Sis. Barbara Blair, Noble Grand, Wilhelmina Lodge No. 23, and Bro. Lloyd Morrison, Noble Grand, of Eaton Valley Lodge No. 60. Other Grand Lodge, Rebekah Assembly, Grand Emplacement officers, both past and present, were introduced. Many of our distinguished guests responded with pleasantries, and wished our Lodges many more anniversaries. Bro. Ronald Tryhorn, Deputy Grand Master, presented Bro. Harris Nugent with his 35-year jewel. Bro. Fred Currier, Grand Secretary, presented Bro. Don MacRae with his 40-year jewel. Brother Lloyd French was to receive his 50-year jewel but was unable to attend. A few well chosen remarks were made for the dedication of these Odd Fellows to the Order.

Sister Marie Nutbrown, unable through health problems, to attend the afternoon program, was honoured at the supper hour for 38 years of Rebekah membership. Sister Marie graciously thanked everyone for this remembrance and brought everyone up to date on her upcoming plans.

All were pleasantly entertained by the Snow Shoe Club Choir, of Sherbrooke, sponsored by Eaton Valley Lodge No. 60.

The day's activities climaxed with the serving of a beautiful anniversary cake and coffee, bringing to a close 75 years of history, and our hopes of reaching other milestones in the future.

Submitted by Alice Wilson

St. George's ACW holds meeting

AYER'S CLIFF — The regular meeting of the A.C.W. of St. George's Church was held at the home of Muriel Martin with eight members and three guests present, also Rev. Ron Smith.

The Pres. Alice Vance opened the meeting with the Guild prayers, followed by the meditation and prayer from the Living Message read by Barbara Wintle. The President welcomed all to the meeting and called on Lorraine Harrison, Sec'y, to read the minutes of the previous meeting which were accepted as read.

The treasurer's report was given by Barbara Wintle who reported that proceeds from the casserole dinner held recently were very gratifying. Doing the hall floor was discussed and it was decided to leave it until spring. The church calendars had been received and were almost all sold. A vote of thanks was expressed to Phyllis Wintle for selling and delivering so many calendars. As our pledges had gone up 5% it was agreed that they be paid twice a year. The Christmas Cheer will be looked af-

ter again by Maude Chadsey. A party is being planned by Elizabeth Schoolcraft for the Little Helpers.

The Christmas Salad Tea and Sale will be held on Nov. 22 from 3 to 5 p.m. An artificial Christmas Tree is to be purchased to use in the hall and the date to decorate and set up for the tea will be Nov. 21.

A carol service will be held in St. George's Church, here, on Dec. 23 at 4 p.m. followed by a hot casserole supper in the hall. It was also agreed upon to donate money to help defray expenses for the four young people going to the Youth Conference at Quebec Lodge.

The next meeting will be held at Barbara Wintle's on Jan. 7.

The meeting was adjourned and the hostess showed a program of coloured slides of a trip to different parts of South America which was much enjoyed. The hostess served a delicious lunch assisted by her daughter Gini and a pleasant social period was enjoyed.

Scotstown

Mrs. Don McCuaig and Mrs. Real Boulanger were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Couchman in Dell.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Real Boulanger on this weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Flückiger of Boston, Mass., and Mr. and Mrs. Claude O'Reilly of Ville La Salle.

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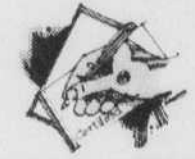
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4. 'I really want this letter to move!'



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From the pens of ET writers

HOW FRAIL WE ARE

We get drunk to forget our sorrows
We pray because we have sinned
We have invented for ourselves a heaven
Where we will be fitted with a large pair of wings

We have our own good God to guide us
In case we might get lost
We must have electric heating pads
To protect us from the frost

Beaver skins and bear skins always
To keep our belly warm
Great big walls around us
To keep us from all harm

We have folk to manicure our toenails
Fix our wretched teeth
Fry our eggs and bacon
And tell us when and what to eat

We have pills for this and pills for that
We think we're a pillar of strength
To regulate our breathing
We'll go to any length

We rush off to the doctor for even the slightest pain
Take this pain away from me or I'll never come again
We have unions to protect us from every kind of work
Unions to protect the unions from some workaholic jerk

The biped has polluted this planet till the water ain't too fit to drink
It does things for its own personal comfort without a pause to just stop and think

The only place where we can find wildlife is somewhere inside of a zoo
Where the wild life sits on its backside calmly looking at you

We send food to feed overpopulated countries then they breed a hell of a lot more
I wonder just where we are going does anyone really know the score!

We must not hurt the rapists and murderers that pollute the entire Canadian land
We have frightened folk in government that don't know where they stand

They take away our firearms
While they have policemen galore
We are all unprotected
Then my readers wonder why I should get sore
TED WRIGHT,
Dunham, Que.

GENTLE HANDS

God gave the gift of "gentle hands"
To mankind, long ago,
A gentle touch, which moves us more
Than anger, force, or wounding blow...

When a Mother's hand strokes rumpled head
Or gently draws a loved one to her side —
The touch speaks of her care and love
Enduring, ceaseless as the tide.

An artist gently strokes his brush
To bring out warmth and tone,
His paintings speak of hidden depths
Whether of sea, or face, or even stone...

A doctor touches fevered brow —
His very presence eases pain;
He gently probes our ailing parts
His care is not in vain.

How gently must the keeper's hands
Soothe creatures in his care,
Their trust is won and they're content
Just knowing he is there.

How gentle were His precious hands —
He healed the sick, and calmed the sea:
Through love, He taught us to have faith
This Gentle Man of Gallilee...

MARGE MONTGOMERY,
Norwich, Ont.
Nov. 1984

THE VACANT COTTAGES

The day is dark and gloomy,
As the sky is overcast,
Brome Lake is very restless,
And the waves are hitting shore full blast.

Lash, lash goes the water,
As the waves come tumbling in,
They lash upon the shore line,
Where the sun bathers have been.

The little white cottages stand vacant,
With the windows all barred down,
For the village now is in silence,
As the cottage people have left the town.

The sail boats are all anchored,
To the shore line now so bare,
For the flowers, trees and shrubs,
Are no longer there.

The sea gulls ride the waves in,
As they come tumbling to the shore,
And they land upon the rocks,
As the waves bring many, many more.

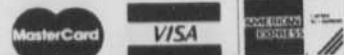
The horizon now looks hazy,
As the bright sun shines through the cloud,
And the gulls stand and flick their feathers,
And stand there mighty proud.

Looking over across the lake,
And standing on the shore,
A little fire is burning,
Across the lake on the other shore.

I stand and watch so silently,
As the water splashes on the shore,
And I hope that in the spring time,
I'll see the cottage people back once more.

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