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Chateauguay flood victims still can't go home

By Paul Mooney

CHATEAUGUAY (CP) — Floodwaters that forced 1,200 people from their homes were receding Sunday but residents were told they still can't go home.

Officials met with residents early in the evening and said they'd have to spend another

night in hotels or with relatives, said city official Louise Dagenais.

"There will be another mee-

ting in the morning to decide whether it's safe," she said.

On Saturday, rescue workers used helicopters, row-

boats and a front-end loader to reach residents trapped by the floodwaters in this town just southwest of Montreal.

A swift two-day thaw caused the Chateauguay, Yamaska and St. Francis rivers to overflow their banks, causing southern Quebec's worst flooding in a decade.

"Whatever compensation we get it won't be enough," said Darryl Harris, standing in a school auditorium packed with hundreds of other flood victims.

"I just bought new furniture for Christmas — furniture I

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Hundreds are evacuated in Townships — Pages 4, 5

Starting with ethnic divisions

PQ updates plans under new leader

By Lia Lévesque

MONTREAL (CP) — The Parti Québécois will update its program and reach out to Quebec's ethnic communities under incoming leader Lucien Bouchard, PQ vice-president Monique Simard announced Sunday.

With a new leader, an unprecedented performance and a near-victory in the Oct. 30 referendum, "this is the year of ideas for the party," Simard said.

During debates this year, the PQ will discuss the kind of society Quebec could become following independence, she added.

Simard said 1996 will be a year of debate and intellectual renewal to prepare the party for the next century.

"We have to see how we can update and modernize the PQ program, how the party will position itself at the end of the century," she said.

The party's national council plans a meeting in April devoted to relations between sovereigntists and the cultural communities.

Simard made the comments at a news conference following a weekend of meetings Bouchard held with senior PQ officials.

He did not speak to reporters Sunday.

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On the road again... These prize Holsteins made their way back home to the Beaulieu farm near Lennoxville early Saturday after a night out at the neighbors' — forced upon them by floodwaters of the Massawippi River. For the full story please see pages 4 and 5.

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Better get out of my way... Hannah Vaudry-Carey 2½, hasn't yet decided on her career, but she got a chance to try fire-truck driving Sunday at the opening of the Tom Bozer public works building in Lennoxville. For more please turn the page.

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'Where does it lead?'

Will the Senate delay Chrétien's veto bill?

By Linda Drouin

OTTAWA (CP) — A special Senate committee begins hearings today on a bill that would give Quebec a veto over constitutional change.

The bill is part of a unity package Prime Minister Jean Chrétien designed after the separatist forces almost won the Quebec referendum last October.

It also gives a veto to Ontario, British Columbia, the Prairies and the Atlantic region.

On the weekend, the government distributed glossy pamphlets to all Quebec households saying it has followed through on Chrétien's promises to recognize the province as distinct, give it a constitutional veto and power over labor training programs.

That claim is somewhat

exaggerated as only the first element — recognition of Quebec as a distinct society — was adopted through a motion in the Commons before Christmas.

The veto bill is more complicated because it must be approved by the Senate, which decided to hold public hearings before voting on the legislation.

Tory Senator Noel Kinsella, chairman of the special committee, said Tory senators don't want to block the legislation but they want answers to some questions.

With the bill, the federal government is telling the provinces it will use its own veto power on their behalf if they don't like some future proposal for constitutional change.

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Fudge floating to the top?

Documents cast doubt on Defence explanation

By John Ward

OTTAWA (CP) — Documents have come to light which cast doubt on the Defence Department's claim that an RCMP probe last summer cleared senior officers of meddling in the military police investigation of the Somalia affair.

A department news release Friday said the Mounties investigated a series of allegations by military policeman Maj. Vincent Buonamici and found no criminal behavior on the part of senior military officers.

Documents obtained by The Canadian Press suggest, however, that the RCMP investigation was a very limited affair which touched on only a small portion of Buonamici's complaints.

Rear Admiral J.A. King, associate assistant deputy minister for policy and communications, said Saturday the department stands by its news release.

"From our point of view... we called in the RCMP and they were unfettered in their investigation," he said.

"At the time that Maj. Buonamici brought this forward... we followed up and we got a response from the RCMP."

Among other things, Buonamici has alleged in an affidavit that in 1993 a trio of generals interfered with his investigation of events that occurred in Somalia while the Canadian Airborne Regiment was there.

He also said one of his superiors fudged the paperwork for a search warrant used to seize Buonamici's files last March.

The department's news release gave the impression the RCMP looked at all of Buonamici's claims. However, the documents indicate that the Mounties only investigated the fishy search warrant and were never asked to deal with the case of the meddling generals.

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Defence Minister David Collette also gave the impression that all Buonamici's allegations had been addressed:

"In this particular case, those allegations were looked at last year, not by us internally, but by the RCMP," he said Friday in Toronto.

"The RCMP conducted a full investigation into these matters and found there was no grounds for the allegation of obstruction of justice."

Insp. Johnny St. Cyr of the RCMP's A Division said Friday the investigation found no criminal wrongdoing.

St. Cyr said the military called in the Mounties last June to look at Buonamici's allegations.

The RCMP finished its work in July and cleared the soldiers.

"We provided the deputy chief of the defence staff with

the conclusion of our report," St. Cyr said.

Buonamici also complained in a sworn affidavit filed with the Somalia inquiry Thursday that his superiors began harassing him when he told them he would take his findings to the inquiry.

The Defence Department said it conducted an internal investigation of his complaints and concluded "there was no evidence to substantiate Maj. Buonamici's allegations."

Friday night a spokesman for Buonamici said the RCMP investigation bypassed harassment charges and focused on possible criminal activities that weren't even raised in the affidavit.

And the department's response, said the spokesman, "is predictable and consistent with

(DND's) response to other allegations of these types."

Buonamici, he added, has been told by DND not to speak to the media.

The department's findings and the Mountie report have been passed to the inquiry.

Collette said it's up to that body to consider Buonamici's evidence.

"Anybody can come forward with evidence and it's up to the commission to make its judgment," he said.

He added the inquiry will decide whether or not to release the reports. "It's their property to deal with and they're the ones that can make public any of the reports."

Buonamici was the main investigator on the Somalia file between 1993 and 1995.

He was called in after Canadian Airborne Regiment sol-

diers shot and killed one Somali and wounded another just outside the regiment's camp in Belet Huen on March 4, 1993.

The major began rocking the boat within months. He filed a report complaining about the "inexplicable" five-week delay between the shooting and the dispatch of investigators to Somalia.

Buonamici said frankly that National Defence Headquarters knew two days after the shooting that something was amiss.

"The circumstances of the shooting clearly indicated a suspicious and culpable death that required an independent, expert and immediate investigation," he wrote in a report dated Sept. 1, 1993.

No one was charged in the death.

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haven't even started paying for yet — and we're totally flooded."

Chateauguay Mayor Jean Bosco-Bourcier, who cut short a winter vacation in the United States to return to his beleaguered town, assured the flood refugees that waters were receding on Sunday and the Quebec government will compensate residents for their losses.

The municipality was arranging with local banks and credit unions for short-term loans

of \$500 to \$1,000 for the victims, loans against future compensation from the Quebec government.

Food, prescription drugs and pet care were available while volunteers worked around the clock to register victims and provide advice. On the swollen Chateauguay River, an ice-breaker was at work smashing through an ice-jam in order to lower the water level.

Damage was estimated in the millions of dollars.

The flood victims, many holding dogs on leashes or carrying cats in cages, listened quietly to a briefing on the crisis from town officials on Sunday.

One young man bemoaned the fact that he lives in a basement apartment — and a river runs through it.

"I've lost everything," he said bitterly. "I phoned my insurance agent this morning and he said I'm not covered. All I've got are the clothes on my back."

Other parts of North America are being hit with unusual weather this January.

In the United States, flooding on the Ohio River forced hundreds of people from their homes Sunday and President Bill Clinton declared Pennsylvania a disaster area.

And in normally balmy British Columbia, snow is more than 30 centimetres deep in some parts of the Fraser Valley and has caused power outages and traffic chaos in parts of Greater Vancouver.

PQ:

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On Friday premier-in-waiting Bouchard reversed a controversial decision on his House of Commons pension.

Bouchard said negative reaction by the Quebec population spurred his decision Friday to donate his federal government pension to the "Quebec state."

While the provincial government has been preparing Quebecers for harsh financial cutbacks, Bouchard was roundly criticized by both French and English Canadians after

announcing on Monday he would keep his House of Commons pension even if Quebec separates from Canada.

Bouchard said the decision to donate his pension to the Quebec state had nothing to do with the remarks by Quebec Roman Catholic Archbishop Msgr. Maurice Couture, who called on Bouchard to lead by example by giving up his federal pension to anti-poverty organizations.

The archbishop said it was scandalous for people like Bouchard to collect sizeable pensions from one job while working at another one in tough economic times.

The pension has been estimated at \$32,000-a-year. He will collect a salary of \$132,000 as Quebec premier.

But Bouchard, who becomes premier on Jan. 29, confirmed in his first executive council meeting in Montreal Friday evening an earlier statement

that he would donate his hard-earned pension to the Quebec state.

"I worked hard to earn this pension and have contributed monetarily to its buildup," Bouchard said in a statement issued Friday night.

"I'm nevertheless making

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"So who has the responsibility to determine what constitutes the Canadian public interest?" says Kinsella "The common good of Canada is not necessarily the sum total of the individual provincial public interests."

Other people are asking if the veto bill is an attempt to amend the Constitution through the back door, Kinsella said.

"What is clear is that Quebec must be given a veto, with the

this gesture today in view of efforts which will soon be required, in the name of fairness and severity, from the entire Quebec population."

Bouchard's pension would go towards the province's consolidated funds only during his stint as premier.

least amount of difficulty in amending the Constitution," said Liberal Senator Sharon Carstairs, who will sit on the committee.

The committee will hear from Justice Minister Allan Rock, provincial representatives, aboriginal leaders and constitutional experts.

Already the veto bill has a chequered history. It was changed to give British Columbia a separate veto after strong opposition in the province to being lumped in with the Prairie provinces.

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Family, friends pay tribute to murdered boy

By Rita Legault

ST-NICEPHORE — The grey skies, pounding rain and howling wind reflected the sombre mood inside the church in this quiet working class suburb of Drummondville Friday afternoon.

While the storm raged outside, family, townspeople and dozens of high school students inside mourned the death of Stéphane Houle, 15, who was shot to death last Monday night at a rink in St-Nicéphore.

His former mentor, Richard Paquette, has been accused of first degree murder in the death. Police say the boy told his mother months ago that Paquette, a Big Brother to the

boy for the past eight years, had molested him.

Friday's funeral mass was organized and presented by students from Houle's high school, along with school pastor Benoit Lacharité and parish priest Pierre Rivard.

"We would have liked him to live longer to help him out of his pain," said friend Jonathan Hamel. "Since it's too late, it's important that all of us here hold him in our hearts."

Mother Germaine Larocque was too emotional to speak at the service but had a friend read a message to Stéphane. In it, she talks about her love for her son, his love of sports — especially hockey — and his

desire to one day become a police officer.

"While your dream won't come true here on earth, I know you will be up there protecting us from above," she said.

Also taking part in the service were Stéphane's younger brothers Sébastien, 13, and Mathieu, 12, who left a photograph of Stéphane in his hockey uniform, a puck and a deck of cards on the teen's coffin to symbolize his two favorite pastimes. Houle was an avid hockey player and liked to play poker with his freinds during lunch at school.

Réal Houle, the dead boy's estranged father, who had not visited his son in a year, was also in church.

Later, schoolmates played one of Houle's favorite songs, Bon Jovi's, Never Say Goodbye, as they passed the collection plate to help cover the costs of the funeral.

"Everyone is wondering why Stéphane had to die in such a senseless, brutal manner," Father Rivard said in his homily.

QUESTIONS

"We are asking many questions," he said later. "Why did it happen? Why a did a youth die that way? Why does an adult assault a child like that?"

"But we have to keep asking ourselves questions because I

believe many other youths are suffering in similar situations that we aren't aware of yet, and unfortunately many youths don't have the means to talk about it," he said.

"Therefore, we have to be attentive to all the distress signals."

In a short address, St-Nicéphore Mayor Jean Guy Forcier also decried the senseless death and said that efforts to open a local youth centre have been stepped up in the wake of the murder.

Following the mass, school pastor Lacharité said that Stéphane had confided to friends that Paquette had tried to initiate a sexual relationship with the teen.

"But Stéphane remained true to himself," Lacharité said of the young boy who had been active in the school's young Catholic group *Jeunesse Etudiante Chrétienne*.

Although many of the teenagers who attended the funeral admitted they did not know Stéphane well, they were all shocked and upset about the murder.

"It must be really hard on the family," said classmate Melodie Brodeur. "I don't know him that well and it's hard for me."

"I wasn't really close to him but I still feel bad," said Julie Lauzon. While she said Houle

was not a popular kid, maybe she should have made a bigger effort to understand him.

"He didn't deserve this," said a tearful Karine Bélanger after the service.

"He was always happy at school," added Karine Dumaine. "He deserves to still be alive."

Since the murder on Monday, the Big Brothers organization has been inundated with calls.

National Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Canada president Richard Bassett, who attended the service, said it's too early to tell what effect the murder will have on the demand for Big Brothers and the recruitment of volunteers.

"Any time an incident like this happens it affects our organization and similar ones, but thankfully they are very, very isolated and I believe we have the correct policies and procedures in place to prevent these types of things from happening."

Big Brothers is undertaking a review of how policies were implemented by the Drummondville agency, one of 182 across Canada.

In the meantime, murder suspect Paquette is undergoing a psychiatric evaluation and is expected back in court next month when a judge will determine if he is fit to stand trial.

Death in Dixville

Coaticook woman killed in car crash

SHERBROOKE — A Coaticook woman died in a head-on collision on Route 141 in Dixville Sunday afternoon.

Kathleen Young, 24, of Coaticook was killed in the accident which occurred around noon. The driver of the car was seriously injured and taken to the Sherbrooke University Medical Centre for treatment.

According to Quebec Police Force spokesman Sgt. Laurent Masson, the accident occurred after the driver of the car Young was in lost control and switched lanes. Masson said the roads were slippery due to falling snow.

New town buildings open in Lennoxville



RECORD PHOTO: PERRY BEATON

Ribbon cutting can be a lonely business, but fortunately Velmore Smith was around to give Mayor David Price a hand at the opening of the Tom Bozer public works building in Lennoxville on Sunday. The open house gave the many invited guests their first look at the new facility and a chance for a proud staff to show it off. Tom Bozer was a blacksmith by trade and became Lennoxville's first police chief, fire chief, dog catcher and social worker after his smithy's forge burned down. He continued to ply his trade and created these tools to solve specific problems. One of his many successors, Gilles Rancourt is very proud to have been able to borrow them from Uplands Museum to forge these important links with those who came before us. Over at the Amedée Beaudoin fire hall and community centre Monique, Raymond and Hélène Beaudoin were on hand to symbolically open that facility, named in honor of their father. Amedée Beaudoin was also a town stalwart for many years.



Heavy rain, high winds compound flood troubles

Freak thaw wreaks havoc in Townships

By Rita Legault

SHERBROOKE — A rapid 48-hour thaw and heavy rains caused the St. Francis, Yamaska, and Châteauguay rivers to overflow their banks this weekend, causing some of the worst flooding in more than a decade.

While most of the damage occurred in the Châteauguay Valley, other areas including the Eastern Townships were also hit hard as southern Quebec was pelted with between 20 and 30 millimetres of rain on Friday.

Sunday night, Quebec's civil protection agency reported that close to 1,200 people were forced to leave their homes over the weekend. Some 900 residents, most of them from Notre-Dame-de-Pierreville — at the mouth of the St. Francis River — and in Châteauguay were still waiting for permission to return to their homes late Sunday night.

Here in the Townships, the situation gradually returned to normal Saturday as temperatures dropped and the water receded.

According to civil protection official Jean-Guy Bordeleau, dozens of homes were evacuated throughout the Townships on Friday evening and Saturday morning. By Sunday, residents were all back at home pumping out their basements and drying out their

belongings.

HOMES EVACUATED

The worst flooding in the Townships occurred in Cowansville and Brigham, where the Yamaska River jumped its banks.

In Brigham, 190 homes and cottages were flooded, forcing 40 residents to find shelter elsewhere. The Magenta River, which flows into the Yamaska, also engulfed a bridge on the outskirts of the village.

In Cowansville, the rising waters forced the evacuation of 67 homes on Veterans Boulevard and elsewhere along the Yamaska. In nearby Frelighsburg, 20 homes were also flooded by the overflow from the Yamaska River, but no evacuations were ordered.

High winds that accompanied the heavy rains blew down a massive tree on Main Street in Cowansville, adding to the chaos, as many streets were already closed due to flooding.

The winds also toppled utility poles and tore down power lines, and dozens of Hydro Quebec teams scrambled to restore electricity to homes in Cowansville, Sutton, Frelighsburg and surrounding municipalities on Friday.

As well, the heavy rains and flooding caused streets and roads to be closed in Knowlton, Bromont, Dunham, Bedford and St Armand.

MORE EVACUATIONS

Closer to Sherbrooke, some



Lennoxville firefighters issued a flood warning and evacuation plan Friday to residents of the Little Forks neighborhood.

45 homes were evacuated in Cookshire after the Eaton River overflowed its banks and seven homes in Bury were inundated by floodwater from the St. Francis. The surging St. Francis also caused the evacuation of 146 homes in St-Nicéphore, near Drummondville.

Also evacuated were some 15 homes along Capelton Road in Ascot. Flooding also occurred on farms at the junction of Route 147 and Route 143, where the Moe's and Massawippi rivers meet.

At the Beaulieu farm in Ascot, the water started rising around noon on Friday. By afternoon, the family had moved farm machinery onto higher ground along the highway and they were forced to move 170 head of cattle around 11:00 p.m. as water flooded the barns.

The cows returned home around 10 a.m. Saturday after spending a comfortable but chilly night in nearby Butler's Field.

The Beaulieu farm, a victim of almost every thaw, lost 150 cows in the Great Flood of 1982 and now springs into action whenever the rivers start rising.

In the meantime, Lennoxville volunteer firefighters were called to rescue a pair of women left stranded on Ile Marie Friday afternoon. The women went over to check on their trailer and were trapped there when the bridge was inundated by the St. Francis river.

DARING RESCUE

"We had to go over with the boat and bring them back," fire chief John Nicholl reported

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Ron Hazeltine took advantage of the 16-degree Celsius temperature on Friday to fiddle for pals at Bown Lumber in Lennoxville.



As water began to rise at Bishop's University, this student resorted to emergency transportation.

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By Saturday, the frigid floodwaters of the Massawippi had dropped, leaving only fungus-like ice rings on these trees.

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Friday evening after a hectic day.

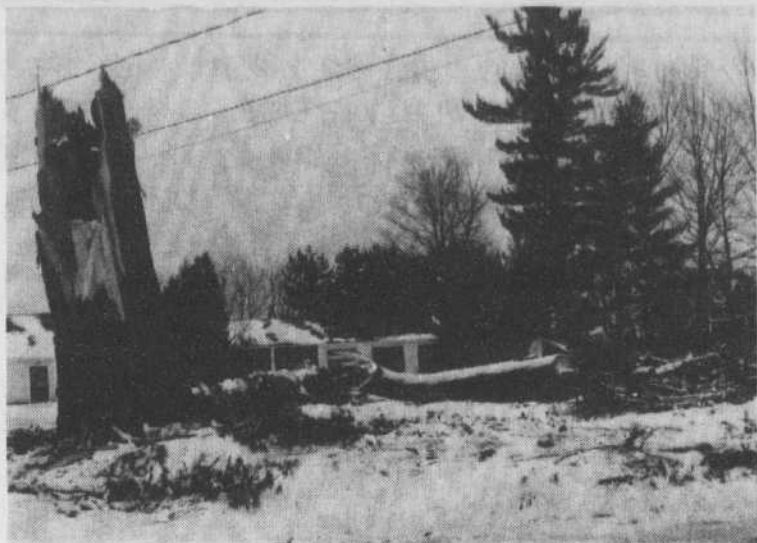
During the afternoon, volunteer firemen distributed a flood evacuation plan in the flood zone along Little Forks, College, Massawippi, Winder, and Reid streets. In the meantime, students at Bishops' University, which has its own emergency plan, were put on evacuation alert.

Another trouble spot was the Larocque dam near the Kruger paper mill in Bromptonville, where an ice jam threatened to cause the river to overflow. Heavy machinery was sent in to break up the ice pack and things returned to normal.

The mid-winter thaw also wreaked havoc with the roads as flooding and heavy rains forced the closing of dozens of roads, including Route 55 near Bromptonville, which was shut down around 8:30 p.m. Friday.

"This is not an ordinary spring," joked Sgt. Laurent Masson Friday evening, adding that his men were kept busy all day closing roads and responding to various emergency calls.

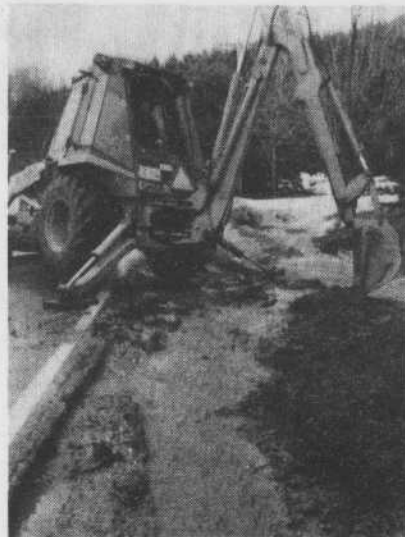
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High winds toppled a large tree in downtown Cowansville (left), slowing traffic for hours in a town already short-circuited by flooded side streets and a broken watermain (right).



Ascot workers divert overflow from Route 108.



Liberated ice floes in the Massawippi River took their toll on Capelton Road.



Leslie Beaulieu helped rescue women trapped on island.

Protection Pan Massawippi:

North Hatley's anti-tower group widens appeal

SHERBROOKE (RL) — North Hatley residents who banded together to fight the Cantel cellular telephone tower have formed an association to protect the natural beauty of the Massawippi River basin.

Protection Pan Massawippi held its first meeting on Saturday and plans to continue its fight against the tower as well as taking on other environmental battles.

Pauline Beaudoin, who was elected president of the group, said Sunday that the new

group may consider a merger with the Massawippi Water Protection Association to become a stonger and more vocal crusader for environmental causes.

"The idea is not to meld into each other, but to help each other," Beaudoin said, adding that it was one of the main topics of discussion at the new association's first executive meeting Sunday.

The idea of a merger was floated Saturday during the group's first general meeting.

The Massawippi Water Pro-

tection Association's interim president, Michel Clairoux, said he was concerned the two groups may duplicate actions.

Clairoux, whose group funds the patrol boat on Lake Massawippi, was also concerned about competition for funding as the group faces a drop in government grants.

About 50 residents attended the first meeting of the group at the North Hatley Community Centre, expressing a variety of environmental concerns from visual pollution caused by the Cantel tower, to noise pol-

lution created by speedboats on the lake.

The group also presented its list of governors, which includes former provincial transport minister Sam Elkas.

The group named its executive, which includes Beaudoin as president, North Hatley councillor Murielle Pelletier as vice president, Danielle Foisy as secretary and Marlis Wehr as treasurer.

Some positions on the board of directors still need to be filled, especially in Ayer's Cliff, which does not have a repre-

sentative in the new group.

More news on the future of the Cantel Tower is awaited, following a meeting between Cantel, Industry Canada and the mayors of the five municipalities around the lake on Tuesday.

A spokesman for Industry Canada has said he would like the mayors to present a unanimous position on the tower. So far, the only council that has not officially opposed the Cantel communications tower is Katevale, where the 400-ft tower is located.

On marriage and the family:

Big differences between Quebec and Ontario

OTTAWA (CP) — *Vive la difference*, as they say.

A new Statistics Canada study has found that people in Ontario and Quebec live the same length of time, but have much different attitudes toward marriage and raising a family.

Take having a first child, for example.

"Most first births in Quebec today are to unmarried women,

most of whom are in common-law relationships," the federal agency said.

In 1982, 25 per cent of all births were to unmarried women in Quebec. In Ontario, the comparable figure was 12 per cent.

Ten years later, the proportion had gone up to 41 per cent in Quebec and 16 per cent in Ontario.

The study, released Friday,

found Ontario's population overall has grown at double the rate of Quebec's over the past 20 years.

It also found fewer Quebecers have married and the trend is gaining momentum.

The marriage rate in Ontario between 1971 and 1991 fell 18 per cent, compared with a drop of 49 per cent in Quebec.

Statistics Canada says nearly three out of five male

Quebecers would still be single when they reach 50, whereas only one in three men would still be single in Ontario. For women, the difference is the same.

The federal agency also found that common-law unions are much more frequent in Quebec.

It said a 1990 survey showed that about 30 per cent of people aged 15 and over in Quebec had

been in a common-law relationship at some time, compared with 18 per cent in Ontario.

An area where the two provinces are the same is life expectancy, although it's a relatively new development.

In 1926, men in Ontario could expect to live 7.1 years longer than men in Quebec, while Ontario women could expect to live 7.9 more years.

Blowing smoke

National non-smoking week has come and gone and it's probably safe to say there are still a few smokers out there and hundreds of new ones — mainly teens — who will begin the habit today.

In fact, a third of Canadian teens are already following the trail to the grave blazed by adults. It's astonishing that a habit so indisputably dangerous continues to be viewed as a pleasurable pastime for so many. Smokers can't be scared, shamed, or shocked into quitting. They'll pay any price for a pack of cigarettes, including shortening their own lives and endangering the health of their loved ones. Until they've decided for themselves to shake the monkey off their backs, you may as well save your smoke-free breath. Such is the addiction.

Smoking ranks right up there with walking, breathing, and blinking, for smokers.

The average smoker brings a cigarette to his mouth 250 times a day—90,000 times a year. Reaching for a cigarette is more than a well-honed habit, it's a reflex that smokers have convinced themselves helps them to relax, to stay thin, to cope with stress, to be sociable. They'll give you the old "Granny smoked a pack a day and lived to 100" line, overlooking the fact granny never took the pill at 18, nor did she sunbathe under a paper thin ozone layer, or inhale zillions of new pollutants.

They conveniently ignore the fact every minute a smoker remains under the control of nicotine, means precious time with family and loved ones gone up in smoke. Will it be a son's graduation, the birth of a grand-child, a cold beer on a hot day? "You gotta die sometime," they'll say with bravado. Smokers are the first to pooh-pooh statistics that show cigarettes rob smokers of 10-15 years of their natural life and insinuate illness and suffering into what should be the prime of life. They'll hide behind a cavalier que sera attitude, refusing to admit they are too weak to go one-on-one with the weed. Thirteen of them die every single day in Quebec.

It's no small feat to confront a monster so overwhelmingly in control that it obliterates common sense and good judgement.

But it can be done. The deadly habit is conquered daily by smokers who break free and re-gain control of their lives. And yes, it takes every ounce of strength and determination they can muster.

Use the patch, use hypnosis, submerge yourself in the fish tank if you have to, but do it.

I hate to blow smoke in your face but last year 38,000 Canadians decided they'd rather smoke than live and today someone else is driving their cars, doing their jobs, and calling their sweethearts, honey.

SHARON McCULLY



Letter to the Editor

Much ado over a local storm

Dear Editor:

At last: the separatist argument is taking focus! Since the October 30 referendum, talk of breaking up Quebec between separatists and federalists — partitioning — has taken on a whole new life, even though it is far from a new idea.

If we learned anything from the most recent referendum exercise, it is that "Canadians" want Quebec to stay Canadian. It is Quebecers

alone who are divided. Surely it makes sense, then, that if (and only if) Canada must be broken up, the break-up ought to come within the territory where the people are already split, not between the united and the divided. The partition debate now evolving exposes the apparently never-ending uproar over Canadian unity for what it is — much ado over a local storm.

Quebec separatists, to their

credit, have been highly successful in making Canada believe that their problem is the entire country's problem, when the reality is that it is Quebec that has the unity problem, not Canada. The beauty in the partition debate lies in its focus — on the problem; within Quebec; where it belongs.

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McKenna fights 'dome disease'

FREDERICTON (CP) — It appears "dome disease" has infected some members of New Brunswick Premier Frank McKenna's cabinet and there are suggestions a strong dose of reality might be in order.

"Obviously McKenna has been accused of arrogance before, but maybe it's a catching sickness," political analyst Conde Grondin said after a senior minister made the gaffe of suggesting "no one could live" on a government pension of \$35,000.

By the time Alan Graham apologized late Friday for the offhand remark that insulted almost half New Brunswick families who get by on less, he had raised a lot of eyebrows. Just how widespread was an attitude that could at best be seen as insensitive and, more likely, downright arrogant?

It's not surprising that McKenna's cabinet would be susceptible to the ailment of dome disease, coined by Alberta Premier Ralph Klein as an acknowledgement that politicians in government buildings often lose touch with regular people.

THEIR WAY

After nine years in power with virtually no opposition, McKenna's Liberals have gotten used to doing everything their way. Deputy premier Ray Frenette has even told the local CBC-TV on several occasions that he would

only respond if given 10 minutes of unedited air time.

"You do develop a certain amount of righteousness as you proceed largely unopposed because you perceive you know more than anyone else," says Dalton Camp, a longtime Conservative strategist who has been involved with politics on the federal and provincial scene since the 1960s.

CP News Analysis

By Judy Monchuk

Some expect that McKenna, who returns to his desk today after being part of the Team Canada trade mission, will read the riot act to all members of his cabinet as a warning.

"The premier has to sit these guys down and give a pretty stern lecture on what their public perception is supposed to be," says Camp.

Such an attitude overhaul would come at the start of what may be one of the bleakest years in the province's history.

NO GUARANTEES

Ottawa is slashing the amount of money it sends to provinces and restructuring aid to anyone who

doesn't have a job — which is a lot of people in resource-based New Brunswick. Civil servants are being warned that no jobs are guaranteed and every essential service is under the microscope.

Pundit Philippe Doucet, who has referred to McKenna as the Teflon Man for his ability to remain unscathed, says perhaps the honeymoon is finally over.

"I think the coating is starting to wear thin," says Doucet, noting that as a hands-on premier, it is McKenna who must ultimately answer for any impression left by his government members.

Tory Leader Bernard Valcourt says the government cannot relate to ordinary people.

"A guy like Alan Graham telling all of us poor New Brunswickers that it's hard to live on \$35,000 — I mean, what is that?" says Valcourt, whose six-member caucus is the Official Opposition, but has been criticized for its virtual silence since last September's election.

"If it's not arrogance I don't know what it is," says Valcourt.

Some say Valcourt's background as a senior member of Brian Mulroney's federal cabinet makes it difficult for him to criticize McKenna's government.

"It's like the frying pan calling the stove black," said Grondin, who teaches political science at the University of New Brunswick.

But auto makers, consumers slow to take to idea

Alcan banking on future for aluminum cars

By Allan Swift

MONTREAL (CP) — Alcan Aluminium Ltd. has a lot of dreams riding on the sleek General Motors EV1 electric car rolled out this month in Detroit.

Not only is EV1 the first consumer-available electric car, it's the first production vehicle — as opposed to custom-made — in North America to feature an all-aluminum structure.

At an expected price of \$47,000, neither Alcan nor GM expect massive sales of EV1, a response to California's coming zero-emission requirements.

But Alcan considers it a big step towards the high-volume aluminum-intensive vehicle they've dreamed about for decades.

With other markets — like pop cans — maturing, the car represents what Alcan president Jacques Bougie calls "the next frontier" for aluminum.

"The whole auto area is seen as a huge opportunity," says Don Macmillan, vice-president at Alcan Rolled Products Co. of Farmington Hills, Mich.

North America alone produces some 15 million vehicles a year. And just one medium-volume model, about 200,000 cars a year, would need 66,000

tonnes of aluminum, says Macmillan.

A New York-based aluminum analyst is skeptical about the two-seater EV1, to be available in the fall, but agrees the auto industry will accelerate the use of aluminum in gas-powered cars.

"The EV1 won't amount to much, at least in this decade," says Tom Van Leeuwen, with brokerage firm First Boston.

"Everyone expects California's emission standards to be relaxed, and as a result production levels of EV1 will be rather limited."

Van Leeuwen expects better acceptance for aluminum-

intensive gas-powered cars like the Chrysler Prowler, to be available in 1997, and the Audi A8, already in limited production in Germany.

Use of the lightweight, rust-free metal is on the increase in cars. About 5.8 per cent of the average 1995 American car is aluminum, or about 90 kilograms, and growing 3.5 per cent a year.

Components include engine blocks, pistons, transmission housings, wheels and radiators. Plastic makes up 7.7 per cent and steel 67.5 per cent.

Aluminum is much more expensive than steel, and until recently, not as strong. But

environmental pressures have spurred research.

The industry claims an all-aluminum car will save 470 litres of fuel a year owing to its lighter weight. As well, aluminum, because it's expensive, is more recyclable.

Since 1980, Alcan has spent \$140 million researching ways to get more aluminum into cars, at centres in Kingston, Ont., and England.

In 1994, Ford built 40 aluminum-intensive Taurus and Sable models; one such sedan is parked at Alcan's Montreal headquarters for use by chief executive Jacques Bougie.

It pays to make right choices

Some bank fees can be avoided through planning

By Sandra Rubin

TORONTO (CP) — Sometimes it seems like death by a thousand cuts.

You pay the bank to withdraw cash. Pay to write a cheque. Pay to pay your bills, for heaven's sake.

With the Big Banks netting a record \$5.18-billion profit last year, the charges are about as popular as the Ebola virus.

But there are some simple ways to cut your fees, no matter where you bank.

"People look at the fees and they feel helpless," said Dan Maceluch, a spokesman for Royal Bank. "But there are ways they can save significant amounts of money — possibly as much as 50 per cent."

For starters, sit down with a price list and compare how much different transactions cost.

At Royal, for example, using your debit card costs 30 cents a pop. The bank machine costs 50 cents and writing a cheque 60 cents.

Determine which is cheapest, and use it. It can make a difference.

If you pay for your groceries by cheque six times a month, you're forking over \$3.60 in fees. But if you switch to a debit card, it'll cost \$1.80.

And don't take out money in dribs and drabs.

If you go to the bank machine twice a week and take out \$50 each time, it'll add on \$4 a month in fees.

But if you go every second week and take out \$200 each time — then stash the cash at home and grab more when you need it — you'll only pay \$1.

The same goes for paying bills at the bank machine. Try to pay them all in one shot.

"If you go to a machine and pay six bills one at a time, you end up paying for each transaction," said Maceluch. "Put them all in an envelope and you only pay one fee of 50 cents — you don't pay six times 50 cents."

Monthly fee? Fifty cents ins-

tead of \$3 on half a dozen bills.

And avoid using another bank's banking machine like the plague. You get dinged for as much as \$1.25 on top of the regular 50-cent charge.

"Using the right tool at the right time can save you a lot of money," said Perry Eisenschmid, general manager of savings and investment at Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce.

"If you're in a grocery store and short of cash, the natural tendency is to go to the (banking) machine in the corner. But if that machine isn't where you bank, the charge is going to be \$1 or \$1.25.

"Your debit card will only be 30 to 50 cents."

Another money-saver is to cut down on the number of bank accounts.

"I'm amazed at how many customers have accounts all over the place," Eisenschmid said. "Some people keep different accounts for different things, like one for savings and one for the house and another

one for vacations.

"They have \$50 here and \$200 there, and there are fees on each one."

He said most banks will waive service charges if you keep a minimum balance.

"The key thing is if you can

consolidate your accounts, and keep a minimum balance of \$1,000, most of your banking transactions will be free."

But if keeping \$1,000 hanging around is not an option, you should take a hard look at your bank's flat-fee packages.

Some analysts say:

GICs may not be best RRSPs

By Heather Scoffield

The Canadian Press

Decisions, decisions.

As the Feb. 29 deadline for 1995 RRSPs rushes closer, many Canadians are considering where to put their retirement savings for safekeeping and tax benefits.

Flustered by loud advertising for mutual funds and bombarded with information, they often opt for tried-and-true: guaranteed investment certificates.

But that's not necessarily

the best option, say experts.

"I think you've got to size up your risk and your objectives and your own outlook," says Rob Stapleford, a principal at consulting firm William M. Mercer.

He says GICs, with pre-set rates of interest, have a definite role to play.

But with GICs yielding about five per cent this year, chances are you can easily find higher returns with mutual funds — which are based on stocks, bonds or currency


markets.

They come in a range from blue-chip stock funds to the so-called venture funds and even bond funds.

The investment you choose should depend on how much risk you can live with and how many years until you retire.

For older people, investing in the stock market gets riskier because share prices can go down.

"If the money's not there when you retire, you're in trouble."



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Lucy Hoblyn and Danny McAuley united in marriage at Georgeville

The autumn leaves were at their height of colour on Saturday afternoon, September 30, 1995, when Lucy Hoblyn, youngest child of John and Sarah Hoblyn of Georgeville, was united in marriage with Danny McAuley, son of Harold and Norma McAuley of Foster. The double ring ceremony was performed at St. George's Church, Georgeville by Father Hollis Plimpton assisted by the Reverend Keith Dickerson.

The church was decorated with arrangements of squash, gourds, decorative corn, apples and fall leaves. A garland of hydrangeas, leaves and high bush cranberries adorned the front door of the church in a gothic arch.

The bride looked lovely in a short sleeved ivory gown in raw silk. The full skirted dress with box pleats was adorned very simply with three silk roses at the back. A gold filagree tiara with seed pearls held in place the antique lace veil, a family

heirloom. She carried a bouquet of white roses, stephanotis, white heather and ivy which fell in a cascade.

Clare Mercer, a long time friend of the bride from England, was the maid of honour. Victoria Roche from Georgeville and the bride's niece, Emilie Hoblyn, age 17 months were bridesmaids. They wore long sleeved forest green dresses and carried bouquets of country flowers. The bridesmaids also wore wreaths of heather in their hair.

The bride's mother chose a cream linen suit with a bold red pattern and matching brick red hat. The mother of the groom was attired in a navy blue three quarter length dress with a cream paisley and red rose motif with a matching red jacket. The father of the bride wore a dark suit and a Cambridge tie. The father of the groom wore a navy jacket, grey slacks and a McAuley tartan tie.

A friend of the groom, Jean-

Charles Rivard, acted as best man. Arthur Kilkelly and James Hoblyn were the ushers. The son of the bride's oldest brother, Harry Hoblyn, age 23 months, acted as page.

The groom wore a kilt in the Red McAuley tartan, Prince Charlie jacket and a black bow tie. The best man also wore a kilt but in the Flower of Scotland tartan. The groom and attendants all wore boutonnières of heather and stephanotis.

Both the infants in the wedding party were impeccably behaved during the service especially after Harry discovered the apples hanging from the pews. The children munched happily as the service progressed.

The ever faithful Georgeville Ditch Ladies were out in full force to witness (from the ditch across from the Church hence the name) the arrival of the bride and groom. They were pleased to find attached to the lamp post a bottle of wine and glasses labelled "for the Ditch ladies compliments of the bride and groom."

The processional, played by Pamela Gill Eby, was "Nimrod" from Elgar's Enigma Variations. Christie McNeil from Boulder, Colorado, gave the first reading, 1st Corinthians chapter 13. Emma Stevens from Knowlton, read the poem "Come live with me and be my love" by Christopher Marlowe. During the signing of the register the soloist, Tracy Davidson from Montreal, sang "Laudate Dominum" by Mozart and "Jauchzet Gott in Allen Landen" by J.S. Bach. Tracy also gave a very heartfelt rendition of Malotte's setting of "The Lord's Prayer". The Recessional was the "Allegro" from The Water Music by Handel.

The reception was held in the Murray Memorial Hall, Georgeville, which had been decorated by the groom with miles of burgundy draperies, tulle, burgundy and white balloons and gold ribbons. The three-tiered wedding cake was made by the bride and her father. The bomboniere were potted ivies and bottles of wine labelled with the names of the bride and groom and a tale of their meeting.

During the reception line a flute and guitar serenaded the guests. After everyone was seated a four course meal was served; golden harvest soup, homemade rolls, supreme of chicken with green peppercorn sauce, new potatoes, baby carrots, fennel and red onion salad, triple chocolate bavarois with a raspberry coulis. All lavishly prepared, with some help, by the bride.

Lucy and Danny stood to kiss on numerous occasions during the meal after being entertained with love songs including



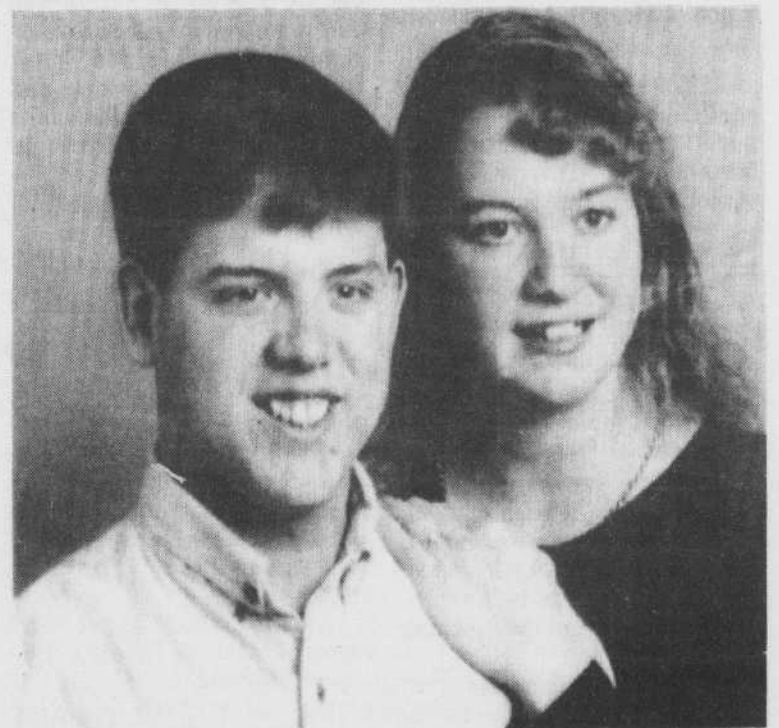
the popular "Someone's in the kitchen with Lucy", "Lucy in the sky with Danny" "Oh! Danny, Oh, Danny! ain't you got love" and of course "Oh Danny Boy". The competition for songs became fierce as Danny's theatrical friends vied against Lucy's musician friends. Diana McConnell, a very good friend of the bride's family from Cheshire, England, gave the first speech of the evening. Letters and faxes from overseas were read and dancing began to a wide variety of music provided by Bob Hill.

Guests attending the wedding were from England, Colo-

rado, New York City, Toronto, Montreal, Greenfield Park, Sawyerville, Lennoxville, Granby, Knowlton, Magog and Georgeville.

Lucy and Danny enjoyed a Caribbean cruise for their honeymoon. They are presently living and working in Knowlton.

Lucy was the guest of honour at two surprise bridal showers. The first was hosted by Norma McAuley, Betty Needham and Shirley McAuley in Foster. The second, in Georgeville, was hosted by Arelette Straessle and Marcus Cox. The groom's stag party was hosted by Emma Stevens!



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Eroder of literacy, or elevator of democracy?

Boomers, TV witnesses to cultural evolution

By John McKay

TORONTO (CP) — Like the baby boomers themselves, television was a mere gleam in society's eye before the Second World War.

Plans for its grand design had to be put on hold for the duration of the conflict but blossomed swiftly afterwards, evolving from a symbol of 1950s consumer affluence to a household necessity by the '60s and '70s.

Today there are more TV sets than telephones and toilets in our culture. And while television wasn't developed by the boomers, they were witness to some of its startling

transitions.

In fact, the heft of their consumer demand was the driving force behind TV's evolution from novelty to necessity, from family centrepiece to ubiquitous, portable, and disposable utility.

"Television's cultural impact has been compared to the atomic bomb," says Liss Jeffrey, acting director of Toronto's MZTV Museum, an exhibit that showcases a history of TV hardware.

"Its story is both public, shaping the global video village, and private, inscribed in the individual habits, hearts and minds of millions."

Television's evolution before and during the prime boomer years followed an almost traditional pattern for technology. First, it was the domain of tinkers and inventors, then of small, local independent broadcasters.

Finally, the big players, the broadcast networks and governments, moved in to take over once it had proven itself a medium of considerable clout.

All the while the boomers watched, grew, and made their demands:

From the whimsy of antennas to the signal security of cable and the continent-

hopping variety of satellite. From black and white to living color. From tinny sound to stereo surround. From all-purpose, trickle-down network programming to all-news and all-sports channels and live feeds from our houses of Parliament.

Gradually the so-called "television babies" whose eyes reflected the hypnotic icy-blue hue of the cathode-ray tube were drawn into Marshall McLuhan's global village where the walls of distance and cultural isolation came tumbling down.

They watched, live, the chaotic

aftermath of the assassination of an American president, as man walked on the moon, as their nation struggled to stay together. Some politicians withered under the stare of the TV eye, others thrived.

Meanwhile, the cultural historians' debate continues. For every argument that TV has eroded literacy, there's one that proposes it has elevated democracy.

And the funny thing is, for the next wave of the boomers' rolling demographic phenomenon, the computer and the Internet promise a replay of the whole revolution.

A glimpse at the life and love of Samuel Clemens

Olivia Clemens a lively presence in Twain letters

By Michelle Locke

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP) — It was 1870 and the fledgling author, married just four days earlier, was boasting of his wedded state in a letter to a friend.

"I am 34 and she is 24; I am young and very handsome (I make the statement with the fullest confidence, for I got it from her)," he wrote. "She is the very most perfect gem of womankind that ever I saw in my life, and I will stand by that remark till I die."

The writer was Mark Twain and the subject of his raptures was his wife.

Letters written around the

time of Twain's marriage reveal new dimensions to the sometimes shadowy figure of his lifelong partner.

"The old image of her was of . . . your typical fainting Victorian woman with kind of continuing hysterical illnesses, and that was combined with the sense of her as someone who repressed her husband," said Michael Frank, co-editor with Victor Fischer of a new volume of Twain letters.

"In fact, we now know that none of that is accurate. She was really quite a robust, active woman with a lively mind and they had a great and strong marriage in which he

regarded her as his intellectual partner as much as anything else."

Mark Twain's Letters: Vol. 4, which is not yet available in Canada, portrays a vibrant partnership between Twain, whose real name was Samuel Clemens, and his wife, Olivia Langdon Clemens.

"I am glad and proud that my little wife takes such an interest in my scribbles," Twain wrote to Olivia in January 1870, a month before they were married.

Six days after the wedding, he dashed off a note to an acquaintance: "Am just married, and don't take an interest

in anything out of doors," with "any" emphasized.

Passion among Victorians shouldn't be a surprise, said Frank, noting that "every generation thinks it invented sex."

"What surprised me is the candor about it," he said.

The book, which covers 1870-71, is the latest installment from the University of California at Berkeley's Mark Twain Project, at work on a vast collection of Twain papers willed to the university in 1962.

In addition to the portrait of home life, there are glimpses of the up-and-coming author.

In January 1870, he writes:

"My book is waltzing me out of debt so fast that I shan't owe any man a cent by this time next year."

He goes on to say, "I mean to write another book during the summer. This one has proven such a surprising success that I feel encouraged."

The hot-selling book was *The Innocents Abroad*. The next work turned out to be *Roughing It*.

"The great thing about looking back into this period is we know who he's going to be, but he doesn't," said Jeffrey Steinbrink, professor of English at Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, Pa.

Birch-bark biting artist dies of heart attack in Saskatoon

WINNIPEG (CP) — Angeli- que Merasty, famed in the arts world as a birch-bark biting artist, died Wednesday of a heart attack in a Saskatoon hospital. She was 66.

Merasty was one of very few people who still practised the art of biting intricate floral and geometric designs into the bark.

She was known for biting images of bees in her pictures. She often expressed regret that few young women would take the time to learn as she had done from her mother and grandmother.

The birch-bark biting came

at a cost for Merasty — her teeth began falling out. She got dentures about 10 years ago and had her dentist make one tooth particularly pointy, just right for biting.

In the 1950s, Merasty's pieces sold for a dime or 15 cents each. Today, one of her works is appraised at \$1,000.

Her husband Bill has orders for her work from Vancouver, Montreal, New York, Germany, Great Britain, a Calgary museum and a government department in Winnipeg.

Angelique's art is part of a permanent display at the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C. It can also be seen at the Museum of Man and Nature in Winnipeg.

While the Merastys were members of the Peter Ballantyne First Nation at Pelican Narrows, Sask., they had deep roots in northern Manitoba.

They made their home for many years on an island in Amisk, 30 kilometres west of Flin Flon, Man.

The Merastys spent much of their more than 40 years together searching the northern wilderness for high-quality birch bark.

Married in 1947, they spent their honeymoon on a trap line in northern Saskatchewan.

"We were terribly poor when we started out. All we had was a tent, a camp stove and some groceries," Bill said.

"We didn't even have a blanket or a dog team. We pulled the toboggan (ourselves) and slept out for a whole week before we got our cabin."

In 1948, their only child, Joseph, was born. He died six months later of an illness and was buried at Flin Flon.

A wake was scheduled for today in Flin Flon.

MONDAY'S POP CHART

Hard-cover Books

By The Canadian Press

Here are the week's Top 10 hard-cover fiction and non-fiction books compiled by Maclean's magazine. Bracketed figures indicate position the previous week.

FICTION

- (1) **The Horse Whisperer** — Nicholas Evans
- (2) **The Celestine Prophecy** — James Redfield
- (4) **The Ghost Road** — Pat Barker
- (8) **Stories From the Vinyl Cafe** — Stuart McLean
- (—) **A Fine Balance** — Rohinton Mistry
- (9) **The Island of the Day Before** — Umberto Eco
- (3) **To Lie with Lions** — Dorothy Dunnett
- (—) **Intensity** — Dean Koontz
- (7) **The Moor's Last Sigh** — Salman Rushdie
- (6) **The Hundred Secret Senses** — Amy Tan

NON-FICTION

- (4) **The Way of the Wizard** — Deepak Chopra
- (1) **The Road Ahead** — Bill Gates
- (—) **The Unconscious Civilization** — John Ralston Saul
- (2) **Emotional Intelligence** — Daniel Goleman
- (8) **The Canadian Revolution** — Peter C. Newman
- (6) **Nationalism Without Walls** — Richard Gwyn
- (—) **Confessions of an Igloo Dweller** — James Houston
- (9) **Game Misconduct** — Russ Conway
- (3) **Jihad vs McWorld** — B.R. Barber
- (5) **The Home Team** — Roy MacGregor



News from the Wales Home with lots of holiday activities and socializing

January '96 has arrived and we wish everyone a happy New Year. Now we must find out what went on in December '95!

Nearly everyone had the flu sometime during the month, but we hope they can say goodbye to it for the year '95.

The better thought was enjoying all the beautiful Christmas trimmings that Brenda Lee and helpers put up. Also all the Christmas parties on Manning and Shaw 1 and 2, Central and Norton 1, 2 and 3. The staff certainly did a great deal of work to try to make the residents happy. The Christmas party for all the residents had to be cancelled because of the flu. This is the first time ever that such had to happen.

But the regular activities took place for those who were able: carpet bowling, and some went bowling in Richmond, exercises, bingo, happy hour, Thursday trips to town, Bridge and 500, movies, etc.

We welcome Marguerite Bushey and Bradley Olney to the Wales Home and trust you will enjoy living here with us. Happy living to both of you.

There are church services every Wednesday morning in the Solarium on Shaw 1 with Rev. Harding. Everyone is welcome.

Then there are church services every Sunday afternoon conducted by ministers of different denominations. The first Sunday of the month with Rev. Pat Lisson from the Richmond United conducting the service; the second Sunday is the Richmond Anglican with Rev. Harding or Rev. Ruth Matthews; the third Sunday is Rev. Bonnie Jennings who comes from Danville United; the fourth Sunday it is Rev. Daniel Forget from the Melbourne Presbyterian Church and the fifth Sunday, Pastor Mitch Noble from Danville Adventist Church along with the organist and choir. These services are always very much appreciated. Thank you all very much.

Tuesday, December 5, Rev. Pat Lisson presided over a communion service in the Solarium on Shaw 1. Quite a large number of residents attended. It was greatly appreciated. Thank you, Rev. Pat.

The Friday afternoon teas were all well attended. December 1st, the tea was put on by the Richmond ladies; December 8, it was the Richmond Women's Institute who served the tea; December 15 it was by the Ulverton/Kirkdale ladies. No teas the rest of the month. The teas are always enjoyed. Many thanks to all of you.

December 9 — Rejeanne Richard, the hairdresser, exhibited Christmas craft in the main living room. She was very pleased with the sale of her craft.

That same afternoon Les Amis de la music, a group of musicians from the Art Centre, students from Kingsbury and Fleurimont, and directed by Francine Beaubien, presented an excellent Christmas concert. Instruments used were piano, flute, violin and guitar. It was much enjoyed by all. Many thanks to Francine and all her

helpers.

December 11 — Dr. Blake presented us with a delightful program of specially taped Christmas music in the main living room. It was also very much enjoyed. Thank you, Dr. Blake.

December 12 — Girl Guides were carolling in the infirmary. It was excellent entertainment. Thank you, girls.

December 13 — A clothing sale was held in the main living room by a storekeeper from Sherbrooke. Another opportunity to buy.

December 14 — Students from Acton Vale came to deliver letters written in English to the residents here in the Home.

December 19 — Keith Whittal's pupils from St. Francis Elementary school presented an excellent

concert in the main living room. There were Christmas skits, plays and singing. Thank you boys and girls and Mr. Whittal for giving us such fine entertainment. Hope you can come again soon.

December 20 — this was the day of the December Birthday Party, but so many were ill with the flu that very few members were able to go, so Mrs. Perkins invited others in to help enjoy the food. The Richmond ladies served bread, tea and birthday cake. Carols were sung. Each birthday member received a gift. Thank you, ladies.

Those who ended their earthly pilgrimage were Arnold Tibbitts, Pauline Barrie and Francis Hamilton. We wish to express our sincere sympathy to the families.

Eleanor Leatherbarrow came to the Home in November but in December decided to go somewhere but in December decided to go somewhere else.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers in the Home who help out in various tasks and other ways; namely those who dry the flatware in the kitchen after each meal; those who push the wheelchairs whenever needed; those who do so much knitting for the needy; those who buy and sort the wool for the knitters; those who deliver the mail on each floor; and those who give out gifts and cards to the residents on their birthdays and also to Chip for making the name plates for all the doors. There are various little tasks to be done

where volunteers are ready to help. Everyone works together, thus creating a friendly atmosphere in the Home.

Then there are volunteer drivers and also the Richmond Auxiliary who are always ready to help.

We do miss the Granby-Waterloo Auxiliary who have served here for many years, but now are unable to come. We thank you for all you have done; bringing food and serving it to all the residents who come from Granby-Waterloo, Abbotsford and Bromont area. Many grateful thanks to all the volunteers.

We wish you all a happy and healthy 1996.

Submitted by
Myrtle Pope

Annual meeting of Compton County Historical and Museum Society held at Sawyerville Community Center

BURY (NR) — The annual meeting and banquet of the Compton County Historical and Museum Society was held on October 20 in the Sawyerville Community Center. Members of the Society and the directors sat down to a bountiful meal of a variety of casseroles, baked beans, salads, home-made rolls and pies, provided by the directors. The tables looked attractive with centerpieces of fruit and autumn leaves. Justin Lowry asked the blessing.

The meeting was chaired by the President, Ed Laberee, who introduced the guest speaker, Dr. Robin Burns, professor of History at Bishop's University. Dr. Burns gave a most interesting and informative talk on the settlement of Compton County and the Eastern Townships. He showed slides of the Lawrence family, also on the settlement of Compton County by Jack Little. He was thanked by Karrold Lindsay.

Annual reports were given by the various convenors. A question from the floor, re the high inventory, was explained by the numerous Eaton Corner books we still have for sale, as well as other books, postcards, hasti-notes, etc.

The co-ordinator, Sharon Moore thanked the directors and friends of the Museum for their willingness to help out when needed. It was a successful year with a few less than five hundred visitors. changes were made in the displays, work was continued on inventory genealogy, and other clerical and housekeeping tasks, with the assistance of Carole Bailargeon, student under the Challenge 95 Program. Draft copies of cemetery records were received from the Megantic Compton Cemetery Association.

The Chronicler's and Activities report by Nina Rowell showed four successful fund-raising events in our 1995 program; the annual Variety Concert in March, the brunch in April and the dance in August, all held in the Bulwer Community Center, and the annual supper in October. The Lawn Party in June marked the official opening of the Museum. The

Hymn Sing in July was well attended with a special hymn dedicated to the memory of a faithful and dear member, Raymond Downes, who had passed away that day. The Fall Foliage Tour in September completed the scheduled activities.

The Custodian's report was given by Sue Nutbrown, stating that several artifacts had been donated which have been numbered. Metal shelving has been added to the storage area, books and artifacts have been checked against the Inventory list. She mentioned several things planned to be done during the winter months.

Keith Bennett, on behalf of the building committee reported that pegboards for displaying artifacts had been installed on the second

floor of the Academy, and work on the foundation of the Museum is planned for the spring.

The Membership report showed a slight decrease in family and individual memberships, and a slight increase in the life memberships. It was noted with regret of the passing of two members, Ronald Stokes and Raymond Downes since the last annual-meeting.

The following directors were proposed by the Nominating committee and accepted: Eileen Bedard, Keith Bennett, Wells Coates, Bernard Hodge, Norma Humphrey, Edward Laberee, Elaine Lebourveau, Karrold Lindsay, Gerald Lord, Gary MacDonald, Susan Nutbrown, George Pinchin, Nina Rowell, Jennie

Spaulding, Serena Wintle and Henry Lebourveau as an associate.

In his report, the President, Ed Laberee noted the theme for 1995 had been "Changes Through the Years", that we had hired Alan Coulombe to make slides of the four counties as they appear on the 1863 map, over 50 blacksmith's and carriagemaker's tools were donated by Mr. Campbell, whose father had purchased them with the shop from Mr. Hurd in Cookshire.

The next meeting was scheduled for November 22 at which the following officers were elected for 1995-1996: President, Ed Laberee; 1st vice, Karrold Lindsay; 2nd Vice, Keith Bennett; Treasurer, Ben Hodge; Secretary, Sue Nutbrown.

Legion Ladies Auxiliary Branch 77 meet

WATERLOO — The first 1996 meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary was held on January 9 with 15 members attending. An earlier hour than usual was suggested as hostesses Joice Durrell and Helen Ramsey served soup, French bread and dessert before the meeting. This was greatly appreciated because of the cold weather. Many thanks to Joice and Helen for all their work.

President Lucille Aitken then called the meeting to order. minutes of the last meeting were read by Joice Durrell. Pat Coté moved they be accepted, seconded by Juliette Champagne, approved as read.

There being no correspondence, Joice informed everyone of the Legion Convention in June to be held in Toronto. The official delegate will be Butch Bouchard.

The Treasurer's report was given by Grace Rainville and approved as read.

The various committees submitted their reports for 1995. All old business being complete, Lucille gave the chair to incoming President, Isobel Tryhorn and new Secretary, Ann Harsell, after thanking everyone for their support and efforts during the past year and wishing the new officers

good luck in the coming year.

Isobel announced that no bookings would be accepted during July and August unless the Senior Branch took over. This will give the ladies a much deserved vacation.

Audrey Blampin is liaison officer with Pat Coté replacing her when necessary.

New committees appointed were: Membership and Sergeant-at-arms, Audrey Blampin; Ways and Means, Grace Rainville; So-

cial, Connie Peacock; St. Anne's Hospital, Lillian Bouchard; Publicity, Ann Harsell; Posters and Advertising, Joice Durrell; House, Pat Coté; Telephone, Lois Campbell and Ann Harsell; Welfare and Sick, Helen Ramsey.

Several donations will be sent out with emphasis, this year, on local charities.

All business concluded, Joice moved that the meeting be adjourned.

Don't forget the next meeting on February 13.

From the Pens of E.T. Writers

EAST TO WEST

It took a bright girl from our valley
From Dunkin to be exact
To bring the Glories of our Poutine
To Edmonton — where it lacked —
First — some cases of Poutine Sauce
Which she couldn't find out there
Her Mother sent pounds of good curd cheese
Not easily found elsewhere —
We know she can get the French Fries
So she'll treat her friends — no fear —
To a plate of Glorious Poutine —
To usher in the New Year!

Dora Scott Parker
Glen Sutton, Quebec

Obituary

RAYMOND NELSON PHANEUF of Stanstead, Quebec

Raymond died peacefully at his home on December 25, 1995. He was in his 63rd year.

Raymond was born on July 21, 1933 to Maurice and Bessie (Heath) Phaneuf at Cherry River, Que.

He was married on April 6, 1957 to Margaret Fountain of Beebe. Of this union, eight children were born: Ned (Trudy), Douglass (Cindy) of Beebe, Nancy (Gary) of Hatley, Alex (Barbara) of Alberta, Cathy (Steve) of Canton, N.Y., Patty (Raymond) of Newport, Vt., Sybil (Larry) of Iron Hill, Que., and Dwayne of Alberta.

Raymond worked many years on various farms and did carpenter work. His last working years were at Ayer's Cliff Industries.

Besides his wife and eight children, he is survived by 16 grandchildren and 4 step-grandchildren; brothers Lawrence of Beebe, Albert (Ardell) of Fitch Bay, Victor (Freda), Donald (Doreen) of Waterville; sisters Bessie Woods and Marion (Donald) Emslie of Ontario. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins, as well as his father-in-law Arnold Fountain, sister-in-law Dorothy and Stewart Smith, brother-in-law Philip and Judy Fountain, sister-in-law Marilyn Fountain and their families.

He was predeceased by brothers and sister Harold, Howard, Harry, Arnold, Nellie-Flora; also by his parents Maurice and Bessie.

The funeral service was held on December 28 at the Cass Funeral Home at 2 p.m. The Fitch Bay A.C.W. served a lovely lunch in the Stanstead Legion Hall following the service.

Stanstead Chapter IODE holds first meeting of the new year and welcomes a new member

By Ivy Hatch

The January 8th meeting of Stanstead Chapter IODE was held that afternoon in Lebaron Hall reception room at Stanstead College.

The Regent, Gertrude Ketcham opened the session, the Prayer of the Order was recited, O Canada was sung in English and French, and Eleanor Mansur presented the flags in the absence of Theresa Wallace.

As the fiscal year for IODE comes to an end, everyone was delighted to welcome a new member. Maud Curtis, membership secretary, presented Bernadette Toombs, Carol Emslie read the installation ceremony as Gertrude pinned on the IODE badge, then all welcomed the new member.

Carol Emslie presented the sec-

Canterbury Muriel Mayhew 657-4479

Christmas Day guests of Bob and Cathy Jacklin were Peter Jacklin and Daniella Coté, Wendy and Jocelyn Turnell and family, Bobby and Leanne Jacklin and family, Joey Jacklin, Theresa MacIver and family, Shelly, Tina and Eddie Jacklin and friend Anne. New Year's Day guests were Wendy and Jocelyn Turnell and family, Bobby and Leanne Jacklin and family, Theresa MacIver and family, Shelly and Tina Jacklin and Eddie Jacklin and friend Anne.

retary's report from the previous meeting and the communications, mostly thank-you notes from friends, also a letter from the Border Minor Hockey League asking for financial support. Later, a sum of \$100.00 was voted to them.

Velma Eryou, treasurer, gave the financial report, also giving each member a copy of the receipts and disbursements in 1995.

On January 29 at 9:30 a.m. the executive will meet at the home of Gertrude Ketcham to prepare the annual reports to be presented at the Chapter's annual meeting in February.

The nominations committee of Eleanor Mansur, Maud Curtis and Theresa Wallace met, Eleanor presented the proposed slate, they will be installed into office at the February meeting.

Mrs. Mansur asked for recipes as she is in preparation to have an IODE cook book printed.

Secretary reports: Services, Rheta Taylor said she has received an acknowledgement from the Nursing Station in the far North and their appreciation of the many knits, clothing, etc., sent prior to Christmas. Rheta listed the contents of the parcel.

Monica Lester, Citizenship, noted a gift given to Baffin House in Montreal, she also noted that hours of voluntary community service will be reported on in February.

A Valentine day coffee party

Death

LOOMIS, Verda — Peacefully at the Sherbrooke Hospital on Friday, January 19, 1996. Verda Hammond in her 94th year. Beloved wife of the late Harold Loomis. Dear mother of Douglas (Joey), Milt (Bev), Francis (Susan) and the late Thelma Bradley. Cherished grandmother of 15 grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren. Also survived by her brother George Hammond and daughters-in-law Ora and Sylvia. At her request she was cremated. The family will be at the Cass Funeral Home, 6 Belvidere St., Lennoxville, Que. to receive condolences from relatives and friends on Monday, January 22 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. A memorial service will be held in St. John's Church, Waterville, Que. on Tuesday, January 23, 1996 at 1 p.m., the Rev. John Morrell officiating. Interment of ashes in Huntingville Cemetery at a later date. In her memory, donations to the charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.

Deaths

FIELDS, Agnes (née Powers) — At the Sherbrooke Hospital on Sunday, January 21, 1996, in her 93rd year. Beloved wife of the late Charles. Dear mother of Doris (George Alex) and Audrey (Alton Whittier). Also survived by 5 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and 12 great-great-grandchildren, as well as other relatives and friends. Visitation at Ledoux Funeral Home, 150 Sherbrooke St., Magog, Que. on Monday from 7 to 9 p.m. Funeral services will be held in the Chapel at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, January 23, 1996. Spring interment at Cherry River Cemetery. As memorial tributes, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family.

JONES, Blanche (née Le-maire) — At the CUSE, Pavillon Fleurimont on Friday, January 19, 1995, in her 85th year. Wife of the late Edward Jones of Waterloo, Que. Beloved mother of Robert Edward Jones (Diane Gagnon) of St-Joachim. Dear grandmother of Edward and Rebecca Jones of Dunham. Also survived by relatives and friends. Resting at the Bessette and Sons Funeral Home, 5034 Foster St., Waterloo, Que. — (514) 539-1606, Fax: (514) 539-3035. Visitation on day of funeral from 11 a.m. Funeral service will be held on Wednesday, January 24, 1996 at the St. Bernardin Church in Waterloo at 1 p.m. Donations to Centraide, 493 Sherbrooke St. W., Montreal, Que., H3A 1B6, would be appreciated.

In Memoriam

TO MAW, January 21, 1994.
When the saved of all ages shall gather and meet on the evergreen shore,
When sorrow and pain shall be banished and heartaches be felt never more,
Till then let us press on in patience, and fervently trust in the Lord;
Then, when we shall come in His glory, we each will receive our reward.
BRUCE



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In Memoriam

ANDERSON, Jeannette Sarah (Perkins) — Met her Lord and Saviour January 22, 1982. Mom, memories are so precious
When you held us all in hand. Taught us how to love and care For each and everyone. The kindness in word and deed To give of others that we meet Would be the loving message Of God so great in praise. Thank you Mom for all you were And ever will remain.
ALEX (son)
ELIZABETH (daughter)
FAMILY

Cards of Thanks

BENNETT — I wish to thank Dr. Frazer, Dr. Scalabrini and nurses for the wonderful care I received while in St. Vincent de Paul Hospital. To everyone who sent cards, fruit, flowers and visited me. Thanks to Mabel and Reggie, Dufferin and Marion for giving Demis rides. Also to Agnes and Margaret for the excellent home care. Everyones kindness is very much appreciated.
WILLARD BENNETT

PHANEUF, Raymond — We would like to thank everyone who helped and expressed their sympathy at the time of our loss. Thanks to the Stanstead Ambulance, Dr. Bouchard, Cass Funeral Home, Stanstead Legion and Fitch Bay A.C.W. Thank you.
MARGARET PHANEUF AND FAMILY

SCHINCK — We would like to thank most sincerely those who showed their sympathy and support with cards, phone calls and visits. We very much appreciate those who visited Margaret during her illness at the B.M.P.H. A special thank you to Dr. Barakett and to the nurses who cared for her while in the Intensive Care Unit. A noted thanks to Rev. Walter Stairs, Father Lavigne and Father Cain, for your kind words of support during the Memorial Service. We wish to thank all those who brought food and looked after kitchen duties after the service. Please accept these thanks for being so supportive at the time of our bereavement. Thanking you sincerely,
KATHLEEN BAILEY
VALENTINE VINTINNER
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Bury

Nina Rowell

Gordon and Evelyn Boynton were Christmas Day dinner guests of June and Everett Boynton in Sherbrooke.

Mary and David Meed and little Naomi of Victoria, B.C., spent a week with Mary's parents, Gordon and Evelyn Boynton. Orma and David Bauman and little daughter Shekinah of Ennis, Texas, spent three days at the same home during the Christmas season. Holiday dinner guests on December 30 at the Boyntons besides their daughters and families were John Boynton of Georgeville, Everett, June and Ashley Boynton, Sherbrooke.

Herbert and Nina Rowell were luncheon guests of their daughter, son-in-law and grandchildren, Carolyn and David Baldwin and family in Baldwin's Mills, and Christmas Day dinner guests of Brian, Melanie, Alesia and Adam Rowell in Cookshire.

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Sawyerville

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Mrs. Connie Darling, Georgetown, Ont. spent a few days with her mother Mrs. Claris Phillips.

Audrey Bain spent the Christmas holidays with her family the Richards in Georgetown, Ont. She and Norma attended the Christmas Eve service at St. Andrew's United Church. They enjoyed a family outing going to the Theatre in Toronto to see Beauty and the Beast.

Frances, John, Cheryl and Amanda Bain spent a day with the Richards and Audrey. The latter enjoyed luncheon at the Tea Room in Georgetown with a friend Betty Pickup. Also dinner with Anne Cillis R.N. En route home she accompanied her family to Carleton University, Ottawa, where her granddaughter Jennifer Richards is a student. She stayed overnight with Gerald and Gloria Gilbert in Ottawa, later accompanying Gertrude Raymond and family of Lennoxville home.



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Diane Gros-Louis
for Robert Sénéchal
Chief, Material Management and Contract Administration



St. Anne's ACW elect slate of officers

RICHMOND — The ACW of St. Anne's Anglican Church had their first meeting of the year on January 2, 1996. We had 12 members and one special guest, Rev. Ken Harding.

The meeting was opened by the President, Norma Lester wishing everyone a happy New Year.

The devotional secretary, Janet Banfill did a reading from John 1:14 to 18. The secretary, Shirley Provis took roll call and read the minutes of last meeting on December 5 which were approved as read.

The treasurer, Janet Banfill gave her report.

The Bazaar table convenor, Dorothy McCarthy sent wool articles to a women's shelter.

The Rev. Ken Harding conducted the election of officers, and did two readings, one from Prov. 6 and one from Psalm 33. The ballots were counted by Rev. Harding and Rev. Ruth Matthews. The new officers are:

President, Marilyn Mastine; Ist Vice, Norma Lester; Secretary, Shirley Provis; Devotional Secretary, Sharon Harding; Education Secretary, Rev. Ruth Matthews; Little Helpers and Family Life, Audrey Mitchell; Bazaar table convenor, Janet Banfill; Tea con-

vener, Blanche Mastine; Publicity, Patsy Boucher and Cards and Cheer, Dot Masters.

Rev. Harding closed the elections with a prayer. The new President, Marilyn Mastine said she was looking forward to the new year. Our Valentine tea will be held on February 10 from 11:30

to 1:30 with sales tables opening at 11:00. The price is \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 10 and under. Rev. Ruth Matthews thanked all those who served in office last year.

The meeting was closed by all repeating the grace. Dessert was served by Janet Banfill.

Marbleton M. Guillette

The Christmas Service was held in St. Paul's on Christmas Eve afternoon. Canon Ron West officiated at the Holy Eucharist in the attractively decorated church. Mrs. Dorine Davis presided at the organ for the singing of Christmas carols by the congregation. The flowers on the altar were given "In Glory to God" and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Munkittrick and other loved ones.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mackay spent Christmas Day as guests of Mrs. Rena Halsall and family in Birchton.

Alain and Lisa Mercier have returned home from a Christmas vacation in Cuba.

Christmas visitors at the home of Marian Guillette were Garry Guillette, Virginia; Wesley and

Bev Stevens and daughter Rebecca, Sherbrooke; Eleanor and Allan, Dawn and Steven Lebourveau, Ottawa and little Melissa Jackson of South Ham; Steven Edwards of St. Gabriel and Jessie and Tanya Ferland of Ascot. Mark and Linda Guillette, Waterville were also visitors.

Home for the holidays with their parents Sharon and Bill Thorneloe were Chris and Marie Thorneloe and son Sean of Sherbrooke; Jennifer and Marco Paré and daughter Christina of St. Adolphe; Charlotte of St. Hyacinthe and Wendy and Jason Sample of Hamilton. Richard Thorneloe of Silver Lake and Steven and Karen Thorneloe and family were also visitors at the same home.

Monday, Jan. 22, 1996

NORTH 01-22-96			
♠ A 10 6			
♥ 9 7 4			
♦ 8 7 6			
♣ K Q 5 4			
WEST		EAST	
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SOUTH			
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♦ Q 3			
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Vulnerable: East-West			
Dealer: North			
South	West	North	East
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4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead: ♥ J			

deal during last year's world bridge championships in Beijing.

East's two-heart opening showed a good six-card suit and some 6-10 high-card points.

West led the heart jack, East over-taking with the queen. Knowing that East had a six-card suit, Silver ducked the first trick. He wanted to see what East would do next. Back came the heart king, which declarer won with the ace.

The percentage play in spades is clear: Cash the king, unblocking dummy's 10, and cross to the ace, picking up jack-fourth in the East hand. Here, it's true that East, after his opening bid, was most unlikely to have four spades. Yet cashing two top honors is still the normal way to go.

However, Silver felt that if East had a minor-suit singleton, he would have switched to that suit at trick two. So, if East had at least two cards in each minor, he was more likely to be short in spades. Backing his judgment, Silver cashed the spade king and played a spade to dummy's 10. Success! And not surprisingly, Silver was the only declarer to make four spades.

Backing one's judgment

By Phillip Alder

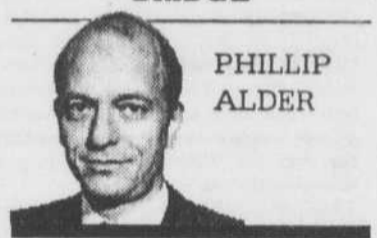
Ptahhotpe, who lived in the 24th century B.C., said, "Teach him what has been said in the past; then he will set a good example to the children of the magistrates, and judgment and all exactitude shall enter into him. Speak to him, for there is none born wise."

Not bad for that long ago — or do we overestimate our own intelligence?

Most bridge players stick to the percentage tables, but some, like Canadian Joey Silver, prefer to back their own judgment. Silver played this

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BRIDGE



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Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Not nude
- 5 "The —" (Peppard TV show)
- 10 Arabian sultanate
- 14 Be violent
- 15 Nero's successor
- 16 Opposite aft
- 17 Washington office
- 18 Fluctuation
- 20 Geometric curve
- 22 Piles of paper
- 23 Trick
- 24 Mountain range
- 26 Vicissitudes

- 30 Rise rapidly
- 31 Wailing spirits
- 36 Hamburg's river
- 37 Makes yarn
- 39 In a bad way
- 40 Give confidence again
- 42 Govt. agent
- 43 Opponents
- 47 Precious
- 50 Burning or Barbara
- 51 Stair part
- 52 Hannibal's home
- 56 Complexities
- 59 Wading bird
- 60 Examine carefully

- 61 Chilling
- 62 Large seaweed
- 63 Florida —
- 64 Journalists
- 65 Arnold or Duchin

- 45 Drinks slowly
- 46 Time zone letters
- 47 Lombardi of football

- 48 Test ore
- 49 Is inclined
- 51 Gamble
- 52 Solution
- 53 In the sack

- 54 Plate
- 55 Spot
- 57 Sheriff's asst.
- 58 "— the ramparts..."

DOWN

- 1 Jockey's whip
- 2 Basalt, before
- 3 Culture gel
- 4 Indians
- 5 Ancient
- 6 Postponed consideration of
- 7 Exile's isle
- 8 Lawyers' gp.
- 9 Supply with a crew
- 10 Put forth
- 11 Cuspid kin
- 12 Bouquet
- 13 Information
- 19 Code kind
- 21 Container
- 24 "— Lake"
- 25 Lodges
- 26 —friendly
- 27 Chopin or Copernicus
- 28 Antilles island
- 29 Drama awards
- 32 Get a lift
- 33 St. —'s fire
- 34 Verve
- 35 Thesaurus entries: abbr.
- 37 Unerring
- 38 Jab
- 41 Turn down
- 44 Battlefield fence, of a kind

Friday's Puzzle solved:

A	M	A	J	I	B	S	T	A	M	O			
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Doctors don't always have to prescribe medicine

Dear Ann Landers: A while back, you printed a letter from the wife of a veterinarian. She said she and her husband were often asked why he didn't become a "real" doctor. I am currently in a relationship with

a man who is a chiropractor, and he, too, has been asked the same question many times. That question irritates him and sends me right up the wall. I have been to many so-called "real" doctors who prescribed

medication that cost a fortune and did more harm than good. I also have taken several days off of work and spent a lot of money on a variety of tests only to be told, "There is nothing wrong with you" or "Nothing can be done to help your type of problem." Between the high-tech equipment and the insurance company gobbledegook, a person can go crazy.

Two years ago, I became a chiropractic patient, and since that time, I have not had to use any prescription medication whatsoever. Also, I have never felt better in my life. A chiropractor did for me in six months what "real" doctors could not do in several years.

For all those people who are under the impression that chiropractors are not "real" doctors, by definition, a doctor is a person whose profession is to take care of sick people. It isn't written anywhere that in order to be a doctor you must prescribe medicine. — CAROL IN BROOKLYN

DEAR CAROL: Chiropractic medicine does have value. Many people who have had chiropractic treatments swear by them. But, my dear, please be aware that a chiropractor is not a viable substitute for an M.D.

If you have a stiff neck or a backache, a chiropractor can be extremely helpful. But for persistent coughing or stomach problems, skin eruptions or a lump in the breast, I would urge you to see an M.D.

Dear Ann Landers: Ever since our youngest son went off to college last September, my husband has spent

Ann Landers

almost all his time around the house stark naked. "Hank" will sit for hours without a stitch of clothing on, reading or looking at TV in the family room. The garage is attached to our house, and when Hank is working on his car, he is naked as a jaybird. Our backyard has an 8-foot fence, and the only thing Hank wears when he mows the grass is a pair of tennis shoes and socks. I have told him several times that this could be dangerous, but he says, "I know it, but I enjoy the freedom."

Hank swims and sunbathes in the nude, which is OK with me, and he does dress for meals because I insist on it. He has told me several times that he'd love to dine unclothed, but I refuse to allow it.

Do other husbands do this? Do I need counseling? Does Hank? Should I be content that I have a husband who loves me and takes good care of me? I am — TRULY PERPLEXED IN LAFAYETTE, IND.

DEAR TRULY: I don't believe Hank needs a head doctor, but he does need to have limits set. The man's judgment in this area is less than sound.

Swimming nude is OK if he has complete privacy. But for hygiene and safety reasons, your husband

should wear shorts while in the house. Remind Hank that others will be sitting on the chairs in the family room, and he should be considerate of them.

Dear Ann Landers: My husband has solved one of the major irritations of life -- how to handle obnoxious telemarketers.

We have both been very patient with people who make a living doing telemarketing and have always been firm but polite in our responses. However, after three calls from the same unbelievably rude stockbroker who saw fit to cuss out my husband, our tactics have changed.

Now when a telemarketing call comes, the conversation goes like this: "Wait a minute, please. Before I talk to you, I want your name. Spell it for me, please, and give me the name and address of your company, and the company's phone number." That usually ends the call. They hang up.

My husband wanted to send this to the editor of our paper, but I convinced him he'd reach more people by writing to you. — WOODBRIDGE, CONN.

DEAR CONN.: Most telemarketers are polite, but often, their calls are intrusive and ill-timed. Your formula sounds like an effective one.

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Monday, Jan. 22, 1996

Several important objectives might be achieved in the year ahead. In areas where you previously failed, you may soon know and enjoy the sweet taste of success.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Pay special attention to your intuition today in situations that affect your security. Do not be reluctant to think big or act boldly. Major changes will be ahead for Aquarius in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Make sure to state your zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) People with clout and influence will look favorably upon any request you make today. Make your needs and concerns known to them.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You have a good chance of achieving an important objective today. In an equally significant development, others will share in your accomplishments.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Dreams and expectations can be translated into reality today. Maintain an optimistic focus where your targets are concerned, and don't look back.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Even though you may feel overlooked, you may soon

receive a reward for a project that required a lot of time and effort on your part.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Today you could be fortunate enough to have a loyal ally who will look out for your best interests. He or she can help you to cover all the bases.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you find yourself designated as an agent for another person today, make the best deal possible, because you might receive a commission for your efforts.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Try to avoid prejudging people or events today. Things might not work out the way you envisioned, but they could work out better if left undisturbed.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Tasks that challenge your imagination could prove both fun and profitable today. You can unravel the knotty problems associates can't.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) New people met today in social situations could play important roles in your near future affairs. Make a point of remembering their names.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You might be luckier than usual today in matters where something of material value is at stake. Try to wait until the last moment before closing the deal.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your optimistic, hopeful attitude can help to remove obstacles from your path today. The people who walk at your side will benefit as well.

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Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Invitation initials
 - 5 Breathe heavily
 - 9 Radiant
 - 14 Eros
 - 15 S-shaped curve
 - 16 Augusta's place
 - 17 Comic actor, Jacques
 - 18 "The — in Winter"
 - 19 King of rock
 - 20 November doings
 - 22 In the — (if it should happen)
 - 23 Thoroughfare
 - 24 Yeats' land
 - 26 — up (clinches)
 - 29 Black ink items

- 33 Give a leg up
- 37 Deserve
- 39 Turkey — (dance)
- 40 Lab heaters
- 41 Past
- 42 Sacher —
- 43 Money drawer
- 44 Card game
- 45 Beginning
- 46 Father Time accessory
- 48 Gingrich
- 50 Had on
- 52 Throws
- 57 Family car
- 60 Sweetheart
- 63 Make happy
- 64 Lass
- 65 Farm measure
- 66 Labyrinths

- 67 Otherwise
- 68 Fill up
- 69 Motionless
- 70 Forest creature
- 71 NC college

- DOWN**
- 1 Ranks
 - 2 Blue pigment
 - 3 One casting a ballot
 - 4 "The — Is Right"
 - 5 Courteous
 - 6 Exchange premium
 - 7 Sign gas
 - 8 Tightly stretched
 - 9 Eastern VIPs
 - 10 Texas city
 - 11 Reside
 - 12 — years (elderly)
 - 13 Occident
 - 21 Tries out
 - 25 Author Fleming
 - 27 Feeble
 - 28 Astronomer Carl
 - 30 Flubs
 - 31 — bag
 - 32 Proofreader's word
 - 33 Wagers
 - 34 Of the ear
 - 35 Solely
 - 36 Brine
 - 38 Memory.
 - 42 — pole
 - 44 Sunday speech: abbr.

- 47 Truthful
- 49 Captain Ahab
- 51 Barely defeated

- 53 Humiliate
- 54 Outspoken
- 55 Have an — the ground
- 56 Dutch painter

- 57 Half: pref.
- 58 Enthusiasm
- 59 Stupefy
- 61 Nettle
- 62 Gaelic

Saturday's Puzzle solved:

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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: F equals U

'C X CUI G W I S I N S X I, G W I G H X U,
I M I A G W I Z C A A I J V. C X N M I
I M I J P G W C A K H L N F G W N Y U I P
I T Y I S G G W I K H R I V. —
(K N H X G I A Z I J) K X I A A W H X X.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "Most directors don't like to go to films very much. I go to see if I can steal something that's good." — George Roy Hill.
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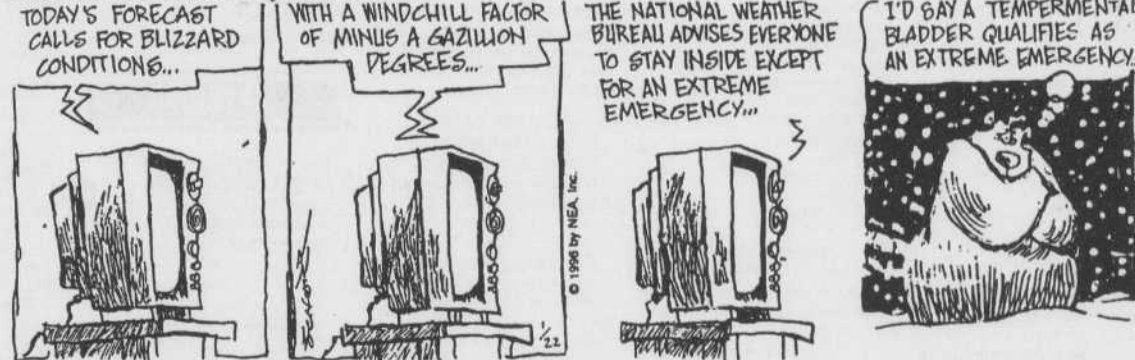


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Raptors get first come-from-behind win of season

TORONTO (CP) — As far as heroes go, the gulf doesn't get much wider than Damon Stoudamire and Carlos Rogers.

Yet there they were, the most valuable player and one of the most seldom used, combining Sunday to lead the Toronto Raptors to a 97-95 victory over the Boston Celtics at the SkyDome.

While it's commonplace for Stoudamire to do something like score his team's last eight points, Rogers made a significant contribution in stark contrast to his normal position at the end of a game some-

re in the middle of the bench.

It was his block of a Rick Fox layup and consequent rebound of a Dino Radja miss in the final 1.6 seconds that preserved a huge emotional victory for the 11-28 Raptors in front of 24,334 fans.

"I still feel the same — great," said Rogers after Toronto won for the first time in 27 games it had trailed after three quarters. "But I'm glad I played the way I did when I did."

However, the blocked shot wouldn't have meant anything had it not been for the usual

heroics from the point guard.

Stoudamire scored on two straight driving layups to create a 93-93 tie, hit a couple of free throws to tie it 95-95 and then won the game with a 10-foot jumper from the baseline with 11 seconds to go.

"When I put him back in (after a fourth-quarter rest) there was no doubt in my mind that young man was going to pull the trigger, take the shots and make the shots," said Toronto coach Brendan Malone.

So did the Celtics. "We had the game under

control with five minutes left," said Boston's Dana Barros. "It's a situation where we can't let a guy like Stoudamire take control."

Stoudamire, who scored a team-high 23 points despite an ugly nine-for-27 day from the floor, admitted he wanted the ball with the game on the line.

"I had struggled most of the game, I wasn't shooting that well, I wasn't playing that well," he said. "But I just wanted to come down and make something happen (on that last shot)."

Grizzlies 84 Knicks 80

VANCOUVER (CP) — The Vancouver Grizzlies are nibbling their way toward NBA respectability.

On Saturday they savored a delicious bite from the Big Apple when they beat the New York Knicks, one of six clubs with winning road records.

When they begin a six-game road trip tonight against the 15-22 Milwaukee Bucks, they'll be seeking their fifth win in 10 games after downing New York 84-80 before 19,193 standing, screaming fans.

QMJHL											
QUEBEC MAJOR JUNIOR HOCKEY LEAGUE											
Robert-Label Division											
G	W	L	T	F	A	P					
Hull	51	41	9	1	264	169	83				
Granby	48	37	9	2	261	135	76				
Drummondville	50	27	21	2	227	196	56				
Sherbrooke	48	26	20	2	213	183	54				
Val-d'Or	47	24	20	3	206	188	51				
St-Hyacinthe	48	14	31	3	164	262	31				
Laval	48	10	37	1	165	277	21				
Frank-Dillo Division											
Chicoutimi	49	27	18	4	198	166	58				
Shawinigan	49	27	20	2	214	172	56				
Beauport	48	23	21	4	176	163	50				
Rimouski	49	21	26	2	203	213	44				
Halifax	50	20	29	1	180	201	41				
Victoriaville	50	16	32	2	172	219	34				
Moncton	51	13	33	5	162	261	31				

CURLING										
CANADIAN SENIOR CURLING CHAMPIONSHIPS										
Standings after 4th draw										
MEDICINE HAT, Alta. (CP) — Standings after the fourth draw Sunday of the Canadian senior curling championships:										
MEN						W L				
B.C. (Dezura)	3	0								
Saskatchewan (Kehler)	2	0								
N. Ontario (Johnston)	2	0								
Newfoundland (Byrne)	2	1								
Alberta (Breckenridge)	1	1								
New Brunswick (Sullivan)	1	1								
Manitoba (Meleschuk)	1	1								
Ontario (Turcotte)	1	1								
Nova Scotia (Shearer)	1	2								
Territories (Lebrve)	0	2								
P.E.I. (Burke)	0	2								
Quebec (Byers)	0	3								
WOMEN										
Alberta (Turner)	3	0								
Ontario (Greenwood)	2	0								
Saskatchewan (Rowan)	2	1								
Nova Scotia (La Roque)	2	1								
New Brunswick (Vaughan)	1	1								
Manitoba (Carter)	1	1								
Newfoundland (Bartlett)	1	1								
Quebec (Charrette)	1	1								
B.C. (Sillars)	1	1								
N. Ontario (Broughton)	0	2								
P.E.I. (Enman)	0	2								
Territories (Burrell)	0	3								

WORLD CUP										
LUGE EVENT										
KOENIGSEE, Germany (AP) — Results from Sunday's World Cup luge event (individual run times in parentheses):										
MEN						WOMEN				
1. Gerda Weissensteiner, Italy, one minute 30.101 seconds (44.960 seconds — course record, 45.50); 2. Jana Bode, Germany, 1:30.135 (45.019, 45.116); 3. Andrea Tagwerker, Austria, 1:30.220 (45.041, 45.179); 4. Gabi Kohlisch, Germany, 1:30.267 (45.116, 45.151); 5. Cammy Myler, U.S., 1:30.278 (45.249, 45.029); 6. Angelika Neuner, Austria, 1:30.353 (45.208, 45.145); 7. Doris Neuner, Austria, 1:30.429 (45.221, 45.208).										
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FIELD HOCKEY											
MEN'S OLYMPIC QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT											
FIELD HOCKEY (At Barcelona, Spain)											
Olympic Qualifying											
MEN											
Round-robin (Top five advance to Olympics)											
G	W	L	T	F	A	P					
Spain	2	2	0	0	7	1	4				
Malaysia	2	2	0	0	4	1	4				
India	2	1	0	1	7	4	3				
Netherlands	2	1	0	0	6	5	2				
Belgium	2	0	2	4	4	2	2				
Canada	2	0	1	2	6	1	4				
Belarus	2	0	2	0	1	5	0				
Belgium	2	0	2	0	1	6	0				

COLLEGE BASKETBALL										
TOP 25 USA COLLEGE BASKETBALL POLL										
How the top 25 teams in The Associated Press' college basketball poll fared this week:										
1. Massachusetts (16-0) beat Rhode Island 77-71; beat Duquesne 93-89.										
2. Kentucky (15-1) beat LSU 129-97; beat Texas Christian 124-80.										
3. Cincinnati (12-0) beat Xavier, Ohio 99-90; at Alabama-Birmingham.										
4. Kansas (14-1) beat St. Peter's 85-71; beat Colorado 80-78.										
5. Connecticut (18-1) beat St. John's 88-73; lost to 12 Syracuse 79-70.										
6. Wake Forest (12-2) beat Richmond 71-60; beat Georgia Tech 66-63; lost to No. 19 Clemson 55-41.										
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Boston	15	23	.396	13						
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Atlanta	21	17	.553	13						
Detroit	19	17	.528	14						
Charlotte	18	20	.474	16						
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Toronto	10	28	.263	24						
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Houston	27	12	.692	—						
Utah	24	13	.649	2						
Denver	16	23	.410	11						
Dallas	12	24	.333	13½						
Minnesota	11	27	.289	15½						
Vancouver	8	30	.211	18½						
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Seattle	26	11	.703	—						
Sacramento	22	13	.629	3						
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Portland	19	19	.500	7½						
Golden State	17	22	.436	10						
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LPGA HEALTHSOUTH TOURNAMENT										
ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Leading scores, Canadians and earnings Sunday after the final round of the \$450,000 LPGA HealthSouth tournament on the 6,336-yard, par-72 Disney's Lake Buena Vista Club course (a-amateur):										
Karrie Webb, \$67,500	70-70-69-209									
Martha Nause, \$36,200	73-68-68-209									
Jane Geddes, \$36,200	72-67-70-209									
Michelle McGann, \$21,511	73-71-66-210									
Patty Sheehan, \$21,511	66-71-73-210									
Mayumi Hirase, \$14,805	73-69-69-211									
Heien Alfredsson, \$14,805	70-70-71-211									
Laura Davies, \$11,208	72-70-72-212									
Caroline Pierce, \$11,208	67-73-72-212									
Vicki Ferguson, \$8,679	72-72-68-213									
Nancy Harvey, \$8,679	71-72-70-213									
Alice Miller, \$8,679	73-68-72-213									
Laurie Brower, \$6,170	72-74-68-214									
Val Skinner, \$6,170	74-70-70-214									
Shirley Furlong, \$6,170	72-72-70-214									
Missie McGeorge, \$6,170	71-72-71-214									
Tracy Hanson, \$6,170	71-70-71-214									
Liselotte Neumann, \$6,170	73-69-72-214									
Luciana Benvenu, \$6,170	73-69-72-214									
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Florida	44	28	12	4	158	116	60				
Philadelphia	45	24	12	9	158	114	57				
Washington	44	21	18	5	123	112	47				
Tampa Bay	44	19	18	7	131	150	45				
New Jersey	45	19	22	4	116	115	42				
NY Islanders	43	12	23	8	125	161	32				
Northeast											

Houle picks up Dirk from Ducks

Montreal trades for more defensive help

By Bill Beacon

MONTREAL (CP) — The Montreal Canadiens got a little bit bigger Sunday when they acquired six-foot-four, 210-pound defenceman Robert Dirk from the Anaheim Mighty Ducks for minor league prospect Jim Campbell.

"We needed a big defenceman who shoots left," said Canadiens coach Mario Tremblay. "Dirk's a big, tough guy and we'll need that in the second half of the season."

The Canadiens also sent rookie defenceman Marko Kiprusoff to their farm team in Fredericton and placed defenceman Yves Racine and left winger Oleg Petrov on waivers.

The moves left tough guy Lyle Odelein, at five-foot-11, 210 pounds, as the smallest defenceman on a team that before this season was among the smallest and meekest in

the National Hockey League.

"I don't think you can win with a small team," said Odelein. "I think that's why we've had so much trouble beating Philadelphia in the past — they're so big, they'd just run us over."

"I think that now we're just where we want to be."

Dirk, 29, a third-round pick of the St. Louis Blues in 1984, joins his fifth NHL team.

The Regina native was spending the All-Star break with the Ducks in Whistler, B.C. He was to join the Canadiens in time for a home game tonight against the Tampa Bay Lightning.

Dirk is a stay-at-home defenceman who should help Montreal in their weakest area — gaining possession of the puck and moving it out of their zone. Tremblay said Dirk should become "our fifth or

sixth defenceman."

Campbell, 22, a six-foot-two, 185-pound centre, was drafted in the second round in 1991 by Montreal.

Although a skilled offensive player who led Fredericton in scoring with 28 goals and 23 assists in 44 games, Canadiens management found Campbell not physical enough and passed him over repeatedly when calling up help from the farm.

The Worcester, Mass., native is to report to the Ducks farm team in Baltimore.

"Darcy Tucker and Sébastien Bordeleau are ahead of him in Fredericton," general manager Rejean Houle said. "We're giving Campbell a chance to go elsewhere."

Houle tried to trade Racine and Petrov but found no takers.

If they go unclaimed during

the 48-hour waiver period, which ends at noon EST on Tuesday, he will decide their future with their agents — perhaps loaning them to an International Hockey League club.

After going 3-18-3 on the



Jim Campbell... Led Fredericton Canadiens in scoring.

road and missing the playoffs last season, the Canadiens began making moves to build a bigger club last summer. Former general manager Serge Savard acquired centre Marc Bureau and defenceman Stéphane Quintal.

The moves continued after Houle replaced the fired Savard on Oct. 21.

Should Racine and Petrov go, it would bring to nine the number of players Houle has moved out, not counting Kiprusoff.

"We knew we needed changes but we weren't counting," Houle said. "There were players we felt we needed to move to get better."

"We feel we're close to where we want to be, but you can never close the door. We made a lot of changes. Some say we made too many, others say not enough."

Injuries sideline top Pipers

Galt hockey seniors are hot

STANSTEAD — The Alexander Galt senior boys hockey team maintained its league lead and won a tournament to boot over the past weekend.

The Pipers held off a fiery Bishop's College School team in Friday's league game, winning 4-3. The Crusaders scored two goals in the final 1:42, but couldn't tie the game.

Torrence Rageneau scored all three goals for BCS. Joel Barter, Maxim Sytchev, Andy Boutin and Caley Moulton had the Galt goals.

The victory was costly for the Pipers, who lost Barter for two to three weeks with a badly sprained shoulder. Barter injured the shoulder while delivering a crushing bodycheck in the second period.

Even without Barter, Galt finished 3-0 at the Stanstead College one-day tournament. Dave Beaulieu scored four goals in the three games.

The Pipers beat Stanstead 4-2, BCS 4-1 and Centennial Academy 5-2 in the tournament. The ETIAC hockey league will shut down for exams this week. Galt plays next at the 25th Loyola Tournament.

Hoyt's rink pulls ahead

Lennoxville leads provincials

VALLEYFIELD — Lisa Hoyt's draw in the final end gave the Lennoxville Curling Club a 2-0 record after the first day of play at the 1996 women's provincial curling championship.

Hoyt drew to the button with her first shot of the 10th end and picked up an 8-7 win, when the Chicoutimi skip missed her shot.

"It was scary," Hoyt said, adding that she had missed two previous draw attempts during the day. "I had to draw to the button and she tried to follow me down, but she took too much ice."

"I'm never happy about having to do it (draw). I don't know why, but on the last shot I always feel confident with my draw."

The Lennoxville rink also beat the Montreal West



representatives, 6-4 on Sunday. The team plays against Noranda and the Thistle Curling Club (Montreal) in today's schedule.

"We played very well today," Hoyt said. "Our front end (Josée Rourke and Sandra Edwards) is new to the provincials this year and they played well."

Carol Guthrie is the team's third.

Lennoxville is tied at 2-0 with Buckingham and defending champions Lacolle.

Meanwhile, the Lennoxville Mixed Bonspiel opened Sunday. The results from games in Cass Trophy draw: Steve MacPherson (Sutton) beat Rocky Chrétien (Lennoxville) 8-1; Greg Grieve (Border) beat Marc Côté (North Hatley) 7-2; Hugh Salisbury (Sutton) beat Gary Labreque (North Hatley) 10-3; Al Whittier (Lennoxville) beat Philippe Lacasse (Magog) 5-4; MacPherson beat Grieve 7-6; Salisbury beat Whittier 8-4. In the Hamilton Trophy round: Chrétien beat Côté 10-3; Labreque beat Lacasse 6-4.

Faucons stars shine in twin road wins

SHERBROOKE (RM) — The Sherbrooke Faucons' dynamic duo of Etienne Beaudry and Christian Dubé sparked on the weekend, leading the team to two-much needed road wins.

Beaudry scored four goals Sunday in Chicoutimi as the Faucons beat the Dilio Division leading Saguéneens 6-1. Dubé had three assists in the game, helping Sherbrooke improve to 27-20-2.

Dubé also scored the winning goal Friday night in Rimouski. His 33rd goal of the season came with 1:26 to go in the game, giving Sherbrooke a 5-4 win over the Océanic.

Beaudry scored the tying goal in that game and added two assists. He reached the 100-point plateau for the season with his performance in both games.

Rookie defenceman Jean-François Fortin's eighth goal erased a 3-1 deficit, tying the game 3-3 after two periods. Allan Sirois regained the Océanic's lead, beating Claude Fernet for the goal.

Fortin had two assists in the game. Louis Bédard and Yannick Thériault also scored for Sherbrooke.

The Faucons next game will be Tuesday night when they host the Saguéneens.



Etienne Beaudry... Five-goal weekend.

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Gaiters, power outage can't stop Rouge et Or Bishop's buried by Laval's defensive effort

By J.D. Keyes

LENNOXVILLE — The Bishop's women's basketball team played a solid defensive basketball game at home against the Laval Rouge et Or on Friday night.

And, reasoned their coach Rod Gilpin, if they could have displayed a similar tenacity on offence, they might have had a chance at winning the game, instead of coming up on the short end of a 66-37 score.

"Realistically speaking, when you get 37 points it's just not enough. You can't win in this league with such a score," the second-year coach explained.

"The loss is tough to take because we played a hard 40 minutes of basketball against a good team."

Bishop's offensive woes were apparent right from the opening tip-off. It took the team nearly seven minutes before forward Leanne Clarke scored their first basket, and 10 minutes into the half the Gaiters had only four points.

Laval, on the other hand, exploded early on. Sparked by veteran forward Geneviève Laporte's three-point shooting, the Rouge et Or surged to an early lead. Laval held a commanding 31-18 half-time lead, but didn't let up at all in the second half.

DOMINATION

The Rouge et Or proceeded to dominate Bishop's in every aspect of the game, out-rebounding, outshooting, out-passing and out-hustling the Gaiters in the second half to win by a decisive 66-37 margin.

Even a brief power outage late in the second half couldn't stop the Rouge et Or juggernaut. The lights in the gym went off with 1:10 remaining in the game, causing about a 15-minute delay in the completion of the game.

Laporte and Josée St-Onge's 14 points led Laval on the scoresheet, while Cinthia Lacharité had 10 points.

Bishop's was led by sophomore Valerie Falls' 15 points, while Clarke chipped in with 10.

After the loss, which dropped the Gaiters' record to 0-6 in the QUBL, a sombre coach Gilpin was thorough in his analysis of yet another defeat for his squad. He said Laval's defence was a big part of the reason why Bishop's had a hard time generating any offence.

Laval played an aggressive brand of man-to-man defence which placed a lot of pressure on Bishop's ball carriers. The Gaiters had trouble moving the ball upcourt all night and especially getting it to their talented inside post players.

Indeed only five of Bishop's baskets were scored from insi-

de the paint.

DEFENSIVE INTENSITY

"They did an excellent job defending us in their own end," he noted. "They played with a lot of defensive intensity — an intensity level that we don't see all that often — and its hard working against it."

"We're young and we don't fully understand what it takes to win at this level. We're still learning."

Rookie forward Leanne Clarke, displaying a poise beyond her 19 years, also attributed the loss to a lack of point production.

"Essentially we didn't run the offence like we can," the Ottawa native said. "Our defence kept us in the game, but our offence just didn't

work. When that happens you just can't win."

Both Clarke and Gilpin were adamant that though Bishop's was now in a tough predicament in regards to the playoff chase, the team was far from finished.

FOCUS

"We have to focus on not giving up and maintaining our motivation," Gilpin said. "If you've looked at the teams we've played this year, we've beaten the teams we're supposed to have beaten (in pre-season tournaments). We're just not beating the teams that are supposed to be better than us."

"It's hard fighting for that first win but once we get it I think we'll be alright."



Bishop's forward Valerie Falls takes a jump shot during Friday's game. The Brossard native scored 15 of the Gaiters' 37 points in the game. RECORD PHOTO: PERRY BEATON

QUEBEC UNIVERSITY BASKETBALL LEAGUE

WOMEN'S DIVISION

Team	GP	W	L	F	A	PTS
McGill	6	6	0	474	326	12
Concordia	6	3	3	425	424	6
Laval	6	3	3	363	361	6
Bishop's	6	0	6	280	431	0

MEN'S DIVISION

McGill	6	4	2	440	427	8
Concordia	6	4	2	497	444	8
Bishop's	6	2	4	413	408	4
Laval	6	2	4	411	482	4

'We just couldn't score'

Granby CEGEP net squad squeaks by Cougar women

By Robert Matheson

LENNOXVILLE — All good things must come to an end. That was the lesson the CEGEP de Granby Inouk taught the Champlain women's basketball team on Saturday afternoon.

Both teams entered the game undefeated, but Granby's strong defence prevented the Cougars from establishing an effective inside game. The Inouk went on to a 58-48 win and now lead the regional AA league with a 5-0 record. Champlain is 5-1.

"We only got 15 points from our post players today and usually the three of them are good for 30 to 35 points a game," Champlain coach Tristan Kimmerly said. "They (Granby) played really well defensively."

"If we scored today, we would have won," he added. "You're not going to win by scoring only 48 points."

Jessica MacAulay scored 20 of Champlain's 48 points on

Saturday. The second-year guard hit six three-pointers during the game, but only one in the second half.

"We had to rely on Jessica MacAulay to hit six threes to stay in the game," Kimmerly said. "We just didn't score inside and that hurt."

Even with MacAulay cooling off in the second half, the Cougars built up a seven-point lead (42-35) with nine minutes to play. The Inouk continued to apply defensive pressure and whittled away at the margin from the free-throw line. Granby tied the game 45-45 with 3:40 remaining as the Cougars struggled from the foul line.

Granby scored six points in the final minute to finish up by 10, but essentially won the game when Karine Hébert and MacAulay combined to hit only one of four free throws with 2:47 to go. The shots, from a foul and a technical foul, could have given Champlain a two-point lead, but after making only one shot the Cougars still trailed

47-46 and never recovered. Champlain was 4-for-10 from the free-throw line in the second half, Granby was much better.

"They (Granby) scored only five field goals in the second half, when that happens we should win easily," Kimmerly said. "We just couldn't score today — and we were getting the ball where we wanted to too."

Hébert, Champlain's low-post threat, finished with 11 points in the losing effort. Véronique Côté scored 19 points for Granby, including 15 second-half points. Michèle Dion added 10 points.

Kimmerly was disappointed with the loss, but said Champlain is still positioned to win the league.

"It was good to see them (Granby) and see what they can and can't do. We play them again and I think we still have an excellent chance of finishing first."

Weather wreaks havoc

LENNOXVILLE — The weather was a surprise factor in the indoor sports scene during the weekend.

The Champlain Cougars hockey game against LaFleche, scheduled for Friday night at W.B. Scott Arena, was cancelled due to the inclement weather. The game will be made up at a later date.

The drenching rain and floods that occurred after last week's unseasonably warm weather also disrupted the

women's basketball game at Bishop's on Friday.

The volume of melted snow and rainwater saturated the ground, causing the collapse of some hydro poles in Lennoxville. The electricity went off with 1:10 remaining in the game between Bishop's and Laval.

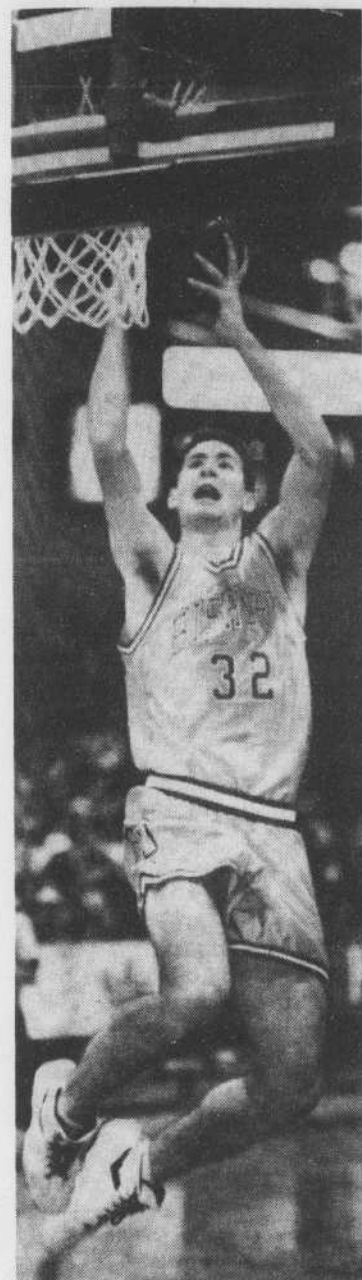
The power was restored quickly, but there was a 15-minute delay before the lights in Mitchell Gymnasia were back at full power.

B-ball men squeezed out by Laval

Gaiters stretch losing streak to three

By Robert Matheson

LENNOXVILLE — The Bishop's men's basketball team hit a new level of frustration Friday night following its third



Patrice Lemieux... 'It's very hard.'

consecutive loss in league play.

Another capacity crowd watched as Bishop's collapsed in the final four minutes and lost 64-63 to the Laval Rouge et Or. It was Laval's second-straight league win and propelled the Rouge et Or into a tie with Bishop's at 2-4.

The one-point defeat was the Gaiters third straight loss by two points or less in the last week. Bishop's started the new year tied for first in Quebec University Basketball League, but has lost to all three league opponents since league play restarted.

"We can't panic; we've lost by two, one and one point," Bishop's head coach Eddie Pomykala said afterward. "It's tough right now, but maybe the victories will be sweeter."

But Friday's loss, left both Pomykala and his players searching for answers. Rookie Patrice Lemieux drew in a deep breath and let out a big sigh when asked about the three tough defeats.

"It's very hard. I think all of the guys are down, but we have to find it in our hearts, whatever we need to keep the lead," he said.

The Gaiters led 40-33 at halftime and still enjoyed a five-point margin with nine minutes to go, but Laval took the lead with 5:38 remaining in the game. Lemieux hit a three-pointer and Ryan Thorne added a basket as the Gaiters regained a 62-58 lead with 4:19 to play, but the home side added only a free throw by Stewart Clark after that.

Bishop's had a couple of chances in the last minute, but Greg Southward was a little off on a layup attempt and

Thorne's desperation three-pointer at the buzzer bounced off the rim.

But the Gaiters woes really began at the start of the second half when they only managed to score two baskets in the first nine minutes.

"I think we stalled in the beginning of the second half," Lemieux said. "I think that's when we should have scored that's when we needed to score."

Pomykala agreed. "It seems like we were sluggish in the second half, but Laval competed and they beat us to the loose balls and the rebounds. They showed a lot of character. We have to find that character."

But nobody was questioning Stewart Clark's character. The third-year forward had his second straight impressive outing. He scored 21 points and grabbed 14 rebounds. Lemieux added 13 points and Kris Ruiter netted 11.

Frantz Eric Elysée, the league's leading scorer, was Laval's top gun with 15 points. Martin Vaillancourt chipped in with 12.

"We've had such great fans the last two games, I think we've got to find a way to give that little bit extra and to stop playing in spurts," Lemieux said.

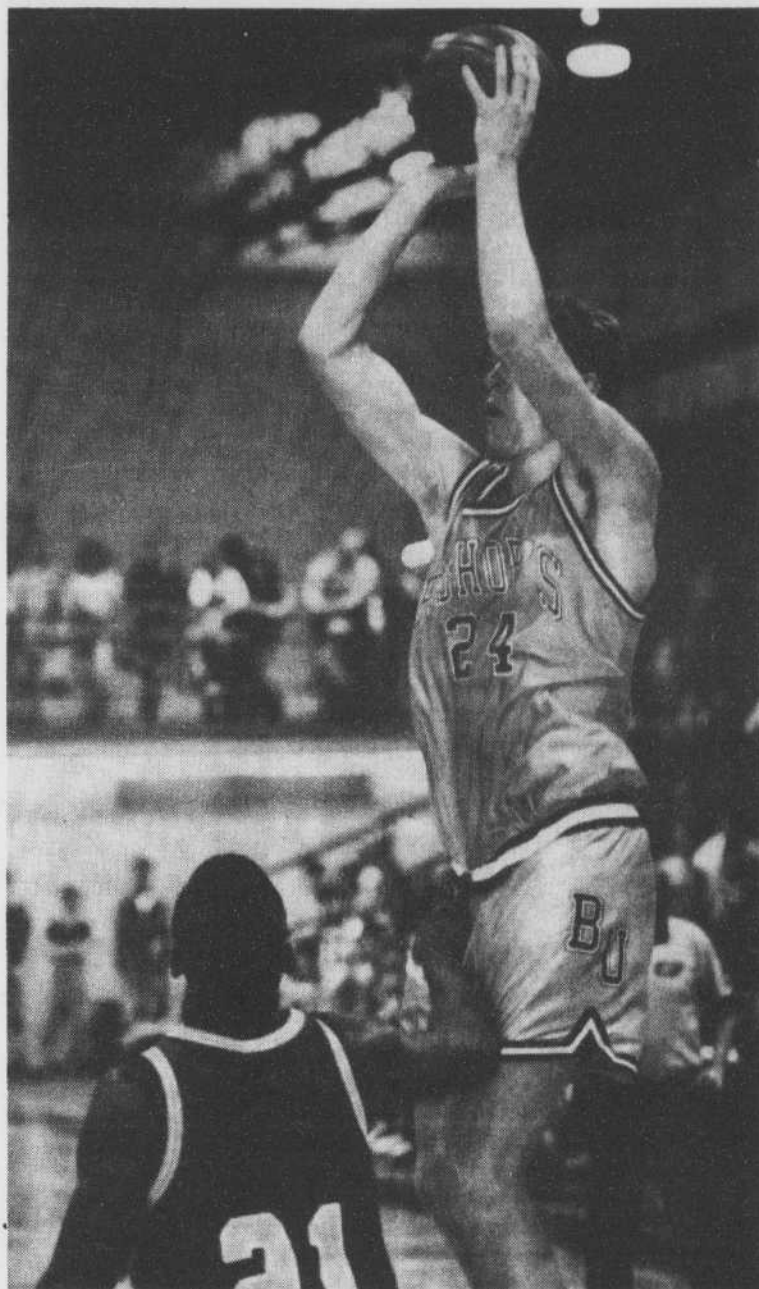
Friday's big crowd was achieved through the help of Dunkin Donuts on Wellington St. The store's owners sponsored a contest to entice students from 12 local high schools to attend the game. College Sacré Coeur won \$400 for having the biggest turnout.

"I really appreciated that," Pomykala said of the huge crowd. "We're providing them with a lot of good basketball,

but these fans deserve a win, my players deserve a win and I think I deserve a win."

"In all of my years as a player and a coach, I've never been a

part of something like this," Pomykala said. "But it's not the toughest thing in my life, so I'm not going to let it bring me down."



Bishop's forward Stewart Clark elevated his level of play for a second straight week, but the Gaiters suffered another one-point loss on Friday.

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Cougars pound nationally ranked rivals

Dawson singing the Blues after crushing defeat

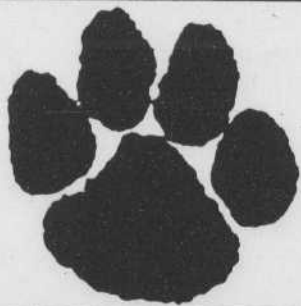
By J.D. Keyes

LENNOXVILLE — The Champlain Cougars ran away and hit — literally — in their game Saturday against the Dawson College Blues.

The Cougars, executing their press-break offence to near-perfection, bolted out to a 26-13 lead after only 10 minutes of play against the Blues in Lennoxville on Saturday afternoon, and cruised the rest of the way to an 85-64 win.

"We played them very well versus the type of game they like to use," Cougar coach Don Caldwell said afterwards. "We knew they like an athletic type of game and the way to beat that is with pressure."

In the early stages of the game, Champlain won a decisive battle when their press-



break attack overwhelmed Dawson's trap. Combining solid rebounding by their forwards with quick outlet passes, Champlain established a strong transition game and scored a lot of easy layup baskets.

By halftime, Champlain was up 42-26.

In the second half, the Cougars proved to be their own worst enemy. Foul trouble kept

three Champlain starters off the court for most of the half.

Caldwell said players stepping in off the bench proved to be key for his team.

"We had guys come off the bench and contribute a lot," the veteran bench boss said. "They took up a lot of the slack when we were down."

Third-year forward and team captain Marc-Olivier Bessette led the Cougars with 27 points and 12 rebounds. Rookie guard Jonathan McKercher continued his impressive first-year campaign by scoring 21 points before fouling out with five minutes to play. Guard Jason Dawkins had 16 points while the 6-foot-8 Krystof Stach had 10 rebounds.

Dawson, the eighth-ranked team in the Canadian Colleges Athletics Association, was

paced by MacKenzie Lavolette's 28-point effort. Guard Rodwin Auriental had 11 points, while Brian Woods added 10 points.

INTIMIDATED

Coach Caldwell said the win was a big one for his team. He noted that Dawson's position as a college basketball powerhouse often intimidated opposing teams.

"They're a squad that can literally beat teams just by reputation," he said. "We opened up our game and battled hard against them. It was enjoyable to watch."

"I think we were emotionally and physically pumped up for this game," he added.

"Plus when you get the quick start to a game like we did with all our transition scores it builds momentum."

Champlain's record in the CEGEP 'AAA' basketball league is now knotted at 4-4 and the Cougars are tied for fourth place in the league. They next see home action Friday, Feb. 2 against Sainte-Foy.

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St. Paul's Home News and lots of activities and visitors for the residents

BURY (NR) — On Friday, December 15, the annual Christmas party was held at St. Paul's Home with a good attendance of residents and guests. The Home looked very festive with the traditional yuletide trimmings and lighted tree. The afternoon was spent visiting and singing Christmas carols, accompanied by Milton and Marion Goodwin. Tea and Christmas cookies were served by the directors. Malcolm Fraser expressed thanks to all for coming and especially Milton and Marion, and extended Season's greetings to all.

On Monday evening, December 18, St. Paul's Church choir and friends visited the Home while out carolling.

The Rev. Blair Ross conducted his monthly service of Holy Communion.

Pastor Gawa, Gordon and Evelyn Boynton and Austin Bailey of the Baptist Church held a Bible study at the Home.

Robert Sandford, Canterbury, visited Mrs. Lottie Dougherty, Mrs. Lillian MacIver and Mrs. Edith Hamilton.

The Rev. Glenn Coates, his sister, Gloria Nugent and Real Corriveau entertained the residents one afternoon with music. Others who came in for the afternoon were Ferne Pehleman, Audrey Lowe and Dora Dougherty.

A United Church service was held at the Home under the direction of Justin Lowry. Others attending were Roscoe and Gladys Morrison, Laura O'Brien, Ferne

Pehleman, Peggy Batley, June Harrison and Isabella Taillon. The Rev. Glenn Coates was at the piano.

Norma Harrison entertained the residents one afternoon with piano music and refreshments.

Another afternoon Helen Groom provided entertainment with lunch and a gift for each one.

On another occasion Dave Donnachie and Pat Hurley provided entertainment with music and singing. Others who came to listen were Muriel Watson and Dora Dougherty.

Among those who have visited Mr. Earl Lavallee were Mrs. Ruth Lavallee and Mrs. Alice O'Connor, Lennoxville, Warren and Albert Ross, Wilma and Barry McElravy, Bulwer, Audrey and Harold Griffin of Kitchener, Ont., Arnold Harding of B.C., Lynn Peasley of Sherbrooke and Elisabeth and Jack Waldron of Ottawa. Mr. Lavallee accompanied his wife to Ottawa where he spent Christmas week with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Waldron and boys.

Visitors of Mrs. Faye Coleman in December include Doug and Gertrude Learned, East Angus, Robert, Penny and Travis Coleman, Kelly McBean, Lennoxville and Clyne MacDonald, Gould. Mrs. Coleman was a Christmas Day guest at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Penny Coleman and family.

Roy and Inez Dutton visited the former's mother, Mrs. Dolly Dutton. Others who visited Mrs.

Dutton were Melanie Martineau, Kelly McBean, Patsy Dutton, Ottawa, and Penny, Robert and Travis Coleman.

Rodger, Meryle, Morris and Derek Heatherington, East Angus visited their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Mary Heatherington on several occasions. Mrs. Joyce Standish, Cookshire, also visited her.

Visitors of Miss Florence Wheeler during the holiday include Russell and Beverly Nutbrown, Bulwer, Bill Lyon, Mrs. Lavalliere and Mrs. Ardice Ward, Lennoxville, Bruce and Sharron Kirby and daughters, Karyn and Karolyn, North Hatley. Miss Wheeler was a Christmas Day guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Ward in High Forest.

Miss Marcella Ross spent Christmas with Violet and Stuart

Main and family in Bishopton. Holiday visitors of Miss Ross include Teresa MacLeod, Brookbury, Charles and Carolyn Hardcastle, Bishopton, Clyne MacDonald, Stuart and Violet Main, Michael and Wendy Main, and Ray and Clair Thibodeau, St. Catharines, Ont.

Visitors of Mrs. Lottie Dougherty were Leland, Sonia and Michael Dougherty, Clyne MacDonald, Megan and Tracy Dougherty, Fleurimont.

Wendy Matheson, Toronto visited her grandmother, Mrs. Edith Hamilton.

Abbie Murray visited her grandmother, Mrs. Roberta Cilles.

Bud and Lillian Coates visited Lillian's aunt, Mrs. Lillian MacIver.

Holiday visitors of Mrs. Irene Coates were Audrey and Bud Al-

lanson and Mrs. Flemming, Scott and Erin Coates, Stephen Allanson and Karen and Pete, all of Sherbrooke, and Mac and Jean Coates, Lennoxville.

Mrs. Grace Rider, Lennoxville, visited her husband, Mr. Lawrence Rider. Other visitors of Mr. Rider were Jim and Ryan MacLeod, Sarnia, Ont., who also visited Mrs. Lottie Dougherty.

Other visitors at the Home were Dorothy Shattuck, Lennoxville, Irene Rolfe, East Angus, Norma and Robert Harrison, Junior Hayes, East Angus, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Mitchell, Lennoxville, Mrs. Hilda Thiberge, Sawyerville, Ferne Johnston, Hatley, Audrey Lowe and Henrietta Clark. On another occasion, Audrey Lowe entertained the residents with organ music.

Trophies awarded to Hatley Young Farmers

The annual banquet of the Hatley Young Farmers was held on Saturday December 2, 1995 at the Hatley Anglican Church Hall. A potluck supper was served by the parents of the members and enjoyed by all.

Following the supper, cash prizes were given to the members for their participation in events during the year. The events are judging competitions held in conjunction with the regular monthly meetings, Achievement Day competition, local fairs and fundraisers. This year members exhibited at Cookshire, Ayer's Cliff, Brome and the National Annual Beef show in Victoriaville.

This year's trophy awards were bigger and better, thanks to individuals and families in the community who donated trophies. A word of thanks to the Albert Taylor, David Grey and Dennis Cox families. We now have 33 trophies.

This year's trophy winners are:

Dairy Conformation: Champion Dairy Calf - Pee Wee — Scott Hatch; Best Junior Dairy Calf — Shona McKinven; Grand Champion Ayrshire Calf — Melissa Hatch; Grand Champion Holstein Calf — Ann Marie Champagne; Grand Champion Jersey Calf — Shona McKinven; Grand Champion Dairy Calf — Shona McKinven; Reserve Champion Dairy Calf

— Trevor McKinven.

Beef Conformation: Pee Wee Champion Beef Calf — Jessica Cox; Champion Beef Heifer — Wade Lassenba; Grand Champion Hereford Heifer — Sean Stuart; Grand Champion Simmental Heifer — Wade Lassenba; Grand Champion Shorthorn Heifer — Joseph Cox.

Chicken Trophies: Champion Pullet — Karolyn Kirby; Champion Cockerel — Jonathan Smith.

Showmanship Trophies: Pee Wee Champion Dairy Showmanship — Alex Butler; Junior Champion Dairy Showmanship — Melissa Hatch; Senior Champion Dairy Showmanship — Ann Marie Champagne; Pee Wee Showmanship Beef — Emily Grey; Junior Champion Beef Showmanship — Jeremiah Cox; Senior Champion Beef Showmanship — Sean Stuart; Grand Champion Beef Showmanship — Sean Stuart; Honourable Mention Beef Showmanship — Emily Grey; Honourable Mention Beef Showmanship — Nathalie Hughes; Grand Overall Showman — Ann Marie Champagne; Reserve Overall Showman — Sean Stuart.

Judging Trophies: Pee Wee Highest Judging — Nathalie Hughes; Junior Highest Judging — Melanie Roarke; Senior Highest Judging "a tie" — Trevor McKinven and Jason Morse.

Point Trophies: Pee Wee Highest points — Emily Grey; Junior highest points "a tie" — Jeremiah Cox and Shawn Fisk; Senior highest points — Trevor McKinven; Most valuable member trophy — Trevor McKinven.

For the first year, medallions were awarded. The winners were: Showmanship awards - Reserve Pee Wee Champion Dairy Showmanship — Russell Butler; Reserve Junior Champion Dairy Showmanship — Scott Hatch; Reserve Senior Champion Dairy Showmanship — Trevor McKinven; Reserve

Pee Wee Champion Beef Showmanship — Nathalie Hughes; Reserve Junior Champion Beef Showmanship — Shawn Fisk; Reserve Senior Champion Beef Showmanship — John DeBoer; Reserve Grand Champion Beef Showmanship — Jeremiah Cox.

The evening closed with a gift exchange among members and best wishes for 1996.

The members of the Hatley Young Farmers would like to take this opportunity to thank all who helped make 1995 a successful year for the club. We look forward to a busy, competitive and fulfilled 1996.

Submitted by
Melanie Roarke, Secretary

United Church Women meet

HATLEY — There was a good turnout at the UCW dinner at the United Church Vestry on Wednesday, January 10. There was a large variety of hot dishes and pies to choose from.

Following the meal the ladies held their regular meeting at which Judy Drew was chairperson. Elma Jobel lead in the worship. Eight members answered the roll call.

The minutes of the last meeting in November were read by the secretary, Pauline Ayer. The treasurer, Mildred Roarke gave a very satisfactory report on the Christmas sale table but said that the funds were still very low. Judy asked the ladies to be thinking about ways to correct this in the next few months.

Correspondence consisted of many thank-you notes from people who benefited from Christmas cheer in the form of baked goods and fruit taken to them during the holidays. These were read by Judy.

There being no other business Judy reminded the members the next dinner and meeting falls on Valentine's Day. The meeting was then adjourned.

Jolly Twelve Club meets

AYER'S CLIFF — The Christmas meeting of the Jolly Twelve was held on December 15 at the home of Lorraine Harrison with eight members and one guest Evelyn Lafonel present.

In keeping with the season the house was nicely decorated inside and out.

Around 5 p.m. all sat down to a bountiful supper, each member bringing something. There was potato and jellied salads, coleslaw, cranberry, dressing, pickles, cheese, home-made rolls, and Kentucky Fried Chicken, thanks to Richie for going to Coaticook to get the chicken, which was very good. We finished off with lovely fruit salad and yummy squares.

With a very good assembly line, the dishes were done and

things put away before adjourning to the living room for a game of cards.

500 was played at two tables, winners being: first, Josephine Harrison; second, Madeleine Dezan; consolation, Pauline Standish. Several others won prizes with lucky tallies.

Santa with a Ho-Ho, arrived and the exchange of gifts, etc. were called from under the pretty little decorated tree.

High score for the year, Lorraine Harrison and Madeleine Dezan. Joe Harrison had low score for the year. After a little discussion it was decided to meet the 3rd Tuesday in the month instead of the 3rd Friday, hope this meets everyone's satisfaction.

Taylor Home News and holiday visitors

SAWYERVILLE — Mr. and Mrs. Fred MacElravy of Bulwer visited Stella and Ivan McKee. Other callers were Clifford and Danielle McKee, daughter Sabrina of Montreal and Mr. and Mrs. John Henderson.

Allan and Helen Cox of Lennoxville were visitors of her mother Doris White. Helen was in on December 17 and took her mother to church.

Mr. and Mrs. Ozzie Thomas of Beebe visited Mr. Ernie Cork.

Mrs. Olga McClintock visited Hazel Gallup. Other callers were

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Nutbrown, Bulwer, Mrs. Logan, Sherbrooke, Mrs. Lucie Blair and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Stevenson, all of Lennoxville.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Laroche, Georgetown, Ont., Mrs. Ruth Page, Johnville, Mrs. Grant Forgrave, Campbellford, Ont., Rodney Parker and Barbara of Port Hope, Ont., Lenora and Dale Quinn of Bury were all visitors of Rita Forgrave. Mr. and Mrs. John Dawson, Valleyfield called in to see Gladys Owen and Rita Forgrave.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Owens of Hereford, Waldo and Gertrude Owens called on Mrs. Gladys Owens.

Valerie Rawlings, Sherbrooke, visited her aunt, Mrs. Lavina Prideaux.

Pauline Thorneloe and her mother were visitors of Ernest Cork.

Mrs. Irene Perkins had her son Lloyd Perkins and Tonie and Susan to visit her. Mrs. Hazel Rogers was in doing some reading for Mrs. Perkins which she enjoyed very much.