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Former Granby mayor sticking to business

Duchesneau will not be candidate for Canadian Alliance

to run as a candidate for the Canadian Alliance. "You don't spend seven years in municipal politics without neglecting other obligations," Duchesneau said. "Now I must spend more time with my business."

By Maurice Crossfield
 After several weeks of reflection, former Granby mayor Michel Duchesneau has decided not

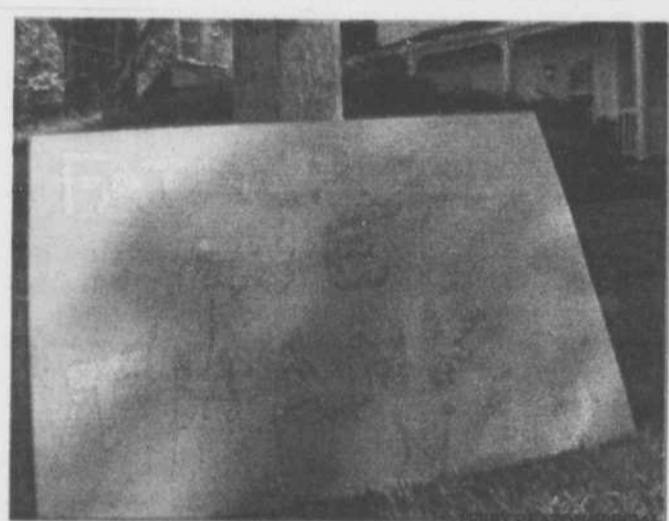
Duchesneau met with Canadian Alliance leader Stockwell Day earlier in the summer to discuss running
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Wild About Turkey... and Boar, Pheasant...



Richard Boisjoli's farm, L'Entreprise de la Chasse aux Sangliers, is gaining a reputation as one of the better places to hunt wild boar, turkey and pheasant. Shown here with his children, Boisjoli will feature his animals at a special exhibition of non-traditional agriculture at the Richmond County Fair this week. See The Record's special fair supplement on Thursday.

Sleazy Signage



Not all signs posted over the Labour Day weekend in Lennoxville to welcome students back to college and university were this innocuous. (Although these sign painters should ask their English prof the difference between plural and possessive.) Other postings were downright offensive - see our letters page - and were not representative of the climate of respect that exists between the vast majority of students.

ET buses not affected by bad brake scare

By Shawn Berry
 Autobus Thomas Inc., of Drummondville did not sell any buses in Quebec which were equipped with the Bendix brakes that Thomas Built Buses Inc. issued a warning about on the weekend. "Not one of the buses we sold in Quebec is equipped with that sys-

tem," said Bernard Dubé, president and director-general of Autobus Thomas. "In Quebec, buses are usually ordered with hydraulic brakes, he explained. The Bendix brakes are actually air brakes. Georges Charron, director of transportation for the Val-des-Cerfs School Board, which handles transportation for about 2,500

Eastern Townships School Board students in the western sector, said their fleet of buses is not affected. "There are none in Val-des-Cerfs," Charron said. A spokesperson for ETSB, which handles busing for the remaining students, was unavailable for comment.



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Weighing the financial costs of incarceration

The cost of one career criminal is close to \$1 million.

The recent sentencing of a repeat sex offender as a Dangerous Offender (DO) could easily end up costing Canadian taxpayers the tidy sum of \$1 million. But then, had he not received the unusual indeterminate sentence the costs to society could even be higher.

How about the other 33,000 or so adult prisoners who are serving time in our federal penitentiaries and provincial jails? Their room and board together with the usual amenities also take a significant chunk of our tax dollars. Provincial governments spend close to \$40,000 a year to house each inmate in their prison systems while Correctional Services Canada disburses almost \$48,000 per inmate. Although they represent only a quarter of the total correctional caseload, they absorb 80 per cent of the \$2 billion budget required to operate Canada's adult federal and provincial correctional systems.

WHY SO MUCH ?

So how is it that a couple with two children can get by on an annual budget of \$44,000, and yet the same amount is required for just one average prisoner? Aside from the costs of food, shelter, clothing, health and dental care, vocational, leisure, rehabilitation and educational programs, nearly half of the cost of incarceration can be attributed to security measures, including 24-hour supervision.

Even the Supreme Court has gotten in the act

Considering our national crime rate and high cost of our prison population, it is little wonder their soaring numbers attract so much concern.

Even the judges of our highest court have made it clear where they stand. Last year, in an unrelated case, they condemned our prison system

for doing little rehabilitation despite its horrendous costs. "Most offenders are neither violent nor dangerous," the judges said. "Their behavior is not likely to be improved by the prison experience."

MUCH HIGHER PRISON POPULATION IN THE US

While Canada's overall incarceration rate (adult and youth) has declined slightly, it remains on a per capita basis, second only to the United States. The U.S. Justice Department estimates that by the end of this year there will be 2,073,969 people behind bars in the U.S. - more than double the number held during the previous 12 years. When it comes to their prison costs, they are just as mind boggling. During the last 12 years they have vaulted from \$12 billion to \$24.6 billion with no end in sight.

One U.S. study found that their incarceration rate plays such a distorting role in the labor market, that their unemployment rate would be two per cent higher if prisoners and jail inmates were counted.

WHY THE UPWARD TREND IN THE U.S.?

Although tougher legislation in the U.S. has been successful in bringing down the national crime rate it also had the effect of increasing the number of prisoners. Mandatory-minimum sentences, "three strikes" mandatory life-sentence, longer sentences, reduced use of parole, increased arrests, reimprisonment of parole violators, improved efficiency by the police in solving crimes all account for the rising inmate population.

DIFFERENT SOLUTIONS TO CUT SPIRALING COSTS ?

Just as the many experts disagree on how to deal with the huge cost of



HENRY R. KEYSERLINGK

housing prisoners, Canada and the U.S. are no exceptions - they both follow different policies in their efforts to tackle the same problem.

While the vogue in the U.S. consists of building cost efficient and no-frill prisons via long-term privatization, Canada favors cheaper alternatives for non violent, low risk offenders. They include probation, early release policies, community-based sanctions, early parole, halfway houses, offenders serving their prison sentences at home, all of which have lower price tags varying between \$1825. and \$33,000 per year.

The Quebec Government has gone one step further by simply closing down many of the provincial jails, cutting staff and relying more and more on part-time guards who earn much less but often lack sufficient training.

PROPOSALS, SOME MORE INTERESTING THAN OTHERS

The endless debate on how to get a proper handle on the high cost of our prison population has produced a whole variety of proposals that have little or no connection with the concept of rehabilitation.

Those who believe that work is more rehabilitating than education have suggested that non violent offenders be obliged to put in 40 hours a week on community work details under the watchful eye of supervisors. Their tasks would include fixing roads, painting houses, picking up rubbish and sweeping streets, and performing other community work.

Then there are those who see no valid reason why inmates should be such a drain on taxpayers. Less concerned about the rehabilitation factor, they believe that prisoners should "pay their own way" through work and at the same time contribute to victim compensation as well as to the support of their families.

Further down the line there are

those who envisage inmate workers as the ideal lower-paid, low-skill American labor force that is needed to compete against Third World workers.

Some experts believe that education is the only effective way to lowering prison costs while reducing recidivism in the long run. They add that by keeping prisoners busy during classes they would require less supervision and hence, less officers on the payroll.

Experience has proven that it is much easier to come up with proposals to reduce prison costs than it is to anticipate their long term impact on the horrendous costs of crime. It is estimated that the costs to society of just one high-risk offender who makes a career of crime, is close to \$1 million.

This includes a number of factors such as lost productivity, compensation, medical care, police and fire services, social services, property loss and damage, and lost quality of life.

Although there is a compelling argument that while criminals are kept behind bars innocent citizens are protected from becoming their victims it does not necessarily follow that by forcing inmates to serve their entire sentence in prison the crime rate would drop. In fact many experts believe that such a policy would dramatically drive up the crime rate as well as prison costs. They claim that the gradual and planned reintegration of low risk offenders into society guarantees a lower rate of recidivism than just "dropping them on the street" after serving their entire sentence within prison walls.

While no one can deny that it costs a lot of money to house our prisoners and perhaps far too much, government officials walk through mine fields each time they implement cost savings policies that result in the premature release of dangerous, high risk, or repeat offenders.

Whenever this occurs the long term costs to innocent citizens can be fatal.

Please send comments to: Henryk@enDirect.qc.ca

Weather

Wednesday.. Sunny. High near 20.

Thursday.. Increasing cloudiness. Low near 9. High near 23.

Friday.. Variable cloudiness. Low near 12. High near 22.

Ben by Daniel Shelton



Police crack down on school-zone speeders

150 motorists stopped for speeding near schools last week

By Shawn Berry
SHERBROOKE

More than 150 motorists were pulled over by Sherbrooke Regional Police Department officers last week in a campaign to slow down motorists traveling near schools. "We stopped 54 people on Tuesday, 52 on Wednesday and 46 on Thursday," explained SRPD spokesman Michel Martin. "On Tuesday we stopped six who were traveling over 90."

After a story appeared Wednesday revealing that a CEGEP student from Sherbrooke had lost his licence while speeding through a school zone, no one was caught speeding over 90 km per hour.

Martin added that the police force's nine-strong motorcycle division will be out in force again this week.

DRUNK-DRIVERS BUSTED

Police had a busy weekend as well, executing 12 warrants and laying charges against seven drunk-drivers. The drunk-drivers were all released.

Martin said the return of university students to the region was without incident.

Foundation helps C'ville nursing home

The Yvonne G. Contat Foundation has given the Centre D'Accueil de Cowansville a donation of \$110,800.

At a ceremony Tuesday morning Yvonne G. Contat representative André Meunier presented Centre D'Accueil board chairman Luc Normandin with the cheque. The money will be used to purchase specialized equipment for the residents of the provincially-run nursing home.

That equipment on the nursing home's shopping list will include such items as geriatric chairs, wheelchairs, medication pumps and bathing aids. These items will improve the quality of life for the clientele, as well as help with rehabilitation.

Last year the Yvonne G. Contat Foundation gave the nursing home \$100,000, which along with other donations, allowed the nursing home to purchase 32 new electric beds.

What's in store for the Manoir Maplewood?

Staff

Waterloo's town council and heritage committee have scheduled a meeting for tonight at 7 p.m. at the town hall to discuss the future of the Manoir Maplewood,

one of the town's oldest and most elegant edifices.

Titled 'What's in Store for Waterloo's Heritage? Should it include Manoir Maplewood?', the meeting is billed as public dis-

cussion animated by mayor Paul Masse and attended by members of the town council and heritage committee, and possibly the owner of Manoir Maplewood.

Duchesneau:

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as a candidate in the riding of Shefford in the next general federal election. The two politicians shared similar views on taxation and debt reduction, though their views differed on social issues such as equal rights for homosexuals and on abortion.

The former mayor did not rule out an eventual foray into federal politics, but said the timing was not right. In June Duchesneau unexpectedly stepped down as mayor, saying at the time that he needed to spend more time with his family and his business. He said he found it impossible to work as both a real estate developer and mayor. Duchesneau said he constantly felt "handcuffed," unable to do either job effectively.

The Quebec Justice Department is continuing an investigation into Duchesneau over allegations of conflict of interest between his two roles. He maintains the investigation will prove him to be innocent.

Duchesneau is best known for wiping out Granby's \$70 million debt load, treating residents to a 40 per cent tax break once the books balanced. All of this accomplished between 1993 and 1999.

Robber Gets Up Close



COURTESY SHERBROOKE POLICE

The Sherbrooke Regional Police Department is appealing to the public to identify a thief who robbed the Dépanneur Couche-Tard on Belvédère South in Ascot around 4 a.m. Saturday. Spotting the store's surveillance camera, the robber stepped up to it in an effort to dislodge it, allowing the lens to capture a better image. The white man, who police say is about 30-years-old, has short, frizzy blond hair. He stands about 5' 6" and weighs approximately 180 lbs. The man went to the convenience store, demanded the money from the cash and made off with a small amount and four cartons of cigarettes. Anyone with information which may help identify the man is requested to call the police department at 821-5544 or 821-5555.

DG's last splash

Staff

The director-general of the Traversée internationale du lac Memphrémagog Denis Bernier, who has held the position for eight years, will leave at the end of September to pursue new projects.

In a statement yesterday, the president of the Traversée, Martin Dusault, thanked Bernier for all his work.

The event's administrative council will begin now to look for a successor for the Traversée's 23rd edition in July 2001.

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BMP drafts plan to expand emergency room

Board will submit request for \$4 million

By Maurice Crossfield

The Brome-Missisquoi-Perkins Hospital is looking to get some \$4 million from the Montérégie regional health board to expand its emergency room facilities next year.

"We are expecting it to be approved," said BMP spokeswoman Josée Darche. "We believe it is a must."

Over the last year alone the number of patients on stretchers in the ER has gone up by 15.5 per cent. With that in mind the board of directors of the hospital has voted to expand and redesign the emergency room, department of medicine and the surgery department.

The expansion was among the projects tabled as part of an action plan for 2000-2001. Included in the action plan were new hirings, namely Michèle Doiron, who has taken over as director of professional services, and Diane Daigle, formerly of the

CLSC La Pommerai, who has taken over as director of nursing.

A new position, that of a nursing liaison between the BMP and La Pommerai, has also been created.

In order to expand and redesign the emergency room, the BMP will need between \$3.5 and \$4 million. That money would have to come from the Régie régional de la santé et des services sociaux de la Montérégie. A formal request to the regional health board will be deposited in December. Darche said the increased traffic in the emergency room should be enough to justify the new investment.

"We hope a decision will be made quite soon so we can start in early 2001," she said.

In the longer term the board of directors will also be developing a long range plan that would stretch until 2010. That plan will have to take into account a further expected increase in traffic at the BMP, due mainly to the region's aging population

BRIEFS

Air raid on rabies

Health officials are reminding the public not to handle vaccine-injected bait which the Quebec Ministry of Health and Social Services will begin dropping from the air this Friday to combat rabies amongst raccoons.

About 90,000 pieces of the bait will be dropped along the border with the United States, along the Richelieu River in the West and along Route 147 from Coaticook to the U.S. border in the East.

About 70 pieces of the special bait will be dropped per square kilometre to provide a defence against any spread of the rabies epidemic in the raccoon population in Vermont.

Anyone who comes into contact with an open or broken bait, should call the CLSC's Info-Santé line.

There have been no reported incidents of rabies among Quebec's raccoon population this year.

The communities concerned are: Abercorn, Barnston West, Bedford, Brome Lake, Coaticook, Dixville, Dun-

ham, Frelighsburg, Henryville, Notre-Dame-de-Stanbrige, Noyan, Ogden, Potton, Saint-Alexandre, Saint-Armand, Saint-Georges-de-Clarenceville, St-Ignace-de-Stanbrige, Saint-Pierre-de-Véronne-à-Pike-River, Saint-Sébastien, Sainte-Anne-de-Sabrevois, Stanbridge East, Stanbridge Station, Stanstead, Stanstead East, Sutton, Venise-en-Québec.

Dangerous waste collection

Due to the success of Sherbrooke's dangerous waste collection, the town will be offering two more pick-ups this fall to residents of the Sherbrooke Regional MRC.

The first will take place on Sept. 9, the other on Oct. 14. They will begin at 8 a.m. and end at noon at the Sanitary Disposal Site.

This will be the last opportunity to get rid of your cans of paint, solvents, tires, batteries, and used oils before the winter.

Help wanted for Townshipper's Day activities

Just 10 days are left until Townshippers' Day in Saint-Félix-de-Kingsey. That's 10 action-packed days as last-minute arrangements and materials are

put into place. Dedicated volunteers and staff have been working many months to orchestrate this event. It is at this moment that we need help. If you could volunteer a few hours in the coming week or so, you will be highly paid in appreciation!

Help is urgently needed in the office to sort, inventory and box the merchandise and membership supplies that will be deployed at the Associations two booths on Townshippers' Day.

If you have good sorting and counting skills and enjoy organizing various sizes of polar fleeces, hats, T-shirts and other interesting items, would you have a few hours to help out in the coming week? You could bring a friend and have fun together on this project.

We're also looking for help of the artistic kind. Someone with a good eye for composition, color and texture is needed to wrap gifts, make signs and arrange a collage of last year's Townshippers' Day photos. If any of these

projects is something you would enjoy working on for a few hours during the coming week, we'd love to hear from you as soon as possible.

KEEPING IN TOUCH TOWNSHIPPEERS' ASSOCIATION

Then there is Townshippers' Day itself on the 16th, when we expect people galore to visit the Association booths to renew memberships, get raffle tickets, buy merchandise or have a chat.

That means we need volunteer "people-persons" to help staff the booths. If you would enjoy sitting a couple of hours under our awning and interacting with the public, you're our person.

If you are interested in any of these projects, please give us a call at (819) 566-5717 or (450) 263-4422 -now!

KEEP THE CALLS COMING IN

To volunteer, to ask for information, to inform us about a concern you have - whatever the occasion, don't hesitate to give us a shout. Townshippers' Association is just a phone call away at (819) 566-5717 or (450) 263-4422. Fax us at (819) 566-0271 or (450) 263-6317, e-mail us at ta@townshippers.qc.ca, or visit our website at www.townshippers.qc.ca. Our offices are located at 2355

Galt West, Sherbrooke, and 203 Principale, Cowansville. Drop in and see us, either here or at our Townshippers' Day booths.

NEWSWATCH IS COMING

Among the many media celebrities coming to Townshippers' Day will be Dennis Trudeau and the Newswatch team. They will be broadcasting live from Saint-Félix-de-Kingsey on Friday, Sept. 15, at 6-6:30 p.m., following our annual general meeting. Also, watch for lots of celebrity emcees on Townshippers' Day.

BUS FROM BEDFORD

A reminder for Bedford, Cowansville or Knowlton area residents: You can still reserve your place on a chartered bus to Townshippers' Day by calling Kate Wisdom at (450) 263-4422. In the Bedford area, you can call Thelma Rhicard at (450) 248-4168.

Plans are for the bus to leave Bedford at 7 a.m., arriving in Saint-Félix at about 9:30 a.m. (Yes, there's a bathroom on board.) The return trip is slated for 4-6:30 p.m. A round-trip ticket costs just \$16.

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Attendance up at second Street Art Symposium

Town will have to expand to accommodate crowds

By Stephen McDougall
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD
DANVILLE

A sleepy little town whose only real assets are its trees and its historical buildings became a mecca for artists and tourists over the weekend, drawn to the second annual Danville Street Art Symposium.

Organizer Francine Lebel-Girard said an estimated 8,500 visitors came to town to view works of art from 40 painters, many of them from the townships region.

"We had 28 professional and 14 amateur artists," she said Sunday.

"So many people wanted to see their works and visit the town to see why the artists like to paint here."

The symposium allows invited artists to set up their easels and canvas on the streets and lawns and paint scenery and century-old houses and buildings. In exchange, the artists are allowed to exhibit and sell their works at two makeshift art galleries set up in the basements of the town's Anglican and United Churches.

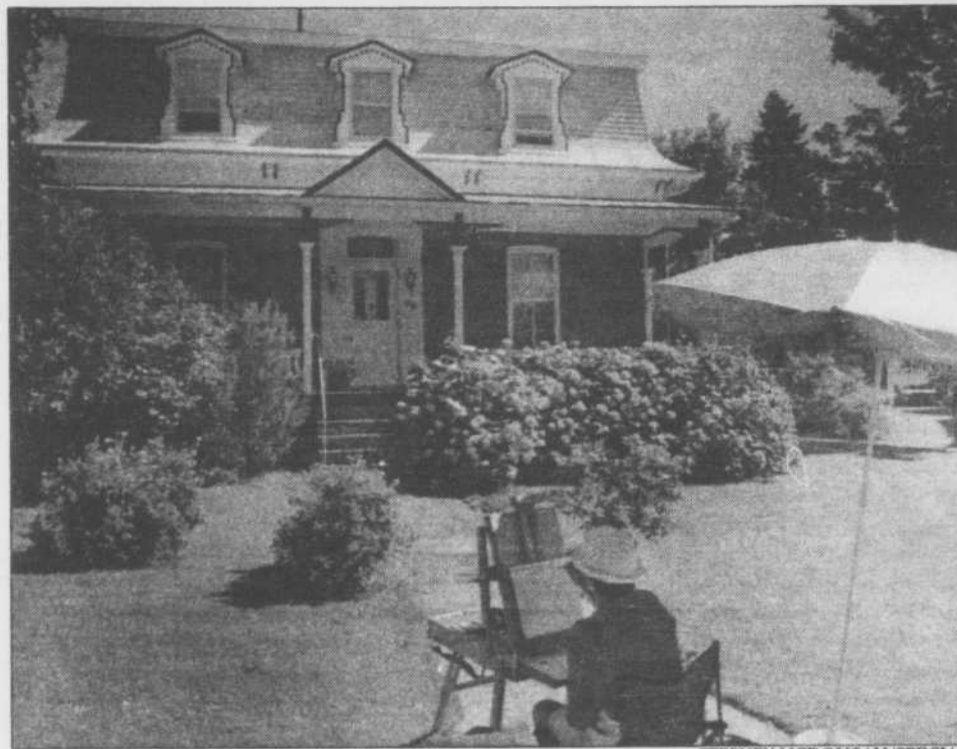
Ascot artist Françoise Vermette-Dionne said there were too many sites to choose from.

"This is my second time here, and there are still many houses and buildings I have not yet painted," she said.

"That just means I'll have to come again next year."

Artist Lucie Lapointe from Jonquière said she came because of the architecture and the company of other artists.

"It feels good to be amongst your own in a town that welcomes us," she said.



Ascot artist Françoise Vermette-Dionne paints a historic home on Grove St.

"The buildings are magnificent and the people so warm, just like back home in the Saguenay."

Lapointe said this was her first art symposium outside the Saguenay region, adding it has helped her with her career.

"I have exchanged ideas and discovered new colours from the other artists," she said. "I have also been able to sell some of my work."

Lapointe also appreciated being sponsored by local companies that paid her room and board while she was here. She especially wanted to thank Danville artist Renald Gauthier for his hospitality.

"It's been kind of a mini-auberge at his house for some of the visiting

artists," she said.

"He has been a wonderful host."

For Gauthier, putting up some of the artists has been a pleasure. "To see all these artists here always gives me the motivation I need to keep on painting," said the retired school teacher.

"I am making more contacts in the art world and have been able to sell some of my works, thanks to this symposium."

He said symposium organizers are planning to set up an art gallery this fall to exhibit works of art from Townships painters. The proposed site of the gallery is the town's former municipal hall on Daniel Johnson St.

"The gallery is the result of the success of the art symposium, and it will

be symposium organizers who will run it," said Gauthier.

But the success of the event has also meant residents having to put up with packed galleries and a lack of parking for their cars on the streets.

"The streets were packed with cars right to the end, I've never seen anything like it, there were so many people" said resident Eleanor Besmargian.

"It was hard to view some paintings in the church basements because of the people. There was no room to stand back and admire the work. We need additional buildings if we are going to have all this work to exhibit in the future."

Local historian Robert Lemire was also surprised at the crowds, but liked the fact they attended his lectures on the town's architecture.

"I had at least 40 people per lecture," he said. "I have never seen so many people here in all my life."

The larger crowds were due both to the success of the symposium and the holding of the Village festival and the Académie Masson and Monsigneur Thibeault school reunions.

"People like it when they come for one event, and see other things they can also enjoy," said Danville mayor Charles Noble.

"Sure, it was a lot of people, but it's only for this weekend."

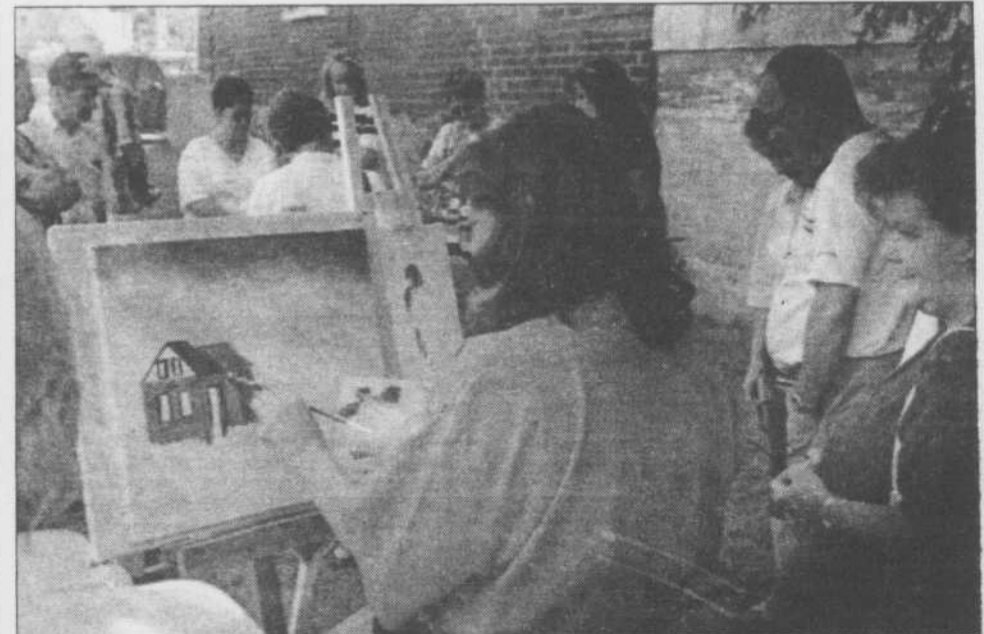
The two-day Danville Village Festival included Country and Western bands, line dancing, BBQs, baseball tournaments, croquet matches and vintage tractor exhibits.

Tractor collector Francis Bernard said the festival and the symposium help bring life to the town.

"You get to see people from the region that you would never see any other time," he said, standing between his two 1940s era tractors. "This town seems to come alive."



Renald Gauthier paints the home of Bertrand and Armande Charest on Stevenson St.



Various artists show off their style to visitors who came to the grounds of the United Church, while others flocked to the United Church basement for the exhibition.

COMMUNITY FORUM

UN is smearing Canada's good name and record

By Claire Hoy
SOUTHAM SYNDICATE

Just a minute here. The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees is smearing Canada, of all countries, for its alleged "narrow-mindedness" about refugees. Narrow-mindedness? Can the commissioner be serious?

Apparently so. The constantly cash-strapped UN organization is showing it means business by running a series of television and print advertisements to shame us into getting rid of what it claims are increasingly negative views about refugees.

Even the Toronto Star, which is usually prepared to applaud anything and anybody who complains that society is not liberal enough, editorialized over the weekend that this UN effort is a

"misguided lecture on tolerance."

Indeed, Judith Kumin, the commission's Canadian representative, in announcing this assault against Canadians last week, said that recent media coverage, public opinion polls and everyday conversations she has had with people show that Canadians are affording a colder reception to refugees.

"There seems to be an increased sense that the boat is full and people are taking advantage of the generosity of countries (like Canada)," said Kumin. "The result is it makes it more difficult for people who need protection and help to get in."

For one thing, it's really not the UN's business to dictate our refugee policy. But since they have raised the issue, perhaps Kumin and her cohorts could point to a single country anywhere in

the world which does a better job than Canada in accepting refugees.

While Kumin, an American, can justify this ad campaign by citing her own perceptions, perhaps she would have been better advised to cite the UN's own refugee statistics.

They would show her that Canada, relative to population, accepts more refugees than any country in the world.

To put it in perspective, for example, Canada last year accepted 13,000

refugees. That's about the same number that Kumin's home country accepted. The difference, of course, is that the United States has 10 times our population.

Let's look at some other comparisons. Germany, with a population of 82 million people - nearly three times our own - accepted 2,000 fewer refugees than we did. France, whose population is double ours, accepted a mere 5,000 refugees. The United Kingdom, about the same size as France, allowed only 7,000 refugees in, just over half as many as Canada did.

And Australia - although slightly smaller than Canada in population, it surely has the room for more people - allowed a grand total of 2,000 refugees last year.

So why aren't the UN technocrats targeting them?

And by what possible standard could Canada be deemed to be intolerant when it comes to accepting refugees?

What Kumin and the UN appear to be confusing is this country's genuine efforts in accepting refugees with the public outcry over non-refugees attempting to buy their way into the country.

There is no doubt that most Canadians were miffed by the appearance of four boat loads of Chinese migrants off the coast of British Columbia last summer. But barely any of them were refugees. Even so, unlike other countries - which would have turned the boats around and sent them sailing

back whence they came - Canada gave every one of the migrants a refugee hearing. That so few turned out to be legitimate refugees hardly justifies accusing Canadians of intolerance.

What is particularly galling about this UN smear campaign is that the ad features what the Toronto Star accurately describes as "heart-rending pictures of Kosovars in an Albanian refugee camp."

Why use that illustration? As the Star writes: "Canadians opened their hearts and their homes to the Kosovar refugees. Immigration Minister Elinor Caplan whisked aside normal rules and allowed 7,000 into Canada under special ministerial permits. The prime minister played basketball with them. Volunteers provided clothes, toiletries and toys. It was one of this country's finer moments."

You bet. And now these yahoos from the UN are accusing of us of intolerance.

I'll tell you what. In this case, we're being too damn tolerant. Not in allowing refugees in, but in allowing the UN to smear our reputation this way without so much as an official peep from the Liberal government.

Why isn't Prime Minister Jean Chrétien demanding both an apology and the removal of this outrageous ad campaign?

Let me tell you, if there's one way to sour the public mood against allowing legitimate refugees in, the UN refugee zealots have discovered it.



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Signs were degrading to women

DEAR EDITOR,

We would like to express how appalled we were to see that once again this year students in this town took it upon themselves to notify everyone of their utter disrespect for young women.

If you were lucky enough to drive down College Street this past weekend, you were most likely confronted with imposing signage bearing slogans along the lines of "Fathers: Check your daughters at the door" and "Hymen breaking begins now." We understand that these slogans were meant as a joke, but they were not funny in any way whatsoever!

This sick and immature behavior gives Bishop's University a terrible reputation. As graduates of Bishop's our-

selves, we want to let the public know that these viewpoints are not representative of every student in town.

Many of us feel that these attitudes are totally unacceptable.

We are both currently at the Lennoxville and District Women's Centre creating a sexual assault prevention program, which will be offered to teens and young adults in the region. "Bad Dates" will concentrate on sensitizing anglophones on the realities of date rape.

Eighty to ninety per cent of sexual assaults are committed by people known to the victim, and we feel that this weekend's distasteful and offensive display of attitudes supports sexual aggression towards women and is just one more example of how necessary a program like "Bad Dates" is in our community.

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CanPass will speed traffic through borders

By Kathryn May
SOUTHAM NEWS

The federal government is taking stock of its smaller Canada-U.S. border crossings as part of an ambitious modernization plan aimed at speeding the flow of people and goods while beefing up security.

The Canada Customs and Revenue Agency is seeking bids for feasibility studies on 42 of its smaller border crossings across the country to determine if they can accommodate the new customs "action plan" that will be rolled out by 2004.

The agency, created out of the old Revenue Canada, is using automation and technology to streamline the legitimate movement of trade and travellers while clamping down and devoting more resources to stopping the entry of illegal goods and inadmissible people.

Customs is being redesigned to handle more than \$500 billion in cross-border trade. It must also process more than 123 million people who are projected to pass through Canadian border points annually by 2004, more than 80 per cent of them coming from the U.S.

Canada operates 147 land border crossings. Most of the 42 sites being studied were built in the 1930s and '40s and are simply unable to handle the flow of traffic and the technology needed to launch the new initiatives being planned to speed up the flow of goods and people. Though these sites are scattered across the country, more than half are in Quebec and New Brunswick.

The feasibility studies, which will include environmental assessments, could cost up to \$5 million and must be completed by November so any new construc-

tion to bring the facilities up to scratch can be planned for next spring.

The plan grew out of the "shared border" agreement with the U.S. in 1995. It's built on voluntary compliance of travellers and importers, shifting from a system where all inspections are done on-the-spot at the border to one using technology to gather as much information as possible before goods and people arrive at the border.

Canadians who regularly travel or commute to the United States can be whisked through customs at automated checkpoints without ever answering questions from a Customs officer. Frequent air travellers who qualify for the system will pass through customs by swiping a card through a machine. Credit card kiosks will be available for those with something to declare.

The automated border checkpoints under the "Canpass" system allow pre-approved travellers and truckers to move through designated lanes with the swipe of a card. A drop box is available to declare purchases and pay duties.

On the trade front, import companies that agree to report electronically to Canada Customs can take advantage of a similar system to speed the clearance of their goods across the border.

By automating the entry of frequent travellers and businesses with good track records, Customs officers will have more time to focus on the big security risks - drug traffickers, people smugglers, terrorists, duty and tax evaders, and any risks to health, safety and the environment.

Spot checks and inspections will be used to keep the people using the automated systems honest.

Alliance gearing up

By Rick Mofina
SOUTHAM NEWS

The Canadian Alliance begins drafting its blueprint for reaching power today with the promise that it will make moves to gain more support in the crucial battlegrounds of Ontario, Quebec and Atlantic Canada.

As its caucus gathers for three days in Saskatoon, the party's hierarchy hinted that MPs from other parties could soon announce allegiance to the Alliance, further helping the bid to expand its appeal.

Party members are meeting to devise strategies for the fall parliamentary session, which begins Sept. 18, and for the federal election, which could be called any time but is expected next spring.

Alliance Leader Stockwell Day said his party is "election-ready" and is using its momentum to gain support in critical areas where it needs bolstering.

"Clearly, we've got to work in those areas where we don't have MPs, which would be Ontario, Quebec and Atlantic

Canada," Day said.

"We've got momentum and its making people take a look at us," Alliance MP Chuck Strahl said.

The Alliance has been steadily winning support from disaffected Tories while courting it from other parties such as the Bloc Quebecois and the NDP.

Jim Jones, the Conservative MP elected in Ontario, announced he is evaluating his political future. So have Quebec Tory MPs David Price and Diane St. Jacques.

Insiders say Day will offer Canadians a modern government that embraces change and is in harmony with the national desire for a new approach that casts off "old-style" partisan politics.

Kenney said the party will work on presenting itself as a government-in-waiting and less as a voice of opposition for opposition's sake, "focusing on how to aggressively pitch our message for lower taxes, less debt and safer streets, more democracy."

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Romeo Dallaire haunted by helplessness he felt

*'800,000 people died.
I can't just say
I did my best'*

By Bruce Wallace
SOUTHAM NEWS
LONDON

Still brittle but powered by a simmering anger, Romeo Dallaire is not prepared to offer the world a balm for its conscience over the betrayal of Rwanda six years ago.

He grants no absolution to the western governments and leaders who abandoned the lush but poor central African nation to the madness and frenzy of an organized slaughter.

How can he when he cannot forgive himself.

"My mission failed," the now-retired Canadian general said Sunday in an interview with Southam News in which he talked about living with the anguish of being force commander of a UN peacekeeping mission that proved helpless to stop the mass killing.

"Eight hundred thousand people died. I cannot just say: 'I did my best,' and move on."

For Dallaire, the issue of guilt in Rwanda remains intensely personal, whatever the official findings, locked in the bond formed between soldiers.

"Command is the ultimate responsibility," Dallaire said bluntly to explain why he still holds himself responsible, despite accumulating evidence there was little his small, lightly armed force could

do against the odds.

"Command is life and death. The men under you need to see your eyes, to see your conviction, your state of well-being when you are asking them to do things that could get them killed.

"I asked men to do that, and then I went out and in some cases picked up the body parts.

"So command means potentially destroying something you love. Only when you assess what that word means and the completeness of that responsibility do you get a feel for what I mean."

The recent spate of official reports and historical accounts of the Rwandan bloodbath, which exonerated Dallaire from blame in the UN's failure to stop the genocide, seem to have had little effect on easing his pain. The 53-year-old Canadian general has waged a very public struggle against the post-traumatic stress from his Rwandan experience, and the illness (he refers to it as his "injury" and says he is taking 14 pills a day for it) finally forced him to retire from the Forces this summer.

"Finding blame seems to be an essential instrument for the western world to handle these horrors," he says scornfully of the search to ascribe guilt for what happened in Rwanda. Some of the early efforts focused directly on Dallaire, portraying him as an overmatched soldier who failed to protect the troops under his command.

But more recent chronicles produced under the auspices of the UN, as well as several authoritative books on the subject, exonerate him. They generally de-

scribe Dallaire as a lonely, brave voice urging action to prevent the slaughter, calls that were ignored by his UN superiors and the Security Council.

"Reports can ease a bit of the tension I feel, make life a bit better for my family," he says. "But they offer nowhere near the self-assessment of a field commander.

"I argued but I did not convince. I am accountable."

Dallaire was in London to speak to the Royal Institute of International Affairs, an august group of foreign affairs experts who appeared collectively staggered by the force of his presentation. Ignoring his 35-page prepared text, Dallaire's speech was a raw, rambling attack on UN peacekeeping as it is currently conducted.

He said the world's military culture is still governed by Cold War thinking, in which "peacekeeping is not considered real soldiering." The result is a peacekeeping doctrine which says blue berets should "water down their war-fighting skills."

And he suggested the major powers who hold permanent Security Council seats - the United States, Russia, Britain, France and China - are engaged in a cynical game of asking the UN to fulfil impossible tasks, while restraining peacekeepers by withholding the weapons, support and legal clout to carry them out.

In his own case, Dallaire says his UN bosses, distracted by the spreading crisis in the Balkans and wounded by their failure in Somalia, made it clear that Rwanda was "a sideshow."

He says he was told "a minimum vi-

able force is what you might get and, by the way, plan to get them out quickly."

Dallaire argues that peacekeeping cannot succeed unless the major powers are prepared to intervene out of a genuine concern for humanity, rather than only when they see their interests threatened.

"Unless you move to global humanism, I think we're going to see a continuing series of disasters in regions not of interest to the white man."

So far there is little sign of that. The dismal failures of UN missions in the 1990s has left military leaders, including those in the Canadian Forces, asking whether they should even try to fulfil their missions if it involves risking casualties.

"The fear of casualties, promoted by the United States, is undermining any possibility of success," Dallaire told his audience.

"We have a debate in the military: do you actually spill blood thousands of miles away if your nation is not at risk? Do you pursue the mandate?"

"And as a commander in the field, do you turn your back on the moral and ethical problems facing you, in the name of trying to get all your men home safely?"

Dallaire makes clear he has yet to resolve the choices he made in Rwanda six years ago. "Could somebody else have done better?" he asks rhetorically, his eyes blazing.

"Yes.

"Would somebody else have done worse?" he continues.

"Probably."

"But I cannot find solace in that," he declares.

Canada's natives bands running up record deficits

By Rick Mofina
SOUTHAM NEWS
OTTAWA

The annual deficit of Canada's native bands has reached over \$300 million, more than double what it was in the early 1990s, according to the most recent federal figures.

The cumulative deficit of First Nations rose from \$132 million in 1992-93 to \$302 million for 1998-99, say Indian Affairs Department records obtained by the Canadian Taxpayers Federation under the Access to Information Act.

Some 630 First Nations now receive about \$4.9 billion a year in federal funding from Indian Affairs, up from about \$3 billion in the early 1990s.

The records represent only bands that

have a deficit equal to or greater than eight per cent of total annual revenues.

The number of First Nations listed as having such annual deficits rose to 171 in 1998-99 from 155 in 1992-93.

Federal Auditor General Denis Desautels, after noting in his April 1999 report that about one third of Canada's 630 First Nations communities were in financial difficulty, concluded that while Indian Affairs was slowly addressing concerns of funding accountability, more rigorous attention was needed.

The deficit figures found in the documents reinforce the need for an overhaul of the system under which First Nations spend federal funds, said Leona Freed, president of the First Nations National Accountability Coalition.

She suggested the numbers did not help pave the way for self-government in many First Nation communities.

The Assembly of First Nations disagrees and has accused the federal government of slowly strangling funding to natives while making the auditing and accountability process more complex.

The majority of First Nations are well managed and accountable, Matthew Coon Come, national chief of the AFN, told Southam News in a recent interview.

"But there should be reciprocal accountability," said Coon Come. He called for Indian Affairs to disclose its handling of native money it holds in trust. "We support accountability, but to our people first and the federal government second," Coon Come said.

In recent years, Canada's First Nations have been helping to restructure the federal funding distribution process in a project with the Certified General Accountants of Canada.

The release of the deficit figures comes amid political and public demands for the federal government and First Nations to seek a more "transparent" arrangement for the distribution of federal funds to First Nations.

Several weeks ago, Indian Affairs reported that one third of native bands and tribal councils have failed to meet audit deadlines this year and faced having non-essential federal funding withheld.

Robert Nault, the Indian Affairs minister, acknowledged most First Nations managed their communities well.

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Loveless touches emotions in Strong Heart

Album moves her to new heights as country singer

By Jessie Aulis

Country music has always been about real life. Songs that reach into those places in your heart, with the joy of the moment or the pain of a heartbreak. A good country singer has the ability to create such emotional frankness and that's what has given country music its edge.

Of course, country music has also been graced with performers who sing their songs from a place that transcends performing. Just think of Merle Haggard who fairly exhales his tales of life on society's fringes, George Jones who moans through his laments, while Tammy Wynette wails her every feeling and Patsy Cline, her sultriness.

Every era brings a singer who does more than entertain and Patty Loveless belongs in that category. She's a singer who's willing to expose her rawest edges and doubts to get to the song's core.

Patty Loveless is all about emotion.

We haven't heard from her in a while but now she is back with a brand new album and it was worth waiting for.

Patty Loveless: Strong Heart (Epic/Nashville)

It's been three years since the release of Loveless's last album of all-new material and now after spending a year working on it, it's been released to the delight of Loveless' fans.

The album is brilliantly produced by husband/producer Emory Gordy Jr. with mean instrumental support and heav-

enly background vocals. The production is so clean it brings this gem of a collection to heights that only great artists can reach.

The Kentucky singer tackles ten tunes with great ability, starting with "You're So Cool," which is rich with attitude and embellished with some great harmonica work and feisty background voices.

Loveless cuts loose in high gear on "The Last Thing On My Mind," a song that is very challenging vocally. The singer's ability to perform with a haunting hurt-to-the-bone feelings is well featured in the heartbreaking ballad, "My Heart Will Never Break This Way Again." She literally pours vocal teardrops.

"You Don't Get No More" is delightful but very nasty and it is most likely the first time in country music history that the phrase "high dollar whore," has been included into a modern country song. Once again her taunting voice works to perfection with all the sassy guitar licks.

From the moving love ballad, "Thirsty," to the title number "Strong Heart" and its lessons in love and the chart-climbing single, "That's The Kind of Mood I'm In," it is Loveless strongest album ever.

She's had good albums, great songs but never to this level. She's a country music star but not a superstar although her talent surely warrants the title. This new release, her best work yet, should win her the recognition she deserves.

In "She Never Stopped Loving Him," one can feel the pain of unrequited love as Loveless gives it a dramatic treatment. There's also the mournful but



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Every era brings a singer who does more than entertain, and Patti Loveless belongs in that group, a singer who's willing to expose her rawest edges and insecurities.

hopeful "Pieces On The Ground," which concludes this great collection. This new album can be called a masterpiece.

Have a great week and keep your country state of mind!

Leahy Contest:

Here's the name of the winners, who, in collaboration with the Brome County Agricultural Society and Auberge West Brome, won a dinner for two at beautiful Auberge West Brome, entry for two to the Brome Fair and tickets for two for the Leahy show on Saturday night, Sept. 2.

The lucky winners were Trudy Rand from Sherbrooke and Harold & Shirley Harron from Huntingville. Congratulations, I hope you enjoyed!

Don't forget to tune in to CFLX-FM 95.5 for two hours of country music and the latest country music news every Thursday night, between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Broadcast from CFLX's studio on Dufferin Street in Sherbrooke, Country Club is the show where every song has been carefully selected for your pleasure.

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Vets welcomed by northern communities

A mission to sterilize unwanted dogs in northern Quebec and put an end to 'dog-shootings' is well underway.

These photos were taken in the northern Quebec town of Kuujjuaq

where the World Society for the Protection of Animals has assembled a team of veterinarians and technicians to sterilize 45 dogs and three cats and vaccinate between 60 and 100 animals during a four-day clinic. The team, which includes Sherbrooke veterinarian Dr. Normand Joly and assistant Manon Duval moved on to Kangirsuk for an additional two days of clinics last Saturday and Sunday. Subsequent clinics were scheduled to take place in Quaqtaq on Monday and Tuesday, Salluit on Wednesday and Thursday and Puvirnituq on the following weekend.



PATRICK TOHILL, COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER, WSPA

Dog owner and his children waiting beside the fire truck with their dog following surgery



PATRICK TOHILL, COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER, WSPA

Claude Parent lowering a dog to the floor post operation. Dr. Normand Joly can be seen working in the background



PATRICK TOHILL, COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER, WSPA

One of the village's many husky dogs.

SPORTS

Gaiters captains lead the path to victory

Bishop's open O-QIFC season Saturday in Quebec City

By Mike Hickey
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

As the Bishop's Gaiters go through the final stages of the 2000 training camp the club is led by a dedicated group of veterans whose leadership is a key ingredient to a successful season.

Bishop's opens the season with a pair of tough games - this Saturday in Quebec City against the defending National Champion Rouge et Or, and at home against the Ottawa Gee-Gees the following Saturday.

But this veteran team, entering the campaign with an air of confidence, is not concerned about the quality of their opponents. Led by their captains the 2000 edition of the Bishop's Gaiters feel they can be best in the country and they will get the opportunity to prove it this weekend.

The team's six captains, as selected by head coach Tom Allen, are seasoned players who have experienced the highs and lows of university football and are committed to finishing their careers at Bishop's on a positive note.

They believe that positive note will begin Sunday against Laval.

The Gaiters failed to make the playoffs last year, the second time in four years that Bishop's was eliminated from the playoff picture. Yet the six captains, offensive linemen Eric Pickering and Andrew Carter, running back O. J. Burnett, defensive backs Dave Stipe and Geoff Smith and linebacker Matt Robichaud, see a team that is different from last year's 2-5 club.

"I think it started in the off-season when people made commitments to work as hard as they could," Stipe said after a four-hour practice last week. "Ninety per cent of the guys came back in great shape and have dedicated themselves to this team. We have improved



PERRY BEATON/SPECIAL

Gridiron leaders: This year's crew of Bishop's Gaiters football team captains are: Geoff Smith, Eric Pickering, O.J. Burnett, Andrew Carter, Dave Stipe, Matt Robichaud.

overall because of our fitness level and the fact that the coaching staff is intact and doing a great job."

Burnett is coming off an injury-plagued year that he would like to forget. The 5'10" running back needs 675 yards to surpass Dennis Walker as the school's all-time leading rusher. But Burnett states that he just wants to stay healthy and be a part of a winning football team.

"Personally I want to stay healthy and help this team win football games. If records are broken along the way fine but it is not a priority or concern for me. "I learned a lot at the CFL camp earlier this year. I saw how the best university players in the country work so hard to be successful and I realize what I need to do to reach my potential."

Robichaud is returning to the team after one-year hiatus in which he was recovering from a serious groin injury. He is an outstanding linebacker who coach Allen likens to former all-Canadians Rob Smith and Frank Belliford.

"I had the opportunity to play with both Rob and Frank and I know what they were able to accomplish during their time here. I came to Bishop's because of (former coach) Glen Constantine and I find that Marc Loranger is the same type of coach. They are both knowl-

edgeable, organized and you have to do it their way. Individual performances mean nothing, you have to play like a team and Marc has us doing that."

Andrew Carter, who was a member of the Bishop's Gaiters National Championship Basketball team, believes strongly that the 2000 Gaiters are playoff bound.

"I am glad to be able to help this team make the playoffs. There is no question in my mind that this team is going to be in the post season." Fellow lineman Eric Pickering claims that this year's team is more dedicated than ever before.

"Without a doubt everyone on this team dedicated themselves to the off-sea-

son training program. The attitude in camp has been excellent and we are anxious to start playing right away."

The one captain who has is not ready for the season is Smith, who suffered a knee injury the first day of practice and has been on the sidelines ever since. Barring a minor miracle Smith will miss Saturday's contest but should be back in the lineup for the home opener.

"It has been difficult to stay on the sidelines. You don't feel like you really a part of the team."

But like any good leader Smith has found a way to help out.

"I try to stay close to the action and help the younger guys out when I get a chance. I help anyway I can but right now I'm anxious to get back in the lineup."

Allen, who served as captain during his playing days at Bishop's, believes the six players lead by example.

"We look to the captains for leadership both on and off the field and that leadership could come in a variety of ways," Allen said earlier this week. "O. J. leads by what he does on the field because he is not a holler guy. But others are more vocal and I look for some diversity."

"I pick the captains myself with some input from the coaching staff. I work a lot with them on on and off the field activities so it is important that we can relate to each other."

Touchdown Club reconvenes tomorrow

By Mike Hickey

You know the Ontario-Quebec Interuniversity Football Conference is just around the corner when the Bishop's University's Athletic Department reconvenes the weekly Touchdown Club.

The first meeting will take place tomorrow at noon at the Old Lennoxville Golf Club. The popular gathering will once again be a weekly event during the university football season.

Head coach Tom Allen and his staff, along with selected players will preview the upcoming season with a particular emphasis on Saturday's opponent. The Gaiters open the season in Quebec City against the defending Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union National Champion Laval Rouge et Or.

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 Always in my thoughts.
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 MOTHER

Golden Age Club news

Mansonville
 We met at usual at the town hall on Aug. 22nd with an attendance of 22 members and friends.
 Rita read a thank you note from Verlie Aiken, for cards, visits and phone calls, received both at home and while she was a patient in the B.M.P. Hospital, all were much appreciated. Rita presented her with a sunshine basket this morning on behalf of the club, again Verlie appreciated our thoughtfulness on her behalf. She told us she would soon be back at the club.
 Dorothy Woodard won the half and half today.
 Door prizes were won by Edmond Ducharme, Rita Mossa, Jackie Jersey, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Raicot, Juliette Laliberté, Flora Jersey, George and Cecile Hamelin, Helené Rioullard, Helma Weiner, Kenny Ewings, Alfred Vintinner, and Karl Steinbach.
 500 winners were Cecile Hamelin and Edmond Ducharme.
 Game winners were Rita Mossa, Reginald Landry, Juliette Laliberté, George Hamelin, Dorothy Woodard, Marian Gauvin, Huguette Levoy, Alfred Vintinner, Mrs. Raicot, Ida MacKay, Rita Marcoux, Kenny Ewing, Carol George and Flora Jersey.
 Sincere sympathy is extended to Serge and Silvia Compagnot in their recent bereavement. Their father, Bob was a member of our club. He will be missed by his family and many friends.
 Rita Mossa

Death



BIRCH, Mr. Thomas - Peacefully at the Brome-Missisquoi Perkins Hospital in Cowansville, Que., on Saturday, September 2, 2000, in his 58th year, Mr. Thomas Birch. Beloved husband of Brenda Wilson Birch. He leaves to mourn his daughters Donna and Lori-Ann (Rick Mailloux), his grandchildren, his sisters and brothers: Goldie (Maurice Adams), Marion (late Alex McCallum), Carlton and Larry (Dorothy Parsons), his half-sister Patricia Culley (Gary Brown), his step-sons and step-daughter: John Birch (Julee Cooke), David Birch, William Sharples (Angela George), Brenda Sharples (Ted Harris) and Gerry Langlois (Nancy Thivierge), many nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives and friends. The funeral services from Trinity Anglican Church in Cowansville, will be held on Saturday, September 9, 2000 at 2 p.m. Rev. Richard Randall officiating. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Desourdy Wilson Funeral Home, 104 Buzzell St., Cowansville, Que. J2K 2N5 tel: (450) 263-1212, fax: (450) 263-9557, dwilson@endirect.qc.ca Donations in his memory to the Foundation Brome-Missisquoi Perkins, 950 Principale, Cowansville, Que. J2K 1K3, would be appreciated by the family. The family also offers thanks to Dr. Julie Mout, Dr. Jodoin, Dr. Koopman, the nurses from the 2nd floor and inhale therapists, for all the good care giving to Mr. Birch during his illness.

Death



GOYETTE, Roger - Passed away peacefully at the Aube Lumiere, Sherbrooke, Sunday, September 3rd, 2000 in his 80th year. The mother of his children, Yolande Perreault. Roger leaves to mourn his children, Jimmy (Hilda), Ronald (Lisa), Anne (Michel), Mitchell (Kathy), and Shirley, many grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. He will also be sadly missed by his brother and sisters, Minnie Sheldon, Evelyn Goyette (Lewis), Evelyn's son, William Aulis, Irene Goyette, Eva Labelle, and Leon (Carole), his brother's-in-law, Ti-Guy Perreault and Roland Perreault (Jeannine), many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. A service will be held in Christ Church Stanstead with cremated remains Thursday, September 7, 2000 at 2:00 p.m. Interment in Woodside Cemetery, Beebe. Arrangements entrusted to Cass Funeral Home, 545 Dufferin, Stanstead. (819-876-5213)

Deaths

MORRISON, Hilda - Peacefully at her home in Sawyerville, Que. on Monday, September 4, 2000. Hilda Lena Goodenough in her 83rd year, beloved wife of Lloyd Morrison. Dear mother of George, Bryan (Lynda) and Shirley. Loving grandmother of Patricia and great-grandmother of Naomi. Hilda is also survived by her sister-in-law Margaret Goodenough Sewell and nephew Thomas Goodenough. Resting at the Cass Funeral Home, 15 Station St., Sawyerville, where friends may visit on Thursday, September 7th, from 7 to 9 p.m., and on Friday, from 1 to 2 p.m. A funeral service will be held in the funeral home on Friday, September 8th at 2 p.m., with Mr. Justin Lowry officiating. Interment in the Eaton Cemetery.

WILLIAMS, Albert (Bert) - Peacefully at the Connaught Home, North Hatley, Que. on Friday, September 1, 2000. Bert Williams at the age of 74, beloved husband of Helen McGee and cherished father of Beverley (Gerry) McGill and devoted grandfather of Geoffrey and Scott. Also survived by his brother and sisters Jessie (Arthur) Hastings, Shirley (late Al) Privé, Emily (Bob) Williams, and James (Margaret), his sisters-in-law Beatrice and Laura Williams, Marjorie Hafenden, brother-in-law Bert McGee, as well as many nieces, nephews and friends. A private graveside service and interment of ashes at a later date. As memorial tributes, donations to the charity of your choice would be gratefully acknowledged by the family. Arrangements entrusted to Cass Funeral Home, (819) 564-1750.

Card of Thanks

WOODWARD - We would like to thank so very many friends for food, gifts, cards, visits, etc., lending support at this most stressful time following the death of Joanne. A special thanks to the great staff on the 9th floor I.C.U. at CUSE Fleurimont and the CLSC nurses from Magog who were especially kind to her. Your thoughtfulness will be remembered always.

ELSIE WELSH WOODWARD
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North 09-06-00			
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♦ K 10 8 3			
♣ Q 7 4			
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▲ A K J 8 3		▲ Q 9 4	
♥ K Q J 9 4		♥ 10 7 2	
♦ —		♦ J 9 6 4	
♣ 9 8 2		♣ 10 6 5	
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♥ 3			
♦ A Q 7 5 2			
♣ A K J 3			
Vulnerable: Both			
Dealer: South			
South	West	North	East
1 ♦	2 ♦	3 ♦	Pass
4 ♣	Pass	4 ♥	Pass
5 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead: ♠ A			

Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2000

Still not a guarantee of success

By Phillip Alder

As regular readers will know, I do not like the Unusual No-Trump, a jump overcall of two no-trump to show at least 5-5 in the minors. The problem is that usually the opponents win the auction. Then, the declarer knows where (virtually) all the cards lie as soon as the dummy tracks. Better is the Michaels Cue-Bid because, over a minor-suit opening, it describes a major two-suiter. This makes it more likely you will buy the contract. However, even Michaels has its bad days — as in this deal from a tournament in Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

West's two-diamond cue-bid promised at least 5-5 in the majors. North raised to show his diamond support. Then, when South took another bid (which wasn't clear-cut), North control-bid (cue-bid) his heart ace in case a slam was available.

After cashing his two top spades, West switched to the heart king.

The contract looked easy to make. Yet South correctly paused for a moment to consider any problems, realizing the only snag was a 4-0 trump split. However, the suit could be picked up if declarer worked out who held the four. Here, from the bidding, it was obviously East. So, South started with dummy's diamond king. When West discarded, declarer continued with dummy's diamond 10, capturing East's jack with the ace. Back to dummy by ruffing his last spade with the diamond eight, declarer finessed his diamond seven, drew East's last trump and claimed.

Without West's revealing overcall, declarer might have started with a diamond to his ace and gone down, losing a trump trick.

Monkeys belong in the jungle or in a zoo

Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: You recently printed a couple of letters about monkeys, including one involving your twin sister, who once received two monkeys as a gift. I, too, have a funny monkey story.

My husband and I had four sons in the military during the Vietnam War. It was difficult at times to read their letters without shedding a tear or two.

One day, we received a letter from our youngest son, who was stationed at an air base in Thailand. His group had put in many grueling hours on some rather dangerous missions, so they decided to have a party. Their mascot was a monkey they called John. Of course, John was invited to the party. As the party progressed, much beer was consumed, and someone decided to give John a drink. John soon felt the effects, and began to jump all over the furniture and climb the drapes. Before long, he got out of control and bit several airmen. Fifteen of them had to get rabies shots and were temporarily grounded.

The story in the Ubon papers the next day reported that the enemy couldn't make a dent in the base, but a single monkey managed to get 15 airmen grounded. — The Mother of G.F. in California

Dear Mother of G.F.: I always thought

Mason family reunion picnic

IRON HILL

On Sunday, July 23rd a Mason family reunion picnic was held at the homes of William and Marjorie Mason and John and Barbra (Mason) Mitchell.

The weather was just perfect after a week of rainy days. John put up a tarp in case of rain, however the sunshine stayed all day as everyone enjoyed their lunch.

There were 54 guests including our Bible Study prayer partners from Brome.

In 1865 George Albert Mason wed Jane Hebert in Montreal. They had 12 children, seven sons and five daughters. They moved to Rawdon, Quebec shortly after they were married.

Of the 12 children, all now deceased, there were grandchildren and great-grandchildren attending the reunion.

Rev. Dr. Peter Mason B.A., M.A., Ph.D., Bishop of Kingston spoke briefly and

of monkeys as sweet, adorable creatures, but my twin sister's experience taught me that they can be difficult and uncontrollable, as well. I am now convinced that monkeys belong in the jungle or in a zoo. Keep reading for more:

Dear Ann Landers: Can you stand another story about monkeys? Here's mine:

I bowled in a league with a couple who always brought their pet monkey to the bowling alley. The monkey wore a diaper. The couple took turns holding him. One night, when the husband was in the restroom, his wife asked me to hold the monkey. I said, "Sorry, no. Why don't you leave him at home?" She replied, "We cannot leave him home alone. No cage can hold him. He knows how to unlock every cage we've had. Also, no sitter in town will agree to be in the same room with him, so we have to take him wherever we go."

What do you think of this, Ann? — Sun City, Calif.

Dear Sun City: I think any couple who would allow themselves to be held hostage to a monkey is, as the British say, "around the bend." The solution to the problem is the local zoo. Zoos are equipped to house monkeys properly.

Private residences are not. The next letter should be the clincher:

Dear Ann Landers: I am a trauma surgeon. I can tell you that your warning about keeping monkeys as pets is well-founded. Monkey bites can be nasty injuries.

About 25 years ago, I was called to the emergency room late one night to see a man who had been severely bitten by a monkey. "Mr. X" was in a great deal of pain, lying on a gurney with huge chunks of flesh missing on various parts of his body. Apparently, his mistress had a pet monkey that became insanely jealous when he and his mistress made love in the bedroom where the monkey was caged. The enraged monkey would rattle his cage violently and scream. One night, he managed to get out of his cage and attack Mr. X.

When I left Mr. X, he was trying to explain to his wife how his "client's" monkey was able to inflict so many bites without damaging his clothes or underwear. — P.R., M.D., Riverside, Calif.

Dear M.D.: Yours and other reader responses should convince one and all that monkeys do not make good pets. I once considered getting a monkey myself, but better judgment prevailed, and I decided to "fuhgedaboudit."

thanked those in charge.

There was a family tree submitted by Marjorie Mason and many photos of reunions gone by.

Marjorie spoke of the dear ones that had departed since the last reunion. We had a moment of prayer for: Clifford Mason, Sidney Mason, Norma Shufelt, Winslow Shufelt, Ruth McKee, Olive Mount and Rodger Mason.

Guests were from Elmsdale, Nova Scotia, Navan, Ontario, Glen Mountain, Lachute, Lachine, Knowlton, Cowans-

ville, Brome Center, Kingston, Ottawa, Calgary, Alta., and Iron Hill.

Many happy moments were spent together as the day came to a close.

Mrs. Wm. Mason



Approaching marriage

Dora Scott Parker
Glen Sutton, Que.

Don and Glad Parsons of Cookshire, Que., and Martin and Jane Domitric of Woodbridge, Ont., are pleased to announce the approaching marriage of their children, Scott Parsons of Toronto and Carol Domitric of Woodbridge. The wedding will take place on Saturday, September 30, 2000 in Toronto.

The Bell Told For Her!

The bell rang out
And what did it say?
'Our Iris goes to her rest today'
The cortege then slowed
As the clarion flowed
While the church sang 'Farewell'
With its lovely bell.....

P.S. The eminent Maestro M. Takacs, owner of the Church of the Good Shepherd property, made this gracious gesture.

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

Today's clue: Y equals P

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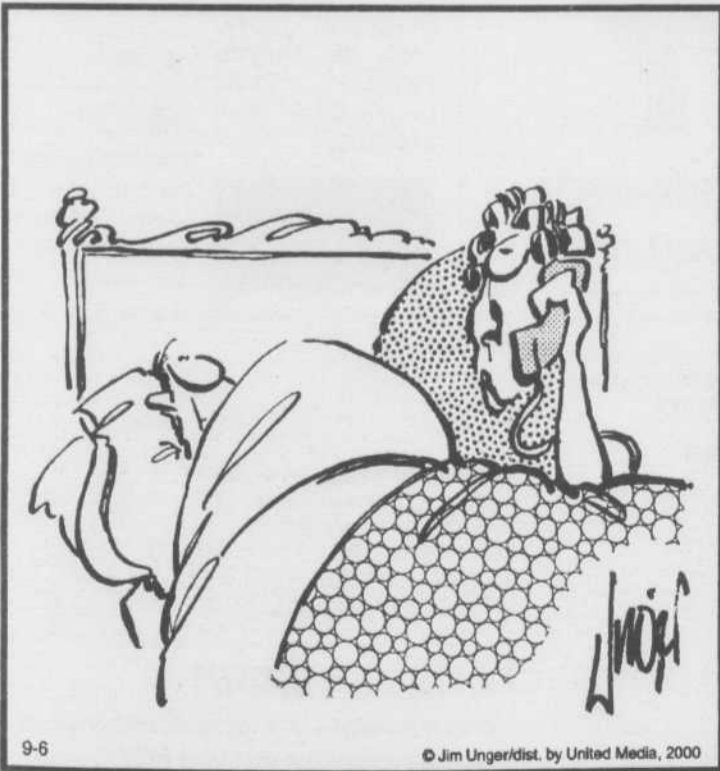
PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "Wisdom consists not so much in knowing what to do in the ultimate as in knowing what to do next." - Herbert Hoover

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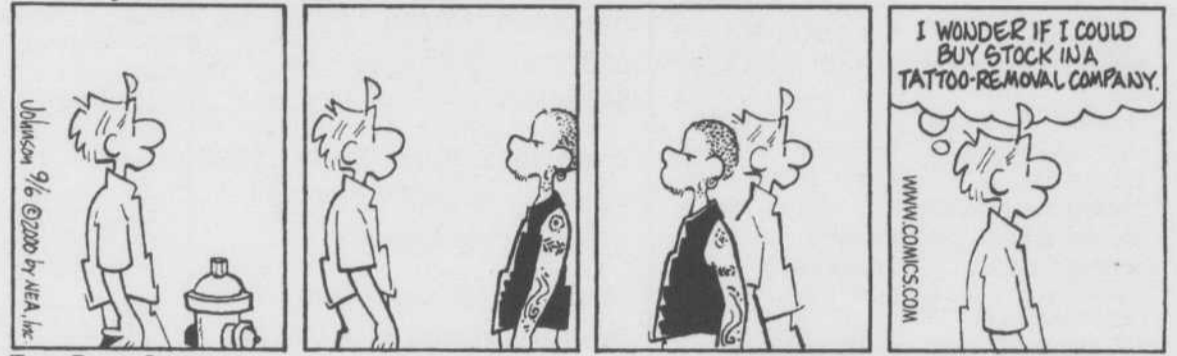
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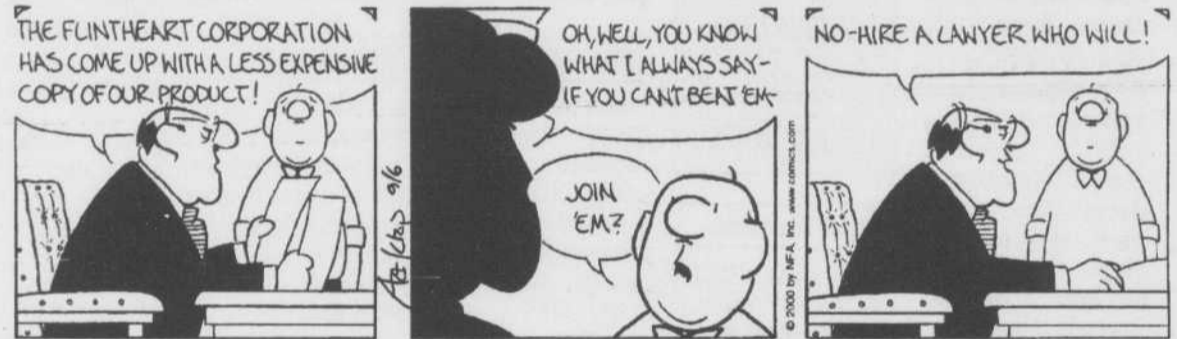
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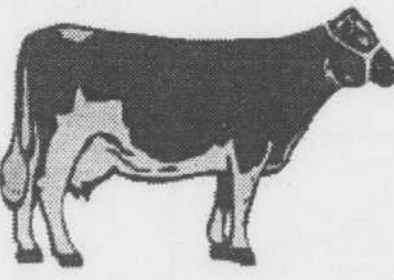
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Golden Age Club news

MANSONVILLE

Met at the town hall on Tuesday, Aug. 15 with a good attendance. Helma

Weiner won today's half and half.

We signed a birthday card for Mildred Atyeo today, and get well cards

for Verlie Aiken and for Toni Lamothe. Verlie has had a gall bladder operation at the B.M.P. Hospital, will be home be-

fore this is published.

Reginald Landry gave a donation of tea, juice and cookies. Mary Ann and Claude Martel also gave today's fruit drink.

Door prizes were numerous Karl Steinbach brought in garden fresh vegetables, much appreciated by the winners. These were Rita Mossa, George and Cecile Hamelin, Mary Ann and Claude Martel, Jackie Jersey, Flora Jersey, Alfred Vintinner, Juliette Laliberté, Lila McCoy, Reginald Landry, Dorothy Woodard, Greg and Marian Gauvin, Rita Marcoux and Huguette Levoy.

500 winners were Claude Martel and Karl Steinbach.

Game winners were, Rita Mossa, Dorothy Woodard, Marian Gauvin, Mary Ann Martel, Flora Jersey, Ida MacKay, Lila McCoy, Alfred Vintinner, Jackie Jersey, George Hamelin and Juliette Laliberté.

Rita Marcoux and her son, Jacques called on Mr. Kolba, at nursing home in Cowansville. He was up and about.

Also Ed and Norah Jones of Gibsons Landing, B.C. popped in for a minute at the Club.

Rita Mossa

Your Birthday

Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2000

Under social conditions in the year ahead, several advantageous business contacts can be made. Take advantage of them, because the links you establish will prove to be of tremendous help.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Keep watch over your pennies and not just your pounds today, because although you might be very diligent about your big expenditures, it could be the small outlays that do you in. Virgo, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Guard against any impulsive action today, especially if you're uncertain about taking a specific action. Wait until another day, when you'll have time to evaluate things more thoroughly.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) What could turn out to be of the utmost importance

today is getting your facts straight. Jumping to conclusions predicated upon faulty information could cause a bummer of a situation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Because of your impatience today, your judgment might leave a lot to be desired, especially financially. Don't settle for ballpark figures. Demand an exact accounting of yourself or anybody else.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If you should trip up today, chances are it'll be due to an indifference on your part toward little things. If you ignore the small details, an important objective might not be realized.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) A sharp adversary who could recognize your weakness for keeping secrets might do a number on you and get you to reveal far more than you should on something confidential.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Chances are it will turn out to be very unwise today to give another a piece of your mind, even if you are justified in doing so. This is not a time to fire verbal salvos.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Even if you

mean well and have much to offer, don't volunteer any unrequested suggestions, advice or criticisms. Instead of being well received, you might get a heated reprimand.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Because you're placing your focus on insignificant matters today, there's no reason to think much of anything essential will be accomplished. Get your priorities straight in your mind.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) No matter how sure you are of yourself today, do not make any commercial investments for another without first getting this person's consent. If things go awry, you'll be held accountable.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Think before you speak out on anything that involves the family today, or you could needlessly cause friction on the home front. Consider everyone's feelings and the consequences.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be doubly certain your own skirts are clean before finding soiled spots on another's today. The critique you begin may get finished by contributors focused solely on you.

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ACROSS

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- 6 Wound reminder
- 10 Catamount
- 14 Walk heavily
- 15 Culturally showy
- 16 Raw minerals
- 17 Lightning fast
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- 21 Wide-eyed
- 22 Pass along
- 23 Moves furtively
- 25 Raring to go
- 27 End-product purchaser
- 29 School papers
- 33 Body covering
- 36 Oak-to-be
- 39 Poetic pasture

- 40 Without any delay
- 44 Shoe part
- 45 Hindu grouping
- 46 Explosive sounds
- 47 Wet with perspiration
- 49 Jazz style
- 52 Timeworn
- 55 ___ of London
- 59 Hot chocolate
- 62 Seeps
- 64 Charged particle
- 65 Very quickly
- 68 Classification
- 69 Very sharp
- 70 Lily variety
- 71 Former partners
- 72 First name in mysteries
- 73 Called off

- 30 Too
- 31 High-pitched bark
- 32 Comments
- 33 Watches kids
- 34 Have the answers
- 35 Palm reader's opening words
- 37 Alley prowler
- 38 Singles
- 41 Based on fact
- 42 Votes against
- 43 Until
- 48 Sun-dried bricks
- 50 Symbol before the notes

- 51 Strasbourg's region
- 53 Skin cream
- 54 Rube
- 56 Knuckle under
- 57 Sir Arthur Conan ___
- 58 Slammin' Sammy
- 59 Make a reference to
- 60 Cameo gem
- 61 Cod or Fear, e.g.
- 63 Distinct region
- 66 I Like ___ ('50s campaign slogan)
- 67 One of the Bobbsey Twins

Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

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- 2 Firebug's crime
- 3 Close-fitting hat
- 4 Aussie bird
- 5 Boxer Leon
- 6 H.H. Munro
- 7 Hunger for
- 8 Confused
- 9 Scandinavian rug
- 10 Gondoliers
- 11 Caspian feeder
- 12 Tableland
- 13 Pale gray
- 18 Four six-packs
- 19 California city
- 24 Mother's sister
- 26 Richard of "Pretty Woman"
- 28 Pied Piper's pack

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By James E. Buell
Edgewater, FL

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Women's Institute meeting

AUSTIN

The August meeting of the Austin W.I. met on Wednesday, Aug. 9th at the home of Betty Telford on the Viens Road with Eileen Taylor as joint - hostess.

President Bea Juby opened the meeting with the Mary Stewart Collect and the Salute to the flag and welcomed everyone.

Thirteen members answered the roll call by giving the name of their favourite county fair.

Secretary Elizabeth Davidson read the minutes of the July meeting and Treasurer Betty Telford gave the financial report.

A generous donation was received from Helen Coates Martin of Delhi, Ont., daughter of our late member Hazel Coates, for the luncheon which was provided by the W.I. at the time of Hazel's death.

The Motto for the month is "One today is worth two tomorrows. Agricultural Convener: Gerry Melsen gave special hints. Good fertilizers for plants using 1 tablespoon of vinegar to a gallon of water and crushed swiss chard leaves cooked in water is another fertilizer.

Education and Cultural Activities Convener: Debi Bonn reported that voting cards expect to be issued to seniors and immigrants. We were also warned to be very cautious of what information is given on the internet.

International Affairs Convener: Eileen Taylor reported that tattooing is the 6th largest business in the U.S.A. Middle East leaders met in Jericho to continue peace talks after failure of the peace talks at Camp David with President Clinton.

Home Economics and Health Convener: Sylvia Hopps gave special tips. To clean hands that are grimy - add a small amount of sugar to the soap. Add baking soda to the water when washing a dog.

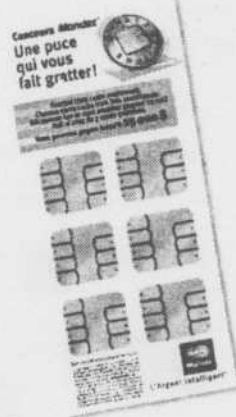
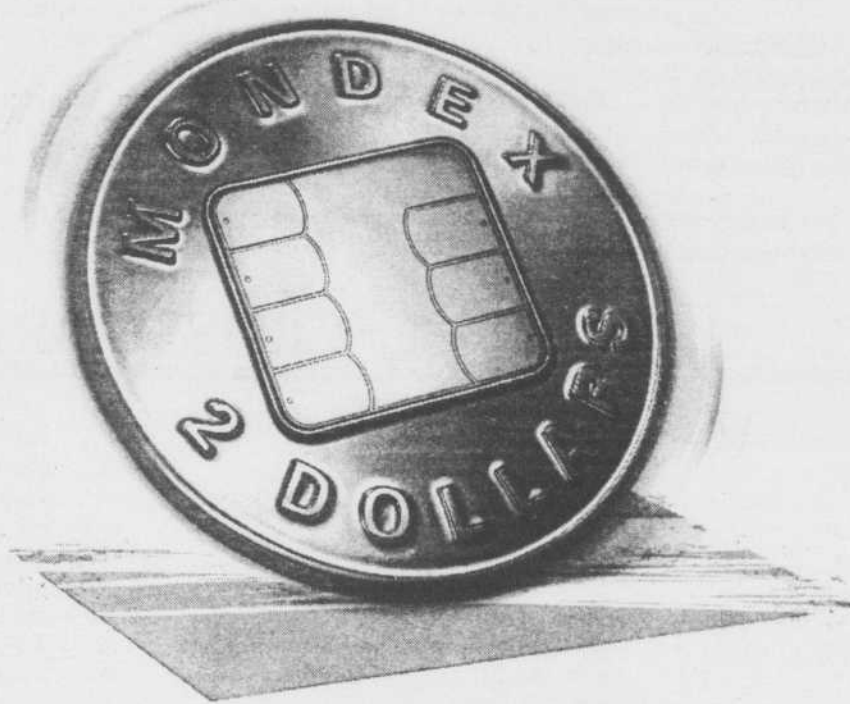
Plans were made for the County Fall Convention to be held Wednesday, Sept. 27 at the Austin Town Hall. Invitations are to be sent to the Brome County branches and to those in Missisquoi County. Young children of the area have vegetable gardens to be judged and four members of the W.I. will be visiting the 26 gardens to decide who the winners will be. On Sept. 9th a card party will be held in the Austin Town Hall and on Oct. 28th a halloween party will take place, both in aid of the recreation committee. Anyone having toys to donate would be very much appreciated for Multiple Sclerosis patients and these can be sent to the English branch in Sherbrooke. The principal of P.E.E.S. in Magog would like to add music, plastic art, and dancing drama to the curriculum and would appreciate help from anyone wishing to help. Several baby books and cards signed by the members were given out to several great-grandmothers and grandmothers for the new babies to encourage them to become interested in books.

The meeting was adjourned by Betty Telford and before serving a delicious

luncheon, a film showing the four seasons of the Austin area was shown. The September meeting to take place at the home of Liz Davidson on Lyman Road, Austin. Time to be decided later.

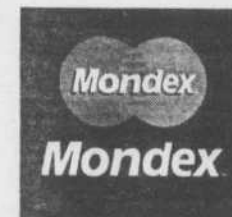
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