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WEDNESDAY, JULY 7, 1999

Man killed in crash near Granby

Staff
A man was killed Tuesday morning after crashing into the rear end of a parked transport truck on Autoroute 10 near Granby.

Quebec Police Force spokesman Const. Serge Dubord said the man was driving a Ford Windstar van on the entrance ramp of Exit 74 headed towards Montreal. He then drove into the back of a highway tractor-trailer truck parked on the shoulder of the road just after 11 a.m.

"There were no signs that he tried to brake at all," Dubord said. He said the truck was properly parked and that it is unclear why the crash occurred.

Also in the van at the time was a two-year-old baby girl. The infant suffered only minor injuries in the crash.

Dubord did not release the identity of the victim, but said he was not a parent of the child. The girl's parents are presently on vacation in Cuba, and have not yet been contacted.

Tornado fails to twist

Staff
Sherbrooke area residents spent Tuesday afternoon on tornado alert after a warning was issued at 2 p.m. by civil protection officials. The warning was lifted at 4:30 p.m.

"Environment Canada did data analyses and advised us to issue a tornado warning for Tuesday afternoon in Sherbrooke," said Jacques Brochu, regional di-

rector of Quebec Civil Security.

Brochu also gave general safety rules for residents, such as staying away from windows.

"People often tend to want to watch the tornado and stay glued to their windows, and that's exactly what they shouldn't do. Instead, they should stay under doorframes, or go down in the basement," Brochu said.

Nurses vote to stay out

Staff
Nurses at the Brome-Missisquoi-Perkins Hospital and the Granby Hospital have voted overwhelmingly to continue their illegal strike, despite being ordered back by the Quebec government.

At a union meeting attended by 60 of the BMP's 160 nurses Monday night, the vote was unanimous in favour of staying on the picket line. In Gran-

by, a clear majority of nurses also voted to stay on strike.

Meanwhile, provincial health minister Pauline Marois is weighing her options on how to get the nurses back to work.

The Parti Québécois government reconvened the National Assembly last Friday to pass the back to work legislation, which imposes heavy penalties on the striking nurses.

'Yet Not Consumed'



PERRY BEATON/CORRESPONDENT

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Sherbrooke suffered extensive damage during Monday's early morning storm. However, Rev. Blake Walker says hope will prevail. For the story, please see page 10.

Maternal instincts kick into gear for family fowl

On tiptoes almost, I descend the cellar steps. Gingerly I tread below. For fear of scaring, or being scared by, a tiny creature. Or worse yet, feeling a sickening lump under my foot. Not one of the slate gray, furry kind. But an ever so small, light ash gray, feathered one. You see, one of the Button Quail has become displaced.



SUSAN MASTINE

A few days ago, when it was time to feed and water the recently hatched "giant bumblebees", as my husband calls them, only three were in the box acting as their temporary home. The fourth had escaped, flown out it appears, to explore the world of concrete flooring and soft sofas, storage containers and odds and ends. Multiple searches have not uncovered its hiding place. And it seems to be avoiding the dishes of food and water placed next to the cage its siblings are now in.

This missing bird is indeed, of a minuscule variety. The egg from which it emerged was the size of a man's thumbnail. At four weeks of age, it's still smaller than a mouse, measuring an inch and a half long at most. Even the light of a flashlight hasn't turned it up. Where, oh where can it be?

Life's never dull when there are animals around. Chloe, the huge floppy-eared rabbit in the spacious fenced-in area outside, took to digging a while back. Eventually he found a soft sandy area in the hillside at the back of the enclosure near the tree roots and got serious about his new pastime. After several days, he had a hole large enough he could sit in it. There was some thought of rolling a rock into the opening, but then, if being inside the sand bank cooled Chloe off in the intense heat, why deny him that pleasure? So far, no problem. But, that hole keeps going further and further into the ground. It makes a straight line, so there's little danger of it coming to the surface, some eight or ten feet higher. And if a rock were placed at the opening now, perhaps my ever-hopping pet

would begin to dig higher....

He must get bored from time to time, this giant bunny. Ever so often, he decides to chase all nine banties keeping him company for the summer. Out of the blue, he'll run at them. They scatter, squawking, wings flapping, making me believe that rabbits are king in the poultry world.

Nearby, our screened gazebo has changed vocation. Heavy winter snow ripped the plastic roofing and bent some of the supporting poles. With the ever-expanding flocks of birds, the gazebo became the exotic home of a goose and her gosling until the baby grew big enough there was no longer a threat the gander would kill it. Now the classy space houses four ducks - three Khaki Campbells (a drake and two nearly mature ducklings) and a Muscovy duckling.

The major animal story, I've delayed telling. The story of the turtles. Two eleven year and one seventeen year old, hardbacks that we adopted when their owners decided that they would be happier as part of our menagerie. In mid June, the turtle resort we had talked about constructing a couple of years back, became reality. An old child's swimming pool was sunk in the back yard amid tall grass. A few smooth rocks were placed at suitable points. And an aluminium sheet fence was installed to secure the area. Cool water, hot sun, flying insects, fresh air - what more could a turtle want?

Within three days we found out. We drove into the yard at nine forty-five in the evening, to find an unfamiliar black blob in the middle of the driveway. It was the smallest of the turtles, its shell gnawed at either end, then discarded in the door yard.

The resort had been invaded, the fence was bent. One turtle was missing and not to be found. The largest seemed untouched. Miraculously, the injured one was still alive. Accusing fingers were pointed at my dog, Lucy. I steadfastly refused to believe her guilty. Raccoons, I declared. Hadn't the dog treed two raccoons just a couple of days prior? But, I had to admit, to myself only, Lucy did look guilty. Days later, the evidence emerged. The corpse of the missing turtle appeared on the lawn. As if that wasn't bad enough, when showing the survivors to friends, we noticed that the smaller turtle had been nibbled on again. Now there's an electric fence, two strands high around the resort.

How I wish I were Doctor Doolittle. Oh, to be able to communicate with and understand these animals, and to keep them out of trouble!

Sunshine Father



Garry Johnston and his three beautiful girls, Hilary, Annabel and Vanessa, celebrate Father's Day. Even the family dog couldn't resist posing for this portrait.

- Submitted by Sonya Johnston, Melbourne Que.

Weather

WEDNESDAY: Variable cloudiness. High near 23. Winds westerly 20 to 40 km/h.

THURSDAY: Variable cloudiness with a few showers. Low near 12. High near 22. Probability of precipitation 40 per cent.

FRIDAY: Increasing cloudiness. Low near 12. High near 24.

SATURDAY: Cloudy with a few showers. Low 15 to 18. High near 25. Probability of precipitation 60 per cent.

BEN by Daniel Shelton



Charles Noble newly elected mayor of Danville

Voters cast ballot to preserve town's name

By Stephen McDougall
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD
DANVILLE

The former mayor of Shipton is now the new mayor of Danville. Charles Noble won the seat Sunday night with 112 votes over his rival Jean-Roch Paquet. The final count was Noble 755, Paquet 643.

Noble, the former mayor of Shipton, which merged with Danville earlier this year, said he would call a meeting of his new council this week to plan a budget and sort out past council work done by the provisional council.

"We had both Shipton and Danville councils working together, it was a lot of people in one room and there was a lot of confusion as to who was doing what," he said.

"Now we have a new council and we have to sort out what our priorities should be. There are equipment purchases and budgets to make."

Some 1,435 voters turned out for the election, which town clerk Michel Lecours said was the highest he had seen since the Shipton election in 1997.



Former mayor of Shipton, Charles Noble, gets new municipality to lead.

Lecours said with 3,342 eligible voters out of a total population of 4,549, the turnout was 43 per cent, considered high for municipal elections.

"We saw a lot of people here for a small town," said Lecours, who was president of the election.

"We don't usually see this type of

turnout. I was at my desk from 9 this morning until the polls closed at 7 in the evening. I did not have a chance to even see the grass outside the building."

Apart from selecting a new mayor and council, town residents also chose by a large majority to retain the name of Danville. The vote was Danville 1093, Shipton 289.

As for the council, only two incumbents retained their seats, one by acclamation and the other surviving the polls. Incumbent Andre Lapointe was able to beat off rival Denis Ashby in seat six. Lapointe received 842 votes to Ashby's 503 votes. Thérèse Arbour was acclaimed in seat five.

Three veteran councillors went down to defeat. In seat one, Yvon Laroche lost to Madelaine Auclair. Seat two saw François Proulx lose to Paul Couture. In seat three, Germain Ducharme lost to Laurent Roy.

A disappointed François Proulx, a former Danville councillor, said the reason for his defeat was the influx of new residents from Shipton.

"At the polls, there were a whole lot of people, especially anglophones, that I had never known because they came from Shipton. This merger changed the

electorate for me, I've learned that much." The only seat contested by newcomers was number four, won by Jacques Hemond over Pierre Beliveau.

For Noble, having a fresh council was good news.

"When I was out canvassing door to door, I sensed that voters wanted a change. I have six good councillors, so I think we can live up to their expectations."

Once the town budget is sorted out, Noble said the issue of water quality will have to be tackled. During the election campaign, Noble said he wanted the council to study the possibility of providing water from wells rather than from the local river. At present, the water passes close to the regional garbage dump, past asbestos waste tailings and pig farms. Before residents can drink it, the water is purified at a municipal facility near the river. During the campaign, Noble said only better water will attract more residents to Danville.

But on election night, Noble said the present water will have to do.

"For now, we must work with the water we have," he said.

"But at a certain time in the near future, I'd like a study done."

BRIEFS

Few clues in Kyling murder

By Maurice Crossfield

The investigation continues into the shooting death of Karl Kyling at his home in Frelighsburg Sunday morning. Kyling, 58, was outside his Pinnacle Road home at about 11:30 a.m. Sunday when someone shot him once in the chest and died almost instantly. Police say they think the shooter was hiding in a nearby woods when they fired.

Kyling's wife, Annick Theriault, was in the house at the time of the shooting. She immediately contacted the police, and an ambulance. Kyling's death was confirmed at the Brome-Missisquoi-Perkin's Hospital in Cowansville.

QPF spokesman Const. Serge Dubord said a search of the immediate area following the shooting turned up little evidence. An autopsy carried out on Kyling confirmed the cause of death, while further tests are underway to determine the type of firearm used in the killing. Dubord said Kyling was well known to police, and was believed to have links to organized crime. His lengthy criminal record dates back to 1963, and includes armed robbery, possession of stolen goods, threats, car theft and cultivating marijuana.

Missing

Sherbrooke Police are asking residents to be on the lookout for Vicky Jubinville missing since June 26. She was last thought to be hitchhiking towards Montreal with two other young girls. She is 13 years old, 5'5" tall, and weighs 150 lbs. Her hair is black and her eyes brown, she also has a diamond nose ring. If seen, Police are asking to detain her and advise Sherbrooke Police at 821-5555



Vicky Jubinville

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Downed Tree



"When I saw this, the first thing I felt was total despair," said Benoit Guimond. The owner of a picturesque old brick house on Portland Boulevard is describing the sight of a 100-year-old poplar which fell on his property following the freak storm of early Monday morning. "I guess I was lucky the branches didn't pierce the roof; there is some damage to the gutter and covering though."
- Olivier Bouffard.

Quick response to storm damage

By Olivier Bouffard
SHERBROOKE

Sherbrooke municipal officials hurriedly called a press conference around noon Monday to try to reassure the population following the early Monday morning storm that caused extensive material damage.

Mayor Jean Perreault said he felt lucky no one had been injured or killed in the storm that wrecked havoc on the region knocking out power and destroying property. He said over 120 workers the town's various departments planned to work together to bring everything back to normal.

Contrary to early reports though, the state of emergency hasn't been declared.

"We're treating this as a major power outage, but so far we have the situation under control and there is no need to declare the state of emergency," Perreault said. Power was eventually restored during the day Monday to most areas of Sherbrooke but some parts of the Townships remain without power.

Roger Vachon, director of Hydro-Sherbrooke, said a team of line workers was recalled from vacation on Monday night to help re-install fallen lines.

Vachon added that at the height of the disaster, 80 per cent of Hydro-Sherbrooke clients were out of electricity; this means about 55,000 of its 68,000 clients. By noon, about 34,000 homes had their power restored, and Vachon said he expected electricity to be restored to 65 per cent of the clientele by nightfall. Full service is expected to be

reached by noon Wednesday.

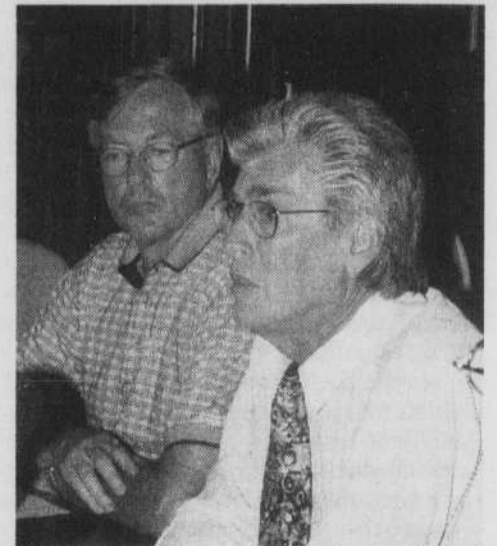
Guy Labbé, director of the town's Public Works, said the water pumping station in Magog was operating, thanks to a generator, and that service had been maintained. Sewers were also running, also thanks to a generator.

He said garbage collection would continue to function as usual. The large refuse collection that was scheduled for this week will go on as scheduled. Labbé did ask residents not to throw away fallen branches in the regular garbage collection, because a special collection would be scheduled next week for the branches. They will be shredded into mulch and composted.

Michel Richer, head of Sherbrooke's fire department, said firefighters had responded to over 100 calls to put out fires caused by fallen branches. They were all quickly extinguished he said, and firefighters would be hard at work for the rest of the day to lend a hand to their colleagues in the Hydro and Public Works departments to clean up the town.

All officials were unanimous on one point though; residents should not, under any circumstances, try to cut branches anywhere near power lines and let qualified professionals do the job.

A spokesperson for the town said Tuesday morning about 20,000 residents were still without electricity. The spokesperson said that number



Sherbrooke Mayor Jean Perreault and Hydro-Sherbrooke Director Roger Vachon discuss Monday's power outage.

should be reduced to 10,000 by Tuesday night. Those who will remain powerless are special cases, the spokesperson said. Their electricity is cut off either because poles fell or transformers blew up, rather than just severed wires, and that means more work than average for public works employees.

By Monday night in Magog, 20 residences were without power.

Grocery stores hit hard

By Olivier Bouffard
LENNOXVILLE

Monday's power outage caused thousands of dollars' worth of food to go to waste.

"It was a very expensive day," said Lennoxville Provigo branch manager Claude Riopel.

Riopel estimated the net loss he will have to mark in red ink at between \$15,000 and \$20,000. He said things were back to normal on Tuesday morning though.

"That amount is a dry loss that the store will have to cover. There is no insurance for that kind of event, it's an act of God," said Riopel.

Meanwhile, Moisson Estrie manager Gilles Duquette said the food bank suffered no loss of food due to the lack of electricity. Duquette said he was in Quebec City when the storm took place and that he came back to make sure everything was alright.

It was. There was no damage to their Daniel Street building. Duquette also said he hadn't noticed any increase in demands for assistance.

"It might come later, but so far we haven't received

more demands than usual for food," Duquette said.

But there were good news. For Moisson Estrie on Tuesday afternoon. Aliments MN, a Sherbrooke company specializing in frozen food, gave about \$25,000 worth of goods to the charitable organization.

"One person's bad luck is sometimes an opportunity for others," said Duquette who added Moisson was to get the two truckloads of food late Tuesday afternoon.

Aliments MN franchise owner Mario Hamel said they chose to give their products to Moisson because of the organization's importance and its wide network of distribution.

Hamel said the products had been lightly damaged by the power outage following the storm and couldn't be sold. Aliments MN just got electricity back around noon, and a rental refrigerator truck wasn't enough to keep the merchandise up to market standards.

Hamel said over 350 different products, including all types of meat, Chinese food, lasagnas, as well as desserts, were in the shipment.

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Angry wind and rain storm trashes Townships

'I've never seen anything like it'

By Maurice Crossfield

Townships residents continued to clean up the mess Tuesday in the aftermath of one of the most serious summer storms to hit the region in decades.

"I've never seen anything like it," said numerous people walking amongst the wreckage on the streets of Knowlton Monday where high winds topped trees, damaged homes and ripped off a large portion of the roof of the Knowlton Packaging plant.

"There were pieces of roof right down the main street," said Phil Snider, president of Knowlton Packaging. "When I got here at 4:30 a.m. I thought the worst had happened."

In all, about a third of the roof over the warehouse facility and over parts of the lab was ripped off by the high winds. The pieces of roofing, insulation and other construction materials joined the thousands of tree branches scattered throughout the village.

Snider said at the time of the storm the night shift was working. But while the roof blew away he said no one was hurt and there was relatively little other damage to the structure.

When the morning shift arrived at 7 a.m. Snider said they were organized into teams to clean up the mess. By 9 a.m. most of the debris had been cleared off of the streets and in the parking lot. A trucking firm was quickly hired to move the contents of the warehouse to the old Tupperware plant in Cowansville.

"I am truly impressed by how much work was done," Snider said. "It was an absolute disaster zone."

Snider said there was little damage to the inside of the building, and by lunch time the plant was awaiting the return of electricity to continue operating. By that time a construction crew was already preparing to fix the roof.

However the plant, along with thou-



MAURICE CROSSFIELD

Pieces from the roof of the Knowlton packaging plant in Knowlton were strewn across the parking lot.

sands of other Hydro-Québec customers were forced to wait a while longer. By lunchtime Tuesday 3800 customers in Brome-Missisquoi and Haute-Yamaska were still without power. That number was down from 10,000 the night before.

In Brome Lake town manager Jean Bourret said Hydro told him that 75 per cent of residents would have power by Tuesday evening, if all went well.

"But when you check outside, I don't know," said Bourret, referring to an approaching storm Tuesday afternoon. "Everything is possible."

Across the region large trees crushed homes and flattened cars. In Cowansville

police and fire crews were kept busy, as the high winds toppled between 150 and 200 mature trees. Environment Canada reported that during the storm winds there reached speeds of up to 120 km, or about 75 miles an hour. By Monday evening power had been restored to much of Cowansville.

Trees pulling down electrical lines and blocked roads was a common problem Monday. But by Tuesday most of the affected roads had been reopened.

"Some of the trees were tangled in the lines so we decided to leave them for Hydro," said Brome Lake fire chief Pierre Laplante during the cleanup Monday.

Laplante said all of Brome Lake's regular employees and the volunteer firefighters reported for work following the storm, cleaning up the mess and opening up the roads.

"All of the employees have done a good job," he said.

Bourret said Tuesday that town crews in Brome Lake will probably be spending the next two weeks doing nothing but cleaning up downed trees and branches.

Laplante said one person he spoke to said that during the storm she saw the sky turn into a glowing green wall. The storm, which lasted about 45 minutes, turned night into day as the lightning and thunder continued almost non stop.

Denis Gosselin of Environment Canada would not say if a tornado had touched down as some people believed, he did agree that the winds did almost as much damage.

One phenomenon noted by some

storm victims was that the high winds seemed to strike 20 or more feet off the ground. While children's toys and flower gardens were almost untouched, tall trees were ripped out of the ground by the roots. Knowlton resident Brian Timmins said Monday's storm was similar to hurricanes he's lived through in North Carolina.

Michel Gazaille of Knowlton's Marché Jimmy said the supermarket got a generator by supertime Monday. What food wasn't ruined was then moved into working freezers.

"We have a lot of losses, particularly meat, frozen fish and dairy products," Gazaille said.

At the Knowlbanks retirement residence the management tried to keep a holiday atmosphere, holding a chicken barbecue Tuesday evening.

"We were lucky in some ways because we got the last generator available," said Joy Banks. She's been sleeping on the couch in the office, while husband Ernie sleeps in a car blocking the driveway, to keep an eye on the generator.

The main problem, she said, was that with the elevator not working, residents on the third floor can't come down to mingle with everyone else. Food, coffee and cold drinks are brought up to them instead.

Banks said conditions are much better than the ice storm of 1998. With power problems for the second time in less than two years, she said the retirement home may have to purchase its own generator.



MAURICE CROSSFIELD

Some houses were struck by trees

COMMUNITY FORUM

Nurses were pushed to the picket line

The usually canny Lucien Bouchard seems to have misread nurses' vital signs.

They are doing much better than he expected. Public support remains unflagging, even as the premier's threats get louder and his punishment harsher. Once fines of millions of dollars are bandied about, it becomes clear that such astronomical sums can only end up in shreds on the negotiating table. No one has the wherewithal to pay them. And why would nurses who had garnered the courage to defy one law, decide to meekly obey another? Nurses or even union leaders wearing handcuffs or languishing in jail is not an image that either Lucien Bouchard or Pauline Marois wish to entertain, even when the care givers refuse to obey back to work legislation.

The fact that a traditionally passive group risks such rebellion

and sacrifice, underlines the punishing conditions they have been enduring. Sandwiched between powerful doctors and helpless patients, nurses have borne the brunt, up close and personal, of the gutting of the health care system. They are well positioned to see how the clumsy reforms were implemented without long range planning. Departments that were reduced to a skeletal staff, often could not function. Forced to add personnel at the last minute, supplementary wages amounting to as much as double the norm had to be paid to unscheduled arrivals. Quality and continuity of care suffers when nurses, unfamiliar with both the patients and the department, are called to fill the gaps. The practise necessarily leads to an additional work load for regular staff.

Overworked nurses, understandably, need and take more sick leave. Replaced at work, sick days double the cost to the government.

VIEWPOINT

IVY WEIR

Then again, given the nursing shortage, they are sometimes not replaced at all, adding an extra burden to already intolerable conditions. Cash lures designed to cut costs by encouraging early retirement at the outset of the reforms, triggered an unexpected exodus of disgruntled nurses, leaving administration scrambling to recruit replacements. Newcomers must be initiated. That, too, costs more time and money. There is not a little irony in the reality of our health care system rendering its care givers sick. Common sense alone dictates that errors in medication become more likely where speed and stress predominate. Yet it becomes painfully clear that there is little or no economy realized even as patient care deteriorates and nurses stand helplessly by.

Is it any wonder that a picket line can look inviting? The premier admits there is a four hundred million dollar surplus in the treasury which he plans to use to cut taxes. A zero deficit and a tax cut were designed to create favourable conditions for a winning referendum. Those tax cuts favour the higher salaried, not the nurses. Yet the public votes needed for that same winning referendum are supporting the nurses illegal strike. So are the votes of 47,000 nurses. Surely that message is not lost on such an astute politician as Lucien Bouchard. The electorate has made it patently clear they want nurses back at work with acceptable working conditions and a salary increase that reflects their worth. A referendum can wait. Patients and nurses have waited long enough.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Health care crisis

TO ALL NURSES
DEAR FRIENDS,

I am writing this letter as an open letter to all, including some members of the media.

It's time that our government told us the truth!

The lack of funds in the health care system is solely and uniquely the fault of poor control in government spending. I think we all know this, but defining exactly how poor and by how much could be a little tricky.

Given that published information is hard to locate and cleverly presented (so as to give as little information as possible), let's just stay with what can be easily proven: Quebec ranks in sixth place out of the 10 provinces when it comes to public-sector spending (as a percentage of GDP). Quebec spends close to 8 per cent more than the national average and only the Maritime provinces spend more on their public sector.

Comparing government spending with that of our closest neighbor (Ontario), Quebec spends 17.6 per cent more per capita but spends 15 per cent less per capita on health care and social services!

Compared with B.C., Quebec spends 12.4 per cent more per capita, we spend 24 per cent less per capita on health care and social services!

If we were to take and adjust Quebec's program spending to reflect something closer to Ontario's, we would be able to put an extra \$2.7 billion into the health care system and

(as an extra benefit) we would save \$1 billion over the total budget.

I think it's time someone forced the hand of the government, and in so doing, forced them to deal with the real issue - their inability to manage our money properly!

Keep up the struggle, you are fighting for all Quebecers!

PETER J. GAGNÉ
Granby

Illegal 735 -kV line

DEAR EDITOR,

Imagine my amazement, as I watched the sun rise Monday morning (July 5) over the Hydro pylons in our valley and heard on my battery powered radio that 500,000 Quebecers were without power! I thought 18 months ago HQ and the PQ assured the province that we would NEVER again experience such a happening because they were illegally suspending all rights and laws by passing decrees to ...what end? Has anyone yet understood their actions?

Of course, this power outage must have been the direct result of a storm from Ontario (Ottawa?) to reap such havoc on the mere taxpayers and citizens of Quebec. Why weren't we saved from this catastrophe by the turtle-neck clad "gods" who promised that this would never again happen because all (meaning Montreal and Montérégie) would be secured by the Des Cantons-Hertel 735-kV power line?

MARNIE THOMPSON
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Veteran Record photographer Perry Beaton usually keeps his ear to the ground to be at the scene of news and events in the Townships, but Monday's terrific thunderstorm didn't require special hearing powers. After watching the skies light up and trees fall down, Beaton was on the beat at sunrise combing the area for photos to tell the tale of damage wreaked by the storm

By Perry Beaton
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

The morning walk began at dawn after the storm had subsided. A walk around Newton and Argyle streets in Sherbrooke revealed trees flattened and strewn over the streets.

Two police officers described a swath of damaged trees between Portland and Dominion streets extending from the area

of the Carrefour de l'Estrie to the downtown with trees knocked over and homes damaged. The forest that occupies the block north of the former Norton nurse's residence at the former (sign) Sherbrooke Hospital saw most of the trees in the middle flattened.

Farther along, majestic trees at the corner of Portland and Ontario Streets were uprooted and were resting on the nearby houses.

Across the Magog River, St. Andrew's Presbyterian church was, according to neighbours, struck by lightning destroying the roof over the altar and the organ, hurling slate shingles and bricks everywhere.

Over on the next block, the roof of an apartment building was lifted off by the wind and deposited on the lawn beside the police station across the street.

In Sherbrooke east, the roof of a 32 unit apartment building was thrown to the ground, damaging a few cars and blocking the driveway.

In Lennoxville a fir tree broke off and landed on two cars parked in Tim Doherty's driveway. After Brian Herring had lifted the tree away, there were only a few scratches and a bent antenna to report.

Earlier in the morning, trees had fallen on Routes 108, 143, 147 from Brian Herring's yard at the

south end of Lennoxville. He was out clearing the trees away from the road when a motorist started honking his horn at him! Brian kept sawing.

In Eaton Township the farm that Daniel Clément's family has been working for 155 years sustained significant damage. The wind flattened his corn crop, seriously damaged his woodlot, lifted some of the roof from his barn and even 'punched' a dent in one of his silos.

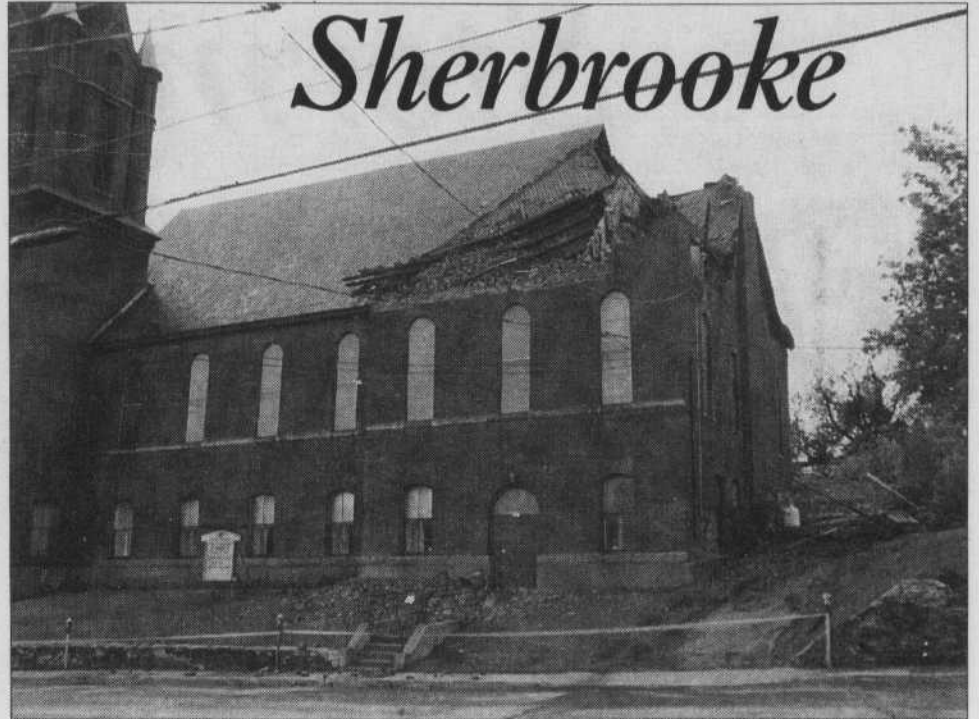
Across the road, all of the trees near Louis Rehel's house were stripped of their leaves and small branches. One tree next to his house was uprooted. Rehel said that the sound of the wind was terrifying.

On the other side of Johnville, where Yvon Ellyson has been building a lovely place for himself and his family all his life, ten tall spruce trees landed on the house, four in the pond and a plantation of similar trees was flattened as though a giant hand had swept them back like someone brushing their hair back.

Over on the 108 near Birchton, a small army of neighbours was helping Noël Landry and his family clean up. The wind had blown the tops off three of his four silos. The fourth one was full, but the wind still tried to twist it, leaving marks of the strain. Parts of the silos were blown almost a kilometre downwind.



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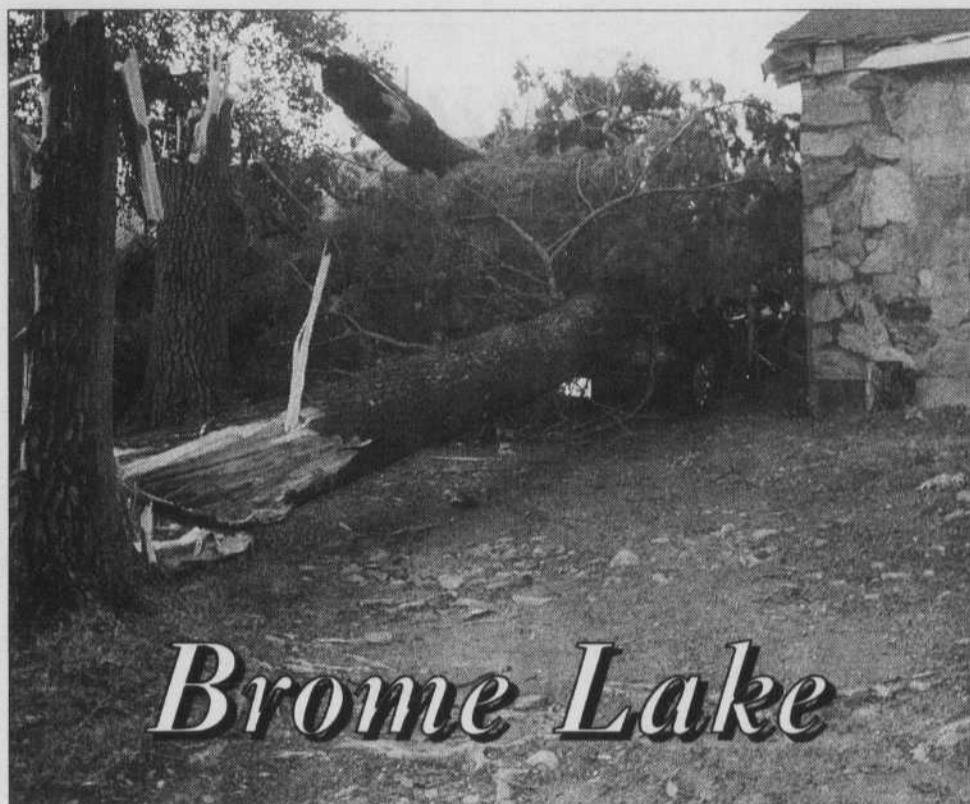
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Léonel Drouin intended to dismantle his unused barn located on Route 147 in Compton someday soon. Now all he has to do is finish the job that mother nature started for him.



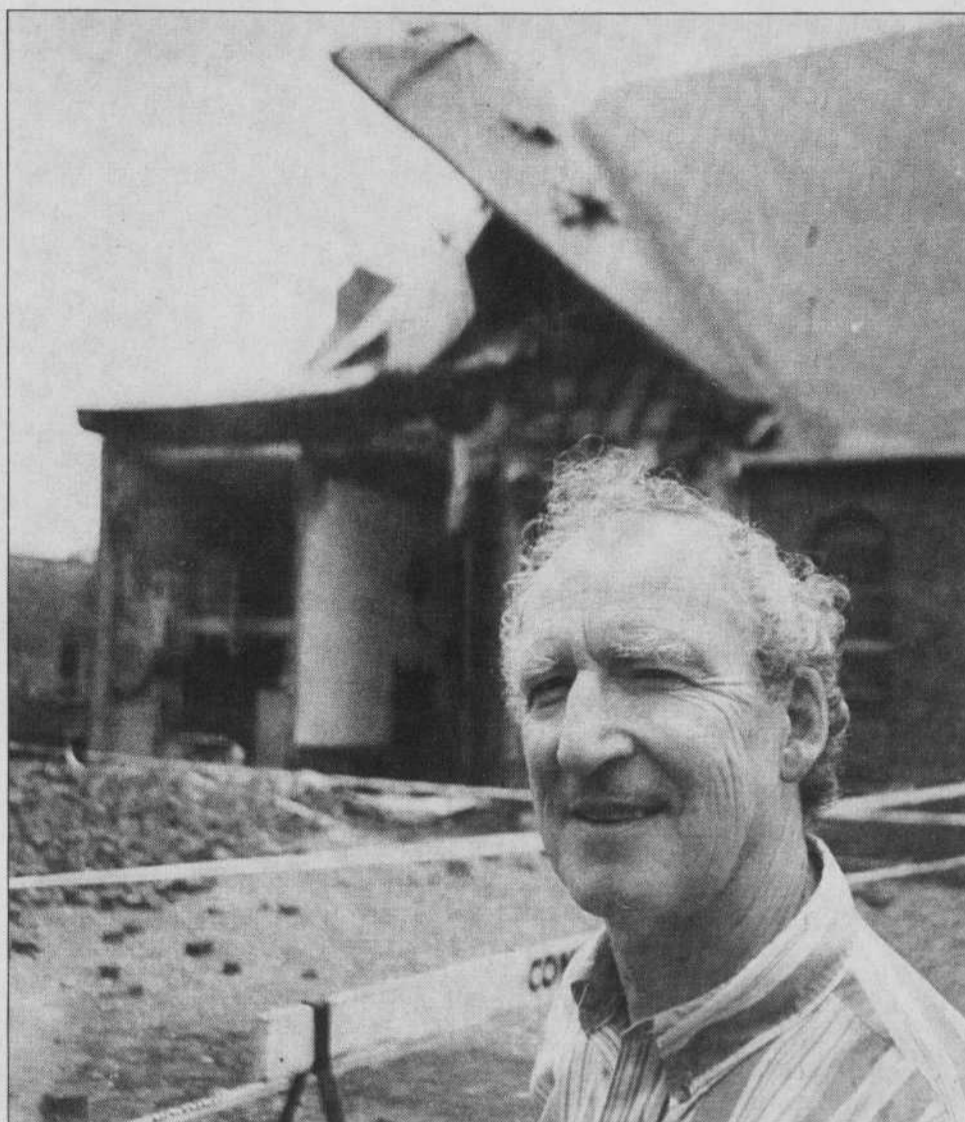
BRUCE PATTON/CORRESPONDENT

If Léonel Drouin and his wife, Lucille, figured that the old saying "It's an ill wind that blows no good" didn't apply regarding the assistance they got in tearing down the old barn, then they probably had reason to think twice about that adage when they looked in their backyard and saw what the wind had done to the garage housing their two cars. Fortunately, damage to the vehicles was minimal.



BRUCE PATTON/CORRESPONDENT

Among the charms of the Louis S. St. Laurent Historic Site in Compton, operated by Parks Canada, are the numerous large trees which surround the vintage buildings. Following the wind storm, many of those trees lost their branches.



PERRY BEATON/CORRESPONDENT

Rev. Blake Walker... 'This building is very precious to the parishioners and myself.'

St. Andrew's ready to weather the storm

Damage estimated at \$500,000

By Olivier Bouffard
SHERBROOKE

Yet not consumed," the phrase from Moses's encounter with the burning bush in the wilderness is the motto of the St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, which suffered extensive damage during Monday morning's storm.

Rev. Blake Walker says it is also a fitting description of the church's current situation.

"Our motto gives us hope that in spite of trials and hardship, the Lord's good work will continue for sure at St. Andrew's. This is a trial, and the Lord will give us his grace," Walker said on Tuesday afternoon.

Walker said insurance company representatives had come to evaluate the damage to the building.

Preliminary estimates put the damage at \$500,000 to \$600,000, he said.

The church, built in the 1840s, belonged to another denomination before

St. Andrew's Presbyterian took it over in 1864. It used to be smaller, but an extension was built between 1888 and 1890.

Walker was grateful that many precious artifacts were spared the storm's wrath. In fact, he said, none of the ritual objects were damaged. He was especially happy to find out the ancient Casavant organ, a renowned musical instrument, remained intact.

Two of the church's 17 stained glass panels were not as fortunate. One depicting the empty tomb of Christ and one of Christ and his cross, were destroyed. The panels were dedicated between 1912 and 1922.

Walker also said the parish had received offers from many different denominations for worship space until the building is restored. He said a meeting was scheduled for Tuesday night to decide which offer would be taken up. The closest Presbyterian church is in Melbourne.

"This building is very precious to the parishioners and myself, and Heritage organizations often make it the showcase of activities," Walker said. But he added, the congregation is more important than the building.

Kosovars ready to return home

By Stephanie Rubec
SUN MEDIA

Kosovar refugees living in Canada could start heading home as early as Wednesday.

So far 300 of the 6,400 ethnic Albanian refugees who flocked to Canada after the NATO bombing campaign began in late March have told immigration officials they're ready to return.

"I won't have any flights before Wednesday," cautioned Immigration Canada spokesman Rene Mercier.

He said the location of the 300 refugees are not yet available, but officials have found it easier to reach those living on military bases rather than in communities.

Immigration Minister Lucienne Robillard is giving refugees three choices — they can leave right now, take two years to think about it or build their life in Canada.

If they chose to go now, Robillard will write them a cheque — equivalent to one month's worth of the EI they would have received had they stayed — and give them a free flight home.

Mercier said officials are advising refugees to stay in Canada for a while, because of the unstable situation in Kosovo. Land mines plague the landscape and the infrastructure is in shambles.

Yilma Makonnen, the United Nations High Commission for Refugees' Canadian representative, echoed Mercier's suggestion, but added that the refugees will know better than anyone when it's best to go home.

Kosovar refugees charged with assault

By Rob Lamberti
SUN MEDIA

Three Kosovar refugees at Camp Borden are charged in a weekend fight with another refugee and an attack on a boy.

While probing the Sunday assault on a man, 20, on the base, OPP officers found there was another incident a month ago when a 13-year-old boy was assaulted by three men.

The man's injuries weren't considered serious, but he was threatened with death during the assault, said OPP. The boy was treated for minor injuries.

An Immigration Canada spokesman said a review of the suspects' status will occur after their criminal trials.

Strike could ground Air Canada

Flight attendants set to walk off the job tonight

By Laura Bobak
SUN MEDIA

Air Canada is preparing to cool its jets in the event of a strike by flight attendants Wednesday night.

The beleaguered airline resumed talks with its flight attendants early Monday, but hours later announced ticket refunds and exchanges for some customers just in case the two sides don't reach a deal by the union's strike deadline of 11:59 p.m. Wednesday.

The money-back deal for all customers scheduled to fly between July 8-14 came on the heels of a 89 per cent strike vote by the company's 5,000 flight attendants, who are poised to walk out at the peak of vacation season in a bid

for a better pension plan and working conditions.

Toronto flight attendant Cidalia Ribeiro, 26, said she's optimistic both sides will settle.

"I think we'll avert a strike. Both sides are very interested in not going down the road of a strike," said Ribeiro, a member of the Canadian Union of Public Employees, which had rejected the company's most recent offer.

Union spokeswoman Catherine Louli said she understands customers are a priority for the airline, but said: "I'd like to see them put the rest of their energy into dealing with their employees."

Louli said the average flight attendant has 16 years seniority and earns nearly \$40,000, but on retirement would take home about \$19,000 after 30 years service.

As talks progress slowly, the airline is rushing to accommodate customers in a

bid to avoid mayhem experienced during the heavy winter storm earlier this year that grounded thousands across the country.

"That's why we're focusing a lot of effort on releasing passengers," said Air Canada spokeswoman Laura Cooke.

She said Aeroplan ticket-holders can also change reservations or get a credit for redeemed miles.

"We're hopeful we're going to reach a negotiated settlement ... in the event of a strike we have to make plans to protect our customers," Cooke said.

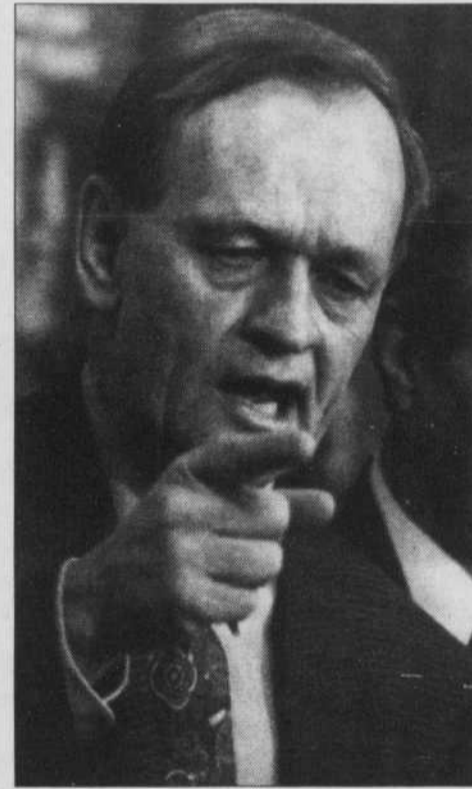
Air Canada's rival, Canadian Airlines, said Monday it will be adding extra flights to pick up stranded travellers.

Cooke said other major carriers have stepped forward to honour Air Canada tickets in the event of a strike.

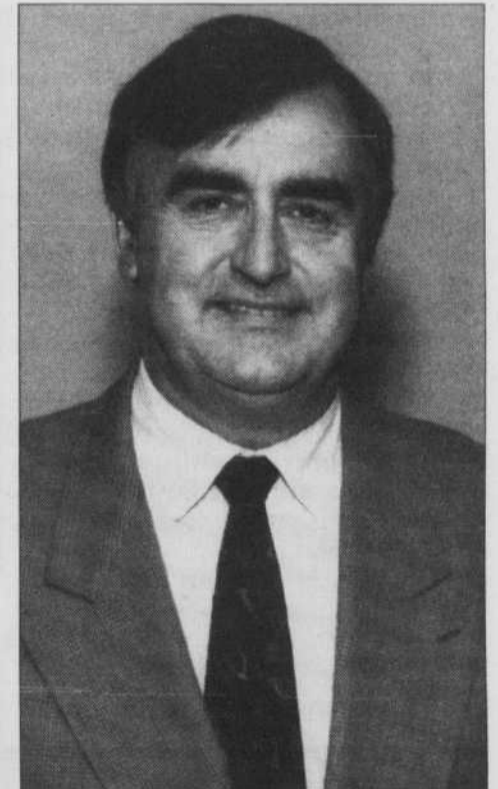
But it won't be enough to pick up the slack, and some travellers should be prepared to be disappointed, Cooke said.



New leader Joe Clark didn't donate to the PCs.



Jean Chrétien donated \$1,300 to the Liberals.



Lucien Bouchard donated \$195 to the Bloc.

Liberals lead parties in fund-raising

Corporations and individuals add \$13 million to Grit coffers

By Mark Dunn
SUN MEDIA

The governing Liberals led all major parties last year in raising cash for their political war chests.

The Grits raised \$13.7 million - more than double that of the Reform and Conservative parties.

A forensic accountant was needed to declare the Reform party the unofficial fund-raiser on the divided right, raking

in \$5,817,439 while the Tories collected \$5,813,113.

Liberal coffers were padded by mostly corporate offerings - about \$7.7 million - while individuals kicked in \$5.8 million.

Reform Leader Preston Manning and Prime Minister Jean Chrétien each plunked down \$1,300 to their respective parties while Tory boss Joe Clark's name was nowhere to be seen on the Elections Canada fund-raising list released Monday. His wife Maureen McTeer chipped in \$1,000.

NDP Leader Alexa McDonough was the top spender among leaders at \$3,355.

The biggest contributors to the Liberals in the non-election year included the

major banks - most of which were thwarted by Paul Martin in merger mania last year. The Bank of Nova Scotia led all financial institutions at \$108,685.

Former prime minister Brian Mulroney coughed up \$708 to the party he led to two successive majority governments.

The separatist Bloc Québécois raised about \$727,000 in individual donations only, including a cheque in the amount of \$195 from Lucien Bouchard, the party's founder and Quebec premier.

As for the NDP, its raised about \$4.2 million from individuals, \$1 million from unions and a mere \$244,919 from business - a sector the party is beginning to woo.

Soldiers put Canada on the map this century

The unusual

Princess Patricia unit

By Paul Cowan
SUN MEDIA

August 1914 saw two historic events - the start of the First World War and the formation of one of the world's most famous fighting forces, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry.

As the storm clouds of war gathered over Europe, Montreal businessman Andrew Hamilton Gault, 33, went to the Canadian Minister of Militia and Defence, Col. Sam Hughes, and offered to raise a regiment.

A day later, on Aug. 4, the Germans invaded Belgium and the war was on. By Aug. 10 Gault's offer was officially accepted.

The regiment Gault raised with \$100,000 from his own pocket was one of the most unusual in the history of the British Empire.

To make sure it was in action as quickly as possible with the minimum of training, Gault insisted that recruits have previous military experience.

Loggers, trappers, prospectors, ranchers, farmers, cowboys, and shop clerks flocked to the recruiting offices in Edmonton, Calgary, Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg.

More than 3,000 men volunteered for the 1,098 places in the regiment.

Nearly all the other successful recruits had been born in Britain and 1,049 had previous military service. Every regiment in the British army, except one, was represented in the ranks of the Patricias.

In one of its earliest and bitterest fights the regiment held back a major German attack at Frezenberg - at the cost of 80 per cent casualties.



COURTESY PRINCESS PATRICIA CANADIAN LIGHT INFANTRY
British Prime Minister Winston Churchill greets the Princess Patricia Light Infantry.

The ranks of the original contingent were quickly thinned by the fierce fighting. At the end of the war, only 50 returned to Canada with the PPCLI.

As the old soldiers were killed, the regiment became one of the smartest in the British Empire.

Reinforcements came from a surprising source - Canada's universities. A recruiting drive based at the Students Union at McGill University in Montreal brought in hundreds of professors, students and graduates from all over Canada.

Many of the men proved excellent officer material - by the end of the war 335 had been promoted from the ranks to command units throughout both the British and Canadian forces.

The first Canadian officer captured by the Germans was Lieut. Short Colquhoun, the regiment's scouting officer. He was one of 29 officers who tried to tunnel out of a German prison camp but he was not one of the 10 who managed to escape through it.

The British were so impressed with the PPCLI that it invited them to remain with its army.

But the PPCLI opted to serve alongside their fellow Canadians on the battlefield.

The PPCLI was with the rest of the Canadian Corps when it stormed the supposedly impregnable German positions on Vimy Ridge in 1917.

In late 1918 they also helped smash through the German trench lines which had held the Allies back for four years. Once in open country the Canadians made pioneering use of tanks, artillery and machine-guns to sweep the Germans before them.

By the end of the war 1,200 men had died while serving with the PPCLI. About 550 appeared on the casualty lists more than once and many were wounded five or six times.

the battle.

In 1938, a year before the Second World War, the regiment had 352 members. Within 15 weeks of the Second World War breaking out, the PPCLI was up to fighting strength, with 26 officers and 781 other ranks and on their way to Scotland.

HAMILTON GAULT WAS WAITING

And waiting for them when they reached the massive British army base at Aldershot was Hamilton Gault, who was commander of the Canadian reinforcement depot.

After the British army was defeated in Europe and evacuated from Dunkirk in 1940, the burden of the United Kingdom's defence fell on the Canadians for several months.

But the first members of the regiment to see action were machine gunners lent to civilian ships to provide anti-aircraft protection. Two whose ship had been sunk by a submarine near Iceland rowed their lifeboat back to Scotland in July 1940.

After three years of training and guard duties the PPCLI, with the rest of the Canadian 1st Division, were sent to join the British 8th Army's invasion of Sicily.

Army top brass had expected 30 per cent of the invading force to be killed or wounded, but the Italian defenders of the island put up little resistance and casualties were light.

Later when the Canadians caught up with the retreating Germans, it was a different story. When the Loyal Edmonton Regiment was surrounded by hard-fighting Panzer Grenadiers, a company of Patricias raced to their rescue clinging to tanks of the Three Rivers Regiment.

Once Sicily was captured the regiment crossed into southern Italy.

The Italian campaign quickly turned into a hard slog northwards toward the Alps. The Germans were determined in their defence of the semi-fortified towns and villages in the path of the Allied advance.


In February 1945 the PPCLI was pulled out of Italy and sent to France to join the bulk of the Canadian Army liberating northwest Europe.

After the grim savage campaign fought in Italy, the regiment's journey across Belgium into the Netherlands seemed more like a sightseeing expedition. Although there was still fighting to be done, there were no more big battles for the PPCLI.

Although Germany had been defeated, Japan was still holding out. Volunteers for service in the Far East were called for and 160 stepped forward from the PPCLI. But Japan surrendered before the Canadians arrived.

On Nov. 8 at Winnipeg's Civic Auditorium the Second World War officially ended for the PPCLI.

A total of 273 men had died and a



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Host families needed for Japan-Canada exchange at Bishop's

Staff
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Bishop's University is looking for local families interested in hosting a Japanese university student for one-to-four weeks.

"Host families from past years have enjoyed this experience tremendously and have developed lifelong friendships with their Japanese students," said exchange organizer Maria Bandrauk.

Host families get \$140 a week per student for providing room and board. Students spend the day at Bishop's and have lunch there at the university cafeteria.

The Japanese students arrive July 9 and return to Japan on Aug. 7.

Since 1995, more than 60 host families have participated in the exchange, many of them year after year, Bandrauk said.

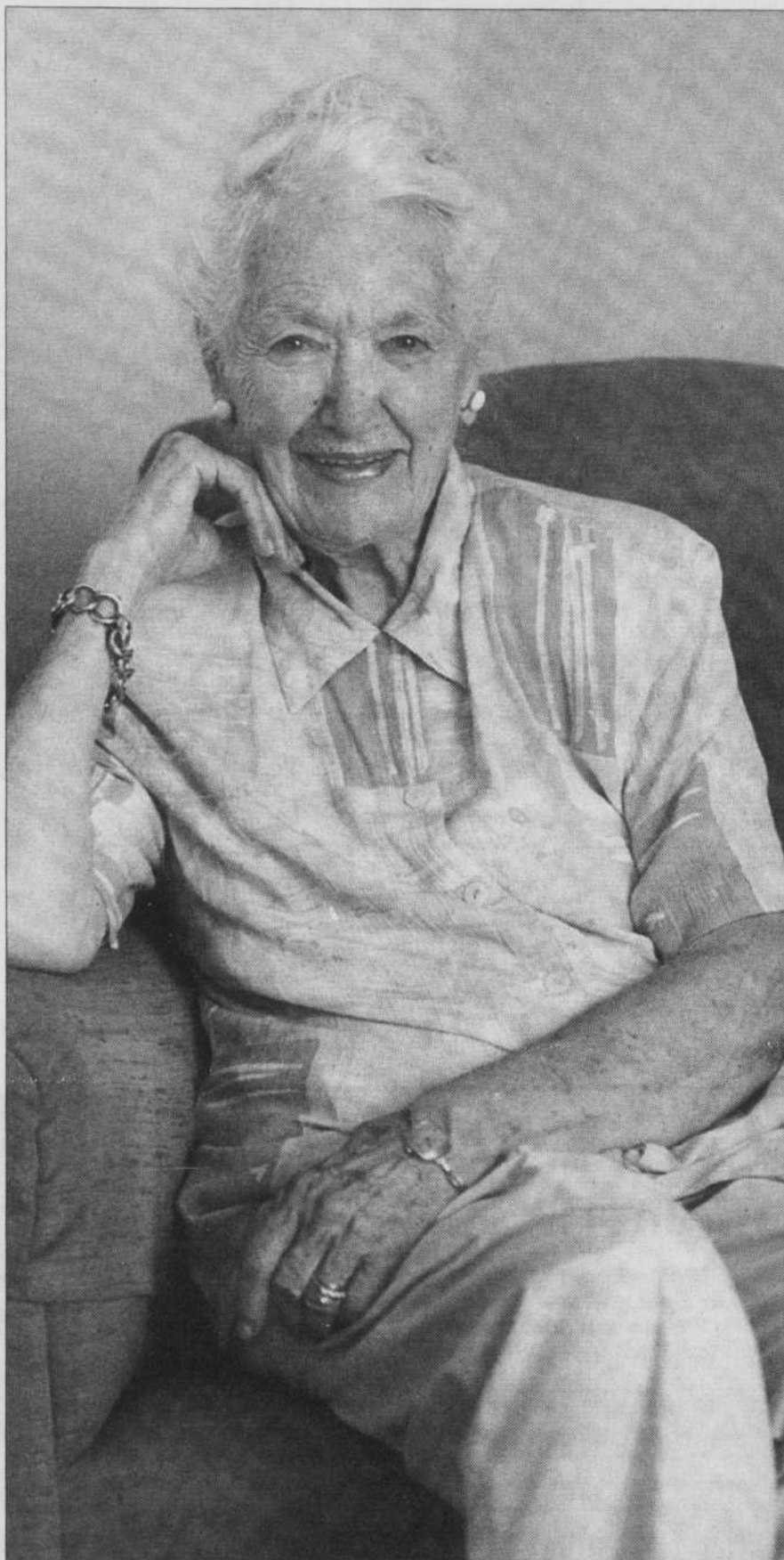
Host families are invited to join in several cultural activities, including origami, calligraphy and dance. There is also a final banquet with the host families to close the Japan-Canada Exchange.

Host families may also accompany students on excursions to Quebec City and the International Folklore Festival in Drummondville.

"This exchange is particularly interesting to children who are fascinated by Japanese culture and different ways of doing things," Bandrauk said.

If you are interested in participating, please contact the Continuing Education department at Bishop's at 822-9670.

Joan Thomson's wartime memories



'Men you had danced with the night before would be brought in the next day with no legs'

By Catherine Dean
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

At 88 years of age, Joan Thomson is an active Lennoxville citizen, donating her time to the historical society, the naturalist club and to hospital patients. She is continuing to make the most of a rich and varied life she says began with a simple childhood in St. Lambert.

"It was much better then. Kids didn't have to be so well-informed about everything. I was out of school at the beginning of the Depression in 1929. If your father couldn't afford to send you to college, you didn't go. I wanted to get a job and make some money so I worked at Sun Life for 20 years."

Thomson signed up with the Red Cross Blood Donor Clinic during the Second World War. She had no idea it would change her life.

"We used to run our finger down the telephone book for donors. It was important during the war. The Red Cross provided everything from ambulance drivers, welfare officers and service clubs to turning our hand to office workers."

Thomson was part of the Sun Life Revue, organizing the entertainment of Canadian troops. She was eager to do what she could to help.

"I was due to go to war early on but my mother died," she says. "So I stayed home with my father. In June 1944, I went over. We loaded explosives at Three Rivers. When we left from Montreal, we were 18 days crossing the ocean. We were part of a convoy of 100 ships."

Thomson has kept a diary since she was 12. Although men and women overseas were not supposed to keep records of their time during the war for security reasons, Joan's wartime diaries have served her well: Though her memories of those years are impeccable, she consults them about particulars.

"I was very lucky," she says. "When we went overseas, we didn't know what we were going to do when we got there. I think because I was a little older I was sent to be a welfare officer. The job required that you be at least 25 and I was older than that."

LUCAS LALLIER/SPECIAL TO THE RECORD

Joan Thomson had no idea signing up with the Red Cross Blood Donor Clinic during World War II would change her life.

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'You had to laugh at things. You had no choice'

Thomson:

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She was sent to Canadian hospitals in England for training. "Then we sailed from Sydney on the Brighton Belle. It was a small ship and British soldiers were on board and you didn't get undressed when you went to sleep. You put your coat over you for a blanket."

The conditions were less than comfortable. "We had our mess tins and our food came in great vats or barrels. We ate out of our mess tins. Coffee came out of a great barrel. There was no milk or sugar."

The boat landed at Ostend and quickly the men and women learned to bear up.

"We carried 60 pounds on our back and walked for ages over cobblestones. We were taken by train but so many bridges were down we had to get off the train and be ferried across the river." Her first posting was in Antwerp, where the dangers of war soon became evident.

"Antwerp in the fall of 1944 was being very heavily bombed with V2s and we were evacuated from there on Christmas Eve and sent to a hospital in Turnhout on the Belgian Dutch border. It being Christmas, we did our best to provide goodies for wounded soldiers. We went around the hospital with knitted socks from Canada and ditty bags which held writing pads, razors, toothbrushes and books."

Thomson remembers being in S'Her-togenbosch "in a hospital in an old monastery where they had taken out the pews but the confessionals were still outside the admitting room and some of the patients looked at me and said



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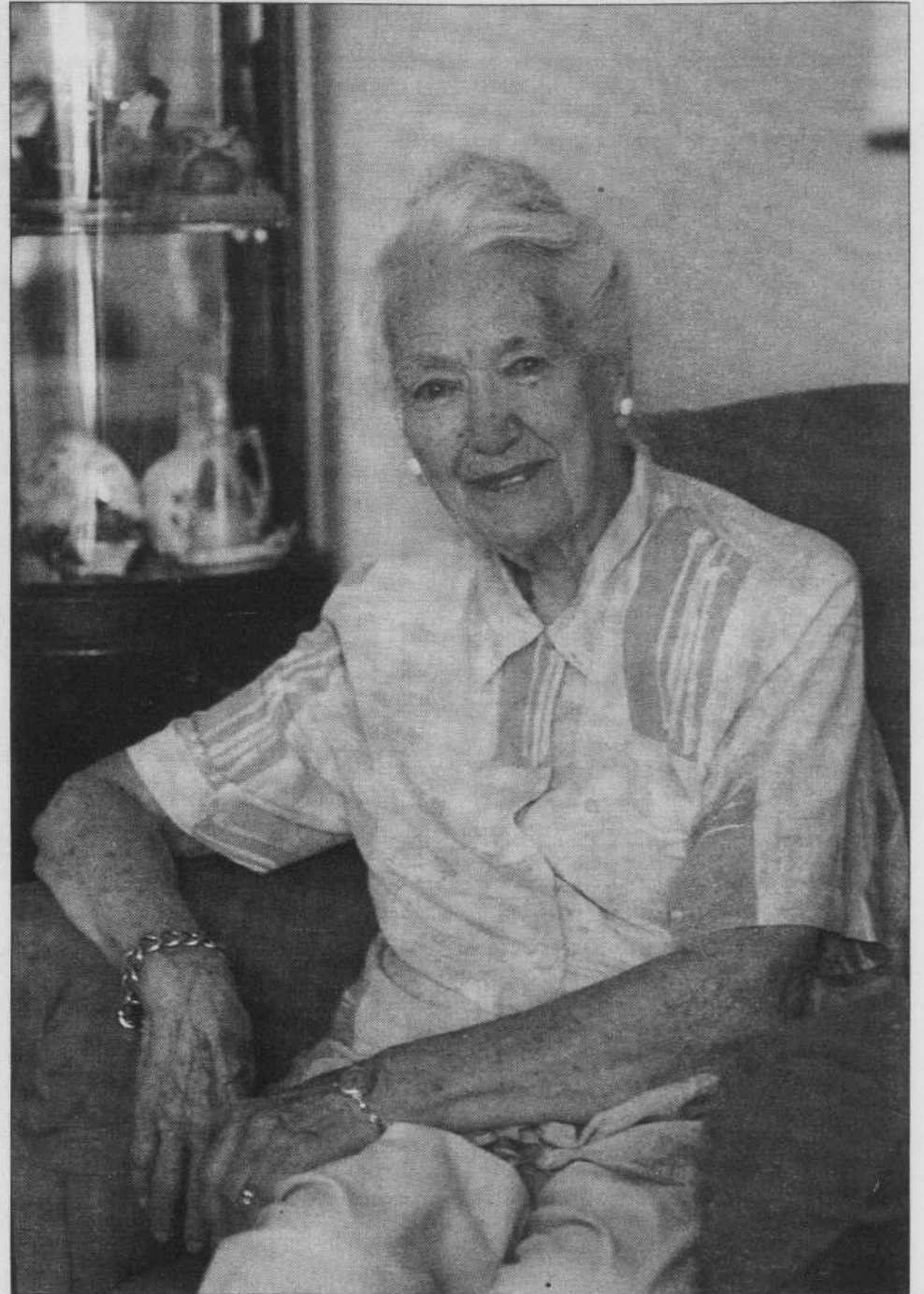
Thomson... proud grandmother of six and mother of two.

'Am I dead or alive?'

"You had to laugh at things. You had no choice."

Often, levity was impossible. "I had a lad complaining about his arm being terribly sore. I looked underneath the sheet and saw where his arm was and it was taken off. He looked to be 17. I had to tell him that his arm was missing and he said, 'That's lucky, I still have another.' I thought about that a lot afterwards and I wondered later if he still felt that way. Sometimes, men you had danced with the night before would be brought in the next day with no legs."

Today, Joan Thomson is the proud grandmother of six and mother of two. Well-traveled and active, she considers herself fortunate to be living a full post-war life and honours those who could not.



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Joan Thomson... 'We carried 60 pounds on our back and walked for ages over cobblestones.'

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CATHERINE DEAN/CORRESPONDENT

Coach Keith Baxter playing with Jaguars.

Practice time for the Lenn-Ascot Jaguar Pee Wee team

By Catherine Dean
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

It has been raining for two days straight and finally the sunshine has returned. A lone figure stands on a soccer field at Bishop's University taking soccer balls out of his van. It is 4 p.m. and practice time for the Lenn-Ascot Jaguar Pee Wee team.

Coach Keith Baxter waits for the boys to arrive. He listens sympathetically as a parent tells him that her son is ill and sorry to be missing practice.

Parents and boys trickle in to the practice session. The boys pair off and practice their exercises.

"The soccer evolves," Baxter says. "Some kids get into it, become "mordu," as they say in French.

The Lenn-Ascot Jaguars soccer club is comprised of 350 boys and girls playing at levels from age six to under age 19. There are 28 teams and 50 coaches, two per team.

"The bilingualism is unique. Parents like it. Francophones mix with anglophones," says Baxter.

Baxter got his start coaching when his daughter Joanna played on a girls' team nine years ago. The next year, Baxter became an assistant coach and has coached ever since.

As he calls out the drills in French, the team is put through the paces in the wet grass and high humidity, with smiles and energy.

Sign-up for the Lenn-Ascot Jaguars starts in the third week of February.

Don't Blame It On The Rain



The last Queen St. mansion in Lennoxville was bulldozed recently and it had nothing to do with Monday morning's summer storm. The building was built in the 1840s for a family named the Gilbys, although most people may know it as the Bishop's Funeral Home as it was later called. Then it was a private home when a fire destroyed it a year-and-a-half ago. Restoration was impossible and the property was put up for sale by Rodney Lloyd, who sold it within an hour to real estate developer Paul McLean. What will take its place? Only McLean knows. The Record will keep you posted. - Staff.

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Cookshire has a heritage worth knowing



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After a ribbon cutting ceremony, visitors admired the interpretation centre in the church basement.

By Catherine Dean
RECORD CORRESPONDENT

The Trinity United Church in Cookshire is such a fine example of vernacular American architecture that Monique Nadeau-Saumier, director of the Colby-Curtis Museum and professor of art at Bishop's University, uses slides of it in one of her art history classes.

"It is a practical building, more geared to a meeting room, with impressive interior woodwork in excellent condition," says Nadeau-Saumier.

Indeed, the gleaming ceiling-to-floor woodwork of Trinity United, once a Methodist Church, the rounded pews and simple decorations of bouquets of lilies and daisies make a fine venue for the inauguration of a new Centre of Interpretation on Religious Beliefs, initiated by La Societe d'histoire et du patrimoine du haut-Saint-Francois.

This historical society has also organized a circuit of church tours in the region, featuring guide animators

dressed in period costumes.

"Our families and communities are more linked than we think," says Daniel Audet, president of the administrative council. "We often think of French and English as separate. Just in my own family, we have Jones and Sebens."

Audet told the crowd assembled in the church last week, a number of them in period costume, that "one of the goals of the latest project is to show how development of the region and various factions came together."

"The main purpose of the historical society is the safekeeping and preservation of our heritage," said Dominique Guay, director of summer activities.

Guay spoke of the "impressive investments made to bring the whole thing to fruition - financial and goodwill and solidarity on the part of citizens wishing to preserve their heritage."

"There were no language barriers," said the director and this was evident,



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Cookshire's Trinity United Church is part of a circuit of church tours in the region.

listening to Joy Chandler translating for the various speakers and the crowd bubbling over in English and French.

Julie Pomerleau, historian in charge of the project spoke proudly of the exhibit titled A Heritage Worth Knowing inspired by a publication called Land of Churches.

"We were able to link up with Economic Development Canada to receive a federal grant to be able to participate in international tourist forums in France and went to France and England to consolidate the history and heritage," says Pomerleau.

She added that "the new research will produce different exhibitions over the decade highlighting different facets of education and family."

Pomerleau spoke of the cooperation of the Anglican, Catholic and Protestant communities and thanked the Colby-Curtis Museum and Rene Brochu from La Patrie for lending objects for the exhibition.

Sophie Pare Beauchemin, one of the guides who will work at St. Peter's, and

Mathieu Longpre, who will work at St. John's Church in Brookbury, made a short presentation in French giving an indication of some of their material. Sophie wore an old-fashioned bridal gown and Mathieu was dressed as an English working-class immigrant.

"The presentation will be more conventional at Trinity United Church," added Guay. "Aaron McCully will welcome visitors and I will speak about the church and its architecture."

While the presentation at Trinity United will be in English, English presentations at St. Peter's and St. John's are still in the works. After a ribbon cutting ceremony, visitors admired the interpretation centre in the church basement. A Heritage Worth Knowing features exhibits on "Religious Architectural Heritage," "The Arrival of the Americans," and "Women's Church Circles."

For tickets and reservations, please call Melissa Blouin at (819) 875-1022. The tours are running Wednesdays to Sundays to Sept. 6.

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ATLANTA	51	32	.614	-
NY METS	47	36	.566	4
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MONTREAL	30	48	.385	18 1/2
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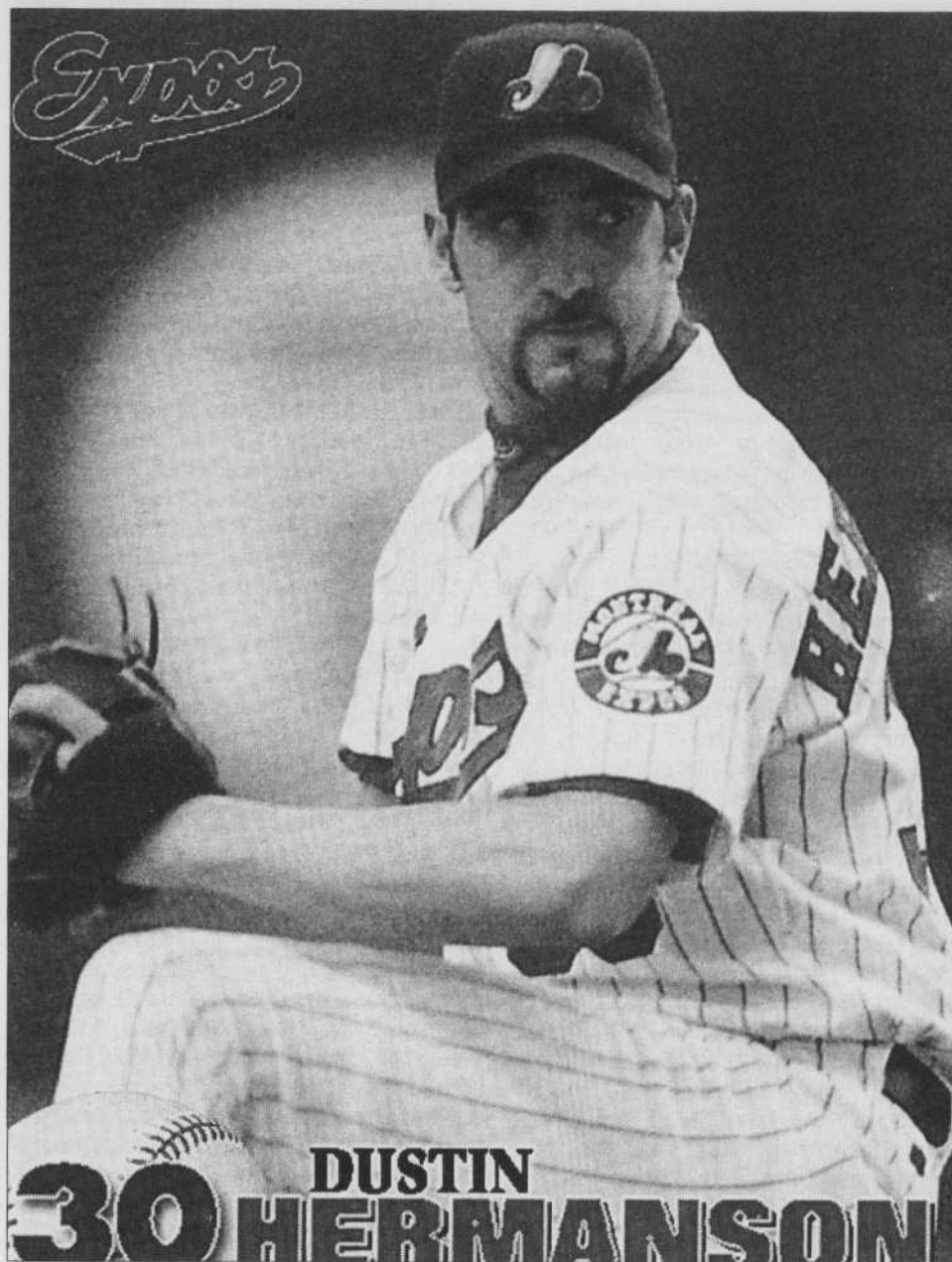
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HOUSTON	46	35	.568	1
PITTSBURGH	40	41	.494	7
MILWAUKEE	40	41	.494	7
ST LOUIS	40	42	.488	7 1/2
CHICAGO CUBS	38	41	.481	8

NATIONAL LEAGUE WEST

TEAM	WON	LOST	PCT	GB
SAN FRANCISCO	47	36	.566	-
ARIZONA	45	38	.542	2
SAN DIEGO	40	41	.494	6
COLORADO	37	43	.463	8 1/2
LOS ANGELES	35	45	.438	10 1/2

Standings current as of Monday, July 5.



Pitcher Dustin Hermanson and the rest of the Expos want a new ballpark.

Future of Expos franchise remains in doubt

Expos celebrate Fourth of July in the Big Apple

By Mike Hickey
SPECIAL TO THE RECORD
NEW YORK

As major league baseball enters the second half of the season, the Montreal Expos find themselves mired in the bottom of the National League standings.

Following Sunday's win over the Florida Marlins the Tricolours boasted a 31-46 record and trailed the Eastern Division leading Atlanta Braves by 14 games. Only the Marlins had a worse record in major league baseball.

The Expos rolled into New York yesterday to begin a four game series with the New York Mets beginning with a Fourth of July matinee game. But the sports pages of the New York tabloids aren't paying much attention to the Montreal club. Rather they are talking about a subway World Series between the world champion New York Yankees and the Mets. Even a three game sweep

by the Atlanta Braves this past weekend could not damper the enthusiasm of the Met faithful.

Watching the attention given the big market New York teams, it is sad to observe the Montreal situation in which the so-called Team of the Eighties is now on the verge of relocating in the U.S.

When the Expos broke camp back in April, manager Felipe Alou warned fans not to expect too much from the talented but young team. But the best manager in baseball promised that his young squad would play exciting, competitive brand of baseball. What they lacked in experience and maturity they would make up with enthusiasm and hustle.

For the most part his analysis was accurate. After a poor start punctuated with inconsistent pitching, the Expos have settled down and have been playing entertaining baseball of late. But even the most die-hard fan realizes that this team is a couple of years and a few pitchers from being a contender.

What impresses the experts about this team is its potential. Vladimir Guerrero, Randall White and Ubeth Uganda are established stars whose best years

are still ahead. Jose Vidro, Mike Barrett, Carl Pavano, Miguel Batista and minor leaguer Milton Bradley provide the Montreal roster with a team that could be a powerhouse in the next century. There is no doubt that this team has a future - it just might not be in Montreal.

For the last year there has been a cloud hanging over the team, a cloud that just wouldn't go away. Claude Brochu, once hailed as the saviour of baseball in the city, is now being portrayed a villain, the man that would sell the Expos to foreign interests and in the process made a sizeable profit for him.

While Brochu plays the role of Benedict Arnold, Jacques Menard is the white knight in shining armour who is trying to keep the team in Montreal. He has successfully secured funds and backing from both the public and private sector. His group of backers has given the Montreal franchise credibility that has been lacking since Charles Bronfman sold the team years ago.

However their efforts to build a downtown stadium and increase their payroll have been stymied by Brochu and his buddy, commissioner Bud Selig.

Selig wants the team moved and appears to be unsympathetic to Menard and the wishes of the Montreal fans.

To make matters worse, the best young team in baseball can't get the local fans to support it on a regular basis. After an opening day crowd of over 44,000 the Expos have struggled at the gate. Their average attendance of less than 10,000 is the lowest in the major leagues, and they had no competition from the Montreal Canadiens who failed to make the playoffs this past season.

So as the club continues to develop into a team for the next millennium, its status in Montreal remains a big question mark. Both Brochu and Menard have been quiet in recent weeks and this is one time where no news is bad news.

It might not be a bad idea for local baseball fans to take the family to a game or two when the Expos return to Montreal after their present road trip. It would help support Menard's efforts and just might be your last chance to see the Montreal Expos before they go the way of the Quebec Nordiques and the Winnipeg Jets.

**IVES HILL**

A 500 card party will be held at the Ives Hill Community Hall on July 7 at 2 p.m. Prizes and lunch. Everyone welcome. Sponsored by the Community Club.

AUSTIN

Strawberry Social on Saturday, July 10 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Austin Town Hall. Sponsored by Austin W.I. Your choice of hot dogs, strawberries, ice-cream. Food and craft tables. Everyone welcome.

GEORGEVILLE

Strawberry Social, Friday, July 9, Murray Memorial Hall, Georgeville. Sponsored by the Georgeville U.C.W. Strawberries, ice-cream, cupcakes, beverage.

BULWER

Strawberry and Ice-Cream Social at the Bulwer Community Centre on Sunday, July 11 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Bulwer Church Group. Cakes, squares and beverages included in price. Everyone welcome.

AYER'S CLIFF

The U.C.W. will be having a Bake Sale and Coffee Party, Saturday, July 10 from 10 a.m. to noon. Please join us and enjoy some very good home cooking. Beulah United Church, Main St., Ayer's Cliff.

WATERVILLE

Ice-Cream Social and Bake Sale at the Waterville United Church on Thursday, July 8 from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Hot dogs are also on the menu. Everyone welcome. Rain or shine.

STANSTEAD

Summer Sizzler, July 10, at Christ Church Parish Hall, 10 a.m. to noon. Muffins, fruit, etc., coffee, sales tables.

Drawing for patio set. Wear your summer bonnet for prizes. No admission charged.

LENNOXVILLE & DISTRICT Community Aid will hold Blood Pressure clinics on the following dates:

LENNOXVILLE: Tuesday, July 13 only at the Masonic Hall, 2 Belvidere St., from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

WATERVILLE: There will be no blood pressure clinic for the month of July. It will resume as usual on Tuesday, August 24 at the Town Hall from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

NORTH HATLEY: Friday, July 9 at the Library from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

KINNEAR'S MILLS

Annual Ham and Salad Supper on Saturday, July 10 at the Community Hall from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Ham, salads, rolls, baked beans with assorted dessert. All welcome.

THETFORD MINES

St. John's Divine Strawberry Social to be held at St. John the Divine Church, Alfred Street, Thetford Mines on Sunday, July 11 from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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This column accepts items announcing events organized by churches, service clubs and recognized charitable institutions for a \$5.00 fee, \$8.00 for 2 insertions of same notice, \$11.00 for 3 publications. Maximum 35 words. If you have more than 35 words the charge will be \$10.00 per insertion. Requests should be mailed, well in advance, to The Record, P.O. Box 1200, Sherbrooke, Quebec, J1H 5L6, be signed and include a telephone number and \$5.00 (taxes included). Telephone requests will not be accepted. Admission charges and trade names will be deleted. No dances.

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Jesus Are You There?

Hello Jesus are you there?

Please consider this my prayer

Remember visiting on earth

"Earthlings we" - celebrated your birth

Recall the nice things you did and said

We are sorry that on a cross a life was shed.

Two thousand years have passed,
man rules to date.

We've forgotten, you gave love.. we gave hate.

This old world was once Creator's pride and jewel;

Now mankind directed: made by fools

Come back to earth again, things are kind of hard...

But don't forget to bring along a

Bank or Visa card.

Bring along a little mask, polluted air you know

Don't drink from any rivers, garbage dumps as waters flow

We have a lot of sick and poor

Sometimes I wonder why

Millionaires, billionaires, fat cats

make me cry.

You gave me brains, hands and skills

Help me to use them as Creator wills

Earth-paradise sublime, yours, mine

To destroy it... that's the crime

What will we do with poisoned air?

What will we do with forests bare?

What will we do with rivers soiled?

Dead fields empty with serpents coiled

What happened to fishes in the sea?

Will we destroy the humble bumble be?

We have land, we have seed

To grow the food for human need

How sad the world with hearts that bleed

Blood constantly shed and all for greed.

Was making humans God's mistake?

Where is the path of Glory we must take?

May 1999

Written by David Donnachie

Mansonville Golden Age Club

We met at the town hall on Tuesday, June 11th. Judy Gaboriault had made mashed potatoes and chicken nuggets for our lunch today. Jackie Jersey furnished fresh lettuce for the tossed salad. Huguette Levoy gave pickles and George Hamelin made a Johnny cake. We celebrated June and July birthdays today with a chocolate birthday cake made by Judy. Those celebrating were Huguette Levoy, Karl Steinbach, Edmond Ducharme, Gaston Scheinks and George Hamelin. Helen Campbell brought a sweet bread and Alfred Vintinner gave the afternoon beverage.

500 winners were Karl Steinbach and Edmond Ducharme. Ida MacKay won today's half and half.

Door prizes were won by Evelyn Dubuc, Toni Lamothe, Dorothy Woodard, Louise Oliver, Cecile and George Hamelin, Irene Carrier, Edmond Ducharme, Julie Buntschitsch, Karl Steinbach, Reginald Landry, Clifton Jersey, Ida MacKay, Jackie Jersey, Rita Mossa, Rita Marcoux, Alfred Vintinner and Rose Alma Pouliot.

Game winners were Rose Alma Pouliot, Reginald Landry, Irene Carrier, Dorothy Woodard, Rita Mossa, Huguette Levoy, Flora Jersey and Verlie Aiken. Regular members will be treated to a dinner out on June 29th.

The Next meeting will be Aug. 3rd. We are taking the month of July off. August will be a cooks holiday. We will have three choices: bring your own lunch to the hall, go to a restaurant, or come after lunch. Sept. will see our regular meal again on the agenda.

Have a happy holiday. A reminder to those going on the bus, boat and fireworks cruise, its on Sunday, July 11th and be there before 7 a.m. as that is departure time.

Rita Mossa

East Angus

Mrs. Murray Labonte

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Rolfe of Ottawa were in town for the weekend visiting Bruce's mother, Mrs. Irene Rolfe. Visiting at the same home was Mr. Ronald Gaulin from Tilsonburg, Ont.

Word has been received of the passing of Marion Sawson Pierce, in her 85th year, at St. Catherines, Ont. Marion lived in East Angus for a number of years. She was a great musician and was the organist of the United Church in St. Catherines for a number of years and also played at the Oban Inn.

Card Parties

Bulwer

A 500 Card Party was held at the Bulwer Community Center on the afternoon of Thursday, June 17; seven tables were in play. Prizes were as follows: Ladies' 1st, Mabel Mackey, 5960; 2nd, Hilda Dougherty, 5820; Consolation, Rena Lassenba.

Gents' 1st, Isabel Nelson, 6300; 2nd, Grant Taylor, 6240; Consolation, Doug Mackey. 4 Clubs, Hilda Dougherty, 9 Spades, Serena Wintle. The half and half was won by Archie Nelson and Audrey Nelson.

Door prizes went to Eleanor Taylor, Mona Garrett, Mayotta Taylor, Helen Taylor, Audrey Nelson, Cecil Ross, Verna Westgate, Gertie Hetherington, Jeffery Scott, Beulah Turnbull and Gabrielle Pare. This is the last scheduled Card Party until fall.

Marjory Pinchin

Milby

The Community Club had another card party on Wednesday afternoon, June 23rd, with prizes going to the following:

Ladies: Doris Gibson; Alice O'Connor; Gertrude Watson.


Gents: Archie St. Onge; Esther Cote (as a man); Beulah Walker (also as a man).

The Secret Number = 3100 with Mabel Mackey coming the closest to it.

The \$10.00 prize went to Dot McCourt and second prize to Barbara Wing.

Door prizes: Bud Wing; Julia Calaway; Archie Nelson; Isabelle Nelson; Pat Westgate; Len Swallow; Marie Hartwell; Mildred Halliday.

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Deaths

ANDREWS, Evelyn - At the Grace Christian Home, Huntingville, Que. on Saturday, July 3, 1999 in her 91st year. Evelyn Marguerite Brookes, beloved wife of the late Ross Andrews and dear cousin of Arthur Wright (Velma) and Shirley (Harold Nutbrown), Gordon Humphrey (Irene) and Linda Johns. Resting at the Cass Funeral Home, 6 Belvidere St. where friends may call on Tuesday, July 6, 1999 from 1 to 2 p.m. followed by the funeral service at 2 p.m. Rev. Jane Aikman officiating. Interment in the Malvern Cemetery, Lennoxville, Que. As memorial tributes donations to the Grace Christian Home or the charity of your choice will be gratefully acknowledged by the family.

BARETTE, Vernon Harold - At the Centre d'Accueil of Cowansville on Sunday, July 4, 1999. Vernon Harold Barette was the son of the late Ferdinand and Viola Barette. Also survived by his brother John and sisters Myrtle, Betty (Peter), and Darlene (Douglas). There will be a private graveside service. Arrangements entrusted to the Desourdy Wilson Funeral Home, 104 Buzzell St., Cowansville, Quebec. Tel: (450) 263-1212, fax: (450) 263-9557.

GINGRAS, Gerald Michael - Peacefully at the Charles-Lemoyne Hospital in St-Lambert, Qc. on Wednesday, June 30th, 1999, Mr. Gerald Gingras in his 79th year. Loving husband of Isabel Price and dear father of Michael (Virginia). Gerald also leaves to mourn his beloved granddaughter Cynthia Gingras, his brother Leonard (Wilma) of Lennoxville and his niece Maureen along with many other relatives and friends. Resting at the Cass Funeral Home, 6 Belvidere St., Lennoxville, Qc. where friends may visit on Thursday, July 8th, 1999 from 9 to 10:50 a.m. A funeral service will be held at St. Anthony's Catholic Church, Lennoxville on Thursday, July 8th at 11:00 a.m. with the Rev. Douglas Daniels officiating. Interment in the St-Antoine cemetery, Lennoxville.

Deaths

HAMILTON, Mark - At the Maison Aube Lumière, Sherbrooke Qc. after a courageous battle with cancer on Saturday, July 3, 1999, in his 63rd year, Mark Hamilton, beloved husband of Evelyn McCormack. Son of the late Joseph Hamilton and the late Ada McCune. Loving step-father of Steven (Suzanne), Randy (Kim), and Shawn (Andrea) Spaulding. Dear step-grandfather of Ryan, Chelsea, Katie and Will. He is survived by his sisters Audrey (the late Fred Lafrance) of Lennoxville, Miriam (Vincent Ferdinando) of Derry, N.H. and his brother John from Sand Hill. He was pre-deceased by his brothers Arden and Donald. He will also be sadly missed by many nieces, nephews and cousins. Resting at the Cass Funeral Home, 6 Belvidere, Lennoxville where friends may visit Tuesday, July 6, 1999 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. and on Wednesday, July 7 from 10 to 11 a.m. followed by the funeral service at 11:00 a.m. Rev. Keith Dickerson officiating. Interment at Malverne Cemetery, Lennoxville. As memorial tributes, donations to the Aube Lumière, 220 Kennedy St. N., Sherbrooke, J1E 2E7 will be gratefully acknowledged by the family.

NIXON, Lorna (née Moreland) - Peacefully at the Wales Home, Richmond, Qc., July 3rd, 1999 in her 81st year. Beloved wife of the late Ted Nixon, dear mother of Donald (Anne de Forest), Charles (Carol Paterson), and Brenda (Johnny Pearson). Cherished grandmother of Sean, Erin, Julie, Carrie (Shawn Frost), Vicki, Adam and Emma. Dear sister of Glenn (Wilma Jones). Lorna also leaves to mourn nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends. Resting at Cass Funeral Home, 295 Main St. S., Richmond Qc. where friends may visit on Wednesday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Funeral service will be on Thursday at St. Ann's Anglican Church, Richmond, Qc. at 11:00 a.m. Rev. officiating. Interment in St. Ann's Cemetery. Donations to the Wales Home, 506 rte. 243, Richmond, N. Qc. JOB 2H0 would gratefully be acknowledged by the family.

PAIGE, Captain Darrell Rollin, D.F.C. - Beloved husband of Jean Paige of Calgary, formerly of Lennoxville, Qc. passed away at the Foothill Hospital on June 29th, 1999 at the age of 74. Besides his loving wife Jean, Captain Paige is survived by one son and one daughter-in-law, Peter and Stephanie and one beloved grandson, Haydon, all of Calgary. Captain Paige was pre-deceased by his son, Gerald on June 29, 1994.

Deaths

WARNES, Ernest - Peacefully at Ste. Anne de Belleview's Veteran Hospital, Thursday, July 1st, 1999. Ernest Warnes was in his 87th year. Beloved husband of the late Mary Pegg. Dear father of Rev. Joyce Warnes Sanchez (Rene Sanchez). Devoted grandfather of Philip and Simeon. Dear brother of Lucy Amos. Ernest will be sadly missed by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Resting at Cass Funeral Home, 6 Belvidere, Lennoxville, Qc. where friends may visit Monday, July 5th from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. and on Tuesday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Funeral service will be held at St. George's Anglican Church in Lennoxville, Qc. on Wednesday, July 7th, 1999 at 2 p.m. Rev. Joyce Sanchez officiating. Interment in Malvern Cemetery, Lennoxville, Qc.



WRIGHT, Margaret - Suddenly at the Brome-Missisquoi-Perkins Hospital on July 3rd, 1999, Margaret Gauvin, beloved wife of Clifford W. Wright in her 74th year. Dear mother of Christine (Stuart), Marion (John), and Robert (Louise). Cherished grandmother of Christopher, Melissa, Jason, Matthew, Karen, Kathy and Vicky. Great-grandmother of Jodi and Niccki. Sister of Emily, Joyce, Violet, Greg, and William. Pre-deceased by Leonard and Donald. Daughter-in-law of Lucy Wright. Sister-in-law of Joyce Blampin and many other family members. She will be sadly missed by all. Resting at the Bessette's Funeral Home, 5034 Foster St., Waterloo. Tel: 539-1606 or 1-888-730-6666, fax:(450) 539-3035. Visitation Monday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. and on the day of the funeral, Tuesday from 12 p.m. Funeral service will be held on Tuesday, July 6, 1999 at 2 p.m. at the St-Luke's Anglican Church in Waterloo. Rev. Wilmur Davidson officiating. Interment at the South Stukely Cemetery. In memoriam, donations to the Quebec Heart Foundation would be appreciated. Forms will be available at the funeral home.

Births

DRIVER-MILLER - Welcome Anna Grace! On May 31, 1999 a new sister arrived for Elyse and Leah and a beautiful new daughter for Paul and Lois. Anna is a new granddaughter for Carole and Hilton Driver of Bromptonville and Mildred and Dale Miller of Hatley, and a great-granddaughter for Jeanne Poulin of Sherbrooke.

STODDARD - David and Trudy (Harvey) are pleased to announce the healthy arrival of their first son, Mitchell Grant Junior, born Monday, June 21, 1999 at 6:08 p.m. at the B.M.P. Hospital, Cowansville, Quebec, weighing 8 lbs. 13 oz. Little brother for Brooke. First grandson for both Richard (Dick) and Ruth Stoddard, Waterloo, Que., and Junior and Barbara Harvey of Dunham, Que. Special thanks to Dr. Normand Chagnon and nurses Andree Guillotte and Sharon Irwin.

Cards of Thanks

BAILEY - Thanks everyone for cards, letters, visits, calls, flowers, etc. while I was a patient at Hotel Dieu and since my return to Grace Christian Home.
ELSIE

BELL - To be in a fifty year old wedding picture, be recognized and remembered by so many Townshippers by phone calls, cards of best wishes and good health have made our anniversary a memorable occasion for which we are both very grateful. Thank you for your thoughtful expressions and good will, may we all enjoy many more years of friendship and good health.

BOB & GWEN
Zol-9 Grosvenor St.,
London, ON., N6A 1Y3

EWENS - I would like to thank my family for organizing the surprise 80th birthday party; for the glider swing, beautiful cake, etc. To all the relatives, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, sisters and their families for coming. For all the many cards, gifts and food. It was very much appreciated.

CLARA EWENS

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Never give account numbers over the phone

Dear Ann Landers: Please warn your readers about a scam I just heard about. Elderly folks are particularly vulnerable.

Here's the way it works. The con artist calls and says he (or she) represents the person's bank. He informs the person that the bank is having difficulty meeting requirements to be computer ready for Y2K. The con artist says, "The bank needs you to transfer your money to a bond account structured to protect your money until the bank can be fully Y2K compliant." Then, he asks the person to confirm his or her account numbers and give verbal authorization to transfer the funds.

This is a huge scam. Banks are almost all Y2K compliant and would never ask a client to confirm a bank account number over the telephone. If you give out this information, these con artists could get their hands on your money, and you will never see it again.

Please, Ann, tell your readers never to

give out this kind of information, no matter who asks, and to report such calls to the phone company or the state attorney general's office. Thank you for getting the word out. — S.P. in Missouri

Dear Missouri: Some scam artists are so smooth and sound so convincing that the average person would suspect nothing. Your admonition never to give an account number or approval for transferring funds over the phone should be carefully heeded. Thank you for the heads-up.

Dear Readers: Remember the poem from the person who said he was behind the times and didn't have a fax or e-mail? His real concern, however, was that he would no longer be able to find typewriter ribbons. Well, my ever-faithful readers have sent me names and addresses of dozens of stores all over the United States and Canada that have plenty of typewriter ribbons. I have been

Ann Landers

assured that they will be in stock for many years to come.

So, folks, if you want typewriter ribbons, just look in your telephone directory under "Office Supplies," and start making some calls. I am reasonably certain that while typewriters may become obsolete, they will not become extinct, which is a great relief. I don't know what I would do without my wonderful IBM Selectric. Typewriters have served me faithfully ever since I started to write this column, which was 44 years ago last October, and I have no plans to "modernize" my work habits. I adhere to that old saying, "If it ain't broke, don't fix it."

Dear Ann Landers: I am a reasonably sensible male who has been married for over 20 years. We have two wonderful children. The problem is my wife.

"Portia" and I have been separated a number of times, most recently six months ago. At that time, she became

very bitter and turned the children against me. While we were separated, I met a woman who restored my self-esteem and made me feel fantastic in every way. She was vibrant, beautiful and truly understanding. However, due to Portia's insistence, I moved back home and am more miserable than ever. My in-laws are now very chilly, some of our best friends have turned cold, and the marriage still leaves a great deal to be desired.

I am no longer in love with my wife, but I'm afraid my children will hate me if I ask for a divorce. What should I do, Ann? — Betwixt and Between in Ohio

Dear B and B: As long as the other woman is in your life, the chances for making a go of it with Portia are pretty slim. Try counseling, and make an effort to heal the breach. Meanwhile, now is a good time to improve your relationship with your children. When parents don't get along, kids feel insecure and can use a little extra TLC.

Birthday Wishes



"What's the good word today" A common phrase you would hear at F.G. Edwards Inc. and the good word for July 6 is the warehouse supervisor is fifty.

Happy Birthday.

Birthday Wishes

You put things in The Record When the news you want to spread That will never tell you're sixty Just you're fifty plus ten instead Happy belated Birthday Bill

Mansonville Golden Age Club

Twenty five members and two guests met on Tuesday, June 15th at the town hall. Paul's Pizzeria had prepared meat balls, mashed potatoes and jello for us. Huguette Levoy gave a jar of bread & butter pickles, George Hamelin brought a Johnny cake, Flora Jersey gave a package of serviettes and A. Vintinner furnished the afternoon drink.

Huguette Levoy own the half and half game.

500 winners were Cecile Hamelin and Rita Marcoux.

Game table winners were Reginald Landry, Alfred Vintinner, Clifton, Flora and Jackie Jersey, Jerry Cabana, George Hamelin, Mildred Atyeo, Dorothy Woodard, Rita Mossa and Irene Carrier.

Door prizes were won by Helen Campbell, Mina Bousquet, Mr. Kolba, Louise Loiver, Ken Cowan, Ernest Boucher, Alfred Vintinner, Jackie Jersey, Julie Buntschitsch, Cecile Hamelin, Ida Mackay, Dorothy Woodard, Gaston Schienks, Reginald Landry and Donna Wright.

A number of seniors attended the B.M.P. Hospital "Info" meeting held in the hall this evening, as did many other interested people of the area. We have to keep on letting our politicians know how much we need our Hospital. In rural areas, especially where minutes count when accidents happen or other emergencies occur, the sooner we arrive, the better our chances to survive. Granby of St. Johns have their own people to look after and we would just be an added burden for them. It we are to survive, we must keep our B.M.P. Hospital alive.

Rita Mossa

North 07-07-99			
♠ Q 8 6 5			
♥ A 4			
♦ J 10 8 5 2			
♣ A 9			
West		East	
♠ J 10 2		♠ 9	
♥ 8 5		♥ 10 9 7 6 3 2	
♦ A K Q 6 4 3		♦ 9	
♣ 10 4		♣ 7 6 5 3 2	
South			
♠ A K 7 4 3			
♥ K Q J			
♦ 7			
♣ K Q J 8			
Vulnerable: Both Dealer: South			
South	West	North	East
1 ♠	3 ♦	4 ♠	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♥	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead: ♦ A			

Wednesday, July 7, 1999

Promoted in rank by a friend

By Phillip Alder

Confucius wrote many thought-provoking observations, including this one: "The superior man is distressed by his want of ability."


Some people receive promotion based on ability; others rely on nepotism. In bridge, we have a play that is, I suppose, closer to the latter than the former: the uppercut. One defender ruffs, forcing declarer or dummy to overruff, but in the process promoting a trump trick, almost always for that defender's partner.

Before we get to the play, though, let's look at the auction. When you are the responder with support for your partner's suit, and your right-hand opponent inconsiderately makes a weak jump overcall, you are supposed to bid

one trick more than normal. So, three spades indicates a single raise, four spades shows a limit raise, and a four-diamond cue-bid promises a game-forcing raise. All these bids guarantee only three trumps, but if it is a close decision, bid more with four — trumps, that is. After hearing partner has a limit raise (10-12 support points), South drives into a slam via Blackwood.


West leads the diamond ace: two, nine, seven. What next?

Because South used Blackwood, he is marked with second-round controls (king or singleton) in both rounded-suits — hearts and clubs. So, the only chance is to score a trump trick. To stop partner from going wrong, West should continue with a low diamond. East has the vital spade nine, which effects an uppercut. South must overruff with the king (or ace), but now West is assured of a trump trick.



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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: X equals D

'MHIG VGJPLM AC RNM MLG
JUUPGC AR MLG SJCEGM; AM AC
MLG MHGGC AR MLG NHKLJHX.'

UJMHAK T. SIKLJRJR

PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "We all get heavier as we get older because there's a lot more information in our heads." - L.A. Laker Viade Divac

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'S'I NWFNAJ FNMA NPLCK ZLSXD
NXAKTSXD KTNK OLCWZ INUY IY
OLII NOMLJJ NJ N PSIPL.'

(BLWSKSONW MYBLMKYM) KNPSKTN

JLMYX

PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "True wealth is not the apples in the basket, it is the trees in the orchard." - Patrick J. Buchanan

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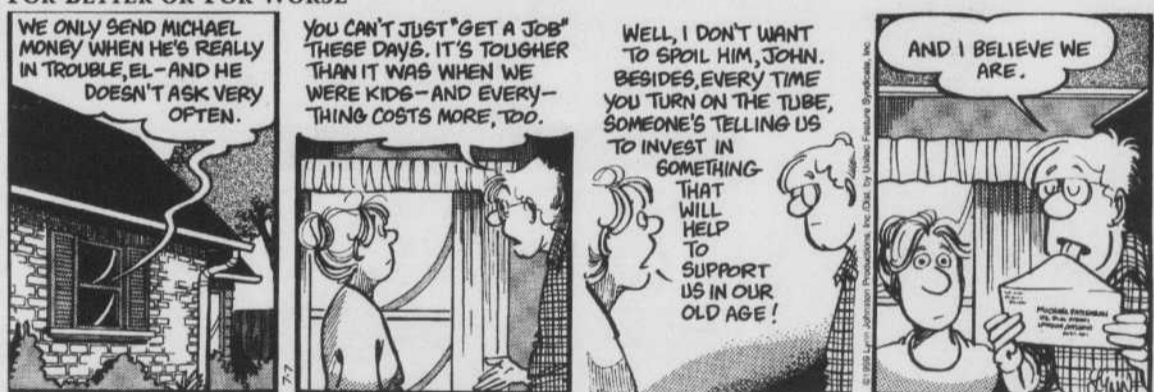
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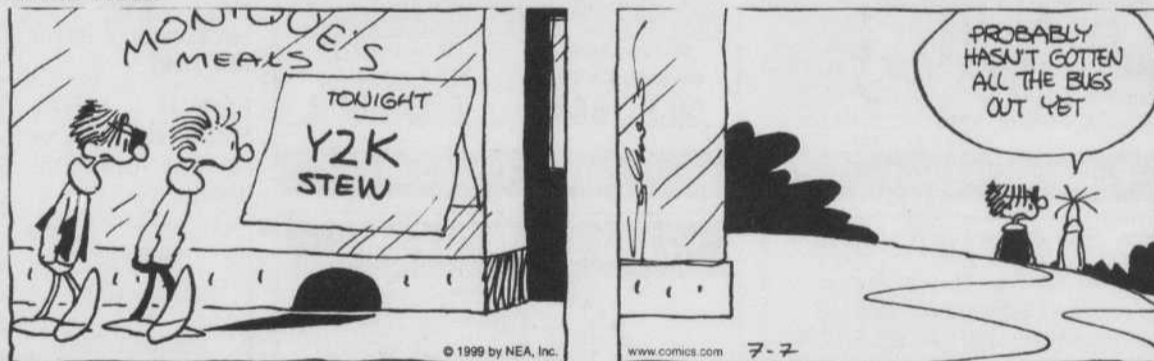
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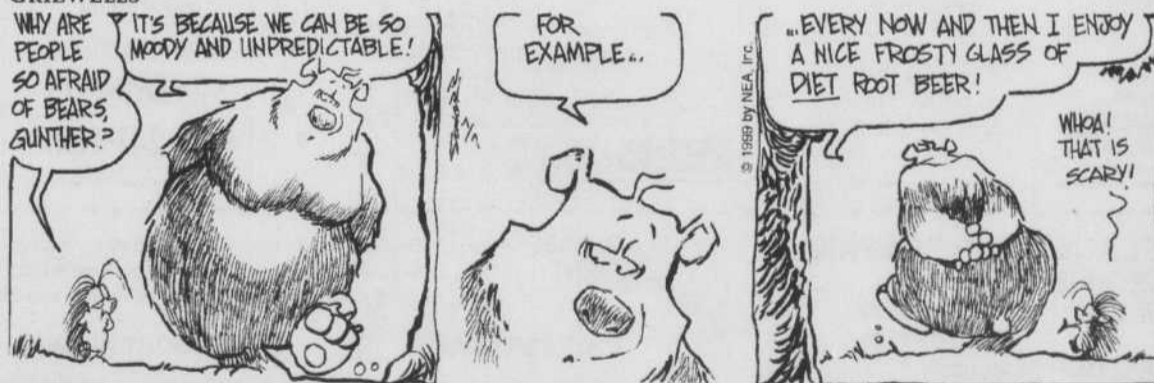
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