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S. African sanctions stay for now

By Heidi Kriz

JOHANNESBURG (CP) — External Affairs Minister Barbara McDougall arrived in South Africa Sunday to show support for the country's moves toward democracy, but she said Canada will maintain sanctions for now.

"I'm in South Africa to hold discussions at first hand with political leaders and parties involved in negotiations," she said on arrival in Johannesburg.

McDougall is scheduled to meet Foreign Minister Pik Botha and Nelson Mandela, president of the African National Congress, in Johannesburg before flying to Cape Town Tuesday

for talks with President F.W. de Klerk. She is also scheduled to visit Canadian-supported projects in the black townships during her four-day visit.

She said her government was encouraged by de Klerk's reforms and the resounding white endorsement of negotiated change in the March 17 referendum. She said her visit is a sign of support for the Congress for a Democratic South Africa, the vehicle for negotiations for a new constitution for the country.

She said she'll explore the future of relations between South Africa and Canada. But she said Canada will maintain

economic sanctions until an acceptable mechanism for transition to democracy is in place.

MANY END PENALTIES
Most countries have lifted so-called people-to-people sanctions such as academic and cultural embargoes and many, including the United States, Britain and Japan, have lifted most economic restrictions.

Canada, always one of the harshest critics of apartheid, has refused to approve unrestricted trade with South Africa.

Before leaving Canada, McDougall said he would be going to South Africa as a Cana-

dian representative, not as a member of the Commonwealth committee which monitors sanctions against South Africa.

Neil van Heerden, director general of the South African Department of Foreign Affairs, greeted McDougall on her arrival. He said he is optimistic that trade will be resumed between the two countries.

"We desperately need economic expansion to create jobs and to make a bigger cake for all," he said. "Sanctions belong to yesterday's agenda."

TOURS HOME

Later in the day, McDougall

visited the Takalani Home for the Mentally Handicapped in the Soweto township. McDougall held hands of some of the young patients and toured Takalani's cheerful, modern facilities. The institution is the only one of its kind for blacks in South Africa. It is partly supported by Canada.

McDougall said Canada intends to stay in touch with the many problems in South Africa and one of the most important issues is health facilities. She said the difficulty with health care in South Africa is not just insufficient funds, but misallocation of resources.

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Frum memorial offbeat

By Wendy McCann

TORONTO (CP) — Hundreds of friends, colleagues and fans remembered Barbara Frum at an offbeat memorial service Sunday that one former co-worker said was intended to match the Canadian broadcaster's preference for the unpredictable.

The unusual public wake at the downtown Massey Hall swung from maudlin to comic as a line-up of speakers ranging from the architect who helped Frum design her flower garden to the impersonator who mimics her succinct interview style told an audience of about 1,500 how she touched their lives.

"Of all the people I've mocked and ridiculed ... Barbara was the best. She was the best sport, the best fun," said comedian Greg Malone, who on occasion broke into Frum's distinctly emphatic voice.

"She was fascinated by the hair and the makeup and how I got the whole look."

Frum died March 26 from complications of chronic leukemia at the age of 54.

RADIO, TV HOST

The widely respected host, first of the CBC radio show As It Happens and later of CBC-TV's The Journal, was intensely private despite her public profile and had kept her illness quiet for 18 years.

A private funeral was held the day after her death. Frum's husband Murray, her children, and her mother Florence Rosberg attended the public service.

With Frum's larger-than-life image projected in her characteristic red suit on a screen above the stage, her brother Gerald Rosberg told those in attendance that Frum had kept her spirits high during the last 2½ years despite her deteriorating health.

"Her strength ebbed and the disease increased its assault upon her. Yet she never thought of herself as a victim, never indulged in self-pity," he said.

Frum was remembered in a telegram as a journalist who "never let me get away with anything," by Ontario Premier Bob Rae.

Prime Minister Brian Mulro-
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Former aerobic world champion Natalie Tomaro of Hull leads an enthusiastic group at Bishop's University's second annual Aerobic-a-thon Sunday. The event raised money for Camp Massawippi. For more, see page 10.

Sweating it out

Pro-choice rally draws 500,000

From Reuters-AP-CP

WASHINGTON (CP) — Half a million protesters, some pushing baby strollers and others visibly pregnant, marched around the White House and up to Capitol Hill Sunday to demonstrate against erosion of U.S. abortion rights.

"The more we learned about the law at Harvard, the more we realize how fragile these rights are," said Julie Doyle, a Harvard Law School student.

Demanding "Choice! Now!" the demonstrators were led by a vanguard that included feminists Gloria Steinem and Eleanor Smeal, actresses Jane Fonda and Morgan Fairchild, singer Cyndi Lauper, former U.S. vice-presidential candidate Geraldine Ferraro and Rev. Jesse Jackson, who Democratic presidential hopeful Jerry Brown says would be his running mate.

The protest had a distinctly political cast, two days before the pivotal New York state primary. Democratic presidential rivals Brown and Bill Clinton attended the rally and had been scheduled to address the crowd, but neither

did. Even so, political posters for both candidates were seen among the throng.

Organizers claimed more than 750,000 people attended the rally, but Washington authorities put the official tally at 500,000. Some 70,000 people participated in an anti-abortion march in January.

Some marchers referred to U.S. President George Bush in faintly obscene placards, and one group of women wore gags, masks and carried signs reading Breeding Unit to protest the Bush administration's so-called "gag rule" which limits the mention of abortion at federally funded clinics.

CHANGES STAND

But Bush was at Camp David and not expected back at the White House until today. Formerly a supporter of abortion rights, Bush now favors abortion only in cases of rape, incest or when the mother's life is in danger.

Some abortion rights protesters took note of the anti-

abortion composition of the Reagan-Bush-appointed U.S. Supreme Court, which will hear arguments on the constitutionality of a restrictive Pennsylvania abortion statute on April 22.

The court is expected to uphold at least some parts of the Pennsylvania law that requires a 24-hour waiting period for abortions, parental consent for minors, requires doctors to inform women of alternatives and requires the husband be notified before the abortion is performed.

One pregnant woman wore a sign that read, Pregnant, Pro-child, Pro-choice, and a wheelchair-bound protester carried the sign, Disabled, But Able to Vote Pro-Choice.

Before the march began, anti-abortion protesters planted a forest of crosses in front of the Washington Monument, calling this the "cemetery of the innocents."

The high court ruled in 1973 that U.S. women are guaranteed the right to choose abortion as part of their constitutional right to privacy.

'I lost my best friend at Vimy'

By Andrew Flynn

OTTAWA (CP) — The 14 Canadian veterans, bent now with age, but still alert and proud, sat under slate-grey skies at the cenotaph on Sunday morning to honor the comrades who fought beside them 75 years ago at Vimy Ridge, France.

The ceremony, held in the teeth of a bitter spring wind, commemorated the decisive victory won by Canadian troops over a previously impregnable German position during the First World War.

As Prime Minister Brian Mulrooney and Governor General Ray Hnatyshyn laid wreaths at the National War Memorial, the Vimy Ridge survivors remem-

bered the heroism — and the sacrifices — that marked the first ever operation by an all-Canadian military force.

TREASURE MEMORY

"I treasure the memory of that battle," said Henry Hassal, 96, of Cookesville, Ont., who fought with the 26th Battalion New Brunswick Infantry. "I lost my best friend at Vimy. I lost many friends there. But we knew we were fighting for future generations, and nothing was going to stop us."

Vancouver native Henry Peters, still spry at 94, says the battle is still fresh in his mind. "We were very proud of ourselves when it was all over, very proud to be Canadian," he said. Peters served at Vimy as a ser-

geant with the 72nd Seaforth Highlanders.

Mulrooney told the crowd of about two hundred onlookers that Vimy was a battle of "such heroic proportions that it signalled to the world the coming of age of Canada as a promising and prosperous nation."

He called for Canadians to recognize Vimy as a symbol of a united Canada and to honour the sacrifices of Canadian soldiers in our own troubled time. "Now it is our turn to make our own infinitely more modest sacrifices to strengthen Canada's unity."

MEMORIAL PARK

The 14 veterans will accompany Mulrooney to Vimy Memorial Park in Vimy, France, where

another ceremony will be held on April 9, over which Mulrooney and French president Francois Mitterrand will preside.

Begun on April 9, 1917 the battle for Vimy Ridge is hailed by some as a landmark in Canadian unity and testimony to the resourcefulness and integrity of Canadians.

It was fought by the Canadian Corps, which combined four Canadian divisions stationed in Europe at the time. British and French forces had tried unsuccessfully to take the heavily fortified German position earlier in the war.

Of the approximately 100,000 Canadian troops that scaled the ridge, 3,598 were killed and about 7,000 wounded.

Iranian embassy stormed, 3 hurt

By Michael MacDonald

OTTAWA (CP) — At least 30 people wielding sticks, mallets and a sledge hammer stormed the Iranian embassy in Ottawa on Sunday.

The attack was part of a well-organized campaign that saw several other violent skirmishes inside Iranian diplomatic missions around the world.

Twenty-six people were arrested in Ottawa minutes after protesters broke through the embassy's front door and began looting files, smashing windows and fighting with embassy staff.

Three embassy employees were slightly injured in the melee, including Iranian ambassador Mohammad Hossein Lavassani, who suffered facial cuts.

Several witnesses who said they knew the attackers suggested the violent protest was sparked by Iranian air attacks Sunday on a rebel base near Baghdad.

NO GUARDS THERE

The embassy, a small office building about a kilometre south of Parliament Hill, did not have any guards on duty when the protesters broke in, said RCMP spokesman Gerry Boucher.

"It was kind of a hit-smash-and-grab sort of thing," he said, adding that the mob ransacked the building, but at no time were embassy staff taken hostage.

Boucher refused to speculate on the identity of the attackers or what motivated them.

Jim Purchase, who was visiting a friend in an apartment across the street from the

embassy, said the chanting mob spilled out of the building as police arrived minutes after the break-in. Some protesters fled to waiting cars carrying boxes and bags of embassy files, he said.

"They were running down the street, files were spilling all over the place," Purchase said.

Police blocked at least two city blocks around the embassy and bomb experts were brought in to make sure the group did not "leave anything behind," Boucher said.

Meanwhile, Iranian nationals occupied the Iranian mission to the United Nations in New York on Sunday afternoon.

One employee at the mission was taken hostage, but released later in the afternoon when the occupiers surrendered to police.

In Bonn, about 40 Iranian exiles wrecked their country's embassy. Police in the German capital said two officers were stabbed and at least three other people injured during an hour-long occupation.

Protesters in the Hague and London also attacked Iranian embassies to protest the raid. In the Netherlands, demonstrators got into the mission and caused extensive damage, police said.

Fighting hits Sarajevo

From Reuter-CP

SARAJEVO, Yugoslavia (CP) — Violence erupted in Sarajevo and other areas of Bosnia-Herzegovina Sunday, inflicting heavy casualties and fanning fears of civil war in the ethnically diverse Yugoslav republic.

The fighting, the worst in Bosnia since the Second World War, prompted representatives of the republic's Muslim, Croat and Serb communities and federal army leaders to appeal for peace on television.

"First, stop all shooting in the republic, and bring about a total ceasefire in all parts of Bosnia-Herzegovina," they said in a statement.

In Sarajevo gunmen opened fire on a crowd calling for an end

to fighting in the republic, killing one demonstrator and injuring 10.

Many people were reported killed in air and artillery strikes across Bosnia-Herzegovina where Muslims and Croats are pitted against minority Serbs opposed to the republic's drive to follow Slovenia and Croatia in breaking away from Yugoslavia.

At least five towns declared a state of emergency and Muslim President Alija Izetbegovic ordered the mobilization of police reservists and local defence units to quell the unrest.

The violence erupted on the eve of a meeting by European Community foreign ministers who may recognize Bosnia-Herzegovina as an independent state.

Ice fishermen go trolling

OTTAWA (CP) — An ice-fishing party nearly turned into adventure on the high seas when a large chunk of ice carrying five men broke away from the shore of the St. Lawrence River near Lancaster, Ont.

Robert Sabourin, one of the fishermen, said they'd only been out on the ice about 10 minutes Saturday afternoon when the wind shifted.

"The next thing we knew, there was about 20 feet of water between us and the shore," he said.

Lancaster is about 80 kilometres southeast of Ottawa, near Cornwall, Ont.

The floe only travelled several metres downriver, but there was no way for the men to get back on land. They were rescued an hour later by helicopter.

Onlookers on shore alerted Ontario provincial police, who called the coast guard from Valleyfield, near Montreal.

Sabourin said none of the men were particularly worried.

"There was about two feet of ice underneath us. It was a large piece of ice."

The stranded fishermen caught about 25 fish, he said.

Auditor uncovers conflicts at Environment Canada

By Kirk LaPointe

OTTAWA (CP) — An internal federal audit found Environment Department employees were engaging in conflicts of interest, employees knew and suspected others were doing so, and "deficient, inefficient and ineffective" measures to grapple with the problem.

The June 1990 audit found a number of employees hadn't disclosed potentially problematic situations, while others "did not view potentially problematic situations as a (conflict)." The audit, obtained under the Access to Information Act, even found many employees "were not aware of the criminal implications of accepting gifts, entertainment and preferential treatment from suppliers."

What's worse, it said employees "often perceive and sometimes know that there is a (conflict-of-interest) situation but are cynical (about reporting it) because they believe management is not clearly and fairly addressing the situation."

The audit team concluded that the federal government was lagging behind the private sector and at least one provincial government in business ethics training.

The 35-page report didn't identify specific conflict cases. It calls "dangerous" the department's plan to reduce the layers of management dealing with the issue.

FINDS VULNERABILITY
"The department is now vulnerable to COI (conflict-of-interest) situations and should not be lulled into a sense of false security just because few COI cases have been uncovered," auditors found.

"The lack of training for both employees and management staff on the topic of (conflict of interest) exposes the department to significantly increased levels of exposure to inappropriate decisions and actions by employees."

—Immediate supervisors didn't know if their employees had declared conflicts-of-interest because disclosures were made confidentially to one branch only of the department.

—Most managers indicated that they have received little or no feedback on how reported conflicts are investigated or resolved.

The declaration people sign when they're hired would be of limited value to the government in any legal action taken against employees on their conflicts, the audit found.

A department spokesman said measures are being taken to address many of the audit's findings as part of a plan to toughen conflict guides for employees.

Fish stocks not on agenda for Earth Summit

By Ingrid Abramovitch

UNITED NATIONS (CP) — After five weeks of intensive negotiations, the road to the Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro remains filled with environmental potholes.

But the head of Canada's delegation to the June environmental conference said negotiators did "remarkably well" at their final preparatory meeting, which ended Saturday.

John Bell said representatives from more than 160 countries managed to put together a "coherent package" of proposals on a vast range of ecological issues.

While the conference adopted sections of Agenda 21, a plan for cleaning up the world's environment in the 21st century, it failed to reach consensus on key ecological issues.

Among them: who will pay for the global cleanup, how to stabilize climate change and — crucial for Canada — conservation of fish stocks.

Fisheries Minister John Crosbie and Newfoundland Premier Clyde Wells came to the United Nations in recent weeks to lobby against overfishing by European fleets on the Grand Banks of Newfoundland.

Bell said Canada had hoped that a proposal for a high seas conference — which was backed at the United Nations by 40 countries — would be included in the Earth Summit agenda. But despite last-minute efforts, the European Community said it was not ready to endorse the idea.

Nevertheless, Bell is convinced Canadian lobbying against overfishing made headway at the conference.

"It is now seen as an issue of conservation," he said. In one significant development, conference chairman Tommy Koh made a personal plea for the European Community to act responsibly on overfishing on the high seas.

The five-week conference often split rich and poor countries, but did manage to agree on an Earth Charter, a non-binding statement of 27 environmental principles.

"We Canadians have some reserves on what is in that," Bell said. "It's not in the best English and we would have liked something more crisp and visionary."

Canada originally proposed a succinct charter that began, "We the people of Earth, being the generation to have seen our planet from outer space..."

But representatives from developing countries pointed out that many of their citizens have no idea that humans have travelled to outer space.

They came up with a 20-page document of principles emphasizing Third World development over environmental principles. Negotiators whittled it down to about half that size, but Bell said Canada still wants it renegotiated in Rio.

U.S. HESITANT
The United States was often accused during the conference of

not being co-operative. While world leaders like Prime Minister Brian Mulroney have announced they will attend the Rio summit, U.S. President George Bush has so far ignored pleas to attend.

The United States was recalcitrant on agreements to reduce carbon emissions, as well as on committing to a financial package to pay for global cleanup.

Bell praised the conference for welcoming the input of non-governmental organizations, which ranged from environmental groups such as Greenpeace to human rights and church groups.

But that input sometimes proved to be a fly in the ointment for Canada, which tried to take the high road on issues like overfishing.

Rosemere residents to decide if town maintains bilingual status

ROSEMERE (CP) — This bedroom suburb of Montreal is being roused to do battle for its bilingual status.

Rosemere's residents are to decide by a precedent-setting referendum whether their town should continue operating in English and French. Of the town's population of 11,500, about 8,200 people are eligible to vote.

Voting opened Sunday, and continues today and next Sunday.

By 1:30 p.m., 513 people had cast ballots, said Sylvie Trahan, the town clerk. "It's been very busy."

The ballot asked if residents were in favor of the town continuing to communicate with its residents in Canada's two official languages, with predominance given to French as required by Quebec language law.

The Yes side, which favors bilingualism, has been phoning everyone in town to make sure they cast their ballot. The No side wants a boycott of the vote.

But Mayor Yvan Deschenes says the real fight is not among

the people of Rosemere. "It's between David and Goliath, our little town and the Office."

The Office de la langue française, the board which enforces Quebec's language regulations, has 400 people and a large budget and they're using it to promote francization here, not bilingualism," Deschenes said.

"It's almost intimidation." The board granted Rosemere bilingual status in 1982, based on 1976 census figures showing its population was 49 per cent francophone, 46 per cent anglophone and five per cent allophone.

That meant the town could send out tax notices, post signs on municipal property and publish its newsletter in English and French.

But in 1988, a citizens group petitioned to have the bilingual status revoked. The Office complied, based on new figures that showed the population was 69 per cent francophone and 24 per cent anglophone.

CONSULT RESIDENTS
Rosemere's town council took the case to Quebec Superior

Court. A year ago, the court overturned the Office's decision and said residents should be consulted about such a move.

The Rosemere referendum is considered a test case for about 70 other towns in a similar position.

The dispute has been low key. There's been little campaigning and no sign-posting or public debates.

Mireille Hardy, whose group wants the bilingual status revoked, says the public consultation isn't valid.

"The town can't have a referendum to ask people if they want a certain law applied," she said. "It's like asking them if they want to pay their tax bills."

Marthe Zucco, one of the residents trying to make sure the referendum doesn't fail through apathy, says she wants to preserve Rosemere's 'special quality.'

"We moved to Rosemere 10 years ago, partly because of bilingualism," said Zucco, whose mother tongue is French. "It creates a different feeling, a sense of harmony."

Snake collector strangled by pet?

BRAMPTON, Ont. (CP) — A snake collector was likely strangled to death by his pet python, a coroner said Sunday.

An autopsy showed Mark Neville, 28, died of asphyxiation, apparently from a fatal squeeze from one of three Burmese pythons he kept in his basement apartment, Dr. David

Evans said. "Other than the snake, there was no other apparent cause and no evidence of any other violence," said the coroner in Peel Region, just west of Toronto.

"I've never seen (a case) like this one before."

Neville's body was discovered Saturday by neighbors. The kil-

er snake was not in its cage when police arrived.

It was collared later — after being found curled beneath its cage — by handlers from the Toronto zoo.

FRUM:

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ney's message said Frum was "a kind person sometimes to the point of being indulgent."

In moving speeches Canadian writer June Callwood said "to lose such a beautiful person is to die a little" and private consultant Gerald Caplan said "Yes, I am bitter" over Frum's death.

Inuk woman demands RCMP apology for 'racist treatment'

IQUALUIT, N.W.T. (CP) — For Kitty Nowdluk-Reynolds, vindication has been a long time coming.

But a recent admission by RCMP Commissioner Norman Inkster may be a start for the 26-year-old Inuk woman.

Inkster admitted to the House of Commons justice committee last week the force made many mistakes after arresting her in August 1990 for refusing to testify against a man who raped and beat her.

While in the hands of the RCMP, Nowdluk-Reynolds endured an eight-day, cross-country odyssey that took her through five jail cells in Surrey, B.C., Edmonton, Ottawa and her home town of Iqaluit in the eastern Northwest Territories.

Nowdluk-Reynolds, who has agreed to be identified, declined to comment on Inkster's admission on the advice of her lawyer. But she said earlier the treatment she received made her feel like she'd been raped all over again.

"I truly believe that if I was a white girl from a good family and with money in the bank that this wouldn't have happened to me," she said.

WANTS APOLOGY
She wants a formal apology for what she calls racist and

negligent treatment.

Six days after being beaten and raped in June 1990, Nowdluk-Reynolds left Iqaluit to join her common-law husband in Surrey, B.C.

Deciding not to make a complaint against her attacker, Nowdluk-Reynolds resolved to put the incident behind her, refused to give statements to police and ignored a subpoena served on her in Surrey in July 1990.

A Crown prosecutor obtained a warrant to arrest her and bring her back to Iqaluit to testify.

The warrant was carried out on Aug. 28, 1990. The four-foot, eight-inch, 92-pound woman spent much of the next week in handcuffs. She went for days without a shower, worked for three days in a prison laundry and was forced to ride to the Iqaluit courthouse in the same vehicle as her assailant.

Enoosiq Shoo, 29, pleaded guilty to aggravated assault and sentenced to four years in prison. She was never called to testify.

"A number of very obvious errors were committed," Inkster told the justice committee. The woman had already been assaulted and then she was made a victim a second time, by the justice system, he said.

Inkster said the RCMP members involved have been dealt with internally, but he didn't elaborate whether they had been disciplined.

Those remarks come on the heels of an RCMP Public Complaints Commission hearing last month in Iqaluit. Inkster said he'll await the commission's findings before deciding if further action would be taken.

Nowdluk-Reynolds and her common-law husband, Robert Callaghan, 45, now live in Iqaluit. At the hearing RCMP lawyers confronted them with inconsistencies in their accounts of her ordeal in various letters and statements.

Midway through, her lawyer withdrew one complaint against one Iqaluit officer who had been accused of telling Callaghan in a long-distance phone call that his wife's presence was not required in court. Callaghan admitted he could not remember when he made the call from Surrey.

At one point, public complaints commissioner Alan Williamson banged his fist on the bench and said to an RCMP witness: "I know I wouldn't stand for this happening to my daughter and neither would you."

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The Townships

Diplomat says free trade will benefit all

By Rita Legault

LENNOXVILLE — Canadians must be prepared to sacrifice social programs if they want to compete in the international market, says Mexico's Consul General in Montreal.

Maria-Emilia Farias de Avila, who spoke to Bishop's University economics students about the free trade agreement being negotiated between Canada, the United States and Mexico, said Canada will have to adapt its internal policies in order to remain competitive in the fast-growing global marketplace.

Farias agreed with the view that the high cost of social programs such as welfare, unemployment insurance and medicare leads to higher wages, taxes and costs to manufacturers, making it harder for Canadian products to compete.

Farias, a former Mexican politician turned diplomat, said North America must band together to face trade pressures from both Europe and the Pacific Rim.

Through its negotiations for a free trade deal with the United States, which were extended to include Canada at the request of the Canadian government, Mexico is seeking the global elimination of all tariffs, non-tariff barriers as well as a mechanism to quickly resolve trade disputes.

BIGGER MARKET

Mexico hopes to gain an increased market for its goods.

"What we want is the free flow of goods, services and investments between our three countries in order to help us all face international competition," Farias said in her speech to about 25 Bishop's students and professors.

"The North American market represents \$6 trillion (6 thousand billion) a year," she said. "It's the largest market in the world."

Canada currently has a trade deficit with Mexico. In 1990 Mexico imported a little more than \$600 million worth of goods from Canada including dairy products, parts and motors for planes, pulp and paper, asbestos and fresh meat. About \$160 million came from Quebec.

During the same year Canada imported more than \$1.7 billion worth of products including oil, telecommunications equipment, computers, textiles, fruits and vegetables and coffee. The import/export figures were compiled by the *Mouvement des Caisses Desjardins* for Quebec's statistics office.

FALSE DEBATE

Farias said the argument that

Canadian goods won't be able to compete with Mexican goods because of the huge difference in wages is a "false debate" by Canadian unions.

"Many Canadians are worried that Canada's workers will suffer to the benefit of Mexican workers," she said. "However, most Mexican goods already enter Canada duty free."

"Canada also accepts a large number of imports from low-wage countries — not to the detriment of Canadian industries," she said.

The Consul General said Mexico has had to make dramatic changes to its political, economic and social structures to prepare itself for global trade.

Farias said that in the past 10 years Mexico has gone from one of the most protectionist, closed economies in the world to one of the most open, encouraging foreign investment and privati-

zing state-owned industries.

"Ten years ago the state owned and operated 1500 different industries," she said. "Now, they own only 22, those that are enshrined in our constitution."

She added that inflation has been brought under control, dropping from 170 per cent three years ago to less than 20 per cent last year.

In 1990 Mexico attracted \$4 billion in foreign investments. That rose to \$10 billion last year.

MARKET ORIENTED

Farias said that in the past decade Mexico has gone from being a welfare state, where the government was expected to provide citizens with everything from a job to medical care, to a market-oriented economy.

But the transition was not made without sacrifices, she said. But while social programs

have been axed to make way for a changing economy, she said she's convinced Mexicans will be better off in the long run.

Farias said increased investments in Mexico are essential if economic reforms are to work. Of Mexico's 80 million citizens, half are poor and half are under the age of 18.

"That means one million jobs are needed every year between now and 2000," she said.

Farias said she's confident a North American free trade deal will be beneficial to all three partners. She said that as well as opening markets in the U.S. and Canada for a larger number of Mexican products, it will also open up Mexico and Latin America for U.S. and Canadian products.

"This will benefit the U.S., Canada as well as our country."

Split will happen one way or another — Parizeau



Jacques Parizeau... Sovereignty is a sure thing.

SHERBROOKE (RL) — A sovereign Quebec is less than three years away, Parti Quebecois leader Jacques Parizeau predicted Friday.

In a quick meeting with reporters after appearing on a local radio talk show Friday afternoon, Parizeau said that one way or another Quebec will be sovereign within the next three years.

Under Law 150, passed by the National Assembly last year, Premier Robert Bourassa must hold a referendum on sovereignty no later than Oct. 26.

Parizeau said that if Quebecers vote in favor of sovereignty, a clause in Bill 150 states that Quebec will become sovereign one year later.

However, if Bourassa gets out

of holding a referendum or holds one on federal constitutional offers rather than on sovereignty, Parizeau said he foresees a different scenario.

BACKLASH

Parizeau predicts the anger directed against the premier will be such that Bourassa's Liberals won't stand a chance at re-election. Then, once the PQ is elected, "we will embark immediately on the path that will lead us to sovereignty."

He said that within eight to 10 months the PQ would attain its goal of independence.

Parizeau said that when an election is called, the Parti Quebecois will not put sovereignty on the backburner and promise good government.

"I have said it time and time

again, the Parti Quebecois is, and will continue to be, sovereignist before and after the election," he said.

Parizeau also said he hopes the referendum question won't cloud the issue.

"The question must be as clear and as simple as possible, something like: Are you in favor of Quebec becoming a sovereign nation, yes or no," he said.

CANT PREDICT

Parizeau said that with the "incredible mess in Ottawa on

constitutional matters," he cannot predict if and when a referendum will be held, what offers will come from the rest of Canada, what question will be asked, and what the outcome will be. He said he doesn't think Premier Bourassa knows either.

"Will he manage to wiggle out of it? I don't know. Will he hold it on Oct. 26? I don't know. I don't think Mr. Bourassa knows either."

Earlier in the day Parizeau

told local business leaders that Quebec is on the verge of a new Quiet Revolution.

Speaking at a Chamber of Commerce luncheon, Parizeau said this time regional decision-makers will seek new powers to control their own destiny.

Parizeau said the regions are beginning to realize that only they can ensure their own social and economic development and that the days of decisions being taken in Quebec City and Montreal are numbered.

Whittier faces two more charges following hearing

COWANSVILLE (SM) — Kelly Whittier's preliminary hearing on a charge of obstructing police by allegedly lying to them about his whereabouts the night his girlfriend disappeared, ended Friday with two new charges being laid.

Following testimony given at the hearing by Whittier's friend Patrick Tardif, and his mother, Jacqueline Tardif, Crown attorney Henry Keyserlink charged Whittier with counselling someone to commit perjury and with obstruction.

Whittier's parents, James and Celine, and police detective Yves Houle also testified at Friday's

hearing. A publication ban was imposed on evidence given by the five witnesses.

The charges against Whittier stem from the February 22 disappearance of his ex-girlfriend, 21-year-old Nathalie Champigny, a Cowansville woman who worked as a waitress at a local restaurant.

LAST SEEN

Champigny was last seen dining with Whittier at a Knowlton restaurant the night she disappeared. Police believe the young woman is dead and are continuing the search for her body.

The stairwell to the second-floor Cowansville courtroom was jammed Friday with spectators hoping to get a seat in the small courtroom. One woman said she took the day off work to be there. Many were turned away once all the seats in the courtroom were occupied.

Judge Pierre Bachand will decide April 28 whether sufficient evidence was presented during the preliminary hearing to send Whittier to trial on the first obstruction charge.

Whittier, who was granted bail earlier, left the courthouse with his parents.



Early campaign start? Sherbrooke MP Jean Charest got an early start to his 1998-99 election campaign Friday. That's when these Sherbrooke Elementary schoolchildren will be able to vote for the first time. Charest visited the school to talk to the kids about the environment. RECORD/PERRY BEATON



Cool music... Students and locals jumped up and down and clapped their hands not only for the music but also to keep warm as they braved the cold Saturday afternoon to attend the Rock for Recycling concert at Bishop's University. The day-long benefit, put on by the Active Students for the Environment club, featured bands and information booths as well trucks to receive recyclables. Despite the below-zero spring weather, several hundred people showed up to drop off their garbage and enjoy the music.



Have you seen this man?

Sherbrooke police seek Fleurimont bank robber

SHERBROOKE — City police are circulating a composite drawing of the man they believe robbed the Toronto Dominion bank on Duplessis Street in Fleurimont on March 31.

The man is described as being about six feet tall (183cm), weighing 170 pounds (77 kilos), with blue eyes and blonde shoulder-length hair. He was wearing a dark trench coat at the

time of the robbery. The robber is believed to be English-speaking.

Anyone with information about the robbery should call Sherbrooke police at 821-5555.

Burger King broilers sought

SHERBROOKE — A \$500 reward is being offered for information leading to the arrest of the people who set fire to a city Burger King restaurant twice.

The first fire at the fast-food restaurant, which is at 736 King E., was on Oct. 9 last year. The second was on March 5 of this year.

Anyone with information can call Det. Gérard Leblanc of Sherbrooke police at 821-5544.

Student speakers compete on bicentennial theme

SHERBROOKE — Everyone is invited to attend a public-speaking contest Tuesday on the theme of the bicentennial of the Eastern Townships.

Students from local French and English high schools will be taking part in the contest, at the Sherbrooke Social Club. Winners will move on to the regional

contest and possibly to the provincial finals.

Students from Bishop's College School, Stanstead College, Polyvalente La Frontalière de Coaticook, Collège du Mont Notre-Dame and Ecole Montcalm will take part.

The contest takes place at the Social Club, 688 Prospect St., starting at 7:30.



SAVE OUR SOIL



Who decided that separation was choice of Quebec workers?

Movement Quebec, a coalition of Quebec labor groups and associations whose political objectives are indistinguishable from those of the Parti Quebecois, plans to present a petition bearing the signatures of 1 million Quebecers calling for a referendum on sovereignty.

At a recent Parti Quebecois meeting in Bedford, a spokesman for Movement Quebec said the coalition includes many anglophones.

Name some, I said. There are many anglophones in the unions, he shot back.

Precisely.

I've always found it curious that Quebec labor unions, which represent a good portion of the employed anglophones in this province, have never been challenged for the political stands taken in the name of their membership.

Virtually every syndicated anglophone in this province is represented by a labor union, which not only supports the break-up of the country, but does so on their behalf.

Why have English-speaking teachers, nurses, health care workers and laborers not disassociated themselves from the message? Why have they allowed the people who represent them at the negotiating table to speak for them politically?

During the course of labor negotiations, local unions are consulted on the most minute details. Yet when it comes to deciding the political future of the country, who decided separation is the political choice of Quebec workers? Who voted?

I don't buy the argument that the faint voice of a minority wouldn't be heard over the chorus of thousands. A more likely reason is self-interest. Anything which could be interpreted as a lack of solidarity within the rank and file may compromise the bargaining power of big unions when they're negotiating on their behalf. Like anglophone Liberals eager to secure their own personal fortunes, (notwithstanding Marx, Lincoln, and French) the rank and file have traded principle for better wages and job security.

Reaction to Law 178 is a case in point. When it was passed, the Provincial Association of Protestant Teachers (PAPT), which is under the pro-sovereignist umbrella of the Centre d'Enseignements de Quebec (CEQ), wimped out of taking a stand on the offensive law, claiming it might offend some French-speaking members. Some PAPT members said privately they feared being booted out of the common front.

Solidarity is the sacred cow of labor unions. Consequently, every time Gerald Larose and Lorraine Page publicly endorse sovereignty on behalf of Quebec workers, they are speaking on behalf of thousands who may be opposed, but don't have the courage to say so.

I wonder if they'll be as quiet when their union leaders ask them to take a salary cut and reduced pension to pay for services in a sovereign Quebec?

SHARON McCULLY

New respect for planet

From a column in Human and Ecosystem Health, a publication of the Canadian Public Health Association:

It is commonly argued that the "causes" of global ecological changes are overpopulation and/or our techno-industrial society ... this is an oversimplification. The real culprits are human attitudes and values.

We all want a reasonable standard of living, to be healthy, to provide for our children and to be provided for when we are old or sick. This is not unreasonable.

But the industrialized north has taken more than it needs, it has been greedy and left only the crumbs for the huge numbers in developing countries. Even worse, we now question the aspirations of developing countries to reach standards of living that we have come to expect.

At a general level we must learn a new respect for the planet and for each other, taking from the earth only what we need so that there is enough for everyone.

Once our physical needs are met, we should strive to discover a greater sense of purpose in our lives beyond the accumulation of wealth and material goods and to appreciate the beauty of the world around us, in the recognition that ultimately, we are all one.

— From "What Canada Thinks", a regular feature of The Canadian Press.

Did you know...

RHODES SCHOLARS

Notable Canadian Rhodes scholars include former governor general Roland Michener and former Liberal leader John Turner.

RHUBARB LEAVES

Leaves of the rhubarb plant are poisonous; the edible portion is the elongated leafstalk.

Letters

Clan Watson Society to hold first clan gathering

The Clan Watson Society of Canada will be holding its first clan gathering this year in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

The Clan Watson Society formed in 1988 to promote Scottish culture and their history among their clanspeople. Many Watsons do not realize they have their own clan badge and clan tartan or that they had a clan chief until 1818.

The Watsons of Scotland served in the Armed Forces of the King and many settled in England to work or retire. Some were with the troops who were disbanded in Ireland and remained there.

The highland name for Watson is Mac Watt, and Walterson or Mac Walter. The clan is known as the children of Walter. Intermarriage between the chief's children and clan Buchanan and Forbes led to much misunderstanding among the Watsons and they for many

years considered themselves merely "clan septs" of these two powerful clans.

The last remaining clan Watson chief held lands in the Corstorphine Church area of what has now been added to the ever expanding lands of the city of Edinburgh. The lands of Saughton and Cammo were estates of the Watson chief. The lower edge of the Saughton estate once held a large water reservoir and it is believed it was on these lands according to records in Scotland that Prince Charlie's highland host made their encampment prior to their entering of old Edinburgh City.

The Watson chief's daughter married into the powerful Douglas clan, taking the title to the sons of the Earl of Morton. At present the clan is trying to have the title reinstated. The chief's two sons were killed in action in the first war.

The clan gathering will be held the first weekend in July to coincide with the International Tattoo and the Halifax Highland Games Weekend.

Persons wishing to contact the Clan Society for membership or attendance may write to President Andrew Watson, Comp 15, Box 15, R.R. 3, Brook Road, Lower Sackville, Nova Scotia, B4C 3A9.

Persons who are invited to apply are Watt, Walter, Mac Ouat, Mac Walter, Mac Watt, Mac Quai, Mac Wattie, Mac Quattie, Mac Rowatt, Walterson, Walters, Watters, Watson, Mac Watson, Waterson, Mac Owat, and any other variation. Douglas and Forbes are welcomed due to clan intermarriage.

The last registered clan chief was James Watson of Saughton, Esq. The clan motto is *isperata floruit* and the Lord Lyon of Edinburgh has supplied the clan with their chief's coat of arms and back-

ground. The clan tartan was designed by Rev. Mhuir Watson when serving at Glamis Church in Scotland.

The Watson College has also designed a Watsonian Tartan for their college and their pipe band is now dressed in this new tartan.

The clan badge according to clan historian Jean Watson should show two hands planting an oak tree extending out of clouds, with new leaves sprouting. No other badge is correct as this is the one issued by the Lord Lyon's office in Scotland. The clan welcomes contact from kin from all over the Canada's and U.S.A.

Respectfully submitted,
JEAN MacKARACHER WATSON
Sackville, N.S.

No personal vendetta

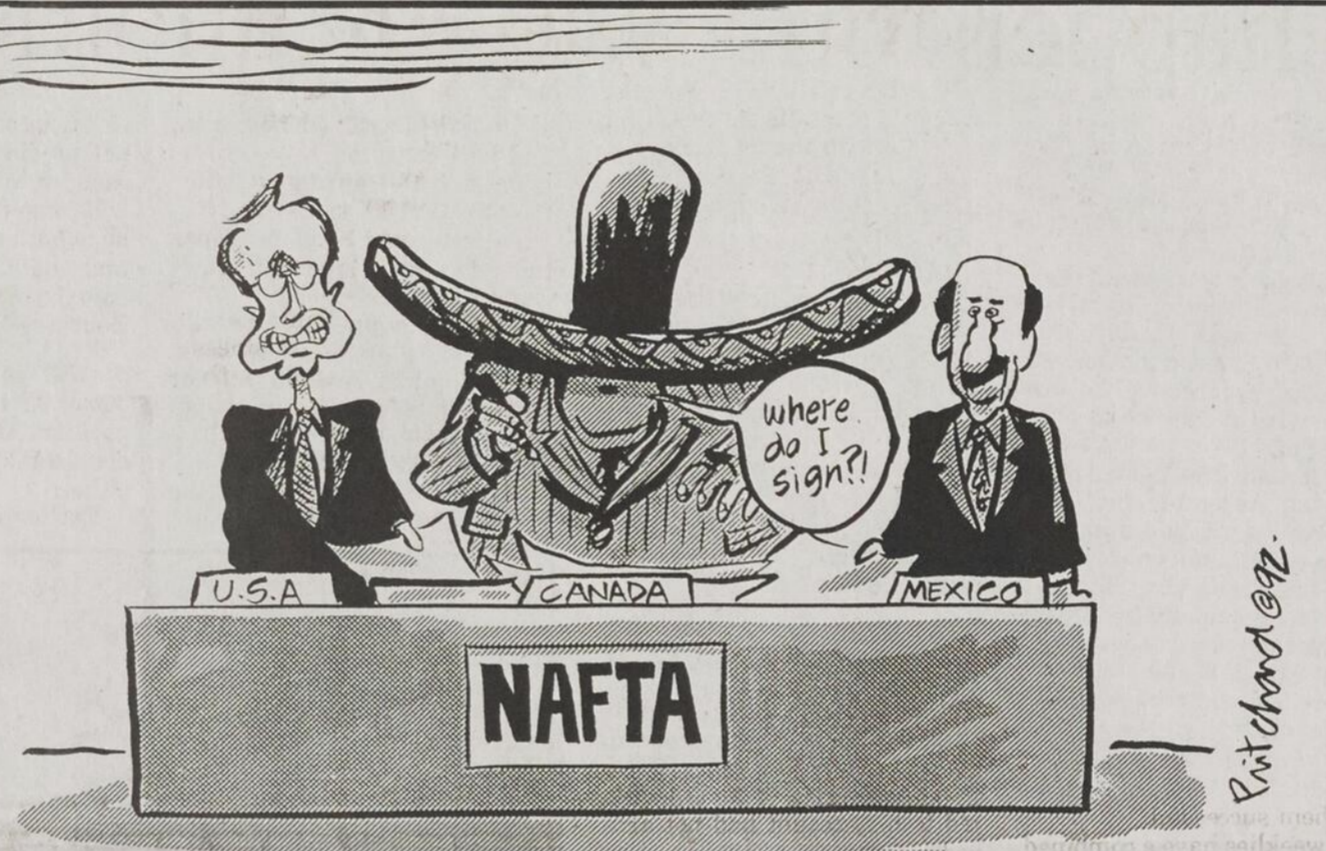
Dear Editor:

I wish to respond to the letter from Mr. Pierre Tellier, president of Sibeca, which appeared in the March 12, 1992 issue of the Record. Mr. Tellier's main contention seems to be that the opposition to his proposed development of Mount Pinnacle is a personal vendetta on the part of Mr. Guy Côté. Such is not the case when the facts of the situation are examined.

There are approximately 700 members of the Association for the Conservation of Pinnacle Mountain. This proves that what happens to the last undeveloped major mountain in the area is of great interest not only to the people of Frelighsburg, but also to those who live within the larger surrounding area.

It should also be mentioned that surveys and municipal voting results show that a large number of residents of Frelighsburg are also opposed to the type of development proposed by Sibeca.

LOIS McCURDY
Sutton



Alberta may be left out in the constitutional cold

EDMONTON (CP) — Alberta could be snookered by its own amending formula if it holds out for a Triple-E Senate in a new Constitution.

Premier Don Getty insists he won't sign a new constitutional deal that doesn't include an elected and effective Senate with equal representation from each province. Ottawa is proposing an elected, effective Senate with regional rather than provincial equality.

It ultimately may not matter whether Getty signs or not.

A deadlock-breaking mechanism — implemented at the suggestion of former Alberta premier Peter Lougheed a decade ago — could effectively relegate Canada's fourth-largest province to the sidelines.

Under the formula, the Constitution can be changed with the support of seven provinces representing at least 50 per cent of the nation's population.

Ontario and Quebec, which combined have more than half of Canada's people, have rejected the idea

of having the same number of seats in the Senate as less-populous provinces.

CP News Analysis

By Larry Johnsrude

Without at least one of those two provinces on side, the best Alberta can do is muster enough support to block a so-called "2-and-a-half-E" Senate. Alberta has two strong allies on Triple-E, Newfoundland and Manitoba, but would need one other.

Jim Horsman, Alberta's intergovernmental affairs minister, acknowledges that Alberta could be outnumbered by other provinces and be stuck with an unequal Senate.

"It could be very unfortunate for the future of harmony and unity in this country," Horsman says.

Some constitutional authorities say Senate reform shouldn't proceed without unanimous consent because it affects all provinces. But there's no legal basis for the argument, said David Schneiderman, director of the University of Alberta's constitutional law centre.

"They might be able to make a moral or political argument that would be somewhat persuasive, but that's not a legal requirement," he said. "Unanimity was part of the Meech Lake accord, but that collapsed with the accord."

The so-called "seven-50 formula" devised by Lougheed was used to patriate the Constitution in 1982, over objections from Quebec.

COULD BE LEFT OUT

Some observers have speculated that Getty's strong stance on Triple-E could make Alberta the Quebec of the 1990s — left out of any constitutional deal. A tough-talking Getty told provincial Conservatives a week ago he would favor that over giving in on provincial equality.

"I think what he was trying to do and has done is moved Triple-E back into the centre of the constitutional debate after it was pushed off to the side," said political science professor Roger Gibbins of the University of Calgary.

It's no coincidence, Gibbins added, that a Triple-E Senate has become a policy cornerstone of the federal Reform party, which threatens the Conservative hold on Alberta.

Getty was criticized by Reform elements in his party for backing Meech Lake. The Reformers argued the accord gave in on Quebec's demands for distinct-society status but failed to address western concerns, such as Senate reform.

The premier has left himself an escape hatch. Albertans are being promised a binding referendum on any constitutional agreement before it goes to the legislature.

Getty maintained his hard line last week, but he emphasized that Alberta voters will decide the province's constitutional position regardless of what he thinks.

Company process turns sludge into fertilizer

By Mitch Weiss

TOLEDO, Ohio (AP) — A sludge treatment company has concocted a way for communities to turn their sewage into, well, not exactly gold, but something akin to pay dirt.

It's a commercial fertilizer that looks, smells and acts like soil.

Cities have been trying to deal with sludge for decades. Some burn it, others haul it to landfills. A few dumped it in the ocean — a practice the U.S. Congress outlawed last year.

"Sludge has always had a bad name," says Pat Nicholson, president of N-Viro Energy Systems Ltd. "But we've developed a process that can turn sludge into something useful."

Thirty-three communities in the United States, England and Australia are using the process, in which sludge is treated with lime and cement kiln dust to kill disease-producing bacteria.

The kiln dust removes odor from sludge much the same way baking soda absorbs refrigerator smells.

The patented process was developed

by Nicholson and Jeffrey Burnham, a microbiology professor at the Medical College of Ohio in Toledo, in 1984. N-Viro began marketing it in 1987.

The company builds and operates sludge processing plants for communities. It also sells the technology so municipalities can build and manage their own operations.

Last year, 33 N-Viro plants were operating worldwide, and 30 more are expected to open this year.

N-Viro processed more than one million tonnes of sludge last year. Marketed as N-Viro Soil or N-Viro Aglime, most of it was used by farmers, and some was used for land reclamation or landfill cover.

The company eventually plans to sell N-Viro soil for residential use. N-Viro has been treating Toledo's sludge since December 1989. The city generates about 50 tonnes a day. Before N-Viro, the sludge was spread on farm fields, a practice some communities oppose because of the smell and health risk.

N-Viro sells for about \$5 US a tonne, says Christopher Mahoney,

national sales manager. The product is odorless and easily spreadable like other fertilizer.

Donald Romes, Toledo's utilities project manager, says he is pleased with N-Viro.

"About four years ago, there was nowhere to go with our sludge. Now we have more demand than product. We don't have to worry about stockpiling it."

Although communities technically don't make any money with the N-Viro product, they drastically reduce sludge disposal costs. It costs about \$150 a tonne to produce N-Viro, compared with as much as \$400 a tonne to dump sludge in a landfill and about as much to compost it.

Farmers also cut production costs. A study by William Meyer, an agricultural consultant, showed that N-Viro Soil can reduce farmers' expenses by up to \$100 a hectare, depending on the crop.

VARIOUS PROCESSES

John Walker, a physical scientist with the Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, said N-Viro

is one of the best sludge products. But he said local officials should examine the various processes before deciding which is best for their community.

"Each of these form a different kind of end product which is used differently," he said.

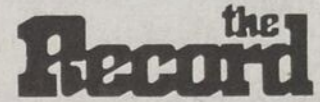
About 70 years ago the city of Milwaukee created a sludge byproduct called Milorganite. The sludge is burned at a high temperature, creating a small pellet that can be used as a fertilizer.

The method, however, destroys much of the bacteria needed to control odor and enrich crops. It also costs up to \$700 a tonne to make.

Terry Ward, spokesman for the Milwaukee Milorganite division, said the city produces 45,000 to 60,000 tonnes of Milorganite a year. It is marketed worldwide, mostly as fertilizer for golf courses and gardens.

He said he is familiar with the N-Viro process. But he believes Milorganite may be better for lawns because it contains more iron.

Farm and Business



Ney: Trade pact must be ready this month

OTTAWA (CP) — A North American free trade agreement will have to be delivered to the U.S. Congress by the end of April if it is to have any chance of being approved before the American election, says U.S. ambassador Edward Ney.

"It is technically a tough time to have a plan that comes to Congress," Ney said on CTV's Question Period.

"Now we are getting into a period where the election process will begin to take over. So if it's to be done, we must get a North American free trade agreement to our Congress soon."

Trade ministers from Canada, the United States and Mexico will meet in Montreal on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday to discuss troublesome areas in the trade negotiations.

Officials from the three countries have been working on the deal but have encountered a number of thorny problems.

U.S. Trade representative Carla Hills said last week that: "We are moving as fast as we can to get an agreement." But she wouldn't speculate on the timing.

While there is a strong protectionist sentiment in the United States, Ney said an agreement will be an important election

campaign plank for President George Bush.

"I think that everything I have seen from the president has been that he wants a deal. And he is for it."

"I believe frankly that it can be a good thing to run on in his case; it would have appeal to a lot of people in our country. I think the evidence says that we're a free trading country and not protectionist."

Ney said there's always bound to be trade disputes between the United States and Canada. But since the Canada-U.S. trade agreement was signed, "we have never had more than two or three per cent of the entire thing in dispute."

There's probably more concern in the United States about a free trade deal with Mexico, Ney says.

"I think most Americans feel we have always sort of had a big trading operation with Canada. You are the best partners we have got."

Good trading relations with Canada are a high-level item in the Bush administration, Ney says.

"We are doing everything we can to make sure that if we are going to do something, we have a good reason and rationale."

By John Davidson

MONTREAL (CP) — The rites of spring for a large number of Canadian men boil down to hockey and beer — not necessarily in that order.

During April and May, there is a Stanley Cup hockey game on prime-time television almost every night.

However, when NHL players began the first strike in league history this week, the spring went out of the steps of a few true-blue hockey fans.

"My God, now I'll have to think up a new excuse to drink more beer," moaned a patron in Montreal's celebrated American Tavern.

"Why not just tell your wife you're a lush?" laughed his friend.

But cancelled NHL playoffs are no laughing matter for some of Canada's largest corporations, which spend millions of dollars buying TV time to flog beer, soft drinks, gasoline and cars to Canadian men — and some

women.

The biggest TV advertiser is Molson Breweries, which is also the producer of Hockey Night in Canada through Molstar Communications.

And its parent firm, Molson Companies Ltd., owns the Montreal Canadiens.

So is Molson worried about a cancelled playoff series?

"WE'RE CONCERNED" "Obviously we're following the developments in the strike and we are concerned," Charles Fremes, Molson's vice-president of public affairs, said Friday.

"We hope the strike ends quickly. But even if there are no playoffs, we're confident our leadership in the beer industry will protect our market share."

"We also have contingency plans for our advertising dollars."

What kind of plans? "We will not reveal our contingency plans for competitive reasons," replied Fremes.

Another worried player in the

hockey business is the CBC, which televises games and sells the advertising.

"We're still hoping we'll have hockey in April and May," said Tom Curzon, the network's director of communications.

"But in case we don't, we've put together a whole new schedule which consists of American programming, news and current affairs, plus movies on the weekend."

"BANG FOR BUCK"

"We've offered all our major advertisers like Molson, Esso, Pepsi, Ford, Chrysler and GM attractive deals on these shows, so they can get the same bang for their buck as they would on hockey."

Curzon said ad revenues from the Stanley Cup are "in the tens of millions of dollars."

Audrey Yates, head media buyer for Molson at MacLaren Advertising in Toronto, refused to say how much money the brewery had planned to spend on hockey this spring and what its

contingency plans might be if there are no playoffs.

"Don't quote me on anything," said Yates conspiratorily.

At Labatt Breweries, which doesn't spend one cent on hockey, the talk was all baseball-baseball.

Labatts owns the Toronto Blue Jays and has an exclusive advertising contract with the Montreal Expos.

"Isn't it a coincidence that baseball season starts two days before the Stanley Cup playoffs are supposed to start?" crowed Ken Derrett, Labatt's manager of sports promotion.

"It's not exactly bad news for us that hockey might be over for the year."

However, even Labatt stands to lose from a hockey-less spring. "The Stanley Cup is good for all beer sales, not just Molson," said Derrett.

"People drink a lot of Labatt beer too during the playoffs, so this strike isn't good for anyone."

Creditors show little mercy during recession

TORONTO (CP) — For the first time in his life, Zoran Curcic was late with the monthly mortgage payment on his family home in suburban Mississauga this February.

The bank was less than understanding, says Curcic, who runs three small businesses in construction, landscaping and property management and has been hard-hit by the recession.

"I'm their best friend when times are good, but soon as I need a little understanding, they don't want to know me."

He says he informed his Bank of Nova Scotia branch, which has handled his personal and business accounts for 12 years, that his regular payment of \$1,748 might be delayed.

Three weeks later, Curcic went to make the payment in person but was \$43 short. Money he had expected to be transferred to his account had not arrived.

He asked for a one-day overdraft but was turned down. At wit's end, he drove home and borrowed 43 loonies from his son's piggy bank.

"They made me feel like I was begging for charity," Curcic says.

His case is not unusual. Other Canadians are feeling the pinch as creditors become increasingly aggressive.

RUTHLESS Hard-pressed consumers and business owners say the economic downturn has sparked intolerance — and in some cases ruthlessness — instead of compassion.

"One missed payment or a payment that doesn't quite meet the required minimum and the banks and other creditors are coming down on people quick and hard, with no real period of grace," says David Simpson, executive director of the Consumers' Association of Canada.

"A lot of them got burned

during the last recession, so they're being very careful this time around."

"We are extremely concerned. Consumers need some leeway to work their way out of this recession," he adds.

Catherine Swift, chief economist for the Canadian Federation of Independent Business, says she's "inundated" with stories like Curcic's.

"We expect it to a certain extent during a recession, but we've never seen creditors, particularly the banks, so hard-nosed," Swift says. "They are more draconian than ever before."

Creditors see the situation in a totally different light.

Anna Bento, manager of Curcic's Scotiabank branch, says he "misunderstood" her reaction to his problem.

Bento says Curcic's mortgage

payments are deducted automatically by a computer that doesn't accept partial payments.

TOO LATE The overdraft he requested was against bank rules because "he had a period of grace already — he was three weeks late."

Linda Rutledge, who handles consumer business for the Canadian Bankers' Association, says

financial institutions realize times are tough.

"On the other hand," she says, "the banks' first responsibility is to protect their deposits."

To avoid an adversarial situation, banks and other creditors urge customers to come in and discuss any problems.

Quebecor buys four Manitoba newspapers

WINNIPEG (CP) — Montreal-based Quebecor Group Inc. is expanding its English-language newspaper holdings in Manitoba.

The company has purchased four Interlake weekly newspapers in a deal which is expected to be completed by the end of April.

Quebecor, which owns the Record, would then control the Stonewall Argus-Teulon Times, Interlake Spectator, Selkirk Enterprise and Selkirk Journal. Merv Farmer, the owner and publisher of the weeklies which

primarily serve communities between Lake Winnipeg and Lake Manitoba, would continue to oversee their operation, said Sun publisher Paul Robson.

"They (Quebecor) don't plan to change much," Robson said. "These have been extremely well-run newspapers. They are very successful, and we want to keep them successful."

The weeklies have a combined circulation of more than 42,000. Quebecor already publishes 42 regional weekly newspapers.

"I think they see Manitoba as an area where they would like to expand," Robson said.

Consumers would benefit in airline deal — experts

CALGARY (CP) — Ticket prices probably won't drop immediately if either of Canada's airlines hooks up with an American carrier.

But consumers should find it easier to get to some destinations, and frequent-flyer points should be easier to accumulate and cash in.

Airline analysts and industry spokesmen agree that scheduling alignments and enhanced frequent-flyer programs will be the first benefit to consumers should Canadian Airlines International or Air Canada strike a deal with an American airline.

"If you have to transfer from a Canadian airline to a U.S. airline, the connecting flights will be scheduled more efficiently," said Murray Anderson, an airline-industry analyst. "It can make it somewhat easier to reach different destinations."

But Anderson warned not to expect immediate price cuts.

"These agreements don't necessarily give you a short-term kick, but they do have long-term positive effects," he said. For instance, companies might become more efficient.

"That results in lower costs to the consumer, but it isn't going to mean fares go down, necessarily."

Both Air Canada and Canadian are currently losing money and will have to turn that around before they can pass on lower prices to consumers, said Anderson.

SEEKING DEAL

PWA Corp. said last month it is negotiating with American Airlines of Fort Worth, Tex., to sell up to 25 per cent of Canadian. The two companies also hope to develop a worldwide marketing program and reciprocal services.

Air Canada and USAir of Arlington, Va., have been negotiating since last August for a partnership involving operational and marketing components. Calgary-based PWA lost \$161

million last year while Montreal-based Air Canada lost \$218 million.

Canadian spokesman Jack Lawless said American owns 600 airplanes, compared with Canadian's 83. If Canadian and American linked up, they could save money through bulk purchases.

Air Canada spokesman Denis Couture said passengers would enjoy more frequent-flyer bonuses if an agreement is reached.

"Accumulating mileage would be easier, using your mileage would be easier," he said.



Eastern Townships School Board REQUEST FOR TENDER

Sale of school bus garage

1306 Wellington Street South, Sherbrooke, QC

The Eastern Townships School Board is asking for tenders for the sale of its school bus garage located at 1306 Wellington Street South in Sherbrooke, Quebec.



The premises may be visited by making an appointment with the undersigned.

All bids must be made on the documents provided by the School Board. Tender documents may be obtained as of April 8, 1992 at the office of the undersigned for a non-refundable fee of 20.00 \$.

Bids will be received at the office of the undersigned at 257 Queen Street, Lennoxville, Quebec, until 11h00 on April 27th, 1992. Public opening of the bids received will immediately follow.

The School Board does not bind itself to accept any of the bids received and the transaction is subject to the approval of the Ministry of Education.

Given at Lennoxville this 6th day of April 1992.

Garth Fields Secretary General and Director of Financial Services Eastern Townships School Board 257 Queen, Lennoxville, QC J1M 2A5

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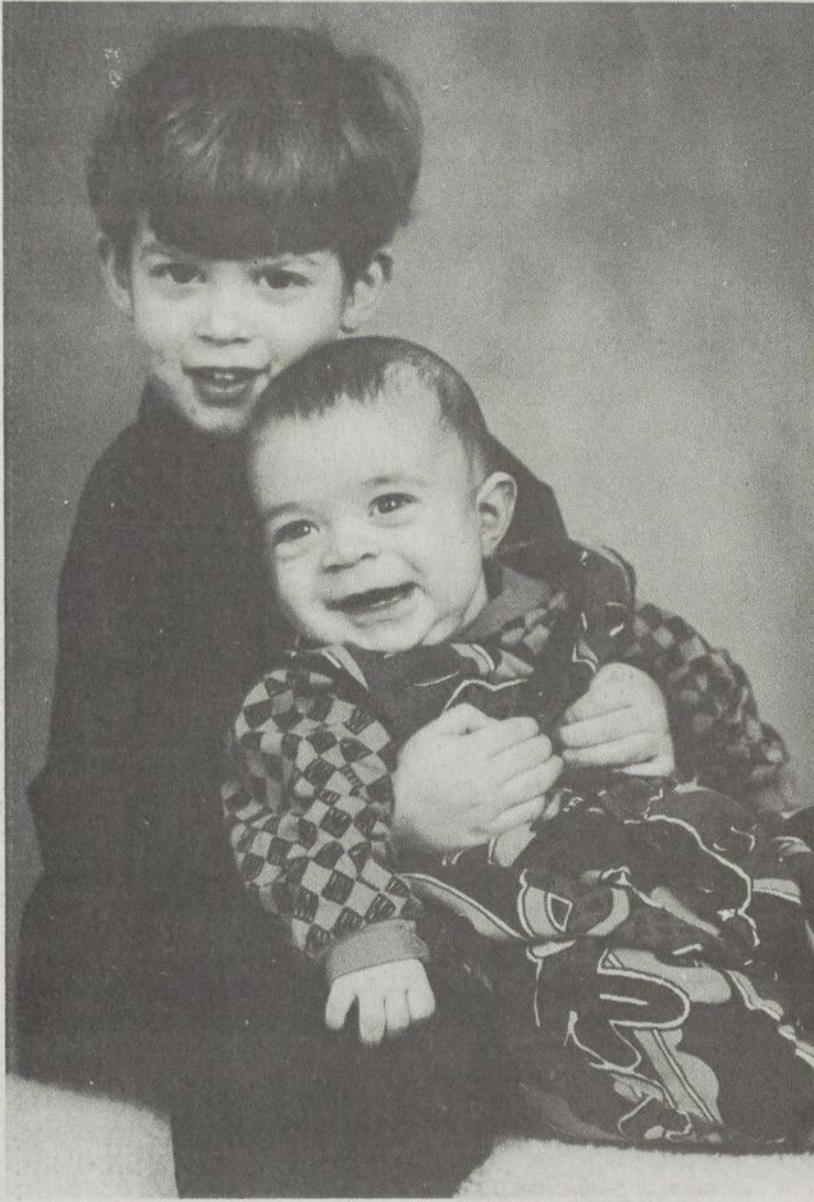
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Happy 60th birthday

To Donald M. Wells, Provincial President, Royal Canadian Legion who celebrates his 60th birthday on Tuesday, April 7. Congratulations. Have a great day!

Happy 84th birthday

Birthday greetings to Dolly Forand of Knowlton, Que., on her 84th birthday April 7, from your family.

Stanstead Chapter IODE executive for 1992



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The St. Francis Fifty Plus Club March Activities including a St. Patrick's play presented by four members

RICHMOND (SD) — The St. Francis «50» Plus Club was very active during the month of March with good attendance for all events.

On Sunday, March 15, the club entered a car, decorated with English and French placards, in the Richmond St. Patrick's parade. The occupants were Beatrice Rodgers, our eldest member, and the club president and wife, Ray and Elsie Woods. After the parade, lunch was served at the Richmond Legion hall.

Monday, March 16, was St. Patrick's entertainment day with 65 members in attendance. The audience was elated with a poem «Elvis was an Irishman» read and acted by Eleanor Aspinall. This was followed with a humorous play by Alleda Nixon, «Ben's Boy» based on a Canadian boy's visit to his relatives in Ireland. The entertaining

participants were Alleda Nixon, Rachel Johnson, Peter McCarthy and Ed Deisting, Bertha Grainger at the piano provided the interlude music.

Pat Hurley and Dave Donnanchie furnished us with a variety of Irish songs and humour. Their singing was complemented by Ed Custeau on the violin. Many thanks to these gracious entertainers who give so much of their time and talent to others. We enjoy your singing and music. We must mention their travel delays from Sherbrooke to Richmond due to flooding and ice from the St. Francis River.

The day was completed with lunch of assorted sandwiches and a beautiful St. Pat's cake donated by Ed Deisting and Ray Woods. Members all received a paper on the history of the Irish people associated with their present difficulties.

On March 23, the club met at the Wales Home for an afternoon of Bingo with the Home residents. Approximately 125 gathered in the main room for this event with the Home co-ordinator, Kelly Andrews being the official bingo caller. Many renewed old acquaintances, smiles and laughter indicated the good time enjoyed by all. The afternoon went by quickly when shortly after 3 p.m. lunch was served. The club wishes to thank Matron Marion Perkins, Co-ordinator Kelly Andrews, and other Home officials who helped make this a «Day of Enjoyment and Get-Together.»

On Monday, March 30, the Fifty Plus Club met at the Richmond church hall for a delicious casserole lunch which was attended by 70 members. Elsie, Wallis, our speciality kitchen convenor, thanked everyone who fur-

nished the food. Again, thank you, Elsie.

«Guess Your Lucky Number» — the winners were Elsie Woods and Ross Nixon. Ora Gunter won the prize for the most number of bingo wins. Eleanor Aspinall and Ed Deisting were the bingo callers. In the future, this will be their responsibility. During the month of March, one member passed away so a moment's silence was observed for Evelyn Wentworth. Get-well cards were sent to Dorothy Sage, Gladys Stimson, Agnes Oakley, «Babe» Kerr and George Johnston. Two other members have just recently been hospitalized — Winnifred Alexander and Rita Manning.

During the month, a card of thanks was received from Dorothy Sage. Also, we wish to thank Bertha Grainger for her generous donation to the club. New members who joined in March are Ken Morrill, Vera Brock, Myrtle Fleck, Dorothy Howard, Carl Skinner, Chippy and Paulie Rattray. Welcome aboard and see you all next week.

Submitted by
Ray Woods



Performers in the play «Ben' Boy» - Left to right: Alleda Nixon, Peter McCarthy, Ed. Deisting, Rachel Johnson.

Bridal shower

A miscellaneous shower was held in Moe's River on March 21 for Sharon Patton, a June bride-to-be, and given by her two aunts, Beverly Musty and Paulette Haseltine.

After opening the gifts from twenty-five friends and neighbours present, Sharon expressed her thanks and appreciation, also visiting with everyone while sandwiches and squares were served.

Sharon has been away for the past ten years, living in White River, Vt., but she came home on her days off from the hospital where she works as an R.N.

Are cities becoming hostile jungles?

Dear Ann Landers: I would like to comment on the letter from the woman whose children were beaten up and robbed so often in a Boston school that she decided to move to Toronto. She made it clear that the Boston school had guns all over the place. It sounded like an armed camp. You asked for comments. Here's mine:

I've been living in New York for 43 years. This city has changed from a safe, caring environment to a dangerous, hostile jungle.

As a child I could safely take the subway anywhere at any hour of the day or night. Now my children get mugged going to and from school. Guns aren't the only problem. We also have gangs, knives, drugs and other nightmares.

My daughter was mugged in a Brooklyn college locker room. Another girl wanted my daughter's jacket and that was that. My son has been mugged twice on his way to high school. He doesn't want me to buy him good shoes for fear he'll get beaten up or killed for them. We are upper-middle-class people. My husband is a physician. Just sign me -- ALSO TERRIFIED IN NYC

DEAR TERRIFIED: Your letter was one of more than 12,000 I received in response to that column. And they are still pouring in. Read on:

Dear Ann: The same day you asked, «Are there guns in your child's school?» the California state attorney general, Dan Lundgren, called for metal detectors to weed out weapon-toting students and curb attacks on teachers. Only a total ban on handguns will make this country safe again. -- INGRID SCHENCK, SANTA BARBARA, CALIF.

DEAR INGRID: How right you are, but the National Rifle Association is so rich and powerful we may never see that day. Here's more:

From Lynnwood, Wash.: The problem is more than guns -- it's TV, drugs and the breakdown of the American family. Today, each child sees almost 20,000 violent murders on TV by his 18th birthday. The only thing murder means to these kids is that the character won't be back next week.

Elkhart, Ind.: In our town we don't fool around with this issue. A 14-year-old boy was sentenced to three days in a juvenile detention center for simply handling a gun that was found at his school. Not bad, eh? -- LINDA BERGER

Madison, Wis.: The heartland used to be a happy, peaceful place. Today, knives and guns are everywhere. I'm enclosing a story from the Wisconsin State Journal about two girls who were knifed in school. -- ANONYMOUS

Ann Landers

Waco, Texas: We moved from Miami to what we thought would be a safer place to raise our family. Well, it's the same story here -- all kinds of weapons are everywhere. The small towns are no safer than the big cities. -- NO NAME, PLEASE

Rochester, N.Y.: I am not moving to Toronto to «solve the problem.» I am staying right here. We found a sawed-off shotgun in our son's car and turned him over to the police. He is furious with us but we may have saved his life.

Chicago: You want to put an end to weapons in schools? Well, the answer is ban guns. No ifs, ands or buts about it. Our wonderful congressmen and senators can't get the laws passed but they don't worry about it because their kids go to nice private schools where there aren't any guns in the lockers.

Wolfe City, Texas: That woman from Boston didn't have to go to Toronto. She could have come to our small city and felt safe. We have voluntary drug testing, and our students are polite and respectful. The biggest problems we have are tardiness and students wearing hats in class. Welcome to Wolfe City High School. -- T. DEAN WHITAKER, PRINCIPAL

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I'm writing about something that has brought a lump to my throat. It won't go away until I have a good cry about it.

Last night my husband and I were having a late-night talk when the conversation shifted and I asked him if his parents had ever told him that they loved him. We've been married several years, and I have never heard either one of his parents tell him they love him.

I didn't realize what an old wound I had opened until he told me that every once in a while his mother tells him that she loves him, but his father never has. Tears welled in my eyes and I sensed the hurt in his voice.

He told me that once when he was a teen-ager, he tried to tell his father that he loved him, but his father made a joke of it and changed the subject.

I know how he feels. My father died when I was 20, and even though I had told him I loved him, I only heard him say it to me once. I was miles and miles away from home, and he said it over the telephone. I have treasured that memory for the past 16 years. I hoped he'd say it again, but he never did. That one time, however, will sustain me forever.

I am pleading with your readers, Ann, to tell a son, daughter, mother, father, relative, friend, anyone who is loved, that he or she is loved. And don't say, «Yeah, you, too.»

If you find you just can't say it yet, hand someone you love this column.

I love you, Ann. Thank you for listening. -- S.B.S., INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

DEAR S.B.S.: And I love you for writing.

Dear Ann Landers: The woman I married two years ago was Rubensque or should I say «heavy.» I've always been interested in large women -- I'm one of many males in this country known as «Chubby Chasers.»

«Isabelle» went on a strict diet last year at the instigation of her girlfriends and she is now as skinny as a rail. I am no longer interested in her sexually.

She knew when I married her that I liked obese women, so I've concluded that she is more interested in pleasing her girlfriends than me. Isabelle weighed 180 pounds when we married and looked fabulous.

Now she weighs about 105 and looks like she has tuberculosis. I gave her an ultimatum that unless she gains at least 50 pounds I am leaving. She is shocked and angry.

Please put out the word that plump women are very desirable to some men and if a woman is heavy when she gets married, she should stay that way. -- LOVE THOSE LOVE HANDLES IN PHILADELPHIA

DEAR PHILADELPHIA: The only mention of love in your letter appears in the signature and that reference has more to do with sex.

Full-figured women will be delighted with what you have written but I wonder about a relationship based solely on weight. It sounds pretty light to me.

Gem of the Day: They no longer make a \$2 bill because the government already has a bill that is worth \$2. It is called the \$5 bill.

Dear Ann Landers: I am a female with a very deep voice. I am married, have three daughters and have no masculine tendencies whatever. The older I get, the deeper my voice becomes. Inevitably when I make a telephone call, I am called «sir.»

I work in a department store and my job is answering phone calls from people inquiring about merchandise. I often say, «When you come to our store, please ask for me, Linda.» The caller usually says, «I beg your pardon?» I repeat, «My name is Linda.» The response is always the same -- «Would you spell that for me?»

This morning I called my daughter's school and the secretary called me «sir» three times. Finally I said, «My name is Linda.» There were several seconds of silence. I decided the woman was either embarrassed or deaf, so I just told her my daughter would be out today because of the snowstorm. She ended the conversation by saying, «Thanks for calling, sir.»

Do you have any advice for me? -- DISGUSTED IN MAINE

DEAR MAINE: Yes. Learn to live with it.

Gem of the Day: The best way to find something you've lost is to buy a replacement.

Obituaries

ROBERT MILTON LITTLE Of North Hatley, Que.

Robert Milton Little died suddenly at his home in North Hatley on Thursday, February 27, 1992.

Robert was born in Hatley Township on September 22, 1906, only child of the late Bond Little and his wife, the late Mary Ella Groom. His ancestors came as pioneers from New Hampshire to the North Road, Township of Hatley in 1800, direct descendants of George Little, who came from England to Newbury, Mass. in 1640. George Little was one of the founders of Newbury, Mass.

On October 25, 1932, he married Ellen Kezar. Of this union twin sons were born, Robert Bruce and Percival Milton. Ellen died soon after their birth on August 16, 1933.

On November 16, 1935, he married A. Uldine (Deanie) Clark. Robert and Deanie had a daughter, Janet Ann.

They celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary in 1985. Deanie predeceased him in 1989.

Robert lived all his life in the area, attending school at Hatley Centre and Waterville. He was a farmer and when his father died in 1944, he continued farming on the original settler's farm on the North Road until the old farmhouse burned in 1965. He and Deanie then built a bungalow at Jackson Heights, North Hatley. At that time he worked a few years for the Roads Department until his retirement. He was an honest and generous man and gave freely of his time to help his farming neighbours. Always community minded, he

enjoyed keeping in touch with the old neighbourhood and life-long friends. Although his mobility became poor, with independence and determination, he was able to remain in his own home until his death.

He is survived by his sons, Robert B. (Bob) and his wife Janice of Huntingville, Que., Percival M. (Bud) and his wife Marion of Ayer's Cliff, Que., his daughter Janet and husband, Rudy McLellan of North Hatley; grandchildren, Karen Little Sparkes, Ingersoll, Ont., Nancy Little Sparkes, Lennoxville, Que., Naida McLellan Zako, Calgary, Alta., and Paula McLellan, Toronto, Ont.; great-grandchildren, Ryan, Lindsay, Hilary and Adam Sparkes, Matthew, Hannah, Rachael and Erin Sparkes and Joel Zako, a brother-in-law, Ronald Clark and his wife Thelma of North Hatley, and three nieces.

The funeral service was held at L.O. Cass Funeral Home, Lennoxville on February 29 at 2 p.m., the Rev. John Morrell officiating. Interment took place in Reedsville Cemetery in the Little family plot.

It was Robert's concern that the Old North Church Cemetery on the North Road be properly maintained, and encouraged by this vision, a restoration project commenced in the fall of 1990. Robert's parents and ancestors have been buried at this old pioneer cemetery for nearly 200 years.

Fittingly, numerous tributes to the Old North Church Cemetery Association have been made in his memory.

MRS. HARRIET COLLINS COMEAU of East Farnham, Que.

Harriet passed away February 28, 1992 at the Sherbrooke Hospital.

She was born on February 21, 1912 at East Farnham, Quebec. She was the fifth daughter of the late David and Harriet Collins.

Harriet married Leon Comeau in 1942. They took up residence in Magog where her husband worked for the Dominion Textile. They had one son, Arthur, and five years later they adopted a girl, Beverly.

She was predeceased by her husband in October, 1970 and her son Arthur in April, 1987.

After her husband's death, she sold her home at Orford Lake and returned to East Farnham.

Harriet was an active member of the U.C.W. She enjoyed the Birthday Club in Magog. She worked for the Meals on Wheels for nine years. She was a member of the Card Club in Cowansville. Harriet also enjoyed sewing and knitting for her grandchildren and friends.

Left to mourn are two sisters, Mrs. Hugh Collins of Sherwood Park, Alberta and Mrs. Ruth Paige of Alexandria, Ontario. Her daughter-in-law Renalda and grandson Eric, daughter Beverly and husband Douglas, four granddaughters Gayle, Lynn, Shelley and Nancy.

The funeral service was held in Waterloo, Quebec on March 3.

Interment to take place in South Stukely in the spring.

Harriet will be sadly missed by her many friends and relatives.

Sawyerville

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Johnnie Olsson, Cobourg, Ont., and daughters Tara and Johanna, Port Hope, Ont., spent a week with his parents Orlay and Arlene Olsson. Other visitors and luncheon guests were Bruce Olsson, Sherbrooke, Harris Olsson, Lennoxville, Alvin Lake, Stoney Creek, Ont., Arthur Lake, Sawyerville, Earl Stanley, Island Brook, Ricky Olsson, Kathy, Tammy and Adam Coates, Cookshire, Jackie Statton, Tayna Bell, Terry Stickles, Collin, Karen and Travis Laberee.

Arlene, Johnnie, Tara and Johnna Olsson visited Graydon and Kay Winslow on March 20 at the Youville Hospital. Ricky Olsson and sons Jeremy and Noah of Cookshire were overnight guests of his parents to be with his brother Johnnie and nieces before they left for home on March 21.

High Forest

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The Robinson children of Spring Road, Lennoxville, were weekend visitors of their grandparents during the March break. On Sunday Jody and Kristopher went to visit Garth and Marcia Lowry in Birchton staying overnight, and Katie remaining with her grandparents.

Archie and Betty Moore, Robert Rd., Lennoxville, and Ed and Sharon Laberee of Bulwer were Sunday dinner and supper guests of Roland and Theda Lowry on March 22nd.

Births

HODGE-KEATS — Ben and Karen are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Rebecca Karen, on March 16, 1992, weighing 5 lbs. 5 oz. Sister to D.J., Matthew and Kathleen. Granddaughter for Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Keats of Riviere St. Paul and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hodge, Sawyerville. Great-granddaughter to Ernestine Hodge.

RHICARD-MILNER — Nicole Lauren is pleased to announce the safe arrival of her baby sister, Teagan Leigh at the Nawaimo General Hospital on March 4, 1992. Proud parents are Steve and Cheryl (nee Milner) of Gabriola Is., B.C. Delighted grandparents are Ab and Marge Milner of Gabriola Is., B.C. and Mrs. Audrey Rhicard of Knowlton, Que.

Deaths

COCHRANE, Martha — Peacefully at her home in Huntingville on Sunday, April 5, 1992, Martha Wyllie in her 104th year. Beloved wife of the late James Cochrane. Dear mother of John (Julia) Cochrane. Also survived by several nieces and nephews. A graveside service will be held at Mount Royal Cemetery, Montreal, Que. on Tuesday, April 7, 1992 at 1 p.m., the Rev. John Paterson officiating. No flowers by request. As memorial tributes, contributions to the Gideon Memorial Bible or Grace Christian Home, 1501 Campbell Ave., Lennoxville, Que., J1M 2A3 would be appreciated by the family. Arrangements by L.O. Cass & Son Ltd. — 564-1750.

FRASER, Mary-Elizabeth (nee Gow) — At home after a lengthy illness on Thursday, April 2nd, 1992 in her 64th year. Beloved wife of Gordon L.W. Fraser. Devoted mother of Heather (Calvin McGinn), Keith (Dorothea Cazabon) and Cindy (Fred Kratky). Doting grandmother of Dustin and Dylan McGinn and baby Kratky due April 4th. Sadly missed and joyfully remembered by family and friends. Funeral service was held on Saturday, April 4, from Collins Clarke Funeral Home, Pointe Claire, Quebec. In remembrance, donations may be made to the charity of your choice.

GOSNEY, Mattie V. (Alger) — At the Sherbrooke Hospital, Sherbrooke, Que. on April 4, 1992 in her 84th year. Beloved wife of the late William Gosney. Dear mother of Ardell (Mrs. Albert Phaneuf), Freda (Mrs. Victor Phaneuf) and Connie Gosney Dezan. Survived by several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Resting at the Cass Funeral Home, 39 Dufferin Rd., Stanstead, where the funeral service will be held on Monday, April 6 at 2 p.m., Canon Curtis Patterson officiating. Interment in the Fitch Bay Cemetery. In her memory, contributions made to the Fitch Bay Cemetery Association would be gratefully appreciated by the family.

In Memoriam

SMITH, Darcy — In loving memory of a dear and wonderful son and brother who died accidentally April 6, 1986.

To be blessed with a son and lose him
Is hurt and pain unseen,
Except for other parents
Who have walked where we have been.

As yet the healing has not come,
The ache and sadness stays,
We quietly wait for passing time,
To ease the pain away.
Darcy, you meant so much to us,
We're sure you truly knew,
Why God took you away from us
We haven't got a clue.
They say time heals everything,
But we know it isn't so,
Because it hurts as much today
As it did six years ago.
Always in our thoughts,
MOM AND DAD
NEIL, LORI & BRADLEY
MAUREEN, BRUCE, SARAH & KYLIE

SMITH, Darcy — In loving memory of a dear nephew and cousin who died accidentally April 6, 1986.

Young lives lost should never be,
A missing link through destiny,
The missing link that bound our chain,
Forever in our hearts remain.
Sadly missed by
AUNT JANE, FRITZ
DEBBIE, STUART

Card of Thanks

COMEAU, Harriet — The family of the late Mrs. Harriet Collins Comeau would like to express their thanks to all who sent cards and gifts during her stay in the hospital. A special thank-you to the doctors and nurses at the Sherbrooke Hospital for her excellent care. Our gratitude to Rev. Clarke for the great service he did for my Mom. Thanks to everyone who sent cards, flowers and donations, plus the excellent lunch the U.C.W. provided at the time of my mother's funeral. Your thoughtfulness will always be remembered.

DOUGLAS & BEVERLY BAUER AND FAMILY

In Memoriam

HUNTER, Turner E. — In loving memory of a dear husband who passed away five years ago April 6, 1987.

You never failed to do your best,
Your heart was warm and tender,
You lived your life for those you loved,
And those you loved remember.
Sadly missed by wife,
SHIRLEY

HUNTER, Turner E. — In loving memory of a dear step-father and step-grandfather who passed away April 6, 1987.

We think of you in silence
And often speak your name,
But all we have are memories
And your picture in a frame.
Sadly missed by

ROBIN & ARTHUR
HOLLY & CLIFFORD
(step-daughters)
BRAD, SABRINA, TYA,
SPENCER, JUSTIN,
IAN and KATRINA
(step-grandchildren)

Waterloo

Alice Ashton

Mrs. Dorothy Young was a recent overnight guest of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Kerr in Magog when having an appointment at the hospital with Dr. Marosi.

Mrs. Lorraine Dykman of Guelph, Ont., spent a few days with her aunt, Mrs. Anita Hanna. On March 18 they attended the St. Patrick's Luncheon at the Legion Hall, then went to South Stukely to visit Mrs. Blanche Martin and her daughter Eileen. They also called on their cousin, Alice Ashton at the Courville Home.

Mrs. Winnie MacIntosh and son Dennis have moved from Shaw St. to their home at 35 Dalton St.



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Maud Curtis presented Anne Milson with a farewell gift from the members. Anne and Bill will be moving to Kelowna, B.C. at the end of March. They will be missed by their many friends in the Border area.

Rheta Taylor auctioned off two bottles of wine and the lucky winners were Maud Curtis and Carman Dobbie.

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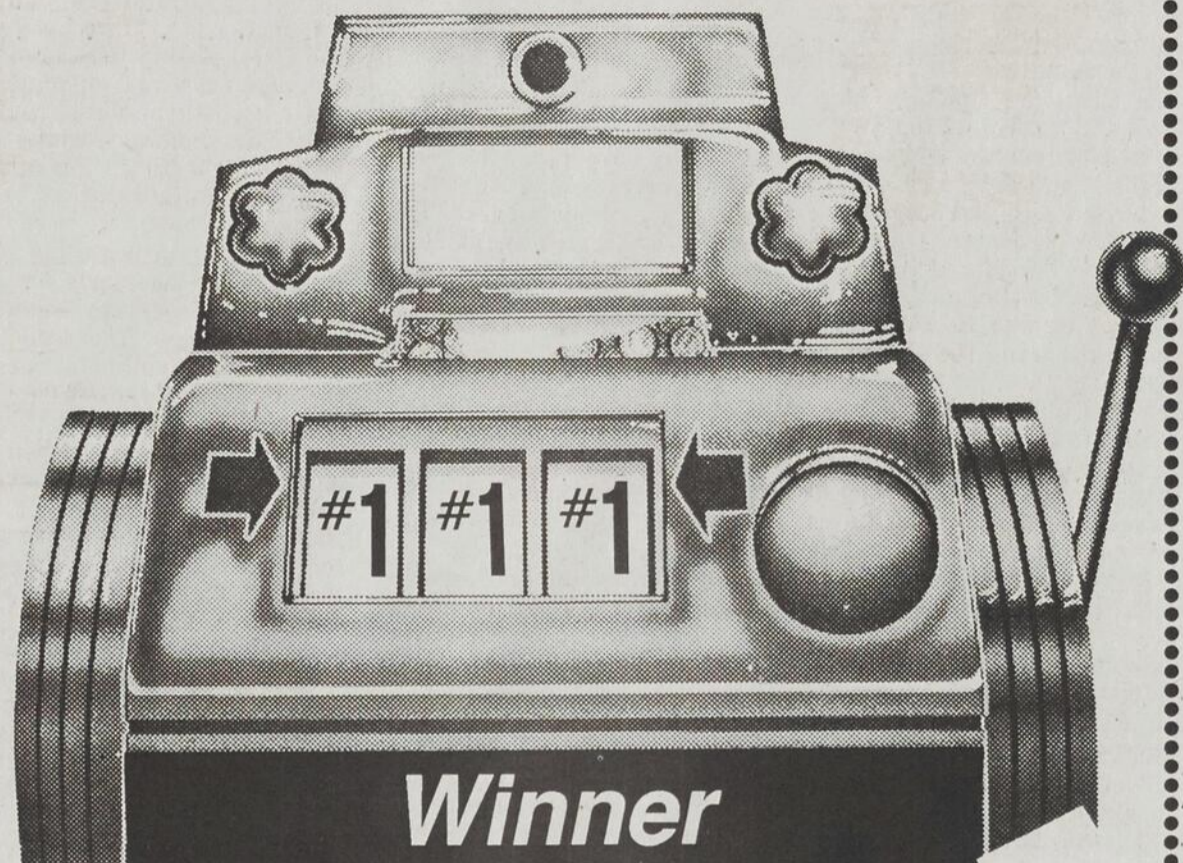
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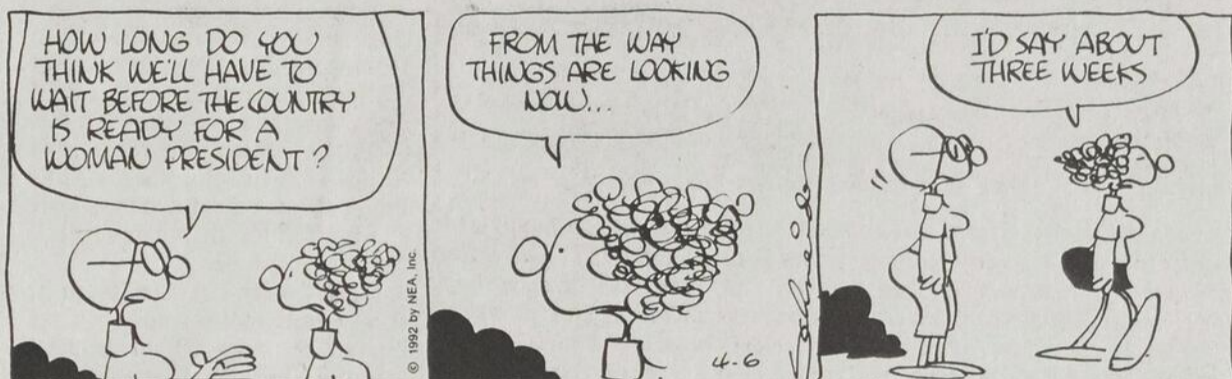
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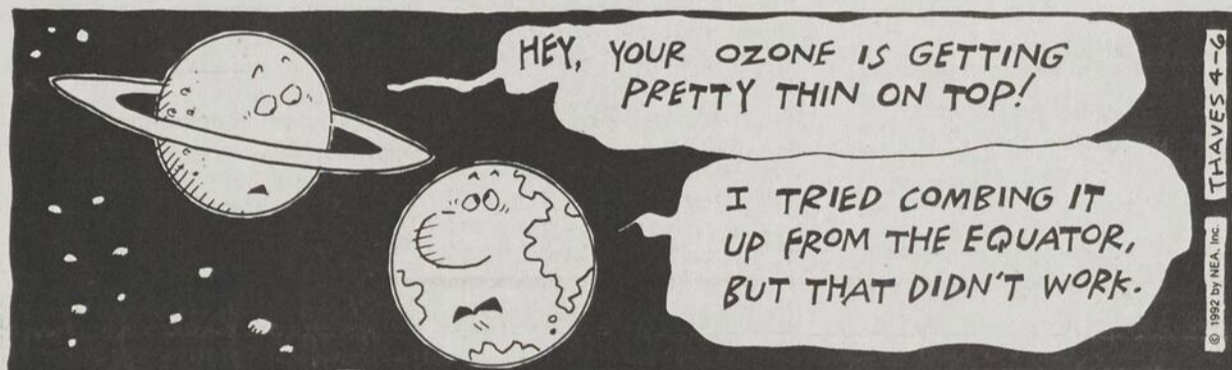
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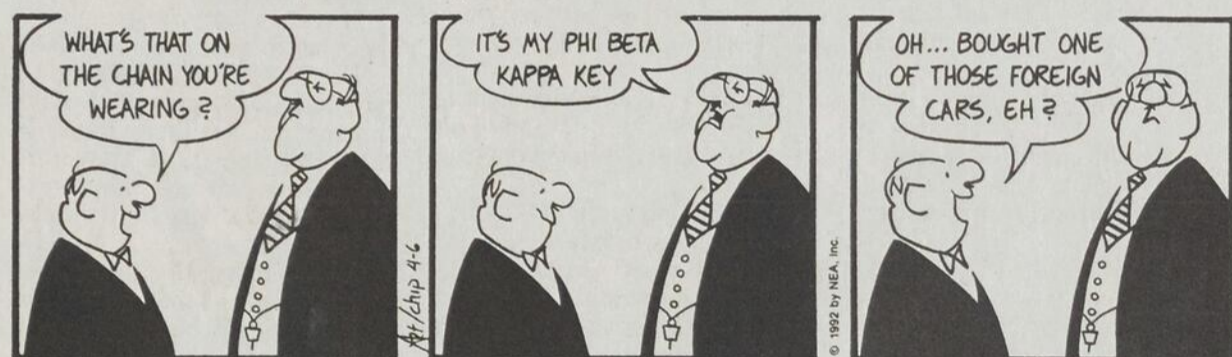
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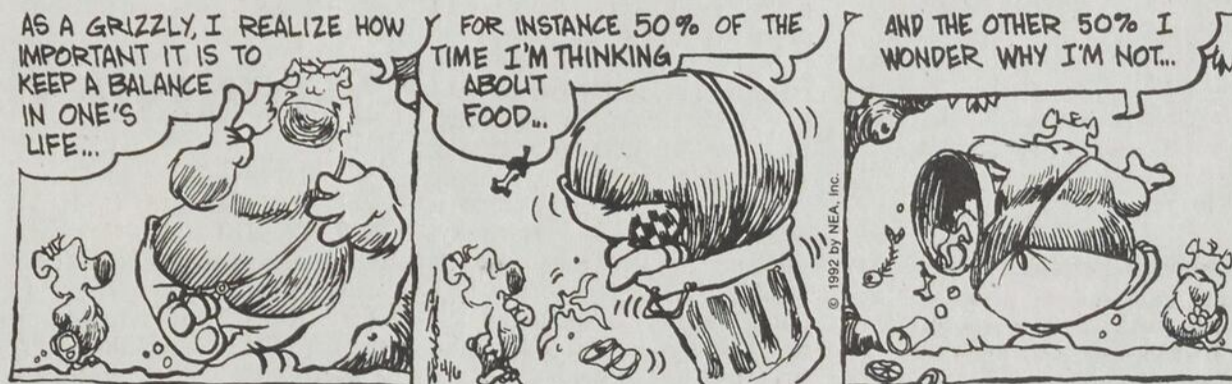
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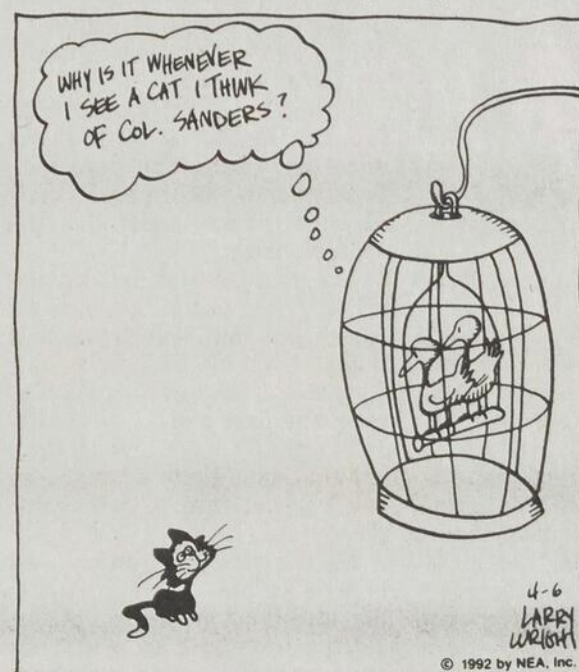
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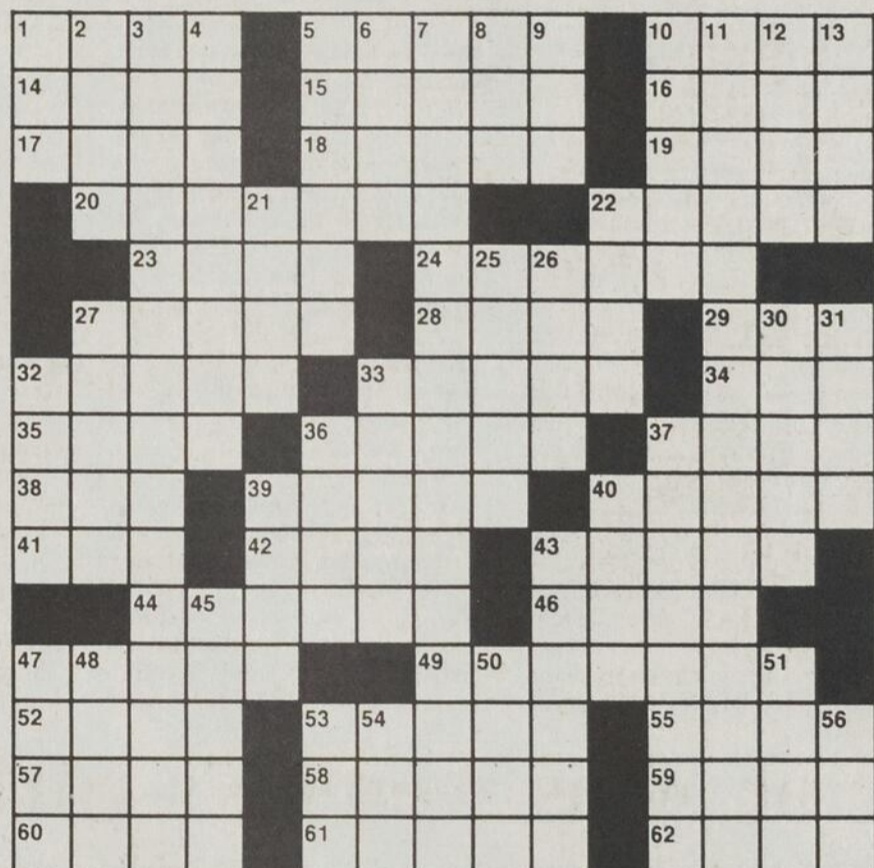


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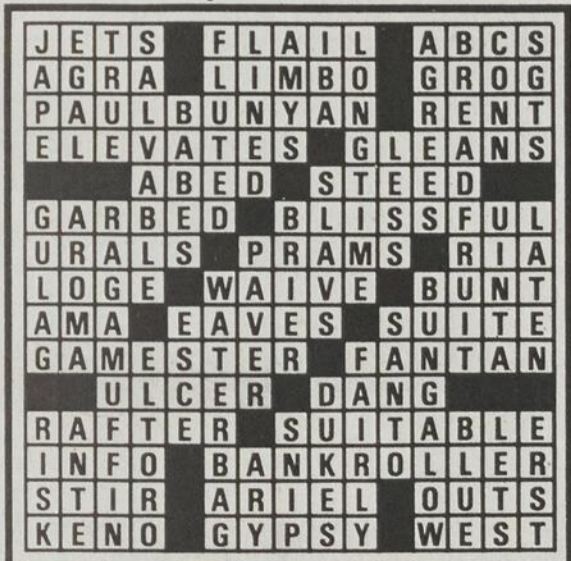
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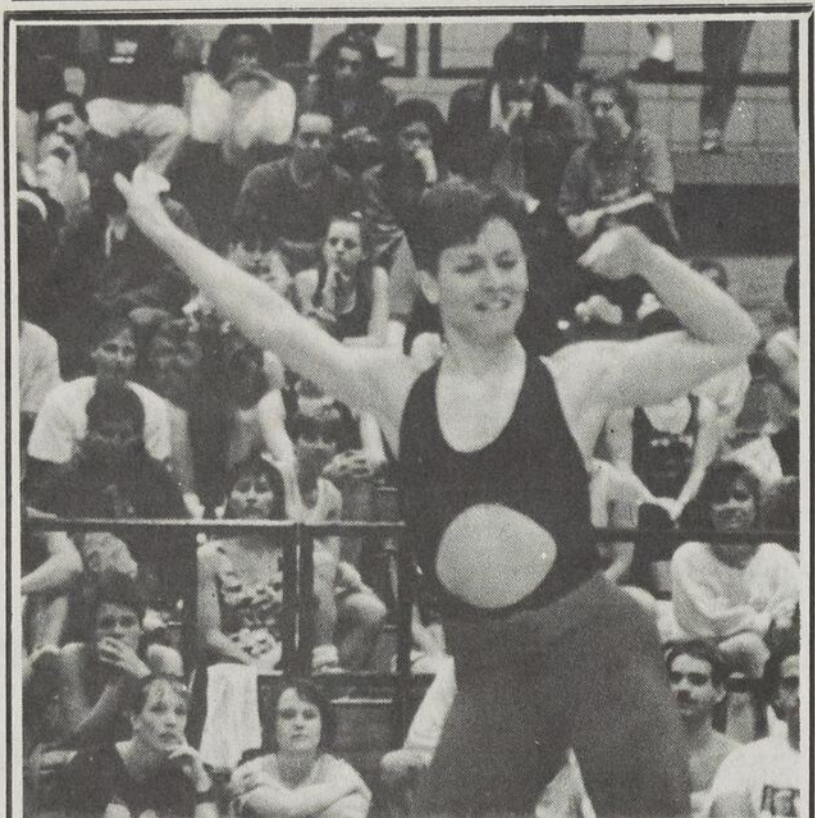


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The second annual Bishop's Aerobic-a-thon drew about 200 happy and sweaty people to the John H. Price Sports Centre Sunday. The university will present the proceeds of about \$3000 to Camp Massawippi, according to organizer Nancy Shannon. Guest instructors, including Quebecer and 1990 world champion Natalie Tomaro, led the crowd in the latest aerobic routines. People received pledges to raise money as they exercised. Catherine Isely was the top fundraiser, ringing in \$260.

Loto-Quebec bets on new baseball game

By Donald McKenzie

MONTREAL (CP) — Better up!

That call will be heard throughout Quebec this year as the provincially run lottery offers betting on major-league baseball games.

Jean-Pierre Roy, a spokesman for Loto-Quebec, believes the product will find a niche with a new clientele — young adults who prefer betting on sports to buying ordinary lottery tickets.

"Sport is very important in society, so when we offer something like this, people find it fun," Roy said in an interview.

"Fun is not the word that springs to the mind of Richard Levin, executive-director of public relations with Major League Baseball.

"We're very much against it (betting on baseball)," Levin said from New York City. "We've been very aggressive in trying to stamp it out wherever it arises."

Baseball authorities have tried to ban betting on the sport in some U.S. states but Levin acknowledges it might be harder to fight in Canada.

"We will certainly try to lobby against it," said Levin, adding that betting on baseball can ultimately jeopardize the integrity of the sport.

That doesn't hold much water with Roy, who admits that Loto-Quebec will identify teams by their cities and not by their names in order to avoid legal problems.

"It's a lottery and it's perfectly legal under the law, so we don't have any fears on that score. We just hope that the professional leagues understand that this increases interest in sports."

Bang on, says Peter Johnson, an avid baseball fan who reckons he'll wager about \$20 a week on Loto-Quebec's new scheme.

WANTS MORE

"I can already see quite a few games on TV and I'm thinking of going out to get a good radio so I can pick up even more," said Johnson, an office clerk, and, maybe more to the point, a bachelor.

Asked about Levin's concerns, Johnson, 27, replied: "Does he think people like me are going to

Daigle shares gold at championships

DENVER (CP) — The Canadian women's relay team which draped itself in Olympic glory two months ago struck gold again Saturday at the world short track speed skating championships.

It was the eighth consecutive world title and 11th in 12 years for the Canadian women in the relay.

The team, the same four that raced in Albertville, France, was comprised of Sylvie Daigle of Sherbrooke, Nathalie Lambert of Montreal, Angela Cutrone of

call professional players and tell them I'll give them a share of my winnings if they do what I ask? Come on!

This is the first year Loto-Quebec has offered baseball betting, although the Western Canada Lottery, which covers Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and the two territories, did so last year without any legal repercussions.

"We've had no contact from Major League Baseball...and we don't anticipate any problems this season," said Larry McLennan, senior manager of communications with the western lottery.

A spokesman for the Ontario Lottery Corp., which offers no sports betting, said it has sent an information package on the subject to the provincial government.

"It's just part of our research," said Jim Cronin, manager of public affairs. "We always have to look at new games and techniques."

But Cronin insists the package makes no recommendations on whether to allow sports betting in Canada's most populous province.

Under the Loto-Quebec game, punters must pick between three and six teams as winners in any one bet.

Roy said it was decided not to follow the Western Canada Lottery's game and make a one-run game a tie.

"We thought it might be a bit frustrating for people if they took Montreal to win against St. Louis, for example, and the Expos won 5-4, meaning that it's actually a tie."

Roy said the odds will be set every day — for two days' worth of games.

For example, odds will be released Friday for games that day and Saturday. On Saturday, there will be odds for Saturday and Sunday games.

Compiling the odds just once a week would have been too risky, Roy said.

"The identity of the starting pitcher is important in the setting of the odds — if you have a good pitcher, the odds will be lower than if you have a youngster who's throwing his first major-league game after being called up from the minors."

St-Leonard, and Annie Perreault of Windsor. Canada actually finished second in Saturday's race but were awarded the gold when Japan was disqualified for interference.

"The Japanese interfered at least three times with our skaters during the race," said Canada's head coach Yves Nadeau of Montreal. "But we showed our toughness. We had another outstanding race."

The Netherlands won the silver and France won bronze.

A new season steps to the plate

By Ben Walker

The Associated Press

Baseball this season means new faces, new chases and new places, and it all starts today with Jack Morris, the Minnesota Twins and Oriole Park at Camden Yards on display.

Bill Gullickson will make the first pitch of the year shortly after 1 p.m. EDT at Tiger Stadium, and by the end of the day, American President George Bush and Nolan Ryan will have thrown, too.

Nine games are scheduled, and everywhere there's a new look.

Morris, Kevin Mitchell, Bobby Bonilla, Wally Joyner, Eric Davis, Eddie Murray, Kevin McReynolds and Dave Winfield are among the top names in different places. The Montreal Expos, one of the teams that have changed uniforms, will show off their bright-blue stripes.

Morris, with his third team in three years, will become the first pitcher to make 13 consecutive opening-day starts, breaking a

tie with Robin Roberts and Tom Seaver, when he pitches for the Toronto Blue Jays against his old team, the Tigers.

"It's something that will mean a lot to me someday," Morris said. "I don't want to reflect too much on anything right now because I still have a job to do."

Morris was last seen pitching for the Twins, winning Game 7 of the World Series and the MVP award with a 10-inning shutout against Atlanta. His 1-0 victory capped a year in which Minnesota became the first team to go from last place to champions.

About an hour after the Toronto-Tigers game starts, the Twins begin the job of trying to become the first World Series champion to repeat since the 1977-78 New York Yankees when they face Milwaukee and its new manager, Phil Garner.

Scott Erickson, a 20-game winner last season, pitches for Minnesota against Bill Wegman.

BETTER SHOWING

A few minutes later, President Bush will try to get his mechanics down pat for the first pitch

in Baltimore. He bounced his first toss in last year's opener at Texas, and wants a better showing for the first game at Camden Yards.

The last four teams to open a new stadium — the Chicago White Sox, Toronto, Minnesota and Montreal — all lost the first games in their new parks. The Orioles, with free-agent Rick Sutcliffe pitching, have the right team in town to beat in the Cleveland Indians, who lost a franchise-record 105 games last season.

The Cincinnati Reds, meanwhile, again will play host to the National League opener when they play San Diego. The two teams made one big trade during the winter, with Bip Roberts going to the Reds for Randy Myers, and Cincinnati will present a roster that now includes Tim Belcher, Greg Swindell and Dave Martinez, among others.

San Francisco will be at Los Angeles later in the afternoon, and the other NL openers feature Montreal at Pittsburgh and

New York at St. Louis in night games. David Cone will start for the Mets; he and teammates Dwight Gooden, Vince Coleman and Daryl Boston were accused last month of sexual misconduct, and their off-the-field trouble will follow them for awhile.

In AL night games, Texas is at Seattle and Kansas City is at Oakland.

Ryan, 45, will begin his 26th season when he starts for the Rangers, and seems to be getting better with age. The Athletics hope the same will hold true for Dave Stewart, whose string of four straight 20-win seasons was interrupted last year when he dipped to 11-11.

Pitching is a concern for the Giants, too. They begin the season with two of their top starters, Bud Black and Trevor Wilson, on the disabled list.

"Without Trevor and Bud, it's going to be tough, but we're ready," Giants manager Roger Craig said. "Anytime you have opening day, you have butterflies but I think my club is ready."

Cianfrocco a surprise on Expos roster

By Terry Scott

MONTREAL (CP) — Arci Cianfrocco is a late bloomer, both physically and professionally.

A year ago, the 25-year-old Montreal Expos infielder was still at the Class AA level, his third season on the same minor-league rung.

But his .316 average, with nine home runs and 77 runs batted in, earned Cianfrocco an invitation to the Expos' training camp this spring.

As camp concluded on Sunday, Cianfrocco was a member of the Expos' 25-man roster, after an eye-opening Grapefruit League performance which included three homers, 11 RBIs and a .282 average.

With the cost-conscious

Expos, it helps that Cianfrocco will be paid the minimum major-league salary of \$109,000.

But Expos manager Tom Runnells insists he's made my ball club because I think he can help us win baseball games."

Runnells is undoubtedly hoping Cianfrocco will grow into that role the way he has matured physically in the last few years. The average person usually stops growing by the time he's beyond his teenage years, but Cianfrocco has been an exception.

"When I first started playing pro ball in 1987, I was six foot one, 165 pounds," related Cianfrocco. "Now, I'm six foot four, 210 pounds."

"I really can't explain why I keep growing. My dad's six foot two, 230 pounds and my mom's

five foot 10, so maybe it runs in my family."

SIGNIFICANT STAT

A statistic of more significance is the 25 years of age, which, admitted Cianfrocco, "sounds old in baseball terms. That's why I needed the chance to break into the big leagues this year."

Cianfrocco had a break of another kind — a shattered hand — while playing at Class AA Jacksonville in 1990, an injury which caused him to miss the last three months and prompted much soul-searching.

"My wife was pregnant at the time and I had to think about what I was going to do with my life," related Cianfrocco. "When I went to (Class AA) Harrisburg the following spring, I wasn't given much playing time the

first few weeks of the season, so I enrolled at Purdue University.

"I only need another semester to complete a degree in business administration."

Cianfrocco never did get to Purdue last year and judging from the turn his career has taken in 1992, such ambitions must again be delayed.

Cianfrocco has played all four infield positions in his career, a versatility that influenced Runnells' decision to keep him on the roster. In winning a spot, Cianfrocco beat out Matt Stairs of Stanley, N.B., with whom he became a close friend in Montreal's minor-league system.

"Matt and I are really close," said Cianfrocco. "But don't worry, Matt's a great hitter and you're going to see him up here before long."

Expos hope season will be like spring

By Terry Scott

MONTREAL (CP) — Spring training ended on a high note for the Montreal Expos, who completed a two-game exhibition sweep of the Toronto Blue Jays by winning 3-2 on Sunday.

The victory boosted Montreal's Grapefruit League record to 20-12, matching the most spring-training victories in its 24-year history.

The Blue Jays lost eight of their last nine games and finished at 13-18, but that should be no cause for alarm. The Jays have not had a winning record in the spring since 1989. They were 9-19-2 last year and went on to win the East Division title in the American League.

It was roster-trimming time for both clubs as they decided on the 25 players who will start the season.

The Expos, who open tonight against the Pirates in Pittsbur-



gh, optioned pitcher Jonathan Hurst to Class AAA Indianapolis and sent pitcher Sergio Valdez to their minor-league camp for assignment.

HANEY IS FIFTH STARTER

The moves left left-hander Chris Haney as the team's fifth starter and secured a relief spot for Doug Simons, obtained last week from the New York Mets.

"Hurst has impressed us a lot; he's come a long way," Montreal manager Tom Runnells said of the left-hander, who was at the Class AA level last 3/4ear.

Runnells said it came down to the fact Haney has more experience, having made 16 starts for

the Expos last season.

"It's one of the toughest situations you want to go through," remarked Haney of the job battle. "I've been in baseball all my life, so I know what guys have to go through. I hope I won't have to go through it again."

David Weathers, battling for a job in the Toronto bullpen, was the odd-man out. The right-hander was optioned to Class AAA Syracuse.

"I thought he did a pretty good job for us this spring, but he just had a problem throwing strikes," noted Blue Jays manager Cito Gaston.

When the Jays face the Tigers in Detroit in their season-opener today, they will be doing so with a decimated lineup. Pitchers Dave Stieb, Mike Timlin and Ken Daley and infielder Rance Mullinax are all on the disabled list. Outfielder Dave Winfield missed the last eight spring-

training games because of a pulled left hamstring.

LAMENTS POOR HEALTH

"You always set out to leave spring training healthy and we're not even close," remarked Gaston. "We'll just have to do the best we can."

In winning 3-2 on Sunday, the Expos pushed across the winning run in the seventh inning, when Delino DeShields's groundout enabled Spike Owen to score from third base.

The Jays had tied it 2-2 in the sixth after Haney had walked the bases loaded and Candy Maldonado delivered a sacrifice fly.

Joe Carter's second home run of the spring, a solo shot off Hurst, put Toronto ahead 1-0 in the first. But Larry Walker and Marquis Grissom stroked RBI singles in the fourth and fifth innings respectively, against Toronto starter Jimmy Key, lifting the Expos into a 2-1 lead.

Swedish doctor wins women's curling title

By Ian MacLaine

GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN, Germany (CP) — Elizabeth Johansson starts practising surgery in three weeks. Sunday night, she carved up the Lisa Schoeneberg rink from the United States 8-4 to win the women's world curling title.

The 27-year-old is the second Swede — Elizabeth Hogstrom in 1981 was the first — to win the women's title.

The men's title went to Markus Eggler, a 23-year-old advertising salesman from Biel, Switzerland, who stung Hammy McMillan of Scotland, 6-3, in the championship game.

The young Swiss skip combined a series of tap-backs, high-speed splits and soft draws that had the volatile Scot in trouble from the outset by scoring a deuce in the first end.

"We didn't have any mistakes that gave them a chance for two," Eggler said of their game plan.

Eggler said his junior-level experience and playing before a big crowd in Winnipeg at the 1991 worlds prepared him for the support he got at these championships from his horn-

blowing, bell-ringing countrymen.

THIRD TRY

It marked Eggler's third crack at the world title following three appearances at the world junior championship. His best previous finish was a third at the 1989 worlds in Milwaukee, Wis.

Canadian curlers continued their run of unfinished performances at international events in 1992, failing to win at the worlds, world juniors or Olympic tournaments.

The two Canadian teams here — Connie Laliberte and Vic Peters, both of Winnipeg — were eliminated in Saturday's semifinals. Laliberte was beaten by Johansson and Peters by McMillan.

The Swedish team from Umea — just south of the Arctic Circle — practises on a single indoor sheet under the stands of a hockey arena. Johansson, who will continue her work at a hospital near Stockholm, 800 kilometres south of Umea, flew home whenever she could to practise with her teammates.

The Sweden-U.S. game was delayed in the third end when the American third, Amy Wright, was ruled to have bur-

ned (touched with her foot) the Swedish stone before it was struck and removed from the rinks.

TOUCHES ROCK

Wright admitted hitting the stone, but denied it moved. The Swedes declared that the stone did move. Since no official saw the violation, the rules allowed for the non-offending team — Sweden — to put the rock where it thought it should be.

"Our second said it moved about three centimetres," said Johansson, who finishes her internship in three weeks. "The direction of our stone went another (way)."

Held to a single instead of a deuce, the Americans were still two down and trailed 4-1 in the fifth when Schoeneberg had a

Sport shorts

DARMSTADT, Germany (AP) — Germany's athletics federation lifted its four-year ban on sprinter Katrin Krabbe on Sunday, although she is still suspended from international competition.

Krabbe still hopes to compete in the Summer Olympics, where

she would be a medal contender.

U.S. coach Steve Brown said the situation was mishandled by the officials.

"The spirit of curling should influence both interpretation and application," said Brown. "I just think it's unfortunate from that point of view."

"It definitely affects the type of shot Lisa has to make several ends later."

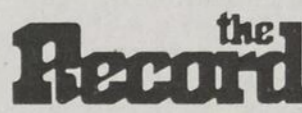
Schoeneberg, however, refused to use the judgment call as an excuse for losing.

"I don't think so," she said. "I had to go on and forgot about it."

"There wasn't much I could do about it."

CANBERRA, Australia (AP) — Australian Kieren Perkins set a world record for the men's 1,500 metre freestyle Sunday night at the Australian national swimming championships.

Sports



NHL strike in its sixth day

Goodenow stands firm as pressure mounts

By Neil Stevens

TORONTO (CP) — Bob Goodenow is under the gun.

Three months and six days into his job as executive director of the NHL Players' Association, the lawyer from Detroit must either deflect the accusatory bullets that will come if the Stanley Cup playoffs are wiped out, or lose face by appearing to give in to the owners' reluctance to bend in contract talks.

After all, it was Goodenow who declared a strike by NHL players last Wednesday.

With 30 regular-season games wiped out, the playoffs, which were to begin Wednesday, are in jeopardy.

The NHL owners' board of governors is to meet today in New York to assess the NHLPA's latest position — as Goodenow-tough as always — and it doesn't appear as if there's going to be a lot of subjugation from Bill Wirtz, owner of the Chicago Blackhawks and chairman of the board of governors.

"He has miscalculated," Wirtz said of Goodenow from Chicago, where he'll turn the

first sod for a new arena today rather than attend the New York meeting. "He thinks we are suckers who will do anything because we like the game but, believe me, we owners aren't suckers."

Sound as if there will be any more NHL hockey this season? **TOOK TURNS**

On Saturday, Goodenow and league president John Ziegler, who also happens to be a lawyer from Detroit, took turns greeting the media. First, Ziegler whined about a projected \$150-million deficit within two years, then Goodenow accused Ziegler of role-playing.

"John has taken the position of painting the worst picture, economically, and that's part of his role," said Goodenow. "But the idea that the players are greedy and don't understand isn't the case at all."

"The players have been very responsible in these negotiations."

The fact is, there have been no negotiations for a week. While Ziegler and Goodenow chatted Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the Sutton Place Hotel in



Toronto, nothing was accomplished.

The only concrete item of agreement was that the schedule would be expanded to 84 games next season from the current 80 so owners could pay for the concessions they've given players on pensions and per-diem expenses.

The main bones of contention now are contract length and licensing agreements. The players want a three-year pact, the owners a one-year deal. The players want contract language to maintain their income from trading cards, while the owners want to postpone that debate until after signing a deal to replace the one that expired last Sept. 15.

The owners will reduce to 30 from 31 the age at which a player can claim total free agency, and

they'll knock one round off the entry draft.

WAXED NOSTALGIC
Ziegler waxed nostalgic when discussing prospects of no playoffs.

"About 50 years ago, I first got a connection to hockey by listening to Hockey Night in Canada on CKLW from Windsor. It was, 'Good evening hockey fans across Canada, the United States and Newfoundland.'"

"It was Foster Hewitt. In the beginning, I was a Toronto Maple Leafs fan because those were the games I could listen to."

"So, it's very difficult for me to articulate how I personally grieve and the sadness I feel that (Saturday) tonight is Hockey Night in Canada and we're not going to watch hockey."

"I would hope our players would think about that because they're all good young men and great athletes. I've never met an NHL player who didn't have an extraordinary love and passion for this game."

Goodenow wasn't asking for a crying towel after witnessing Ziegler's sob story.

He said the owners asked for a

six-year pact when negotiations began last year. Now, they want a one-year contract. This is an example, he said, of the owners' waffling.

"There are a number of owners who think we can do business and that the players have been responsible...that this is an arrangement we can both grow and prosper under," said Goodenow, wondering why the owners are crying poverty after making what he says was \$300 million during the last three years in revenues and expansion fees.

"As a business person, I would think a number of the owners would be taking the position that (the players' positions) are something we should seriously look at."

Goodenow wouldn't discuss specifics of the players' latest package.

"It's been our posture that we're not going to be holding press conferences to announce that type of thing," he said.

Ziegler wasn't as timid. "I'll take whatever (proposals) they give me to the board," he said. "But they haven't

given me any."

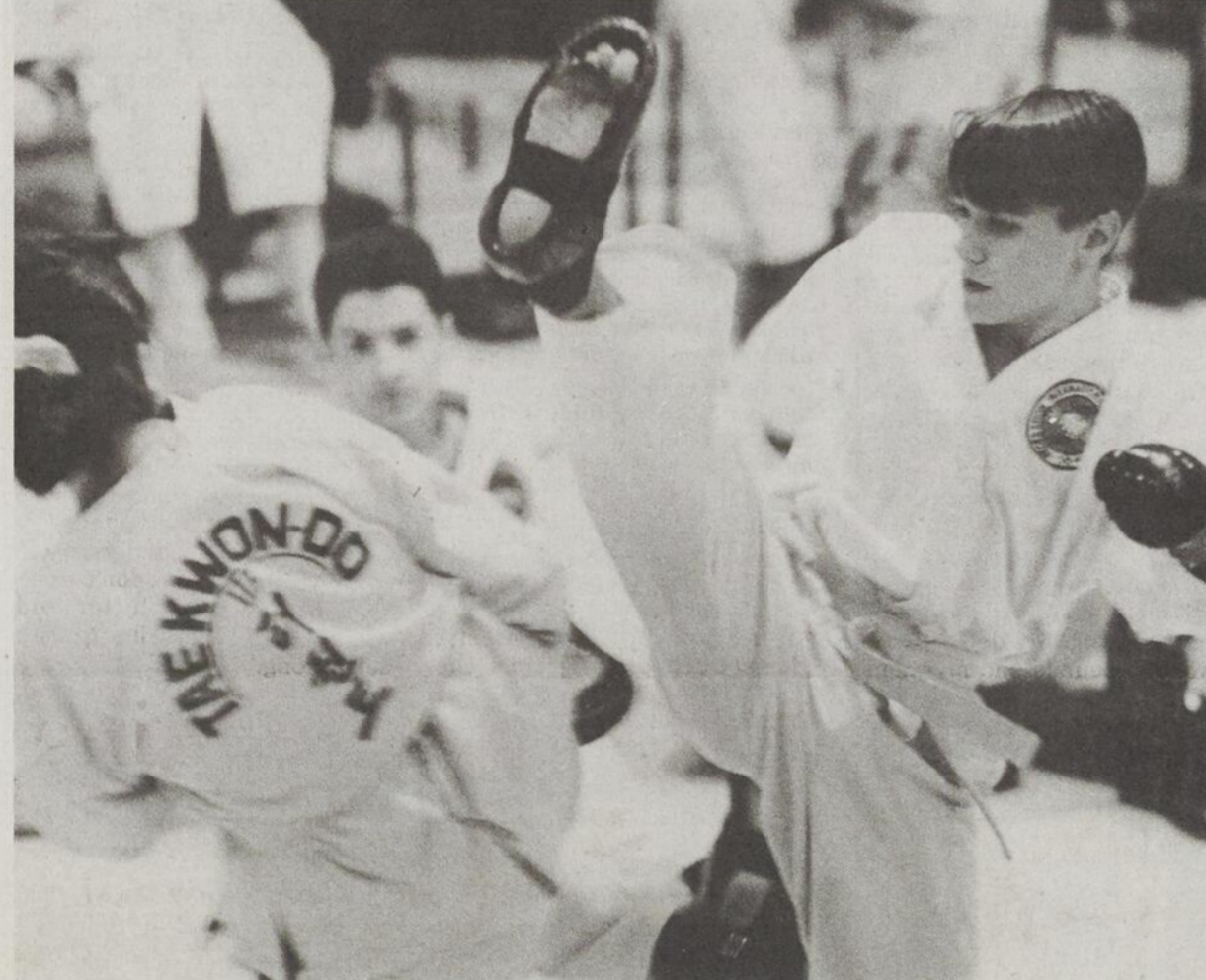
Ziegler said he would meet with the owners' negotiating committee tonight in New York. He said he understood he'd be meeting with Goodenow during the afternoon but Goodenow said he didn't know if he'd fly to New York, and he hadn't scheduled any meeting with Ziegler.

So it goes. Call it an impasse. It certainly doesn't appear, on the surface anyway, as if the NHL will resume play soon.

Curiously, Ziegler agrees with a suggestion that the owners are asking the players to police the owners' largesse in terms of big-dollar contracts that have fuelled the inflationary economics of the NHL during the last two years.

"Absolutely. Anybody who has ever spent one hour studying the history of pro sports will find that if there isn't discipline imposed on owners they spend themselves out of business," Ziegler said.

"I've said (to the players), 'Gentlemen, you have to help these guys protect themselves from themselves because they will not do it without your help.'"



About 75 athletes got their kicks Sunday, as the Fleurimont and Rock Forest taekwon-do schools competed at the Fleurimont community centre. It was the first time the martial art was part of the Jeux du Quebec in the Townships, after the provincial government recently recognized the sport. The athletes — as young as six and as old as 37 — competed in 14 different categories.

Canada ties Mexico in soccer

BURNABY, B.C. (CP) — Some true grit, almost hockey-like determination, paid off handsomely Sunday for the Canadian Olympic soccer team.

Canada overcame a case of the jitters to salvage a valuable point in the last Olympic qualifying round when Scott Munson

scored in the 65th minute to produce a 1-1 tie against desperate Mexico.

"We stuck at it," said Canadian coach Tony Waiters. "To go down one goal at home, a lot of teams might not have responded as well as we did."

Munson, a forward with the

Kitchener Kickers in the Canadian Soccer League, booted the ball into an open net after some determined work inside the penalty area by Paul Peschisolido of the Toronto Blizzard and Scott Macey of the Vancouver 86ers.

The Mexicans, losers of their first game of the round, took the lead in the 51st minute on a goal by Agustin Morales against goalkeeper Paulo Ceccarelli of the North York Rockets.

The 3,618 fans were concerned Canada would be shut out in one of their three home games during the fourth and final qualifying round. The United States has four points in two games after a 4-3 win Sunday over Honduras.

Peschisolido was the key to the Canadian comeback with his gritty play against a hard-tackling defence.

"He's prepared to accept the punishment," Waiters said of Peschisolido. "He's close to being fit enough to start."

Canada, 0-0-1, plays Honduras, 0-1, here April 12. The Mexicans have one point from their two games. Two of the four teams will advance from the CONCACAF zone to the Olympic Summer Games for players under 23.

Morales gave Mexico the lead with a curling shot from outside the 18-yard line that left Ceccarelli confused over the defensive coverage.

"This a good result away from home," said Mexican coach Cayetano Rodriguez. "We needed this after losing to the Americans."

Canada controlled tempo early in the game through the aggressive play of forward Carlo Corazzin.

Bishop's award winners

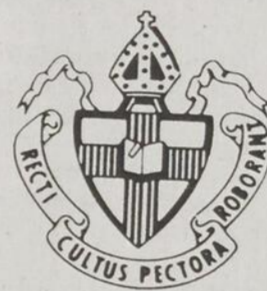
Bishop's University held its 97th annual Athletic Awards Night Thursday, honoring intramural and varsity athletes. Here is a complete list of varsity winners:

●Soccer: M.V.P., Joe Deblois; Rookie, Adrien Barrett.

●Golf: M.V.P., Women, Stephanie Smith; Men, Jacques Lepine.

●Football: M.V.P., Silvio Martel; Rookies, Chris Doucet and Masaki Kono. Best Lineman, Joey Sabo; Marcel Lebrun, Eric Edwards; Best Defensive Player, Ray Bernard.

●Rugby: Women — M.V.P., Jocelynn Cook; Rookie, Jessica



Horner; Coaches Award, Donna Milligan. Men "A" — M.V.P., Nick Chalpinson; "B" — M.V.P., Jason Brooks; Rookie, Clint Mercier; Coaches Award, Nick Clapinson; Best Back, Graham Beatty.

●Volleyball: Men — M.V.P., Cam Phillips; Rookie, Brent

Nichols; Most Improved, Andre Bonneville.

●Hockey: Women — M.V.P., Helen Wellman; Rookie, Pascale Lavallee; Chuck Chapman, Nancy Humphrey; Most Improved, Lori McHarg.

●Basketball: Men — M.V.P., Ted Branch; Most Improved and Garth Smith Team Award for dedication and effort, Tom Van Alstine.

●Basketball: Women — M.V.P., Alice Hartling; Most Improved, Jackie Frost; Team Award, Melissa Frankovitch.

●Skiing: Women — M.V.P., Shannon Bisset; Men — M.V.P., Larry Miller.

Trevino snags the Golden Bear

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — After decades of competing against each other, Lee Trevino and Jack Nicklaus know what to expect.

At The Tradition, Trevino lived up to Nicklaus's expectations, but the Golden Bear fell short of his own.

"He did most of the dueling on the back nine, while I just made pars," Nicklaus said Sunday after Trevino shot a 2-under-par 70 to win the \$800,000 Senior PGA tournament by a stroke over his long-time rival.

Amid towering cactus, mesquite and boulders, Trevino showed the nerve of a gunslinger, shaking off a disheartening

penalty which dropped him a shot back only one hole after a birdie gave him a share of the lead at 13-under.

Trevino incurred the penalty when he touched the ball and caused it to move in the tee area of the 13th hole, a 136-yard par-3 surrounded by desert sand and rocks.

But the automatic penalty made him fight harder.

"I think the turning point for me was the penalty shot," Trevino said. "It relaxed me."

"I was probably going to make bogey anyway."

Trevino bounced back with birdie putts of 12 feet on No. 15 and 10 feet on the next-to-last hole.

"I think sometimes when you get a penalty like that, it pushes you on," Nicklaus said.

Trevino's winning total for on the 6,864-yard Cochise Course at Desert Mountain was a tournament-record 274 — 14 under par.

It was Trevino's second victory in eight events this season, making him the first multiple winner and shooting him far ahead on the senior money list with \$297,229 in earnings.

Next was Chi Chi Rodriguez at 276, who finished in the top three for the fifth time in eight tournaments. The \$57,500 for third place left him second in earnings at \$213,631.

Michigan and Duke are the Final Two

Michigan takes on Duke tonight in the NCAA basketball final. The game goes at 9:22 p.m. at the Metrodome in Minneapolis.

Michigan (25-8) defeated Cincinnati 76-72 in semifinal action

Saturday, while Duke (33-2) got by Indiana, 81-78.

Duke tries to become the first team to repeat as champs since UCLA in 1973. Five of Michigan's freshman starters were born that year.

March landslides

Biggest blowouts ever in the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Tournament final

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Year	Score	Points
1990	UNLV 103, Duke 73	30
1968	UCLA 78, N. Carolina 55	23
1973	UCLA 87, Memphis St. 66	21
1960	Ohio St. 75, California 55	20
1969	UCLA 92, Purdue 72	20

Source: NCAA NEA Graphic
Just two years ago, UNLV won the most lopsided NCAA Division I men's basketball tournament title game ever, shellacking Duke, 103-73, in Denver. But college basketball's Big Dance has had its share of close finals. Since 1939, the year of the first NCAA tournament, 13 title games — six of them in the 1980s — have been settled by three points or less.

Sport shorts

SINGAPORE (CP) — Vancouver's Grant Connell and partner Glenn Michibata of Toronto failed to successfully defend their Epsom Super Tennis doubles crown, losing 6-7, (6-8), 6-2, 6-4 Sunday to Australians Mark Woodforde and Todd Woodbridge, the world's top-ranked men's doubles team.

BOSTON (AP) — Larry Bird, who missed two months with an inflamed nerve in his lower back earlier this year, was sidelined again Sunday for the Boston Celtics' game with the Chicago Bulls.

Bird, 35 and in his 13th NBA season, was scratched with an apparent recurrence of back ail-

ment suffered while playing 40 minutes Friday night in the Celtics' 101-97 loss at Indiana.

After missing two months, Bird returned March 1. In 17 consecutive games, he averaged 37 minutes, including a season-high 54 against Portland.

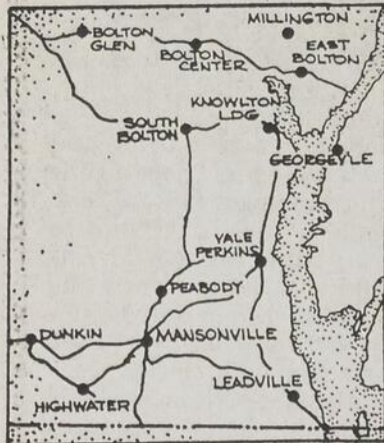
The Celtics are 12-17 without Bird this season.

win, lose & DREW



World Day of Prayer service in United Church

MANSONVILLE (BN)—The United Church here in town hosted the World Day of Prayer worship service on Friday, March 6 at 2 p.m. Theme: "Living Wisely with Creation",



written by the women of Austria, Germany and Switzerland and promoted in Canada by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada. A total offering of \$154.35 was sent to the WICC following two services.

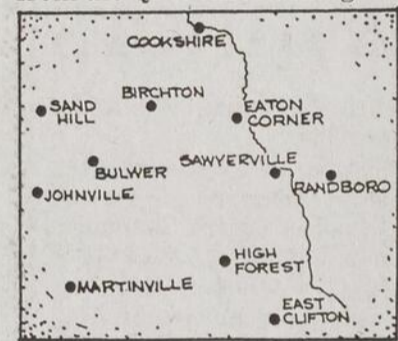
On Tuesday, February 25, a group of 17 gathered in the living room of the Don Côté Nursing Home to follow the bulletin in large print as the residents participated in song, prayer and readings. Their contribution to the offering was \$7.35. Rev. Ryk Allen led the worship with assistance from the Vale Perkins United Church congregation and Gwyn Badger presided at the piano.

Quebec Farmers Association Bulwer branch hold meeting

The March 12th meeting of the Bulwer QFA was held at the Bulwer Community Center with President Malcolm Fraser presiding.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted. The President reported that the annual Bulwer QFA banquet held on February 15 was very successful despite the weather. The Treasurer's report was given by Theda Lowry.

The President read a letter from the QFA office asking for

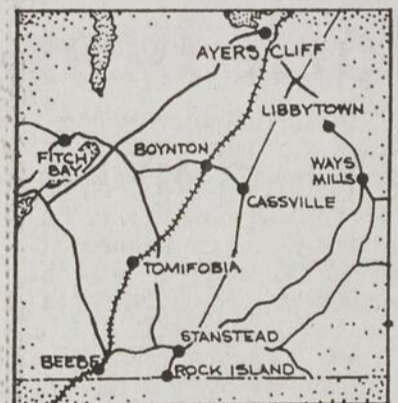


the names of the people who would be attending CBC Day on March 26. It was decided that Ben and Helen Hodge and Theda Lowry would attend this year. The President also read a letter from the Q.Y.F. Provincial Federation asking for a donation for their annual calf rally. A motion was made to give them \$100.00. An announcement was made concerning Beef Day in Lennoxville on March 28.

The President introduced our speaker for the evening, Malcolm Burns, who showed a video on the Amish people in Pennsylvania where he visited last fall. We all enjoyed it very much and found it interesting to learn how the Amish live and farm. Ross Kirby thanked Malcolm and Diane Burns for attending and the meeting was closed. Refreshments and socializing followed.

Allegro Unit UCW hold meeting

STANSTEAD — The Allegro Unit met at the home of the President Arlene Probyn on St. Joseph Blvd., Stanstead on Wednesday March 18 with seven members present. Marion McIntyre read an article on



Spring by Dr. Vincent Peale and all repeated the Lord's Prayer. Arlene thanked everyone for working at the Shrove Tuesday supper.

The minutes of the February meeting were read by Gertrude Ketcham in the absence of the Secretary Janice Soutiere. The treasurer Gertrude gave her financial report, and the proceeds from the supper were very satisfactory. Arlene read a letter from Marie Claire Comeau of SBRBS who is setting up an emergency food bank. Everyone is to bring canned goods or non-perishable items to church one Sunday.

The rummage sale date has been changed from April 25 to May 2.

We haven't heard from our foster child for quite a while. Mabel will write Plan and see how much longer we have our present child.

It was decided not to have our usual May tea and sale this year.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Marguerite Couture on Wednesday April 8.

Refreshments were served by Arlene and Evelyn and a social hour was enjoyed. Reverend Deborah Laing joined us for lunch.

At the Mansonville United Church the worship was in charge of Bertha Nichols. June Purcell and Norma Sherrer looked after the guest book and the distribution of pamphlets.

Following a welcome by Mrs. Nichols, the hymn "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" set the theme of celebration in motion. Nora Peach was at the organ and had contributed generously to decorations by furnishing colourful cut flowers and European scenery displays.

Participants from the United Church were Audrey Clark, Lila McCoy, Mary Jewett, Thelma Wilkins, Kathleen Barnett and Rev. Ryk Allen.

Readings were led from the Baptist Church by Verlie Aiken and Norma Sherrer. Anglican ladies sharing in the worship were Hilda Hill, Eunice Peasley and Judy Armstrong. Fr. Keith Schmidt read Colossians 1:9-17.

Drama readings of the Four Women were taken by Judy Armstrong, Julienne McDuff, Linda Jewett and Doris Cameron.

As the offering was taken by Agnes Health and Norma Sher-

rer, Doris Cameron led the invitation to give generously and subsequently offered the prayer of dedication.

Guest speaker, Louise Oliver, gave a most informative and thoughtful address on the theme: "Living Wisely With Creation". Much research had gone into her description of the present deplorable "money-grabbing" destruction of our earth, the seemingly uncaring policy of state leaders, and the apparently unheard cries of despair from suffering nations as well as the unsightly scars left by "so-called" progress.

The Intercessory Prayer was led in the French language by Julienne McDuff who also pronounced the commitment and benediction in French. Nora Peach gave the benediction in English.

Other hymns chosen were: "How Great Thou Art" (by the choir); "For The Beauty of the Earth"; "God Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens"; "Creation's God, We Humbly Pause"; "We Give Thee But Thine Own"; "Vous Créateurs du Seigneur"; and closing with "Breathe on me Breath of God".

Women's Institute meeting

ABBOTSFORD — The Abbotsford W.I. meeting was held on March 25 at the home of Miss E. Rowell and opened with President Mrs. P. Rowell in the chair. A moment of silence was observed for Mrs. Edna Coates (the last charter member of this branch) who had passed away in February. Following this, a lovely tribute composed by one of our members, Miss Marjorie Ferris was read by her.

In Everlasting Remembrance Of a Fine Lady Mrs. Edna (Rufus) Coates

She gave of herself in every way she could to family, neighbours and friends

Who knew that they would be understood
If they called upon her to share their pain
They could call upon her again and again
'Cause her heart was as big as the world is wide
And she always took the world in stride, with a beautiful smile.

Though knowing her own pain all too well
There were so many stories she might have told
About life and death, but she didn't tell
Nor of hurt and pain or of growing old;
Just plodded around in her wheel-chair, until
She just hurt too much and became too ill,
Yet she always wore a smile.

And I see her now as I saw her then, so many years ago
And Rufus too, her very own love...
They fitted together like a pair of good gloves
But one had to leave, while the other grieved
Yet never stopped wearing that smile.

And I'm so sure there's a special place, for people who wear a smile
Who travel through life at a gentle pace, and we'll meet in another while;
And whenever we see that special glow, among those with whom we mingle
Let's make a point of letting them know, and tell them to hang out a shingle
'Cause a smile is a Blessing to All and the Best Medicine in the World to combat Despair!

M.P. Ferris, Rougemong, Que.

Since our group is getting smaller and smaller we are thinking seriously of meeting just once in a while with less responsibility perhaps, but at least still with much interest for Home and Country when we do get together from time to time throughout the year.

Minutes were read, financial report given and a lot of chatting at intervals, making it all a pleasant afternoon and expecting to meet again in April.

Refreshments were enjoyed immediately after a guessing contest on the amount of pennies collected for Pennies for Friendship, Miss Rowell being the winner.

The birthday surprise parcels will continue, as it's a great help for the treasury and lots of fun too, which helps our morale!!

While 42 people signed the guest book it was apparent that over 50 were in attendance in the congregation. Many of these guests adjourned to the church basement for refreshments.

It is interesting to note that the World Day of Prayer is celebrated annually in over 70 countries around the world and that more than 3000 services are held in communities across Canada. A total of 14 groups are listed in the bulletin who have received help from the pro-

ceeds of World Day of Prayer, only a few of the many needy causes.

The theme for the 1993 service is "God's People, Instruments of Healing", and has been written by women from Guatemala. In this community the service will be hosted by the Anglican Church ladies.

Sincere appreciation is expressed by chairperson, Bertha Nichols for help from the planning committee and all those who participated in any way.

Monday, April 6, 1992

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Something you've been secretly hoping for has a very good chance of becoming a reality in the year ahead. Don't give up on your dreams just because your associates don't appreciate them.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You're pretty good reading situations, but you may not be as accurate reading people. When dealing with your fellow man today, allow more room for error. Major changes are ahead for Aries in the coming year. Send for Aries' Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Financial matters should not be treated indifferently today; there is a very fragile line between profit and loss. Things could go either way.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) When you establish objectives for yourself today, be absolutely certain they're exactly what you want. Once achieved, there's a possibility you could be disappointed.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) The ideas of those you'll be involved with today could be more significant to your success than your own ideas. Don't take credit for what you didn't originate.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) For the sake of your reputation, it's very important you honor your commitments today, especially those of a material nature. Don't try to reshape a deal for selfish purposes.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You might find yourself in a position today where you need the support of several allies with whom you have little in common. Handle this arrangement tactfully.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You could be extremely skilled as an initiator today, but this enviable talent could desert you when it comes time to finalize matters. Be as attentive to endings as you are to beginnings.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Being realistic in commercial involvements today could produce handsome rewards. Don't expect more than you deserve, and don't give up more than what's required.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Lady Luck is rather fickle today, so don't depend on her too heavily, especially in matters that affect your work. It might be tough, but you can cut it on your own.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You have good ideas today, but you might not possess the courage of your convictions. Once you've clearly reasoned something out, don't be afraid to give it a try.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You could be rather fortunate in your financial affairs today, provided you're content to operate along conventional lines. If you're inclined to take risks, it might be another story.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) In order to deal effectively with others today, you must be prepared to make compromises and concessions. But, being cooperative won't lessen your power; it will enhance it.

The one-card trick might trip you

By Phillip Alder

Perhaps there is nothing more embarrassing at the bridge table than falling for a deceptive play. Suddenly declarer has made a contract that could have failed. Occasionally it will be impossible to see through the ruse, but usually accurate signaling and trusting your partner's play will keep you from falling into declarer's carefully laid trap.

In the diagram, cover the East and South cards. Against three no-trump, you attack with the heart six: three, seven, king. Declarer leads the club four: ace, two, eight. How do you continue?

Thinking declarer had the A-K doubleton of hearts, West promptly led another heart. He was shocked when dummy's 10 won the trick and South claimed 10 tricks. Which clue did West miss?

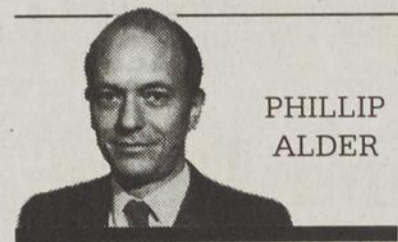
It was East's card at trick one. If declarer had only two hearts, that would leave East with the 7-4-2 tripleton. Yet he played the seven. When you cannot play a critical card to a trick, you should give a count signal. With three cards, East would drop his lowest: the two. As he actually played a high spot-card, this marked him with a doubleton (or singleton).

Therefore, West should have realized that South had made a deceptive play at trick one. Why did he do that? He must have been afraid of a switch to another suit, which must be spades. If West had led a spade at trick three, the contract would have been defeated.

Finally, note that East tried to help his partner at trick two by playing his club eight, a suit-preference signal. There was no point in giving count in that suit.

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