

Plans for \$1 million windfall:

Mayor hoping unclaimed heritage money will be used for facilities

By LAUREN SWEENEY

Mayor May Cutler wants city council to turn \$1 million in unclaimed heritage/preservation payments into additional municipal facilities for all taxpayers to enjoy rather than using the money for general operations.

"I think this is very important because the money actually belongs to the property owners," she told THE EXAMINER Tuesday. "We taxed everyone to collect it in the first place. If some did not ask for it back, then it should be kept for a major addition to the quality of life and not lost in housekeeping costs."

Westmount's mayor said she would be calling on city council colleagues to put the \$1 million into the start of a special fund for the renovation of the library, Victoria Hall and greenhouse area.

She said she hoped the remainder could be collected through public appeal.

The municipal library, which already is overcrowded through increasing use, was established 90 years ago through a tax windfall.

Last year's budgets

"I am furthermore going to ask all city departments to hold to last year's budget for 1989," Mayor Cutler stated.

Any extra money that might be needed by the administration can be generated from such areas as welcome taxes, she explained.

"They don't need an extra million

Metal bludgeon seized by police

A metal bar resembling a baseball bat was seized from an 18-year-old N.D.G. man in Westmount Park last Thursday night. He claimed to need it for self defence, police said.

The seizure followed a call from public safety officers who feared a confrontation might arise involving some 25 youths in the park.

Officers had questioned the young man about 10:10 pm after spotting him stuff the metal object into his pants behind the comfort station. He had told them he was carrying it to protect himself against someone who had threatened him the previous night. The gang was ejected from the park at 11 pm.

The rod was taken to local MUC police station 23, where it was given back to the man the next day.

dollars just for housekeeping," she added.

The city's \$2.9-million heritage/preservation fund was created through additional taxation in 1988. It was to be claimed for property embellishment purposes by all eligible taxpayers in payments ranging from \$400 to \$800.

Only 3,000 of the 4,482 eligible taxpayers claimed \$1.8 million by the cutoff date of Aug 2 (see story last week).

Mayor Cutler reiterated a previous appeal for updating of municipal facilities, in particular, the library and park complex.

Westmount, she said, lags behind many other municipalities in such areas.

Woman falls but holds on in purse grab

A 46-year-old woman fell to the sidewalk as she struggled to prevent her purse from being snatched in front of the Atwater Métro station entrance on de Maisonneuve boulevard July 23, police said. The victim was not hurt.

The attempted robbery was revealed after details had been recorded by police station 25 and forwarded Tuesday last week to the Westmount post.

The incident apparently occurred about 11:30 pm as a white youth aged about 16 grabbed the strap of the victim's purse.

The woman, a resident of Rosedale avenue in N.D.G., held onto the bag, causing the strap to break. As she fell to the sidewalk, the boy ran off. He was described as wearing blue jeans and a white T-shirt.

Bike unlocked

A \$450 bicycle was discovered missing from an apartment locker at 4560 St Catherine street Sunday, police report. It was not known how the locker had been opened. The bike was described as a blue 12-speed Steve Bauer Mistral model.

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ANYONE FOR A SWIM? These local youths didn't have to go beyond the corner of Sherbrooke street and Roslyn avenue to cool off at the end of the thunderstorm Wednesday last week. Meanwhile a nearby resident did his civic service by unclogging several drain gratings of leaves. Story and another picture are on page three.

Occupancy from now to February:

Condo projects gear back up as construction holiday ends

Construction on Westmount's numerous condominium projects is back in full swing after the relative peace of the two-week construction holiday.

Over 400 luxury condominiums have been or still are on the market at the four large-scale projects — Château Westmount Square, Number One Wood Avenue, 200 Lansdowne and Westmount Park Towers — and the four smaller ones — Le Sherbrooke Westmount, 285 Clarke, Le Cacharel and Manoir Olivier.

Occupancy dates of the buildings range from immediate to February 1989.

Work at most sites has moved to the building interiors, often providing little visual evidence of progress to passersby. However, the exterior appearance of two of the projects — Château Westmount Square and Le Sherbrooke Westmount — has changed considerably in recent weeks.

Château Westmount Square

After the final concrete was poured at Château Westmount Square earlier in the summer, the workmen turned their attention to the charcoal and black granite façade. It now reaches up to the 20th storey in some sections, while the



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By CHARLES MAPPIN

window framing is up to the 16th. The next step is the installation of the windows.

Sales agent Judith Matte says the exterior work should be completed by the end of August and the copper roof will be installed in September. At that point work on the interior finishing will begin.

With occupancy slated to start next February, Ms Matte says 20 per cent of the apartments have been sold. She says more people are expressing interest in the building now, and she expects sales to pick up when the model suite opens at the end of September. The units range in price from \$300,000 to over \$2 million for the penthouses.

"We've been taking clients on to the site to walk out the floor plans and to get an idea of units so they really know what they're buying," Ms Matte says.

One feature unique to this project will be a private restaurant open only to the residents. It will also cater for small parties in people's

apartments or larger ones in the banquet room.

The building's ground floor will have boutiques opening onto Greene avenue and St Catherine street.

Le Sherbrooke-Westmount

The six-storey Le Sherbrooke-Westmount is on budget and on schedule to be completed by December 15, the building's owner maintains. Salim Hejal says four of the building's 12 units have been bought, and another two are "practically sold."

Located on the south side of Sherbrooke street just east of Greene avenue, the project has sprung up quickly from its start in March. The units sell for between \$520,000 and \$600,000.

Mr Hejal says the workmen are currently putting in the sub-partitions, roughing the plumbing and working on the façade. The first residents are expected to move in Dec 1,

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Neighbor's worry saves elderly asthma victim

An unconscious woman who had suffered an asthma attack was rescued last Thursday from her apartment on Hillside avenue after a friend feared for her safety, public safety officers report.

The victim, aged 81, was transported to Reddy Memorial Hospital by Urgences Santé, fire officials said.

The matter was brought to the attention of Public Safety Officer Robert Hrychuk at 10 am by someone worried when the woman did not turn up to walk her dog as was her

habit. The friend was specially concerned since the woman was reported to have fallen in the bathroom the previous day.

When no answer could be obtained at the door and a dog was heard barking inside, the PSO explained the emergency to roofers working nearby and borrowed their ladder.

Entry was gained by a patio door and the woman was found unconscious in her bed. MUC police, firefighters and Urgences Santé personnel, who had already been called, arrived on the scene and transported the victim to hospital.

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The object of this by-law is to change the maximum speed limit in Westmount from fifty (50) kilometers per hour to forty (40) kilometers per hour.

Notice of the adoption of this by-law was published as required by law. This by-law is open for inspection by all persons interested at the Office of the City Clerk, 4333 Sherbrooke Street, Westmount, Quebec. GIVEN at Westmount, Quebec, this 8th day of August 1988.

Robert C. Wilkins
City Clerk



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AVIS PUBLIC est par les présentes donné que le Conseil municipal de la Ville de Westmount a adopté le 13 juin 1988, le règlement 1007, intitulé "RÈGLEMENT VISANT À MODIFIER DE NOUVEAU LE RÈGLEMENT 726 CONCERNANT LA CIRCULATION," et que ce règlement a été approuvé par le Ministre des Transports du Québec par lettre datée le 25 juillet 1988.

L'objet de ce règlement est de réduire la limite de vitesse maximum dans Westmount de cinquante (50) kilomètres/heure à quarante (40) kilomètres/heure.

Les avis concernant l'adoption du règlement ont été publiés tel que requis par la loi.

Toutes les parties intéressées peuvent prendre communication de ce règlement au bureau du greffier de la ville, 4333, rue Sherbrooke, Westmount, Québec.

DONNÉ à Westmount, Québec, ce 8ième jour d'août 1988.

Robert C. Wilkins
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PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the Municipal Council of Westmount enacted By-law 1005, entitled "BY-LAW TO EXPEND AND PROVIDE A LOAN FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF ROADS AND SIDEWALKS," on 2nd May 1988, and that this by-law was deemed to have been approved by the qualified voters at the registration held on 11th May 1988. This by-law was approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs of Quebec on 26th July 1988.

The object of this by-law is to authorize Council to expend and to borrow by way of issue of debentures the amount of \$1,587,300 for the reconstruction of Côte St. Antoine Road, and the reconstruction of Belvedere Road.

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L'objet de ce règlement est d'autoriser le Conseil à dépenser et à emprunter par voie d'émission d'obligations le montant de 1 587 300\$ requis pour réaliser la reconstruction du chemin de la Côte St-Antoine et la reconstruction du chemin du Belvédère.

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CONCERTS IN WESTMOUNT PARK

The Westmount Y.M.C.A., in conjunction with the City of Westmount, is proud to present a series of six Sunday concerts in Westmount Park during the summer of 1988, featuring various groups of local musicians. All concerts will be held from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the lagoon in the park. The schedule of these concerts is as follows:

DATE	GROUP
10th July	L'Ensemble du Carré St Louis
17th July	Orealis
24th July	Trio Ambiance
31st July	Swing à la Carte Quintet
7th August	L'Ensemble du Carré St Louis
14th August	Mount Royal Saxophone Quartet

Admission is free of charge, and all citizens are cordially invited to attend these performances.

In case of rain, the concerts will be held in the concert hall of Victoria Hall.

For further information, please contact the Westmount Y.M.C.A. at 931-8046.

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24 juillet	Trio Ambiance
31 juillet	Swing à la Carte Quintet
7 août	L'Ensemble du Carré St-Louis
14 août	Mount Royal Saxophone Quartet

L'entrée est gratuite et tous les citoyens sont cordialement invités à assister à ces représentations.

En cas de pluie, les concerts se tiendront dans la Salle des concerts du Victoria Hall.

Pour de plus amples renseignements, prière de communiquer avec le Y.M.C.A. de Westmount au 931-8046.

Next Scheduled City Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 6, 8 pm

Date de la prochaine séance du conseil municipal
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Community Calendar

The following events are scheduled in Westmount this week:

Today, Aug 11

Youth art show: By the young people studying at the Visual Arts Centre, Habitats at the VAC, 350 Victoria avenue, until Aug 19.

Children's reading contest: at Westmount Public Library until the end of August.

Print exhibit: At Galerie des 5 Continents, 1225 Greene avenue, an exhibition called *Flowers, Fashion and Birds in Prints and Textiles* until Sept 6.

Friday, Aug 12

Shakespeare in the Park: Presented by Repercussion Theatre, *A Midsummer Night's Dream* near the lagoon in Westmount Park at 8 pm and the same time, same place Aug 13. Bring a lawn chair.

Sunday, Aug 14

Concert in the Park: YMCA series held by the lagoon in Westmount Park. Entertainment by Mount Royal Saxophone Quartet.

Monday, Aug 15

Art exhibit: Paintings and drawings by Lily van Cleeff at the Westmount Public Library to Aug 26.

Wednesday, Aug 17

Annual bridge tournament: Open to all bridge players at 7:45 pm at Temple Emanu-El Beth Shalom, 395 Elm avenue. Master points will be granted.

COMING UP

Aug 20: Tennis serving clinic 1 pm to 3 pm at the junior courts in Westmount Park. Participants will be given a written evaluation. Information: 935-8531.

Aug 28: Old Westmount two-hour walking tour presented by Heritage Montreal and Save Montreal at 2 pm leaving from Atwater avenue and de Maisonneuve boulevard. 282-2069.

Sept 6: City Council meeting at 8 pm at City Hall.

Sept 9: Registration for recreation department courses, continues tomorrow. Information: Beverly Adams, 935-8531, loc 212.

Sept 9: Registration for Westmount house hockey, continues tomorrow. Information: 935-8531, loc 320.

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Stolen clean away

Washing was reported to have disappeared from a dryer in a laundry room at 4300 de Maisonneuve boulevard Tuesday last week, police said. The missing items were valued at \$640. They included two king-sized sheets, four pillow cases and six shirts. The laundry was stolen between 11 am and 4 pm.

Bat evicted

A bat that took a liking to a Belmont avenue bedroom Tuesday last week was evicted from the home, public safety officers report. The bat was trapped in a net and let loose outside after residents called for assistance at 10:16 pm.

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Where were they going?

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

Aug 2

12:21 pm: 3757 The Boulevard, burglar alarm;
3:51 pm: Rear of 47 Stayner, barbecue problem (see story);
11:39 pm: 5789 Caldwell, code 3 automatic mutual aid to Côte St Luc cancelled at 11:45 pm;

Aug 3

1:07 am: 5790 Parkhaven, code 3 automatic mutual aid to Côte St Luc cancelled at 1:08 am;
7:23 am: 250 Kensington, apt 215, first responder unit;
4:03 pm: 1 Westmount Square, Jockey Club, first responder unit (see story);
4:27 pm: 32 Windsor, car leaking gas;
5:55 pm: 753 Lexington, fire alarm activated (see storm story);
5:57 pm: 4278 Sherbrooke, code 2 automatic mutual aid from Côte St Luc cancelled at 6:07 pm, alarm activated (see above);
6:12 pm: 22 Shorncliffe, alarm activated (see above);
6:14 pm: 725 Upper Lansdowne, alarm activated (see above);
7:38 pm: 220 Olivier, code 3 automatic mutual aid from Côte St Luc and Outremont cancelled at 7:50 pm, alarm activated (see above);
8:59 pm: 4602 St Catherine, smoke detector activated by workmen soldering pipe;
10:08 pm: 631 Roslyn, possible defective smoke detector;

Aug 4

7:21 am: 184 Côte St Antoine, fallen electrical wires;
10:17 am: 140 Hillside, first responder unit (see story);
1:14 pm: Area of 470 Roslyn, for alarm sounding, had stopped on arrival;
2:24 pm: 332 Olivier, defective refrigerator;
5:42 pm: 1500 Atwater, Place Alexis Nihon, code 3 automatic mutual aid from Côte St

Luc and Outremont cancelled at 5:55 pm, for alarm condition, none found;

Aug 5

8:08 am: Front of 5030 Sherbrooke, Montreal, smell of gas;
9:56 am: Front of 3749 The Boulevard, gas leak (see story);
11:18 am: Somerville and Prince Albert, unnecessary call, smoke from tar pot for roofing;
11:30 am: 281 Clarke, smoke detector problem;
1:25 pm: 5761 Honoré de Balzac, code 3 automatic mutual aid to Côte St Luc cancelled at 1:34 pm;
4:08 pm: 220 Olivier, code 3 automatic mutual aid to Côte St Luc cancelled at 4:18 pm, defective test button on smoke detector;
5:49 pm: 34 Springfield, service call, possible lightning strike (see story);
5:54 pm: 70 Bruce, smoke detector activated by dust from work in basement;
9:58 pm: 4626 Sherbrooke, Victoria Hall, water leak (see story);

Aug 6

2:23 am: 5740 Cavendish, code 3 automatic mutual aid to Côte St Luc cancelled at 2:42 am;
2:51 am: 361 Victoria, burglar alarm;
4:50 pm: 217 Kensington, exterior water leak;
5:11 pm: 4444 Montrose, broken water entry (see story);
5:52 pm: 266 Olivier, service call to MUC police to raise ladder for silencing of alarm;
9:12 pm: 300 Lansdowne, release of two youths trapped in elevator;

Aug 7

1:18 pm: Front of 4449 Montrose, burst plumbing (see previous day);
3:59 pm: Rear of 48 Church Hill, burst plumbing (see above);
7:40 pm: 4836 de Maisonneuve, defective alarm;

Aug 8

12:30 am: 5405 Paré, code 2 automatic mutual aid to Town of Mount Royal cancelled at 12:36 am;
8:03 am: 4371 Montrose, water leak, possible broken water entry;
9:43 am: 3219 Cedar, first responder unit;
6:18 pm: 4300 de Maisonneuve, apt 129, first responder unit;
7:21 pm: Rear of 3246 Cedar, smoke scare, barbecue in use;
9:08 pm: 337 Roslyn, strange odor (see story);

Aug 9

12:44 am: 4505 St Catherine, Belvedere Residence, first responder unit.



This tree limb narrowly missing a passing woman as it crashed to the ground at the side door of Westmount Park School on Park Place during the storm Wednesday last week.

Emergency crews kept busy during week's wild weather

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Trees and branches fell in Westmount during violent thunder and rain late Wednesday and Friday afternoons last week, according to emergency crews' logs.

Firefighters answered a flurry of calls for alarm systems activated by the electrical storm Wednesday, tree crews cleared away debris while water built up over clogged drains along Sherbrooke street.

Most incidents were recorded during the heavier Wednesday weather. In one, a blue 1985 Mazda sustained \$250 damage when hit on the roof and trunk by a large falling limb outside 566 Lansdowne avenue, police said. A nearby tree at civic number 569 also came down.

A large portion of a tree at 629 Victoria avenue toppled over the driveway shortly before a resident returned home with the car which is normally parked there.

Other trees fell at 723 Upper Lansdowne, 443 Mount Stephen and King George Park.

MUC police constable George Payne reported a large piece of tree fell across the entrance of Westmount Park School on Park Place, just missing a woman below who ducked out of the way on hear a loud crackling noise.

Among 11 calls recorded by public safety officers between 5:42 pm and 7:10 pm was one at 6:22 pm for persons wading in the pond at Westmount Park during lightning. They

could not be found when officers responded.

Another call to 725 Upper Lansdowne involved an alarm which was possibly activated by residents barbecuing in the garage, officers said.

Friday at 5:53 pm a tree broke at 80 Somerville avenue. A few hours later, water began leaking onto the stage at Victoria Hall (see separate story).

Firemen were called at 9:58 pm to check out a house at 34 Springfield avenue which a neighbor thought had been hit by lightning when vines were noticed stripped off a side wall. All was found in order.

Motorcyclist takes 'shortcut' up park hill

A motorcyclist from Outremont was ticketed by MUC police after driving his vehicle through King George Park Monday last week, public safety officers report.

The motorcycle was intercepted at Belmont crescent by PSO James Novak who spotted it driving up the toboggan hill. The driver claimed to be taking a shortcut.

He was issued a ticket for driving on a sidewalk.

Chicken fat fires barbecue

Outdoor cooks had a close call Tuesday last week when a propane barbecue was reported to have flared up at the rear of 47 Prospect street.

Fire officials said the incident occurred when excess fat from a chicken cooked previously on the barbecue ignited. Firefighters responded to the call at 3:51 pm to find cooks removing hamburgers from the barbecue which had been turned off.

Gas leak follows slip with pick

A gas leak outside 3749 The Boulevard Friday morning resulted from workers striking a gasoline with a pick, fire officials said.

Firefighters remained on the scene about an hour while gas crews clamped off the pipe. The mishap occurred about 9:56 am, causing a small hole in the line.

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Vic Hall stage suitable for water ballet

A leaking roof on Victoria Hall resulted in water dripping onto the stage of the concert hall Friday night, fire officials said. A similar problem apparently occurred during a previous rain.

The problem was reported to be confined to the southeast corner of the roof.

Firemen were summoned to the building by public safety officers at 9:58 pm and the water was mopped up.

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We Say

Not in Westmount

FINANCE Commissioner Phillip Aspinall may not have been surprised that a third of Westmount property owners, including himself, nearly 1,500 out of 4,482, have of their own free will donated over a million dollars to the city's coffers.

But we are.

We like to think we know our Westmounters pretty well. There are a lot of nice, public-spirited, generous persons among us, as anyone who knows Mr Aspinall can testify.

Yet, it strikes us as a story of national, maybe international, importance that a community should consist of so many taxpayers — as wonderful as Westmount truly is — who spontaneously should pass up receiving up to \$800 apiece that is clearly theirs in the interests of, hopefully, providing a better place for their fellow citizens.

It should be explained, without in any way taking away from this burst of generosity, that Westmount contrived a unique way of getting around outrageous increases in local property valuations for the current year inflicted on Westmount by the Montreal Urban Community assessors. This was to set the tax rate higher than actual needs, creating a fund of nearly \$3 million to be distributed back to ratepayers in amounts of \$400, \$600 or \$800, depending on the heftiness of the taxes levied.

The kickbacks were dubbed "Heritage/Preservation Payments," ostensibly rewards for improving the properties on which the exorbitant taxes were paid — whether or not any steps were actually taken by owners to "preserve" their properties from anything but the bailiff.

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THERE were, naturally, strings attached. Chief of these was that taxes were to be paid up, the last instalment of which was due by July 1, and that a written application for the refund — oops, not a refund but a heritage payment — be made during July.

At risk of sounding cynical, and perhaps due to the perennial mid-summer groping for topics upon which to comment, we feel we must explore some reasons other than a burst of generosity or the desire, expressed by Councillor Aspinall, to save the city some money.

One, of course, could be straight forgetfulness. We wonder how many of us thought to mark our calendars so that, as we turned them to July, we'd be jogged: "Apply for heritage/preservation pay-

ment"? Only those citizens who are a lot more forward-thinking and methodical than us.

Another reason could be preoccupation with other things. Like getting the kids off to camp, going away ourselves, a long-standing vow to conduct no serious business in the heat, the seeming absence of charitable drives in July thus keeping things normal by giving away money to the city. Then there is the possibility that, however well it was announced and explained, a lot of these public-spirited citizens were not that generous at all: rather, they simply did not understand any government giving money to taxpayers rather than taking it. (Not that government cheques are unfamiliar to our aging, or child-bearing, or war-veteran, or unemployed, or whatever population.)

Of course, Westmount has unique qualities. Instead of going along with a provincially-mandated method, used by most of our neighboring municipalities, of recompensing property owners for a fouled-up tax system, the good folks at 4333 Sherbrooke street west (city hall) dreamed up their own scheme. It was so unique that many citizens did not believe it.

We don't want to dream up more trouble for our solons and municipal officials, but we predict that they have not heard the last of this. There are good burghers who are going to come back from vacations and read this piece or the front-page news item last week in which the city council meeting highlights were reported. Some, if they don't weep, are going to convey to city hall in person, by mail, by phone, by appearance at council meetings, by writ, by screaming: "I didn't mean to! I want my money. It's mine. I paid it in my taxes. I want it back. Generosity and public spiritedness were farthest from my thoughts."

Will Councillor Phil remain unsurprised?

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AND what will the minister of municipal affairs, pledged by his predecessor to "do something" about the property tax mess on Montreal island, say when he hears of Westmount citizens' open-handedness toward their public coffers?

He may be forgiven if he takes with a grain of salt any other rumblings from the cities and towns of the MUC of a tax revolt.

"Not in Westmount," he'll declare. "Quite the reverse, eh?"

You Say

Rules on food irradiation seen as dangerous

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

Chief
Manufactured Food Division
Consumer Products Branch
Department of Consumer
and Corporate Affairs
OTTAWA K1A 0C9

Sir: I am a civil engineer who for the last two decades has increasingly concentrated on the environmental and social aspects of engineering and technology. Last fall, I was disappointed and dismayed that our government had ignored the recommendations of the House of Commons committee on consumer and corporate affairs on food irradiation. Many requests for reconsideration of this decision had gone unheeded, evidenced by the proposed amendments which appeared in the *Canada Gazette* of June 4, 1988, in response to which:

1) I protest the decision to alter classification of irradiation from "food process" to "food additive." It is neither. It should be classed separately with all the restrictions and stringency proposed by the House of Commons standing committee. The present proposals mean not only a relaxation of testing but also of labelling standards, which is not in the best interests of the Canadian public.

2) I protest the proposal that any irradiated components of food which do not exceed 10 percent of the total product can be incorporated without being identified as "irradiated" in the labelling. Short-term economic gains for the promoters of the food irradiation technology should not take precedence over the health and welfare of Canadians. No expert worth his salt can predict the health effects, especially the long-term ones, of food irradiation!

Therefore, I ask that our government heed the recommendations of the House of Commons standing committee. I ask our government to impose a moratorium on irradiation of any new foods, or their importation, until the long-term health effects of this technology have been studied — including the effects of irradiation on the "foreign" chemicals present in and on food — and routine methods of detection are available to the food inspectorate division.

While controversy continues within the scientific-medical international community on food irradiation, why use Canadians as guinea pigs against the recommendations of our House of Commons standing committee? Prudence pays multifold in the long run.

R.H. Ferahian, Eng

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Statue atop Dawson may provoke curiosity

Sir: During my perambulations around the city I notice that the statue of the Mother of us All still stands on the dome of Dawson College.

No doubt a half century from now a tourist to our city will notice it, and ask who it is.

"Oh," will reply his host, "That's Mrs Dawson."

Douglas R. Weston

225 Olivier avenue
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Position on South Africa reveals much about Canada

Sir: The two-day Commonwealth conference condemning South Africa last week revealed as much about the host, Canada, as it did about the country under discussion, South Africa.

The Canadian government, which supports Bill 101 in Quebec, claims that it opposes the same type of restrictive legislation in South Africa. The same Canadian government has supported the separate, "segregationist" arguments of the Quebec nationalists before the Supreme Court of Canada (Macdonald case, May 1986, and in the Singer case of November 1987) yet talks of sanctions against South Africa for apartheid. Canada is going ahead with amendments to the BNA Act (1867) in the Meech Lake Accord (1988) to make the Canadian Constitution very similar to South Africa's Act of Union (1909). Although Allan Singer is fighting essentially the same kind of legal battle as the late Frank Scott (Padlock case) for the restoration of basic civil liberties, Canada opposes his efforts.

What sanctions did Canada propose against Quebec for an attack on fundamental civil liberties (Bills 22 and 101) that caused over 500,000 people to move out between census 1976 and 1986? Instead of sanctions, Canada poured an estimated \$35-\$40 billion into Montreal to try to offset the effects of the loss of the city's once-prosperous private sector head office industry.

The Canadian government promoted a man, Max Yalden, to human rights commissioner who had attributed the discrimination against non-francophones in federal hiring policy (1983 report) as a case of "like calls to like." Mr Yalden said it was only natural for people to hire their own kind. So if Nelson Mandela was a young man today and somehow managed to get around Quebec's language restrictions on English-speaking immigrants, he would have little chance for employment with the Canadian government in Montreal because he would be classified according to his nationality, i.e. as an anglophone.

Canada's hypocrisy in barring South African athletes while it condones restrictions on English-speaking immigration and employment is an indication of the deplorable intellectual morass that we have fallen into. Canada, like South Africa, should have been drummed out of the British Commonwealth of Nations years ago.

An election will not settle the issue because all three party leaders support Quebec's Bill 101. The only ray of hope is in Western Canada where concerned citizens have nominated Preston Manning, a son of the former premier of Alberta, to oppose Joe Clark on his home turf. Mr Manning is the leader of the Reform Party of Canada, a group dedicated to finding out why Western Canada, with 31 percent of the population, only receives 11 percent of the Canadian government's disbursements.

Those parliamentarians who have ridden roughshod over the civil liberties of the English-speaking community in southwestern Quebec will no longer have their Western sanctuary to fall back on. In a divided, minority government situation, this new party could hold the balance of power if people like Joe Clark, Ray Hnatyshyn, Don Mazankowski and their counterparts in the NDP (the Lorne Nystroms and the Pauline Jewetts) are defeated at the polls.

W.A. Sullivan

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They Say

Efforts elsewhere

An editorial last week in the Town of Mount Royal Weekly Post

THREE weeks ago in this space [reproduced the following week in THE EXAMINER] we discussed garbage and what is to be done with it. As the amount of garbage produced increases and the available landfill space shrinks, we soon will face a costly challenge.

As might be expected, other places already are far ahead of us in terms of the seriousness of their garbage problem and in creative ways to deal with it. A column by Michael Valpy in the July 27 *Globe and Mail* outlined some very original and drastic approaches taken on the garbage question in the U.S. By Jan. 1, 1990, the California city

of Berkeley, for example, will ban all foam containers for takeout food and takeout-food vendors will have to show that their non-biodegradable packaging has been cut by half. These rules follow a municipal plebiscite which called on the city council to make 50 percent of the city's garbage recyclable by 1990.

Mr. Valpy also notes that Rhode Island has banned all products containing the most dangerous forms of chlorofluoro-carbons (CFCs), the ozone-depleting material, unless there is no adequate substitute (which has

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Forty-five Years Ago
August 12, 1943

From an editorial: "A list of 'don'ts' for persons writing to relatives or friends who are prisoners of war has been issued by the War Services Department. Most of them refer to rather obvious matters that the censor would automatically delete from any correspondence abroad. One 'don't' is not easily understood. There should be no mention, says the bulletin, about 'the war on the home front, and avoid mention of drafting, rationing, strikes and so on.' We can understand that 'drafting' and 'so on' might be revealing military secrets. But if there is anything secret about rationing or about strikes we wonder what it is."

Thirty-five Years Ago
August 14, 1953

"Despite a light vote and a 50 percent chop in his majority, Canada's finance minister (Hon D.C. Abbott) was returned to his federal seat here Monday with a 4,323 vote majority over his nearest opponent, Progressive-Conservative Egan Chambers... The vote was light, and the well-advertised apathy across the country was as true of St Antoine-Westmount. This is probably a big factor in the trimming of the Abbott majority, although credit must be given to Egan Chambers who ran a much more active campaign for the Conservatives than has been put on in the riding for more than a decade."

Twenty-five Years Ago
August 16, 1963

"A month yet to go before the provincial probe into affairs of the Greater Montreal Protestant School Board will be made public. This is the latest word from Municipal Affairs Minister Pierre Laporte. The report has been delayed, he said, due to the necessity to study more pressing matters. He recalled that he had been in Europe for a month, studying municipal development problems and town planning... The province is investigating land purchases by the school board in which speculators are alleged to have made excessive profits, particularly land for the new high school in Côte St Luc."

Fifteen Years Ago
August 16, 1973

"The controversial MUC Police Ambulance no 30-15, assigned to Westmount by the Montreal Urban Community nearly a month ago, made a brief appearance on city streets Tuesday and Wednesday, but was sent back to the MUC garage to repair defects. The ambulance van, which went on the street at 3 pm Tuesday after sitting in the Westmount Police station for three weeks, was found to have mechanical defects... 'It's a brand new vehicle,' public safety director E.C. Harper commented, 'and it has a few bugs.' The van was put on the road Tuesday while questions about what equipment it should contain were still unresolved."

Five Years Ago
August 18, 1983

"MUC police declined a request by Mayor Donald MacCallum to relieve a citizen of his tape recorder during the crowded city council meeting Monday night. While television cameras and radio reporters taped the start of the presentation of a prepared statement by Ald André Gervais... Westmount's chief magistrate suddenly interrupted to order Allen Nutik, mayoral candidate in the citizen audience, to turn off his tape recorder. When Mr Nutik refused and challenged its removal, the mayor asked Constable George Payne, officer on duty, to take the device. 'I believe I am advised by my supervisor not to remove any tape recorders,' Cst Payne said."



our mayor
Her Worship May Cutler
says...



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



our M.N.A.
Hon. Richard D. French
says...

Home thoughts abroad

Editor's Note: Mayor Cutler sent the following column from Nice, France, prior to her return home last weekend:

ANY Quebecer who knows no English is soon going to need an English-French dictionary to shop in France. English is everywhere here.

Who decided Americans had more fun? Did it begin with *le weekend* and *le camping*? This year there is scarcely a *tee-shirt*, or store, in France that does not have English on it. An otherwise conservative matron explained to me: "*Magasiner, c'est plat! Mais shopping, c'est la récréation!*" A retired teacher suggested rock songs should be used to teach young people here English: "They know the words already. You just need to teach the meaning."

Stores seem to adopt English names as fast as they accept credit cards. The results are interesting, if not always felicitous. There's *Bus Stop, Shop-in, Pant Shop* and *Kwik-Fit* for clothing, *Smart* for leather, *Just Looking* for bathing suits, *Looking Glass* for mirrors, *Self-Color* for paint, *China Park* for dishes, along with *Feeling Cadeaux* and *Look Eve Coiffure*.

When you take your car downtown, you look for *Parking*, unless you're on your way to the *Auto Shop* or the *Battery Center*. On the way you may have dropped off clothing at any of a dozen places offering *Pressing*. And if you're hungry, you can try a *Tea Room*, a *Snack Bar*, or a *Fast Food*.

The apostrophe, that bugaboo of the Office de la langue française, is sprinkled liberally about by *Charm's, Cup's, Popsey's, Wilson's* and (need I add?) *McDonald's*.

Even the public transportation system is in on the English jag with a pretty woman's face announcing: "*Moi, je shopbus!*"

The *français* (or should we call it *angleçais*, since the English word often comes first?) can create disturbing offspring. What is one to make of a store sign reading *Men Shop*? Do they really? And what anglophone would not pause to consider before entering a shoe store called *Athlete's Foot*? And just what do they do to your clothes in *Kiss Pressing*?

Which reminds me. I'm coming home soon, so I had better *shopbus*. As a grandmother-in-waiting, I have a choice of places: *Babybotte, Babytaine* and *Babyshop*. But I am most intrigued by *Petit Boy* which, if I may judge by its window, also sells things for *petites girls*. *Oui. Oui.*

The great Félix Leclerc

POET, chansonnier, political and philosophical giant of his time, Félix Leclerc died quietly on his beloved Île d'Orléans.

The media coverage of his death illustrates that the "two solitudes" are alive and well. *La Presse* on Tuesday devoted its headline, front page, lead editorial and five full pages to Félix Leclerc in section A. By contrast, *The Gazette* limited itself to a small box on page one and two-thirds of page D-6 under entertainment.

This is not a criticism of *The Gazette*, just an observation on how little informed or interested most English-speaking people are regarding French-speaking artists. It would be helpful if English radio stations played more French artists and if English schools taught French Canada's music and poetry along with the French language itself. The opposite is also true.

It is sad that Canadians cannot all share the country's rich cultural heritage.

Trade and agriculture

CITY dwellers often take our agricultural sector for granted. Our stores and markets are stocked with abundant produce at reasonable prices. In fact, the productivity of the agricultural sector is a great success story.

But to ensure supply, governments, provincial and federal, have developed many subsidy programs that distort and even eliminate market forces.

Those who complain about such subsidies should reflect upon what our agriculture would be like without them. Support mechanisms are essential in that sector or we would literally go from feast to famine on a cyclical basis. Anyone who has examined Third World experience knows how intolerable that is.

That being said, subsidies *per se* are probably not the best approach. They are not only inefficient, they make fair international trade virtually impossible. A recent study of the C.D. Howe Institute suggests that subsidies and other measures "that distort production, trade and consumption should be replaced with direct income support to farmers."

I expect that will be the way of the future within the GATT.

Government research role

FOR years, technology policy experts have claimed that Canada's science effort is unduly concentrated in government laboratories. As compared to most OECD countries, Canada spent a much greater percentage of its research money in the National Research Council and the departmental labs of agriculture, national defence, health and welfare, communications, energy, environment and the like.

According to this argument, a government-oriented research and development configuration was undesirable because it produced far less than the optimum economic spin-off, since research results were not effectively transferred to firms operating close to market needs.

Several years ago, therefore, the federal government began an effort to contract out more of its research requirements to private sector companies, on the premise that they could commercialize research findings when feasible. No doubt this effort has improved the situation from many points of view.

For Quebec, however, the results remain unsatisfactory. The federal science establishment is overwhelmingly Ontario-based and English-speaking, and Quebec firms have been too easily discouraged by their failures to penetrate the system.

Quebec gets far less in the way of federal R&D contracts than its share of national R&D capacity (as measured, say, by private R&D spending) would imply it should. With 25 percent of the population and around 35 percent of national private R&D spending, Quebec is getting about 10 percent of federal R&D contracts. This is a major handicap for Quebec's technology policy and reversing the trend over the months to come is one of the government's principal priorities.

THEY SAY...

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uncovered the fact CFCs are used in a host of items from seat cushions to car dashboards). In Florida, a new state law sets a one-cent disposal fee on every non-recyclable container, bans plastic bags that won't degrade in 120 days and orders municipalities to cut solid waste by 30 percent within five years.

The point in all this, as Mr. Valpy wrote, is that these places are at least making efforts to tackle the problem. It's time we did too.

I Say!

IT is a sad woman who buys her own perfume.

—Ann Jeger

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while the finishing touches are still being put on the building.

Number One Wood

Larry Boland, one of the principals in Number One Wood Avenue, says workers on that project are making "a real push between now and October" to finish the two towers and the common area between them.

"In the north tower, the major mechanical systems have been roughed in and the kitchens and dry wall are now being installed."

The next step will be work on the main lobby area and the parking garage. The precast over the gates will be going in soon and a contract has gone out for the landscaping on the site, Mr Boland reports.

With occupancy expected for November or December, he says about 25 of the 125 units are still available and range in price from \$225,000 to \$600,000.

"A dozen of these are in the south tower, where the ceilings are a little higher, and they have fireplaces. Those units are a little more intimate," he says.

200 Lansdowne

With most of the apartments finished at 200 Lansdowne, the 10-story building is ready to take in its first residents within a few days, sales manager Lou Phillips says. Tenants will move in one day at a time, "to ensure each one has access to the entrance and elevators for the day."

The 51 units are 85 percent sold at this point, Mr Phillips says. The remaining units range in price from \$235,000 up to \$750,000. The corridors have been wallpapered and the carpeting will soon be put in place. The landscaping also remains to be done.

Westmount Park Towers

Across the street from 200 Lansdowne. Westmount Park Towers, located on the former site of the Pom Bakery, has had people living in it since April. Some 55 of the 81 units are now occupied and more people are moving in every few days, according to Pat Homa, the building's sales agent.

The first of the four big buildings to be lived in, Westmount Park Towers is still not quite completed. The corridors are being wallpapered, the exterior landscaping needs to be done, and the lobby has to be cleaned up. That work is expected to be finished in September.

Ms Homa says "just a few" units are still available, ranging in price from \$275,000 for a two-bedroom apartment to just over \$500,000 for a large three-bedroom.

285 Clarke

Only two of the 11 units at 285 Clarke have yet to be sold, sales coordinator Helena Miller reports. Both are two-bedroom, ground floor apartments. They have price tags of \$368,000 and \$503,000.

With work on the building "in the last lap," Ms Miller says several people have already moved in and others

Bad smell caused by local fauna

Residents of a house at 337 Roslyn avenue were told to "keep on ventilating" Sunday after a strange odor inside was officially declared as skunk, fire officials report.

Firefighters were called to the home at 9:08 pm to sniff out a strange smell inside as well as outdoors. Precautionary gas readings were taken before the smoke-eaters departed with the final prescription to air out the home.



Chateau Westmount Square as seen from Greene avenue street level.

are expected later this month. She says some exterior work remains to be done, such as the railing on the wheelchair ramp and the installation of lamp posts, as well as some interior decoration.

Le Cacharel

At Le Cacharel, located on the southeast corner of Victoria and de Maisonneuve, the first residents are expected to move in before the end of August, according to Bob Sierzant, one of the developers.

Finishing touches such as the lobby and landscaping are all that remain to be done and should be finished within six weeks, he said.

Four of the building's 18 apart-

ments are still on the market and range in price from \$225,000 to \$360,000.

Manoir Olivier

The other condominium building under development is the refurbishing of the old Western apartments on de Maisonneuve at Olivier avenue. That building is the new Manoir Olivier. It was gutted in the spring, and the interior is being completely redone.

Architect and part owner Uwe Peetz expects the first occupants "in about two months." Of the building's 16 units, 10 are sold and the others are going for between \$200,000 and \$300,000.

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Daniel Décarie named city's new treasurer

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Last week's announcement that the city had filled the position of treasurer, vacant since April, comes at a strategic time.

Not only is the preparation of next year's budget due to start in the next few weeks, but news also is expected soon from the Quebec government regarding changes to the property tax system to correct the 1988 valuations.

The appointment of Daniel G. Décarie, 48, as Westmount's director of finance, effective Sept 6, follows the departure last April of former treasurer Jean-Luc Emond to the Town of Mount Royal administration.

Mr Décarie has been director of finance and administration for the chartered accounting firm of Coopers & Lybrand for the past three years.

He is understood to have won out over some 85 candidates, including the treasurers of at least two other municipalities.

A graduate of Laval University, Mr Décarie has been a member of the Quebec Order of Chartered Accountants since 1964. He has previously worked as deputy treasurer of the Société canadienne des paris sportifs, controller of Bennett Inc, and director general of Gray Rocks Inn.

In introducing Mr Décarie at the August city council meeting Tuesday last week, Councillor Phillip Aspinall detailed the selection process used to fill the position, which is believed to pay in the \$60,000 range.

Mr Décarie, he said, was one of several names on a short list selected by the consulting firm of Rourke, Bourbonnais & Associates, which undertook the search for the city.

It was not until final interviewing for the position that Mr Aspinall, a senior partner of Coopers & Lybrand, discovered Mr Décarie had been in the running, pro-mayor Peter Duffield told THE EXAMINER.

Mr Décarie comes highly recommended by Mr Aspinall, he said, although the move creates a loss for the firm where he has been controller.

Mr Décarie, a resident of Nuns' Island, told THE EXAMINER he was ready for a career change and looked forward to the challenge of working in municipal finance.

The city's finance department, which has a staff of 22, was reorganized several years ago under Mr Emond and is undergoing further restructuring. Positions currently vacant are: budget internal audit administrator, clerk-typist and executive secretary.

Perceptions of library to be studied by Sorécom

City council awarded a \$10,800 contract Tuesday last week for a professional polling firm to survey the library needs and expectations of Westmounters.

The quote of Sorécom Inc, lowest of four bids, was approved unanimously by council members as part of an overall study to determine how to upgrade library services within an updated or expanded building.

The telephone survey of some 600 residents is to be carried out next month after approval of the questionnaire by the library committee and chief librarian.

"We're hoping the community will respond well to the survey and that it will generate a lot of interest in the library," said City Councillor Sally Aitken, a member of the public library committee.

The overall purpose of the survey, she said, was to help the library move into the 21st century by incorporating a computerized circulation

desk and audio-visual material within re-allocated or expanded space.

A separate poll of library users conducted by the library staff last winter confirmed that they would like to have more space available, Mrs Aitken said. It also indicated that users held "a myriad of interests and expectations and were generally satisfied with library services."

The need for a broader survey of the Westmount population was voiced at the same time, she said, and bids were initially sought by the library committee at that time.

Four objectives were listed in the survey specifications:

- To determine the population's knowledge and perception of the library and its services;
- To determine factors which encourage/discourage use of the library;
- To discover what services and materials citizens expect to have offered by the library; and,
- To determine the interests of library users and non-users.

The specifications also call for a report summarizing data results to be submitted to the library committee within four weeks after acceptance of the questionnaire.


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Resident fears workers vandals


Someone apparently mistook Bell Canada managers for possible vandals Saturday morning on Lexington avenue, according to a complaint logged by the Public Security Unit.

The call at 9:25 am for someone working on a telephone junction box was checked out and all found to be in order, officers said.

Managers are filling in for striking technicians and a number of vandalism incidents have been reported.



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Real Estate
By Reg Morden

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A true bargain, however, is usually snapped up within a day or two. After a week, you can assume that the market is operating normally. Experience has shown that the first offer is often the best one. This is because a new home on the market is exposed to a large group of potential buyers. Your best offer is likely to come from that group.

Be cautious, then, about rejecting a first offer out of hand. Agents find little comfort in saying "I told you so" if you are waiting vainly three months later to equal that first proposal. Excellent, non-conditional offers come from serious buyers. Don't expect them to be around for long.

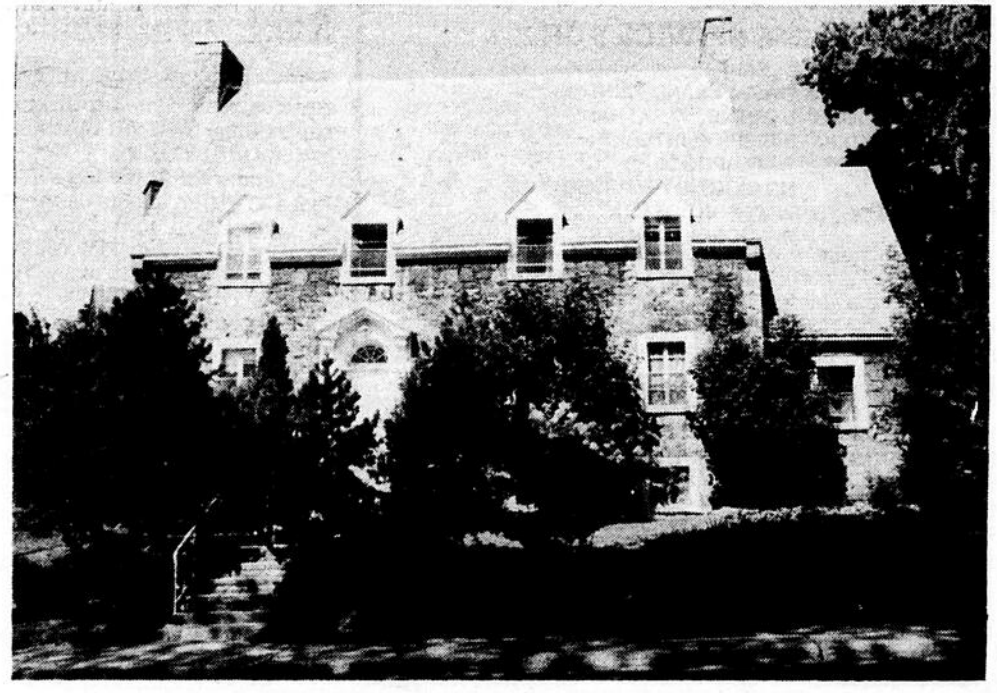
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PSU silences Sunday noises

Sunday construction work was stopped at three locations following noise complaints from nearby residents of the concerned areas, public safety officers report.

One complaint at 10:57 am concerned the dismantling of an outside elevator at 1 Wood avenue.

Another involved bricklayers working inside the former Peugeot building on St Catherine street at 10:47 am.

The third, at 12:13 pm, regarded work being carried out in the basement of a home at 363 Grosvenor avenue.

Wallet lost

A wallet containing \$400 and a driver's permit was reported lost Sunday at Lansdowne avenue and Sherbrooke street, police said. It belonged to a resident of Dorval.

Saturday meter enforcement, Dawson parking raised at council

CITIZEN John Johnston questioned city council at its meeting Tuesday last week on the alleged lack of meter enforcement on Saturday afternoons as well as on plans for Dawson College parking.

"Any Saturday afternoon about 60 percent of cars parked on de Maisonneuve are in violation of meter times," he said.

He also asked what plans the city had to handle Dawson parking with regard to possible requests by the CEGEP to further limit on-campus parking proposals at its Atwater site.

Councillor Stuart Robertson, commissioner of planning of redevelopment, said he had not seen any new proposal but understood there were reductions in parking maximums.

He said students and staff would be encouraged to use public transit or park in the Selby campus lot. The city would be issuing an information package to all Dawson personnel.

"What we don't want to see is Dawson's green space paved over."

Parking meter rates to rise in southeast

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

It will soon take more quarters to feed city parking meters in Westmount's southeast sector.

City council gave notice Tuesday last week at its August session that it intends to up the fee from 50 cents to 75 cents a hour on some streets to speed turnover and to reduce the disparity with Montreal rates.

Meters affected include those on Greene and Wood avenues, eastern stretches of Sherbrooke and St Catherine streets and de Maisonneuve boulevard, as well as at the Tupper and Greene lots.

Meters on Dorchester boulevard and Tupper street, however, escaped

the raise since their demand did not appear to warrant the increase at this time, explained Councillor Paul Fortin.

He also announced that the city plans to install meters on the south side of Sherbrooke between Olivier avenue and Greene. Meters are already in place from Elm avenue to Greene.

All meter changes require amending of by-law 685 concerning parking meters, expected at a subsequent meeting.

It was decided not to raise rates in the Victoria-Sherbrooke shopping area of the southwest, where minimal development has created little additional demand, he said.

Changes to the southeast, however, were deemed necessary to handle added stress on already limited street parking as major construction projects near completion.

In Montreal, east of Atwater, the hourly meter rate is \$1, he explained, "so we'll still be below them."

Councillor Stuart Robertson asked Mr Fortin if there was a plan to raise the rates on Dorchester, since this was a point of entry to the city.

"It's very likely they will be bumped up eventually," Mr Fortin replied. "The greater the demand, the more expensive they become." The parking pressure is not as great at this time on Dorchester as on the already designated streets, he said.

"It seems if we're raising the rates, they should be consistent," said Councillor Sally Aitken.

Côte St Antoine work to cost over \$1.2 million

The reconstruction of Côte St Antoine road, slated to begin later this summer, will cost Westmount an estimated \$1,230,000.

A tender for \$1,068,894 submitted by Lafarge Canada Inc was approved by city council at its Aug 2 public meeting. A further \$150,000 will be spent on new street lighting: \$119,000 for the circuitry, \$11,000 for wire splicing materials and \$20,000 for contingencies.

Two other tenders were received for the rebuilding, both of which would have put the total cost between \$1.4 and \$1.5 million.

The work involves the complete reconstruction of the sidewalks, the roadbed and the asphalt surface. City officials expect the work will begin the week of Aug 22 and will continue until early November.

Who's

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doing what?

The following building permits were issued at Westmount city hall recently:

Aug 2

666 Victoria: for Mr Gaty by Fitzpatrick Plumbing and Heating, to install one water entrance, \$2,000;

12 Renfrew: for Mr Melowski by Plombierie Centrale, to install one gas line, \$500; 60 Arlington: for Marie Lynn Ethier by Les Habitations Universelles, renovations, \$50,000;

127 Clandeboye: for J. Morantz by B. Nicholson Enrg, to install one water main, \$500;

2 Belvedere road: for N. Demers by James Griffin, sewer replacement, \$500;

625 Victoria: for Donald Daly by Ady Aluminum, new windows, \$1,530;

27 Renfrew: for P. Cleland by Pavage Cabru, retaining wall, \$2,000;

Aug 3

3789 The Boulevard: for Mr and Mrs Dauphinee by self, repairs to rear balcony, \$10,000;

3252 The Boulevard: for Dr and Mrs Little by self, sunroom addition and rear balcony enclosure, \$35,000;

339 Olivier: for J. Fontein by self, fence, \$700;

64 Rosemount: for Paul Ortend by self, renovations, \$4,000;

Aug 4

9 Anwoth: for Eliza Construction by Les Plomberies Experts, bathroom modification, 11 plumbing fixtures, \$5,000;

420 Côte St Antoine: for Lynn Jacob by Les Constructions JCB, demolition, \$10,000;

3303 Cedar: for Dr Maria Geler by self, renovations, \$26,000;

3216 The Boulevard: for Lise and Michel Leblanc by self, kitchen renovations, \$6,000;

21 Gordon crescent: for Mr Salvo by self, landscaping, \$7,000;

Aug 5

384 Grosvenor: for 162449 Canada Inc by self, renovations, \$25,000;

2 Belvedere road: for N. Demers by James Griffin and Sons, to install one water entrance, \$2,000.

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Beyond Westmount's Borders

A random sampler of things to see or do

in the bigger city surrounding us

By KARL JAROSIEWICZ

Lost weekend

The 11th annual Pulp Press International Three-Day Novel Writing Contest will be held this Labor Day weekend, Sept 3-5. The world's only known literary marathon now attracts over 1,000 entries each year. Past winners of the contest include *Momentum*, the 1985 winner by Marc Diamond which has had its U.S. paperback rights bought by Viking, and its film rights purchased by a Hollywood firm. But despite the glory and rewards, this contest is not for the faint-hearted. A gruelling three days is all the time permitted to complete the average 100 typewritten, double-spaced pages. Here are the rules. Contestants must first register with Pulp Press either by phone or in writing, and pay the \$5 fee by Friday, Sept 2. Contestants may begin their novels no sooner than 12:01 am, Saturday, Sept 3 (Friday midnight to most of us), and complete it no later than 12 midnight Monday, Sept 5. The writing may be done in any location, and using any method, although hand-writing is discouraged. The completed manuscripts must then be sent to Pulp Press accompanied by a statement signed by a witness, and attesting to strict compliance with the time schedule. Include a stamped self-addressed envelope if you wish to have the novel returned to you. Outlines are permitted prior to the contest, but the actual novel must be written on Labor Day weekend. Collaboration with one other person is permitted. The winner will be announced Oct 31, and the first prize is publication. For more information, contact Brian Lam, manager, Pulp Press International, Three-Day Novel Writing Contest, 1150 Homer street, Vancouver, BC V6B 2X6, telephone (604) 687-4233.

Youth festival

Realité Jeunesse '88, a bilingual festival of theatre, music, and dance, continues until Saturday night at the No 9 hangar at the Old Port of Montreal. This is the fourth annual event organized by Créations Etc. . . as a forum for young people, aged 5 to 21, to express themselves through the performing arts. Youths from Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Israel and the United States are participating in this festival. Today some of the shows you can see are, at 1:30 pm, *Masquerade*, a fantasy/comedy; at 2:30 pm, *Pauline, Ville de Béton*, a drama; at 7 pm, catch *A Pocketful of Huladreams*, a piece billed as "a romantic surf musical from Australia"; at 8 pm, *Ahead in the Polls*, a political satire where "world leaders are imitated and public values are questioned"; and at 9 pm, *Step Love*, a "dynamic urban musical" that combines breakdancing with jazz and classical ballet. On Saturday at 8 pm, the performance piece *The Trial of Tchamude* will be played, blending dance, music and theatre in a work that explores communication between young people on both personal and social levels. Many of these shows are repeated at different times during the festival, so check the schedule for a time that suits you. Admission is free. Call 937-3941 for more details.

Montreal scenes

Ogilvy is presenting an exclusive exhibition of oils and watercolors titled *Montreal - A Private View*. This exhibition, curated by the Walter Klinkhoff Gallery, consists of paintings that show Montreal from 1855 to the present. All works on display are significant museum-

quality pieces, yet all come from private collections and have been loaned for this event only. The artists represented at this showing are all from Montreal. They include James Duncan, whose two watercolors dating from 1855 have remained with the family of the original owner and have never before been publicly displayed. Among other artists are Maurice Cullen, Robert Pilot, John Johnstone, Marc-Aurèle Fortin, Kathleen Morris, Adrien Hébert, John Lyman, André Bieler, Allan Harrison and Lorne Bouchard. There is no charge for admission, and all visitors will have a chance to win a serigraph by Frederick B. Taylor, valued at \$550. The exhibition will be open to the public during normal store hours until Aug 31. The location is Tudor Hall at Ogilvy, 1307 St Catherine street west.

Lots of Canadian art

The Galerie Franklin Silverstone, which specializes in Canadian contemporary art, will show the works of over 65 artists from across this country. The exhibition will feature pieces by artists who work in painting, drawing, ceramics, bronze, glass, wood and other materials. Among the artists who will be represented are Alex Wyse, painter/sculptor from Ottawa; Patrick Amiot, a sculptor from Toronto; David Bolduc, a painter from Toronto; Kayo O'Young, a ceramist from Kleinburg, Ontario; and Karl Schantz, a glass sculptor from Toronto. The gallery is open to the public Tuesdays to Fridays, 10 am to 6 pm, Saturdays from 10 am to 5 pm, and on Sundays from 1 to 5 pm. It is at 1618 Sherbrooke street west. For more information, call 933-3770.

Two at Stewart

The Stewart Hall art gallery is showing the works of two artists until Aug 26. Illustrations and drawings by well-known Polish graphic artist Jerzy Jaworowski have been selected from his estate for this occasion. Some of these works "reflect the artist's liking for fables and fairy tales, for poetry and the supernatural." Other pieces explore geometric forms, some use organic shapes, and many represent Jaworowski's interest in letter forms and figures. Also showing are Ilona Arnold Maguid's work in ceramic which "combines beauty and function" in highly detailed sculptural shapes. Admission to both shows is free. Gallery hours are Monday to Friday, 2-5 pm, and Monday and Wednesday evenings from 7 to 9 pm. The gallery will be closed on weekends until after Labor Day. Stewart Hall is located at

Shakespeare in the park:

Students' ambitious project more than just *A Midsummer Night's Dream*

For sheer exuberance, not to say all the good laughs, theatrophiles as well as those simply looking for a pretty distraction in the cool of the evening can do no better than to attend the Friday or Saturday performance at 8 pm of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

Repercussion Theatre is the brainchild of Julie Miller, a Montreal native who has spent the past few years in Toronto. She went to see Shakespeare in High Park in that

city, and felt that Montreal, like many other cities, needed this summer diversion.

This spring, she advertised for people to work on the project, and the fruit of their labor can be seen in three local parks this week.

Tonight the troupe is performing in Centennial Park in Beaconsfield; tomorrow and Saturday they will perform beside the lagoon in Westmount Park (rain will cancel the performance) and Sunday at 2 pm they will be at Summerlee Park in Lachine.

Some of the cast is actually studying theatre, some have come up through the ranks of amateur theatre from children's theatre, and others are complete novices.

A few liberties have been taken with the tale as told by the bard, such as changing Egeus to Egea (director Julie Miller), and having females play the fairy roles, except for Oberon. But they are true to the rollicking spirit of the play, and the actors of the play within the play do some truly inspired and uninhibited hamming.

The lovers are convincing as the bemused and confused mortals they be, and both Puck (Rebecca Oswald) and Bottom (Casra Anvar) are delightful.

The set, as befits a shoestring production that must be easily moved, is very simple, but again gives the players lots of opportunity to take pratfalls, bang their heads or trip over bits of it (most of it on purpose, but the cast takes accidents with great good humor).

The performances are free, but the young actors will pass the hat following their performance. If you have as much fun as I had at their dress rehearsal, it won't hurt a bit.

Bring along your own lawn chair.

A Midsummer Night's Dream, directed by Julie Miller, with Casra Anvar, Rachel Bertrand, Sandy Cross, Sean Devine, Madeleine Domingue, Julia Hahn, Shilah Hasan, David Hendricks, Matt Holland, Melissa Holland, Danielle Hoy, Jane MacPherson, Rebecca Oswald, Claire Sims, Marguerite Stratford, Peter Stratford and Robert Vander; lighting design by Ken Edwards and

costumes by Monica Heredi, is at the lagoon in Westmount Park Friday and Saturday at 8 pm.

—Janet Coutts

Lilly van Cleeff works on display at city library

An exhibition of paintings and drawings by Lilly van Cleeff will be presented at Westmount Public Library from Aug 15 to 26.

Following private tutelage with Professor Urbach, Ms van Cleeff attended the Folkwang School in Essen and worked with Professors Urbach, Poetter, Roessingh, Kriete and Holub over a five-semester period.

In Holland she received instruction and worked with Louis van Soest in The Hague and Charley Toorop in Bergen. She became a working member of one of the oldest art clubs in Holland, *Kunst-zy-ons-doel*. Ms van Cleeff has contributed to the yearly group exhibition of KZOD in Holland in the old Fish-hall and Meat-hall in Haarlem.

She has also had exhibitions in Holland at the House of van Looy and galleries Leffelaar, The Good Hour, Facet (Amsterdam), The Anchor (Haserwoude), City Hall (Bloemendaal) and Concert Hall (Haarlem).

In Canada, Ms van Cleeff joined the group exhibition with Neerland Art Quebec in 1981 and 1984 and has also shown at the Volunteer Bureau Montreal (Lakeshore) and under the auspices of the Rotary Club at Victoria Hall.

The public is encouraged to attend the show at the library. Hours are Monday to Thursday, 10 am to 9:30 pm; Friday, 10 am to 6 pm.

Smashed

A window at the rear of Kinh Do restaurant, 4022 St Catherine street, was found broken Friday morning, police report. Damage was listed at \$50.

176 Lakeshore road in Pointe Claire. Call 630-1220.

House work

An exhibition of 50 pieces of porcelain by Harlan House will be shown at the Canadian Guild of Crafts Quebec, 2025 Peel street, until Sept 10. The influence of the masters of the Sung Dynasty shows up in House's work through the blending of "classical elegance in line to a contemporary simplicity in form." For information, call 849-6091.

Berlin held over

Berliner Songspiel is a collection of songs by Kurt Weill, Hans Eisler and Paul Dessau, with texts by Bertold Brecht, Frank Wedekind, Maurice Magre and Erich Kastner. It is neither a play nor a recital, but rather a "presentation of the songs of Berlin, each as a miniature work of theatre in its own right." Sung by Neil Barclay, François Godin, Karin Randoja, Marjorie Smith, Marie-Josée Theriault and Peter Thompson, it has been held over until Saturday at Morrice Hall of McGill University, 3485 McTavish street. Tickets are \$10, \$6 for students and seniors. Call 398-6578 for reservations or information.

Black Rock café


The Black Rock Community Centre will hold three Café Theatres, on Fridays, Aug 12, 19 and 26. This Friday, Mark Lydon, on guitar, is joined by singer Scott Armstrong. Lead singer and composer for the country-rock group The Darned, Donna Lee Marsh will be reading *Blood River* and other original poems. The shows get under way at 8 pm. Black Rock Café Theatre will be held at 5365 LaSalle boulevard in Verdun. For information call 768-9003.

Passion begins

Gratien Gélinas' play *The Passion of Narcisse Mondoux* continues at the Piggery until Aug 27. Show times are Tuesdays to Fridays at 8:30 pm, Saturdays at 6 pm and 9:30 pm. The Piggery is located in North Hatley. Call (819) 842-2191 for ticket information.

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See Westmount via walking tour

Heritage Montreal and Save Montreal are presenting a number of walking mobile workshops this summer.

One named *Older Westmount* was held on July 23 and will be repeated on Sunday, Aug 28, at 2 pm.

The tour leaves from Atwater avenue and de Maisonneuve boulevard and takes in Victorian mansions and the city's parks.

The workshop is two hours long and will take place regardless of the weather.

The fee is \$4 for Heritage Montreal members and \$5 for other participants. This is a contribution to both organizations responsible for the program.

For more information, call 282-2069.



WHAT'S COOKING? Westmount residents, from left, Rhoda Granatstein, Rhoda Vineberg and Carole-Ann Levine, chairman, are planning menus for the *Night of 100 Dinners* being organized by the Women's Division of the Combined Jewish Appeal for Oct 12. Guests will attend a cocktail reception to be hosted by Westmount residents Norma and Jack Cummings. In 100 households, preparations are under way to provide individual dining experiences for the event. The various exotic menus will be announced prior to Oct 12 so that guests can select the meal they find most appealing.

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Jewish Library hosts lectures

The Jewish Public Library will present a two-part slide presentation on "The stereotype of Jews in cinema" with Stan Asher on Tuesday, Aug 16, and Thursday, Aug 18, at 8 pm, in the Joseph and Ida Berman auditorium.

Mr Asher teaches film at John Abbott College and will provide the commentary to slides exploring how the history of film has portrayed the Jews.

Regular admission is \$3 for each part or \$5 for both. Seniors pay \$2 for each part or \$3 for both.

For more information, call 735-6535.

The Best Age

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DOROTHY SIROTA



One of my kind readers sent me an interesting article with the comment that the information might be useful to others. I heartily agree with her.

The article was written by Karen Romell, appeared in a B.C. paper and tells the story of Norm Rolston of Burnaby, B.C. He has invented a marvellous aid for people who have trouble walking.

He and his wife were on holiday in Norway when they noticed several people using wheeled walkers. It seems that the Scandinavian countries are much ahead of us in developing ways of improving mobility for elderly or disabled persons. Rolston promptly got the idea of getting such a walker for his elderly aunt, who suffers from two arthritic knees.

Back home, Rolston got to work and, with some help from an engineer and after a few false starts, he designed a sturdy, adjustable walker, based on some of the principles he'd picked up in Norway. He now has components made for him in Taiwan, Toronto and Burnaby. The walker is assembled at his business office on Beta avenue. Rolston calls his invention the Easy Walker, and it's only been on the market for the past three years.

Actually, the walker looks like a small shopping wagon, the kind that has four wheels and a little basket on the front. It can even be used as a seat, as the basket comes with a cover. This is a very efficient instrument that doesn't require the lifting most walkers do. It's also more solid, comes equipped with brakes and a bell, which tends to give confidence to the user. And it does look more like a shopping cart than an aid to walking.

The inventor claims that developing the walker is probably the most satisfying thing he's ever done and

"supplies freedom and independence to people who might otherwise be denied these things in life."

The reader who sent me the story has only recently become the owner of one of these Easy Walkers. Fortunately for her, she has a relative in B.C. who heard about it and, after some communication, the decision to buy was made.

There is not yet an outlet for the Easy Walker in Montreal, but if you are interested in exploring the idea for yourself or for a relative, you can write to the company: Easy Walker Ltd, 16-2350 Beta avenue, Burnaby BC V5C 5M8. The walker, as of two weeks ago, cost \$125 plus \$31 transportation cost by Voyageur Bus which brought it in.

I gather Mr Rolston is as much interested in his customers as he is in selling his walkers, so if you want to know more about it, do write to him. Or if you'd rather be in touch with me about it, I'd be glad to follow up for you. I did visit the woman who owns the Easy Walker, and I'm really sold on it!

It's time once again to think of the fall season and the exciting table d'hôte of courses available to seniors at Concordia University.

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I'm not just speaking of courses but also of degrees and credits. Seniors have the choice of auditing regular courses in the arts and sciences faculty, with absolutely no assignments or exams required; or, as in the past, over-60s can work towards a certificate, a degree or a diploma, and scholarships are available. Also, those over 65 may register for a regular course in the arts and sciences and pay only \$16.50 for a one-term course.

For people who are new to this program, important dates to note are Aug 16, 17 and 18 from 10 am to 2 pm. At that time, you are required to present yourself with proof of age and citizenship or landed immigrant status. Registration for the courses is on Aug 24, 25 and 29, from 10 am to 4:30 pm, and it all takes place at the Hall building, Concordia University, Centre for Mature Students, room H-462-11, 1455 de Maisonneuve west (Métro Guy-Concordia).

Horticultural groups hold annual show

The combined West End and Montreal West Horticultural Societies' annual flower and vegetable show will be held in the hall of the Wesley United Church, 5964 N.D.G. avenue (corner Royal), on Aug 17 and 18.

The show will be open to the public from 8 to 9:30 pm on Wednesday and from 2 to 4 pm and 7:30 to 9 pm on Thursday.

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For more information, please contact Nancy Lamont, 484-7961; Edda Mack, 484-6986; or Mary Sawczyn, 489-0480.

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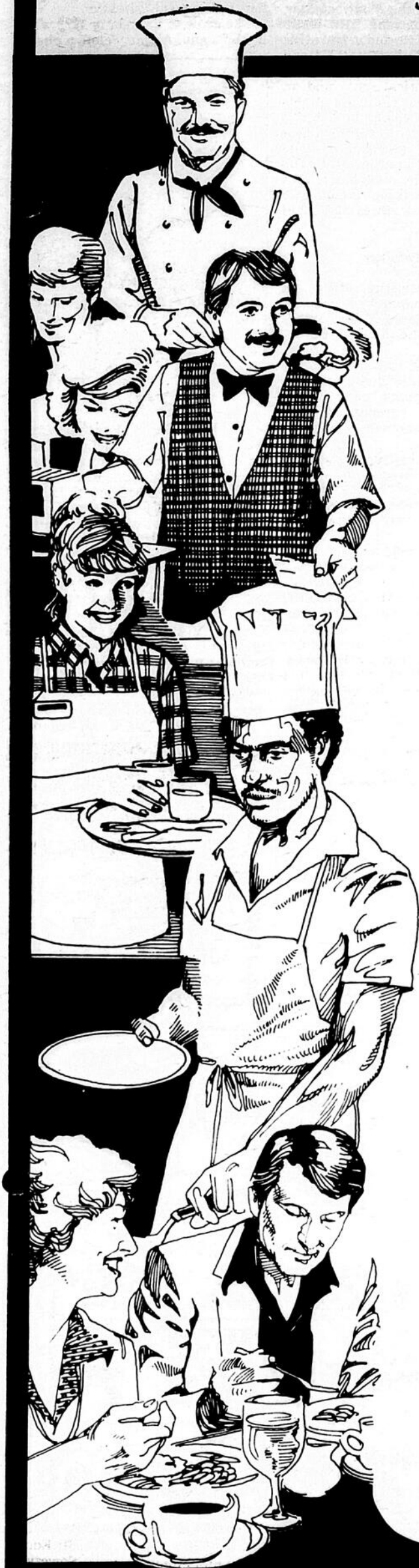


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Four prominent local cartoonists will exhibit their work in Arts Westmount's 1988 cartoon exhibition, which will open Monday, Sept 26, in Westmount Public Library.

Harry Mayerovitch, Judy Yelon, Terry Mosher and Ferg Gadzala will show selected cartoons and caricatures with a Westmount theme. Some historical cartoons by other cartoonists related to Westmount will also be displayed, including antique cartoons from Mr Mosher's private collection.

What are cartoonists like in real life? Are they witty creatures who crack jokes as easily as they breathe? On balance, the answer is yes. Cartoonists are much more hilarious than you and I. Westmount, blessed with no less than four of these rare court jesters, might just be the laugh capital of Canada.

Harry Mayerovitch

Harry Mayerovitch has been called a Renaissance man so many

By CARA MACNAUGHTON

times that he has lost count.

An architect and town planner by training (BArch McGill 1933), Mr Mayerovitch retired three years ago at the age of 75, only to find himself lured back to his profession by one project after another. He has just finished a house on Côte St Antoine road and is considering another residential project in Town of Mount Royal.

He is also a painter, a sculptor, a cartoonist, a poet, a former university professor, and the author of five books.

Three separate workrooms in his home — a studio where he draws and paints, a computer installation where he writes, and a workshop for

tend to be similar. Whether you express an idea by painting or by poetry is a matter of choosing which language is more appropriate."

Mr Mayerovitch's career as a cartoonist spans more than half a century. His works have been published in numerous newspapers and magazines, including the *Montreal Star*, *Le Jour de Montréal*, *THE WESTMOUNT EXAMINER*, and in two of his own books, *The Other One* (1973) and *Jibes, Jabs & Jeers* (1987).

A strong political sense and an acid-dipped pen characterize Mr Mayerovitch's cartoons both today and 50 years ago. His 1939 drawing of British prime minister Neville Chamberlain as a music-hall floozie dancing to Hitler and Mussolini's tunes bears a striking resemblance to his recent caricatures of Ronald Reagan.

Judy Yelon

Judy Yelon is a petite, soft-spoken woman whose manner reveals just a hint of the professional cartoonist's skeptical eye and iconoclastic approach.

"I'm not political at all," she insists, meanwhile displaying cartoons of politicians, bankers and brokers whose caricatured faces look slightly inhuman, subtly unpleasant.

"Judy's work has a pixie sense of humor and a gentleness rarely seen among cartoonists," says Mr Mayerovitch. "She has a very sure and appropriate sense of life in a small community."

This dual approach also characterizes Mrs Yelon's professional life. For 14 years, she was both proofreader and cartoonist for *THE WESTMOUNT EXAMINER*. Wearing one hat, she applied the rules, ruthlessly blue-pencilling copy for spelling and grammatical mistakes. Under her other and more mordant hat, she published one cartoon after another that dug, ever so gently, at the vitals of life in Westmount.

"Judy Yelon's work displays an exquisite craftsmanship. There's never anything rough or savage

about her cartoons, and this makes them ideal for a small city like Westmount where life is, on the whole, pretty harmonious," says another longtime Westmount resident.

Born and raised in New York City, Mrs Yelon prefers the slower pace of life in Canada. "I am very happy here in Montreal," she says.

She came to Canada in 1972 with her husband, Arthur Yelon, a physi-

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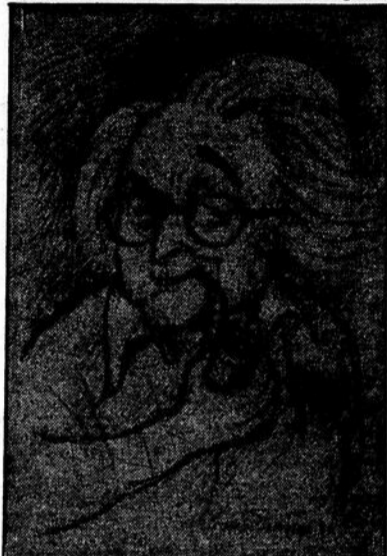
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Mayerovitch by Mayerovitch

large projects — plus his architect's office in Westmount are arranged so that Mr Mayerovitch can pursue all his careers comfortably.

"When I wake up in the morning I can decide what I'm going to do that day. As I grow older I trust my impulses," he says, explaining that moving from one art form to another is relatively easy to do.

"Each art form has its own rules, its own order and sequence, and they



Yelon by Yelon

cist who teaches at Montreal's École Polytechnique, and their two children. Dr Yelon's previous university appointments had taken the family to Grenoble, France and to Israel's Weizmann Institute.

Mrs Yelon has a degree in art history from Barnard University and studied fine art at Cooper Union in New York.

Terry Mosher

Terry Mosher is the name behind Aislin, the nom de plume Mr Mosher adopted more than 20 years ago after the birth of his daughter Aislin.

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ists and students visit him often." To prove his point, Mr Arsenault produced a handful of recent magazine articles about the man the world knows as Aislin. Mr Mosher was born in Ottawa in 1942. He attended 14 different schools in Toronto, Montreal and Quebec City and admits to being expelled from one for possession of marijuana before he graduated from Quebec's École des Beaux-Arts.

At first glance, the articles preferred by Mr Arsenault as Aislin's official biography give the impression of a colorful outlaw equipped with pen instead of pistol, a restless Kerouac of caricature.

Then the dates begin to click. In 1967, when Mr Mosher settled down to his first full-time job at the *Montreal Star*, the young cartoonist was only 25 years old. He has been a professional cartoonist ever since. He did take a year off in 1971 to travel in Europe, but he didn't do Paris in picturesque poverty like Henry Miller and George Orwell. Mr Mosher studied political cartooning under a comfortable Canada Council grant.

His numerous trips abroad since then were not so much exotic adventures as working assignments in the Soviet Union, Cuba, Northern Ireland, the U.S. and Canada.

Let the official literature breezily present Aislin as a rake, a "one-time street artist who has come a long way." Westmounters know their neighbor better. Mr Mosher is an immensely dedicated, disciplined and productive artist.

Ferg Gadzala

Ferg Gadzala draws with high-voltage speed, generating some caricatures in the blink of an eye.

His conversation is a string of verbal cartoons and zany pictures reeled off with the same incandescent energy.

"Canada has more talented cartoonists per capita than any other country in the world," Mr Gadzala says. "We're the gold medallist in the Olympics of cartooning."

"Cartoons are a form of graffiti," he continues. "They're what the man in the street says when he sees power being misused. That's why cartoons



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FERG GADZALA**

Gadzala by Gadzala

and caricatures tend to be abrasive."

Mr Gadzala likens the cartoonist to a dumb-waiter. "Down below, the caricaturist listens to what the servants in the kitchen are saying. Then he goes upstairs where the establishment is gathered. In both places he hears and sees everything."

Mr Gadzala, who recently joined THE EXAMINER as a cartoonist, finds the city of Westmount "very erotic."

"I don't mean the people," he says. "I mean the light, the air, the green trees, the open spaces, and the lack of people. It's very erotic."

His fast pen and faster mouth recently landed Mr Gadzala a job as resident cartoonist and coach for actor Keith Carradine when the movie *The Moderns* was filmed in Montreal. Carradine plays a cartoonist living in 1926 Paris and New York. The character frequents a café whose walls are lined with an exquisite series of Mr Gadzala's cartoons drawn in the languid art deco style of the '20s.

Born in eastern Europe just after the Second World War, Mr Gadzala came to Canada when he was three and grew up in Toronto. Although he did attend art school, he won't divulge which one.

"I didn't learn anything in art school that I use in my work today," he explains.

Mr Gadzala moved to Montreal in 1978.

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and Terry Mosher has become an international celebrity, recognized worldwide as one of Canada's most talented cartoonists. His work is syndicated in over 50 Canadian newspapers and magazines plus countless others in the U.S. and England. He has published 18 books.

Mr Mosher guards his private life zealously. His neighbors are often unaware that he has lived quietly in Westmount with his wife and two children for many years.

The cartoonist himself was away on holiday at the time this article was written. Peter Arsenault, his amiable research assistant at *The Gazette*, filled in, discounting a tongue-in-cheek suggestion that Mr



Aislin by Aislin

Mosher had arranged to be out of the country to avoid publicity.

"Terry welcomes interviews in his office," Mr Arsenault said. "Journal-

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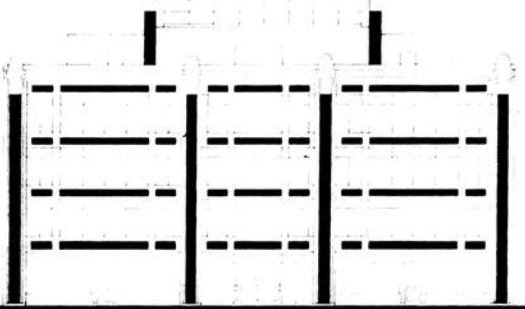
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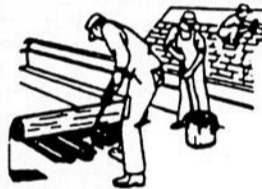
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Former deputy police chief Herbert Ward dies

Funeral services were held Tuesday in Milton, Ontario, for Herbert (Bunny) Ward, a former deputy chief of the Westmount Police Force who died Sunday at age 76 in the Holton Centennial Manor in Milton.

Mr Ward, who had joined the city as a motorcycle constable in 1938, according to city records, retired in 1968.

He left the force during the Second World War for service in the Canadian armed forces but returned to his job in 1946.

Mr Ward was promoted to the rank of detective in 1949, sergeant detective in 1956, lieutenant detective in 1961 and deputy chief in 1962. At his request two years later, he was re-assigned as liaison officer, becoming an inspector in 1967 until his retirement.

He is survived by two daughters, Bonnie Adlam of Hornby, Ont., and Sandra, of Montreal, as well as two grandchildren.

Mr Ward had lived in Montreal after retirement, later moving to Ontario. He was predeceased by his wife, Pearl Robinson.

Bus bash

A car's side mirror was hit by a bus passing in the opposite direction last Thursday night on The Boulevard at Argyle avenue, police said. The mishap occurred about 10:15 pm as the bus was travelling in an outside lane around a stopped car. The car sustained between \$250 and \$500 damage.

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SENSITIZING THE POLITICIANS: In a plea to city council to have city workers and residents rid Westmount of ragweed, Christiane van Renesse, a regular attender of council meetings, presented these weeds to pro-mayor Peter Duffield, right, at Tuesday night's meeting last week. They were immediately handed over to colleague Stuart Robertson, left, a gardening expert. Phillip Aspinall, whose expertise is finance, got caught in the middle.

City coffers open a crack for summer student workers

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Students working with the city as summer laborers have received a \$1 an hour increase retroactive to the start of their work this season, city officials report.

The pay hike to \$6 an hour follows representation by a group of summer workers who sought \$2 an hour more.

The increase applies only to summer help doing laboring work for the public works and light and power departments, city director general Peter Patenaude told THE EXAMINER.

Other outdoor jobs continue to be paid the following hourly rates: pool lifeguards \$6.00-\$6.50; attendants at the adult tennis courts \$5.00 and "summer fun" counsellors \$5.85.

A complete review of pay rates for summer help is to be undertaken during preparation of the 1989 budget, Mr Patenaude said.

The matter has been discussed by city council in general committee following the letter of July 11 to the city from its young summer laborers in parks and roads jobs. They claimed to be the lowest paid summer workers in the Montreal area and submitted a comparison of pay rates.

The city generally paid its "student" laborers \$5 an hour before the increase. Workers in other jobs, such as those hired under the federal government's Challenge '88 program, earned varying amounts.



NUTMEG'S HOLIDAY: Since every city cat needs to get away to the country for the dog days of summer, May Cutler's calico feline took her vacation in Brossard while "mother mayor" went to France. Nutmeg was introduced to the great outdoors in the rear yard of Her Worship's city hall secretary, Louise Brossard. There, the cat had her first- ever fling at catching butterflies, playing with other cats and sleeping in the shade of a cauliflower garden. Nutmeg's life is now back to a regular city routine lazing about inside her Westmount home.

Council admits restrictions cannot be enforced at park pond

Surveillance of the Melville avenue pond in Westmount Park is almost an impossible task, city officials conceded at Tuesday night's council meeting last week.

"The pond is being abused," Peter Patenaude, city director general, said. "There's everything under the sun although it's basically a sailing pond."

Difficulties in enforcing the no-wading and no-swimming rules were explained in reply to a plea for strict-

er surveillance from citizen Christiane van Renesse.

"I see skinheads, bikers and bikes... they are all going in," she said, adding that rarely did she see public safety officers in the area.

"I agree lots of people use it," said Councillor Stuart Robertson. He said he had seen public safety officers there, but as soon as they leave, everyone goes back in the water.

"We can either shut everything down or pull people off to jail,"

quipped pro-mayor Peter Duffield. "Then all hell breaks loose and the bleeding hearts come out. It's a question of judgment, I guess."

After the same issue was raised in the council chamber several years ago, park workers were directed to add some chlorine to the water as a safeguard for those who did venture into the pond.

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Good news, bad news in Queen E Hospital report

The Queen Elizabeth Hospital ended its year with an operating deficit, sends its laundry to Granby, is due for an accreditation review, has established a task force on its nursing resources and is still in business.

These were some of the points covered in the report of the president of the hospital's board of directors, presented at the 93rd annual meeting held June 9.

Westmount resident and city councillor Phillip Aspinall, now entering his 14th year as president of the board, reported that the hospital's operating deficit for the year was in excess of \$300,000 — a considerable change over the more than \$90,000

operating surplus of the previous year.

The administration has been asked to submit a "plan de redressement" to the provincial government. Mr Aspinall reported that the only solution appears to be the closure of 30 to 40 hospital beds.

Funds to replace "aging laundry equipment" not being provided by the government, the hospital has contracted out its laundry requirements and has rebuilt its laundry facilities as part of the receiving/shipping area. The new structure has been designed so that, should funds become available, a six-storey hospital extension could be built on it.

The laundry is done in Granby. Mr Aspinall's report examined the hospital's various funding sources and amounts. It also described special events held during the year.

No residents

The McGill department of medicine has discontinued its residency program at the QEH and Mr Aspinall praised the house staff and interns for maintaining hospital services.

A strategic planning committee, formed last year, has made progress but, says Mr Aspinall's report, is not quite ready to go public with its plans.

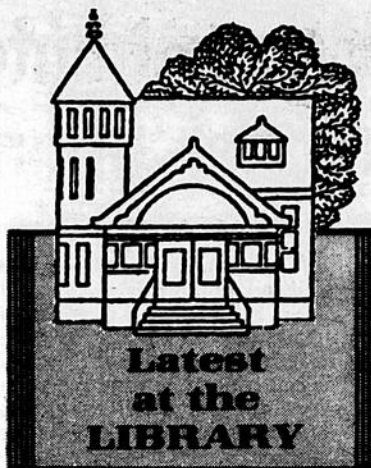
A task force to examine the nursing resources of the QEH has submitted its report and its recommendations are being considered by the board of directors.

Volunteers, reported the president of the board, contributed 34,662 hours of their time to various hospital activities. They and the members of the hospital Auxiliary were thanked for their efforts.

This fall the QEH is due for a review by the Canadian Council on Hospital Accreditation. Attention has been particularly directed to quality assurance in the hospital since this was the subject of recommendations after the last review, two years ago.

In concluding his report, Mr Aspinall said, "It has become somewhat of a ritual between the executive director and me for him to call after I have returned from one of my many trips elsewhere, and say, 'Well, there are plenty of problems but we are still in business!'"

Besides Mr Aspinall, Westmount residents who are members of the QEH board of directors are David Mackenzie, Dr Wendy MacDonald and vice-president Thomas Price.



The following titles are new at the Westmount Public Library this week:

English fiction

Constance Beresford-Howe, *Prospero's daughter*; Barbara Taylor Bradford, *To be the best*; Elmore Leonard, *Freaky Deaky* (mystery); Gabriel Marquez, *Love in the time of cholera*; Robert B. Parker, *Crimson joy* (mystery).

English non-fiction

Kenneth H. Blanchard, *The power of ethical management*; Patrick Blednick, *Another day in paradise?*; Robert Bothwell, *Nucleus*; Marlin Bree, *In the teeth of the northeaster*; Bryn Frank, *Short walks in English towns*; Paul Horgan, *A writer's eye*; Harold L. Klawans, *Toscanini's fumble*; James Lees-Milne, *Venetian evenings*; George Martin, *Aspects of Verdi*; Dr. Paula Moynahan, *Cosmetic surgery for women*; Abraham Rabinowich, *The boats of Cherbourg*; Carl Edmund Rollyson, *Lillian Hellman*; Robert Schacter, *When your child is afraid*.

French non-fiction

Dominique Desanti, *Sonia Delaunay*; Françoise Kayler, *Guide des bons restaurants 1988*; Francis Kelly, *Tout ce qu'on apprend vraiment à Harvard Business School*; Nonie Niese-wand, *Chambres et salles de bain*; José Luis Villalonga, *Ma vie est une fête*.

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Un appel lancé aux paroissiens de St-Léon

Au début de l'année 1988, la communauté chrétienne de St-Léon recevait un jeune couple de réfugiés vietnamiens. Au mois de mars, M. Nguyen et Mme Binh avaient la joie d'accueillir l'enfant qu'ils désiraient. Le parrainage de cette famille s'est fait par le Comité en place et le projet s'est financé avec des fonds recueillis il y a cinq ans pour le parrainage de Van Thai Le.

Aucun appel n'a été fait aux paroissiens pour soutenir cette nouvelle démarche communautaire. Un besoin urgent se fait sentir puisque nous n'avons en caisse que la somme de 255\$. Il faut prévoir pour huit mois encore le loyer (350\$ par mois) et le budget hebdomadaire (nourriture, entretien), objectif de 2,800\$.

Tous les paroissiens qui souhaiteraient apporter une aide financière et aider cette famille de réfugiés à vivre sont priés d'adresser leur chèque ou leur envoi à Comité des Réfugiés, Paroisse St-Léon, 4311, boul. de Maisonneuve ouest, Westmount H3Z 1L1. Il n'est pas trop tard pour un geste d'amour!

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Combined choirs to give concert

The Boy Singers from Nantes, France, and the Montreal Children's Choir will join in a concert of sacred and classical music at Mary Queen of the World Cathedral tomorrow at 8 pm.

The concert will be conducted by Catherine Metayer from France.

At the closing of the concert, the conductor of the Montreal Children's Choir, Florian Bernard, will conduct both choirs — 90 voices — in a song of joy to the music of Vivaldi's *Four Seasons*.

The Boy Singers of Nantes have

been touring Spain, Germany, Finland, Martinique, Belgium, Portugal and many other countries. This will be their first visit to Quebec.

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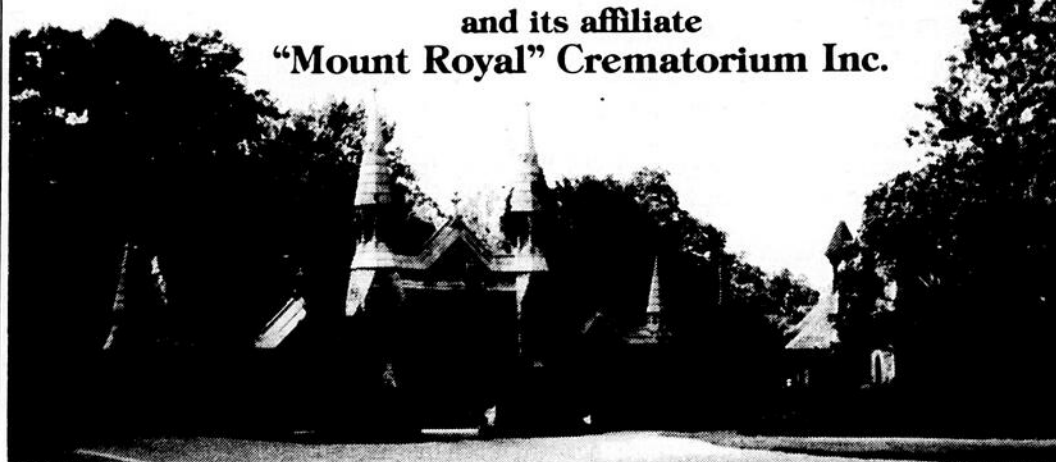
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Mayor finds Nice nice and a touch of home from home

LIKE most tourists, Westmount's mayor just couldn't get far away from home while she spent a recent three-week vacation in Nice to improve her French.

One of the activities she was taken to was a folklore festival, she said.

"Representing Canada was a group from Lachine, paid for by the city and accompanied by a member of the Lachine city council," she explained.

The council member, she said, told her that Lachine spent half its recreation budget on cultural activities and had made an all-out effort to transform the city into a cultural centre.

The Lachine group gave 15 concerts in France at a cost to the city of \$17,000, Mayor Cutler said. The money came from a \$1.4-million-a-year budget for culture.

While in Nice attending a French language school, Mrs Cutler lived with a family and participated in a number of community events. (For some comments by the mayor on her trip, see her column, page five.)

Street sweeper sideswipes cab

A Westmount city worker was ticketed Tuesday last week after the street sweeper he was driving struck a taxi on Dorchester boulevard at Columbia avenue, police said.

He was taken to hospital after banging one wrist and breaking his watch in the collision.

Both vehicles had been travelling east side-by-side about 1:15 pm when the mechanical sweeper suddenly moved left in front of the taxi to attempt a U-turn. The 49-year-old driver was issued a ticket for turning from the wrong lane.

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Westmounter Klein masterminds global 'phone call for peace'

By CHARLES MAPPIN

Students around the globe were linked by telephone to discuss world peace last Friday evening thanks to the efforts of Seth Klein, a 20-year-old Roslyn avenue resident.

The call commemorated the anniversary of the dropping of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima in 1945. As the residents of Hiroshima awoke Saturday morning (7 pm Friday eastern standard time) to the sound of bells chiming to mark the occasion, people around the world were able to listen to the speech of the mayor of Hiroshima. An English version of the speech was read by the principal of the Hiroshima International School.

Mr Klein, a member of Students Against Global Extermination (SAGE), says he spent five weeks working out the logistics of the operation. This involved forming an agenda, sending letters to youth groups around the world and setting up the telephone link.

The entire three-hour call was broadcast in Montreal on the McGill University radio station, CKUT 90.3 FM. It was also heard on community radio stations elsewhere in Canada and the world.



Seth Klein at CKUT (Radio McGill) monitoring the Hiroshima Day international youth conference call Friday evening.

Student speakers

The first hour and a half was international, with students speakers from the U.S.S.R., South Africa, Pakistan, Australia, New Zealand and the United States, among others.

The second part provided a national forum for 19 Canadian students to compare notes on the youth peace movements in their areas and plan election strategies to get peace on the politicians' agendas.

"It was incredible to hear the other students," Mr Klein told THE EXAMINER after the event. "We're all struggling away in our respective countries coming to terms with the same problems. It was inspiring and energizing to hear the others, and to know you're not alone."

Mr Klein was one of four SAGE members who attracted wide media attention when they toured Canada 18 months ago on the Youth Disarmament Tour, giving presentations at high schools and other public assemblies.

The group addressed some 100,000 students across the country on nuclear and peace issues. Its influence led to the formation of similar groups in other cities.

This summer, with a grant from the United Nations Association in

Canada, Mr Klein has been putting together a network of student peace groups world-wide.

Pianissimo

A man living on Carleton avenue was requested to stop playing the piano Tuesday last week following a noise complaint at 1:50 am, public safety officers report. The pianist complied.

Floral vandal

Someone left behind a shovel and broom after digging up flowers at 467 Mount Pleasant avenue Saturday, public safety officers report. The lawn also was found to have been damaged.



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Recreation announces programs new this fall

Have you ever wanted to learn how to twirl a baton, do a Scottish reel or a Highland fling, arrange a beautiful bouquet of flowers or even study the fine movements of Tai-Chi?

If so, your chance will soon come as the Westmount recreation department plans its new fall programs. Along with such popular courses as elderobics (aerobics for senior citizens), line dancing and chess, the following new courses are being offered this year:

- Scottish country dancing at the beginners level will be offered to all adults on Wednesdays from 2:30 to 3:30 pm in Victoria Hall. Children aged 6 to 11 can participate in beginners' fling, sword and other Scottish Highland dances starting at 3:34;
- Japanese flower arranging will be held Fridays from 1 to 3 pm for adults;

- Tai Chi for beginners has been tentatively scheduled for Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 pm. Emphasis will be on deep relaxation and revitalization of one's physical energy;

- Baton twirling and majorette drill is scheduled for Thursdays at 3:30 pm for children six and up;

- A creative craft and play hour for young children between two and five years old will be held Mondays from 10 to 11 am with parents in attendance; and

- Arts and craft classes for children six to nine are scheduled for Mondays and Fridays from 3:30 to 5 pm.

Registration for all these courses will be held Sept 9 and 10 at the recreation office in the arena. More information can be obtained from Beverly Adams at 935-8531 (local 212).

Leaking water main spreads its effects

A broken water main on Montrose avenue resulted in several calls to the fire department over the weekend as water surfaced in several locations, fire officials said.

Requests for emergency repair work were reported to have been made to water crews as the situation worsened.

Firefighters were called first at 5:11 pm Saturday to 4444 Montrose, at Aberdeen avenue, for a noise in a pipe. Although the problem was traced to what appeared to be a burst water entry pipe, no flooding was reported in the area and the Mont-real Water Works was informed.

The next day, at 1:18 pm, firemen

were called to civic number 4449 where water was found issuing from the front lawn and running into the street.

At 3:59 pm, another call to the fire department from 15 Forden avenue revealed water gushing out the base of a pole at the rear of 48 Church Hill. The water was believed to be running down the hill underground from Montrose.

Again water crews were prevailed upon to send an emergency crew.

It was not known if a subsequent call to 4371 Montrose Monday morning for a burst water pipe was associated with the same problem.

New technique to be used in resurfacing Lexington

Lexington avenue will be getting a new surface thanks to a recycling process never before used on Westmount streets.

The process, known as scarification and hot surface recycling, will smooth out the asphalt, thereby putting off reconstruction of the street for another 10 years, city officials say.

Cheaper than laying down a completely new surface, the process involves scraping off the surface material, heating it up, adding a rejuvenating agent and putting the

material back down. An inch and a half of new asphalt is then added on top to increase durability. This method has been used successfully by the City of Montreal for several years.

Repairs to the sidewalks and driveway ramps on Lexington will be carried out next week and the resurfacing is expected to be done the following week. The process should only take a few days, officials say.

At its public meeting Aug 2, city council approved a tender by Pavage D'Asphalte Beaver Ltée for the work in the amount of \$34,635. Three other tenders were received, ranging in price to \$54,700.

If the process proves successful, the city may use it to resurface Westmount avenue next summer.



Tennis alert: serve clinic next Saturday

Tennis players who need to brush up on their service will have the opportunity to do so at a tennis serving clinic scheduled for next Saturday afternoon at the Westmount Park junior courts.

Two tennis pros will be on hand to teach proper techniques and to clock the velocity of serves with a computerized radar gun. The \$3 fee covers the instruction, a written evaluation of each individual's serve and a souvenir T-shirt.

The event — which is sponsored by Asics shoes, André Lalonde Sports and Fischer Sporting Goods — takes place Saturday, Aug 20, between 1 and 3 pm. For more information contact the Westmount recreation department at 935-8531.

Toy revolver looks too real

A 16-year-old Westmount boy was cautioned against playing with a toy gun Wednesday last week after he frightened a neighbor, police said.

The incident occurred about 6:40 pm when police were called by someone at 331 Clarke avenue for an armed youth on the roof of a nearby building on Sherbrooke street.

The boy was located and explained that he had been playing with a toy revolver, which he showed constables. The consequences of such actions were explained to both the youth and his mother.

A GIANT OF A MATCH: The Westmount arena has all sorts of games available to holders of Westmount recreation passes. Among others is the mega-checker game which Michael and Alex are playing as Cameron looks on.

Westmount to be active in Quebec Ice Hockey Federation

The recreation department has decided to become an active member in the West-Luc zone of the Lac St Louis region in the Quebec Ice Hockey Federation.

In the past, Westmount has sent some players to participate at the AA and CC levels, both for atom through midget players. Westmount has not, however, donated any ice time to the program so local residents who participated had to pay an additional fee.

This year, the city is giving three hours of ice time per week to the West-Luc Saints, AA and CC squads. All resident youths will have a chance to play on the two teams, which are picked from players living in Côte St Luc, Ville St Pierre, Montreal West, Hampstead and Westmount.

By becoming a full-fledged member of the organization, the city has the right to put a member on the executive committee overseeing the two inter-municipal leagues. Westmount will not host any of the AA action this year, but will see plenty

of CC games and practices.

Tryouts for the AA level are to start Aug 22 in the Côte St Luc arena. The CC tryouts are scheduled for September. Anyone interested can contact Peter Wallace at 935-8531 (local 320).

Registration for Westmount's hockey house leagues will take place Sept 9 and 10.

Magic carpets take flight

Two Oriental carpets were reported stolen from outside a house on Sunnyside avenue Wednesday last week where they had been put out to dry, police said. They were valued together at \$990.

The theft was discovered at 4:30 pm when the cleaning woman went to bring in the rugs. They were described as measuring 3x5 and 3x4 feet.

Collectibles taken in \$24,000 theft

Stamps and Canadian gold coins were among items taken in a \$24,000 heist from a dentist's office at 1 Westmount Square over the weekend July 29-Aug 1, police report.

The collections had recently been removed from a bank safety deposit box.

A watch, cash and dental scrap gold also were stolen.

The burglary was discovered at 8 am Monday last week. No sign of forced entry could be found and it was believed that the door had been opened either by picking the lock or using a master key, police said.

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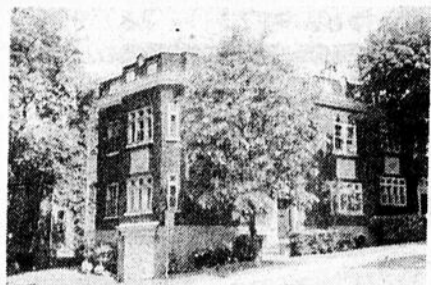
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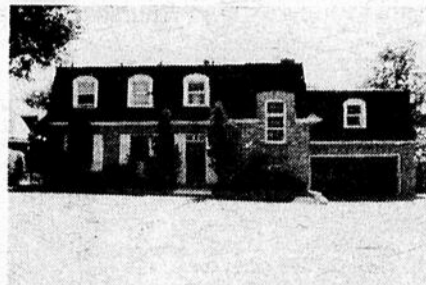
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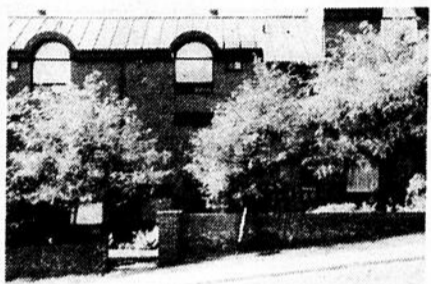
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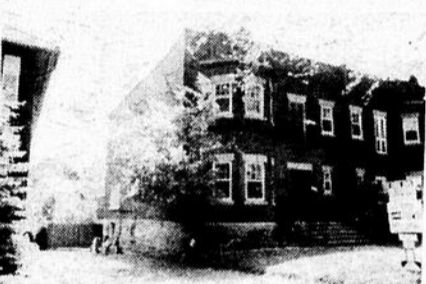
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