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In Townships Week this week: a Cowansville craft company prepares to participate in its fourth international trade show in Tokyo, the Newport area Chamber of Commerce is planning some mid-winter frolic in their annual Winterfest next week, and we take a look at how wine has been made and enjoyed through the ages.

For Ottawa and Quebec...

Proposed asbestos ban rallying point

QUEBEC (CP) — Quebec and the federal government have pledged to work together to mount a lobby against a recommended ban on asbestos imports into the United States.

Quebec Mines Minister Raymond Savoie said Thursday the ban proposed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency would be an economic blow to the province's asbestos industry.

600,000 tonnes to the U.S.

"It's not that we're going to lose 15 per cent of our market but once the EPA has pronounced against asbestos it adds to the unfounded cries everywhere against it."

Union official Clement Godbout said the proposed ban, to be enforced gradually over a 10-year period, would cost Quebec's 3,000 asbestos workers their jobs.

Tax scheme went wildly over budget

OTTAWA (CP) — A lapsed federal tax program that went wildly over budget may end up costing taxpayers \$3.5 billion and only a tiny fraction of the money will ever be recovered, government and opposition MPs said Thursday.

In fact, the program got so far out of control that it is going to cost Revenue Canada \$12 million just to audit all the claims, they complained.

MEETING PLANNED

In Ottawa, federal Mines Minister Robert Layton planned to meet Friday with industry, union and municipal representatives, to coordinate Canada's response.

"It is a threat to the industry," Layton said. "I'm looking for a fair review of this industry."

Godbout, Quebec director of the United Steelworkers of America, accused the EPA of "selfishness" and of bucking under pressure of lobbying from multinational companies that claim to have safe alternatives to asbestos.

Simon de Jong, NDP Revenue Canada critic, wanted to know in the Commons what Revenue Minister Elmer MacKay intends to do about a shadowy company in Kitchener, Ont., that collected \$2.7 million in tax credits without ever building the mini-submarines it was supposed to be researching.

The Kitchener-Waterloo Record traced the principals of DWS Naval Research and Design Inc. and found they had underworld connections, yet the tax department approved the company's application for the credits. The company has since folded.

MacKay refused to comment on the case, but outside the Commons de Jong complained that DWS Naval Research, and hundreds of similar cardboard companies, should never have been allowed to claim the credit.

Insurance experts have estimated that claims for compensation from workers suffering from asbestos-related diseases could reach \$38 billion and the claims are partly responsible for rapid increases in liability insurance premiums.

James Morrison, now a 69-year-old construction safety supervisor in Prince Rupert, B.C., ended an intriguing, cloak-and-dagger spy story and a protracted legal battle Thursday when he interrupted his own jury trial to admit his guilt.

In a surprise move, the man better known as Long Knife stopped proceedings in the Ontario Supreme Court and admitted he breached the Official Secrets Act in 1955 when he turned a prized double agent over to the Soviets for \$3,500 — then roughly one year's pay.

Former Mountie confesses to turning over double agent in 1955

OTTAWA (CP) — A onetime flamboyant RCMP corporal, who sold a valuable secret to Soviet agents in 1955 to finance an extravagant lifestyle and then admitted his treachery over and over again for the next 30 years, has tendered his final confession.

Morrison will celebrate his 70th birthday before then and defence lawyer John Nelligan said he will be seeking clemency based on the 30 years that have passed since his client first admitted his wrongdoing.

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Crown prosecutor Doug Rutherford immediately dropped two other charges that had been laid under the Official Secrets Act when Morrison was first arrested in 1983, and Mr. Justice Coulter Osborne set sentencing for May 26.

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Cruise missile broke into three pieces in crash

COLD LAKE, Alta. (CP) — An unarmed U.S. cruise missile that crashed a dozen kilometres short of its northeastern Alberta target during a test flight was found by a military recovery team Thursday, broken into three pieces.

The missile was located in a heavily wooded area on the Primrose Lake Air Weapons Range, about 290 kilometres northeast of Edmonton, said Canadian Forces information officer Maj. Luigi Rossetto.

The nose cone, containing the missile's two parachutes and instrumentation, was shattered, Rossetto said in a telephone interview. The fuselage, containing the craft's four fuel tanks, and the engine were found relatively intact.

The crash of the missile in the final stages of its 2,500-kilometre flight over northwestern Canada Wednesday led U.S. Air Force officials to scrap plans for a similar test today.

A team of eight U.S. and Canadian servicemen flew to the crash site, which is inaccessible by road, in a Canadian Forces helicopter. Hampered by heavy snowfall and -16 degree Celsius temperatures, they returned to nearby Canadian Forces Base Cold Lake late Thursday afternoon, Rossetto said.

"The recovery will probably last the entire weekend," Rossetto said.

The missile has a launch weight of 1,428 kilograms.

Wednesday's four-hour, 10-minute flight began in the morning over the Beaufort Sea when the missile was released from a U.S. air force B-52 bomber.

Military officials did not describe the landing as a crash, but admitted a parachute that was supposed to ease the 6.3-metre-long missile down to the surface of

the Record

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Sherbrooke
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C'ville broker explains insurance dilemma

By Merritt Clifton

COWANSVILLE — Are insurance firms gouging Quebec ambulance services? Municipalities? Fred Tanner doesn't want to play umpire, but as both Cowansville mayor and Brome-Missisquoi's biggest insurance broker, he's caught right in the middle.

On the one hand, Cowansville Ambulance is among the many local ambulance companies that could lose their insurance coverage or have to pay vastly escalat-

ed premiums within a matter of weeks. Tanner's budget-conscious Cowansville administration also faces the same jumps in municipal premiums that others do.

But again, Tanner — who does not insure either ambulances or municipalities himself — knows first-hand that the insurance business hasn't been terribly profitable lately.

LITTLE PROFIT

While the Canadian insurance industry earned a 16 per cent return on investment overall in 1984, the

last year for which complete data is available, liability claims totalled \$525 million — \$50 million more than \$475 million in premiums collected. Final 1985 figures are expected to be still more lopsided.

"Basically what the problem is," Tanner begins, "is that re-insurers are pulling back from liability coverage. They're saying, 'Liability premiums are only bringing us 12 per cent of our income and they're causing close to 100 per cent of our losses.'"

Re-insurers are the groups of in-

vestors who insure insurance companies against high claims. "In other words," Tanner notes, "when I insure you for a million dollars worth of liability, my company turns around and re-insures the policy for say \$800,000. The re-insurers are basically investor, who spread the risks and build cash reserves to guarantee claims."

For Tanner Insurance Ltd., "Lloyd's of London are our re-

See LEGAL, page 3.

Archbishop's 25th celebrated in mass



Monsignor Jean-Marie Fortier, archbishop of Sherbrooke, became a bishop 25 years ago Thursday. The anniversary celebrations began with a mass before about 250 of Fortier's clerical colleagues. Picture, page 3.

Pulp, paper industry has record year

MONTREAL (CP) — Canada's pulp and paper mills shipped a record 21.6 million tonnes in 1985 and shipments should increase slightly in 1986, David Wilson of the Canadian Pulp and Paper Association said Thursday.

Wilson, director of economic and forest policy for the association, predicted total shipments from the country's biggest manufacturing industry will reach 22.2 million tonnes this year, up 2.5 per cent over 1985.

Newspaper shipments, which declined slightly in 1985, will likely grow by less than one per cent in 1986 and pulp may rise by about two per cent. There will be stronger demand for printing, writing and sanitary papers.

The popularity of catalogues and newspaper inserts for advertising has boosted demand for printing papers by 10 per cent a year for the last three years.

Pulp and paper directly employs 150,000 people in Canada, and its \$9 billion in exports makes a large contribution to Canada's balance of payments.

High gas prices are hurting tourism industry

OTTAWA (CP) — High gasoline prices are discouraging American tourists and costing Canadians jobs, tourism industry spokesmen say, and they want the government to lower gasoline taxes.

John Lawson, a spokesman for the Tourism Industry Association, said lower prices at the pump would reduce Canada's \$2-billion trade deficit with the United States and create jobs in the tourist sector.

But Tourism Minister Jack Murta disputed the association's asser-

tion that high gasoline prices dissuade Americans from driving north of the border for their summer holidays.

"That is not the determining factor in an American coming up to Canada," he told reporters after the association's concerns were raised in the Commons by New Democratic MP John Parry.

"The problem is that they just don't think about us enough."

Murta said the government is about to launch a major adverti-

sing program to entice Americans to Canada by highlighting the 71-cent Canadian dollar.

"When we are talking 40, 42 cents difference on the dollar that helps sweeten the pot but the problem really is just awareness," Murta said.

Earlier, in the Commons, Energy Minister Pat Carney came out fighting as opposition MPs continued their now daily attack on Ottawa's refusal to immediately cut pump prices to reflect the steep

drop in world oil prices.

BLAMES LIBERALS

Carney returned every Liberal barb with a reminder that it was the Liberals who were responsible for jacking up gasoline prices by a whopping 80 per cent when they introduced the controversial national energy program in the early 1980's.

Finance Minister Michael Wilson repeated that gasoline prices will drop in two months when the cheaper oil works itself through the refineries to service stations.

Stats Canada index points to growth in employment

OTTAWA (CP) — The steady growth in employment that began with the end of the recession in 1983 should continue at least into the first few months of this year, Statistics Canada figures released Thursday suggest.

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The index is calculated monthly from a measurement of the space devoted to help-wanted ads in 18 major metropolitan newspapers and is based on that level of space averaging 100 in 1981.

The index, adjusted for seasonal variations, climbed to 85 in December from 84 in November and was at its highest level since November 1981 when it was 93.

Because there is a lag of a month or two between the time employers advertise for help and the time people are hired, the latest increase in the figures suggests employment should continue to increase this month and next.

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No one was hiding Carney in the House of Commons

OTTAWA (CP) — The invitation in English, French and Gaelic was to "all Scots and would-be Scots to the Robbie Burns Day party and Ceilidh" in the name of Supply and Services Minister Stewart McInnis and several hundred denizens of Parliament Hill responded.

There was a pay bar to go with the recorded Scottish music and the beef and seafood, but anybody wearing a touch of tartan got one free drink and everybody also got a commemorative button.

Duff Roblin, former Manitoba premier and government leader in the Senate, qualified through his mother, a Murdoch. Other ministers who attended as full-blown Scots were Flora MacDonald, employment and immigration minister, and the junior minister of finance, Barbara McDougall.

Vancouver NDPer Ian Waddell was there in full Scottish regalia and so was Senator Bob Muir, the Cape Bretoner who also helped on speeches that went on at some length.

The haggis was piped in in due course and thought to be on the small side. Not everybody got a taste but then, given the debate about whether haggis really is edible, some were not disappointed at that.

Capital Notebook

By Arch MacKenzie
The Canadian Press

Waddell as NDP energy critic has been sniping at Energy Minister Pat Carney on grounds that gasoline prices should be sinking in line with the global sag in crude oil prices.

When Carney was slow to appear in the Commons the other day to answer a question, Waddell tongue-in-cheek accused Finance Minister Michael Wilson of having hidden her and called that "no mean feat."

There were shouts of "shame" from Carney's colleagues. They thought it was tacky of Waddell, a slender chap of less than average height, to draw attention to the fact that Carney is not exactly slender. Waddell subsequently apologized.

However, it does seem clear that if it lay in Carney's powers to lower gasoline prices, it would be a big boon to a project near her heart, the success of Expo 86 opening May 2 in Vancouver.

Commissioner General Bruce Howe of the Canada Pavilion at the big transportation show was here this week at a thinly attended media promotion show. Asked how many people he expects from Eastern and Central Canada to gas up the family car and drive west, Howe said he doubts it will happen that way.

Given gasoline costs, he indicated, many more people probably would opt to fly.

The only speech when the Senate ended its holiday break Jan. 21 was an angry one from New Brunswick Liberal Eymard Corbin.

He said among other things that Benno Friesen, West Coast Conservative, "is typical of the extreme right in Canada whose members arouse the indignation of people who are tolerant and respectful of the democratic rights of others."

Corbin was critical of organizers of last September's Inter-Parliamentary Union conference here of hundreds of international politicians, saying they had aided and abetted the RCMP in harassing Iranians opposed to the fundamentalist regime of Ayatollah Khomeini.

Conference planners agree that the official Iranian delegation was "difficult" as they invariably are but that the Iranians opposed to them were treated well. Corbin didn't say in his long speech why he had waited for three months to speak out.

Friesen was chairman of the convention.

External Affairs Minister Joe Clark has always been one of the more accomplished Commons masters of repartee, and he had a good week.

Jim Fulton, West Coast NDPer, had ended a question with a reference to a former Liberal prime minister, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and the observation that "dead Liberals are OK."

"If dead Liberals are OK," said Clark, "I wonder if the hon. member could explain why his party has spent so much time and energy in keeping them alive."

There was much Tory laughter. Clark has not forgotten nor forgiven the fact that it was a combined Liberal-NDP vote that unhorsed him in 1979 after a brief nine months in office.

Then there was Clark wandering along a Commons corridor when he encountered Mickey and Minnie Mouse, here from Hollywood to promote Disney World. They had just emerged from a tour of the Commons chamber escorted by Speaker John Bosley.

Pictures of Clark and the visitors were popular in newspapers and among Clark circles and Clark made a little political hay next day in the Commons when he said Mickey and Minnie were in town to advise Liberal Lloyd Axworthy on trade policy.

Nelson Riis, NDP finance critic, has developed a mind-numbing contribution to statements that MPs can make before the daily question period.

Riis is touting his party's campaign for a fairer tax system by reading long and complex chunks of the Income Tax Act into the public record.

Mulroney and the press: Who's to blame?

"You have to work hard at it, at least eight days a week, to lose all the support Mulroney had a year-and-a-half ago. I've never seen a government acting so dumb." — Louis Laberge, president of the Quebec Federation of Labor, Jan. 12.

"We know the problems we're up against with the (press) gallery." — Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, Jan. 19, admonishing reporters for their "fairly negative" coverage of his government's "tremendous record."

CP News Analysis

By Edison Stewart

OTTAWA (CP) — Is it the messenger's fault the government is unpopular or is it the message?

Prime Minister Brian Mulroney was certainly reflecting the views of many Conservatives — and the views of many prime ministers before him — when he laid at least part of the blame on the parliamentary press gallery.

"You don't have to be paranoid to detect in much of the writing a kind of measurable hostility and truculence and nastiness," says political commentator Dalton Camp, a former president of the Conservatives.

But many Tories also say the government, in the words of one insider, has to stop "screwing up" and providing fodder for embarrassing stories on "bimbo-like" mistakes.

"The period of the benefit-of-the-doubt has passed," one MP said privately, adding that Canadians now expect the Conservatives to show decisiveness and determination and are no longer willing to attribute the government's stumbles to inexperience.

"No more tunagates, as they say," advises one strategist, referring to the embarrassing tainted-tuna controversy of last fall.

Camp, who retains close ties to the Ontario-based political machine that was instrumental in Mulroney's election, also warns that Mulroney has become too isolated behind a wall of aides.

"I meet people who've known him for a long time, people he had been in the habit of using, and he hasn't even spoken to them for months," Camp said in a telephone interview from his New Brunswick home.

He declined to say who he's talking about, but said they are all brighter and more experienced than Mulroney's team.

"I mean, if you look at (the prime minister's) office, which is a pretty important place — or used to be, anyway — who is in there that has experience? This is real on-the-job training."

GREGG CHIMES IN

There has also been criticism from Tory pollster Allan Gregg, who rapped the government's knuckles for not participating in an economic "summit" organized by the Canadian Labor Congress and said bluntly that Canadians still aren't sure where the government wants to take them.

Mulroney vented his frustrations last Sunday, at the end of a two-day Conservative caucus meeting, complaining several times that the

press gallery was ignoring the government's "tremendous record" in job-creation and other areas to zero in on less important matters such as the tuna affair.

But if it was his intention to demonstrate a firm new grip on the ship of state, he picked the wrong day.

For almost as he was speaking, the government was trying to extricate itself from the muck of what even some Conservatives admit has been a bungled public relations job, on the controversial sale of Crown-owned de Havilland Aircraft to a U.S. company.

His remarks also came at the end of the same week in which the government — having earlier approved the takeover of a Montreal oil refinery by a foreign company which planned to close it — announced after weeks of damaging controversy in Quebec that it was seriously negotiating to try to find a new buyer for the plant and keep it open.

The prime minister is also hampered by a seemingly mounting credibility problem, as evidenced by a poll published last Saturday which found that 44 per cent of the 1,530 respondents do not trust him to represent their interests in negotiations on freer trade with the United States.

Mulroney has given few clues to a new strategy aimed at reviving the government's fortunes, other than to say he plans to do a lot more travelling. He also apparently plans to invite groups of reporters over to his official residence on occasion, for breakfast and chats about what he thinks the government is doing right and what reporters think he's doing wrong.

GET OUT OF OTTAWA

From those plans, it appears the consensus is that the government has to spend more time blowing its own horn and do so outside Ottawa, where the message can be delivered through what the Tories hope will be more sympathetic media than the press gallery.

A former Mulroney campaign strategist gives the example of one minister who spends only 2.1 per cent of his time with the party — that is, "if he has five events a day, two out of 100 he spends with the party, party people, either on tour

or whatever. "And I say somebody's got to be out doing more selling, somebody's got to be out doing more communicating, listening as well.."

"You know, Mulroney's greatest success was getting out of Ottawa when (John) Turner was getting elected (Liberal leader)."

"Probably the worst place for him in terms of media is Ottawa," adds another strategist.

"My suggestion is that he's got to do some of the things he did before the election was called, get out into the Victorias, Red Deers, Moose Jaws, Kitcheners, Londons — medium-sized Canada — and tell

people what the hell you're doing, as well as profiling, I would expect, some major addresses to big-ticket audiences in Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver.

"I think he's got to do more of that.

"That's not basically going to solve the problem, but it's going to allow them to see what he's doing.. and also it certainly is going to give them an opportunity to get to the local media directly, so that's No. 1.

"But the other thing they've got to do is not screw up. I mean, not screwing up is important in this, don't misunderstand me."

Who's coming to breakfast?

By Tim Naumetz

OTTAWA (CP) — Prime Minister Brian Mulroney joked Thursday about a Toronto newspaper report that his new strategy for troublesome media includes breakfasts with selected reporters at 24 Sussex Drive.

"If I read that in the Toronto Star once more, I'll invite you," the prime minister quipped to a reporter who asked him about it as he entered the Commons for the daily question period.

But while Mulroney joked, one of his press aides said the idea is being considered, although it has nothing to do with the prime minister's complaints last weekend about negative coverage by the Ottawa press gallery.

"I don't see what is so extraordinary about that, frankly," said Michel Gratton, Mulroney's deputy press secretary.

"It is not something we pulled out of a hat. The prime minister wants to meet with reporters and this is something that we have considered like we consider every interview request we get."

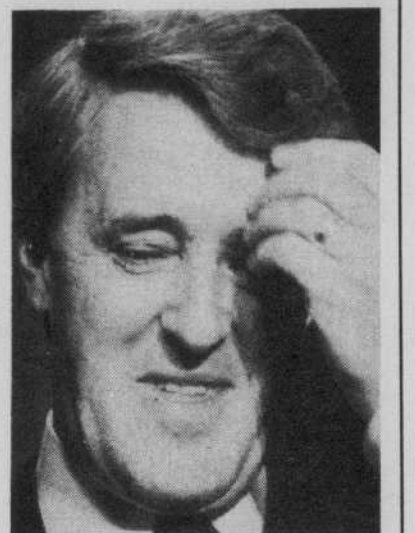
Mulroney, questioned about the decline in Tory support as measured by public opinion polls, told reporters last weekend his government has had communication problems which stem partly from "fairly negative" reporting on Parliament Hill.

He later confirmed that Bill Fox, his press secretary since January 1984, is turning fulltime to overall communications strategy and will give up his press secretary role. Gratton is considered a likely successor.

Mulroney said Fox has wanted to shift into the communications job — with the emphasis more on long-term strategy — for some time.

NEW IMPORTANCE

But the move, reaction to it and



Brian Mulroney... Taking the Turner route?

the interest in the breakfast sessions reflect the importance which Mulroney and his advisors are attaching to media relations.

"What it is that we have thousands of demands for interviews," Gratton said.

"We have requests from reporters — from the Hill mainly, and from elsewhere — for more accessibility in terms of backgrounds and off-the-record conversations with the prime minister."

Gratton said he has a request dated Dec. 16 from "one particular important media" asking specifically for lunch or dinner with the prime minister.

Liberal Leader John Turner may see things the same way. He has also hosted journalists at off-the-record lunches at Stornoway, his official residence.

Turner's media assistants at one point last fall promised regular pizza-and-beer noontime sessions with reporters, but only one was held, and the pizza ran out.

Lévesque gets tidy sum for book's English rights

By Felicity Munn

MONTREAL (CP) — Former premier René Lévesque signed a book-publishing contract Thursday and picked up what is believed to be the largest advance ever paid for a political memoir in Canada.

Lévesque's work-in-progress has so far netted \$200,000 — half of that as an advance to the author, the other half as payment by McClelland and Stewart Ltd. to his Quebec publisher for the English-language rights for Canada.

"There's no question that Mr. Lévesque has been the most important French politician in the provincial field in the past 30 years," McClelland chairman Avie Bennett said, explaining the Toronto publisher's interest.

"We think his story will be of interest to English-speaking Canada."

Bennett said it was the most money his company had ever paid for

an unfinished manuscript.

Lévesque, who began work on the as-yet untitled book less than a month ago and faces a May 1 deadline, said he found it difficult to settle down to writing at first.

But now he has established a routine, writing in French in longhand about five hours a day — "with at least one good day off a week" — and is a quarter of the way through the book, expected to be between 300 and 400 pages.

The memoirs, which will include Lévesque's early years as a journalist before he entered politics, will be published in French by Montreal publisher Editions Quebec-Amerique. The version published by McClelland and Stewart will be a translation.

FROM THE HEART?

The book, due out in both French and English in September, reflects Canadian publishers' growing interest in political memoirs since the success of Jean Chretien's Straight From the Heart, which

sold some 100,000 copies in five months.

Lévesque, meanwhile, was vague about what his memoirs will contain.

He did insist it will not be an apology.

"I've made mistakes and I don't see why the hell I should cover them up."

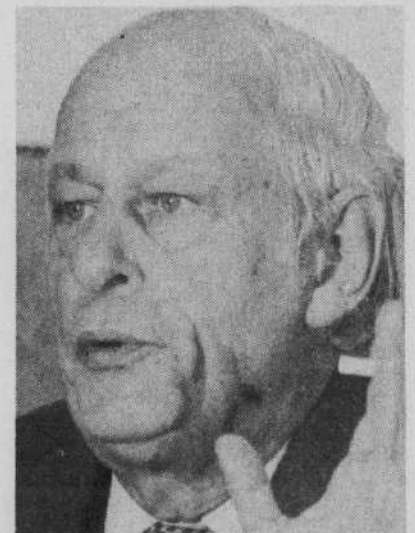
Or, he added, the mistakes of others.

Asked if he had the errors of anyone in particular in mind, Lévesque replied: "No. Yes. No."

Then he smiled and shook his head, adding: "Not today."

Lévesque, who announced his resignation as premier last June after almost nine years in office, said he began writing about his last days in office since that was the freshest in his mind.

The 63-year-old veteran politician, who returned to Montreal last month after a two-month vacation in Europe, said he is not nostalgic about his years in power.



René Lévesque... Mulroney's got it bad.

But he said he continues to keep up with the news, reading one or two newspapers a day as opposed to the six or seven he used to consume.

Weather Doonesbury

Mainly sunny and cool with a high of -15. Saturday: mainly cloudy with a chance of snow flurries.

WELL, HERE'S YOUR DEATH CERTIFICATE... THANKS FOR COMING OUT, DR. PHILIPPE. I CAN'T BELIEVE IT... I'M NOT SURE ABOUT THE CAUSE OF DEATH. IT COULD BE AN OVERDOSE. THE HELL YOU SAY!

WELL, WE'VE GOT TO WAIT FOR THE CORONER'S REPORT. ANY IDEA WHAT KIND OF DRUGS HE MAY HAVE BEEN USING? DUKE? NO WAY, MAN. THE DUDE WAS AS CLEAN AS... SIGH... I'LL GET THE ROL-AID.

DEAN HONEY? CORONER'S OFFICE. OH, THANK GOODNESS YOU'RE HERE! HERE'S A COPY OF MY REPORT ON MONSIEUR DUKE. REPORT? BUT YOU HAVEN'T EXAMINED HIM YET!

IT IS NOT NECESSARY, FORGET IT! MADAMESSIE, ALL DEATHS IN HAITI ARE FROM NATURAL CAUSES. I DEMAND THAT YOU EXAMINE THE DECEASED NOW!

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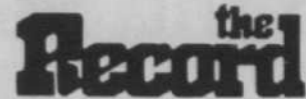
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PCB try 'most important in years', says Stalex poison expert Grenier

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BLAINVILLE — The vice president of Quebec's largest industrial waste disposal company says the Hydro-Quebec field test of a PCB destruction unit is the most important development in waste management in years.

"It's essential that the industry find some way to eliminate the hazardous compounds," Pierre Grenier of Stalex said in an interview Thursday.

Hydro-Quebec is about to begin

field testing a machine that breaks down and destroys toxic PCB waste at the Sherbrooke Hydro substation in St-Elie d'Orford.

Stalex is the company that handles most of the province's chemical and metallic waste. The company is in Blainville, north of Montreal.

GROWING STOCKPILE

Right now Canada has no way of eliminating complex polychlorinated biphenols, or PCBs. "There's a growing stockpile of PCBs in Canada," said Grenier, "and some adequate new technology for their destruction must be found."

The PCB destruction unit that Hydro-Quebec will begin testing within two weeks holds "great potential as a solution to the problem," Grenier said. "Unless they are destroyed and totally eliminated, the storage of PCB remains a potential risk. The dispersion of that material into the environment can be very harmful."

PCB is an organic compound. "It's a very stable product and once you have it somewhere in the environment it doesn't disappear; it accumulates," Grenier warned.

"Any accumulation of an organic compound in the food chain is a potential danger to life."

Grenier said he's confident that the ultra-high heat process and intense chemical scrubbing in the Hydro-Quebec test will work. And, he said, "if it can destroy PCBs, it will also work on other chlorinated wastes such as insecticides and pesticides."

Many of these compounds have been banned from use but are now in storage indefinitely in hazardous waste dumps throughout the country.

Missisquoi county faces blackout Sunday as Hydro makes export-line repairs

STE-HYACINTHE — Super Bowl lovers and other users of electricity will have to make other arrangements this Sunday.

Power will be cut off in much of Missisquoi county all day Sunday as Hydro-Quebec repairs a fault in a transmission line used to export electricity to the United States.

More than 8,500 Hydro customers served from the Bedford and St-Sébastien substations will be blacked out from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 26, says utility spokesman Richard Nault.

The area affected stretches from just west of Dunham to Missisquoi Bay and the Richelieu River, and from St-Sébastien and Henryville south to the Vermont border.

Included are the communities of Stanbridge East, Frelighsburg Village, Frelighsburg Parish, St-Ignace de Stanbridge, Notre Dame de Stanbridge, Stanbridge Station, Henryville, St-Sébastien, Noyan,

Clarenceville, St-Georges de Clarenceville, Venise-en-Québec, Bedford Village, Bedford Township, Pigeon Hill, St-Armand, St-Armand West and St-Armand Station, St-Pierre de Veronne à Pike River and Phillipsburg.

"Since we've been feeding Vermont at Highgate, we've had to make modifications for the Americans, on the 120 kilovolt line" Nault said. "We didn't want to do it until summer, except that since Decem-

ber, there has been a lack of voltage — tension — in some industries."

"It's a complex electrical problem we had never seen and never dealt with before."

The modifications needed to correct the problem can only be done if the temperature is -5 Celsius or warmer Sunday. If not, or if other weather phenomena intervene, the power will be cut off the following Sunday, Feb. 2, instead.

Austin vote overturned

AUSTIN — The 1983 municipal election here has been declared invalid, putting four town councillors out of office and setting the stage for byelections to fill the empty seats.

Superior Court Justice Thomas Toth declared the 1983 vote null and void. It had been contested by the losing candidates, who were opposed by the municipal government.

Out of a job as soon as they receive copies of Mr. Justice Toth's ruling are councillors Geraldine Bouchard, Elwin Bryant, Louis Viscogliosi and Allan Dowbiggin. Stuck with the task of calling an election to replace them and running the town in the meantime are Mayor Roger Nicolet and councillors Larry Ethier and Reginald Dingman.

The judgment placed much of the blame for the voting irregularities on Austin's then-secretary-

treasurer and electoral officer Sylvia Wheeler.

The 1983 voting list contained many faults. Wheeler incorrectly set, then changed the date of revision, then refused to amend the change when it was shown to be illegal. But she continued to accept some modifications to the voting list even after that, while refusing to accept other requests from voters left off the list.

Then the municipality's electoral list revision committee met and threw out all the additions and deletions she had allowed. The vote took place as scheduled using the unimproved list.

Mr. Justice Toth blamed Wheeler, who left the town's employ some months ago, for a level of partiality incompatible with her functions as electoral officer. He also slammed the town councillors for their aggressive attitude in the case.

East Bolton eyes election

EAST BOLTON (JM) — Municipal secretary Ann Côté received two nominations Monday for a byelection in seat 5 here Feb. 3.

Grégoire Gauvin, a trucker and real estate agent, and real estate Robert Marsh are vying for a seat on the council.

The advance poll will be held Sunday, Jan. 26 from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. The main polls will also be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Town Hall in Bolton Centre on Feb. 3.

Mayor Arthur G. George was acclaimed in the November municipi-

pal elections when former mayor Joan Westland Eby decided not to run.

George, who represented seat 5, did not resign in time to allow his former seat to be contested when councillors were elected to the even-numbered seats.

Apart from George, the council is presently made up of Ruth Peasley in seat 1, Pauline Julien in seat 2, Warren Paige in seat 3, John Leimer, seat 4, and Eugene Côté, seat 6.

The odd numbered seats will come up for election in November 1986.

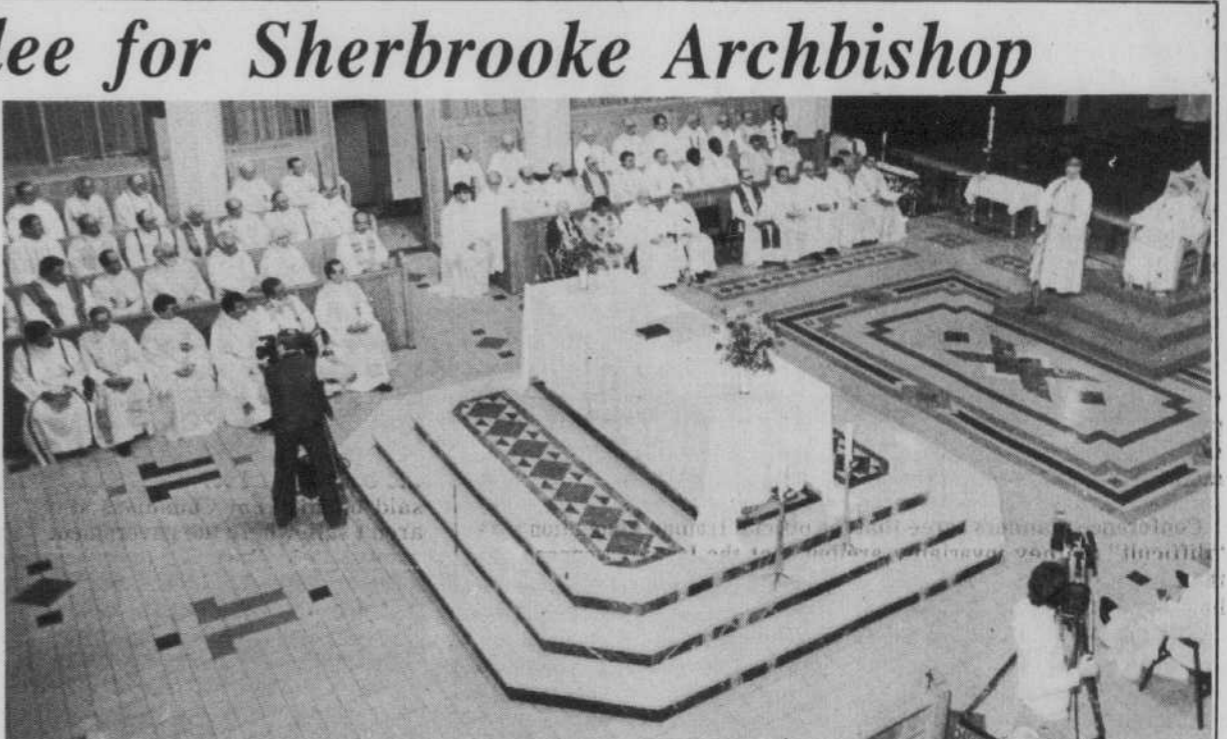


Silver Jubilee for Sherbrooke Archbishop

Over 250 priests from the Sherbrooke Diocese were present Thursday for a mass to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the appointment of Jean-Marie Fortier as Roman Catholic Archbishop of Sherbrooke. The mass, with the archbishop leading communion (left), is the start of a six-month "Silver Jubilee" celebration, which will see Fortier preside at numerous services in the Eastern Townships.

Another highlight of the celebrations will be a benefit concert by the Montreal Symphony Orchestra, scheduled for April 6 at St. Michel's Cathedral in Sherbrooke, when proceeds will go towards restoring the cathedral's organ.

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Legal losses at Lloyds led to large lawsuits and larger liability loads

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insurers, and of course they're the oldest and biggest firm of re-insurers in the world," founded some 300 years ago. "Last year, because of many disasters worldwide, the re-insurers took a bath."

Airplane crashes more than tripled; there was the Mexico City earthquake; and even before the worst disasters, 1,500 Lloyd's investors were assessed last May 13 for over a million dollars cash apiece (in Canadian funds) to cover massive losses. Lloyd's investors must have a minimum worth of \$200,000, but are liable for the full extent of their personal wealth. Nearly 500 faced personal bankruptcy.

Lloyd's stated that the heavy pre-disaster losses were caused primarily by product liability settlements against asbestos manu-

facturers, and also partially by an embezzling scandal, for which Minnet Holdings Inc., a former Lloyd's syndicate manager, was booted out of the business.

DISASTERS COSTLY

"The re-insurers are saying," Tanner continues, "that they can't keep going to property premiums", or to personal wealth, "to pay for liability claims. They're pressuring governments," not just in Canada but all around the world, "for limitations on liability."

Meanwhile, Quebec municipalities and ambulance services are being asked to pay not only for their own liability, but also, indirectly, for liability against other insurers — like the asbestos industry — whose premiums turned out to have been far too low for far too long.

Tanner joins most other insurance industry spokesmen in fingering the legal system for soaring liability awards, rather than the industry's methods of risk assessment.

"There really is no way we can assess risk," he says. "We can't look at a situation and see what it might cost us so many years in the future."

In effect, the risk-assessors gamble, based on past experience. When the size of liability claims mount astronomically because of kinds of damage unanticipated a generation before, the insurers lose.

"People have become much more claims-conscious," Tanner adds. "They're suing for new things, all kinds of things that they never thought of before. The insurance industry feels that the laws tend to be such — or rather, that the courts are such — that when someone is sued, they look not at the worth of the person being sued, but rather at the amount of insurance he has in deciding damages. INCREDIBLE SETTLEMENTS

"The insurance industry feels this is not the correct way to proceed, that insurance is being used as a milk-cow by the courts, that the test for the size of liability awards should be real means rather than hypothetical means. We're not saying don't give an injured party less than he deserves, but we are saying don't give exces-

sive amounts just because they're covered by insurance."

Tanner recently returned from the convention of the Ontario Insurance Brokers, at which he heard of "incredible settlements. One was to a kid who was injured in an automobile accident — paralyzed — for \$6 million. Who's going to earn \$6 million in his life? Unless he won the lotto, and the kid can still win at lotto, there's no way he's have gotten that much without insurance taking the loss."

By law, Canadian lawyers can only take 15 per cent of suit settlements, whereas American lawyers get up to 50 per cent. But Tanner says this restriction isn't holding settlements down, either. Instead, he charges, "lawyers are saying they won't get enough out of suing for \$100,000 and suing for \$300,000 instead so they'll be sure of getting the cut they want."

Further, Tanner notes, "People now implicate everybody they can in a lawsuit to be sure of getting some satisfaction," including not only those who directly do them harm, but also accessories such as product manufacturers and advertisers.

"When they implicate a large manufacturer in a suit for some astronomical sum of money, the party being used weighs the cost of a defense against the cost of settling the claim, and if they can settle it with insurance money," often they do.

High liability awards are only half the problem, however. Tanner also points an accusing finger at large insurance brokers, like Leo Parizeau Inc., "which control considerable sums of business." Under the Parti Québécois, the Quebec government required municipalities to buy insurance via annual tender.

Several large firms, including Parizeau, won most of the municipal insurance market by offering discount premiums. They could offer the discount premiums because didn't heavily re-insure their policies. Instead, they gambled that they could make up in volume of business what they lost in non-re-insured settlements. BANKRUPTCIES

The gamble hasn't worked. "Strathcona, Northumberland,

and three or our other insurers have gone bankrupt, all being controlled by large brokers rather than underwriters."

Meanwhile, the market has tightened up. Small firms that do re-insure have been driven out of the municipal insurance business, and aren't willing to get back into it unless they get the premiums that would permit substantial re-insuring. And the re-insuring, of course, costs a lot more now than it did when Parizeau et al took over.

"Municipalities by themselves are not a bad risk," Tanner notes. "The insurers are just playing hard to get. Municipalities are able to get insurance, but their premiums are going to be up, maybe six or seven times in some cases." Tanner believes some major insurance companies are negotiating special municipal insurance premiums right now, to be announced soon.

Municipalities are having trouble getting insurance meanwhile, he thinks, because none of the smaller insurers want to jump the gun on the biggies and possibly wind up getting smaller premiums than they could request.

Tanner says the municipal insurance situation isn't unique. His own firm handles a lot of transport insurance. "Lots of transport companies want insurance right now, but we can't give it to them," he explains, "because the market is closed." Discounters "created a vacuum, and now nobody's willing to pick up the pieces. Nobody has the reserves to handle transport insurance, because one company tried to clean up at low rates," and failed.

AVOID SHOPPING

As a broker, Tanner feels much of the present crisis could have been avoided if insureds hadn't taken to shopping for insurance the way they do for groceries, looking for temporary specials in hopes of saving a few dollars here or there. "We're not assured of keeping a risk when we insure it any more," he says. "There's no fidelity left in the business, so companies have become very indifferent toward assuming new risks." He believes the eventual outcome of the municipal and transport insurance situations may be policies written for five or ten years, instead of just

one.

Then there's the ambulance crisis. "Insurance experience with ambulances outside Montreal has actually been very good," Tanner notes. "But Montreal is where over half the ambulances in Quebec are, and losses in Montreal have soured the market. It takes all the premiums from all over the province to settle the losses in Montreal. It's true ambulance companies" like Cowansville's "can't afford big jumps in premiums, but the insurance companies need the premiums."

The solution Tanner sees would be for Quebec to include ambulances in the mandatory no-fault personal insurance system. The provincial no-fault system includes built-in liability limits.

Ambulance drivers are already covered this way, but the ambulance companies still have unlimited liability for their business activities. Since rushing patients to hospitals in their primary business activities, they still face suits from accident victims — "people who already have illnesses or injuries. These cases have become extremely hard to control, to settle."

Tanner believes the government may be reluctant to fully cover ambulances under no-fault because this would mean a major break with precedent. "The government is rightly reluctant to remove fun-

damental rights," Tanner judges, "unless there is substantial reason to believe this will advance the common good. One fundamental right is the right to sue for damages." No-fault automobile insurance didn't come to Quebec until after it had already been adopted all over Western Europe and in many parts of the U.S., and still hasn't been accepted elsewhere in Canada.

"There's a reluctance to take the system away from the courts and the lawyers," Tanner concludes. "But in fact, over the long run, no-fault, auto insurance has given us a more effective legal system for dealing with these kinds of claims. Personal injury suits were big time-wasters for lawyers and insurance brokers. I'm glad we don't cover bodily injury any more."

As to insuring Cowansville, from the mayor's point of view, Tanner acknowledges, "We have no choice. We have to pay the premiums. But we also must analyze our coverage to see if we can assume some of the risk ourselves. We can increase our deductibles, for instance, and exclude some items that have never occurred." Through such analysis Tanner believes the municipality actually saved around \$15,000 in premiums this year, on a total bill of just under \$80,000 — still about four times what Cowansville paid for coverage just a few years ago.

Granby, Farnham fix up ambulance problem

GRANBY — Granby's four ambulances are operating normally again, after the Commerce Group agreed to resume insuring Ambulance G.M.R. Inc. late Wednesday.

The Commerce Group decision also applied to Ambulance Farnham Inc., which expected to lose insurance coverage before the end of January.

Neither ambulance company management nor Commerce Group spokesman Jacques Lavoie would reveal precise details of the new insurance agreement, but other insurers estimated that premiums have at least quadrupled.

The Granby ambulances had been idled for three days after their policy expired and no firm was willing to renew it — even though Ambulance G.M.R. had not filed a claim in over a year.

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Fred Tanner... 'Caught between.'

Houseboats for rent: Heating up the water

Memphremagog opposition not what Three Buoy planned for

This is the final installment in our series on rental houseboats. Previous articles examined what it was like to live with them on the Trent-Severn canal system. Today, reporter Philip Authier, brings us up-to-date with the local scene.

By Philip Authier

MAGOG — Owners of the Three Buoy houseboat company may have been talking to the wrong people in concluding they were welcome to launch their fleet of boats on Lake Memphremagog this summer, says the head of a local regional municipality.

Roger Nicolet, prefect of the Magog MRC (*municipalité régionale de comté*), said in an interview Thursday the MRC, like a growing number of groups, is opposed to the project because of a lack of regulations governing the use of houseboats on the lake.

At the MRC's Nov. 27 meeting, it passed a motion saying that since there were no rules on questions of pollution and boating activities on the international waterway, the government should create some.

And until that happens, it says no further boating permits should be issued.

VARIED INTERESTS

The decision came a few months after the Three Buoy company made a presentation of the project to 17 of the MRC mayors and it has left company promoters scratching their heads on what they did wrong.

Nicolet's explanation is that dif-

ferent levels of government.

"We've been accused of being outsiders and trying to ram this thing down their throats," he said. "But we were basically invited here by all levels of government because we fit in with the major plan. It fits in with what they're trying to achieve here."

"We made a presentation last summer to 17 of the MRC mayors and after the presentation they all shook our hands and said welcome," he added. "Now, I guess they're looking over their shoulders and thinking it's a political football."

GOING AHEAD

McKinnon admitted that some of that encouragement came in the form of the company not being discouraged.

But today, with only five months to go before the planned launching and with all 50 of its houseboats sold, the company remains undaunted.

"We're dealing with a small number of people around the lake in terms of property," McKinnon said. "The opposition to us is a very small, co-ordinated group that is really out there beating the drum."

McKinnon said those fighting their plan have turned a little ugly

Houseboats



The view from Memphremagog

ferent groups have different interests in the region. One of the supporters of the idea, beside the town of Magog, was the local CLE office (*Création local emploi*). It is in the business of promoting new tourism undertakings and was doing its job when it came to Three Buoy, Nicolet said.

The MRC was another matter, however, and that explains the motion. And while it currently stands as a recommendation, five of its member municipalities are following through with action.

The five, which all have jurisdiction over property that borders the lake, plan to approve strict new zoning bylaws to keep companies like Three Buoy out of the region. Islands in the lake also fall under municipal boundaries.

"When they first came they probably didn't meet the right people," Nicolet said. "Maybe they'll realize it isn't a service that is welcome on this lake. It doesn't appear that citizens who live around the lake really want them."

Nicolet, who is also chairman of the Union of Quebec Municipalities, noted that there are radically different points of view when it comes to tourism and development in the Memphremagog tourism area.

He said different groups have different tourism interests. One operates resorts and inns and is interested in attracting as many people to the region as possible. A second includes representatives of the town of Magog, currently struggling to revive its depressed economy. Long-time cottage owners who live in lake municipalities make up the final party in the feud.

"Three Buoy unfortunately did speak to one group but didn't get the feeling of the other group," he said.

The end result is the current log-gerhead between the Three Buoy company — which wants to deploy 50 rental houseboats on the lake this May — and the community.

TWO FACES

All this has come as somewhat of a surprise to the company, which says it was under the impression the welcome mat was out in this area.

"We're finding a lot of two-faceness," Russ McKinnon, president of Quebec Three Buoy, said in an interview. "They never said 'don't do it' or 'stand off.' They're doing a two-step. A lot of them are saying they're not going to support you publicly — but do."

Glenn Rogers, a tourism consultant who was instrumental in bringing the company to the lake, agreed. He highlighted the fact that the Memphremagog area has been deemed a tourism area by se-

as well.

"They've threatened to organize boycotts of business that deal with us," he said. "It's just crazy."

Three Buoy faces some pretty stiff opposition in setting up what would be the company's sixth houseboat operation in Canada. Last summer they launched 77 boats on to the Trent-Severn water system north of Peterborough.

The battle line has been drawn with the same citizens who, fresh from a stunning victory over the United States Department of Energy on a proposed nuclear waste dump in Vermont, are now shifting their focus to what they call the latest threat to the lake.

A pressure group formed to fight Three Buoy — *les amis du lac* — says it has collected about 2,000 signatures on a petition.

NO STEP BACK

Memphremagog Conservation Inc., the lake's official watchdog, is receiving about 10 letters a week asking it to lobby against Three Buoy. It is also consulting with the municipalities which are drawing up the zoning regulations. The MCI has spent about \$400,000 over the last few years trying to clean up Lake Memphremagog and is not about to let that be ruined, a spokesman said this week.

Another blow has come from the *l'agence de développement touristique*, which this week sent the company a copy of a motion it recently passed advising it to hold off on its plan until a complete study of the region's overall tourism priorities is complete, said Jean Dion, Orford mayor and agency chairman.

"I'm in favor of tourism, but not any kind of tourism," Dion said. Brome-Missisquoi MP Gabriel Bertrand also this week asked the MCI for a complete briefing on the matter.

Support for the company would thus appear to have narrowed to that of the town of Magog (including its Chamber of Commerce) plus any others who have not yet come forward.

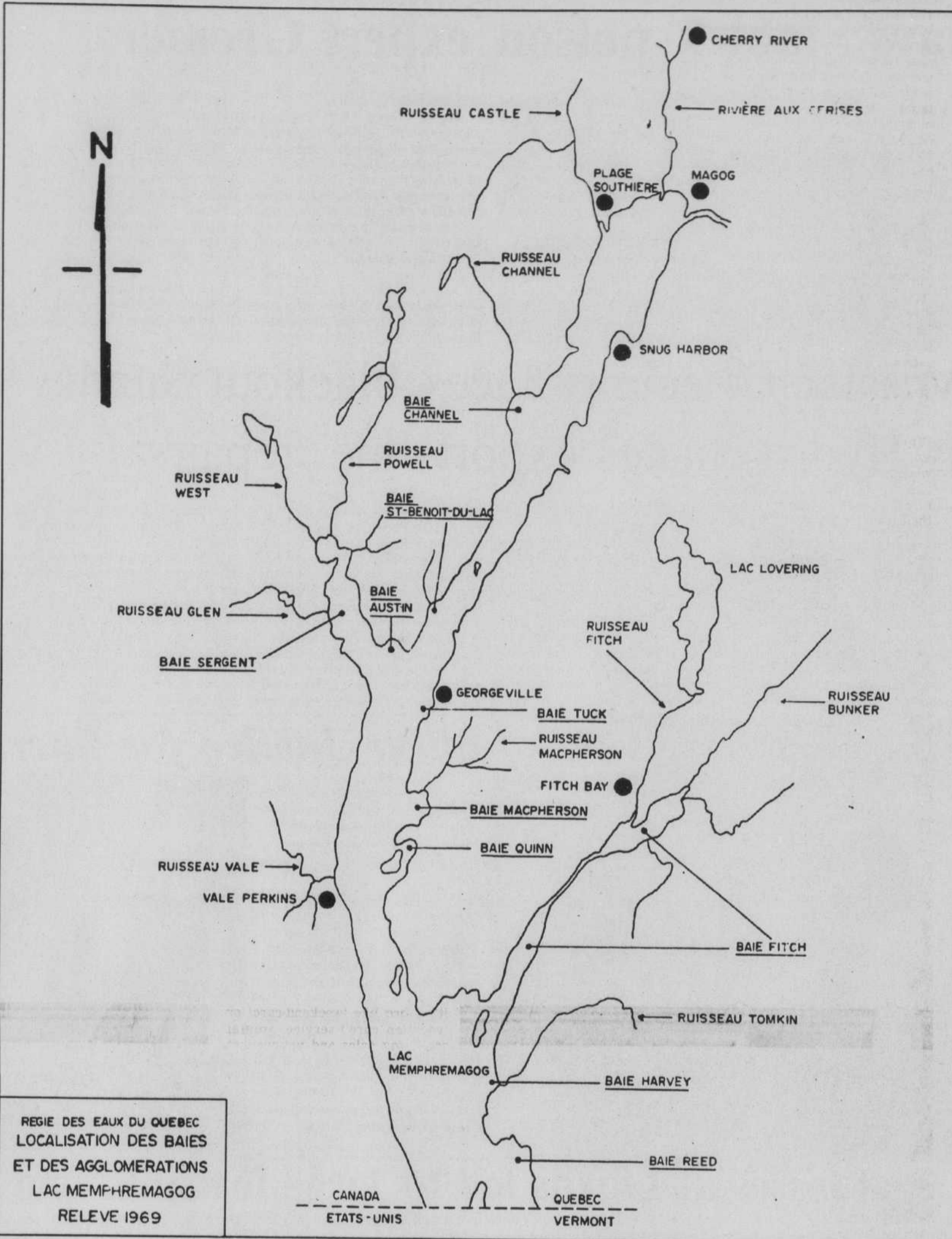
The Magog mayor was on vacation when contacted by *The Record* but the town clerk said the municipality's position on Three Buoy remains the same: favorable.

It's not the same story at the Magog township office, just outside this town of 14,000, however.

"Yes, we're opposed," Mayor Roger Renaud said. "It's a completely disastrous project. It's impossible to have 50 houseboats on it (the lake)."

He said despite Three Buoy's assertion, there will be no local economic fallout from the business.

After paying \$1,500 for a houseboat, "the people will not go and spend \$75 on a meal," he said. "The guy who has spent \$1,500 is going to



Is Lake Memphremagog ready for rental houseboats or not?

say 'I paid, let's have a good time'."

A NEW FIGHT

Stewart Hopps, environmental inspector for MCI, is no stranger to fireworks either. People calling the MCI office this week to congratulate him on winning the fight against the nuclear dump were in the same breath cheering him on in this latest battle.

"I hardly know where to start on the houseboats," Hopps, a 21-year veteran of environmental issues, said. "My major concern is the lake is overtaxed."

Hopps motions to the bookshelf in his office and says he has dozens of reports on the lake, all highlighting the delicate balance between man and Mother Nature.

He points to one study which was set up to establish the cause of death in lake fish. Following dissections, the study revealed that seven of the 19 fish had died because they had swallowed the little tabs which come off beer and softdrink cans.

"They throw them in the water, the fish take them in," Hopps said.

"I daresay their (Three Buoy) intentions are good but they won't be able to do it," he said. "People are starting to respect the environment more than they did 20 years ago but we have a long way to go."

What irks him the most is the fact that investors who buy houseboats (up until Dec. 31, anyway) received tax write-offs while residents paid taxes on new septic tanks during the 20-year clean-up campaign the MCI undertook.

"This lake was not cleaned up for tourist promoters," he said.

WORK TOGETHER

A.H.G. (Smoky) Sturton, a spokesman for Friends of the Lake, says his group is ready to do battle to the bitter end on this issue.

"We're getting organized politically, financially, in the publicity area and legally," he said this week. "I think the thing about this area that is possibly unique is the way people can get together and solve their problems."

He, like the rest of the group,

does not want to see the charm and character of the lake lost.

"The people in this area love the lake," Sturton said. "Part of the reason is the environment but in a broader sense it is more than just pollution. We want to retain the total environment."

He said one big concern is lake traffic. The addition of 50 houseboats is going to create an "awful mess," he said. "We just can't see this type of thing fitting in. There's going to be accidents, there's going to be arguments. It's going to be a zoo."

Three Buoy, however, says all its boats are named and numbered and if they break the rules about noise or non-beach areas, renters can be forced to forfeit their damage deposit.

But Sturton said his group has listened objectively to the Three Buoy's presentation on controls on the lake and is not convinced the company can enforce them — legally or practically.

In his opinion, according to the strict letter of the law, any boat can use the land below the shoreline because it does not belong to any one municipality.

In short, a higher law would prevail over a lower one. He said people are used to a great deal of freedom when it comes to putting their boats in the lake. Yet if there is any sleeping or living aboard, it is for a short time.

"These are not boats sleeping small groups of friends," he said. "They are designed to take advantage of what's here, which will go a long way towards destroying what we have."

Sturton is also a little suspicious about Three Buoy's anticipated additional yearly expenditures of \$200,000 a year. But as McKinnon said, \$200,000 only represents the cost of two boats to his company.

Contrary to rumors, he said that does not mean more boats are going to be added to Lake Memphremagog. He even has a sworn affidavit saying 50 is the ceiling.

WHERE?

There is still some mystery sur-

rounding the location of the Three Buoy dock and recreational facility, however.

McKinnon would not reveal any details on the plan, except to say Three Buoy is looking at a couple of situations.

Nicolet says the company is going to have a hard time getting that together now that the municipalities are firming up their zoning regulations.

Regulations on land use falls under the MRC's jurisdiction, he said, while waterway rules are the domain of the federal government. And since Magog is the only lake municipality supporting the company, that is going to narrow Three Buoy's choices.

"Three Buoy is blocked in every municipality except Magog," he said. "As long as they are in the city of Magog or on the water, they're fine," he said, adding that means an awful lot of land is off limits.

Three Buoy contends that the municipalities may not be allowed

to pass this type of regulation and is still working on its development plan. It has cost them \$15,000 so far.

They say one reason for the negative reaction is that they have not been given a chance to prove themselves.

"Is this a totally private lake that we're going to let nobody on, or is this lake for the public?" Rogers asked.

"Without giving us a chance they're saying 'for those particular reasons we're not listening to anything you say, we don't care about the jobs, we don't care about the master plan'."

But if the people fighting Three Buoy have their way, the company will not get its chance.

As the veteran Hopps says, "the environment doesn't belong to us, we just borrow it from the future. I've always lived on this lake... in good times and bad... I hope to hell my grandchildren can go and put their feet in good, clean water."



A.H.G. Sturton and his group The Friends of the Lake say they are ready for a fight over the rental houseboats issue.

Environment



'I think the person who did this has a little defect in his head'

Sherbrooke's branch of the animal-protection group *La Société Protectrice des Animaux de l'Estrie* (SPA) held a press reception this week to show off its new corporate colors. Among the items painted with the new red, green and white designs was the SPA's small truck, used for police calls and pick-ups. But just a day after the celebration, the truck was smashed and repainted by some nutcase vandal with... sawdust for brains.

An affiliate of the Montreal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA), the SPA is run by the standard rules for non-profit associations. It has donors over \$40,000 in 1984-85, paid members (144 in number), an elected board of directors (under president Marcel Lamy) and a manager (Bruno Felteau) with a small staff.

Lamy, Felteau and director Marie-France B. Lajoie explained the SPA's many activities.

TOWN DOG-CATCHERS

The SPA 'dog-catches' in about 10 municipalities in the Sherbrooke area. It also accepts stray and unwanted animals, both pets and wild ones, brought in by people who find them. It saves what animals it can, then gives up the best of the survivors

to worthy potential owners for a small 'voluntary donation'. The group also enforces federal and provincial laws and regulations dealing with cruel or improper treatment of tame and wild animals, visits schools to educate the youngsters about the treatment of pets, and generally acts as spokesman in matters of animal welfare. And, it runs a pet-sitting service for people leaving their home empty.

During the 12 months ending in September 1985, the Eastern Townships SPA received a total of 10,490 birds and animals, including 3,121 dogs, 6,741 cats and 629 'others'. The others consisted of 305 pigeons, 26 squirrels, 104 skunks, 26 mice (yep), 9 groundhogs, 20 rabbits, 6 guinea pigs, 58 hamsters, 1 bittern, 2 turtles, 1 rat, 1 boa, 1 heron, 5 canaries, 18 gerbils, 4 raccoons, 2 ducks, 3 porcupines, 2 rock doves, 1 herring gull, 2 chicks, 7 mourning doves, and 1 wise young owl.

FEW PETS CARRY I.D.

Of the ten thousand, a total of 226 were claimed from the SPA by their owners. Although that is more than in previous years, the low total (only 2 per cent) of pets re-claimed reflects one of the so-

On the wild side



By Charles Bury

ciety's biggest problems: pet identification. Only 878 owners described lost animals to the SPA in the hope of recovering them, while virtually none of the strays which turned up had any identification — dog tag, cat tag, snake tag or gerbil tag.

"This year one of the big things we are going to promote is identification of pet animals," SPA president Felteau said. "Every municipality sells dog tags; they don't for cats. We sell cat tags for \$5 each. It's coming. If cats had tags we would have only half the strays we do."

RATHER SWITCH THAN GAS

The second main SPA priority for 1985 will be voluntary sterilization — of pets, not owners, that is, although perhaps it should be the other way around. "Too many owners let their pet breed when there is no chance of finding homes for the offspring," said president Lamy. "We don't like euthanasia, but there are just too many."

Only "about 25 or 30 per cent" of the domestic animals which show up at the SPA clinic-pound find a new home. "But we never push that," says manager Felteau. "Some people would be very unsuitable pet owners and we'd prefer euthanasia to that."

"Euthanasia is everybody's responsibility. We'd rather preach tags and sterilization."

It costs about \$125,000 a year to run the Eastern Townships SPA. So where does the money come from? "About 30 per cent of it comes from our municipal dog-catching revenues, about 30 per cent from the 'day-care' (actually it's more like 'weekend-care' or 'vacation care') service, animal sales, tag sales and pet-product sales (a new venture), and about 30 per cent from donations," says Lamy.

The donations come from the kindly likes of Mrs. Lorna Chase-Casgrain of North Hatley, who "sold her horses and gave the money to the SPA in November," Lamy said.

HEALTH CHECK FIRST

Stray pets brought into the SPA building at 1139 Queen St. North go first to the clinic for a thorough

health check, then into a holding pound out back. "We keep them here for 48 hours for re-claim," says director and recent Bishop's University graduate Lajoie, taking a journalist on a quick tour.

"Then, if their owners don't come and identify them, they move. We send the ones which would be suitable for re-adoption to the front part of the pound, where prospective owners can come and see them. If they are appropriate, they go to the front and we might keep them for one or two months."

"If not, they go to the back," Lajoie shivers, "where they are gassed."

'DEFECT IN THE HEAD'

That was Tuesday afternoon. Wednesday night, the vandals came.

Gassing might also be the appropriate treatment for the person or persons unknown who trashed the SPA's new truck to the tune of \$2000 or more. "I came in this morning and I saw this," SPA technician Ghislain Cyr said Thursday. Cyr is the SPA's road man, and the damage deprived him of a few days on patrol.

"The police called it vandalism. We don't know of anyone who has anything against us; we got no letter or phone call warning us of this."

"We use the van to pick up stray, diseased or injured animals," Cyr added. "We bring the animals in off the street."

"I think the person who did this has a little defect in his head." Classic understatement.

For more on the SPA, see below.

Here's another one for you travel freaks. Via Rail is offering a 'Harp-seal watching by train' sightseeing package to those with travel budgets. But the train turns into a helicopter somewhere in Charlotte-

town.

"Harp seals every year they come to the massive ice floes in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, to give birth to their pups," reads the Via blurb announcing the railway expeditions. "Now, by helicopter, you can reach out and touch this miracle of nature."

Via Rail "offers five 5-nights packages with departure from Montreal on the following dates: March 3, 6, 10, 13 and 17, 1986. The cost 1175 dlns. Can." That's sum pile a dlns eh, biy?

Ya, but "Price includes rail transportation and roomette (11 person) or bedroom (2 persons) accommodation, motorcoach, ferry, hotel, charter helicopter, escort from arrival to departure Charlot-

town, transfers and baggage handling in Charlottetown, one dinner and a Via travel bag."

If all the customers get to eat in five days is 'one dinner', even the most ardent animal lovers among them will likely crave a slice of flipper pie before they're done.

Ugh. That's enough to make you reach for the travel bag...

For information and reservations, contact a travel agent or Via Rail Canada: Toll-free 1-800-361-5390.

Whoa! Whoa, damn it, I said. There are now more than a dozen answers — all correct — strewn over my desk in last week's Snow What contest. Please don't send any more. Watch this space for the answers and the winner next week.



Less than 2 per cent of the animals received at the SPA pound are reclaimed by their owners.



Unknown vandals smashed and trashed the SPA's new truck on Thursday.



Pets for adoption: 'If they are appropriate, we might keep them for one or two months,' says SPA director Marie-France Lajoie.

Latest Granby Zoo 'controversy' may be just a bargaining ploy

By Merritt Clifton

GRANBY — Manure is flying over conditions and contracts at the Granby Zoo this week.

While the wild animals are all indoors, quietly waiting out the winter, zoo union president René Hébert and zoo management have been exchanging snarls and swipes of paws through the media.

First, Tuesday an apparent spokesman for zoo employees anonymously blasted management in a full-page *La Presse* expose by Conrad Bernier. The anonymous source charged that the Granby Zoo is neglecting breeding, that keepers had been reduced to "shit-shovelers", that directors Germain Couture and Denis Penelle had resigned over conditions, that

current zoo director Jean-Guy Savard gained his previous management experience running an auto parts store, that large poisonous snakes were routinely escaping from the two-year-old reptile house, and that the zoo was driving an infant gorilla named Archibaldine crazy by keeping her in solitude.

ATTENDANCE DOWN

The contract dispute was not mentioned. Although zoo attendance dropped by 40,000 last summer, the zoo employees are reportedly seeking wage increases totaling \$400,000. The employees' union claims the attendance drop is due to poor promotion and marketing.

Granby Zoological Society president Jean-Paul Bréton made only brief response in Bernier's article,

but after the piece appeared, another management spokesman, René Gagné, delivered a rebuttal on CBC's *Radio Noon* program. Gagné attributed the drop in attendance — a drop of about one good weekend crowd — to poor weather last summer. Other factors were the bankruptcy and closing of the Granby automobile museum across the street, which had formed the more modest half of a dual draw for out-of-towners, and the loss of the zoo's 1984 star attraction, the baby gorilla.

The baby gorilla — actually named Zira, not Archibaldine — had helped the zoo to an attendance record in 1984, but was sent to Toronto to be with other young gorillas at the end of that tourist season.

Wednesday morning, the Gran-

by daily *La Voix de l'Est* identified the *La Presse* source as Hébert and finally revealed the contract dispute. By this time zoo officials had become perpetually unavailable for comment.

SNAKE ESCAPE RECORD

The union charges do have some historical basis. As Breton, his predecessor Bertrand Duhamel, and animal handler Marcel Crêteau all confirmed to *La Voix de l'Est* reporter Jean-Pierre Jodoin, big poisonous snakes have escaped from their reptile-house quarters. Several snakes, including a lethal green mamba, developed a habit of crawling up into the open rafters during 1984 — an environment much more like their jungle foliage homes than their glass-walled cages in Granby. At that time, the snakes could conceivably have dropped down into the aisles among unsuspecting visitors — except that snakes by nature hide from noisy hordes of human beings.

Snake experts Guy Deland and John Behler of the world-renowned Bronx Zoo were both highly critical of the Granby reptile house when first built, to the extent that

the Bronx Zoo refused to sell snakes to Granby. Shortly thereafter, as the reptile house prepared to open to the public, a smuggler was apprehended at Highwater with a cigarette box full of rare snakes that he claimed were destined for Granby.

But Granby Zoo officials claim the reptile house problems had all been solved before the 1985 tourist season got underway.

The Granby Zoo also has a relatively poor breeding record, partly because the facilities there are too small to give most wild animals the necessary privacy and 'natural' habitat they require to develop the breeding instinct.

THE MONKEY BUSINESS

And then there's the monkey-house. Zira, or Archibaldine, was a *cause célèbre* even before she was captured in the Camaroon highlands. Mountain gorillas are among the world's most endangered species, with only a few hundred left in the wild. Since capturing a baby gorilla usually requires killing her whole tribe of fiercely protective adults, conservation groups for years bitterly fought Granby's attempt to pur-

chase two young gorillas. The Department of External Affairs finally cut off Granby's permission to import young gorillas, but only after Zira had been obtained — without a future mate.

As Zira settled in at Granby, a rare female chimpanzee drowned in the protective moat around the monkey-house.

Criticism mounted over Granby's ability to look after Zira. Her transfer to Toronto was accelerated a few months later when a dysentery epidemic wiped out the Granby gibbons. And when she arrived in Toronto, she still had to be kept in isolation because she carried traces of avian tuberculosis, a disease of tropical birds. At Granby she had been caged beside a variety of tropical birds.

Former Granby Zoo director Germain Couture departed under pressure last June. His former assistant Denis Penelle resigned last fall. Apart from one mildly critical report by members of Zoo Watch, an animal rights group based in London, England, the Granby Zoo drew little negative attention last year; none after the present management took over.



Monkey business at the Granby Zoo: Is the union playing cover-up on its contract demands by crying foul play on animal care?

SPA: Zoo idea wrong but that's all

GRANBY — Responding to widespread publicity about alleged abuse of animals, the SPA raided the Granby Zoo late Wednesday — and found very little wrong.

SPA chief inspector Marcel Duquette is critical of the zoo, but only on the grounds that he criticizes all zoos. "Zoos are not the animals' natural habitat, and we don't like that," he explains. "It is all cement, tile, and glass, but that is the condition of every zoo."

The only possible cruelty to an animal Duquette found was in the case of a bull elephant, kept tied by one leg. The elephant gets a four-

hour workout each day, but is tied the rest of the time because he has proved difficult to control.

"For the rest," Duquette says, "everything is okay. The animals have good food and good water."

Former Granby Zoo veterinarian Louise Beaudin and current vet Clément Lanthier have both recently confirmed allegations that some animals have suffered because of poor diet and small cages.

CONDITIONS HURT SEX LIFE

Lanthier argues that bad conditions have kept zoo animals from breeding, that the primates lack adequate shade, and that the zoo needs more vets to help look after

an aging animal population.

Beaudin, meanwhile, an internationally recognized wildlife expert, has recently published a 300-page expose of conditions at the zoo 1978-1982, her years of the staff. She eventually resigned in protest.

Although Duquette found no grounds for SPA intervention, he does plan to make several strong recommendations to the current Granby Zoo management. Chief recommendation, he says, will be that the zoo should introduce more vegetation into the cages to make the animals more comfortable.

Merritt Clifton

Fill the holes

The hue and cry has risen over the asbestos industry once again. The United States Environmental Protection Agency says it is going to fight hard to have asbestos imports into that country stopped.

Canada, which annually exports asbestos in the neighborhood of 100,000 tons to the United States, understandably has people who are so upset the fibres on their backs are standing straight up.

They plan to organize a lobby to block the EPA's proposal and will be led by Quebec Mines Minister Raymond Savoie and his Ottawa equal, Robert Layton.

Why everyone should be in such ill temper over the EPA's decision is hard to fathom. As Bruce Reid, a mines and metals analyst for a Toronto investment firm, said Thursday, "the industry shouldn't be all that surprised. Everyone has known about the health hazards associated with asbestos for 25 years."

Exactly. Ask the people in the Asbestos region how they think the future of the industry looks. The ones that still live there, that is.

Everyone has known for years that the world market for the product was on the downside, and that there really wasn't any future for asbestos. Not a prosperous one. Oh sure, there would be some demand for treated products that posed no health risk. But no one really expected there would be any sort of boom.

No one, with the exception of the provincial government of the time, which nationalized the industry.

So why all the concern right now? One has to wonder. After all, the U.S. slice of Quebec's total export pie amounts to something like 15 per cent. Savoie says developing nations, which buy about 60 per cent of Quebec's production, will be scared off because of the EPA proposal.

But wouldn't that be a good idea if Canada is selling a product that could pose a health risk?

That question, however, is secondary. The real issue is economics. And it makes little economic sense spending more money and more effort on an industry that realistically has a borderline future. At the very best. Kind of like pouring money into a bottomless hole in the ground, one might say.

If the people raising the battle cry right now really want to help the 3,000 or so people in Quebec who rely on what's left of the asbestos industry, they might be better off to send money so that the holes can be filled with earth and everyone can concentrate on establishing something that has a real future.

BOBBY FISHER



Bruce Levett

A divorce shower?

It's Odds Bodkin time once more. The old OB is that device mounted close to hand to hold snippets of this and that which — when inspiration slackens — may be utilized to add a certain luster to the human condition.

(In other words, when you can't think of anything else to chuckle over, you reach out to check the stuff on the filing spike, so here goes.)

From Washington comes word that the United States postal service is sending about 350 of its Boston staff to charm school in the wake of complaints that some of them have been "lazy, surly and rude."

From Ottawa comes two words — "no comment."

Charlottetown checks in with the report that talking by employees has been banned at a Prince Edward Island lobster cannery, by a management that felt too much chat and too little work had been going on.

Labor Department officials state that nowhere is talking on the job guaranteed as a right. However, gestures do not seem to be ruled out.

Wisconsin is, after all that, to remain "America's Dairyland" on its licence plates.

The state in question had sponsored a contest to choose a new slogan and — after rejecting such gems as "Eat Cheese or Die," and "Come and Freeze in the Land of Cheese," decided to stick with the one it has used for almost forever.

Under the heading of macabre goings-on is the piece from London which states that four municipal officials have been called on the mat to answer charges that 30 Christmas turkeys were kept in refrigeration at the Horseferry Road morgue before sale to the public.

Know what the "in" thing is in New York, these days? It's a shower, to which invited guests bring dishes, glasses, flatware, an electric juicer, a toaster or two...

What's so "in" about that?

Well, the recipient in the case under review was a man — Andy Hoffman, 28, a lawyer who, when his wife left him recently, lost the china, silverware, pots and pans, the towels and sheets, the stereo and even the bed frame.

Friends rallied round and gave him a divorce shower to celebrate his new freedom and to help set him up as a bachelor again.

Finally — have you any idea just how low the Canadian dollar has fallen?

Ask Bob Hamilton, a Canadian trucker who was mugged on a New Jersey freeway.

The gunmen took about \$60 U.S., but returned the \$30 Canadian that Hamilton had in his wallet.

The strange experience of Mr. John Pitt

Commentary

By Stuart J. McKelvie, Ph.D.

Last Saturday (Jan. 18), John Pitt of North Hatley fell through the ice of Lake Massawippi and spent 45 minutes in the water before being dragged out stiff and unconscious. According to Tuesday's *Record*, he had a strange, "spiritual" experience lasting about 30 seconds before passing out. As he struggled to stay afloat, he became weaker and weaker to the extent that he felt that his end had come when, suddenly, he experienced himself as outside of his body. He found himself separated and located at a point in space above the ice, so that he could look down and see his frame in the water. But, contrary to what we might expect, Mr. Pitt was not terrified by what was happening. In fact, he described it later as "beautiful", "peaceful", "warm" and "quiet" — "No pain, no nothing".

Although Mr. Pitt's "out-of-the-body" experience is unusual, it is similar to accounts which can be found in the literatures of folklore, anthropology and religion. Moreover, over the last 15 years, such experiences have been documented on a personal basis by authors such as Robert Monroe and have received scientific attention from psychologists interested in the study of consciousness. Surveys in the United States suggest that 15 to 30 per cent of the population have felt themselves clearly detached from their bodies at some point in their lives. And although occurring most often when the person was physically relaxed or mentally calm, the experience has also been reported as a concomitant of

stress, fatigue and life-threatening situations. Notably, one survey of people who had been very close to death found that 75 per cent of them reported the out-of-the-body experience.

How can this be explained? Some writers claim that the feeling of a detached self reflects the fact of the soul truly leaving the body, and they interpret the experience as evidence for a continued existence of life after death. While not denying this as a possibility, most psychologists who have taken an interest in the question have attempted to account for it in natural rather than supernatural terms. For example, experiments at McGill University in the 1950s in which people were cut off from their surroundings so that stimulation to their senses was minimized, found some subjects to experience a sense of detachment and, in a few cases, hallucinations (i.e. vivid images which were perceived as real). Indeed, one investigator (John Lilly) created these reduced sensory conditions by immersing himself in a water tank, a situation which bears a striking resemblance to the plight of Mr. Pitt.

It has also been suggested (by John Palmer and Jan Ehrenwald) that, when a person is subjected to sudden,

life-threatening stress from which there is no escape, an unconscious "compensation mechanism" may be invoked to preserve the person's sense of identity. Since the body is being subjected to a threat which cannot be denied, the self "escapes" by separating or dissociating itself from its physical home. Since the purpose of this removal is to escape the threat, the feeling of separation is experienced as extremely real, peaceful and without pain. All these adjectives apply to Mr. Pitt's report.

At first sight, this "explanation" may appear more supernatural than natural. However, the phenomenon of dissociation is fairly familiar to psychiatrists in the form, for example, of multiple personality. And Ernest Hilgard of Stanford University has shown a similar phenomenon in hypnosis. He claims that the pain of a noxious stimulus (for example, placing your hand in ice water) is experienced normally on one level whereas on another (the dissociated state) it is not. It is even possible to conduct surgery on some awake, unanesthetized but hypnotized patients.

John Palmer also suggests, however, that the occurrence of the out-of-the-body experience as a "solution" to the harrowing dilemma of a life-threatening may depend on other factors within the individual, such as past beliefs and expectancies. For example, if a person believes in the afterlife in some form, he or she may be more likely to experience the separation. In addition, a recent study by Susan

Myers and others in 1983 demonstrated that certain personality factors were associated with the experience. More specifically, it was more common in people who had meditated, had an ability to "absorb" themselves in imaginative activities and had previous mystical encounters. However, they also discovered four other predisposing factors, which may be of particular relevance to Mr. Pitt who, according to *The Record* story is a "world traveller, author, carpenter, real estate appraiser, airplane pilot and former stunt rider in the Roy Rogers Show". General out-of-the-body experiences were more likely with people who tended to commune with nature and to be self-directed and broad in their interests, and out-of-the-body experiences in life-threatening situations were more likely in people who were high risk-takers. If any characteristics apply to John Pitt, surely these do.

Whether or not the factors of danger, sensory deprivation and temperament are sufficient to account for Mr. Pitt's strange experience, one thing is clear: He is a very lucky man. Thanks to his rescuers, he survived his brush with death and can continue to enjoy a vigorous life with the woman he loves; but he will also continue to contemplate and marvel at his moment of bliss.

Stuart J. McKelvie is a professor of psychology at Bishop's University in Lennoxville.

Letters

Slavery cannot be condoned anywhere

Editor:
At 12 o'clock today I heard a news report on CKTS. It concerned South Africa and a black leader there, Mr. Nelson Mandela. Canada apparently has offered Mr. Mandela a new home here in this country if he can gain his release from prison there. He has now been imprisoned for 20 years, that is from 1966. He has had prostrate trouble while in prison there.

He advocates violence for the freedom of his people in South Africa and the CKTS radio news report maintains this is why he is not being released.

Tommy Sands and others became martyrs in Northern Ireland. 'Live is Life', as the new song says. I imagine South Africa has wreaked its damage on the person of Mr. Mandela as France did Papillon, as the Soviet

Union did Victor Herman (the latter was released from the Soviet Union after 45 years imprisonment there in 1976).

Slavery cannot be condoned anywhere in this world. Lionel Ritchie has a new song out in which it says he had an awful dream. Maybe some people should ask Mr. Lionel Ritchie just exactly what the dream was.

The black people of South Africa are basically unarmed. It is not an eighth wonder of the world that five million whites can control the 25 million black people in South Africa.

Sincerely,
JIM CRAWFORD
B.A. Bishop's University, 1970
Ascot Township

Let's see them all

Editor:
I just returned from vacation and was glancing through my back copies of *The Record*. I noticed that once again this year, on the "Greetings from *The Record* Staff" page, there were only a handful of *The Record* staff members.

I think that this is a disservice to the rest of the people who put this daily newspaper out. What about the press room people, the production department, and indeed you yourself, Mr. Bury, and your hard-working editorial staff? I must not leave out Mrs. Helen Evans, your terrific correspondence editor, who has been there, I am sure, longer than many of the people pictured in the paper.

I have often wondered what the faces behind the bylines looked like, and also the rest of the staff, including Mr. George MacLaren himself, and I think that you missed an excellent opportunity to satisfy your readers' curiosity.

Disappointed,
J. KING
Lennoxville

What next?

Editor:
Needing to send four dollars to Montreal, I went to the post office this morning to buy a money-order for this amount. I couldn't believe it — the charge was 75 cents. What happened to the 42-cent charge that I have always considered too much? Including my 34-cent stamp it was costing me \$1.09 to mail \$4 to Montreal.

This is outrageous! But what can we do? Boycott the post-office? I will be 65 one of these days but, that is not going to do any good — NOT at the POST-OFFICE!

A concerned citizen
GRACE E. CÔTE
Sherbrooke

Not going to harbor criminals

Editor:
Justice Minister Crosbie must be commended for his decision to extradite convicted murderer Joseph Kindler to the United States where he was convicted of first degree murder and sentenced to die. (Sherbrooke *Record*, Jan. 21, 1986).

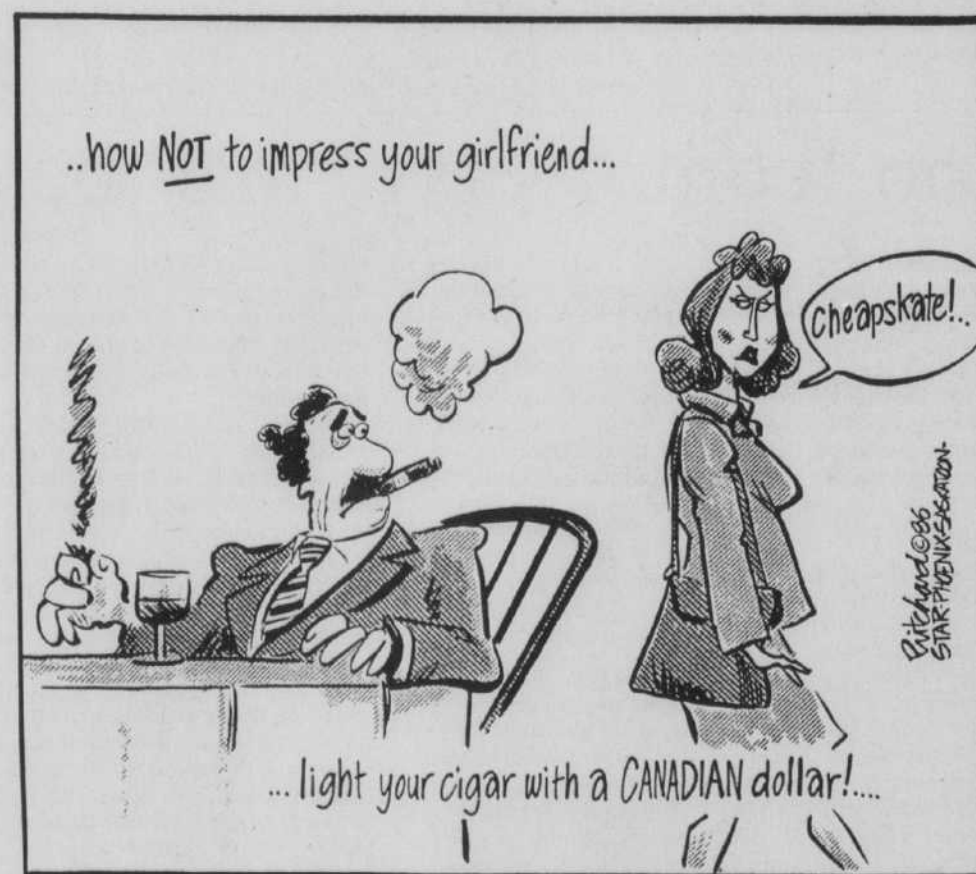
For too long Canada has been a haven for convicted murderers seeking

refuge in Canada to avoid penalties in the United States. Another example is that of Charles Ng, presently wanted on murder charges in the United States, but being held in Canada on lesser charges. He too, must immediately be returned to the United States to stand trial for murder.

A clear message must be sent out to

those who would seek refuge from justice in their own country for crimes by coming to Canada that we are not going to harbor the world's criminals.

Sincerely,
GARY ROSENFELDT
President
Victims of Violence
Edmonton



South Yemen coup bid may affect global balance

SOUTH YEMEN

The fighting in South Yemen is more than just another bloody coup attempt in some backwater country that few of us care or want to know about.

South Yemen's strategic location astride one of the world's main waterways makes the outcome of the attempted coup there a matter of great concern for Western oil and shipping interests in the Middle East.

Located at the south-western tip of the Arabian Peninsula, South Yemen overlooks the narrow Strait of Bab el Mandeb, the tight entrance to both the Red Sea and the Arabian Sea.

Virtually all the tankers carrying vital Persian Gulf oil and most East-West ships use the shorter route that

Window to the world

By Rudy Nassar

takes them through Bab el-Mandeb and the Suez Canal. So do the naval units from U.S., British and French fleets. This route shortens the journey between Europe and the Persian Gulf by 15 days.

At its narrowest point the Strait of Bab el Mandeb is about 10 miles wide. A short-range shore battery can easily fire all the way to the other side. Thus South Yemen is in a position to

control shipping in and out of the Red Sea by blocking the Strait if it wished.

But the relatively moderate communist regime of Ali Mohammed Nasser, which is currently fighting for its survival, has not shown any inclination to interfere with Western shipping; naval or mercantile. While it has provided the Soviet Union with an important naval base at Aden, it has become less and less hostile to the West and to pro-Western Saudi Arabia to the north.

Many believe it was this gradual rapprochement with the West that prompted the more extreme Communist factions to attempt a coup.

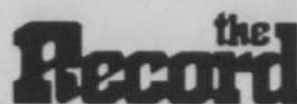
If their coup succeeds it is quite conceivable that a more extreme Communist regime, more hostile to the West and more antagonistic to

wards the U.S. could, at some point, begin to interfere with Western shipping in Bab el Mandeb and create a situation that could threaten vital Western oil supply lines, prevent rapid movement and deployment of Western naval units, and put an added strain on European and Western economies.

The fighting in South Yemen is not just another bloody coup in some obscure hinterland. It is occurring on a vital artery of the West. The situation there bears following closely.

Rudy Nassar, a former Middle East journalist, teaches journalism and humanities at Champlain Regional College. His Humanities courses include courses on the Middle East and international politics.

Farm and Business



Soil damage will be studied at college

A Strategic Research Grant of \$85,000 has been awarded to a team of researchers at Macdonald College by the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC).

The team, led by Professor G.S.V. Raghavan, Department of Agricultural Engineering, will use the money to study the implications of soil damage caused by heavy farm machinery and construction equipment.

To the ordinary person, the massive size of modern vehicles used on agricultural land may seem quite intimidating. Combine harvesters can have axle loads of 12 tonnes, while lime and fertilizer spreaders may be well over 14 tonnes. As for power and pipeline construction equipment, these loads sometimes exceed 20 tonnes per axle.

Because of such tremendous weights, soil can be compacted below the depths normally worked by conventional tillage equipment. Instead of improving crop yields, some machinery may in fact reduce productivity and lead to increased soil erosion.

Entitled "Sub soil compaction

due to high axle loads and soil productivity," the Macdonald College research program aims to quantify information on:

- the effect of heavy axle loads on subsoil compaction and crop growth
- the ability of soils to recover from subsoil compaction
- the extent of soil damage from repeated compaction
- the effectiveness of methods of alleviating subsoil compaction.

The results of these studies will help pinpoint crop losses that can be expected from a particular axle load and propose methods for remedying the problem. Professor Raghavan also intends to prepare recommendations for fire design on agricultural machinery, as well as crop-less guidelines where soil damage has been caused by construction equipment.

Co-investigators on Dr. Raghavan's research team are Dr. E. McKyes (Department of Agricultural Engineering), Dr. A.K. Watson (Department of Plant Science), and Dr. G. Mehuys (Department of Renewable Resources), all of them members of the faculty of Macdonald College.

Bank lawsuits should be nipped in the bud, Montreal court is told

By Dennis Bueckert

MONTREAL (CP) — A potential wave of lawsuits launched in different provinces across Canada by shareholders who lost money in the collapse of the Canadian Commercial Bank should be "nipped in the bud", Quebec Superior Court was told Wednesday.

"No fewer than 1,138 Canadians in all 10 provinces purchased Class A shares in the Canadian Commercial Bank," said George Maughan, representing the failed bank's co-liquidators, Peat Marwick and Clark Gordon, both of Toronto.

Maughan said the court should decline jurisdiction over a lawsuit by two Montreal doctors, Boris Yufe and Robert Koby, to prevent the bank and its auditors from facing simultaneous actions in different provinces.

Ottawa ordered the Canadian Commercial into liquidation in September and its shares, which once sold for \$25 each, are now worthless. A federal commission is now investigating the reasons for the collapse.

"If proceedings were instituted throughout Canada it would be difficult or impossible to defend all the actions at the same time," said Maughan. "Such a situation would also create the risk of contradictory or conflicting judgments in different provinces."

"The courts of Quebec should decline jurisdiction so that Alberta courts can be the centre of gravity for litigation likely to arise from this unprecedented failure," said Maughan.

WANT \$990,000

The two doctors want \$990,000 in damages from four Alberta residents who served as top officers of the bank, two brokerage firms which sold the bank's shares, and the two accounting firms.

The doctors say the bank's 1983 prospectus contained falsehoods and omitted information about the condition of the bank.

The Quebec Securities Commission, which regulates stocks dealings in Quebec, wants the case to be heard in the province.

"The Canadian Commercial Bank decided to sell shares in Quebec and a company that sells shares in Quebec must submit to the Quebec Securities Act," said Richard Proulx, representing the commission.

Pierre Paquet, representing the four former Canadian Commercial executives, argued that Quebec courts do not have jurisdiction over the case because the four men all live in Alberta, and the facts which are the cause of the action occurred in Alberta.

The two auditing companies, which both have offices in Quebec,

do not deny that the Quebec court has jurisdiction to hear the case, said Maughan, but they argue it would be more convenient for the case to be heard in Alberta.

SETTING PRECEDENT

Maughan said the case in Montreal is so far the only one based on the Canadian Commercial Bank's 1983 prospectus, although there is another action under way in Alberta, based on the 1984 prospectus.

He said that more lawsuits are likely. "Those 1,138 shareholders are now sitting back and waiting for the results of the Estey Commission (set up by Ottawa to investigate the bank failure) before taking action."

"We can't put our heads in the sand and say there won't be much litigation," he said.

Quebec courts should decline jurisdiction so as to set an example for other provinces, he said.

"If that's not done it's quite likely that we'll have courts in Ontario, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, British Columbia and the Maritimes hearing the same issues that are before the court in this case. The situation must be nipped in the bud."

Jacques Durocher, representing the two doctors, said that the court should hear the case.

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THE WAY IT SHOULD BE.

Settling an estate requires care

By Mario Possamai
CP Business Editor

On top of the emotional stress, the death of a loved one can be a time of complex financial arrangements: tax debts must be calculated and settled and tax returns filed.

"It's becoming increasingly complex to settle an estate," says Stan Maj, a tax specialist with Peat Marwick of Toronto. "Many people are simply not aware of the many taxation problems that arise."

He says you might be able to take on the job yourself if the situation is clear-cut, you are prepared to do some research, and you have the co-operation of other parties who are involved in the distribution of assets.

"But there are few cases where you don't need some kind of professional help, even if it is only to get probate." Probate is the process that gives the executor of an estate legal authority to deal with the deceased's assets.

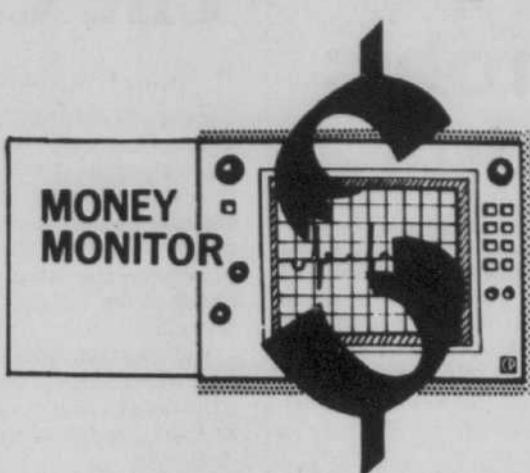
MINIMIZE TAXES

In some simple situations you can avoid getting probate. For example, if all the assets in an estate are jointly held, they may be transferred to the surviving owner or owners without probate, Maj says.

All in all, he says, getting professional advice might be expensive, but it's worth it.

You may need the services of both a lawyer and an accountant—a lawyer to obtain probate and an accountant to prepare tax returns and advise on how to keep taxes to a minimum.

The cost of getting help depends on the complexity of the estate and the time it takes to be settled. Maj says a rule of thumb is that one



hour of professional help usually costs about \$100. And he says even the simplest case will take about 10 hours of professional time to resolve.

Another major cost is the probate fee. It works out to about \$5 for each \$1,000 in assets.

In a simple case, the total cost of settling an estate could be a couple of thousand dollars.

MAKE SUMMARY

Once you have decided whether to get professional help, the next step is to prepare a summary of the assets and debts of the deceased.

You will need such things as the will of the deceased, his or her tax returns for the last few years and a list showing the current value of assets and their cost to the deceased.

Once that's accomplished, says Maj, start looking for tax planning opportunities.

The types of assets and the way they are distributed can affect the tax liability of the estate and the beneficiaries.

Death benefits of a life insurance policy are tax free. And property held with the deceased—such as a joint bank account—is usually transferred to the surviving owners tax free.

In most cases, the distribution of funds from an estate to beneficiaries will not trigger any taxes to either the estate or the beneficiaries.

RRSP INVOLVED?

But what happens if the owner of an RRSP dies before the plan matures? If the beneficiary is a spouse—or in some circumstances the children of the deceased—the proceeds from the RRSP can be sheltered from tax by being rolled into another RRSP.

However, it's a different case for other beneficiaries. For them, the plan will be cashed in and the proceeds taxed as if the owner had collapsed it during the year in which he or she died. And the beneficiary will not be able to roll the funds into another RRSP.

The next step is to comply with Revenue Canada's requirements.

T-1 personal income tax returns will have to be prepared if the deceased failed to file a return for any prior year. As well, a final T-1 will have to be submitted for the year in which he died. Income of the estate is reported on a T-3 return.

"As a general rule," says Marc Lalonde, a senior programs officer with Revenue Canada, "income earned up to the date of death is to be reported on the T-1 of the deceased, while income earned after the date of death must be reported on the T-3 return."

Free trade worries farmers, cows sold

WINNIPEG (CP) — Some Canadian dairy farmers are so worried about the consequences of a trade deal with the United States they're thinking about selling off their cows, says a delegate to the annual meeting of Dairy Farmers of Canada.

The farmer, who said he was from east-central Ontario, stood up during the meeting Wednesday to ask federal Agriculture Minister John Wise to reassure dairy farmers they won't be hurt by any trade deal between Ottawa and Washington.

"They are contemplating liquidation of their herds over the threat of free trade," said the farmer, who didn't identify himself.

Wise was quick to repeat earlier statements that farmers wouldn't suffer in any agreement to reduce trade barriers between the United States and Canada.

"The dairy industry has nothing to fear from any negotiations Canada might enter into with our neighbors to the south," said Wise, a former dairy farmer from Ontario.

"We're looking for a good deal and for a square deal and a better deal for Canada," he said. "That's the only kind we'll sign."

Many farmers fear Canada's tightly regulated dairy industry would be destroyed if the country's border was opened to lower-priced American cheese, milk powder and other dairy products.

SEEKS DEAL

Prime Minister Brian Mulroney's Progressive Conservative government is seeking trade negotiations with the U.S., but the Americans have yet to agree.

Wise said representatives of Canada's 40,000 dairy farmers could play a role in an agricultural subcommittee that will be kept abreast of any talks with the United States.

However, he declined to say if the dairy industry would be excluded from talks. He said the Americans don't want to start negotiations with a long list of areas that can't be discussed.

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Hubie Brooks a big loser?

MONTREAL — Shortstop Hubie Brooks cost the Expos two more games than he won last season, says statistical expert Pete Palmer. Despite his league-leading 'saves' total, relief pitcher Jeff Reardon was of nil value, along with right fielder Andre Dawson and since-traded Bill Gullickson, whose 14 wins were second on the team.

All four, Palmer concludes, are essentially average ballplayers — better at their respective jobs than about half the National League regulars, but not enough better to win pennants without a lot of help from legitimate superstars the Expos don't have.

Controversial pronouncements? Perhaps; but over the past several years Palmer has gained recognition as one of baseball's most innovative and accurate analysts. He's the statistician behind *The Hidden Game of Baseball*, a Doubleday bestseller in both hardcover and paperback. Palmer also did the math behind the latest edition of my own *Relative Baseball*, recently chosen for the Hall of Fame library.

And Palmer seems to know the Expos pretty well. A little over one year ago Palmer predicted Vance Law would be worth about 1.5 additional wins to the Expos. He was worth 2.1, according to the Palmer Method, which weighs players according to their performance relative to league norms. Palmer also weighs each contribution, offensive or defensive, according to average value in winning ballgames.

In round figures, Palmer equates a victory with ten runs scored or prevented — the average number of runs scored per game throughout the history of baseball. A home run is obviously one run scored. More complex calculations have gone into determining that each stolen base is worth about 10% of a run, while a 'caught stealing' is 20% of a run lost.

Big Expo winners, according to Palmer, are Tim Raines, worth 5.9 more victories than the average left fielder, and Tim Lincecum, worth 4.7 more than the average third baseman. Both led the league, earning their starting positions in the NL all-star line-up.

Raines, moreover, was most valuable regular player in the National League last season, second only to pitcher Dwight Gooden, who earned the Mets 6.5 additional wins.

Brooks loses because his 32 runs allowed at shortstop were by far and away the worst mark in the league, more than offsetting his 100 RBIs. Dawson's contribution is nil partly because he no longer covers much ground in the

Aerobic Sports

By Merritt 'Jackass' Clifton

outfield, partly because his offensive stats are only average for right fielders. Reardon surrenders too many homers.

Despite his shortcomings, Brooks did cost the Expos three games less than his predecessors, Argenis Salazar and Darrell Thomas. But the Expos still lost the Carter trade, according to Palmer. Acquired with Brooks, centerfielder Herm Winningham cost 2.3 wins, the worst figure on the club, while pitcher Floyd Youmans was worth only .6 of an additional win. In New York, meanwhile, Carter won the same 4.3 extra games for the Mets that he won for The Expos in 1984.

What do Palmer's stats predict for '86? Better times ahead. The Expos lost nothing in dumping Gullickson and reliever Gary Lucas, another nil contributor. Pitchers Jay Tibbs, Andy McGaffigan, and John Stupor all rank in the Gullickson/Lucas class — which means improvement if there's safety in numbers.

Offensively, the Expos should get improvement from Mitch Webster and Terry Francona, if they play every day.

And now the Clifton Pitching Report, from the same guy who told you Bryn Smith would win big: look for 12-15 wins from McGaffigan, a guy who's been awaiting an opportunity for two or three years now. Both Tibbs and Stupor could win 10-13 games starting — but I'd think seriously of trading Reardon for a heavy hitter, if Andres Galarraga doesn't start socking the longball, and using Tibbs in his place. The guy's strong as an ox and throws some of the best heat in the league.

Which isn't to say that I mind having him starting, either.

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Stamps' problems are nothing new

The CFL has always lived on the edge

By John Korobanik

For each moment of glory Canadian football has enjoyed throughout its 100-year history it has had to contend with a spot of trouble; some minor, some serious, like the current financial problems threatening the existence of the Calgary Stampeders franchise.

Pick a year, any year the CFL and its various predecessors has existed, and chances are there was at least one franchise in financial difficulty.

How about 1976? That was the year British Columbia Lions, now Grey Cup champions, were for sale at a bargain basement price after losing \$304,696.

Attendance had fallen drastically and directors had taken out their own personal notes before the club was saved by a five-year, \$250,000 investment from Labatt's Brewery and a \$250,000 rent subsidy from Pacific National Exhibition.

The Lions' problems peaked one year after the CFL had recorded a record attendance figure of 2,180,993 for the 1975 season.

"The nature of the beast," says Greg Fulton, the CFL's long-time secretary, "is that no one is making a pile of money. That's the reality of the situation."

CFL officials offer vague answers when asked if the current Calgary situation is any more serious than past situations. Maybe it is, they say, but could it be any more serious than Montreal in 1982 when the Alouettes folded and the Concordes were born under new ownership?

COMES OUT OKAY "Every one of the Western clubs has been in trouble and managed to come out of it okay," said G. Sydney Halter, the CFL's first commissioner, "although we maybe never had one come down to a climax like this."

Halter, commissioner from 1958 through 1966, said the league's recent financial problems can probably be traced to increased competition for players that began in the late 1960s.

The CFL salary scale, until then competitive with the National Football League, began rising and was rapidly driven up by the World Football League in the early 1970s and then by the United States Football League.

"And we kept moving up," said Halter. "The crowds got larger, seating increased, as the years went by the prices increased ... it was a matter of the economics of the country."

Eventually the bills grew faster than the revenues.

Through the 1960s and 1970s Western clubs depended more and more on prepaid season ticket sales and \$100-a-plate annual dinners to survive the off-season.

They took turns fighting financial problems. In 1960 Saskatchewan Roughriders

were on the verge of collapse before giving near dictatorial powers to Bob Kramer, a millionaire heavy machinery magnate, to turn the team's fortunes around.

WINS GREY CUP "The Year of Decision" it was called. The Riders survived and in 1966 won their only Grey Cup title.

Edmonton Eskimos, who won three straight Grey Cups in the mid-1950s and a record five straight 1978-1982, suffered through tough times in the early 1960s. They survived after directors took out personal loans totaling \$100,000.

In 1967 Winnipeg Blue Bombers lost \$137,000, putting them \$30,000 in debt. The team was given one year to live.

"I remember going to a meeting with 20 or 25 other people," recalled Halter. "People paid \$1,000 each so the club would have \$70,000 to pay off its bank deficit and continue operating. Those people were all repaid within two years."

In 1978 Winnipeg Stadium was expanded by 8,000 seats and in 1984 the Bombers won their eighth Grey Cup championship.

Now it's Calgary's turn. After several years of losing teams and declining attendance, the Stampeders are \$1.3 million in debt and in more danger of folding than any club since the 1982 Alouettes.

"We used to laugh at the USFL but we're no better off, especially in this city," said Stampeder line-backer Bernie Morrison. "There's lots and lots of money here but nobody seems to care."

Caring people are the backbone of the community-owned Western Division teams.

BREAKS EVEN "The clubs are never going to make money," said Halter. "The best they can do is break even ... with the co-operation of the public in all promotions."

In the East the teams are privately owned but that hasn't helped them escape their share of financial problems. The Alouettes had to fold for Canadian football to live in Montreal; Ottawa and Toronto have flirted with financial problems throughout the years and Harold Ballard had to purchase Hamilton Tiger-Cats in 1978 to bail them out.

Ironically, while the majority of the financial problems are in the West, so too are many of the strengths of the CFL.

It was Ballard who once said, "The CFL ought to thank God for the Western Conference."

The Western teams gave the CFL some of its strongest, most exciting teams over the last 15 years. Those teams, combined with a change to an interlocking schedule in 1981, led to perhaps the league's best year, 1983.

The CFL signed a three-year television contract worth \$33 million, league attendance reached a record 2,856,031 and the Grey Cup game was watched on TV by

8,118,000 people, the largest viewing audience in history for any Canadian sporting event.

SURVIVES SCARE By then the CFL had survived the scare of the NFL moving into Canada, had temporarily solved the problem in Montreal and most clubs appeared financially stable.

But, as league oldtimers will say, that was merely the top of the cycle. Now the league is facing a downward trend; attendance is falling, its television contract expires this year, there is danger of losing a major brewery sponsor in some cities, and teams are again losing substantial amounts of money.

Reports say perhaps only Winni-

peg and B.C. made money last year. Montreal is reported to have lost as much as \$3 million. Toronto, Montreal and Saskatchewan losses are near the \$1-million mark.

The one constant throughout the CFL's history has been its strength — the dedication of the fans and people who respond in times of need.

Those people have enabled the league to survive all the challenges to its existence and they are being called upon once again.

The question being asked in Calgary is will the people respond this time to a team that has had a winning record only once in five years?

Super Bowl big in Britain

LONDON (AP) — Three years ago, few British sports fans could tell a tight end from a touchdown. But the land of cricket and soccer has since been gripped by football fever, and with only a few days to go before the Super Bowl in New Orleans it is reaching a peak.

In pubs and subways, British gridiron buffs confidently rattle off names such as Walter Payton and The Refrigerator, and argue favorite plays from televised National Football League games.

Recorded game highlights attract more than four million televi-

sion viewers and some 200 home-grown teams, including Heathrow Jets, Greenwich Rams and Dunsstable Cowboys, now play the game. With plans under way for major sponsorship, Britain might soon get its own national league.

NFL interest also is growing in Italy, where games are televised on privately owned stations and there is a small semi-professional league. A cult following is said to be springing up in France and Spain.

Nowhere, however, is the enthusiasm as great as it is in Britain.



STAKING OUT THE TERRITORY

New cross-country skiing centre in Lac Mégantic

I recently visited Mont Mégantic, where a new cross-country skiing centre has been operating since 1985. The centre has a grand total of 50 kilometres of well-kept trails.

Over the course of last year a lodge was constructed which can hold up to 50 skiers at a time, as well as having a snack counter (open on weekends or by reservation during the week), a bar, and a wax room, which is open all week.

A close-by inn offers full-course meals and lodging, and three shelters with fireplaces have been built along the trails to offer a bit of rest and heat to travellers. Skiers can sometimes arrange to stay the night in these shelters, which are regularly open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Logging roads in the area have been greatly improved so that even more spectacular territory is now open to the public. Work was completed thanks to financial aid

Great outdoors



BY REAL HEBERT

from the Minister of Recreation, Fish and Game, under the tourism-aid plan for Lac Mégantic.

The lodge cost \$60,000, while total costs of all construction were

\$125,000. Work on the trails has been suspended for the moment, since they are also being used for horse-back riding and mountain bicycles during the summer. The lengths of the six trails are 11, 9.5, 7.5, 4.5, 4 and 3 kilometres.

What's more, every Sunday until the end of winter sleigh rides are being offered. I invite all cross-country skiers to try out this facility — I'm sure you won't be disappointed.

VILLAGE-ON-ICE

For the third straight year, the Village-on-Ice has set up on Lake Mephremagog, near the federal dock in Magog. You can rent a cabin for a day at the following prices: one person, \$15; two people, \$10 per person; three people, \$9 per person; four people, \$8 per person; more than four people, \$7 per person. It's recommended to make reservations for the weekend. For reservations or

information, call (819)843-8550 or 843-4322.

It's worth noting all cabins are heated, so you can ice-fish in comfortable conditions.

STE-ANNE FISHING

The annual tommy cod fish is presently operating at full capacity in Ste-Anne-de-la-Pérade. This event always attracts fishermen from all four corners of the province. 950 cabins have been installed for rental. The rates are: \$9 per person for a 10-hour day (minimum \$36) and \$13 per person (minimum \$52) on the weekend.

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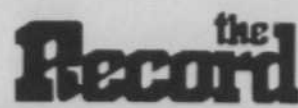
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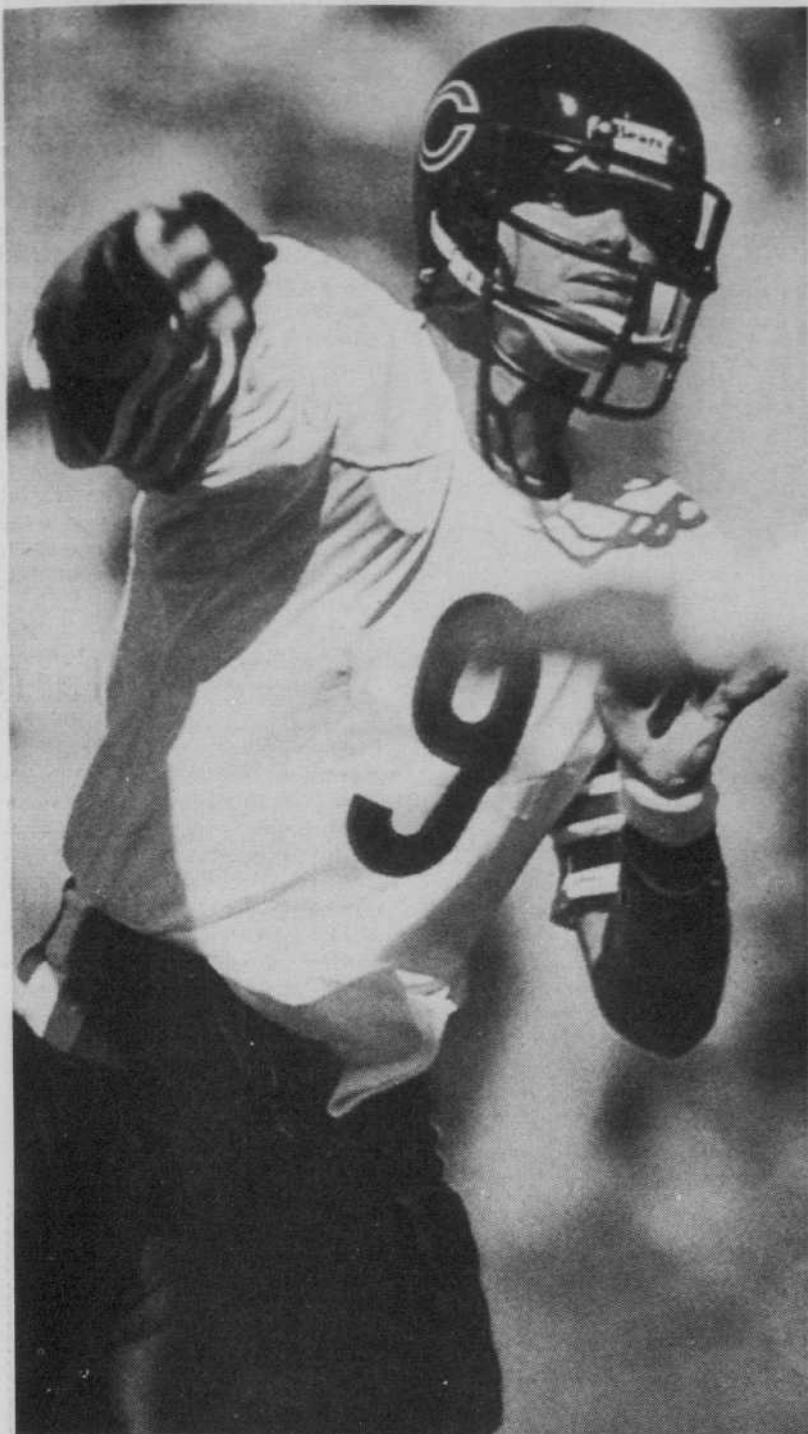
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Sports



McMahon's comments making big waves



Jim McMahon... What exactly did he say?

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Having already argued with his own team over acupuncture, played Pied Piper on Bourbon Street and mooned a helicopter, Jim McMahon found himself in hot water Thursday for something he apparently didn't do — insult the women of New Orleans.

As the week before Sunday's Super Bowl between Chicago Bears and New England Patriots became a sideshow to McMahon, the irreverent Chicago quarterback was the subject of a broadcast report — later retracted — quoting him as calling New Orleans women "sluts."

But the retraction didn't halt an anti-McMahon demonstration outside the Bears' hotel, bomb threats to his hotel switchboard and some threatening calls that got through to McMahon's room.

Had it been the only incident involving McMahon, it would have been sensation enough in Super Bowl week, which is normally no more than a series of staged media events.

But it came after three days in which McMahon, whose rebellious personality had already made him a lightning rod for attention, did the following:

— Upbraided his team's management for refusing to allow an acupuncturist to fly to New Orleans to treat his bruised buttocks. The Bears relented, the acupuncturist flew in Wednesday and McMahon said Thursday he felt 100 per cent better after three treatments.

— Mooned a helicopter flying over the team's practice field in suburban Metairie. "I just wanted to show them where it hurts," he said.

— Got into an altercation with a photographer who tried to take his picture at a restaurant.

— Led an impromptu parade Wednesday night down Bourbon Street in the city's famed French

Quarter as he headed back to meet an 11:30 p.m. curfew.

"THINK I'M CRAZY"
"You people may think I'm crazy," McMahon said at one point. "I think I'm normal because I don't give a damn."

The latest incident was set off at the end of the 10 p.m. newscast Wednesday on WDSU-TV, the NBC's New Orleans station, by the station's sportscaster, Buddy Diliberto.

"Jim McMahon apparently, on a radio interview with WLS, the Chicago radio station, really ripped New Orleans," Diliberto said. "He ripped the people, he ripped the ladies, he ripped a lot of things."

"Basically, I understand, he said most of the ladies he ran into were sluts. He said most of the people he ran into were stupid. And things like that."

On Thursday, McMahon denied saying that. WLS said it hadn't interviewed McMahon this week and both Diliberto and Bob McRaney, the station's vice-president and general manager, publicly apologized.

WDSU announced later Thursday that Diliberto had been suspended.

Meanwhile, two dozen women, surrounded by roughly four times as many reporters, picketed the Hilton Hotel, where the Bears are staying. One woman, who identified herself as Yetta Bolotte, carried a sign that said, "Only a true Patriot would recognize a New Orleans lady."

McMahon, partying in a bar just off Bourbon Street at the time of Diliberto's broadcast, said he heard about it when he woke up in the morning. He also said he had received several abusive phone calls in his room.

Asked if he had spoken to his wife about this week's events, McMahon replied, "I tried calling her this morning. She wasn't home. Maybe she left me after this."

Am I a man or a mouse?

My predictions are at an even 500 thus far in the NFL playoffs.

The games I've picked correctly: Chicago over N.Y. Giants; Miami over Cleveland; Chicago over L.A. Rams; and New England over Miami. The games I've messed up on: New England over N.Y. Jets; N.Y. Giants over San Francisco; L.A. Rams over Dallas; and New England over L.A. Raiders.

That means this Sunday's Super Bowl is going to make me or break me, as some stupid old saying goes. Will I end up over or under the 50 per cent mark? Who knows? Who cares?

Well, I do.
Almost everything points to a Chicago victory. Some are even predicting the Bears will complete the playoffs without having a point scored against them.

But the Pats scare me (not literally, of course, since those funny-looking little guys on their helmets wouldn't scare my grandmother). As I mentioned a few weeks back, New England reminds me of the 1981 Oakland (no, not Los Angeles) Raiders, who whipped Dick 'I love Dallas now that I'm a TV commentator' Vermeil and the Philadelphia Eagles in Super Bowl XV.

Another team of destiny in '86? Perhaps.

Since both squads rely heavily on strong defences and fairly conservative offences to get the job done, Super Bowl XX promises to be a low-scoring, hard-hitting affair. And it should be relatively close. Should be, that is.

My romantic side keeps telling me to pick the Patriots. I really want to have enough guts to do it. I'd love to see the underdog win.

So why not go for the gusto, right? Geez, am I a man or a mouse?

Ummmm... Squeak, squeak.
BEARS 21, Patriots 10

Most Canadiens' fans would rather see Montreal lose 10-0 in every remaining contest against the Quebec Nordiques this season than watch the Habs lose ONE more overtime game to their hated rivals from down river. (I always thought it should be up river, by the way...)

Colebrook, N.H. native Bob Moore is bringing a bus-load of American rowdies up to Sherbrooke for Sunday afternoon's game between the Canadiens and the Fredericton Express. If everyone in Sherbrooke was as enthusiastic about the American Hockey League as Moore is, the Canadiens would be filling the

William Harris

Local students Jim Crawford and Debbie Chaplin have spent the last couple of weeks training (for what I'm not sure) at *The Record*, and not since merry-maker Phil Authier took over the Farm and Business page have circulation and advertising revenues experienced such dramatic increases. Jim was especially popular, as he often took the rest of us for rides around the parking lot in his dad's dog sled. Both will be missed as they head back to reform school.

All *Record* employees who participated in last weekend's fifth-annual 'Media Ski Day' would like to thank Mont Orford publicity director Pierrette Rivest and her staff for their efforts in making the day a big success.

And finally to the heart of the matter. For several months now, a good number of persistent people have been ridiculing me about the picture which regularly runs with my Friday column. This being a family newspaper, I won't tell you exactly how they describe the photo — let's just say they aren't very complimentary.

The abuse got so bad last week that someone snapped another picture of me as a 'replacement'. But being the 'in-touch-with-my-readers' kind-of-guy that I am, I'm going to let the general public decide which photo will be printed with my column from now until... well, until I decide to do this again.

At the bottom of this space is a ballot, with all pertinent information typed there-on. Unlike federal and provincial elections, you can vote as many times as you like.

Both options have strong points and weak points. I'm still quite fond of the old photo, as it makes me look kind of dark and mysterious. The new one forces me to come to grips with the way I really look — but I am wearing a fancy clip-on tie, as opposed to the 'Champlain Athletics' T-shirt in the old headshot.

Anyway, I'll let you decide. Results will be tabulated by computer and published next Friday — provided, of course, I receive at least one ballot.

Hubert Green shoots 63 to take the early lead

PHOENIX (AP) — Hubert Green birdied his last hole for an 8-under-par 63 and a one-stroke lead in the first round Thursday of the \$500,000 Phoenix Open golf tournament.

"A fun round of golf," said the 39-year-old veteran, who scored his 19th career victory in the 1985 Professional Golfers' Association national championship. "I'm close to doing it the way I want to."

Green scattered nine birdies across his card, including a 20-footer on his last hole at the Phoenix Country Club that gave him sole possession of the top spot.

A stroke behind at 64 was a starry group made up of the defending title-holder, Calvin Peete, former PGA champ Hal Sutton, the white-

haired Australian Greg Norman and Larry Mize.

"A marvelous day," said Peete, who scored a run-away victory in the Tournament of Champions two weeks ago. "It seemed like I couldn't do anything wrong."

CLOSE TO GREEN

Norman, the massive hitter who has come to be known as the Great White Shark, couldn't say the same. He inadvertently violated a standard of golf etiquette when he drove the green on a par-4 hole, hitting into a crouched Jack Nicklaus.

Nicklaus was hunkered over a birdie putt when Norman's drive trickled across the green on the 320-yard hole.

"I saw the ball out of the corner of my eye, and stepped back from the putt," Nicklaus said. "It was no big deal."

After a moment he returned to the putt and made it, for one of the few birdies he was able to convert

on a warm day.

Nicklaus, 46, opened the 25th PGA Tour season of his career with a 72. Tom Watson recorded the same total for his first round of the year, a one-over-par effort that left him well back in the pack.

Tied at 65 on the course that yielded subpar scores to more than half the field of 144 were Jeff Sluman, Barry Jaeckel and Jack Renner.

Habs stay in 1st place

BLOOMINGTON, Minn. (AP) — Mats Naslund snapped a 2-2 tie midway through the second period with his 31st goal of the season Thursday night, lifting Montreal Canadiens to a 5-2 National Hockey League victory over Minnesota North Stars.

The victory enabled Montreal to stay one point ahead of second-place Quebec in the Adams Division race. Montreal has a 26-17-5 record and 57 points.

Minnesota fell to 18-21-8. Nine minutes into the second period, Naslund, Guy Carbonneau and Kjell Dahlin broke into Minnesota's zone on a 3-on-2 break.

Dahlin fed Naslund, and Naslund slid the puck over to Carbonneau, who quickly slipped the puck back to Naslund for the goal.

Naslund also has 44 assists this season, and his 75 points ties him with Edmonton's Paul Coffey for third in the NHL scoring race.

Montreal added a third-period goal by Bob Gainey, and Randy Bucyk — a nephew of former NHL veteran Johnny Bucyk — scored his second goal of the game into an empty net to clinch the victory.

The teams were tied 1-1 after the first period, with Bucyk trading goals with Minnesota's Neal Broten. In the second period, Ryan Walter scored a power-play goal for Montreal and Brian Bellows answered with a tally for Minnesota.

Doug Soetaert made 28 saves in goal for the Canadiens, while Jon Casey stopped 25 shots for Minnesota.

British Open champion Sandy Lyle of Scotland led the big group at 66 that also included George Archer, Andy Bean, David Graham, Mike McCullough, Ronnie Black, Jeff Grygiel, Joe Inman, T.C. Chen and Tom Sieckmann.

Dave Barr of Richmond, B.C., carded a 70, while Dan Halldorson of Brandon, Man., shot a 72 and Richard Zokol of North Vancouver fired a 75.

Linesman Wayne Forsey left the game with 6:21 to play after he was hit in the head with a puck. His condition was unknown.

Nordiques 4 Rangers 0
NEW YORK (AP) — Michel Goulet scored two goals and assisted on two others Thursday night and Clint Malarchuk sparked in goal, leading Quebec Nordiques to a 4-0 National Hockey League victory over New York Rangers.

Goulet scored his 32nd goal of the season in the second period and added insurance in the third to key the Nordiques' ninth victory in their last 12 games.

Bruins 7 Jets 5
BOSTON (AP) — Keith Crowder scored two goals on Boston power plays Thursday night as the Bruins hung on for a 7-5 National Hockey League victory over Winnipeg Jets.

The Bruins held three-goal leads three times — 4-1, 5-2 and 6-3 — before nailing down their third triumph over Winnipeg since Jan. 11.

Whalers 4 Leafs 1
HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Centre Ray Ferraro assisted on three goals and Wayne Babych had a goal and two assists as Hartford Whalers downed Toronto 4-1 in a National Hockey League game Thursday night to hand the Maple Leafs their fifth straight loss.

The victory was the fourth straight for the Whalers, 25-20-1, who are five games over .500 for the first time in club history. The loss was the ninth in the last 11 games for Toronto, 12-29-5.

Sports Illustrated goofs

WINNIPEG (CP) — The magazine *Sports Illustrated* has a little to learn about Manitoba.

As part of a subscription drive to attract new readers, the New York-based magazine sent a pitch to the legislative building in Winnipeg, addressed to "Province — MB".

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The letter landed with Garth Cramer, Premier Howard Pawley's media aide, who said he was tempted to cash in on *Sports Illustrated's* offer on behalf of Manitoba's one million residents.

Lindsay Valk, *Sports Illustrated* circulation director, said it "certainly would be great if everyone in the province did subscribe" but the magazine wouldn't be sending out more than one million binoculars, pins and other gifts.

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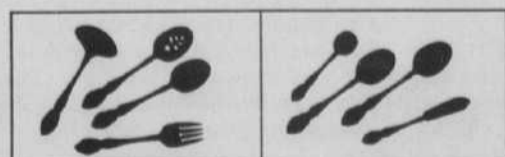
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25, 1983.
Sadly missed and always remembered.
BERNICE BOULE (mother)

JOHNSON — In loving memory of our
dear father and mother, Mr. and Mrs.
H.L. Johnson, sisters, Amie Gracie, Flo-
rence, Eleanor, and brother Homer.
God took them home to glory
What rejoicing in His sight
When He called them from this world
into everlasting light.
Someday we'll meet again
And live forever more
With our Lord and Saviour
Upon Heavens golden shore.
Ever remembered by
THE FAMILY

FOWLER, Arthur — With fond and cher-
ished memories of a dear husband who
left us January 23, 1984.
Though your smile is gone forever
And your hand I cannot touch,
Still I have so many memories
Of the one I loved so much.
Your memory is my keepsake
With which I'll never part,
God has you in his keeping
I have you in my heart.
Ever loved and sadly missed.
NELLIE (wife)

FOWLER, Arthur — In loving memory of
a dear father who left us two years ago
today, January 23, 1984.
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Death is a heartache no one can heal
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JOYCE (daughter)
DANIEL (son-in-law)
VICTORIA (granddaughter)
ROBERT (son)
JOHANNE (daughter-in-law)
CHRISTOPHER (grandson)

Card of Thanks

MOSS — We wish to express our heart-
felt thanks to relatives and friends for
their expressions of sympathy, flowers
and charitable donations received in
memory of our son Barry. Special thanks
to Rev. Rick Spies, the bearers, Mr. Ri-
cher, and Ben for the song. Please ac-
cept this as a personal thank you.
RAY, JOYCE (Dad & Mom)
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YARNOLD — The family of the late Claren-
ce Yarnold wishes to thank all of our
relatives and friends for their many acts
of kindness and sympathy, for cards, flo-
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MRS. CLARENCE YARNOLD & FAMILY

Brieflet

SHERBROOKE
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ly (Sharman). Grandparents, Mr.
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and Mrs. Real Vanasse, all of
Ayer's Cliff. Great grandparents
are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dustin,
Mrs. Bernadette Vanasse and Mrs.
Rose-Aimee Grenier.

Deaths

TRACY, Angus Neil — At the Sher-
brooke Hospital on Wednesday, Jan-
uary 22, 1986. Neil Tracy in his
81st year. Beloved husband of Do-
rothy Ida Gentry. Son of the late
Angus and Lucille Tracy. Resting
at L.O. Cass & Son Funeral Home
Ltd., 6 Belvidere Street, Lennox-
ville, where friends may call on
Friday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Fune-
ral service at St. George's Church,
Lennoxville, on Saturday, January
25 at 11 a.m. Canon A.M. Awcock
officiating. Interment Elmwood
Cemetery. If friends so desire,
contributions to the Canadian Na-
tional Institute for the Blind Lib-
rary Department would be appre-
ciated.

COURNYER, George — At his re-
sidence in Stanstead on January
22, Mr. George Cournyer at the age
of 63. Beloved son of the late An-
toine Cournyer and Delima Ber-
trand residing in Stanstead. Left to
mourn him is his mother, Mrs. De-
lima Cournyer of Stanstead; 1
brother, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Cour-
nyer (Anita) of Sherbrooke; his sis-
ters, Ms. Claire Cournyer of Stan-
stead and Mr. and Mrs. Norbert
Boisvert (Rita) of Sherbrooke;
Uncles and Aunts; Nieces and Ne-
phews; and other relatives and
friends. Resting at the Rodrigue
Funeral Home, 43 Dufferin St.,
Stanstead, 876-2474. Visiting hours
are Thursday from 7 to 10, day of
the funeral from 9:30 until departure
at 10:45. The funeral is on Fri-
day, January 24 at 11 a.m., at the
Sacred Heart Church, Stanstead.
Burial at Mount. St. Marie Ceme-
tery. Father Denis Cournyer, ne-
phew, will officiate.

GIGUÈRE, Ulric — At the CHU on
January 17, 1986. Beloved husband
of Rachele Marion. Dear father of
Michele. Private funeral arrange-
ments were made by Cass Funeral
Home, Stanstead, Quebec.

HAMILTON, Anson — Accidentally
at Stanstead, Quebec on January
22, 1986 in his 67th year. Beloved
husband of Margaret Markell.
Dear father of Rodger and his wife
Mary Ann, Dale, Lionel and his
wife Linda and William. Pre-
deceased by his son James. Sur-
vived by several grandchildren and
a sister Emily Vancouver. Resting
at Cass Funeral Home, 39 Dufferin
Road, Stanstead where the funeral
service will be held on Saturday,
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Living

the Record

Business ethics help long-term efforts

Last Week's Critics — When it reaches 30 deg. below in the Townships, one of the best ways to keep warm is to head for the nearest bar and join in a heated debate; that, a hot buttered rum and a roaring fire will warm up the coldest toes. (I think it makes some people long for really cold weather).

In any event, the previous week's column was under scrutiny at one such Knowlton gathering, and the debate centered on business people who counted their successes only by their immediate profits. The column's position was that this was shortsighted and that long range planning which includes the welfare of the total community was needed for true (long term) success.

The prevailing attitude on this winter night however, was very much the opposite: profit was the bottom line and business had its own rules, not subject to church goers' morality, and not directly involved in the larger society of everyday people! "Business is business" they all said, and their numbers appeared to give credence to their point of view.

CORPORATE ETHICS

But business people do not think of themselves as separate from society! and long term success in any company, depends much more on that company's ethics, because that is what gives it its reputation.

Corporate ethics, simply stated, is putting the customer's welfare first. It has nothing to do with loyalty or obedience to rules, but it is really a revelation of (someone's) character. A person's ethics depend entirely on how that person feels about themselves, and morality is what they do about it.

Knowlton, then, is a community where in the past three or four years, business people have helped each other grow, because collectively they understood that out-of-

All about Brome Lake

Edited by Brian Timmins

town customers were unlikely to be attracted to one isolated shop in a distant village. Profit is important, but on every level, be it village Gift Shops, or Ford Motor Co., good business ethics is what primed the pump.

While obvious to some people, others can't (or refuse) to see this is what has been going on in Knowlton for the past three years. Knowlton has given people what they want; it has invested in quality signs, quality merchandise and quality services, all at a greater cost, or less profit, than absolutely necessary. But in the long term, each of separate storekeepers benefits from the commitment of his neighbour and business flourishes.

LOURISHES

And business does flourish in Knowlton. By this Spring, every derelict building in town should be under renovation, including The Lakeview House, now owned by Ron Blair and the ugly old Pizza Parlor on Main Street, now owned by Drew MacRae and Jim McWilliam. Although current plans are not firm for either building, the people involved are themselves assurance of good things to come. Bolton Industries, while not adding anything positive in architectural terms, will be employing another 38 people, and there's every reason to believe that with judicious use of cedars and/or attractive fencing, the unpleasant impact of this industrial building could be softened.

A travel agency that promotes bus tours to the Knowlton area, will be announced sometime next

month, and the possibility of another major hotel project (possibly two more) are in the planning for this spring.

The advent of Diane Croggan's new Coffee Shop, Robb's Café, continues to prove that good business ethics pay off. Other merchants feel secure in sending customers to Diane because she treats them well, and the village has another asset not easily found in every other town. Everyone benefits.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Another asset that everyone can benefit from is the Brome Lake Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber is presently recruiting both volunteers and members, and is experiencing some success under the positive influence of Irene Hodorowski. Irene works for the Chamber five days a week, and needs volunteers to help tourists on weekends. If you are bilingual and can help, please call her at (514) 243-6033 Monday through Friday, and sometimes on Saturday and Sunday.

The Chamber is currently considering several projects:—

1. A folder to serve the welcome wagon and prospective property buyers.

2. A slide show on the town, for use by groups involved in promoting the area.

3. A bus tour program for various golden age groups — and other interested parties.

4. A licence bureau to assist the *Regie de l'assurance* to better serve Brome Lake car owners.

5. The possibility of a general meeting of Brome Lake's various associations and interested parties.

In the early years the Chamber had its troubles getting started, now it feels determined to serve the public, and hopes that you will give it that chance by joining and becoming part of a positive idea. The Chamber is located at 583 Knowlton Road. Visit Irene soon!

social notes

99th birthday

Congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Ruby Lockwood of the Wales Home, Richmond, on the occasion of her 99th birthday, on January 24. Her relatives and friends extend warm wishes to her at this grand old age.



Living Page Submissions

Please note that all submissions for the Living Page must be sent by mail and will not be accepted by telephone. Submissions should be either typed or handwritten legibly, will be published as soon as possible and may be subject to editing. Please address all submissions to the Living Page Editor, The Record, 2550 D'Arjome, Sherbrooke, Que., J1K 1A1.

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Christians mark end of prayer week

SHERBROOKE — All Christians of the Anglican, Roman Catholic, Presbyterian and United Churches are invited to attend a service marking the close of the International Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

The service will take place at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26 at the *Coeur Immaculé de Marie* church, 967 Conseil St. in Sherbrooke.

The theme for the week, starting Jan. 19, has been "Together, Witnesses for Christ".

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8 Wanted to rent

FAMILY COTTAGE for the month of July, with 3 bedrooms or more, on the waterfront in North Hatley. Call evenings or weekends at 875-3043.

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58 Wood Stoves

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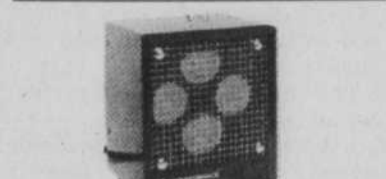
60 Articles for sale

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61 Articles wanted

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62 Machinery

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63 Collectors

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89 Personal

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93 R.R.S.P.

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 To the property owners who are entered on the valuation roll in force in the Ville de Sherbrooke on January 6th, 1986 with respect to an immovable situated in the Ville de Sherbrooke and to the tenants of immovables situated in the Ville de Sherbrooke and registered on the electoral list revised on January 15th, 1986.

PUBLIC NOTICE

is hereby given by the undersigned, City Clerk, that at a regular meeting held on January 6th, 1986 the Municipal Council of the Ville de Sherbrooke has adopted by-law no. 3093 amending zoning by-law no. 1071 so as to abrogate and replace the dispositions concerning signs in articles 42, 42.1, 42.3, 42.5, 42.11, 42.12, 42.13, 44, 44.1, 81 and 111, to abrogate the dispositions contained in articles 703 to 706.3 inclusively of "Title II" of part fifteen and to adopt part XXIII entitled "ENSEIGNES". The object of said part fifteen will be to determine the number, the situation, the height, the size of the authorized signs and to regulate derogatory signs and the required permits; that the property owners and tenants mentioned in the first paragraph who were of full age and Canadian Citizens on January 6th, 1986 in the case of physical persons, or who will have satisfied within the prescribed delay to the requirements of article 385 of the Cities and Towns Act in the case of corporations, commercial partnerships or associations, can request that by-law no. 3093 be submitted to a secret poll according to articles 385 to 396 of said Cities and Towns Act; that this request must be made by way of the registration procedure provided for in articles 370 to 384 of the Cities and Towns Act and that in conformity thereof all property owners and tenants qualified to vote on by-law no. 3093 will have access to a register made available to them at the City Clerk's Office, 145 Wellington Street North, from 09:00 hours and 19:00 hours, on February 11th and 12th, 1986; that the number of signatures required in order that by-law no. 3093 be submitted to a secret poll is five hundred (500) persons and that in the absence of this number, by-law no. 3093 will be deemed to have been approved by the persons qualified to vote;

that all who are qualified to vote can consult by-law no. 3093 at the City Clerk's Office during the regular office hours and during the registration hours; that the result of the present consultation by registration will be announced on February 12th, 1986 at 19:00 hours, in the City Council Room, at the City Hall, 145 Wellington Street North, Sherbrooke.
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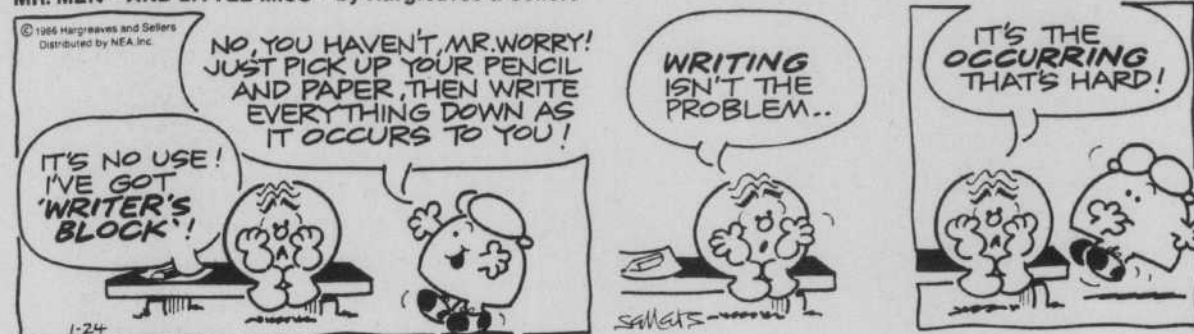
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Saturday, Jan. 25, 1986

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Your Birthday

Jan. 25, 1986

Be selective in the year ahead regarding who you pick as a partner. Defeat will be the product of a poor choice; victory will be the prize for a wise one.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Difficulties may arise in an important relationship today. When dealing with others on a one-to-one basis, treat all as you would like to be treated yourself. Major changes are ahead for Aquarians in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, Box 1846, Cincinnati, OH 45201. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You're not likely to work too well under pressure today. If you take on more than you can handle or let things go until the last minute, frustrations will result.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Today you might be out of step with others. Don't take an unyielding position on something everyone else opposes just to flex your muscles.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If the outside world doesn't treat you as you think it should today, don't come home and take it out on innocent members of your household.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) An uncontrolled temper could be your downfall today. Mind what you say, instead of responding with angry words you'll later regret.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Make every effort to keep current on your financial obligations now. Don't fall behind, especially if you are indebted to a friend.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) It's best today not to discuss issues with your mate where you have opposing views. Both of you have low kindling points and a serious argument could result.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Someone who has done you a big favor might want you to reciprocate today. Don't make it obvious that you're annoyed about this.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) It's important today to be around those with whom you feel at ease. Group activities that include people you don't like won't be any fun.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You'll be enthusiastic and raring to go today, but unfortunately, associates whose support you need might drag their feet and halt your progress.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Try not to point the finger of blame at others today for your mistakes. Friends will not tolerate any shifts of guilt.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Be careful with whom you associate today because you might be held accountable for things they do wrong. Don't be a fall guy.

Card party

WATERLOO — A very successful card party was held in St. Luke's Church Hall, Sat. eve. Jan. 11.

500 was played at 12 tables with prizewinners - Ladies 1st, Marguerite Fortin; 2nd, Edna Badger and 3rd, Penny Charby. Gentlemen's 1st, Lawrence Marsh, 2nd, Bernard de Solla, 3rd, Adrian Whitehead. For the drawing, Muriel Whitehead's number took the groceries, while Margaret Neil received the fruit. Several door prizes were also given.

Clarence Allen thanked all who attended and especially the ladies in the kitchen for looking after refreshments.

Another party is announced for Sat. eve. Jan. 25.

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Sunday, Jan. 26, 1986



Your Birthday

Jan. 26, 1986

You'll have a marvelous asset going for you in the year ahead. It will be your ability to make friends with people from all walks of life. Your new relationships will be lasting.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Your judgment is exceptionally keen today, so don't be doubtful about your decisions, even those you have to make hastily. Major changes are ahead for Aquarians in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, Box 1846, Cincinnati, OH 45201. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Objectives others feel are too tough to attempt can be achieved by you today, provided you're motivated to do so.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Spur-of-the-moment happenings will be the ones that provide the most fun and excitement today. Leave room to adjust your schedule.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) An unusual opportunity may develop today through in-laws or relatives. You may end up with something of value.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) There is strength in unity today. Your likelihood of advancing your interests will be doubled with the right type of associate.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) A financial situation will take a positive turn today. An area that has been a liability will now indicate profitable potential.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You have a knack today for doing things with a style and flair friends will find appealing. Your methods will be remembered and imitated.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Strong hunches or intuitive perceptions you get today should not be ignored, especially if they have positive substance. Act on them.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) People who meet you for the first time today will be favorably impressed. If someone new takes a shine to you, cultivate the relationship.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Lady Luck wants to fatten your wallet today. You must be careful though, because opportunities may come in many different disguises.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Information you receive today will enhance your faith and philosophical beliefs and strengthen you for the week ahead. Be attentive.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Strive to be flexible and hopeful regarding today's happenings. All will work out well in the long run if you give things half a chance.

Monday, Jan. 27, 1986



Your Birthday

Jan. 27, 1986

Your financial position will improve in the year ahead. The changes may come about slowly, so do not be impatient or wasteful.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) In an important commercial transaction today, your position will be stronger than that of your counterpart. Don't let him try to dictate the terms. Major changes are ahead for Aquarians in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, Box 1846, Cincinnati, OH 45201. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You won't make wise decisions today if you rush to judgment. Instead of deciding things hastily, take time to weigh all the angles.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be extra protective of your interests today, as well as those of someone with whom you're involved. Caution will prevent any mishaps.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Subdue your assertiveness today when dealing with associates on a one-to-one basis. You'll not get their support if you're pushy.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) This can be a productive day for you, provided you don't do things in fits and starts. Select priority assignments and see them through to the end.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) A plan about which you're dubious is feasible and can be implemented successfully today. The few kinks in it can be easily worked out.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your possibilities for personal gain are good today, even though early indicators may appear questionable. If you don't toss in the towel, you'll profit.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Do not let control of an important matter slip from your grasp today. Under your direction, it can succeed; under another's, it may not.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Important undercurrents are stirring for your benefit today in a rather mysterious fashion. Don't alter events that are running smoothly.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Do not be reluctant to call upon a close friend today if you are in need of his assistance. Your pal will be flattered that you asked.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Two major objectives can be accomplished today, but you might not have an easy row to hoe. Success will be dependent upon the strength of your second effort.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) It's not to your advantage to let intermediaries talk for you regarding a plan you are anxious to promote. Sell it yourself.

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Jan. 25, Saturday
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Entertainment for the Young
Ages: 5 yrs to 12 yrs
8:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.
DISCO FOR THE TEENAGERS
(14 yrs to 18 yrs)

Jan. 26, Sunday
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
OPTIMISTE CONFRONTATION
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
TUG OF WAR ON ICE
4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
"Cabaret Race on ice with Obstacles"
8:00 p.m. to 12:00 p.m.
"Special invitations with sponsors"

Jan. 27, Monday
Curling Tournament

Jan. 28, Tuesday
Curling Tournament

Jan. 29, Wednesday
7:00 to 11:00 p.m.
GOLDEN AGE CARD PARTY
(50 years & over)

Jan. 30, Thursday
6:30 p.m. to 12:00 p.m.
SPONGE HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Jan. 31, Friday
6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
CONTINUOUS SPONGE HOCKEY TOURNAMENT
9:00 to 10:00 p.m.
CROSS COUNTRY SKIING WITH LIGHTS
10:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m.
CONTINUOUS HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Feb. 1, Saturday
12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
FINALS OF SPONGE HOCKEY
3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
OLD TYME HOCKEY
5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
CANADIAN SUPPER
7:00 to 8:00 p.m.
AMATEUR NIGHT FOR MEN
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8:00 to 3:00 a.m.
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