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'Thank God it's over for another year'

Audrey Stanger feted at 100th birthday party

By Christina Parsons

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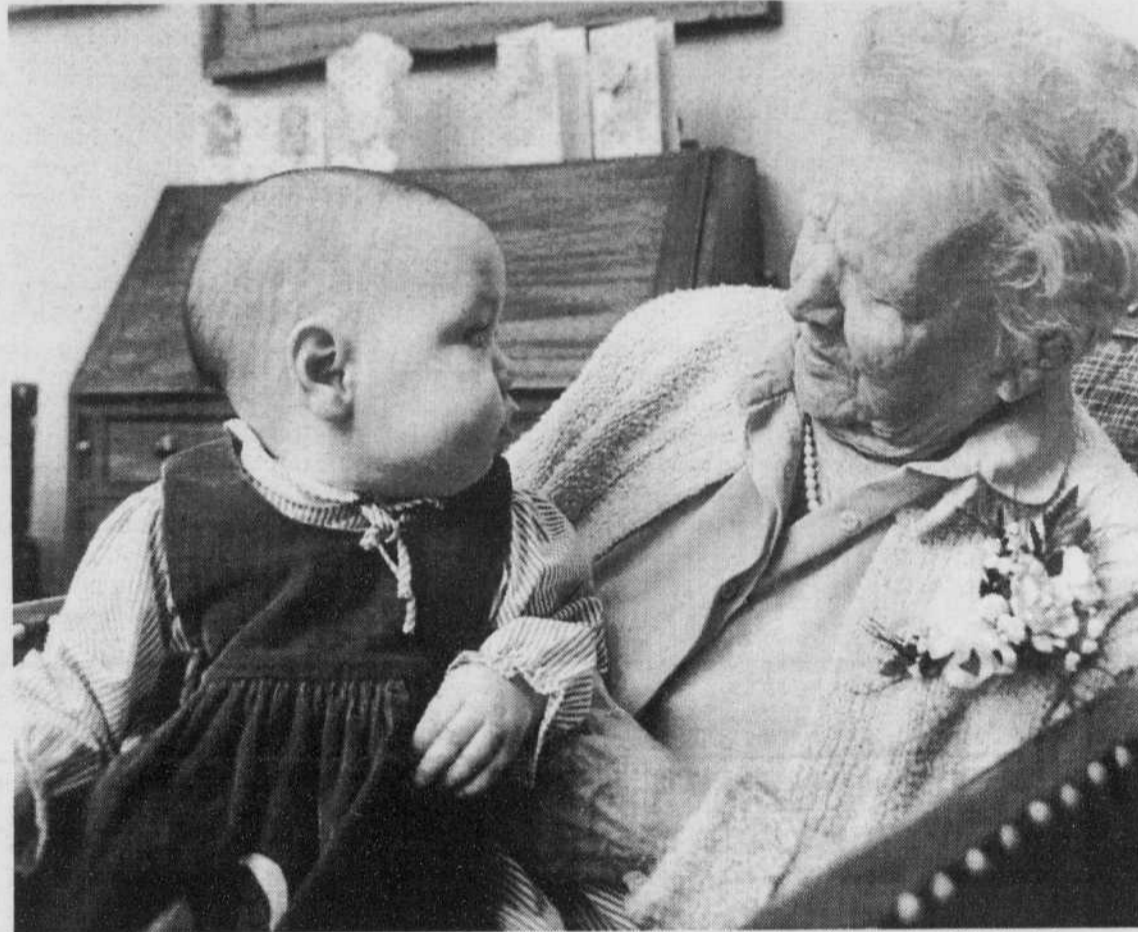
MAGOG - With her sense of humor still intact, Audrey Stanger celebrated her 100th birthday yesterday with family and friends who had come from all directions to spend this special day with her.

The birthday girl, who lives in Magog, received cards from the Governor General of Canada, Romeo Leblanc, and Queen Elizabeth II. Deliveries of flowers inundated the house and well-wishers stopped by.

Mrs. Stanger's secret to longevity is simple: "Just to live I think and do everything I was told not to do". Her daughter, Joan, agreed her mother has always been stubborn.

Mrs. Stanger, who was born Gertrude Audrey Thorne, grew up in Montreal and lived in Cote des Neiges. She had one sister, Mona. She attended Miss Edgar and Miss Cramp's school in Montreal. Before she was married, she picked fruit in the Niagara valley and drove an ambulance in Montreal during World War I.

Mrs. Stanger isn't entirely sure of her exact wedding date, and when asked she



One year old neighbour's granddaughter Emilie McCaully came to Audrey Stanger's 100th birthday party

PHOTO: PERRY BEATON

responded wittily, "Before I had children." She had four children with her husband, Edward Arthur Stanger: Joan, Peter, David and Michael.

Joan came from Portland, Maine, for the birthday celebration, Peter drove out from his home in St. Anicet, Que., and David didn't have to go far since he only lives a mile

down the road. Michael is now living in Victoria, B.C. and couldn't make it. From this brood, came 10 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Mrs. Stanger's husband worked as an electrical engineer with Hydro Quebec while she stayed home to raise her family. The youngest, Michael, was born 19 years after his sister Joan. "I remember driving my mother to the hospital (when she was in labor)," said Peter. The woman who went on a trip around the world when she was close to 80, said she feels about 70 now. "I'm usually alright," she said when one of her visitors asked how she felt.

Joan bought her a cane several years ago and Mrs. Stanger was not happy about it: "Why are you trying to make me old?" Only in the past year has she started using it. "She has been in good health, she falls down and nothing happens, never any broken bones," said Joan.

Mrs. Stanger is still living in her own home, but a nurse's aide is always present to look after her. One of the women takes her into Magog occasionally so she gets out.

What did she think of all the hoopla over her birthday? "Thank God it' over for one whole year."

Chretien criticized by U.S. for being too cozy with Cuba

By Julian Beltrame and Aileen McCabe

Southern Newspapers

WASHINGTON - The controversy created by Foreign Minister Lloyd Axworthy's visit to Havana has prompted the toughest comments to date by Prime Minister Jean Chretien on the Cuba issue.

As Axworthy wound up a two-day visit to Havana on Wednesday, Chretien hit back hard at U.S. criticism of Canada, which has for decades refused to join in Washington's attempts to isolate President Fidel Castro diplomatically and economically.

"I'm quite happy that

Canada can have this special relationship with Cuba," Chretien told reporters during an official visit to France.

"Of course, in the United States, they have a problem with that since a long time, but I've always said, and I believe, that I don't agree with their policy.

"You know, they're just making it possible for Castro to stay in power because he has an excuse. He blames the Americans. Let them normalize the situation between Cuba and the United States and I don't think that Mr. Castro will have it easier."

Chretien's strong words came in response to remarks

by U.S. Senator Jesse Helms, who labelled the Canadian visit "shameful."

In Cuba, Axworthy's trip ended with a Cuban declaration of intent to improve the country's much-criticized human rights record - part of a 14-point joint communique that also included trade and economic aid.

During six hours of talks with Castro, Axworthy specifically raised human rights in Cuba, where political dissidents have been routinely harassed and arrested for years.

Axworthy acknowledged he had failed to achieve a break-

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Louis Lapierre comforted his sister Brigitte as she watched the family's home burn. For story see Page 3

PHOTO: PAUL CHERRY

Religious schools at centre of linguistic conflict

No conflict in Canadian history has caused more division between Catholics and Protestants (code for French and English) than has that of religious schools. Quebec's favorite racist, Lionel Groulx, set his infamous novel *L'Appel de la Race*, in World War 1 Canada. The conflict, however, is not conscription but rather the quashing of French (code, Catholic) education in Ontario. The villain of the novel is not a Protestant Briton, but an Irish Catholic, who has been assimilated by the "anglosaxon race."

An earlier Canadian novel, Francis Grey's *The Cure of St. Philippe*, details the Quebec reaction to the Manitoba Schools Question whose outcome allowed for non-sectarian education (code, no Catholic schools in Manitoba (code, the Rest of Canada). This policy confirmed the general Quebec interpretation of the Riel execution. Quite simply the winning side was doing what it always had done. It was imposing its language and religion upon the conquered. In return, the losing side was resisting, waiting for a better day. And some are still wait-

ing. Though the Catholics of Quebec were always responsible for the education of their flock, the various elites of French Quebec were never very enthusiastic about popular education. The Roman Catholic Church assumed that a limited education for the majority of the population would allow for a continued control of the majority of the population. A variation of this philosophy continues today: it is illegal for a public school in Quebec to teach English as a second language before Grade four. Individual schools and their boards have been taken to court by the provincial government for this infraction. Strangely enough, the Eastern Townships School Board has benefited for years from a special subsidy which allows for all-day bilingual kindergarten. Thus, the Quebec government funds a program which allows English students to learn French, but a similar program for French students to learn English would be against the law.

Until fairly recently the school situation in Quebec was fairly simple. There were



Ron Ewing

Catholic schools for Roman Catholics (generally in French and in English where numbers warranted). There were Protestant schools in English for everyone else. Despite inventive conspiracy theories about the assimilating English school system, this historical French-Catholic rejection of the immigrant class explains why "ethnics" are attracted to the Protestant and English-Catholic schools.

The fall of the English-speaking business class in Quebec led to the fragmentation of the Protestant system. Worried that anglophone par-

ents would do the obvious (enrol their children in French schools so that their children would be perfectly bilingual), Protestant school boards, particularly those in the Montreal area, began offering French immersion classes. The success of these schools, wherein many anglophone teachers were retrained to become "francophone" teachers for the immersion classes and where only the "slower" students were kept in an English stream, is highly questionable.

Francophone Protestants were also demanding a denominational education in French, which Protestant school boards have had to provide. So much so that the Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal (PSBGM), by far the largest Protestant board in Quebec, has almost as many students in its French system as in its English system. This divided loyalty explains why the PSBGM and the Montreal Teachers' Association (MTA) take absolutely no lead in any debate about education in Quebec. This division also explains the ludicrous situa-

tion that the MTA found itself in when a small group of its members hijacked the Executive of the MTA and tried to force a cancellation of a speech at last year's teachers' convention by Mordecai Richler, Quebec novelist, defender of individual rights, and a former graduate of the PSBGM.

There seems to be a general political consensus that it is time to change the school board structure from a religious basis to a language basis. The Protestant side, in particular, seem anxious to deal. The transfer of English Catholics to English school boards would just about equal the transfer of French Protestants to French boards. This fact is of utmost importance to anglophone bureaucrats and administrators, whose jobs are dependent upon a certain student population. However, the Catholic side is not quite as willing to abandon its zealots as the Protestants are. Next week, a look at school-board reorganization and the constitutional problem.

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through in human rights, but he said Castro had shown a willingness to begin opening up the harsh, Stalinist-style system in place in Cuba for more than three decades.

Axworthy said Cuban officials had agreed to set up, with Canada's help, an ombudsman's office to allow

citizens' grievances to be aired publicly.

But the results of the Canadian visit are not likely to impress the U.S. government, which has for years criticized the regime's human rights record.

"Cuba doesn't change its stripes after 37 years," said State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns.

"Frankly, the United States remains skeptical that the Cuban government is, in fact, prepared to take systematic and meaningful steps that would lead towards a transition to democratic rule in Cuba" or improve the human rights climate, Burns said.

He said U.S. skepticism is founded on 37 years of dealing - or not dealing - with Castro, and claimed the arrest of "several prominent Cuban democracy activists" prior to Axworthy's visit as

evidence. He refused to name them.

While neither U.S. sanctions, nor Canada's and Europe's engagement with Cuba on the issues, has had dramatic impacts on Castro, Cuba watchers note that at least Canada has the advantage of consistency.

"With every other country in the world, the U.S. agrees with Canada," says Wayne Smith, a Cuba expert with Washington-based Johns Hopkins University.

John Kirk, professor of Latin American Studies at Halifax's Dalhousie University, notes that Canada's policy with Cuba is supported by most of the world and that by seeking to isolate Cuba, the U.S. has merely succeeded in isolating itself.

But Kirk believes it would be a mistake for Canada to believe it can dramatically affect Castro's policy on democratizing the island.

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Morning blaze leaves Hatley family homeless

HATLEY TOWNSHIP(PC) - A morning fire destroyed a home in a rural part of Hatley yesterday.

Gaetane Lapierre discovered the fire in her home around 10 a.m. She said she heard a strange buzzing noise coming from the telephone and went into the kitchen to check it out. When she realized the fire was out of control she warned the rest of her family and ran out of the house.

Gaetane, her son, and her husband Aimé all escaped unharmed.

"She starting screaming that there was a fire and we all got out of there as fast as we could," said Louis Lapierre, Gaetane's son, as he looked on helplessly as the fire consumed his home.

Firefighters from Hatley, North Hatley and Sherbrooke all worked to contain the



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blaze, but by 11 a.m. more than half the house was burned to the ground.

"We'll just have to start again from zero," said the son, standing on his family's farmland while North Hatley firefighters pumped water out of a nearby well.

"We'll be all right. We have places to stay while we get our lives back together again. It's not like we have to clear a space in the barn and sleep with the animals," Lapierre said.

His father worked busily trying to keep a dirt road to their home clear for the emergency vehicles that were coming and going to his house while Louis comforted his sister Brigitte, who lives in a house nearby, as she cried while watching her family's home burn down.

An inspector from the Sherbrooke fire department said the fire was possibly started through electrical lines. The fire apparently started at the back of the home, possibly in a garage, and worked its way quickly through the rest of the house.

Barbecue bandit convicted of robbery

COWANSVILLE - A 20-year-old man has been convicted of robbing an all night dépanneur in Cowansville Dec. 8.

Renaud Ouellette, a repeat offender, appeared in court in Cowansville Tuesday where he was found guilty of armed robbery.

Quebec Court judge Pierre Bachand sided with the Crown Prosecutor, sentencing Ouellette to 18 months in jail for his role in the late-night robbery. Ouellette's defence attorney had requested a nine month sentence.

Ouellette is convicted of having entered the Church Street dépanneur on the night of Dec. 8 with an accomplice. Pulling out a

large hunting knife and a barbecue fork, two men demanded the contents of the cash drawer, which contained about \$200. Grabbing a case of beer and a couple of cartons of cigarettes, the two then fled the scene.

Police arrived on the scene within minutes and followed the footprints of the two in the new fallen snow to Ouellette's nearby apartment. Along the way they found the knife and fork used in the robbery.

Ouellette's alleged accomplice is a 17-year-old youth, and is still awaiting trial in youth court for his role in the robbery. His name cannot be made public because he is a minor.

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CORRECTION

In a Jan. 16 article entitled 'Tory fundraiser preparing for comeback', it was reported that Peter White, chairman of the fundraising wing of the Progressive Conservative Party, anticipated making gains in Quebec, but not in Ontario or the Atlantic provinces where the Liberals now hold a majority of seats. In fact, White said he expects Conservative candidates to win many seats from the Liberals during the next federal election, including those in provinces where a majority is held by the Liberals. The Record regrets the error.

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Heavy equipment robbers crash through Caisse

By Paul Cherry
SHERBROOKE - Members of three different police forces in the Eastern Townships are looking for some very gutsy bank robbers.

Early yesterday morning the Caisse Populaire in St. Hérménégilde, a village near Coaticook, was broken into by two or more thieves armed with a tow truck.

Quebec Police Force spokesperson Serge Dubord said the thieves smashed through the side door of the Caisse Populaire at around 1:30 a.m. The truck knocked out the door leaving a hole large enough for the robbers to take off with a safe.

"The officers who responded to the alarm must have come just minutes after they took off," said Dubord. "There were still some fresh tires tracks on the road for the officers to follow."

The QPF officers followed the tracks to Barford where they found the tow truck, which had been stolen from a garage in Lennoxville Tuesday evening, parked next to a pickup truck - which had been stolen from QPF property in Weedon on January 10.

"The people who stole the safe must have seen the officers coming because it looks like they took off in a hurry into a wooded area next to the road," said Dubord.

The officers found the Caisse's safe unopened in the stolen pickup truck.

"This must have been well planned because it appears the robbers ran through the woods and got into another vehicle that was waiting for them," Dubord said.

He said both the Sherbrooke Police criminal investigation division and the Coaticook Police Force are investigating

the break-in but do not have any suspects yet.

Last summer the Caisse Populaire in East Hereford was broken into in a similar fashion. In that break-in, one or more individuals stole a payloader from a nearby construction equipment site and rammed it through one of the Caisse's walls.

In that robbery the individuals made off with the safe in a pickup truck.

Three weeks before the East Hereford robbery, someone knocked a wall in a Saint-Elie-d'Orford IGA and made off with two safes. In the IGA robbery a payloader was used as well.

"So far there is no evidence to indicate that the robberies are all connected," Dubord said. "But there are definitely similarities in the way the robberies were committed."



Truck slammed through front door of the Caisse and thieves fled with safe.
RECORD PHOTOS: KATHY MERCIER

Learning is fun with Mr. C at Princess Elizabeth

Following a busy December, and the well attended Christmas play, "Slapshot Santa", students have settled into a much quieter January. A solid term of academic work is on the agenda.

Doug Buchanan, a social worker with the C.L.S.C., began what is to become a monthly seminar on Positive Parenting. Attendance for the first session was good, the topic was homework. Mr. Buchanan gave a brief talk on ways to establish a homework routine and then gave parents a chance to ask questions and discuss their own problems with getting their children to do homework. Some of future topics will highlight areas such as self-esteem, chores and routines and getting along with their peers. These sessions are open to all parents at P.E.E.S. Watch for notice in February.

Geordie Theatre Productions of Montreal entertained the students on Friday, Jan. 17th with their production of "Dawn Quixote".

Julie Lorranger and Nora Gilday, will be leaving for a six month sabbatical at the end of January. We hope they will enjoy a well deserved rest and we look forward to seeing them gain in the fall.

The P.E.E.S. School Committee will hold its

annual flea market in the school cafeteria March 22. This is a great chance to support the school and pick up a few bargains at the same time. If you would rather sell than buy, tables can be rented by calling Debbie at 868-1805.

This month we are highlighting Mr. Clowery and his Grade 5 class. Mr. Clowery, known as Mr. C. came to P.E.E.S. from Sherbrooke where he taught for a number of years. He has enlivened the halls here for the last 11 years. His sense of humor has made him quite popular with his students, as well as parents and staff.

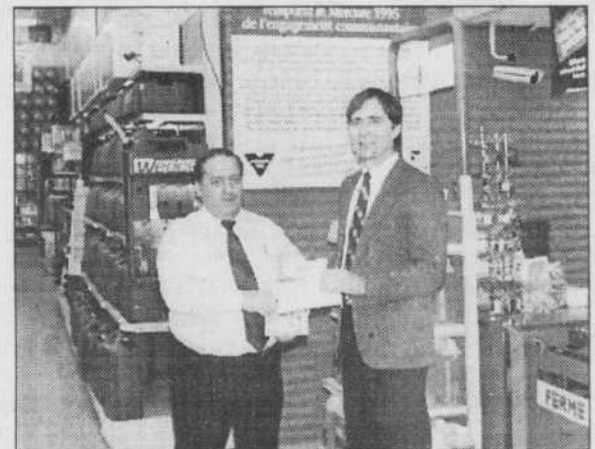
When not entertaining with his singing in the halls, Mr. C. finds time for a variety of hobbies. An avid sportsman, he enjoys softball, skiing and fishing. He is known for his fishing flies he ties himself. That must account for those great catches!

The students in Mr. C.'s class have been learning some interesting words in spelling this week. Words like Nordic, binding and herringbone among others. Finding definitions and writing sentences using these words was a prelude to the practical part of the lesson. Students have snapped on their skis and hit the hills in the back yard

of the school. Mr. Clowery holds five such clinics at P.E.E.S. teaching manoeuvres such as the herringbone, snowplow Christie, and stem turning. As a grand finale to this teaching unit on skiing, the whole class tries out their newly acquired skills on a three day trip to Parc du Mount Orford, where they ski like seasoned veterans. They spend the nights at the Round Hearth in Eastman where they warm their toes around the fire and then, if they have any energy left after a day of skiing, they can challenge the parent volunteers to a rousing game of dodgeball round Hearth's gym. To make this trip possible the students are involved in a number of fund-raising events. A Christmas hamper raffle, chocolate bar sale, and a rummage sale to help to cover the costs of this educational trip. Mr. C. has completed this teaching unit on skiing for the last nine years, and students agree no one makes learning as fun as Mr. C. There is a class picture hanging in the display case near Mr. Clowery's class. Look closely and you'll see that it is not the P.E.E.S. Grade 5 but rather that of the Ecole St. Jean Bosco, a French school in Magog and sister class of P.E.E.S. The St.

Jean Bosco's Grade 5 class special presentation of "Slapshot Santa" our play. have had a tour of our school as well as been invited to a Christmas play.

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Cookshire Elementary School Fundraising Project: A Real Success!

Mr. Richard Orzechowski, Principal of Cookshire Elementary School, and Mr. Réjean Guillemette, General Manager of the Canadian Tire in Sherbrooke, are exchanging over \$800 of Canadian Tire money for cash. Organized by Mrs. Leona Hodge, Head Teacher at Cookshire School, funds will be used to improve the school's cafeteria. Special thanks to Mr. Roy and Mr. Guillemette of Canadian Tire for making this project possible.



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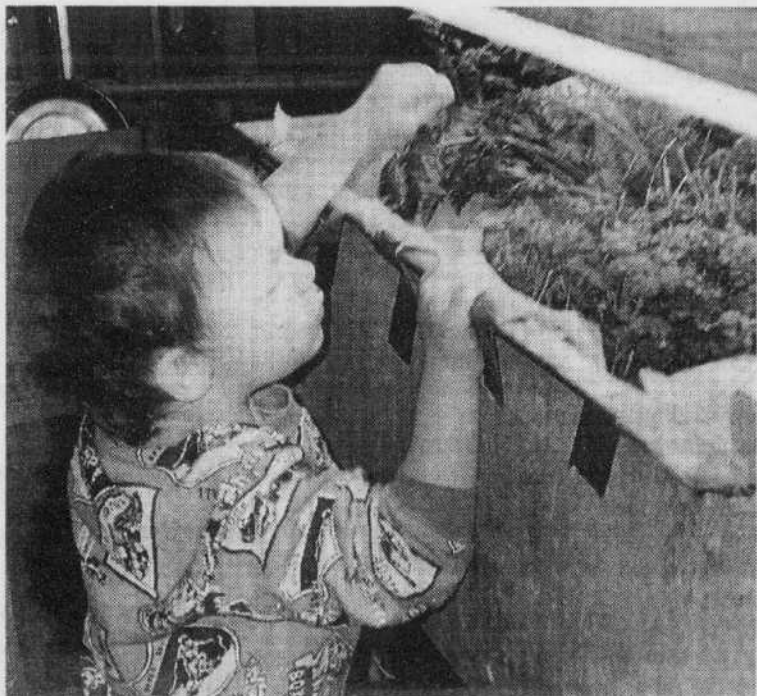
Raising Earthworms For Profit is the book that first sparked Bernie Patterson's interest in earthworm cultivation. The pound of red earthworms he bought through the mail five years ago have thrived and the Trenholm gardener has never tried to sell one. He said earthworms are a gardener's best friend. Most of the colony live behind the barn in a large, insulated pit, dormant for the winter. He maintains a smaller population in the basement of his house. Living in a split 50-gallon drum, some 5000 earthworms nourish an indoor mini-garden flourishing with carrots, parsley and flowering strawberry. The worms are nourished with puréed kitchen waste which they happily turn into plant food. A worm will consume its own weight of organic matter in 24 hours. When it was suggested if he didn't have enough to feed them they might go after him, he smiled and said, "C'mon, worms are our friends." Dogies, by the way, are cattle, for all you city slickers.



Bernie Patterson introduces daughter Rosa-Lee to some members of his horticultural team. The bank of lights behind them flip down to provide pseudo-sunshine.



A delicately scooped handful of soil reveals a high density population of earthworms.



Rosa-Lee samples the fresh parsley. Salad's okay with her too.



Rosa-Lee doesn't mind touching worms. Any pal of her dad's is a pal of hers.

Photos and story

by

Rick Foss

Do we include ourselves in this Quebec?

A year ago at this time the esteemed editor of this newspaper and I were working on the book we published in March. Advice to writers is always: Write about something you know. So Sharon and I wrote about what else - Quebec.

We had written, rewritten, edited, consulted, checked grammar and all, when I decided the Introduction was perfect and read it aloud to a couple of my children. I can't remember which of the many sentences I read but it might have been this one... "You will find that Quebecers - les Québécois and Québécoises like to party. They celebrate pigs, hydro-electricity, jazz, cowboys and all kinds of things..." The wise young ones jumped on me and said: "Why are you excluding yourselves?" At first, I wasn't sure what they were getting at but I realized they had a good point. Why did we say "They celebrate" and not "We celebrate"? Did we really consider ourselves Quebecers? or did we consider ourselves a breed apart - English-speaking Quebecers?

Last week I sat in on a meeting of anglos in Montreal and I couldn't help thinking they had the same problem that my children had pointed out to me. We discussed "them" and "us". We exulted at the health board elections in the fall where the English community turned out in large numbers to vote. And what was the turnout? one or two percent? We were isolated yet again from the community at large.

We are lucky here in the Townships. The two linguistic communities get along well because they work together and they know each other. The odds are that each speaks the other's language and probably have children or grandchildren with one parent with English as his mother tongue, the other with French.

It's been interesting listening to the complaints of Howard Galganov. His first foray into the political minefield was successful. I think businesses should have visible signs that they serve people in English where there is an English clientele. Just as I would expect to see English on signs in Knowlton, but not in stores in the Saguenay.

But then on my first trip to that area two years ago, I was charmed to see a bilingual restaurant menu. The owners of the small restaurant had translated: Tarte aux pommes maison to Apple Pie Home and Fondue Parmesan to Fading Parmesan. Now that's a sign to me that the politics of inclusion that we all seek was on the mind of one small business owner. And I'm glad to consider myself part of his Quebec.

HEATHER KEITH-RYAN



Letters to the Editor

Galt protesters were just whining

Dear Editor,

Regarding Mr. Langlois's remarks on the heat dispute at Galt. I am currently a student at Alexander Galt Regional High School and I basically know what's going on "behind the scenes." First of all, everybody except those 36 heat-deprived whiners never even talked about any sort of heat problem. Actually, most of us thought the whole protest was a waste of time. Don't get me wrong though, I am a teenager and if there was a problem, I would probably be too lazy to do anything about it anyway. However, I go to class each day, most of the time wearing a T-shirt, and have found no problem with the heating in the school in any of the classes. I would also like to know where Mr. Langlois got his information from. I didn't hear about any threat to kids on sports teams to be ousted from their favorite sport because of protesting. I'd guess he is probably getting his information from one of the protesters themselves. Actually, he probably got all his information while the shivering teen was home twiddling his or her thumbs on Monday when they were waiting out their one-day suspension they got for their heroic efforts. How does Mr. Langlois know all this information he's getting is true? What's fact? What's fiction? I'll tell you what's fact and fiction.....

- 1) FACT: The temperature is fine.
- 2) FICTION: Kids have been complaining since late October. (Well maybe Mr. Langlois has).
- 3) FACT: Hmmm... about 100 per cent of the kids were using the "heat problem" as a lame ass excuse for skipping classes.
- 4) FICTION: Indefinite suspensions.
- 5) FACT: The principal suspended the kids for skipping classes and causing trouble. (Not exposing some huge heat scandal that would ruin Galt forever).

If all the kids complained so much, why did only 36 protest? Could it be they are troublemakers that rallied some noon-hour and decided to have a little fun and get a little attention? No, of course not, right Mr. Langlois? Could it be that your kid was one of those trouble-makers, Mr. Langlois, that came home and told you how the classes were freezing just as an excuse for screwing around and getting suspended? No, of course not,

right Mr. Langlois? Did "chilly children" demonstrate courage? I think, what those 36 cool-cats demonstrated is that, when they put their heads together, they can cause all sorts of conflict and buffoonery. They got their attention, so I think now they can settle down for a while till the next minor problem comes up so they can blow it all out of proportion again. What if there are no other problems for a while, you ask? They'll make one up of course!!!

Sincerely,
BILL JAMES MONTY CROOKS

Thanks for the encouragement

Dear Editor,

I was reading your article about when you were young you were afraid to play any sports. You were afraid that you might hurt your body and your pride if you fell. There it was this morning when I read it in the *Sherbrooke Daily Record*. This article you wrote reminded me of this poem I wrote.

"Angels in the snow." You told me to send my poem to the *Record*. Also I am one of your oldest subscribers of the *Sherbrooke Daily Record*. My husband, Earnest Warnes and myself have subscribed for 50 years. I am sure also that my parents were one family who subscribed before that. Thank you for encouraging me to send my poems.

"ANGLES IN THE SNOW"

When winter came it used to be so much fun when you were young,
Loved to frolic in the snow.
You didn't care if the wind would blow.
You would slide down hills and into dales.
And ski across fields and fences to unknown places.
And fall down and pick yourself up.
And you may cry a little because your body and pride would hurt.
And then you would laugh after that and "Make Angels in the Snow."

MARY WARNES
Lennoxville

'We are finally beginning to reap the rewards' - CEO of TD

Economic winter finally ending, analysts suggest

By Eric Beauchesne

Southern Newspapers

OTTAWA - Consumers, lured by near-record low interest rates, extended their shopping spree from homes and cars to furniture and appliances late last year.

And the expectation of economists employed by those lending consumers the money to make those purchases is that smaller, less interest-rate-sensitive products will be snapped up next.

Tim O'Neill, chief economist at the Bank of Montreal, also said the return of consumers who have been hibernating most of this decade will boost economic growth. This, in turn, will push up the value of the dollar, drive down government deficits and generate more than 300,000 jobs this year and again next year.

"This should help lower the unemployment rate from 9.7 per cent to 9.1 per cent by the end of 1997 and 8.6 per cent by the fourth quarter of 1998," he told a business audience Wednesday in St. John's, Nfld.

The bank is also forecasting the economy will expand by about 3.5 per cent this year and next, more than double the past year's pace of expansion. This, it adds, should lift the dollar to 77.5 cents by the end of 1997 and possibly to 80 cents a year later.

"While a stronger dollar will put pressure on Canadian exporters, that will be offset to some extent by a low-cost environment, including only moderate wage increases," O'Neill said.

He joined other analysts in predicting the federal deficit will fall as low as \$16 billion this year, or one per cent of gross domestic product, well below the government's target of \$24.3 billion or two per cent of GDP.

If right, that would mean Finance Minister Paul Martin is fully a year ahead

of his deficit-reduction schedule and in a position to loosen government purse strings in the upcoming budget - in advance of the election expected later this year.

That may not reassure money markets but would give the economy, which has been weighed down by government restraint, an added boost.

The economic optimism was echoed Wednesday by Toronto-Dominion Bank chief executive officer Richard Thomson, who told the bank's annual meeting of shareholders in Toronto that "we are finally beginning to reap the rewards of all the difficult - and often painful - adjustments that governments, individuals and businesses have had to make in one way or another over the last six or seven years."

The optimism of bankers is not surprising in light of the record profits they've been reaping during those difficult years but it's supported by the latest report cards on the economy.

Led by purchases of autos, furniture and appliances, retail sales continued to rise in November, up 0.9 per cent to \$18.4 billion, following a strong October, Statistics Canada reported Wednesday.

"This growth spurt con-

trasts with the slow growth that retailers had been experiencing since the end of 1995," Statistics Canada noted. "The cumulative impact of interest-rate reductions may have influenced consumers to purchase big-ticket items at low rates of financing."

Sherry Cooper, chief economist at investment firm Nesbitt Burns, said the news is "further proof that interest-rate relief is working its magic."

"The boom in housing is translating into better times for furniture and appliance outlets," she said. "Moreover, anecdotal evidence of strong holiday-season sales, not to mention a boom in the housing and auto markets, suggest that consumer spending was also robust in December."

Food and clothing sales fell unexpectedly in November but analysts said they expected the upswing in spending on interest-sensitive products will spread to other lower-priced goods and services.

Their optimism was further supported by Statistics Canada's barometer of what's ahead for the economy, which ended the year on a strong note.

The federal agency's index of leading economic indica-

tors rose 0.7 per cent in December following a 0.8-per-cent rise in November, "the best back-to-back increases of the year."

The index measures activity in 10 key sectors of the economy - such as manufacturing, retail sales and the stock market - which tend to lead other sectors.

The evidence of economic strength suggests the Bank of Canada won't be cutting short-term interest rates further, analysts agreed. That, however, could allow longer-term rates to ease as markets are reassured that the bank is also keeping its eye on

inflation.

There was reassuring news on the interest-rate front Wednesday from south of the border, with a plunge in housing construction, reversing the strong gain of a month earlier and providing welcome evidence that the U.S. economy was not as hot as some earlier reports were suggesting.

The possibility that the U.S. Federal Reserve may jack up rates there in a pre-emptive strike against inflation if that economy doesn't slow poses the biggest threat to the continuation of low rates here.



FINANCIAL PLANNING

By Frank Cameron

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Stanstead North Women's Institute meeting

On December 5 members of the Stanstead North Women's Institute with husbands and invited guests motored to the lovely country home of Doris Gibson for their annual Christmas get-together. Each one was met at the door with a warm welcome by the hostess and di-

rected to the spacious living room for a time for getting acquainted. President Nellie Cooper called on Rev. Mary Lou Shortill to ask the Blessing, then invited all to the dining room where the table was laden with a large variety of foods. Following the meal some played

cards and socialized while others assisted with the clean-up.

The members held a brief informal meeting. Cultural affairs convener read the list of the group exhibit for the County Fair. The President reminded convenors to send their reports to the County Convenors before December 31. Helen McLeod brought news of Miriam Osborne who remains in the Magog Hospital following a stroke, and that she will soon go to a residence in Perth, Ont. to be near her family. It was with regrets that she must leave our midst but we wish her well. The list for Christmas cheer was reviewed and the committee will make up the packages and deliver same.

Correspondence included a note from Norma Holmes we learned that she had been hospitalized following a fall, a request from a student for financial assistance to attend a Youth Mission Conference, a sum was voted. Upon adjournment, the members joined their guests. The party broke up at dusk, each voicing their thanks for a delightful day and for the cans of caramel popcorn which she had prepared for each one. This was the last Christmas gathering at Doris as she has sold her farm, but the good news is that she will remain in our area. All departed amid goodbyes and good wishes.

The Stanstead North Women's Institute held their annual meeting on January 9 at the home of Gertrude Ketcham with 10 in attendance.

President Nellie Cooper welcomed the members and a guest, Phyllis Dustin, who joined the branch. The meeting opened with the Collect and Oath of Ci-

tizenship repeated in unison and the singing of O Canada, Motto: the better the beginning, the better the end. Roll call; payment of dues. Minutes of the November and December meetings were read and accepted. The Treasurer gave the monthly report followed by the annual with a satisfactory balance. Reports of finances for the Red Brick school house and Sunshine committee were also given.

Correspondence included a thank-you note and a Christmas letter from a former member, Jackie Heath. Convenors read their annual reports which were accepted. The President gave a report on the squares for Zambia. Building committee reported that the sign at the schoolhouse had been repaired and painted, thanks to Doug Cooper.

The President gave her annual address, voicing her thanks for their co-operation and hard work of all members throughout

the past year and looked to the new year with renewed vigor. The list of officers and convenors and also the program were read for the second time; they had been sent to the QWI office and to the County secretary before the deadline. Committees were named, Gertrude Ketcham named delegate to county meetings. Tentative plans were made for one or more card parties - to be finalized at the February 6 meeting, at the home of Irene Shelden. Date of the County meeting: April 3, 10 a.m. in the hall of Centenary United Church, Stanstead.

The President thanked Gertrude for hosting the meeting and declared it adjourned. Janice Soutiere held a drawing of a crocheted bookmark, won by Irene Johnston. Doris Gibson displayed the lovely bathroom set that she had made for the Q.W.I. competition. Assorted breads, cheese and petit-fours were enjoyed with a cup of tea.

From Pens of E.T. Writers

I'm old and alone now,
All there is left are my memories
Memories of home and family.
Sitting here in my wheelchair my mind drifts away to yesterday,
Down the narrow roads of my youth,
The little house in the woods,
I'm back standing outside the old home,
Puffs of smoke rise slowly to the sky.
My Dad and brothers working the fields,
The bay horses pulling the plow.
I step once more into the kitchen door,
The old smells rush back to me,
Smoke from the cook stove,
Homemade bread rising on the counter,
Freshly waxed floors,
Sun dried clothes on the table.
I weep from the emptiness
I turn as if I hear voices,
I call out Dad, John, Tom are you there?
Only in my memories
I smile as I once more hear Mom singing.
As we prayed at night,
Her kiss good night.
Lying once more in my little room.
I hear the night sounds,
The creaking of the house,
The cows in the field,
the night bird song.
I weep from the emptiness
I'm old and alone now,
and all I have are my memories.

By Anita McKelvey
Barnston West

Helping Circle and Canusa Units hold meeting

DERBY LINE (IH) — Stanstead South Church Helping Circle and Canusa Units met at the home of Edith Selby the evening of January 14 to plan projects for 1997.

Madelyn Curtis, Circle president welcomed the attendance and thanked Edith for opening her home for the gathering.

Each Unit held a separate business meeting, then jointly to plan for the January 26 turkey dinner that will be held in the church hall. Geraldine Harvey gave an outline of what has been done to date. The Canusa Unit will be in charge of the dining room, with the Circle members attending to kitchen details and serving.

It was agreed that take out dinners be available by request but they can only prepare these until 11 a.m. because the dinner will start at 11:30.

The Circle meeting, presided over by Mrs. Curtis opened the meeting with devotions taken from The Upper Room. The Lord's prayer was recited.

Dorothy Nutbrown, secretary, gave her report from the December meeting, the annual report, and also read several communications.

Treasurer Ruth Putney presented the annual financial report, and her monthly report as the Unit begins its new year.

It was decided to sponsor a youth to attend a Youth Conference in Sherbrooke March 21 to 23.

The church will soon be placing an order for new hymn books, the Circle voted to purchase two as memorials to two men who had served the church in past years. Mrs. Curtis noted

anyone may place an order for a book in memory of a loved one.

Then raising money for 1997 took up quite a bit of the meeting. It was finally agreed to have three card parties on February 18, March 11, and another in October. These will be in the afternoon, starting off with dessert. Several offered to make a pie, or donate door and game prizes.

The annual New To You sale will be in June, the Christmas salad luncheon and sale on November 1, and a Coffee party on November 21. Mrs. Curtis will host the February 11 Circle meeting at her home at 7:30 p.m.

The worship services will be in Stanstead South Church the month of February, so the Canusa will serve refreshments after the service on the 2nd and 16th, with the Circle serving the 9th and 23.

Mrs. Curtis, Ruth Clough and Mrs. Selby served delicious refreshments during the social period.

Birthday party

A birthday party was held for David Parnell. Present were Herbert and Jean Parnell of Spring Rd., Richard and Nancy Parnell of Cookshire, Dareth Fowler, Brenda Hodge, Alton and Bonnie Fowler, Donald and Lillian Laroche. All enjoyed a delicious supper at the home of Deanna and David Parnell, Genoux Rd. A traditional birthday cake made and decorated by Deanna was cut and served with ice cream by David. He received many gifts for which he thanked them and the evening was spent visiting.

90th birthday celebrated



Teenie Symington (seated in center) with guild members on the occasion of her 90th birthday celebration at the All Saints Church in Dunham.

On December 22, the Anglican Church in Dunham, following the morning service officiated by Rev. Arnold Godsoe, held a gathering at the church hall to honour Christine (Teenie) Symington. Approximately 90 folks turned out to attend her 90th birthday celebration. Societies represented were Eastern Star, Golden Agers, Rebeccas, United Church and Women's Institute. Friends came from Bedford, Cowansville, Dunham, Frelighsburg, Pigeon Hill, Selby Lake, Stanbridge East and West Brome. A toast was made to Teenie by Arthur Hobbs who wished 'a very gracious lady' many more years of good health and happiness. The Guild served refreshments and presented Teenie with a beautifully decorated birthday cake, at which time Happy Birthday was sung in unison to her and she thanked everyone for the event and their good wishes.

UCW meet

There was a fair attendance at the Hatley U.C.W. hot dish dinner held on January 15. There are many sick people just now in and around this general area. Dishes were finished in record time thanks to many helping hands.

The meeting following at 1 p.m. This was opened in the usual manner by repeating the Purpose in unison led by Judy Drew. Elma Jobel led in devotions. This was followed by repeating the Lord's Prayer in unison. Seven members answered the roll call.

Pauline Ayer read the minutes of the previous meeting. These were approved and signed. Judy read a great many thank you notes from people remembered with baked goods etc. at Christmas time.

The ladies were reminded that the next dinner and meeting will be held February 12. There being no other business the meeting was adjourned.

New book offers a good glimpse at the Armed Forces

What is the matter with the Canadian military?

By Major-General (ret)
Robert Gaudreau

SUTTON — The title of this article should have caught your attention as it seems that not a week goes by without some scandal rocking the military. Well, someone has found out and managed to express it eloquently in book form.

The book is titled *Significant Incident* and is written by David Bercuson, a well known historian, commentator and author, who has published or edited more than 30 academic and popular books.

The murder of a young Somali and the ill-fated demise of the Canadian Airborne Regiment are used as a vehicle to review the history of Canada's army and through it, provide what I consider a totally correct state of affairs in the Department of National Defence.

Bercuson explains in a clear and concise fashion what armies are all about and how the Canadian army gained its

excellent reputation in the major wars of this century.

The second part of his book is devoted to describing today's soldier by explaining current structures including the place of Regiments and families.

The last part of the book reviews the 27-year history of the Canadian Airborne Regiment, describes what it is to be a paratrooper and provides details on the circumstances surrounding the deployment to Somalia which have not received enough public attention.

The underlying message in Bercuson's book is that the crisis in the military has been long in coming and is in large part due to the unification of the Department of National Defence and the Canadian Forces in the late '60s and early '70s.

This exercise done with a view of improving administrative efficiency and imposing civilian bureaucratic control of the military is the root cause of the cancer eating

For the Record

away the military ethos. This ethos, not well published in the first place, is seriously threatened by a country, a government and its own military structure, who no longer understand, much less value, military virtues.

The issues raised in this book should not be a revelation to the Department of National Defence. The Commanders of the army have been concerned about the erosion of the military ethos for the last 20 years. All of these Commanders have locked horns with a series of deputy ministers over issues related to the ethos and funnily enough none of these Commanders was ever appointed Chief of the Defence Staff.

Those army generals all understood the seriousness of the disease creeping in as the army, of the three services, was the most vulnerable to its ravages. It took unfortunately the murder of an inno-

cent in a politically sensitive time to have the illness recognized. The sooner we separate the military and civilian components of DND, the sooner the military and the army in particular will be on the way to full recovery.

The recently announced shut down of the Somalia Inquiry will most likely prevent the aforementioned rec-

ommendation from becoming a conclusion in its final report. The good news is that Defense Minister Young has set-up a blue ribbon panel to restructure the military and David Bercuson is part of it.

Significant Incident, published by McClelland and Stewart is compulsory reading for anyone concerned about our Armed Forces.

Entertainment notes

HOLLYWOOD — The 1942 *Casablanca* has been named the best movie of all time in a survey of film critics conducted by the Internet magazine *Mr. Showbiz*. Other movies making the top 10 are, in order of priority: *The Godfather Part II* (1974), *North By Northwest* (1959), *Citizen Kane* (1941), *Lawrence Of Arabia* (1962), *Manhattan* (1979), *Gone With The Wind* (1939), *Chinatown* (1974), *The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance* (1962), and *City Lights* (1931).

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There's a tight lid of secrecy on the filming of *Eyes Wide Shut*, the latest film from reclusive director Stanley Kubrick. It stars Tom Cruise and wife Nicole Kidman. When Kidman was in New York recently doing interviews for her new movie, *Portrait Of A Lady*, reporters tried to get her to talk. But Kidman smilingly refused.

"My lips are sealed," she told reporters. However she did hint at the subject matter: "It's about sexual obsession and jealousy."

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Deaths

CHRYSAFIS, May A. (nee Hudson) — At her residence in Sutton, after a long illness, on Tuesday, January 21, 1997, May A. Chrysafis in her 74th year. Loving wife of George A. Chrysafis of Sutton. Dear mother of Winnie Bedard of Schaghticoke, N.Y. Dear grandmother of Debra Barton of Hyde Park, N.Y. and Linda Patka of Schaghticoke, N.Y. Great-grandmother of Krystal Barton, Kevin Morgan, Melanie Morgan and Pamela Patka. Also left to mourn are her sisters Lena, Bessie, Dorothy and Jean, nephews, nieces, other relatives and many friends. Visitation will be held at the Desourdy Wilson Funeral Home, 31 Main St. S., Sutton, Que. JOE 2K0, (514) 263-1212, on Thursday, January 23, 1997 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. The funeral service will be held from the Grace Anglican Church in Sutton on Friday, January 24, 1997 at 11:30 a.m., followed by interment at the Grace Church Cemetery in Sutton.

INGLIS, Clayton Greer — After a brief illness at the Brome-Missisquoi-Perkins Hospital on January 21, 1997 in his 86th year, beloved husband of the late Muriel Hamilton. Dear father of Sandra of Calgary, Marsha (Norman Emmett) of Knowlton. Left to mourn are his sisters-in-law Elizabeth Clark (André), Kathleen Hamilton, and his aunt, Ruby Greer. Also survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Funeral service will be held Friday, January 24, 1997 at 2 p.m. in the chapel of the Besette & Sons Funeral Home Inc., 5034 Foster, Waterloo, tel: 514-539-1606, fax: 514-539-3035. Visitation on Thursday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. and on day of the funeral from 1 p.m. Rev. Burn Purdon officiating. Cremation will be held at the Eastern Memorial Gardens in Granby. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Brome-Missisquoi-Perkins Hospital, or the charity of your choice, would be appreciated by the family.

In Memoriam

JOHNSON - In loving memory of our dear father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Johnson; dear sisters, Aime, son Lloyd, Gracie, May, granddaughter Linda, Florence, Irene, Elinor and dear brother, Homer.

Memories are the precious lamp
That lights the darkest road,
To the beautiful hope of reunion
With our loved one at the end of the road.

Always in our hearts

GERTRUDE & JACK
HUMPHREY
NIECES & NEPHEWS

In Memoriam

HUFF - In loving memory of a dear father, grandfather and great-grandfather, Clarence Ernest Huff, who entered into eternal rest and peace on January 23, 1995. "How blessed the dead who died in the Lord For their works do follow them," saith His word.

Though we cry out in anguish and dark is the way,
We know that He giveth us strength for the day.

This comforts the heart, though tears dim the eyes.
Of him who on God's precious promise relies.
So may we look upward, our hope fixed on God,
And follow the pathway our loved one has trod.

Always remembered in thought and prayer,
RON & CYNTHIA DREW
AND FAMILY
KEN & GLENDA HUFF
AND FAMILY

Card of Thanks

COOKSHIRE SCHOOL - The students and staff of Cookshire School wish to extend a heartfelt thank you to the parents, family, friends, and community members who donated to the "Canadian Tire Money Harvest". Through your generous contributions, you have ensured that our hot lunch programme will continue for the remainder of the school year. A very special thanks is extended to The Record for its publicity of our campaign, as well as to Mr. Rejean Guilmette of Canadian Tire, and to Vernon Dougherty of Dougherty Equipment Reg'd. Thank you one and all!

West Keith

Christmas Day dinner guests of Glendon and June Morrison were Clifford and Verlie Morrison, Carl and Ruth Dillon and Jason Morrison, Sawyerville.

Annette Beaudry, Sherbrooke, spent Christmas with Cliff and Jo Stowe.

Holiday guests at the home of Kay Olson were Steve Benoit, Nancy Robichaud and Nancy Olson, Lennoxville; Thomas Afolabi, Togo; Jordan and Sue Bishop, Sherbrooke; Lee Atwell, Eric and Mimi Blanchette, Dickie, Wendy and Rocky Coates, Ricky, Janet and Philip Dougherty, Frances Goodwin, Clayton Grey, Robert Harper and Howie and Sue Schmidt.

Obituary

CHARLES DAVID WILLIAMS JR.
of Waterville, Quebec

After a short illness Charles David Williams passed away at the Bowen Site CUSE, Sherbrooke on November 3, 1996.

Charles was born in Capelton, Quebec on January 25, 1914. He was the second oldest of a family of seventeen children. His father died in 1943 and his mother Rose Griffiths died at the Connaught Home, North Hatley on January 3, 1996 at the age of 101. He is survived by four brothers Fred, Bert, David and Jim, and four sisters Jessie, Elsie, Emily and Shirley and their spouses.

On June 15, 1939 he married Nettie Beatrice Bryant. Together they raised eight children, James (Marion), Barbara Sanderson (late Gary), Joyce Boudreau (Gerald), Norma McHarg (Peter), Philip (Mary-Ann), Karen Watton (Jim), Brenda Gauthier (Benoit), Wendy Robinson (Rick). He leaves 27 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Being one of the oldest of many children, Charles began working, at the young age of 13, for the Eustis Mining Company, in the Essay office. When the mine closed in 1939, he began to work for the Johnston Woolen Mills in Waterville, Quebec. He moved his family to Waterville in 1944. In 1952, when the B.F. Goodrich opened, he began to work for them as a Stationary Engineer. He remained there until he retired in January 1979.

One of Charles favourite past-times was gardening. For years he raised his own vegetables, always having plenty to spare for his children and their families. In the summer he would spend many an hour picking raspberries and blackberries along the railway tracks where he lived. In the winter, he would spend his time cutting wood on his wood lot.

A memorial service was held at the Cass Funeral Home in Lennoxville with Rev. Alain Milot officiating. His ashes were then buried in North Hatley at the Reedsville Cemetery. A lunch was served by the St. John's Ladies in the Waterville Anglican Church Hall. The family spent an enjoyable period reminiscing with each other and friends who joined them.

Charles will be remembered and sadly missed by the members of his family.

UCW holds meeting

WEST BOLTON (AW) — The December UCW meeting was a special time of fellowship with all the ladies of the Creek congregation invited to attend. It took place at the "Au Trois Canard" restaurant in Knowlton's England Hill, Thursday at 12 noon, December 12, 1996. Nineteen ladies and the minister of the Creek/Knowlton pastoral charge were in attendance.

The restaurant was artistically and beautifully decorated for Christmas and a very cheery fire could be seen burning through the glass in the door of the Franklin stove in one corner of the large room. Tables had been placed together to form two long ones and these, too, were invitingly laid and decorated with the Christmas motifs.

There were three choices of main courses from which to select; however, the duck is the restaurant's speciality. The service was fast and efficient and the food ample and very good.

An amiable and very pleasant time of fellowship was enjoyed by all, after which, amid "Merry Christmas and best wishes for the New Year" wished to everyone, the group dispersed to their homes.

The "Au Trois Canard" is a family owned and operated restaurant, the son is the chef and his mother and father are the waitress and waiter. Since we were a large group, there was a special rate regardless of which of the three main courses was chosen. The group thanked the family for their expertise and hospitality, also wishing them the greetings of the holiday season.

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Mrs. Dorothy Young spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Keith Kerr in Magog and a guest of Mrs. Young for New Year's was Mrs. Nellie Carriere of Magog.

Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of the late Mary Tkach who recently passed away at the Centre Hospitalier de Waterloo.

Mrs. Gladys Thompson has recently returned home after spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Baker in Mississauga, Ont.

Sutton
Mable Boyce
538-29946

Bid Lachapelle and Steven Lamb were in St. Andrew's East where they celebrated Christmas with Pam and Ken McQuat and family.

Mabel and Donna Boyce spent Christmas Eve at Winston and Joan Fosters home in Cowansville, their sons, daughter-in-laws and grandchildren were all there. Everyone enjoyed a lovely Christmas supper and a gift exchange.



Thursday, Jan. 23, 1997

In the year ahead, you might make several significant changes. You will orchestrate these adjustments and the results should please you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If you don't feel you are getting enough cooperation from associates today, you may not be setting a good example. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Today you might be saddled with responsibilities that you did not request. You will rise to the challenge, but it will not be easy.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You might be required to take a stand on an issue which will be debated among your close friends. Try not to hurt anyone's feelings.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) In order to maintain peace and harmony at home today, you might have to pretend not to notice a family member's rude behavior.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Even though you'll have good intentions, take care not to complicate a close friend's problem by offering suggestions that are not based on fact.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You should be wary of any investment tips you get from insiders today. Misery loves company, and someone might try to bring you down with him.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Today you might get involved with an individual who dislikes someone you like very much. Do not let this person cause you to doubt your friend.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Subdue the inclination to take assignments or activities that should be pleasurable and turn them into tedious tasks. Life is tough enough!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) A shift might occur in company politics today, and it could have undesirable effects. You may be assigned something that your fellow workers have been dodging.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Luck might play a role in your affairs today, but the influence could be limited. You must still continue to work hard.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Individuals with limited vision will rub you the wrong way today. Instead of letting them upset you, avoid discussing important issues with them.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You must remain logical if you are involved in a business deal today. If you let your emotions interfere, you might lose money.

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Christmas guests of Omer and Reta Drouin, were Brian and Linda Kydd of Melbourne, Que., Shane and Kelly Kydd, and baby Alison of Danville, Que., also Corey Kydd, who came home from Taiwan. He spent a few weeks at home, and has now returned to finish his year of teaching.

Shanna Kydd of London, Ont. was home for New Year's and spent a day with her grandparents. Omer and Reta spent New Year's Day with Brian and Linda Kydd and family in Melbourne.

Omer and Reta were visiting Mrs. Hetty Clark, in Bury, Que. one evening.

Waterloo

Judy Arnott
539-2169

Mrs. Gladys Cook and son Dwayne visited Gladys' aunt, Mrs. Evelyn Wadsworth at the Wales Home in Richmond.

Mrs. Mary Emmett spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Carleton Ladd and New Year's Day with Mr. and Mrs. Eric Newton and family of Warden. Other New Year's guests at the Newton home were Mrs. Anne Harsell, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Waterhouse of Abercorn, Mr. and Mrs. Milton McElroy, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cleary and sons, Mr. Marvin McElroy, all of St. Anne de Larochele, Mr. and Mrs. Shawn McElroy of Embrun, Ont., Debbie and Jessica Brown, Mr. and Mrs. David Newton and daughter Ashley, Mrs. Dorothy Brown and son Bobby.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wilkinson were Marilyn and Geoff McMillan and children of Calgary, Barbara and Bob Santos and family of Carleton Place, Ont., Joan and Kevin Abdallah and family of Pierrefond and Jim Wilkinson and sons of Waterloo.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Marsh spent a few days at Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Doug Lousley at Kemptville, Ont.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Comeau were Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hauver of Forestville, Que.

Sympathy is extended to family and friends of the late Andre Dauplaise who recently passed away at the Centre Hospitalier de Waterloo.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Galbraith were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Campbell and two children of Ontario. On Christmas Day Mr. and Mrs. Galbraith were guests of her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Burrill.

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The St. Francis Valley Naturalists' Club will present a program to increase our awareness of how recycling can protect our environment by personnel of ReCupex Inc. This will be on Wednesday, January 29 at 7:45 p.m. in the CLSC at 8 Speid Street. This will also be our annual meeting to elect the 1997 executive. Come and learn how we can do more to help "Mother Earth".

COWANSVILLE
Super Bowl Sunday at the Royal Canadian Legion, 120 Davignon, Cowansville on Sunday, January 26 beginning at 1 p.m. There will be games, prizes and a spaghetti supper at a very low cost per person. Information: 263-3543. All welcome.

WATERLOO
There will be a mixed dart tournament at the Legion Hall, 77 Lewis St., on Saturday, January 25. A team consists of 2 men and 1 women. Registration is at 7:30 p.m. There will be a team entry fee. Everyone is welcome. For additional information please call 539-0005 after 4 p.m.

AYER'S CLIFF
Our first Flea Market of the new year will be on Saturday, February 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Legion Hall, Br. #128, 176 Rosedale St. Lots of good items on sale. Come and buy a nice gift for Valentine's Day for a friend, mother, sweetheart. We have Valentine cards, flowers and more. Spices, home baking, jams, jellies and pickles, good clothes and lots more.

SHERBROOKE
The regular meeting of the Association of Former Employees and Associates of the former

Sherbrooke Hospital will be held on Wednesday, January 29 at 2 p.m. sharp in the Norton Annex lounge. The guest speaker will be Mark Allanson of Levesque, Beaubien, Geoffrion Inc. His topic will be "Investments: What will we do now?"

ROCK ISLAND
Turkey Dinner in the United Church Hall on Sunday, January 26 starting at 11:30 a.m. Benefit of the Church under the auspices of the Women's Units. All you can eat. Charge. Take-outs available until 11 a.m. Call in advance.

LENNOXVILLE
Town of "Lennoxville Outstanding Achievement" and "Donald Patrick" Awards. Nominations due by Thursday, January 30, written nominations only, to the Town Hall, 150 Queen St., c/o Michael Sudlow. Outstanding Achievement Awards: Arts and Culture, Business Development, Sports, Heroism, Citizenship and Volunteer Work, Education, Town Planning. Donald Patrick Award: for community service. Criterias: The achievement must have occurred in 1996 and must have had a positive impact on Lennoxville. Nominees do not have to be Lennoxville residents. Ceremony: Wednesday, February 26 at 7:30 p.m. at the Amedee-Beaudoin Community Hall. Open to all. Lets raise our hats to our local champions! Tell us about your most deserving achievers of 1996.

BROME
Everyone welcome to attend our Hymn Sing in St. John's Church, Brome on Sunday, January 26 at 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Edna Badger and others from Knowlton will be leading.

SAWYERVILLE
A card party will be held in the Community Centre on Saturday, January 25 at 2 p.m. Prizes and lunch. Sponsored by the Rebekah Lodge No. 23.

Women's Institute meeting

CLEVELAND — The Cleveland W.I. held their January meeting at the home of Eileen Mastine. President Myrna Hebert welcomed us and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

The collect was repeated by eight members. Five members had perfect attendance for the year.

Winnie Beausoleil gave the treasurer's report. A donation was received from Gloria Pease. Communication Quebec newsletter and the Federated News was passed around. A thank-you was received from Gloria Pease for the Christmas dinner. Amanda, Melissa and Don Perkins sent a thank you for their Christmas gift.

Citizenship and Legislation: Aline Healy passed around a picture of donations given to R.R.H.S. Cafeteria Fund and read "More Unforgettable Christmas-time memories." Education and Cultural Af-

fairs: Peggy Healy read an article from Reader's Digest.

Environment and Canadian Industries: Doris Stevens talked about strawberry plants in Ille Perrot

Publicity: Louise Perkins read new programs.

Sunshine: Matty Banfill passed around a card to be signed for Marjorie Traux.

T. fees were collected. Float-

WARDEN
500 card party on Wednesday, January 29 in the I.O.O.F. Hall, Warden at 8 p.m. Sponsored by the Planning Board. All welcome.

RICHMOND
The Richmond Legion St. Br. #15 will be holding a Pancake Sausage Breakfast on Sunday, February 2 from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Legion Hall. Admission charged. Everyone welcome.

LENNOXVILLE
Advance notice. St. George's Church, 84 Queen St., Lennoxville will hold a Valentine's Tea on Friday, February 14 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Door and other prizes. Come celebrate Valentine's Day with us. Lots of parking space and easy access for the handicapped. Sponsored by the Guild. Bienvenue a tous!

RICHMOND
The Mission and Service Committee of the Melbourne Ridge and Richmond-Melbourne United Churches invites you to a 4 week series on the following topics: 1) Listening to the call of God. 2) God's call to witness and repent. 3) The authority of Jesus' teaching and healing. 4) Experiencing Jesus as God's chosen child. A joint worship service will be held at 10 a.m. followed by coffee and discussion at 11 a.m. Starting January 19. (January 19, 26 and February 2 in Richmond, February 9 in Melbourne Ridge). All Welcome.

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

ing prize was won by Aline Healy. The menu was discussed and finalized for annual meeting. Flea Market to be April 26.

A Chinese auction was held. Next meeting will be February 8, at the home of Winnie Beausoleil with a pot-luck lunch, meeting at 10 a.m. Meeting adjourned followed by a wonderful pot luck dinner.

Sawyerville Alice Wilson 889-2932

David and Deanna Parnell were dinner guests of Herbert and Jean Parnell. They visited Steve and Ida Robinson, Lloyd and Janet Rowe and Patty of Ont., also visited Linda Rowe at her new home in Waterville.

Herbert and Jean Parnell of Spring Rd. were supper guests of David and Deanna Parnell.

Sharon Brazel, Samantha and Elizabeth French and Bonnie

Fowler were visitors of Deanna Parnell.

The Happy Gang Seniors met in the United Church Hall on January 14 for an afternoon of games when 500 and Canasta were played. Getting prizes were Evelyn Thomas and Gordon French. All enjoyed a delicious lunch. Getting gifts for marked serviettes were Lillian Laroche, Ferne Parker and Roger Boire.

"No power" to incestuous couple

Dear Ann Landers: A while ago, you reprinted a letter about an incestuous couple. I'm writing to object to the wanton attack you made on that brother and sister. He was a 60-ish divorced man, and she was a widow in her late 50s. They had sex twice a week. You said they were sick. I think your attitude is overly judgmental and narrow-minded.

If a pair of unmarried senior citizens, even a brother and sister, can find sexual satisfaction in a monogamous relationship, I say more power to them! Since the woman is past child-bearing age, their genetic background is totally irrelevant.

As for your charge that they're denying themselves the "opportunity to have normal relationships," both parties have been married before and are fully cognizant of what they're supposedly missing. If the writer had said, "When we were children, we were next-door neighbors," I'll bet you, too, would have said, "Congratulations, and more power to you." -- A FRIEND OF HUMANITY IN REISTERSTOWN, MD.

DEAR FRIEND OF HUMANITY: These two are a bit more than "next-door neighbors." They are brother and sister, and I am not about to tell them, "More power to you." If it is the need to release sexual energy we're talking about, a far better alternative is solitary sex. I recommend it.

Dear Ann Landers: I am a 14-year-old girl, and I have noticed something about the letters you print. So many people who write seem to think skinny people have

it easy. What they don't know is that being skinny is not all that wonderful.

I have been asked how much I weigh by complete strangers. This is very rude and hurtful. I have never heard of anyone going up to a fat person and asking, "How much do you weigh?" I get comments from relatives about how I need to put on some weight. Ann, for a couple of years now, I have been trying to add pounds to my 5-foot-7-inch, 95-pound body, but no matter how hard I try, I can't gain an ounce.

The overweight girls in our school get asked out a lot. So far, no guy has asked me anywhere. So, for those people who think being skinny is terrific, please let them know they are wrong. Tell them that it's a lot easier to take off weight than to put it on. -- A GIRL IN SANTA ROSA

DEAR SANTA ROSA: More people in America are overweight than underweight. Thank you for being an eloquent spokesperson for the silent minority.

Dear Ann Landers: I have enjoyed reading your columns on ridiculous lawsuits, and I would like to add another example to your fine collection that I read in the Rockford, Ill., Register Star. The sad thing about this example is that the courts are tied up wasting time on nonsense and the taxpayers have to foot the bill. -- R.E.B. IN CHERRY VALLEY, ILL.

DEAR R.E.B.: Thanks for sending the article. Here it is: "A man is suing Michigan for \$1 million because he says he



Ann Landers

caught a cold in the drafty Capitol rotunda in Lansing. Chris Morris filed the suit, saying he caught 'a cold and a hard cough' while visiting an art exhibit in February

"Chris DeWitt, spokesman for Attorney General Frank Kelley, said the whole thing is 'ridiculous,' but 'one of our assistants will have to spend time on this lawsuit, so it does end up costing taxpayers money.' A clerk at the Ingham County Courthouse said the \$90 fee for filing a suit was waived because Morris is broke.

"John Truscott, spokesman for Gov. John Engler, said, 'The irony is we've heard for years the Capitol is full of hot air. I don't know where the cold air is coming from.'"

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 ♦ A K J 10 5
 ♣ 8 3

West East
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 ♥ A 5 4 ♥ K J 10 9 8 3
 ♦ 9 7 4 3 ♦ 8 2
 ♣ A Q J 6 2 ♣ 10 9

South
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Vulnerable: East-West
 Dealer: West

South West North East
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Opening lead: ♥ A

jumps to three spades and four spades show long suits (at least six-baggers) and offensive, not defensive, values.

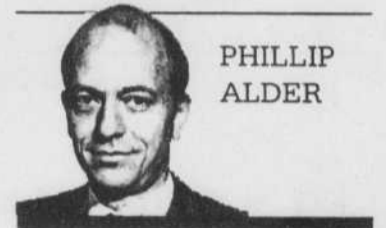
After ruffing the second heart, declarer played a trump to West's king and dummy's ace. He continued with a spade to his queen and started on the diamonds. However, East ruffed the third diamond and switched to the club 10: one down.

When the spade king pops up, South should pause. There is only one danger to the contract — that East gets on play for a club lead through the king. Here, just duck from the dummy, letting West have the trick. South wins the return, draws trumps and runs the diamonds in peace.

Marlon Brando made that comment about acting. But I cannot help thinking he is glad that he didn't follow his own advice.

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BRIDGE



PHILLIP ALDER

Think, pause, think again

By Phillip Alder

"Acting is the expression of a neurotic impulse. It's a bum's life. Quitting acting, that's the sign of maturity." Who said that?

At the bridge table, "maturity" is keeping your eye firmly on the ball. I know from painful personal experience that when something unexpected happens, it is easy to continue fatally with one's original plan, when a change of course is needed. Don't be impulsive: Quit playing momentarily and reconsider.

Take this deal as an example. You are in four spades. West starts with the ace and another heart. After ruffing, how do you continue?

There is debate about the meaning of South's jump to three spades. Some treat it as stronger than two spades, but I disagree with this. A jump to two spades shows about 9-11 points. With more than that, you cue-bid. The

THINK NATURALLY. DRIVE CAREFULLY!

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Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Culinary maven
- 5 Address to an unknown
- 8 Clobbered, old style
- 13 — Alto, CA
- 14 The fourth man
- 15 Track official
- 16 Stew pot
- 17 Pavlova's knee-bend
- 18 Cordial flavoring
- 19 Bar snacks
- 22 Kin of aves.
- 23 Obnoxious
- 24 Snake

- 28 Conscription agcy.
- 29 Diamond protector
- 33 Buzzers, e.g.
- 35 Boy king
- 36 In addition
- 37 Hot stuff
- 41 Mel of baseball
- 42 Roofer's supply
- 43 Spreads rumors
- 44 Part of R & R
- 46 Attempt
- 47 "— entertain you"
- 48 Word with time or turn

- 50 Culbertson of bridge fame
- 52 Little girl's makeup?
- 58 Spasms of pain
- 59 Go — (get cracking)
- 60 Part of n.b.
- 62 Heading
- 63 Cetaceans
- 64 Poker variety
- 65 Bitter drug
- 66 Deserter
- 67 Whoop

DOWN

- 1 Ensign's underling: abbr.
- 2 Painter Frans
- 3 Memorable Fitzgerald
- 4 Paddock newcomer
- 5 Certain card combinations
- 6 On one's toes
- 7 Heartens
- 8 Position
- 9 Stately dance
- 10 Leave out
- 11 — Trueheart
- 12 Previous to
- 14 Hastened
- 20 Disney's Lady
- 21 "Emma" author
- 24 Officer
- 25 Winged
- 26 Brewing ingredients

- 27 Bikini part
- 28 Tale
- 30 Alamogordo event
- 31 Composer Ned
- 32 Sheriff's group
- 34 Dog
- 38 Writer's voice

- 39 Coral, e.g.
- 40 Kind of chart
- 45 Kind of switch
- 49 Florists' items
- 50 A decree
- 51 D-Day ships: abbr.
- 52 Spanker, e.g.

- 53 Golden rule word
- 54 Nick's wife
- 55 — 500
- 56 Reactor part
- 57 Latin catchall
- 58 Sch. gp.
- 61 Saddler's tool

Wednesday's Puzzle solved:

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CELEBRITY CIPHER
by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another. Today's clue: O equals L.

'RMKYK TV PZVTD TA RMK CTY.'
- KHECYH KOJCY.

'RMTV PZVTD EIA'R HI. RMKYK'V
AIR KAIZJM VCYDCVP TA TR.' -
VCP JIOHEWA.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "If you cannot catch a bird of paradise, better take a wet hen." - Nikita Khrushchev.
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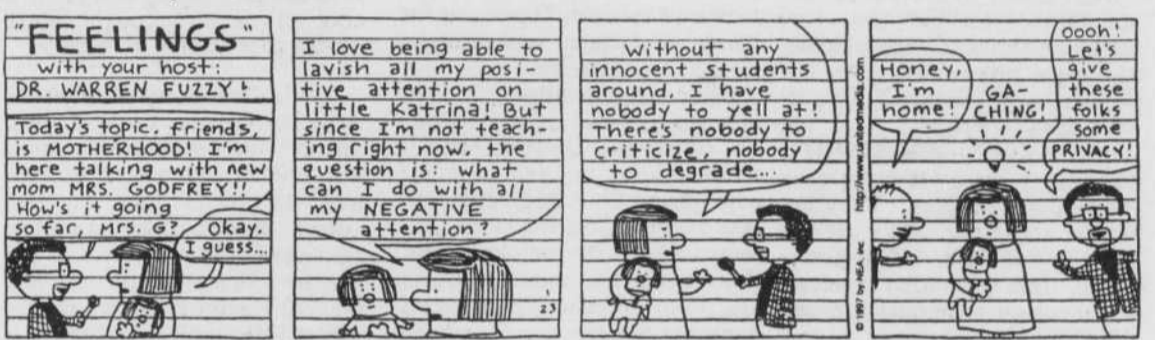
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Faucons lose again, but team is looking better

By Michael Innes

Record correspondent

SHERBROOKE - The new Sherbrooke Faucons impressed a lot of fans Tuesday night even if they lost 5-2 to Hull in front of a large crowd, thanks to the Sherbrooke chamber of commerce who

invited local businesses to buy tickets for the game.

Hull took the lead seven minutes into the game thanks to a goal from Peter Worrel, his 15th this season.

Sherbrooke newcomer Alain Charboneau tied the game for the Faucons with his first

goal of the season seven minutes later. Sherbrooke took the lead in the game after Simon Prieur with help from Marc Benoit, who was back in uniform after an injury.

Hull took charge for the rest of the game scoring three times in the second period. Marty Johnston scored twice and Martin Ménard the other to give the visitors a 4-2 lead in the game. Ménard scored

one more in the last period.

Sherbrooke coach Robert Mongrain was satisfied with the game and his young players but also talked about the performances of veterans Marc Benoit and Jean-Nicolas Bordeleau.

"I saw some nice things on the ice tonight. First of all we worked and second of all when (Tomas) Baluch and (Alain) Charboneau get in

the system they will take advantage of it. Tonight they did not really know were to go but Charboneau showed me that he has good hands and Baluch impressed me by being so calm," said Mongrain.

The Faucons play their next game Friday in Laval at 8 p.m. before hosting Chi-coutimi Sunday at 4 p.m. at the Palais des Sports.



Hull goalie Christian Bronsard had a relatively quiet night.



Sherbrooke goalie Frédéric Brindamour had his work cut out for him against high-scoring Hull.

PHOTOS: RICHARD LABEL

Big changes coming in Cowansville

High-flying Dragons too hot for Coaticook to handle

By Michael Innes

Record correspondent

SHERBROOKE - The Coaticook Frontaliers played one of the most improved teams in the league Tuesday night, the St-Hyacinthe Dragons, who have won their last 10 games. Coaticook lost 5-3.

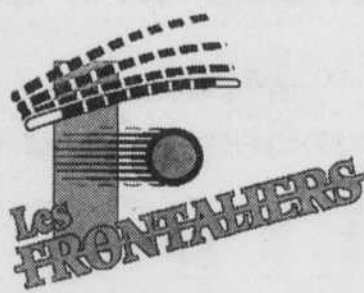
Coaticook took a 1-0 lead in the first five minutes of play thanks to a unassisted, short-handed goal by Jean-François Lacasse.

The Dragons tied the game later in the period with a goal from Pascal Boucher on a power play after Coaticook's Steve Richard

was sent to the penalty box for interference. The Dragons took the lead seven minutes later with a goal from Marc-André Lapointe. Lacasse scored his second of the game later in the period a power play to end the period tied.

St-Hyacinthe took a 3-2 lead five minutes into the second period on a goal from Marc Bréton.

The Dragons scored the last two goals of the game in the third period. Coaticook coach Jean-Pierre Delage pulled his goaltender in the last minute of play and St-Hyacinthe was



able to score once more into the empty net to give them the 5-3 win.

"The fans got to see a real playoff game" said Delage. "The game was played in the first period, we dominated the period and the shots on net prove it (13-7)

but we missed to many chances."

Marc Tanguay was once again in the nets for Coaticook and did an excellent job, facing 41 shots.

COWANSVILLE NEWS

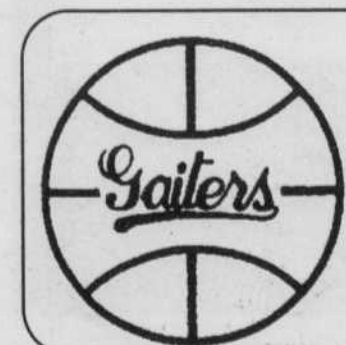
Frank Spinozzi is finished in Cowansville. Spinozzi, co-owner and general manager, sold his shares in the team to Michel Côté. The reason for Spinozzi's departure is that Côté started looking for a new coach to replace Martin Lessard.

"He started looking for a new coach and I was not aware of it and I cannot accept that. I think that

hockey decisions should come from the general manager and the one that does the marketing should do the marketing," said Spinozzi.

The problem started last Friday when Côté informed Spinozzi that he would be getting more involved in the hockey decisions and Spinozzi offered to sell his shares.

"I think that Martin was doing well with the team and that he should not be treated the way he was," said Spinozzi, who also added that Lessard should of been advised earlier of the situation.



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