

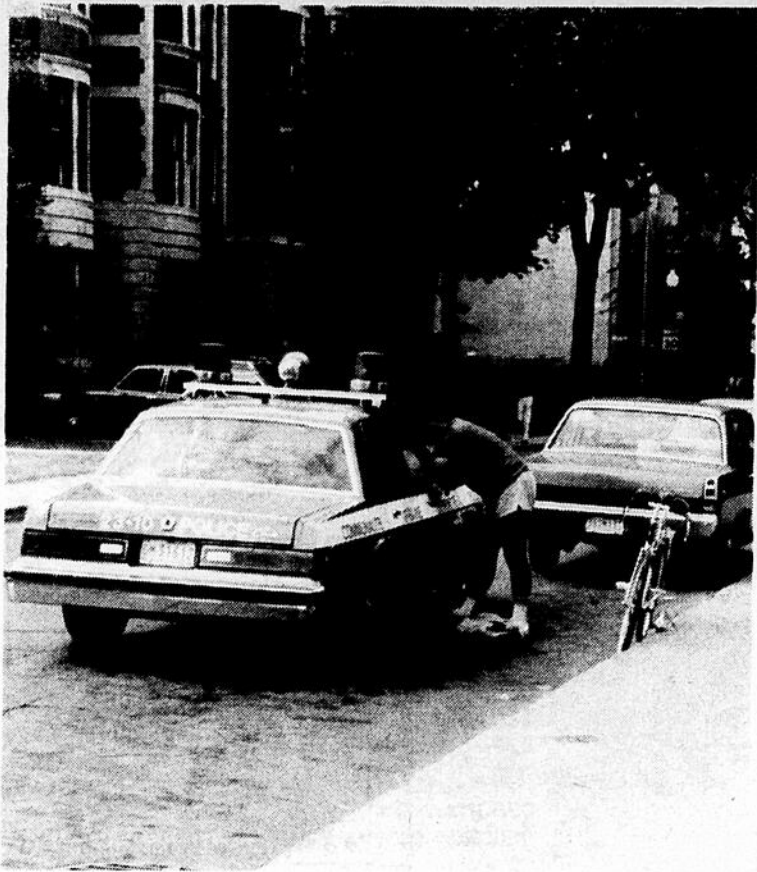
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BIG BROTHER WAS WATCHING: MUC police stopped this cyclist Tuesday morning on de Maisonneuve boulevard at Greene avenue as the current bicycle campaign continues through August. Some 700 tickets were handed out for bicycle infractions during June, according to police officials.

Further delay riles lawyer:

City claims land contribution in Belvedere road subdivision

By JAMES MILLS

CITY council Tuesday night resolved to exact in land rather than money the 10 percent contribution it would levy in subdividing the property at 57 Belvedere road.

The decision does not prevent the subdivision but delays it by requiring the owner of the property to submit a plan that takes the land provision into account.

The owner's lawyer, Jack Lightstone, QC, who last month charged council was stalling on the matter (see story July 11), called the sudden move Tuesday "a shoddy way to treat a taxpayer."

Owners of neighboring properties, however, thanked council for its efforts to prevent the subdivision.

Council is studying an application by Joseph Zaidan, owner of the property, to create three new lots on the land surrounding the turn-of-the-century mansion at 57 Belvedere road.

Westmount by-laws in force since 1983 entitle the city to 10 percent of a property it subdivides; a share which may be taken in land, money or a combination of the two, for the development of parks and playgrounds.

Reading from the minutes of the city's Architectural and Planning Commission, Alderman Peter Trent, commissioner of planning and redevelopment, said 57 Belvedere road was "the last highly visible large lot in the city."

He said the property was a sym-

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Dog-day meeting is full

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Despite the dog days of summer, the council chamber was filled Tuesday night as more than 25 citizens turned out to the August meeting of city council to continue the saga of several hot issues.

Nursing homes, PCBs, bicycles, parks and dogs all were discussed and put aside, probably to be continued in September.

The "hottest" subject turned out to be the proposed subdivision of property at 57 Belvedere

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City to improve safety of transformer storage

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

THE City of Westmount will take steps to bring storage facilities for its five reserve PCB electrical transformers in line with safety guidelines recommended by Environment Canada, reports Alderman Joan Rothman.

"The city will spend the money needed to ensure these recommendations are followed," she told THE EXAMINER last week.

Ald Rothman was reviewing safety measures outlined July 25 and 26 by Environment Canada officials who conducted the special Westmount seminars on polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) held in Victoria Hall (see stories last week).

Five reserve PCB-filled transformers are stored, at present, at the Corporation Yard. Others owned by the city's electric utility are in service.

Although stored transformers could be put into service, Environment Canada officials do not recommend it because of the hazards involved in transportation and inspection.

Certain changes in the city's present storage facilities were recommended in a recent report to

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End urged to parties in parks

A strong appeal was made Tuesday night to youths, as well as their parents, to help the city temper late night "Bacchanalian" festivities in the parks and avoid imposition of a curfew.

"We have had complaints from older people," explained Alderman John Shingler about the summer festivities which, he said, sometimes result in broken beer bottles and loud music.

Many parks in the MUC already have curfews, he pointed out.

Parks were meant for enjoyment, he added. "This hasn't got-

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Outremont bikini by-law on books here since 1909

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

MAYOR Brian Gallery has uncovered Westmount's cover-up by-law.

And he's pleased to announce that Westmount was "a few years" ahead of Outremont in banning bathing suits from parks — 76 years, to be precise.

Mind you, Westmount, being "broad-minded," doesn't use the powers of its 1909 by-law against most of the sun worshippers in Westmount Park.

The teeth are there, if needed, however.

"Every person who appears in any street, road, park or public place while clad in a bathing suit or in immodest wearing apparel shall be subject to the penalties hereinafter provided," states section 5A of by-law 196 amended by by-law 589.

It could be Westmount's answer to the proposed pornography legislation city council studied but never processed last year.

In section 4, the same by-law makes it illegal to exhibit, sell

or offer to sell "any indecent, lewd, obscene or immoral book, picture, postcard or other thing..."

The legislation, entitled "By-law concerning good morals and decency," was adopted March 24, 1909 by Mayor W. H. Trenholme and council, according to Mayor Gallery.

"It shows our forefathers prepared their citizens for any eventuality in case the citizenry becomes agitated with the dress of men and women in the parks."

Does Westmount's mayor in 1985 mind bathing suits in the parks?

"I don't mind bathing suits anywhere," he replied, "as long as they're worn in good taste."

Next Week's Weather by Captain Eric Neal

NEXT WEEK'S WEATHER

By Capt Eric Neal
August 8 to 15

Cool to commence this week then warming with heavy dews and morning mists or valley fogs. Days bright with a little evening thunder activity. Mainly sunny and quite warm with high humidity through to the end of the week. Temperature range 10 to 28°C. A hurricane approaching the eastern coast can be expected to remain at sea, but occasionally these storms have been known to pass through our area.

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Hudson house heats up

Many Westmount homes were hot during the past week.

One, on Hudson avenue, however, seemed to unusually high temperatures Monday morning, helped along by the sun.

Firefighters received a call at 11:45 am to go to the home for a furnace that would not shut off. Residents were away and a cleaning woman found the furnace operating.

The thermostat had been set at 160 degrees, rather than off, fire officials said.

Several candles were "drooping" remarked a public safety officer on the scene, but otherwise, all was found in order.

Window cracked

A window was cracked at 390 Victoria avenue overnight Tuesday-Wednesday last week, police report. Damage was estimated at \$250.



"I don't like the way our vacation is starting out."



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WESTMOUNT BY-LAW 950

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all who may be concerned that "BY-LAW TO FURTHER AMEND BY-LAW 685 CONCERNING PARKING METERS" was adopted by the Municipal Council of the city of Westmount at a general sitting held at the City Hall on the 3rd June 1985.

Details relating to the said by-law are fully set out in By-law 950 which is open for inspection by all persons interested at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Westmount.

GIVEN at Westmount, P.Q., this 7th day of August 1985.

R. C. Wilkins
 Acting City Clerk



WESTMOUNT RÈGLEMENT 950

Avis public est par les présentes donné à tous ceux qui peuvent être concernés que le "RÈGLEMENT VISANT À MODIFIER LE NOUVEAU LE RÈGLEMENT 685 CONCERNANT LES PARCOMÈTRES" était adopté par le conseil municipal de la Ville de Westmount, lors d'une assemblée générale tenue à l'Hôtel de Ville le 3 juin 1985.

Les détails se rapportant au dit règlement sont contenus au complet dans le Règlement 950, lequel est ouvert pour vérification par toutes les personnes intéressées, au bureau du greffier de la ville, Hôtel de ville, Westmount.

DONNÉ à Westmount, Québec, ce 7ième jour d'août 1985.

R. C. Wilkins
 greffier intérimaire de la ville

Secure your home before vacation

Westmounters leaving their homes unattended during the vacation period are reminded that vacant houses can be given special attention by calling both MUC police and the Public Security Unit.

The following checklist for vacation security is provided by the security unit's crime prevention office:

- Cancel all home deliveries of mail, newspapers, milk, etc;
- Arrange to have lawn cut and garden watered;
- Do not leave notes for the paperboy, milkman, etc, which would leave clues to your absence;
- Do not "advertise" your plans for a vacation;
- Notify a trusted neighbor with whom a key can be left;
- Be sure all tools and ladders are out of sight;
- Purchase a timer for exterior and interior lights and radio;
- Leave drapes open, since closed curtains would conceal a burglar

- from view of neighbors;
- Turn telephone down to its lowest level, a ringing phone is an indication no one is home;
- Do not pack the car the night before departure to alert strangers;
- Check that all doors, windows and garages are secure. Garages are important since they often contain tools that might assist a burglar in gaining entry.

While away, ask a neighbor to remove throwaway papers from the doorstep, rearrange positions of interior drapes and notify police of any suspicious activity.

Further information on securing the home can be obtained from the Public Security Unit at 935-7227.

Hand out glove

A baseball glove found Sunday at 12:23 am in King George Park by a public safety officer was turned over to MUC police station 23.

Next Scheduled City Council Meeting

Tuesday, September 3, 8 pm.

Date de la prochaine séance du conseil municipal

Le mardi 3 septembre, 20h00.

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Police	934-2121	PUBLIC SECURITY SÉCURITÉ PUBLIQUE	935-1777

COUNCIL...

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road which brought out several "first-time callers" as Mayor Brian Gallery said in welcoming remarks (see separate story).

One of the highlights of the meeting came when Peter Pate-naude, assistant director general, produced a large pictorial sign explaining bicycle rules in the park.

It was his reply to a question by Norah Plenderleith on long-overdue signage in the parks. The signs would be mounted soon, he told her.

There was news for dog-owners, too: namely, that the city intends to extend dog run times by one hour starting at 6 pm through 9 am.

Changes disclosed

Changes in the proposed rezoning of 336 Metcalfe avenue also were disclosed in efforts to make its conversion into a nursing home acceptable to a group of residents on the street.

The changes, mainly prohibiting future additions of a garage or other accessory buildings, were protested by the owner Edward Ertl, who said he would like to reserve future options.

He said there was a double standard on the street. He had owned two properties in the block for 14 years, longer than some other residents. He had not objected to their accessory buildings. Why should they object to his?

Ramzi Ferahian, 4998 de Maisonneuve, asked whether any of the buildings in Westmount containing PCB-filled transformers had separate ventilation systems for PCB equipped areas.

Mayor Gallery said he did not know but would find out.

"I doubt if there are any," Mr Ferahian said.

Called for control

Bicycle control was called for by Christina Myler who complained about the number of cyclists driving north on the section of Lansdowne which is one-way south.

Few changes are likely to be made in the proposed by-law which would down-zone sections

of Dorchester boulevard and St Antoine street, Alderman Peter Trent announced.

Concerns raised by St Stephen's Church over possible redevelopment of its property at Atwater avenue did not form a "concrete proposal" and would not be incorporated in the by-law, the meeting heard.

One of the first-time visitors to a Westmount council meeting was a sanitation contractor from a Laval firm which was awarded a garbage contract at the meeting.

His presence resulted in an outburst of French from council members all providing a hearty welcome when he explained he had not understood the portion of the meeting which had approved his tender.

Council members retired to the committee room after the meeting to consider more business. The regular mid-month meeting of the general committee of council is not held during August.

BELVEDERE...

Continued from page one

bol for people across Canada "of what Westmount was and is."

Ald Trent announced that the city would take the contribution of land "where we deem fit."

Mr Lightstone said negotiations between his client and the City of Westmount had been going on for more than a year, during which time four or five successive changes in the subdivision plan had been requested by the city and made by his client. "Never had the question of a land contribution been raised," he said.

He claimed the city had concealed its intentions by making no mention of the land provision until the last minute.

A July 25 letter from City Engineer E. A. McCavour, Mr Lightstone said, asked that a cheque be made out for some \$103,000, representing 10 percent of the value of the property.

Ald Trent replied that the city generally requires receipt of a contribution in money before deciding how a levy is to be exacted. It is the first time, however, that council has opted for land since the by-law came into effect.

As he had at the July meeting, Mr Lightstone challenged the authority of the A and P Commission to approve cadastral opera-

WESTMOUNT Community Calendar

The following events are scheduled in Westmount this week:

Today

☐ Concert: Thomson Quartet, Old Post Office, 1304 Greene avenue, noon

Sunday, Aug 11

☐ Concert: Pascal Véraquin Quartet, Westmount Park, 3 pm

Monday, Aug 12

☐ WMA: directors' meeting, Victoria Hall, 8 pm

Tuesday, Aug 13

☐ Cultural forum: book review, Temple Emanu-El - Beth Shalom, 4100 Sherbrooke street, 2 pm

Wednesday, Aug 14

☐ Rotary Club of Westmount: luncheon meeting, Victoria Hall, 12:30 pm

COMING UP

☐ Aug 15: concert, Thomson Quartet, outside La Cache, 1353 Greene avenue, noon

☐ Aug 18: concert, Jeff May Trio, Westmount Park, 3 pm

- W Weekly / Monthly M
- Public meeting / Annual A
- Religious / Cultural event
- † For children / Sporting event
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tions.

Ald Trent defended council's right to seek advice from the commission in areas beyond its immediate jurisdiction.

Raphael Fleming, 59 Belvedere road, presented a 30-name petition to council asking that the subdivision not be approved.

Ald Trent said the petition gladdened his heart.

John Peacock, who attended the meeting with Belvedere Circle neighbors Lorne Webster and Paul Martin Jr and Bellevue avenue resident David Cohen, thanked council for requiring the contribution in land.

Mr Peacock asked how citizens could make their concerns about the property known.

Mayor Brian Gallery reminded the meeting of the owner's right to subdivide under the by-law. "Don't forget, it's his property," he said.

Ald Trent said he welcomed citizen input, asking that it be directed to either him or the chairman of the A and P Commission, Jean-Louis Lalonde. "The whole ball game now has changed," he said.

Ald Peter Duffield added that Westmount by-laws are the toughest allowed under Quebec legislation and that subdivision cannot be refused outright.

'Elves' help fire brigade

If you thought you were dreaming at 2 am last Thursday when you saw firefighters from Montreal in Prince Albert Park, it was for real.

They were putting out a fire in a City of Westmount wastebasket.

It was not known who called them, but they did the job and left.

No one would have been any the wiser, fire officials said, had Public Security eyes not spotted the unusual sight. Officers called the Westmount men but when they arrived, Montreal firemen had gone.

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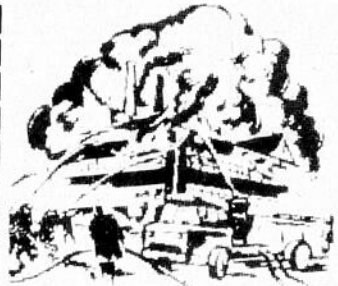
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The following calls were answered by the Westmount Fire Brigade during the past week:

July 30

12:21 pm: Northcote and Stratford, mutual aid assistance to Hampstead for natural gas leak;
2:00 pm: 4999 St Catherine, suite 240, strange odor from carbon monoxide (see story);
3:45 pm: 618 Sydenham, smouldering tree stump (see story);
11:10 pm: Opposite 23 Prospect, gas leak from car;

July 31

12:11 am: 4998 de Maisonneuve, first responder unit;
1:27 pm: Clarke and de Maisonneuve, strange odor, roof being tarred;
7:40 pm: 1090 Greene, Unity Boys' and Girls' Club, alarm activated (see story);
8:04 pm: 1090 Greene, Unity Boys' and Girls' Club, alarm activated (as above);
8:05 pm: 300 Lansdowne, code 2 automatic mutual aid to Côte St Luc cancelled at 8:13 pm, false alarm (see story);

Aug 1

2:02 am: Prince Albert Park, fire in wastebasket (see story);
12:29 pm: Lane between Olivier and Clarke, oil spill from unknown source;
1:33 pm: 300 Lansdowne, code 2 automatic mutual aid cancelled at 1:43 pm, false alarm (see story);
1:58 pm: 467 Mount Stephen, smoke scare (see story);
9:37 pm: 328 Redfern, burglar alarm;

Aug 2

11:55 am: 27 Hillside, spilled gasoline (see story);
10:59 pm: 10 Windsor, water in basement from external leak;

Aug 3

7:37 am: 4680 St Catherine, Pom Bakery, fire in oven vent duct, mutual aid assistance (see story);
3:51 pm: 1235 Greene, woman locked in store (see story);
5:40 pm: 33A Chesterfield, defective door handle;
5:50 pm: Westmount Square, flood from sprinkler (see story);
7:23 pm: 478 Côte St Antoine, water from air conditioner on roof;

Aug 4

1:44 am: 30 Stanton, code 2 automatic mutual aid from Côte St Luc cancelled at 1:55 am, two persons freed from elevator;
10:56 am: 5760 Park Haven, code 3 automatic mutual aid to Côte St Luc cancelled at 11:02 am;
5:25 pm: 7461 Kingsley, code 3 automatic mutual aid to Côte St Luc cancelled at 5:34 pm;
6:35 pm: 11 Anwoth, person locked out;
7:05 pm: 221 Clarke, code 2 automatic mutual aid from Côte St Luc cancelled at 7:15 pm, smoke in building from cooking steak;

Aug 5

2:55 am: 2 Burton, first responder unit;
9:12 am: 4000 de Maisonneuve, 30th floor, code 2 automatic mutual aid from Côte St Luc cancelled at 9:21 am, electrical problem, lights burning out;
11:03 am: 2 Hudson, furnace problem (see story);
10:00 pm: 596 Victoria, fire in dwelling (see story).



OPEN DOOR: One of Westmount's newest residents, Stanley Hartt, barely had time to settle down before the word came that he had been appointed deputy finance minister in the Mulroney government. Presumably he will be moving to Ottawa to take up the job. The former resident of Town of Mount Royal is known for his role as a conciliator in recent labor negotiations at the Canada Post Corp and as chairman of the national economic conference held earlier this year in Ottawa.

Rotarians learn about bankruptcy

Westmount Rotarians learned about collecting commercial debts at their weekly meeting last week at Victoria Hall.

David Franklin, a commercial lawyer and member of the Montreal-Westward Rotary Club, spoke to the Westmount club about his work in helping creditors to collect debts from insolvent or bankrupt companies.

Under present bankruptcy laws, explained Mr Franklin, there is a "pecking order" for creditors who have claims on the assets of a failed company.

Banks and credit companies have first claim on debts, while employees of such a company fall lower on the list and only are guaranteed a maximum of \$500 in back wages.

Mr Franklin said that present laws regarding bankruptcy have been considered for revision for the past 17 years, but that nothing has changed. He added that the present government is stalling enactment.

Mr Franklin was introduced by Eugene Zinay and was thanked by George Sklivas.

The club welcomed four visiting Rotarians.

Lost wallet

A resident of Cavendish boulevard told police she lost her wallet at the Terre Étoile restaurant Friday about 1:30 pm. The loss was reported at \$25.

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Crane blocks de Maisonneuve, worth three dollars a pound

By ROB SOUTHCOTT

For motorists on de Maisonneuve boulevard this week, it might have seemed as though a new building had sprung up in the middle of the road.

Just west of Atwater avenue, traffic on de Maisonneuve was reduced to one lane. In fact, the structure which stretched across much of the street was one of the largest construction cranes in the country.

The 440-ton crane, whose steel cables can hoist articles to a height of 430 feet, is owned by Armand Guay Inc, a Montreal crane company. It was being used earlier this week to dismantle yet another crane — a power crane that had been perched 26 storeys above ground, atop the new office tower on the Alexis Nihon complex.

According to an official at the crane company, the apparatus used on the ground is the largest of its kind in Quebec, and one of only a few of such size in all of Canada.

Although there are other cranes which are as tall — one was used recently for repairs to the roof of the Alexis Nihon Plaza Towers — none have the bulk or lifting power of the one used this week.

They also wouldn't have cost as much to operate. At a fee of \$650 per hour, the two days the crane was used likely cost V. K. Masson, the company building the tower, over \$10,000.

That may sound like a weighty price, but the crane itself is worth about \$2.5 million. At 440 tons, the machine would work out to be worth just under \$3 per pound.

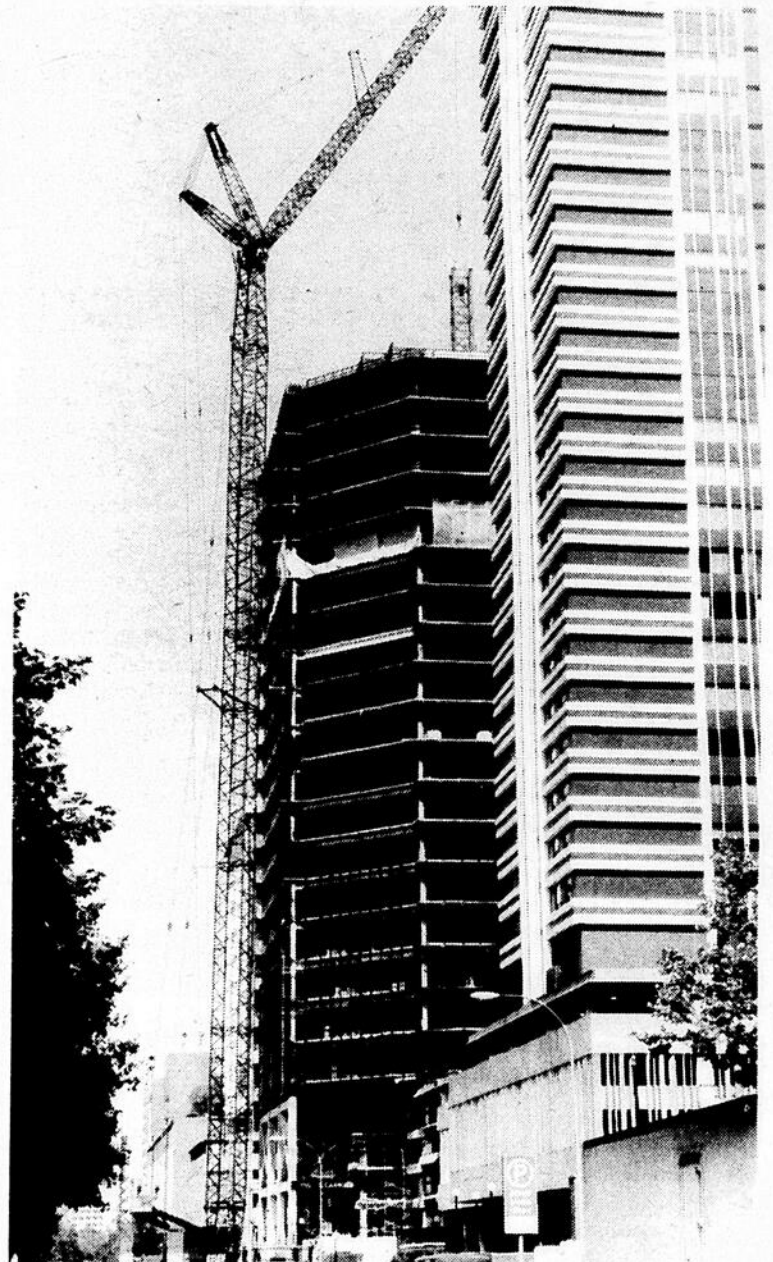
Construction creates hazard

Construction equipment on the street outside 4000 de Maisonneuve boulevard Monday last week was considered hazardous and reported to city hall on two occasions, public safety officers report.

No inspector showed up and PSOs reported workers said they would be leaving the material on the street until next morning.

Officers said 45-gallon drums of "flexible membrane" had been "stored" in the south traffic lane of de Maisonneuve.

Another complaint was made Friday about a giant crane which had been blocking access completely to 4000 de Maisonneuve.



TALL ORDER: This 430-foot construction crane raised eyebrows along de Maisonneuve boulevard this week. The machine was used to remove a second crane from atop the new Alexis Nihon office tower.

Pole out ring

A woman from Poland lost an amethyst ring while staying at the Salvation Army women's hostel, 4102 Dorchester boulevard, July 27, police report. She had left it near a sink, but could not find it later. The ring's value was not known.



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We Say

How to combat crime

WESTMOUNT, a natural target for criminals because of its proximity to downtown, its reputation as a well-to-do community and the somewhat blasé attitude of too many of its residents toward the risks, experiences ups and downs in its crime rates.

Currently, burglaries are up sharply — though thankfully many other categories of local wrong-doing are down.

We are fortunate in that this coincides with rise of the increasingly well conceived Neighborhood Watch organization, highly successful in many other places and promising to be of considerable benefit to Westmount.

As the name implies, the scheme is one of neighborhoods watching out for themselves over and above their reliance on police and public security protection. The idea is far from new; anyone who has lived in a rural area will know that the essence of local protection is keeping an eye on neighbors' properties as well as one's

own.

The local MUC police director, Mr John Dalzell, believes in the principle and is lending his hearty endorsement to it. Well he might; even if his most recent district crime statistics, as reported in last week's EXAMINER, were less disconcerting, he knows that whatever the size of his force extra eyes and ears provide an important edge against the criminal. One of the greatest problems of providing protection for a community is not the evil-doers but the apathetic, uncaring citizen. Until one has been a victim it is difficult to concern oneself with such matters. Crime itself is sadly the greatest incentive to do something about it. Neighborhood Watch provides just such opportunity, right now in Wards 4, 5 and 8, where recruitment and training of residents have begun.

Interested? Call Public Safety Officer Rafaele Barba at 935-8531 local 222 or the local MUC police community relations office, Cst Michel Caza, at 280-2823.

Whither the PSBGM?

A STUDENT of such things has voiced to us criticism of THE WESTMOUNT EXAMINER as well as its sister newspaper, the *Town of Mount Royal Weekly Post*, for their recent strong criticism of the Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal.

This academic view, taken from the perspective of distance from Quebec, suggests that by attacking the PSBGM for the way in which it went about finding a suitable high school for its French-sector pupils (Westmount High School was a candidate, Mount Royal High was its choice), we were undermining the board which, in his view, was the only true defender of English education rights in the province.

In particular, he thought it unwise to look to the minister of education to veto or check the actions of the board. Apart from the language issue, we were undermining another cherished principle held in common by these two newspapers, local autonomy and self-determination.

From a vantage point closer to the two directly affected communities it is significant, we think, that there appears to be little if any expressed support for the PSBGM's positions and actions in what must be regarded as the political sphere. Indeed, the commissioners appear to be uncertain themselves.

The so-called "Protestant" approach to defending English rights appears to be to encourage as many as possible French-speaking students (or others denied English schooling under Bill 101) to enroll in the PSBGM system.

This may help keep "Protestant" numbers

up and, not incidentally, justify the personnel numbers in the PSBGM administrative empire. But does it reinforce the Anglo position? In the case of T.M.R., (which just as easily might have been Westmount) a perfectly viable English high school in what is still, nominally at least, a predominantly English community is taken away to be reincarnated as a French school.

While many thousands of Anglophones likewise remain under the authority of the Montreal Catholic School Commission (which also has the same quite natural urge to continue its existence) it is illogical to suggest that either big central can speak for one or the other language group.

This is why this newspaper (and the editor of *The Weekly Post* appears to have reached the same conclusion) believes that reform which is directed toward rationalizing education under linguistic rather than denominational boards makes so much more sense than the present confusion, no matter how it may be enshrined by the BNA Act.

It well may be, as our critic suggests, that the change should be made by constitutional amendment rather than a provincial bill (as a guarantee against some future government's machinations) but the present confusion meanwhile worsens.

How long, on the present course, before the PSBGM serves an overwhelmingly French or French-educated population? What of the defence of English-language rights then?

Persistence to be praised

THERE is an old saying that you can't fight city hall. On the other hand, a citizen can be persistent to the point of being deemed a nuisance and, in the end, be right.

We are thinking here of Mr Ramzi Ferahian, a resident of Chateau Maisonneuve, who quite literally for years has been badgering city hall about the ventilation system of the building where he lives.

An engineer, he has been seeking tenaciously the opportunity to view the drawings of the ducting arrangements of the big apartment-office complex at de Maisonneuve boulevard and Claremont avenue to determine if, as he suspects, vented air may be drawn back into the building and recirculated.

The owners of the building have consistently thwarted him, which caused him to take the issue to city hall and repeatedly before city council. He has assumed, quite reasonably we think, that since a permit was issued for the building that there would be a set of drawings, including mechanical details, on file at city hall.

After experiencing considerable stonewalling, along the lines that he was not entitled to see such documents, it finally was admitted to him that the ventilation system drawings do not appear to be in the city's possession. Most persons would have let it go at that. But Mr Ferahian is made of tougher stuff, no doubt hardened and tempered by what can most charitably be described as past rough treatment by the elect of the City of Westmount. We would add that Mr Ferahian possesses the knack of irritating people by his earnest doggedness and not appearing to recognize when his point has been made, thus frequently "unselling" himself. Likewise, he appears to be oblivious to the fact that the time of council and officials taken up by him is time lost to something else, if only eventual rest and sleep at the tail end of a long evening meeting.

Nonetheless, persistence is not insincerity and it long has been our view that a citizen, even if he or she is totally wrong-headed in the view of others, is entitled to respect and understanding.

Mr Ferahian, if not always given such courtesies, appears now to have earned them. Most recent is an incident at Chateau Maisonneuve a fortnight ago when three office workers were taken to hospital to be checked for carbon monoxide poisoning. It appears that they had been affected by what officials described as "minimal" amounts of the deadly fumes. The Fire Brigade has taken serious account of the matter and is investigating thoroughly.

Which raises the question, which may or may not be related: were Mr Ferahian's original suspicions about the building's ventilation well-founded and were they suitably investigated before this incident? Mr Ferahian has been to the fore recently also in the matter of the risks involved with PCB-filled transformers in Westmount. Here the city seemed to have been ahead of him, having done its own census of such units. In this connection, however, it is disturbing to learn this week that one of our fire inspectors virtually stumbled upon eight more PCB transformers which were not on the power department's list.

It turns out that the newly-"discovered" units bore federal environment department stickers. Apparently Ottawa knew about them, from whatever sources, but our own people didn't. This adds concern to the suspicion that the federal information had been given to Quebec officials who, however, have not communicated it to the municipalities — where certainly the prime interest must lie.

Environmental hazards seem to be increasing around us, and so is awareness. There

are many new things which, like it or not, local authorities must take cognizance of and deal with appropriately, things not previously on the city's plate.

The City of Westmount is to be commended for its recent seminar on PCBs, widely attended by representatives of other municipalities. And Ald Joan Rothman, the commissioner of light and power, can take a bow for her persistence in pressing this kind of matter on her council colleagues. So can Ald Rhoda Vineberg for picking up the ball as fire commissioner and getting the Fire Brigade actively involved. (Fire Director William Timmons has had special training in the handling of dangerous substances, just such as PCBs.)

It is interesting to note that Ald Sally Aitken, the third of our three distaff aldermen, was the one councillor keen enough to attend an emergency measures course at Arnprior late last autumn.

And the ordinary (or extraordinary) citizen such as Mr Ferahian, who may not articulate well, who can be misunderstood as to motives and knowledge, who should never be under-rated by officialdom, deserves his share of the credit for not being afraid, in the face of even open hostility and abuse, to press questions which he or she believes important.



OUR M.N.A.
Richard D. French
says...

Bidding for cars

LEAVE IT to that cunning veteran of international trade, Bernard Landry. Toyota announces their intention to build an assembly plant in Canada. Landry announces two days later that Quebec is ready to top any bid to attract Toyota to this province. By the time Bernard is finished, Toyota will be investing only Quebec's money here, not its own! As far as negotiating tactics go, we've seen better.

The odds are, of course, that Toyota already has identified the one or two sites it wants, probably in a single province. It is not, however, going to look a gift horse in the mouth. If the provinces want to launch a bidding war, no sensible enterprise would be likely to refuse. This is where the Bernard Landrys of the world come in.

World markets

Japanese companies are famous for a strategic orientation to world markets. The interesting question is, what do they intend to achieve with this investment? Is it to be a major bridgehead into the North American market (since the Auto Pact gives Canadian producers full access to the American market)?

Is it, given its relatively modest size of 300 to 500 jobs, merely a tactical response to the Canadian quota policy? Or is it a throw-away counter in the global trade debates?

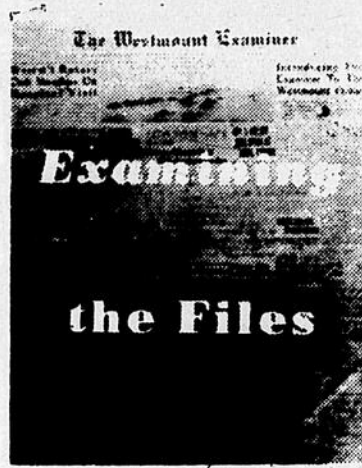
It appears likely that the upper end of Toyota's production will remain in Japan, while the Canadian plant's line will be quasi-domestic competition for the Koreans and other low-end producers.

If Quebec does not receive this investment, look out for Péquiste howls of federal favoritism. Failures of this nature are always, to the Péquiste mind, the result of a plot by forces hostile to Quebec. With less of this kind of self-exculpation, and a more ruthless look at our own competitiveness, we might not have to resort to bidding wars to attract investment.

I Say!

THEY remind me of a very tired rich man who said to his chauffeur: "Drive off the cliff, James. I want to commit suicide."

— Adlai Stevenson



Forty-five Years Ago
August 8, 1940

"By failing to correctly answer a large percentage of questions put to them by Miss Audrey Jarman, daughter of Rotarian P. E. Jarman, members of the Westmount Rotary Club were 'fined' a total of \$50 worth of War Savings Stamps at a novel meeting of the club held in Victoria Hall yesterday. The meeting took the form of a question and answer game, Miss Jarman directing questions to individual members, who upon failing to supply accurate answers, were obliged to purchase a 25-cent stamp. Miss Jarman, while asking questions on general topics, took good care to keep difficult ones in reserve when those easy to answer failed to stump the members. At any rate, she succeeded in disposing of her entire supply of stamps."

Thirty-five Years Ago
August 11, 1950

"The reality of the Westmount Rotary Club's Unity Boys' Club was realized Monday morning, when the first registrations were made for members. Rotary Club president Frank Kenwood announced that 35 boys and girls signed the membership card application on Monday, and pointed out that a minor program was being run on Tuesday afternoon for new members. 'It is not of course in full operation yet,' Mr Kenwood said at the luncheon meeting Wednesday, 'but we are now open on a small scale and will continue to grow.' Mr Kenwood also announced that it is the directors' intention to have one of the luncheon meetings in the early weeks of September held at the Unity Boys' Club."

Twenty-five Years Ago
August 12, 1960

"Westmount's improvement by-law — \$1,414,000 worth of works — was approved and authorized by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council on August 4. It has also been approved by the Quebec Municipal Commission and the Montreal Metropolitan Corporation. . . . The loan also sets aside \$150,000 for the construction of a swimming pool — if and when the City and citizens can decide if they want a pool, and where they want it. A further condition of the loan provides funds for the purchase of Westmount High School on Côte St Antoine road, soon to be vacated in favor of the new school under construction at the old Westmount Athletic Grounds."

Fifteen Years Ago
August 6, 1970

"When Westmount's Dawson College re-opens, expectedly on time on Sept 14, \$550,000 will be spent on interior alterations affecting much of the Selby street building. The City of Westmount granted a building permit Monday for the work, being done under contract by Targau Construction Inc. Over half the amount is going into laboratories, for which virtually all of the third floor of the Charles E. Frosst pharmaceutical plant with the exception of administrative offices were ripped up this week."

Five Years Ago
August 7, 1980

"Although some Westmounters caught their first glimpses of the city's new public safety officers this week as the Public Security unit took to the streets for the first time, the new force is neither operational as such nor set up to receive calls for assistance from the public at this time. The new recruits set out enthusiastically as plainclothesmen to learn the streets and familiarize themselves with the unit's new dark blue City of Westmount cars and radio communications system. Any phone calls received by the city calling for the unit's assistance will be referred to the MUC police, according to Dir Sidney G. Ashford."



You Say

The 'invisible bicyclist'; a plea to city council

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

The Mayor & City Council
Westmount City Hall
4333 Sherbrooke Street West
Westmount, Quebec, H3Z 1E2

Hi,
With apologies to Ralph Ellison, I wish to speak of the invisible bicyclist. You don't usually see him or her until something bad happens, but they are there nevertheless, and in ever increasing numbers. Most levels of government cannot see the two-wheeled rider. In Westmount, the city council ignores them, waiting instead to the time when it can put the annoying bicyclist in "his or her place." But the world needs bicycles, and what they represent, and it is far past the time when bicycle riders should have become visible.

For 15 years attempts have been made to get a permanent bike route in Westmount. In the beginning, the idea was received with much welcome. Comments were made by members of council that the cars' days were numbered and that Westmount would be in the forefront of implementing a place for the bicycle. But somehow, in the end, the need was not considered sufficiently great, and later tries were even less recognized. Ironically, the other big issue coming from citizens during the same period was that of overnight parking. Today, other parts of the island have bike routes, while a major concern of Westmount City Council is to track down bicycles without licenses.

Should not have to beg

Fifteen years ago, at the age of 10, I thought bike paths were the answer to dangerous traffic. I am no longer so certain, but I have never been so sure as now that as a bicyclist I should not have to beg for what is rightfully mine.

The invisibility of the bicyclist is greatly highlighted by the attitude of the past, and perhaps the present, city council. Bicyclists have made large attempts to make this valid means of transportation safe, but it has been ignored by council. And yet, during the same period of time, increasing numbers of people have taken up bike riding. Regrettably, they have become visible not because of acceptance, but because of careless riding. I do not condone those who ride the wrong way, those who don't stop at lights or those who ride on the sidewalk. It has gotten to the point where I do occasionally comment to those dangerous riders. But I am certain that some of these problems come about as a result of fear and due to the ambiguous place on the road that bicyclists are relegated, along with the mental invisibility given

them by car drivers.

We have drivers who do not see a bike until the driver opens the door right in front of an oncoming bike. We have the police who give tickets to the riders for not having a license, but we do not read in THE WESTMOUNT EXAMINER that the car drivers have been given tickets for opening their door and injuring the cyclist.

We have years of indoctrination about riding close to the curb, but find potholes and grates that can be of great danger to the rider. If someone moves out a bit, so that he or she can ride in a straight line instead of swerving, that rider is often honked into submission by the car behind. Who will ticket the potholes and grates? Who will ticket those who break bottles and leave the glass at the side of the road?

Who will ticket the driver who passes a bicyclist just before a corner and then turns directly in front of the bicyclist? This is considered so acceptable that I have even seen a police car do it. Yet if a car did the same thing to another car there would be great outrage.

In the same vein, who will ticket the car who passes at a curve, a bicyclist on a single lane road?

Speed is relative

Who will ticket the car driver whose only real reason for speed is the fact that the car and the speedometer have more potential than is being used? Speed is relative. On a good day I can get out to Ste. Anne de Bellevue in under two hours. That to me seems quite fast. But a car driver with far greater capacity for speed would never consider that slow a ride. I am certain that it is the impatience brought on by the unused power that must be a cause of many accidents. Ask any pedestrian who is denied the right of way when crossing a street.

Who will caution the car driver who honks at a bicyclist riding in an outer lane? The person on the bike may be about to make a left turn and you can't cut in front of another car when turning. Or maybe the lane next to the curb has an advanced right turn and the rider does not wish to be squished by a car making that turn.

On a more metaphysical level, who will ticket the car driver, and associated industry, for using up energy, for using up mineral resources and for polluting the air? Who will ticket the idea that large sums of tax money should be funnelled into road construction and upkeep, used primarily by individual drivers?

How can a bike rider but wonder whether they are a moving vehicle or a pedestrian? The cars don't want them on the road. Many of the bike paths on the Island of Montreal are primarily recreational and there has



OUR M.P.
Hon. Donald J. Johnston
says...

Housecleaning

PURSUING the question of parliamentary reform, we touched upon the Senate last week. That debate is likely to continue for years.

The first step must be fundamental reform in the House of Commons. Over the years there has been such an erosion of influence in the policy-making by elected members that the House borders in impotency.

I have participated in many discussions of parliamentary reform. Most have centered around the rules of debate, prearranged schedules for sittings, electronic voting, expanding the role of committees in the House, better research assistants and policy experts to support committees, more joint committees of the House and the Senate, etc. Finally, Jim McGrath's committee has done some good solid work.

Explored subject

Independent observers had done work in this area. I would cite in particular the Business Council of National Issues, which has explored the subject in some detail and has a study "Parliamentary Democracy in Canada, Issues for Reform." (For those who may be interested there is a useful bibliography included in that study.)

The first recommendation is the most significant. It reads: "The leaders of both the government and opposition parties recognize and adopt in practice a less stringent approach to the question of party discipline and the rules covering confidence." Giving MPs more authority and free votes would revitalize the legislative system. McGrath's committee has made similar recommendations. If implemented they would take power from the prime minister and cabinet. Does Mr Mulroney have the courage to clip his own wings?

never been a permanent one in Westmount. Bicycles are ticketed for the punitive reason of not having a license, while little is done by city council and the police to ensure their safety. And bikes are commonly viewed as toys rather than powerful, efficient vehicles.

Council reactionary

I am deeply disturbed by council's reactionary response to increased bicycle usage. People shouldn't be riding on the sidewalks and all that, but it is just another example of the usual unfairness toward bicyclists that a simultaneous campaign is not under way to correct car drivers' abuses toward the cyclist. I also feel more consideration should be made toward fixing up potholes next to the curb, and keeping gratings perpendicular to the direction of traffic. Last summer, there was discussion in Toronto about painting grates to make them visible to the cyclist. I think this should be considered here, but taken a step further to include highlighting potholes and other obstructions that the city works department have not yet had a chance to repair. These things are dangerous in themselves; but I worry that there is the additional danger of falling to the ground and being run over by an impatient driver.

Finally, just as 15 years ago next month, when I got to sit at the council table, I ask the mayor and city council to implement a useable and permanent bike route. Though I no longer completely believe in segregation, this would be a beginning step to recognizing the place that bicycles should and must have in our society. More of my life has been spent waiting for this than I lived before it became an issue to me.

Over the years, cars have insidiously gained great power. Despite having tremendous and varying advantages, the bicycle is viewed with contempt. But it would do all, both bike rider and pedestrian, good to reclaim some of the almighty status that the car has.

No one should be bullied by a powerful piece of metal.

Michael Black

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Armed robbers wear disguises

Two men have been charged with armed robbery, conspiracy and wearing a disguise in connection with a hold-up Tuesday last week at the Royal Trust branch at 4945 Sherbrooke street, police report.

About \$1,800 cash was taken from the branch shortly before two suspects were arrested on Bulmer street near Claremont avenue and de Maisonneuve boulevard.

Those charged were identified as a 28-year-old resident of Châteauguay and a 26-year-old man living in Verdun.

Police said two men wearing handkerchiefs over their faces and armed with guns had entered the branch about 2 pm.

One sat on a bench. The other jumped over the counter saying in French: "Don't move. It's a hold-up." After robbing two cashiers, the bandits fled.

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Westmount's PCB list gets longer

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Westmount's PCB list is growing.

Seven electrical transformers filled with polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) have been discovered at the former Institut Marguerite Bourgeoys on Westmount avenue, fire officials confirm.

The building is being converted into the new Mother House of the Congregation Notre Dame (CND).

The discovery of the additional units now brings the number of known PCB-filled transformers and capacitors in Westmount to 38.

The newly-found units were identified during a fire inspection of the building June 27 when PCB labels supplied by Environment Canada were found on the units, Fire Director William Timmons said.

The seven CND units are slated to be replaced by other types in the near future, fire officials said. An eighth transformer previously in use has been removed.

Other privately owned units in Westmount are found at Alexis Nihon Plaza, the Royal Bank Data Centre, the Steinberg store at 4840 Sherbrooke and Château Maisonneuve.

City-owned PCB units are in service at Westmount Square and the building at 4823 Sherbrooke. Five reserve units are stored at the Corporation Yard (see separate story).

"We are fortunate to have so few in Westmount," Dir Timmons said.

The eight newly-identified CND units were believed to be among those listed on the inventory pre-



DOG BY-LAW APPLIES TO SPARKY, TOO: Sparky the fire dog, who is being replaced as the symbol of fire safety in Canada by the Old Lady, was presented to firefighters from the Plattsburgh air force base attending Westmount's PCB seminars recently sporting a Westmount Fire Brigade badge. It didn't take the visitors long to learn about Westmount dog laws. They borrowed a big shovel from a passing parks attendant just in case they had to "scoop." Shown in front of Victoria Hall after the July 26 presentation by Fire Director William Timmons, left, were two staff sergeants from the United States Air Force, Dwight Henderson and Tom Dore.

pared by Environment Canada last year.

Dir Timmons said the city would be obtaining the inventory available to fire departments through Environment Quebec (see story last week).

Fire department inspections in June brought to light the existence of three PCB-filled capacitors at Château Maisonneuve, 4998 de Maisonneuve boulevard.

STORAGE...

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the city by Fire Director William Timmons, who has been put in charge of the city's PCB security.

Ongoing inspection

They stem from special, ongoing fire department inspections of locations containing PCB-filled equipment in Westmount.

The reserve PCB transformers are replacement units for equipment in service by the city's electric utility.

They are kept, at present, in the basement of the stores building in the Corporation Yard along with a number of other transformers.

Safety measures advocated by federal environment officials at the seminars call for PCB equipment to be separated from other items in an area of little activity to minimize the opportunity for accidental damage and possible spills.

Guidelines also call for rooms storing such equipment to be ventilated directly to the outside.

All rooms containing PCBs should be identified by special labels as should each piece of equipment.

One participant at the seminar, Bill Rowden, who deals with the transportation of hazardous materials told THE EXAMINER new federal regulations effective July 1 called for such goods to be placed at least one metre apart.

C. J. McDonald, who conducted the seminars on behalf of Environment Canada, explained that under present federal regulations, PCB transformers in storage could be put into service.

"I would not recommend it, though," he said in an interview.

Glasses found

A pair of eyeglasses found Saturday at Sunnyside and Victoria avenues was turned in at local MUC police station 23.

Westmounters arrested in peace protest

By ROB SOUTHCOTT

Westmounters and Westmount sidewalks were involved this week in demonstrations by citizens protesting nuclear weapons and marking the 40th anniversary of the dropping of atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan.

Tuesday morning, eight people were arrested in Westmount for painting illustrations of shadows on local sidewalks. Four of the eight people were Westmount residents of Roslyn and Claremont avenues.

There were about 80 other people arrested in similar incidents throughout the Montreal area.

The paintings symbolized the shadow-like marks left on the sidewalks of the Japanese cities where people were vaporized by the atomic blasts.

In Westmount, the illustrations were painted on sidewalks on Victoria avenue, just south of Sherbrooke street, on Sherbrooke, between Claremont avenue and the Westmount Public Library and on the sidewalk at the Summit Circle lookout.

The paintings were cleaned up Tuesday by city public works crews. Only water and brooms were required for the clean-up, since protestors did the paintings with water-soluble paints.

The local protest followed a peace rally Sunday on parliament hill in Ottawa. Westmounters Elizabeth Hobart and Janet Wiegand took part in the rally, representing the Westmount Initiative for Peace (WIP). The rally was organized by Operation Dismantle and Project Ploughshares, groups which protest the proliferation of nuclear weapons.

"It was really worth going to," said Miss Hobart of the rally. She said that people from peace groups across the country listened to various speakers, including Toshiko Yoshikawa, a survivor of the Hiroshima blast.

"When she spoke, there was a lot of emotion," said Miss Hobart.

A banner, created by Miss Hobart and other WIP members, was one of 56 banners displayed at the protest.

St Andrew's begins work at Hillside avenue site



By ROB SOUTHCOTT

Work on the new home of St Andrew's School began unceremoniously this week as construction crews dug the first holes at the new site on Hillside avenue.

The work is expected to take 10 to 12 weeks, which means that students at St Andrew's will spend September and most of October in temporary quarters.

The commencement of work followed the issue, last Friday at city hall, of a \$400,000 building permit for the Hillside location.

According to Jean-Pierre Ménard, a member of the school's board of directors and co-ordinator of its fundraising campaign, the duration of the work means that the school must rent space for September and October.

The school's current home, in the former St Andrew's Church building, is to be taken over in September by Selwyn House School, which purchased the building earlier this year.

Mr Ménard said the school's administrators were considering a particular temporary site, but it would not be revealed until parents of the school's children had been informed of it.

'Out of our hands'

"We wish we didn't have to rent (temporary quarters)," said Mr Ménard, "but it was out of our hands."

St Andrew's was prevented from starting construction because the property was not zoned for school use. A period of almost three months must elapse between the proposal of a zoning amendment and its final approval, the date a building permit for a property can be issued.

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One accident after another

Two traffic accidents took place on Greene avenue Wednesday afternoon last week, the second one occurring as police on the scene

an enclosed link between the two main buildings on the site. Later, the interior of the buildings is to be renovated.

Of the approximately \$600,000 that St Andrew's has predicted would be needed for the move, Mr Ménard said that \$283,400 had been raised.

"We're quite happy about how that is going," he said.

were reporting the first.

Initially, a messenger truck backed into a parked car in front of 1320 Greene about 1:40 pm, police said.

At 2:15 pm, a bicycle collided with a car as both were attempting to turn west into the lane near the location of the first accident. No injuries were reported. Police said the bike had come from the east side of the street, weaving around several cars.

Neither of the accidents involved Westmount drivers.

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Ventilation solution may be to seal openings

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Efforts to solve what appeared to be a ventilation problem in the

office storeys of Château Maisonneuve may be solved by the sealing of openings in the buildings, fire officials said this week.

The problem of carbon monoxide penetrating into the second storey from the garage at 4999 de Maisonneuve boulevard for more than a year was brought to the attention of firefighters two weeks ago.

It is believed to have been corrected this week by the sealing of holes between the building and the ventilation system, according to Fire Lieutenant Inspector Barry Coates.

Openings also were sealed between the building and the garage, he explained.

"I was there today and, so far, no one has experienced the problem since the holes were sealed."

The problem sent three persons working in one of the smaller offices to hospital July 25 with suspected carbon monoxide poisoning. Blood tests revealed minimal traces of the gas (see story last week).

It was at that point fire officials were informed and readings of carbon monoxide were obtained on the second floor as well as in the garage area.

"The workers in that one office felt it more," Lieut Coates said, "because it was a small office."

He said checks were being made this week to monitor the air system since the repairs had been undertaken.

Occupancy



Permits

The following occupancy permits were issued at Westmount city hall during the past three weeks:

July 16

1310 Greene (no 750): The Somerville House Corporation, tax incentive investments;

July 17

1310 Greene (no 720): Canadian Friends of Hebrew University, administration office for non-profit organization;
1310 Greene (no 710): Comité Canada-Israel Committee, Jewish community education service — administration;
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1310 Greene (no 650): Montreal Hadassah-Wizo, cultural and charitable organization;

July 19

4467 St Catherine (no 400): Formac Technical Services Inc, technical services and repair;

July 25

320 Victoria (no 203): Westmount Phoenix, retail sale of used books;
320A Victoria: Boutique Spritz, ladies' wear;
1310 Greene (no 200): H. B. Savage & Co, chartered accountants;
1310 Greene (no 230): Dunsky Advertising Ltd, advertising agency;
1310 Greene (no 270): St Michael, Engels, barristers and solicitors;
1310 Greene (no 400): Abbey Finestone Inc, insurance brokers;
1310 Greene (no 410): Aspler, Goldberg, Joseph Ltd, insurance brokers;
1310 Greene (no 800): Canadian Zionist Federation, non-profit organization;
1310 Greene (no 900): Hadassah-Wizo Organization of Canada, charitable organization.

August 1

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

July 31

4652 Sherbrooke: for Mr G. D'Addario by Rex Plumbing and Heating, gas heater installation, \$1,000;
321 Kensington: for R. Berton by A. Chagnon Inc to install and replace plumbing fixtures, \$3,000;
14 Forden: for Mark Dover by Construction Palanca to repair deck, \$1,900;

August 2

364 Redfern: Mr M Backman by the owner, renovations, \$50,000;
8 Belvedere: for R. Rosenstein by James McIntyre Ltd to install four plumbing fixtures, \$3,000;
Alexis Nihon Plaza: for Sugar and Spice by James McIntyre to replace five plumbing fixtures, \$1,000;
Alexis Nihon Plaza: for A. L. Van Houtte by Raymond Artwood Work Ltd, kiosk, \$18,895;
151 Hillside: for St Andrew's School by Lalli Construction, alterations and addition, \$400,000;

August 6

4933 de Maisonneuve: for Bruce Segal by Central Plumbing and Heating to convert furnace to gas, \$2,980;
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Northern newspaperman has roots in Westmount

Chris Brodeur is one of the most successful newspaper publishers in the Northwest Territories.

The former Westmounter, who has run *The Hay River Hub* for the last 10 years, manages to sell 3,000 copies of his community newspaper in a town of approximately 3,500 people.

He credits such high market penetration — "110 percent," he says — to enterprising paper carriers. Subscribers receive their first copy of *The Hub* through the mail, but seldom refuse to pay for a second "when there's a 10-year-old kid standing on your doorstep and it's 40 below zero outside."

Mr Brodeur, attending the 66th annual convention of the Canadian Community Newspaper Association in Quebec City over the weekend, spoke to THE WESTMOUNT EXAMINER about his fascination with the North and his experiences there.

When he first laid eyes on Hay River, N.W.T., in the early 1970s, Mr Brodeur "thought it was a dump."

"How could anyone live here?"

Now, after 13 years in the North, Mr Brodeur will admit he misses the sunshine in southern Canada but can't imagine returning.

"What would I do?"

Mr Brodeur grew up in Westmount, attended Roslyn and Westmount High Schools and went on to McGill University, where he studied psychology and worked briefly on *The McGill Daily*.

Smouldering stump stopped

Although Westmount trees have been sprayed recently with all sorts of chemicals, one particular tree stump got special treatment Tuesday afternoon last week.

In efforts to stop it smoking, local firemen doused the stump with the contents of a fire extinguisher.

The operation not only did the job, but was non-polluting, since the extinguisher was of the pressurized water type.

The smouldering stump was discovered at the rear of 618 Sydenham about 3:45 pm.

Square steal

A resident of Hallowell street told police someone stole his wallet in the area of Westmount Square last Thursday morning. Total amount of the theft was \$400.

During university vacations, he travelled west, where he found work on survey crews in Alberta.

"I always had an interest in the



Chris Brodeur

North," he says. "During the summers, I tried to get as far north as possible."

Upon graduation from McGill in 1972, Mr Brodeur found a job with the federal department of public works, which then was engaged in a dredging program on the Mackenzie river.

When the survey boat spent three weeks in Hay River, 700 miles north of Edmonton, in 1972, he met Don Taylor, publisher of *Tapwe*. The local newspaper's Cree title translates roughly as "you're damn right."

Purchased 'Hub'

Mr Brodeur spent two years at *Tapwe*, got married and tried his hand at freelance northern photography before he purchased *The Hub*, a rival Hay River weekly, in 1975.

For a year, three people put out the paper: Mr Brodeur took pictures and ran the darkroom, his wife took care of advertising and a bookkeeper handled the rest.

Ten years later, the paper employs seven persons, sales have gone from \$70,000 to over \$400,000 and Mr Brodeur has bought and folded the competition, *Tapwe*.

By JAMES MILLS

Hay River began as a fishing village in the 1940s, but with the arrival of the railroad in 1963, it has become a transportation centre for the North. The constant passage of ships through the Hay River port makes it less isolated than many northern communities.

Roughly 20 percent of Hay River's residents belong to Dene tribes; another 30 to 40 percent are Métis. Most of the rest are southerners and their families.

A 17-storey apartment building dominates downtown Hay River, but much of the population lives in three outlying settlements: a Dene village, a Métis fishing village and Old Hay River, from where most of the town was moved following a flood in 1963.

The Hub also is distributed in Pine Point, 60 miles to the east.

Broader issues

The absence of daily newspapers in the Northwest Territories leaves weeklies to cover broader issues than they might in the south. *The Hub* carries regular reports of the territorial legislature, "just because there's no-one else up there," Mr Brodeur says.

Events happening as much as 1,000 miles from Hay River are seen as "local stories," Mr Brodeur says, because the entire Arctic is "our backyard."

Mr Brodeur believes firmly that development in the North should be slowed down, "until it can benefit the people in the North."

As a newspaper publisher, for whom increased development could bring added advertising revenue, Mr Brodeur finds his position "interesting."

But his active politicking, on behalf of territorial and federal politicians of various parties, shows him to be an unusual newspaperman.

"I tell my reporters to cover it as they see it," he says, noting that the news pages of *The Hub* are kept free of partisan politics. The editorial pages are another matter, as is his time away from the newspaper.

Not for sale

Mr Brodeur feels he would like to become involved in "a bigger show," which he defines as a weekly newspaper in Yellowknife, across Great Slave Lake from Hay River. But the paper isn't for sale.

He's marked out another option — direct involvement in territorial politics as a candidate in the next election — but his answer still ends

with a question mark.

Mr Brodeur's father, A. Toner Brodeur, a resident of Summit Crescent, continues to work at age 83 in a family business — Cassidy's, a hotel supply firm.

A brother, James Brodeur, is a resident of Roslyn avenue and works for another family firm, Continental Manufacturers.

Kathy, one of James's six children, recently moved to Edmonton after spending two years as advertising manager of *The Hub*. She plans to study northern archaeology at the University of Alberta.

Westmounters Willa Burgess and Laura Robb attended Kathy's wedding in Hay River earlier this year.

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Beyond Westmount's Borders

A random sampler of things to see or do

in the bigger city surrounding us

Piggery's last

The final production of the season at The Piggery summer theatre in North Hatley opens this evening. They're going out on a scary note. The play is *Angel of Death* by Canadian author Ray Storey. Set just after the First World War, the story begins with Alice's return home and ends with her shocking discovery that father has a secret and the secret

might just be in the closet. It has something to do with the question of whether cousin Jamie really died at the hands of the Kaiser's troops in France. It's further described as a "spine-tingling tale of deceit and deception." It continues until Aug 24. The Piggery's final Monday night special will be presented Aug 12 when the Outremont Brass Quintet performs at 8:30 pm. The group will play works from Bach to Basie. For information about the play, the

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New at Le Stage

The hit production *Anglo* has departed Le Stage dinner theatre at La Diligence, corner of Decarie boulevard and Jean Talon street, and tomorrow evening *Ten - A Cabaret Fantasia* will open for a three-month run. The new show features music from Broadway and the London stage all tied up with dancing, costumes and original comedy. It was conceived by Joan Austen and is directed by Christopher Lester. It's offered nightly, Thursday through Sunday.

Fools proceed

Not all the entertainment at Montreal's Old Port has gone down the tubes. The Fool House Theatre Company has opened a month-long "season" of theatre activity in the bistro tent at the Old Port, near the Place Jacques Cartier entrance. Playing in repertory at present is a political cabaret and a show of two comedies, *The Restaurant* by Dan Greenberg and *A Maid to Marry* by Ionesco. On Aug 20, the cabaret will be replaced by the play *Next...* by Allan Patrick, continuing until Sept 3. Admission is very reasonable and shows are Wednesday to Friday, 2 and 8 pm, and Saturday and Sunday, 1, 3, 5 and 8 pm. For details, call 483-5426.

Youth celebrate

Over 400 young people from across Canada have been in Montreal the last few weeks working on a program of shows called *Realité Jeunesse 85* to mark the International Youth Year. Sixteen collective creations put together by the youngsters over the past five weeks will be presented Tuesday to Saturday next week at the Dome Theatre, 3990 Notre Dame street west. They are aimed at revealing the joys, problems, concerns and hopes of today's youth. The public is also invited to attend the opening ceremonies of *Realité Jeunesse 85* at Théâtre Port-Royal of Place des Arts Monday at 12:30 pm. Admission is free but reservations are necessary. For information, call 937-3941.

Voices together

What many people consider the top Canadian voices in their respective ranges will be together for the first time on the same stage Monday and Wednesday in a musical gala at the Maurice Richard Arena. Performing will be baritone Denis Quilico, tenor

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Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Order of the Quebec Government no 1412-85 issued on July 10, 1985, an investigation on the management and operation of «Centre d'accueil - Centre local de services communautaires J. Octave Roussin» has been ordered by the Quebec Government (Loi sur les services de santé et les services sociaux, L.R.Q., chap S-5, article 171).

The first hearing of the Commission will be held in Montreal at 10:00 A.M. on August 13, 1985 at the following address: 360, St-Jacques Ouest, suite 310, Montreal, (Que.), H2Y 1P5.

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Ermanno Mauro, bass Pierre Charbonneau and soprano Nicole Lorange, interpreting the Verdi opera *Ernani*. Accompanying them will be the 70 musicians of the Orchestre des concerts populaires d'été under the direction of Pierre Héту and a 60-member chorus directed by René Lacourse. Tickets are a very reasonable \$3.50 and \$4.50, making this a great chance for those wanting a sampling of good voices to get an inexpensive taste. To reserve, call 255-4222.

Museum and tennis

Tennis and art get together Friday next week, Aug 16, when Museum Day is held at the Player's International tennis tournament at Jarry Park. On that day, \$1 of every ticket price will be donated to the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts. In addition, a champagne tennis lunch is planned that day in one of the marquees at the tournament, also to raise money for the museum. For information, call 273-1515.

More Picasso music

The on-going series of musical performances held in conjunction with the Picasso exhibit at the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts continues today with performances at 12:15 and 1 pm by Ross Edwards, clarinet, and Michael Woytiuk, pianist. They will play works by Honegger, Milhaud, Stravinsky and Poulenc. The concert is at Erskine and American Church, corner of Sherbrooke street and du Musée avenue. Admission is free but a contribution of \$2 would be appreciated. Next in the series Aug 15 is tenor François Panneton.

What's been dug up?

Two free conferences on the archaeological research being carried out south of Montreal will be presented Sunday afternoon at the Côteau-du-Lac National Historic Park, off Highway 20 near Valleyfield. At 1:30 pm Jean-Pierre Chrestien will tell, in French, about activity at Côteau du Lac and at 3 pm Gisèle Piédalue will speak in English about digs in the Richelieu valley.

Forts and stamps

The post office in June issued a series of stamps featuring drawings of historic Canadian forts, so to bring the subject to life the Post Office House at 640 St Catherine street west is offering an exhibition on the subject and on military life in general in the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries. Various artifacts, old uniforms, weapons and other items are on display and may be viewed during office hours. Guided tours of the exhibit are offered Monday to Friday at 10 am and 2 pm. Also included is an exhibition on the origin of the post office, stamp collecting, mechanized handling of the mail and the evolution of the mailman's job since 1880.

How to produce

First Act Theatre Studio is offering a one-day seminar titled "So you want to produce a movie, eh?" to give would-be moviemakers a chance to meet and compare notes. It will be given by Larry Kent, chairman of the Directors Guild of Quebec and will be geared to the ABCs of producing a low-budget movie. For details, call 483-4555.

Fair weather

With summer at its height, it's also the height of the season for agricultural fairs and produce festivals throughout the province. A list from the department of agriculture shows various communities this month celebrating festivals for blueberries, corn, hay, potatoes, milk, beef, tomatoes



DANCE PROMOTION: Willow avenue resident Linda Stearns has been appointed co-artistic director of Les Grands Ballets Canadiens, a company she has been associated with for the past 25 years. She is to share the post with Jeanne Renaud.

A native of Toronto, Miss Stearns joined the company as a member of the corps de ballet in 1961, became soloist in 1964, assumed duties as assistant ballet mistress in 1966 and became ballet mistress in 1969. In 1978, she earned a place on a three-member committee which was responsible for artistic direction of the company.

She also has worked with the Pennsylvania Ballet and the National Ballet of Cuba.

Miss Stearns is known for her knowledge and attention to detail of the works in the classical and neo-classical repertoire.

Miss Stearns was the subject of an EXAMINER Profile Aug 21, 1980.

and pheasant. Among the activities close to Westmount this weekend are a corn-on-the-cob festival until Aug 18 in St Timothée near Valleyfield, the Missisquoi Fair in Bedford through Sunday, the Sherbrooke Exhibition from today through Aug 18, the Huntingdon Fair tomorrow through Sunday and the Milk Festival in Coaticook, also tomorrow through Sunday.

Recital Tuesday

Justin Bischof, assistant organist of St James United Church, will play the organ recital in the "Tuesday at 12:30 pm" series next week. The program will include works by Bruhns, Vienne and Franck. A contribution would be appreciated. The church is at 463 St Catherine street west.

Bits 'n' pieces

A slide show titled "Sowing for Prosperity" will look at improving trees and their selection criteria Sunday at 2 pm at Le Bois de Belle-Rivière nature centre at 9009 Highway 148 in Ste Scholastique. It will be given by Greg Cook from the Harrington Ecological Centre and the International Paper Company. The centre is also open for nature walks and there are other exhibits. Take Highway 148 about 18 km west of St Eustache, towards Lachute. ... "A New View of Surrealism: The Plays of Roger Vitrac" will be the topic of a public lecture tonight at 6 o'clock by Annette Levitt, professor of English at Drexel University in Philadelphia. It will be at Concordia University's Hall Building, 1455 de Maisonneuve boulevard west, room 435. ... The exhibition of 25 sculptures by Alfred Laliberté at Montreal city hall's hall of honor continues until Aug 18. It's open from 10 am to 6:30 pm every day. Admission is free. ... The public is invited to the vernissage of a ceramics show titled "Toute la marchandise en oxydation" by Guy Simoneau at Interaction, 3575 Park avenue, from 7 to 10 pm Sunday. The gallery is open Wednesday through Sunday from 12:30 to 5 pm.

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Aurora Borealis:

Contemporary art exhibition offers twists of imagination

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The Montreal International Centre for Contemporary Art has transformed 40,000 square feet in vacant sections of Place du Parc into what it says is the largest exhibition of contemporary art ever held in Canada.

Westmounters Paul Leblanc and Maurice Forget are members of the centre's board of directors.

The size of an exhibition normally would have little bearing on the work which constitutes it, but the scale of Aurora Borealis is its most distinguishing feature.

Each of the 30 artists — considered by the curators to be at the forefront of new Canadian art — not only fills a section of the huge exhibition space, but incorporates the space in his work.

Rather than stand back for a second look, visitors to the Aurora Borealis exhibition are compelled to delve into it for a closer look. Once inside, they might easily have second thoughts.

Surprising variety

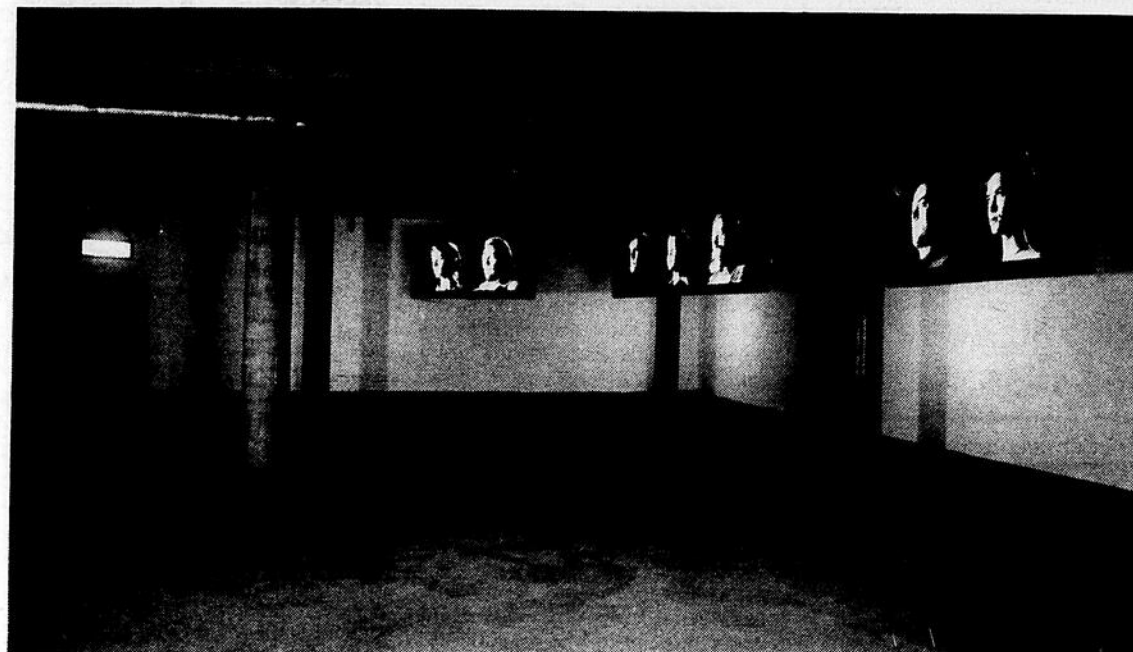
Around corners, behind doors, through windows, the fruits of creative energy appear in surprising variety.

The installations, as work of this variety is tagged, present a remarkable range of media, including running water, a gas flame, fluorescent lights, dictionary pages and steak bones.

A concrete wall covered by 76 paper airplanes is Robert Adrian's contribution.

Liz Magor shows a papier mâché brick factory which looks as though production has ceased only moments earlier.

"Excerpts From a Description of the Universe" by Tom Dean is



made up of 10 low, black tables covered with bits of plaster and metal.

Roughly three-quarters of the artists conceived their work specifically for Aurora Borealis. Given the nature of the exhibition,

Herbert Marx sits on board

Herbert Marx, MNA, has agreed to sit on the Quebec region board of the Westmount-based Canadian Friends of Tel Aviv University. He has been an active member of the Quebec chapter for many years.

"His expertise and knowledge in public affairs at every level will be invaluable for future programs," said Barbara Seal, chairman of the organization.

MOVIE AUDIENCE: Backlit with fluorescent light, these Cibachrome transparencies by Jeff Wall are "a grouping of seven monumental portraits involving spectatorship." Set in one section of the sprawling Aurora Borealis exhibition of contemporary Canadian art, the work is one of 30 installations on view at Place du Parc (formerly La Cité) in Montreal. The exhibition continues until Sept 30, part of "100 Days of Contemporary Art" organized by the Montreal International Centre of Contemporary Art.

much of it may never be shown again.

Focus of program

The exhibition is the focus of "100 Days of Contemporary Art," intended to be a program of activities surrounding Aurora Borealis organized in conjunction with Contemporary Art Galleries Association of Montreal.

Now, mid-way through the 100 days, growing interest in the exhibition contents organizers.

According to Normand Thériault, one of two guest curators, the opening of the Aurora Borealis exhibition June 15 effectively doubled the space reserved for exhibi-

tions of contemporary art in Montreal.

The project — ambitious not only for its size — came together in less than six months, Mr Thériault told THE WESTMOUNT EXAMINER. The venue, the artists and financial support came together almost simultaneously.

The first exhibition mounted by the Montreal International Centre of Contemporary Art began as a vague idea for an exhibition of contemporary Canadian art, Mr Thériault said.

Among the centre's aims is to bring to Montreal the large international exhibitions enjoyed by

world capitals, such as the Paris biennale, Mr Thériault said.

It sees itself as a "museum without a collection," organizing temporary exhibitions and other art events for Montreal, such as colloquia or film series.

René Blouin worked with Mr Thériault in producing the exhibition under the direction of Claude Gosselin, president of the centre.

Members of the centre's board of directors, in addition to Paul Leblanc and Maurice Forget, are Jeanne Renaud, Robert Gibson, John Heward and Pei Yuan Han.

—James Mills

Course offered to volunteers

Westmounters might be interested in registering for Collège Marie Victorin's one-year program in volunteer training, which begins in September.

The program has been designed for people of all ages who wish to do volunteer work with the elderly.

Through courses such as gerontology, human relations and physiology, the program's goal is to educate the volunteer in helping the elderly, both physically and mentally.

Students will have a chance to talk to other volunteers and learn from each other's experiences. Besides learning various useful practices for volunteer work, the students also will learn about private and public health, recreation and social services that are available to the elderly.

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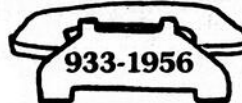
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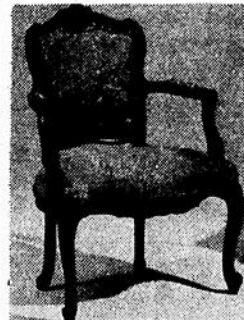
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Singer songwriter Hugh Ball leads Martinis to Steppe

Hugh Ball and the Martinis play tonight, tomorrow and Saturday at Le Steppe, a nightclub at 5175 Park avenue, with sets scheduled for 10 pm, 11 pm and midnight each evening.

It's Hugh Ball's second gig at Le Steppe, another step in a long road toward "that elusive record contract."

The Park Place resident is convinced the group's "original, eclectic mixture of pop, rock, big band and guts" eventually will be preserved on vinyl, but he's discovered it takes more than dedication. "It takes almost blind stupidity," he says.

Like dozens of other local groups, the Martinis have been playing the circuit of Montreal clubs where new talent is featured in short engagements — Le Steppe, Tatou and the now-defunct Le Penchant.

Sooner or later, the group can be expected to add to its list of venues the Station 10 Pub on St Catherine street.

The Martinis also have entered new music contests organized by Westmount radio station CHOM-FM. Last October, the group was featured in a CHOM showcase at Club Soda, another Park avenue nightspot.

By JAMES MILLS

Earlier this year, the group came up in the top 10 bands of CHOM's L'Esprit '85 contest, in which more than 250 groups entered over 1,000 new songs. A record of the winning entries is to be released shortly.

Hugh Ball appeared last fall with another Martini on a Cablevision Nationale program, which still is being shown to subscribers.

"Brave New Waves," the CBC's late-night radio program, and "Home Run," a local CBC radio program, both have featured Hugh Ball and the Martinis.

Now represented by Unseen Management, the Martinis are working on demo tapes for prospective producers, experimenting with computer sound and polishing songs that might be produced independently as singles.

The group, which comprises Mr Ball, bassist Glenda Rush and drummer Alex MacSween, the latter a former Westmounter, holds regular rehearsals on Greene avenue.

Mr Ball, 28, who sings, plays guitar and writes songs for the group, hasn't found a short cut to fame and fortune, but he finds the pursuit of his goal brings great satisfaction.



Hugh Ball

'Doing it'

"This is what I always imagined I could do, but never thought I would, and here I am doing it."

A native of "suburban Ontario," Mr Ball says he grew up wanting to be a singer. In high school, he belonged to a folk-singing club and was a member of a rock band.

He studied a year at Queen's University before arriving in Montreal in 1978. Mr Ball has lived in Westmount for the last five years.

In 1982, he completed a degree in English literature at McGill University, got a job as a record store clerk and began singing lessons with Jane Kee, a Montreal voice teacher.

"She helped me get myself oriented in the right direction," Mr Ball says, crediting her guidance with having helped him more than anything else.

"She worked on you and your voice at the same time," he says, describing lessons that were laced with a liberal dose of group therapy.

Finishing classes in December 1982, Mr Ball immediately joined a cabaret band, which played the El Casino club on St Catherine street, toured Quebec City and performed a benefit at the Spectrum, also on St Catherine.

"I didn't want to be a cabaret singer, imitating other people," says Mr Ball, explaining his decision to start writing songs.

He has written two dozen tunes in the last two years, about 15 of which are to be used in the shows at Le Steppe.

"Songwriting isn't easy for me," he says, particularly the lyrics. "I don't want just to write fodder to fit with the music."

"I like to play with words a lot, to use unusual syntax," he says,

recalling 19th century Irish poet Gerard Manley Hopkins.

"Some songs are straightforward; others have extra stuff."

Musical influences come from a variety of sources in Mr Ball's 1,200-record collection, from Judy Garland and Peggy Lee right down to Motorhead. "I look for openness of style, and energy," he says.

The Martinis have been performing together for more than a year, developing a small but devoted following.

Until music can provide a full-time job, Mr Ball supplements his income by doing odd jobs.

In his spare time, he often visits the Westmount library and YMCA.

Men injured in accidents on two wheels

Two injured persons were taken to hospital in two separate traffic accidents here Friday, police report. One victim was driving a motorcycle, the other a moped.

A 34-year-old N.D.G. man was transported to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital after his motorcycle skidded on a manhole cover at Rosemount crescent and Rosemount avenue about 6:15 pm.

He was believed to have broken his collar bone.

In the second accident, a moped driver was taken to the Reddy Memorial. The vehicle slipped on water in front of 1367 Greene avenue, police report.

The victim, who complained of pain in the left shoulder, arm and hand, had been following a car south on Greene about 8:05 am. When the car turned into a lane, the moped was forced to stop suddenly, slipping on water on the street.

Barbecue coals light a fire

Hot barbecue coals were responsible for setting fire to a roof over the basement door of a home on Victoria avenue Monday night, fire officials report.

Firefighters used a garden hose to put out the fire shortly after 10 pm at the rear of 596 Victoria. Damage was estimated at \$500.

Fire officials said the hot coals had been placed in a metal container and left on the tin roof of an enclosure over the basement door. Heat was conducted to wood underneath the tin, causing it to ignite.

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Canadian Guitar Quartet to give concert

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The quartet plays from a diverse repertoire, including jazz, popular

Bruce Adams, who has performed with the Montreal Symphony Orchestra and the Opéra de Montreal, has recorded several programs for the CBC. A graduate of McGill University, he now teaches at the McGill Conservatory of Music.

Another member of the quartet, Bartholomew Crago, has worked extensively with Alexandre Lagoya, obtaining the first guitar prize at the Conservatoire National Supérieur de Paris. He teaches at the Université de Montréal and the Université du Québec à Montréal and studies at McGill University. He has given numerous recitals for the CBC and Radio-Canada.

Michael Laucke studied with Julian Bream, Alirio Diaz and Rolando Valdes-Blain. Andrés Segovia chose him to perform in his film made at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City. He has made seven records and performed for radio and television on the CBC, ABC and RBC networks.

The youngest member of the quartet, Denis Quevillon, studied with Mr Laucke, later with Abel Nagythy-Toth at the CEGEP de St Laurent, and with Alvaro Pierri at the Orford Arts Centre and at McGill University. He also has performed in programs broadcast by the CBC.

The 1985 Arts Westmount Festival is to be held Oct 1 to 6.

Philosopher with mirror a nuisance

"Look at the other side of yourself. There are always two sides to life."

The above bit of philosophy may provide food for thought but it's bugging attendants at the city's "Summer Fun" program in

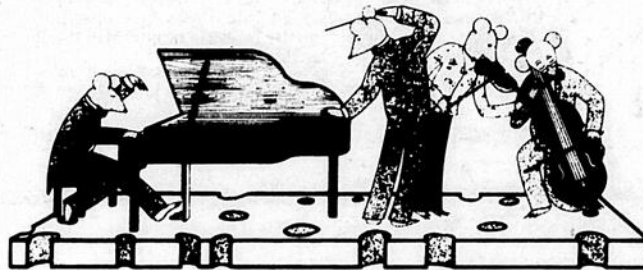
Westmount Park, according to public safety officers.

A man, described as elderly, has been "making a nuisance of himself" following the attendants, philosophizing and persistently showing them a two-way mirror.



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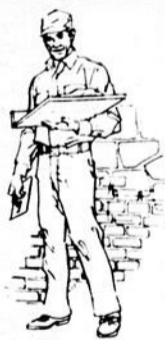
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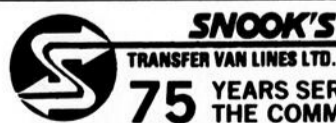
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Major P. Lindsay Hall celebrates 100 years

Major P. Lindsay Hall, DSO, MC, celebrated his 100th birthday Wednesday last week with a party at the Ste. Anne Military Hospital in Ste. Anne de Bellevue, where he has lived since 1981.

A longtime resident of Westmount, Maj Hall served in both world wars, had a long career in real estate and was active in a variety of community organizations, according to Huguette Gauthier, a member of the nursing care services staff at the hospital.

Greetings from Queen Elizabeth and Prime Minister Brian Mulroney were extended to Maj Hall on the occasion of his birthday.

Maj Hall was born in Montmorency House, near Quebec City, July 31, 1885. His family had owned Montmorency House for three generations, along with a large timber mill they operated at the base of Montmorency Falls.

The Hall family moved from Quebec to Montreal in the early 1900s. Maj Hall, always a bachelor, lived in Westmount after 1912.

Left for France

With the outbreak of the First World War, he joined the 24th Battalion, Victoria Rifles and with the rank of lieutenant left Canada for France on May 10, 1916.

He twice was wounded during service in France. He was promoted captain in 1916 and major in 1917. Maj Hall was decorated with the Distinguished Service Order and the Military Cross, as well as Belgium's Croix de Guerre.

Maj Hall returned to Canada in 1919, also returning to his work with the National Trust Company,



Major P. Lindsay Hall

which he had joined 10 years earlier. He became manager of the real estate and mortgage department and was among realtors who founded the Montreal Real Estate Board.

During the Second World War, Maj Hall served as second-in-command of the 2nd Reserve Battalion, Victoria Rifles, in Montreal.

A member of the Royal Canadian Legion, Maj Hall is a past president of the Irwin Eakin No 60 Branch. He joined the Last Post Fund as a director of the Quebec branch in 1955 and was appointed provincial trustee in December 1973.

Baptists to hear Mark Parent

Rev Mark Parent, senior minister of the First Baptist Church of Kingston, will be guest preacher at the 10:30 am worship service at Westmount Baptist Church, Roslyn avenue at Sherbrooke street.

Mr Parent is well known in the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec as an articulate preacher and active advocate of the Baptist Peace Fellowship.

A graduate of Acadia University and Divinity College, he also is a doctoral candidate in religion at McGill University.

A warm welcome is extended to visitors and new Westmount residents.

Maj Hall also is a past-president of the Red Cross Society, a member of the United Services Club and, since 1911, a member of the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association.

Maj Hall also enjoys honorary membership in the following organizations: the Historical Society of Ottawa; the Montreal branch of the Canadian Bible Society; the United Services Institute; and the Montreal branch of the Boy Scouts of Canada.

A former warden of St Matthias' Church, Maj Hall is a past president of the Mount Royal Tennis Club and the Laurentian Lodge Club. He was honorary secretary of the Montreal branch of the Royal Commonwealth Society for 24 years and now is its patron.

He also is a former governor of the Montreal General, Reddy Memorial and Queen Elizabeth Hospitals.

Until moving to the Ste. Anne hospital, Maj Hall was a resident of Lansdowne avenue.

Timothy Patrick Slattery, lawyer, dies at age 74

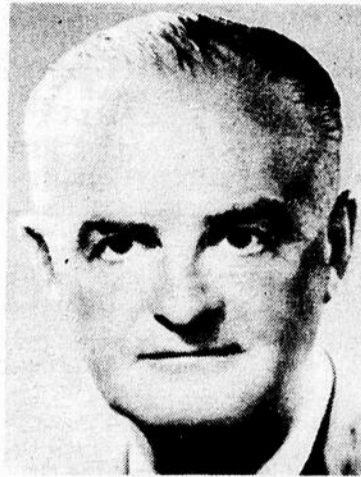
Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 10 am at The Ascension of Our Lord parish for Timothy Patrick Slattery, QC, MBE, who died Sunday at St Mary's Hospital. He was 74.

Mr Slattery, a resident of 4501 Sherbrooke street, was a founding member of the law firm of Slattery, Bélanger and Fairbanks, later Slattery, McQuillan, Kennedy and Lafleur.

Mr Slattery was a graduate of Loyola College and the faculty of law at McGill University. He was a recipient of McGill's Macdonald Travelling Scholarship, through which he studied at the Sorbonne in Paris.

Mr Slattery was a long-time historian of the St Patrick's Society of Montreal and was author of historical writings on Loyola College and Thomas D'Arcy McGee. He also was a member of the board of directors of St Mary's Hospital and Loyola College and was a church warden at The Ascension of Our Lord parish.

Mr Slattery is survived by his wife, Patricia O'Brien, and three children: Maureen, of Montreal; Brian, of Toronto; and Patricia



Timothy Patrick Slattery

Hallen, of Perth, Australia. He was grandfather of Carolyn, Tara, Shannon and Michael and also is survived by his sister, Loretta Roche, of England.

Visitation will continue today at the Collins, Clarke, MacGillivray, White Funeral Home, from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 pm.

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Aspen damaged

Someone damaged a left door of a green Dodge Aspen parked Monday last week on Redfern avenue, according to police. Red traces were left in the middle of the door. Damage was about \$50.

REOPENED: The official reopening, after extensive renovations, of the boutique and coffee shop operated at St Mary's Hospital by the hospital auxiliary recently was celebrated with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. Taking part in festivities were, from left, Westmounter Dorothy Wickham, past president of the auxiliary; Klaus Hempel and Hans Kruitwagen, friends of St Mary's who assisted with the design and layout; Alana Rourke, a former president of the auxiliary; and Ann Kosiuk, chairman of the gift shop. Volunteers wishing to work in the hospital should call Irene Grossman, director of volunteers, at 344-3067.

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Temple cultural forum to be stimulating, socialBy **ROB SOUTHCOTT**

A new cultural forum is being formed in Westmount by members of Temple Emanu-El - Beth Sholom with help from the Golden Age Association.

The group, as yet unnamed, will hold its first gathering next Tuesday at 2 pm at the temple, 4100 Sherbrooke street, between Wood and Elm avenues. The main feature will be a presentation by Professor Mervin Butovsky, who will review *God's Grace*, a book by Bernard Malamud.

The meeting also will give the group a chance to present itself and its goals to the Westmount community.

"The intent is to have a place where people can come to exchange ideas and expand on them," says Jack Dubney, chairman of the committee which is organizing the new venture.

"This is a community effort," says Faiga Fisher, another of those organizing the new program. She stresses that the group will be non-denominational, and that any interested people should attend the meetings, whether or not they are members of the temple.

"Everyone in the community is welcome."

The goal behind the program is to provide people in the community, specially adults and senior citizens, with an intellectually stimulating program through which they can meet others in the community.

The idea for the program originated with a meeting between staff at the Golden Age Association and Rabbi Kenneth Segel of the temple. Since then, the organizing committee for the program has met 12 times this summer, preparing for Tuesday's launch.

Encourages programs

Gloria Miloff, a staff member at the Golden Age Association, is helping to organize the new program. She says that her organization is involved in order to encourage communities to develop these sorts of programs.

"One of our roles is to help in any community development where we are asked," she says. "While the program should prove enlightening to those attending, another of its purposes simply is



to get people in the community together."

"When we discuss this community, one of the main problems we

CULTURAL PROMOTION: Members of Temple Emanu-El - Beth Sholom are organizing a new community cultural forum, which will hold its first meeting Tuesday at 2 pm at the temple. Some of the organizers include, from left, Kitty Sebersky, Evelyn Alexander, Jack Dubney, Isaac Brauns-tein and William Hoffman.

see is loneliness," says Mrs Fisher. "It's there, not only for the old, but also for the young. This kind of activity will help us beat

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Kids' library summer contest going strong

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The contest, which runs until the end of this month, involves reading books at the library and finding out answers to a sheet of questions. For correct answers, children are awarded "Smurf" tokens. Tokens will be drawn for prizes, and there also is a game involving a mural of the Smurfs.

The contest is open to all local children, and more information is available by visiting the children's department. Winners will be announced early in September.

Roy, Mackay win bowling

Stan Roy and Joan Mackay, two lawn bowlers from Pointe Claire, earned the trophy in the "Willie Brown" mixed doubles tournament held Saturday at the Westmount Lawn Bowling Club.

Nine clubs on the Island of Montreal and in St Lambert entered the tournament with a full complement of 32 rinks.

Second-place finishers were Jack Bartley and Sheillah Sprout of Verdun; Maurice and Shirley Ahern of St Lambert were third; and Tom McKinney and Phyllis Donnelly of Verdun were fourth.

Bob Gandey and Mari Paterson of Beaconsfield had the high game plus.

Soccer clinic still has room

Registration for the Westmount recreation department's soccer clinic has been extended past this week to allow more children to sign up for the program.

The clinic, which will be held Aug 19 to 23, is being operated by the recreation department with the aid of the Quebec Soccer Federation. It will include classes in various soccer skills and soccer games for practising these skills.

The clinic is open to both boys and girls between the ages of seven and 14.

More information is available by calling the recreation department at 932-4293.

Impaired

A 73-year-old Westmount man has been charged with impaired driving after being stopped Saturday about 9:45 pm in front of 396 Metcalfe avenue, police report. He lives on Côte St Antoine road.

Stripper takes no lip

A 54-year-old woman who stripped to the waist in Stayner Park Sunday afternoon to cool off under a sprinkler, was reported to have struck a 14-year-old in the face after being told to respect others, police said.

Assault charges were not pressed by the young girl. Both lived in St. Henri.

The incident, which public safety officers listed as an indecent exposure, took place about 4:30 pm when the woman went to the park to meet friends.

She began peeling off clothes, police said, threatening to go and kiss a man in the park.

An argument broke out with her "friends" when the youth apparently was struck for advising the woman at least to respect herself, police said.

Bakery fire starts after welding job

A fire broke out Saturday morning at Pom Bakery when welding work ignited grease in vent ducts for ovens on the second floor, fire officials report. Damage was estimated at \$500.

Firefighters were called to the bakery at 4680 St Catherine about 7:37 am and extinguished the fire using a 1½-inch hose.

Servicemen were called to remove a section of a duct.

Mutual aid firemen from Côte St Luc were called to cover at the Westmount fire station.

Officials said welding on the front of an oven while the exhaust fan was in operation caused the grease to ignite in the ventilation

Resident away to rider's joy

A resident of Strathcona avenue returned from holidays last week to find his car radio missing and the gas tank nearly empty, police report.

Someone was believed to have driven the car, a green Volkswagen Rabbit, during his absence.

Police said a neighbor, who had been looking after the house, reported the car had been moved twice while the owner was away.

A suspect was questioned and later released but the case remains under investigation.

ducts.

Firefighters returned to the station at 9:34 am but one pump was left at the scene until 10:51 am.

PARTIES...

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ten out of hand yet and we don't want to have a curfew."

Some youths, Ald Shingler said, are abusing their park privileges. "Many are being rude to enforcement officers."

Ramzi Ferahian, 4998 de Maisonneuve, asked during question period about enforcement of existing by-laws to deal with "rowdy behavior."

"Don't we have enough laws at present?" he asked. Should they not be applied?

"I'm entirely in sympathy with your outlook," Ald Shingler told him.

Mayor Brian Gallery explained this was the reason council had not moved to impose a curfew.

Old silver gone

Old silver valued at \$4,000 was stolen from an apartment at 239 Kensington avenue sometime between July 24 and 29, police report. The front door had been forced open and the place searched.

Flood follows garbage fire in passage

A fire which broke out in a plastic garbage bag in the passageway of the concourse area at Westmount Square Saturday night was extinguished by the sprinkler system, fire officials report.

The garbage was believed to have contained smouldering smoker's materials.

The 75-foot passageway was flooded with up to six inches of water from the sprinkler, police said. It was cleaned up by firemen from both Westmount and Côte St Luc who were called to the scene at 5:50 pm.

Five stores on the promenade sustained water damage, according to public safety officers.

A report by MUC police said a door giving access to the passageway at 4 Westmount Square usually is closed at 5 pm.

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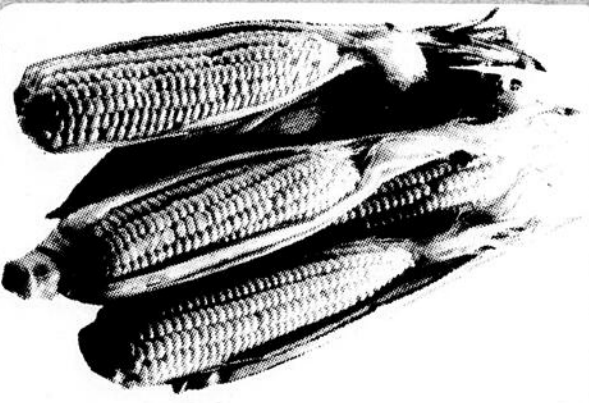
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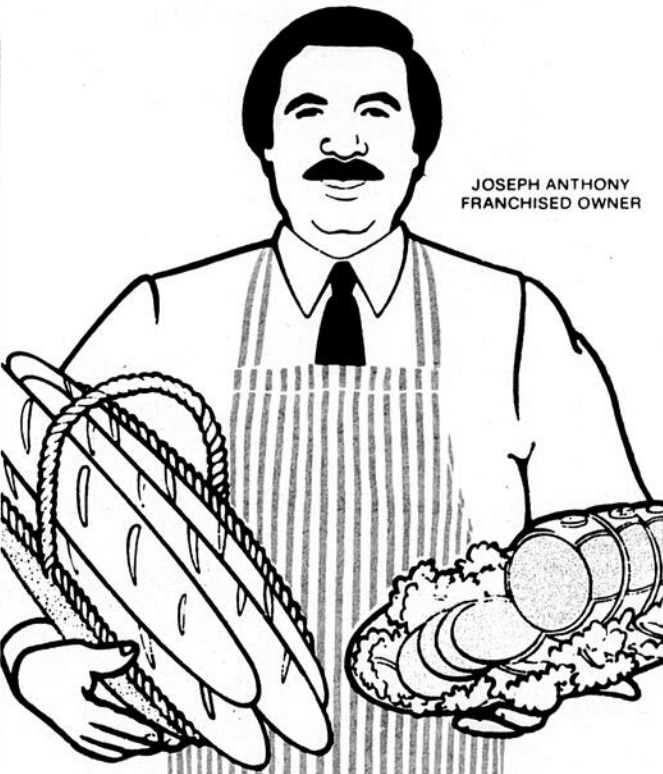
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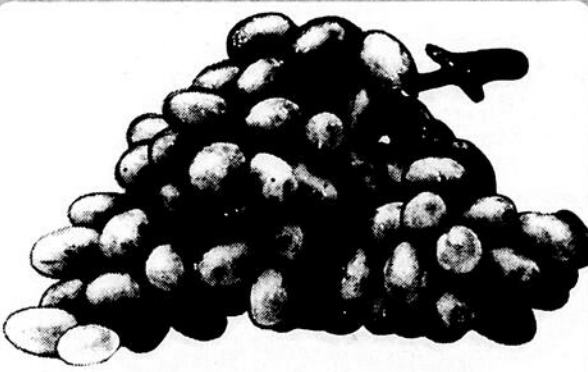


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