

The Stone In The Road a brilliant performance

by Linda J. Dalgliesh

Sonia Sheane and her cast of Grade 6 and 7 students gave a brilliant performance of *The Stone In The Road*.

The students worked hard to make a success, often sacrificing noon hours and recreation time for rehearsals. Closets were plundered, jewel boxes were ransacked, seamstress relatives were bribed to sew without patterns and libraries were searched for costumes. It paid off. Rousing applause greeted the young performers.

Each of the vignettes was carefully crafted. Word, gesture and movement were captured in character with well drilled cast members who still managed the spontaneity which can only come from total familiarity with the role. Even the minor actors and actresses remained in character during their entire time on stage.

Dominique Avanthay as the queen was truly regal despite a bad case of laryngitis which left her little voice to project her imperiousness.

Miranda Dube as Catherine was a perfect lady in waiting, friend yet servant. Doug Abrahamson and Chantelle Lafreniere were truly snobbish as lord and lady. Remy Grenier, Tobie Savard and Chad Vincent were the most confused wise men ever. Jackie Guay and Kristen Paukovic were militant yet humorous soldiers. Ryan Lemier and Celeste Chevretils as a rich man and his wife contrasted delightfully with

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Children learn through doing at Le Petit Soleil nursery school

by Linda J. Dalgliesh

Le Petit Soleil is a co-op nursery school for three and four-year-olds in St. Georges

Community Centre. Joanne Niedermayer and Noreen Bouvier believe that children learn through practical activities.

On Thursday, May 30, one group was hard at work picking up trash around the community centre and preparing flower beds for planting. The children were hot and tired after their morning's work and so were quite content with games, puzzles and quiet activities!

Most of the children in Le Petit Soleil are English speaking. Niedermayer and Bouvier teach the children basic French words in September when they start, gradually developing their vocabulary until they can understand simple sentences by June. It is a preparation for French Immersion.

Le Petit Soleil is a co-op nursery. The parents pay forty dollars per month to cover basic costs. Fundraising projects such as Mom's Pantry, provide equipment.

Each month has a theme. For example, April was Fun with Food and included everything from making popcorn to making home made butter. May was Outside Activities month where children flew kites, visited a petting farm, and visited the post office. Thursday's activities were part of this theme.



Le Petit Soleil prepared flower beds for planting and picked up trash at the St. Georges Community Centre.

On the Mill buyout ...

Pitre says worker loyalty should be rewarded

by Linda J. Dalgliesh

Fern Pitre, the pivotal figure in the buy out of Abitibi-Price Pine Falls by the local management group, was interviewed in his temporary small office in the Pine Falls office building. Pitre is on temporary leave of absence from his position as mill manager. He is spearheading the two month drive to obtain a funding package to put before the Abitibi-Price organization which is supposed to be ready by June 30.

Capital Canada specialize in management buy outs and have connections in the financial world which enable them to open doors for presentations about the buy out. Pitre is pleased by the results obtained by Capital Canada on behalf of the management group. Pitre has spoken with banks and equity investors over the last few weeks and will continue to do so. Pitre said, "There is a lot of interest in the project." He is very optimistic that a deal will be struck by the June 30 deadline.

Capital Canada and the

management group compiled a prospectus of their plans for organization, financing and short-term and long-term goals. The prospectus shows the way they see the structure of the deal. After a presentation, normally the banks or equity investors discuss with Pitre about possible variations on the prospectus and question him more fully on certain aspects.

Richard Drayton, the capital Canada representative, and Pitre have been travelling to Winnipeg, Toronto and other places meeting with many groups.

Pitre describes the current situation as a "management lead employee buy out". Despite some advice, which advocated a straight management buy out, Pitre "wanted to do something for the people of Pine Falls". The local employees have been very loyal to the company over the years and Pitre felt it should be rewarded. Therefore, when he makes the presentations to the potential investors, he includes the pack-

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Water restrictions placed on Village of Powerview

by Linda J. Dalgliesh

The Village of Powerview has entered into a water contract with Abitibi-Price for five years. Due to aging equipment and increased demand, Abitibi-Price has put an upper limit on consumption by the Village of Powerview of 126,000 U.S. gallons per day for two months. If it exceeds this amount in two consecutive months will be twice the monthly rate times two months. Therefore water

which would normally cost \$2,500 per month would now cost \$10,000 for two months.

Therefore, in order to prevent this problem occurring at great cost to the taxpayers, the Village of Powerview is asking that the even numbered houses should water outside on the even days and the odd numbered houses on the odd days. If this does not work further measures may be necessary. Please cooperate.

Canoeing the North West Company trade route from west to east

Linda J. Dalglish

John Gardner is realizing a long time dream. He is in the second summer of a trip across Canada by canoe following the North West Company trade route from west to east.

Last summer Gardner and his wife Bev began their canoe odyssey in Vancouver. By autumn, they arrived at The Pas. This summer they will be canoeing to St. John, New Brunswick. They were unable to start at The Pas because it was still frozen the beginning of May. Therefore, they are doing the stretch from Fort Frances to The Pas backwards.

Gardner is an Anglican priest and Bev is a church army sister. Gardner decided to take two years off to pursue his love of canoeing and his love of history, saying this was probably not a great career move but they are making memories to last a lifetime.

The Canadian history buff thoroughly researched his route both from an historical viewpoint and a canoeing one. Gardner marks his route by the North West Company forts along the way. The couple have only been badly lost once.

Gardner admits they are not typical canoeists. They carry five hundred pounds in an eighty-five pound canoe so they don't make great time. David Brewster, an American who works as a technician in cable TV, whom they met along the way carries seventy-five pounds in a thirty-five pound high tech canoe. The Gardners' gear includes a contraption to portage the canoe and another to set up a sail both of which are heavy.

The trip is paid for mostly from their savings. They received \$2000 from the Anglican Church and an additional \$2000 from the diocese. The food is placed in drops and is basic pasta, rice, canned food and other foods rather than expensive freeze dried food. They carry a .22 rifle for emergencies.

John Gardner is writing a book on a computer which will combine a travel book with a commentary on twenty-five years of life as an Anglican priest. Gardner has previously written articles on corrections and canoeing as well as religious publications.

Gardner's second wife Bev is a university student. He has three adult children from his first marriage. Bev enjoys canoeing but is not an early bird camper. Bev enjoys a break from the camping routine when they can stay in Anglican homes and halls such as in Pine Falls the weekend of May 25, 26.

Gardner has been canoeing since sixteen and has been taking groups of young people on wilderness canoe trips for years. He is not daunted by canoeing across Canada. So, unless he succumbs to Beaver Fever or the zainness of long distance canoeing, he will complete his great adventure by the fall.

The canoe is called Es Toy Perdido, which is Spanish for "I am lost" or "I am in need of salvation". Also written in Latin is Nulla Vestigia Retrorsum or "We go back for nothing we have left behind" as well as, Omnia Mea Mecum Porto which means "All I have I carry with me".

The Gardners will be back in Pine Falls in about three weeks after their return from Pine Falls. If you see an overloaded red car with a red canoe on top, stop and ask them about their trip.



John and Bev Gardner and Es Toy Perdido, their trusty canoe are following the North West Company trade route across Canada.

Buyout negotiations on target

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age employee involvement.

The buy out negotiations are "on target" according to Pitre. The group has received a lot of support from various people including local people and business associations. Pitre says they have not received anything negative.

The members of Fort Alexander Reserve have approached the management group about several concerns which Pitre feels can be dealt with. Employment at the mill be reserve members is one concern. Pitre says they employ 30-36 natives in the mill in comparison with Kenora which only employs 2. The environmental concerns will probably be met when the mill spends approximately twenty-five million dollars to enforce the new federal guidelines enforced in September, 1991. Pitre anticipates that the local mill will be exemplary for environmentally conscious industries in the pulp and paper field.

The concern of the employees to know more than a brief overview is well known by the management group. They know there is a lot of interest and a lot of speculation. However, because the deal is not there as yet and there is a possibility that the deal might change, it has been decided not to provide the employees with any further information at this time. It is felt that if changes had to be made, it would create misunderstandings by the employees. Instead a package will be discussed with employees at a further time when the deal is closer to accomplish-

ment.

Pitre says they are seeking what he refers to as "deep pocket equity investor". It is a risky business to invest in a company. It is very capital intensive. "It is very, very important to structure this properly," Pitre emphasized. In the future Abitibi will not come to the rescue. The pension plan will be transferred in a lump sum and the pension plan will continue. However, if there is a down turn in the economy, they will need an investor with a lot of financial resources to carry them through the bad times. That is why they need a "deep pocket" investor.

The equity investors are looking for a return on their investment. They understand the risks. They've seen deals before this. It is admirable that local retired and business people want to invest in the mill. However, it doesn't add to the value of the deal they are presenting. In many ways, it is better to have an investor with five million dollars, than five hundred investors of a hundred thousand.

Meetings are planned the first week in June with union members and union leaders with the management group.

Management is looking at ways to utilize office waste paper instead of kraft as a source of fibre. Currently, the mill spends seven million dollars to purchase kraft each year.

printed on lighter weight 45 gram sheets which reduces the amount of newsprint needed to produce the same lineage. Lineage in papers is also down because of the reduced advertising due to the recession. Also, in the past three years ten to eleven paper machines were started up capable of producing two million new tons per year. Pitre anticipates that there will be a 2.8 per cent increase over the next decade. They also expect a weakening of the Canadian dollar which will improve their trade with the United States. A high ma-

majority of the mill's trade is with the United States. Pitre also anticipates a stabilization in the weights of paper. A general upturn in the economy is also predicted as we come out of the current recession.

Pitre says that the buy out is exciting and challenging personally. He sees it as one of the highlights of his career. His family is also excited. Pitre is spending a lot of time travelling setting up the financing for the buy out. At the conclusion of that time, he is looking forward to remaining at Pine Falls for a long time.

Manitoba Natural Resources WEEKLY FIRE REPORT Eastern Region

Forest Fire Danger	Moderate
Number of Fire Burning	0
Number of Fires This Year	29
Losses to Date (hectares)	576.9
Man Caused Fires	29
Lightening Caused Fires	0



Co-op Education employers treated to luncheon

You may have noticed many of our Grade 12 students working in various businesses in the Pine Falls area during the afternoons for the past few months. These were Co-operative Education students, who were each earning two high school credits by spending 180 hours working at a work station of their choice.

Co-op Ed supervisor Diane Herdman asked students where they would like to work, met with representatives of the businesses, and set up individual training plans for each student. She then monitored the work stations regularly, getting feedback from the employers, and giving the students suggestions to improve their performance on the job.

The students really benefited from their experience. It helped them decide if they wanted to seek employment or pursue further post-secondary training in that field, or seek a career more suited to their talents and abilities.

These are some of the students' reactions to the course: **What Co-operative Education Means to Me** by Christine Fountain

Hi! My name is Christine Fountain and I am working in the personal care home in Pine Falls. This course means a lot to me because it gives me experience in the field that I am interested in -- nursing. I will work 90 hours in the personal care home and another 90 hours in the general hospital. So far I am really enjoying myself!

My name is Richard Cure. I am in Co-op Ed. To me it is a good experience. It is on the job training and it gives you a good idea of what the profession is like and you find out if you really like that profession.

I feel Co-op Ed is a very educational course. Through this I can see if child care is my field of work by being at Three Bears Day Care. The staff and children are a pleasure to be with.

I feel that the Co-op Ed course will help me prepare myself along with many others for our life of work ahead of us. For me Three Bears Day Care will enable me to see if child care is my field of work for the future. This course isn't only educational but also entertaining and so realistic, allowing students to have a feel for work involving the outside world.

Hi! Tom Henderson here.

I think that Co-op Ed is a good asset to the community. It gives a student the experience of working on a job. And what is expected of he/she on the job. Instead of learning on his/her first job.

I strongly feel that the Co-operative Education course is a very helpful course for the youth today. It helps the students prepare their future. To me it helped me so far to understand what I want to do someday, but right now, I choose to work at the Pine Falls Hospital to learn and to feel if it's really for me.

To give Diane more of a feel for what a Co-op student goes through in their work placements, she was required to spend a day on a work site as a Co-op Ed "student". She chose to spend a day with the Department of Natural Resources in Pine Falls. When she was in high school, she had wanted to be a forest ranger, but was told girls couldn't be forest rangers. As a result, she went into teaching. This Co-op Ed assignment gave her an opportunity to look more closely at the duties Natural Resources officers perform in their job. Her response to the day's activity was: "I was pretty excited when Jeff Houghton was able to set up a day for me to spend on the job in his department. It made me much more aware of the variety of tasks Natural Resources officers perform. I would have liked to have had this kind of opportunity to explore careers when I was in high school. We were really pleased by the responses of businesses in the community, who so willingly participated in this program. We know it was a lot of work on their part, as they had to set aside time to train the students in various skills, keep records of their students' hours and the skills they performed, and evaluate them on a regular basis.

To show their appreciation for this effort, the students hosted an employers' appreciation luncheon at Powerview School on Wednesday, May 22. Agassiz School Superintendent Mr. Waldo Klassen, and school board members Leonne Pommer and Cheryl Hamilton, as well as Co-op Ed Coordinator Anne Longston were invited as special guests.

The students planned the menu, brought the food, and set up the Home Ec room for the buffet. Each student presented a certificate of appreciation

New doctor for Pine Falls

Dr. Johann Kuschke is the new doctor at the Pine Falls Medical Clinic and hospital. Kuschke has worked in a variety of rural practises in Canada including a recent stint in Boissevain.

Kuschke and his wife Ami are from South Africa. Their son Pieter is five years old. They will be living in a house by the village green beside the hospital.

The thirty-two year old doctor grew up in Cape Town, South Africa where he took his training at Stellenbosch University. His father is an ear, nose and throat surgeon. Kuschke lived in a privileged white suburb untroubled by the political upheavals in South Africa. During his two year army term, he learned more about real life in modern day Africa. Malnutrition and infectious diseases are more serious problems than in Canada.

Doctors in South Africa commonly see one hundred

and fifty people a day in comparison to thirty to fifty here. South Africa has excellent training and a good standard of medicine.

The Kuschkes like Pine Falls so far. People are making them feel welcome. They love the scenery. The Kuschkes enjoy sailing and are looking forward to sailing on Lake Winnipeg. Johann also enjoys golf. His son Pieter likes cycling and hockey. Ami is an amateur artist.

Dr. Kuschke was put to work as soon as his working permit was changed to Pine Falls. He will be a welcome addition to the staff at the Pine Falls Medical Clinic.

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Rural students are hardest hit

In these tough economic times, one of the hardest jobs to handle is the administration of an institute of higher learning.

A recent survey in Manitoba found that these academics are caught between the proverbial rock and a hard place; on one hand, they have students marching on the legislature, screaming about fee increases; on the other, they are having to cope with complaints from teachers, lecturers and professors about tiny salary increases, cutbacks in staffing and severe reductions in money for research.

And the big-time losers in this whole battle are students from rural Manitoba, whose parents have toiled for years paying taxes to support these institutions in the hope that, for many of them, their children could receive an education that their own parents could not afford for themselves.

The implications of this education dollar-crunch are widespread — are we, for instance, once again creating a system where only the rich kids will be able to go to college? Internationally, are we going to fail in the marketplace because we have allowed R and D (research and development) funds to dwindle to an all-time low? Late in May, I took the issue to three administrators:

Dr. Arnold Naimark, University of Manitoba; Dr. Marsha Hanon, University of Winnipeg; Dr. Tony Knowles, Red River Community College.

All three agreed that rural students were the hardest hit.

"There is no question that they have

Warren Speaks

with investigative Journalist Peter Warren



real problems. On top of the cost of books and regular fees, they have to find accommodation. That means residence fees, by whatever means they chose." Dr. Hanon told me.

If we leave aside the complaints from faculty members (another column perhaps), the issue about student costs is one we are not going to solve in a hurry.

If you have children attending one of these, or another, places of higher learning, you know exactly what I'm talking about. However, realize the other side of the argument:

Student fees do not come anywhere close to paying the cost of tuition.

In fact, they make up only 20 per cent of the tab at either university or community college.

There have been various and sundry arguments put forth over the years to return some kind of interest to the hard-burdened taxpayer.

One idea, which surfaced in British Columbia, suggested that medical graduates should be forced to maintain a practise in rural or remote areas after graduation — to "pay back" the taxpayer and provide a much-needed service in communities which had a hard time enticing a doctor to locate there.

That was quickly knocked down under the Constitution's freedom-of-movement amendments.

Then we have a proposal, first put forward in Manitoba, that graduates of a particular program should be legally bound to repay in part some of their education costs.

"A young person entering dentistry will pay about \$40,000 for a course which will guarantee him or her an annual rake-off of more than \$145,000. Surely they should pay something back," one accountant proposes.

It will all come out in the wash. In the meantime, if you hail from rural Manitoba, you are one strike down before you've even begun at university or community college.

And, frankly put, that's not fair.

The redcoats: We need them more than ever

Prior to one abrupt interruption, I was in an idyllic state; the springtime sun was warm on my back, there was a gentle breeze from the south, the geese were honking overhead, and I was quietly busy pruning the raspberry canes.

About that interruption. In the distance I could hear a siren, which is not uncommon because we're only a few hundred yards from the blacktop. Instead of fading away, however, this one kept getting louder and louder until it happened: a motorcyclist roared around the house and across the back lawn and disappeared into the evergreen plantation. Hard on his wheels was a mountie car, siren wailing.

Well, this shakes a fellow up, especially on a quiet Sunday afternoon, but it served as a reminder of something important; the redcoats are still with us. For a while, at least.

When Robert W. Service wanted to salute the mounties he wrote a poem, *Clancy of the Mounted Police*. One stanza goes:

"In the little Crimson Manual it's written plain and clear,

Those who wear the scarlet coat shall say goodbye to fear."

A lot of us on the Prairies these days have a fear of our own; we fear that the mounties will just say goodbye, and ride off into the sunset.

Once again an issue has been joined because of a fourway shuffle which hits you and me right in the bank balance. Ottawa off-loads a financial burden on the provinces, which does the same to the municipalities, and you and I know where the latter go for money.

Before I get into the heavy opinions on this matter I want

to correct some major misinformation.

Hundreds of you have written me in recent weeks because you have something you want to say about Quebec, or have some questions for Prof. Sarra-Bournet. In that mail a surprising number have mentioned their unhappiness that Quebec allegedly has 2000 RCMP working in that jurisdiction at no cost to the province, and that Quebec gets a bonus of sorts for letting the mounties work in that province.

Wrong, wrong, wrong. Six telephone calls later and I had the straight dope.

Yes, there are 2000 mounties working in Quebec, but they work exclusively at international airports, and provide support to customs operations and drug enforcement. All federal responsibilities. They do no provincial work; there is no bonus.

Editors by the dozen are apprehensive that Ottawa's suggested rates for the RCMP will exceed the ability of the towns and municipalities to raise their taxes. Many others remind us that crime in the rural areas is on the increase, and we need those redcoats more than ever before.

I will let one editor speak for all the rest. Frank Wilson, of the *Watrous Manitou*, is a former mountie who says, "Maintaining the right is the motto of the RCMP. This is a time for politicians to do the 'right' thing in maintaining the force's operational capabilities and local presence on behalf of the people they serve."

By the way, this problem is not going to go away. Rumors suggest the next RCMP contract with the provinces will be only for a year or two. Ottawa is determined to boost those rates.

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High jumping at the Powerview track and field meet.



Dolls, bunnies, elephants and bears basking in the early morning sun at Pine Falls flea market.

POLICE REPORT

Between 2:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., May 25, 1991, the band office at Little Black River Reserve was broken into. The hole was smashed through an outside wall and a number of doors kicked in inside. Two VCR's and a microwave oven are missing.

At 8:30 a.m., May 25, 1991, a vehicle tried to pass another on PR No. 305, 22 kilometers south of Powerview. After pulling out to pass, the driver saw an oncoming vehicle and tried

to pull back into the driving lane. Unfortunately, when pulling back in, it hit the rear of the vehicle they were trying to pass. \$2,200.00 damage was caused and a 20-year-old Fort Alexander man was charged for imprudent driving. He also blew a warn on the Alert and his driver's license was suspended for six hours.

There were four impaired driving charges laid in the past week.

Wind and rain failed to dampen Flea Market success

by Linda J. Dalgliesh

The opening of the Pine Falls Flea Market on May 25 was seen as an excellent start to a good project. Not everyone who was supposed to come, filled a table. Some visitors came too late for certain products. The exhibitors had to learn to deal with wind and rain sprinkles. But as a whole it was a success.

Many visitors promised to return, some as exhibitors. Everyone got a better idea about what works and what doesn't.

A good indicator that home and garden products will be very successful, was the quick sell-out of the twenty dozen eggs from the Chevrefils. Dee Sparrows

homemade spiced crabapple jelly sold like hot cakes. Many visitors were disappointed to find no home baking and homemade perogies, cheese and preserves other than jelly. Some of these items have been promised so visitors should watch each week for new stalls.

Nick and Helen Kush were selling folding picnic tables, sand bag tables, knife holders just in time for weddings and showers. Their unique sparkling patio lights were a big hit.

Nicole Germain's neon and nautical beach bags are high style but practical. Everything you need for the beach will almost fit inside. Germain also had some "Junk in the Trunk" to sell which was a great hit with bargain hunters.

Kevin Alane who painted the attractive sign beside the flea market grounds on Highway 11, also had some black mirror art on display. He will make to order whatever picture you desire in this unique art form.

Come early next week for the fresh farm eggs. They were sold out in fifteen minutes.

Dee Sparrow had a wide variety of articles for sale. She sold Tundra wild rice, Virginia's homemade hair ornaments, "Don't Bug Me" fly swatters, which one customer was buying for "the flies, the kids, her husband or whatever needed swatting", mop dolls, bunnies, bears, bags and grape vine wreaths.

Adorable doggy sun visors and bandanas in a variety of sizes, rope walking leashes, catnip mice, scratch poles and pet dish placemats were also for sale. Lucky modelled a sun visor. Lucky

owns John and Karen Loos. Sue Thompson created these pet accessories.

Shirley Giesbrecht demonstrated Nu Skin International, products designed to make you look wonderful in Manitoba's harsh climate extremes.

New products are promised by local entrepreneurs and organizations. Chris Haigh has some university trained mice for sale but only to a good home. Baking is coming. Dog food is coming. Garden produce will be ready soon. Other crafts are on the way.

Come and visit the Pine Falls Flea Market. I'm sure you'll take home a bargain.

Come Celebrate
Seniors Day

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Dads do make a difference

by Pastor Barry Bence
Lutheran Church
of the Cross

Recently a college professor conducted a careful, two-year study that asked children aged four to six: "Which do you like better, TV or Daddy?" Forty-six percent of the youngsters indicated that they preferred television.

Every Dad carries little tape recordings of his own Father inside his head. That's why, generation after generation, Dads continue to say these same dumb things: "When I say 'no' I mean 'NO!'"

"I'll tell you why. Because -- that's why!"
"As long as you live in my house, you'll live by my rules!"

DATE BOOK

Pre-natal Classes -- starting July 3 till August 7. To register please call Pine Falls Health Unit at 367-2224.

Golden Leisure Club -- Whist every Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.; meeting every second Wednesday of every month at 1:00 p.m.

Libraries Allard hours -- Tuesday 10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Wednesday and Thursday 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Friday 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m., Saturday 10:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Winnipeg River Women's Institute -- meets the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m., Library Allard in St. Georges.

Al-Anon Serenities Group -- To be held Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., United Church, Walnut Street, Pine Falls. For anyone who lives with the problem of alcoholism or drug addiction in a friend or relative, call Elsa 367-2936, Leona 367-8418, or Flo 367-2556.

Silver Haven Club -- Monthly meetings every second Thursday of the month at 3:15 p.m. after whist game, Powerview Church basement, St. Georges Sand Bag League -- Every Thursday at 7:30 p.m., St. Georges Parish Church.

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(return to regular time Sept. '91)
Gull Lake -- 5:00 p.m. Sat.
Powerview -- 9:30 a.m. Sun.
Stead -- 11:30 a.m. Sun.

"If all your friends jumped off the bridge, would you do it?"

"You want something to do? I'll give you something to do!"

"I know it's your game, but right now your Uncle and I are playing."

"Look, Fluffy left you a little present -- right in the middle of the living room rug!"

Somebody came up with the idea that Daddies at least once a week ought to tell bedtime stories. Here's how one Dad's went.

"Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall. Humpty Dumpty had a great fall. All the king's horses and all the king's men had scrambled eggs for breakfast. You want another story? Alright, here it is. Once upon a time, something happened. Then everybody lived happily ever after. Now go to sleep!"

For all you folks out there who love reading *Psychology Today*, here's another recent study. Boys in a day care were given 18 pieces of candy apiece. They were allowed to keep it themselves or share it with friends. Observers watched what happened. Later, the same observers asked the boys to describe their Fathers. The result of this study was that boys who had affectionate and warm Dads were much more likely to share their candy with others, and on other tests turned out to be more cooperative, sympathetic, and kinder than the other boys.

MYJC weekly report

by Helene Lambert

The centre held an open house on Wednesday, May 22. We hoped to raise community awareness about what the centre has to offer. Among those who attended were Peter Raymond, a member of the centre's sponsoring committee, Ken McDonald, the centre's regional manager and Marlene Watson, secretary/treasurer of the Village of Powerview.

Those of you who are still unclear as to how the centre works, here's a brief explanation. Students and youth ages 12-24 years seeking employment, register with the centre. Anyone needing help of any kind can contact the Manitoba Youth Job Centre and place a job order. We then look through our files to locate the best student(s) or youth for the job. The employer makes the final decision as to who is hired.

The other services we pro-

The Clergy Corner

by Pastor Barry Bence

Conclusion: Dads do make a difference, one way or the other.

Let's wrap up with a true story from Florida. A Sarasota, Florida couple recently were arrested after police discovered that they had trained their sons to carry on the family business of -- armed robbery! Their boys knew all about police scanners, assault rifles, escape routes, and disguises, and were thoroughly coached after each robbery to correct any had techniques in escape or in hand-to-hand combat.

The crazy part about all of this is that these parents were more conscientious in training their kids to be crooks than many parents are when it comes to training their kids to be Christians! These misguided parents knew that their offspring needed a lot of help if they were to succeed as crooks. Are our kids as prepared to succeed as Christians?

The author of this article concludes: "Raising children is the greatest challenge God has given us. How well are you doing at teaching your children about the things of God?"

Happy Father's Day!

Planting time at Sunnywood Manor

This is the time of year everyone plants their flowers. Thanks to Mr. John Poitras who donated flowers and soil, the residents of Sunnywood Manor did their planting. We sat outside and separated the flowers and replanted them in smaller containers. They are now ready to be planted outside in the flower bed. Next year we are hoping to plant a garden in the back.

Western Day was the feature on May 23. Staff and residents dressed as cowboys and cowgirls. Thanks to Jocelyn Monsen, we decorated with a saddle, hay bales, pitch fork and several other items. We had a BBQ for lunch and had entertainment in the afternoon. Flo Vincent

and Ronny St. Pierre had a great beat going with their fiddle and guitar. Residents and staff had a great time.

Our bingo winners were Mabel Loughheed, Boniface Guimond, Frank Ryan, Chris Hemminger and Mary Henowicz. Our ring toss champion was Chris Hemminger, with Hugh Stewart a close second.

We would like to welcome Mathieu St. Croix at Sunnywood Manor. He will be visiting in respite for a couple of weeks.

Our condolences to Glenn Oakes' family for his passing on May 19 and to Mary Chevrefils' family for her passing on May 24. They both will be missed by everyone at Sunnywood Manor.

Fran Thompson speaks to WRWI home-based businesses

Home-based business -- does it pay? Fran Thompson spoke to the WRWI on the subject of home-based business on our May program. Her well investigated topic addressed questions of: How do I get started? Preparing a business plan? and Does it pay? Maybe in these times of low employment, home-based business could be an alternative.

What's a "Knit-wit"? A knit-wit is a small stuffed, knitted doll, and the WRWI are going to do their best to fulfill an ongoing donation to the Pine Falls Hospital and clinic. The knit-wits will be used in the lab etc. for tiny patients who need something to comfort them. Members will be busy knitting, sewing and stuffing! Anyone interested in contributing to our project is more than welcome.

June outing: To say "so-long" for the summer plans are underway for a "family BBQ". Family, food and fun are on the agenda.

See you in the fall: September 17 -- mixer games,

bringing a friend; October 15 -- women's health; November 19 -- pot-luck supper, general meeting. WRWI meets at the Library Allard, St. Georges, 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you there! For info call 367-8538

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Hydro sheds light on high pressure sodium conversion

by Linda J. Dalglish

Manitoba Hydro representatives, Ed Cook and Joe Lapka made a presentation to the LGD of Alexander about installation of high pressure sodium lights replacing the current mercury vapour lights.

Using overheads, Cook showed there is a 43.3 per cent saving in electrical demand and a 46.7 per cent saving in electrical consumption. This is no sacrifice of light. A standard 175 watt mercury vapour light produces 7800 pressure sodium produces 9500 lumen.

Conversion of street lights costs \$65/unit regardless of the unit size. This \$65 represents one third of the total cost. Manitoba Hydro picks up the other two thirds. Sentinel yard lights are recovered through the rental. The

current rate will remain in effect for three years. After that time the rate should decrease by 10 per cent. If the LGD does not choose to pay outright for the cost of conversion, they may choose to pay by maintaining their present rate until the lights are paid for.

One third of sentinel lights will be changed each year for three years. One third of towns with street lights will be converted each year. All new lights installed will be high pressure sodium.

The high pressure sodium lights provide an orange glow rather than a blue light. The cost of hydro to maintain the lights after the conversion is less than the mercury vapour lights.

For more information contact your local hydro officer.



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

- SUBJECT** Direct purchasing of Natural Gas from brokers, agents or producers by Manitoba consumers
- BACKGROUND** Centra Gas Manitoba Inc. (Centra) entered into a long term gas supply contract with Western Gas Marketing Limited in 1988. The Board is requested to approve rates for gas pursuant to that contract. The current price under that contract expires on October 31, 1991 and the rates to customers may change thereafter.
- However, some large volume customers in Manitoba have been able to participate in the deregulated market by arranging their own direct purchases with suppliers other than Centra and arranging to transmit that supply to Manitoba or to have Centra transmit that supply on their behalf.
- The Board, in previous public hearings, has approved terms and conditions under which Centra offers direct purchasing arrangements to large volume customers. A number of Companies are now proposing to enter the Manitoba market with the intention of offering direct purchasing arrangements to smaller volume customers to enable them to participate in the deregulated market.
- The Board is of the view that direct purchasing arrangements as they pertain to medium and small volume customers require further examination and accordingly has prepared a list of issues for discussion at a public hearing.
- ISSUES** SOME OF THE ISSUES TO BE INVESTIGATED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING INCLUDE BOARD JURISDICTION, SECURITY OF SUPPLY OF DIRECT PURCHASE ARRANGEMENTS, FINANCIAL VIABILITY OF SELLERS, ROLE OF CENTRA, BONDING OR INDEMNIFICATION, FINANCIAL IMPACTS ON OTHER CUSTOMERS AND RATE ISSUES.
- PUBLIC HEARING** A public hearing to review these issues will be held on July 16 and if necessary July 17, 1991, commencing at 9:00 a.m. at the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza, 350 St. Mary Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba. A special sitting has been arranged for 1:15 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. July 16 for persons wishing to make presentations to the Board.
- PROCEDURES** Parties interested in participating in this hearing should register with the Board immediately by completing a Participant Registration Form available from the Board's office and should obtain a copy of the List of Issues.
- Participants are required to respond, in writing, to the List of Issues by no later than June 24, 1991. Thirty (30) copies of their responses should be submitted to the Board's office. The Board will arrange the distribution of these responses to all Registered Participants.
- At the public hearings Participants will be given an opportunity to speak to the List of Issues and the response of other Participants.
- Those parties who wish to express comments to the Board but do not want to participate in the entire proceedings shall be Presenters and shall be heard at the aforementioned special sitting. Presenters should advise the Secretary of the Board of their intention to appear at the public hearing by no later than July 5, 1991.
- COSTS** For the purpose of this hearing, Board Order No. 163/87 setting out the provision for Awarding Costs will not apply.
- FURTHER INFORMATION** Additional information including a list of the issues can be obtained from The Public Utilities Board by writing the Board's offices at 280 Smith Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3C 1K2, or by calling (204) 945-2638.
- DATED this 23rd day of May, 1991.

D. deGraff
Acting Secretary
The Public Utilities Board



New RCMP constable Pat Zunti wearing civilian clothes for firearms testing.

New RCMP officer

by Linda J. Dalglish

Constable Pat Zunti began work at Powerview RCMP detachment on May 2. Just out of training in Regina, the new man looks forward to living and working in the area. The day of the interview he was not in uniform because he was being certified for fire arms use, an annual procedure for all RCMP officers.

Zunti is originally from Unity, Saskatchewan. He was interested in the RCMP after high school but had the opportunity to take over a farm.

Finding farming difficult in the drought and tough economic times, he decided to go back to his first love. He did electrical work while waiting for his application to be processed.

Married, and living in St. Georges, with two boys, 5 and 2-years-old, Zunti already enjoys the area. His hobbies are hunting and fishing and he looks forward to pursuing these in the area.

The Review welcomes constable Zunti and family to the area.



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The week of June 2 to 8 has been designed as Canadian Environment Week.

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W.R. Game Bird Co-op under fire for violating noise by-law

by Linda J. Dalglish

The Winnipeg River Game Bird Coop was started by Albert Dupont, Luc Vincent and Guy Bruncau on the scenic Baie Dupont off Broadlands Road. It consists of several parts including a breeding farm for pheasants and chukar partridges, a pheasant and chukar shooting section and a sporting clays course.

This season, the Luck Vincent family and Guy Bruncau family, are raising pheasants and chukars. I say family advisedly, because the entire family is involved in the care of the breeding stock, egg hatchery, baby chicks and full size birds ready for shooting. They have to be carefully watched at each stage. They have to be carefully watched at each stage. Temperature is very important. They have to be protected from dogs, cats and foxes. They even have to be protected from being picked on by their bigger or more aggressive peers.

The breeding stock are allowed the freedom of a large cage. The eggs are collected by hand several times a day. They are placed in a refrigeration unit until they are ready to be incubated. An automatic incubator rotates the greenish brown eggs every two hours.

Once the tiny birds hatch out they are transferred to a heat lamp enclosure where they are practically invisible in their brown fluff. At the end of a week their wing feathers are formed. In no time at all they are ready for day time outings to a large cage as their feathers form. At maturity, the male birds develop distinctive coloring and crests and walk in a dignified manner like an English butler.

Then they meet their fate. For a price these birds are taken to a field with bushes around it. Here the birds are released and intrepid sportsmen stalk the birds with dogs and shoot them when they fly up. Some birds escape to be caught by a local fox who enjoys his gourmet dinners. Both chukars and partridges are said to be very tasty game. They are only allowed to be shot from September 1 to April 30.

Some people like to get in practise for this hunting. They go a few rounds on the clay course which is like a golf course for hunters. On this course, seven stations each simulate a different type of hunting situation. The course consists of "Driven Pheasant", "Rocketing Sharptail", "Overhead Geese", "Flushing Partridge", "Duck Pass", "Jumping Teal" and

"Quick Quail". Different patterns of passes are made by clay discs which are projected into the air by a machine. It is possible to make the same machine, throw the disc in a variety of different patterns. People say they are very similar to live birds.

There are very strict rules for shooting on the course which are designed to protect the hunters from themselves and each other. They get fifty "birds" or shots. Guns must be emptied before going on to the next station. No alcohol is allowed before shooting.

Like any new enterprise, problems can arise. Last year some chicks died and they had to purchase new ones from a breeder.

They have also been receiving complaints from neighbors about the noise of the guns. Marc and Madeleine Guimond took their complaint to the LGD of Alexander. The councillors visited the course but unfortunately the wind was in the wrong direction at the time. The Guimonds say that the shooting disturbs them especially in the evening and on Sundays. Other neighborhood noises do not disturb them as much as shooting. The sound is viewed as being invasive.

The Vincents and Bruneaus have decided in the interests of keeping peace to move the entire course one half mile further north. This will be a week's work for two men working full-time. They will be using another entrance. A shot gun's range is only about fifty yards so they have little fear of shooting anyone on the road. The Guimonds, while they would like to see the coop moved away from the close residen-

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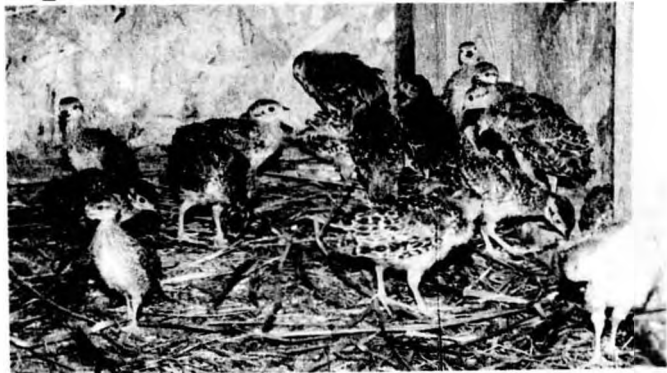
Noise control

It was during one of those periods of prosperity for the real estate business, and the landlord was making the most of it. To a prospective tenant he said:

"This is a very quiet and orderly house. Have you any children?"

The answer was "No." "Have you," the landlord continued, "a piano, phonograph or radio, or do you play any musical instruments? Oh yes, and have you a cat, dog or parrot?"

Again the answer was "No" to everything, but the prospective tenant added: "Maybe I ought to tell you that I have a fountain pen that scratches like the devil."



Baby pheasants and chukars at the Winnipeg River Game Bird Coop have tripled in size in approximately two weeks.

tial area of Broadlands Road and Baie Dupont, admit that this will probably be better than before. Ideally they would like to see the LGD of Alexander enforce their noise bylaw which prohibits almost any noise which anyone complains about except agricultural and construction equipment noise. They would also like to see restricted times of shooting.

The Guimonds have support from other neighbors but none of them are willing to come forward to complain. They do say that according to the noise by-law, one complaint is enough to prohibit the noisy activity by the LGD of Alexander.

The Bruneaus and Vincents are willing to make some changes. However, their project is just getting off the ground. They are hoping for more customers, not less, and hope to expand some day to include a club house. Guimonds say that this is not an agricultural project and the area is zoned rural agriculture. They feel any future expansion would further infringe on their right to peace and quiet in a rural area.

Both sides of this issue have merit and problems. No matter what is decided, one or both groups will be unable to achieve the sort of future they envision for their property.

LGD OF ALEXANDER

Police report

The week of May 16-20 was a busy one. Constable Don Cunningham made seven charges under the Highway Traffic Act and three warnings. He only made two charges under the Liquor Control Commission Act but he made sixty-three warnings. He had twenty-eight complaints. He made eleven calls to the RCMP and received four assists.

The following week, May 22-26 was much quieter. Constable Don Cunningham will have an assistant starting the end of June.

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Cast of *The Stone in the Road* were excited after a great performance at Powerview School.

Cast gives great performance

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their servant Angel Bouvier. Jacqueline Grenier gave a great performance as a very bad poet.

Tom Starcheels, Joel Chevrefils and his very strange trial were portrayed by Katrina Watson, Jody Wilcott, Angel Bouvier, Tobie Savard, Andrea Abrahamson, Becky Tardiff, Chantal Lagasse, Tammy Oman, Laurie Dube, Laineé Gelinás and Melissa Dube.

A rustic pair of children with honest hearts were developed by Roxanne Cowan and Derna Watson.

Lighting was by Michelline and Norman Viallet. The door keepers were Cassandra Watson and Julie Savard. Assistants to Ms. Sheane were Heather Dram, Dorinda Watson and Wendy Richardson. Mme. Simone Dube and class, Ms.

Rita Boulet's Grade 1 class, Serge Champagne, Bill Furdyk, Beth Richardson,

Leila Laurila, Darlene Cowie and Blair Sheane were also willing helpers.



Tom Starcheels, Joel Chevrefils is carefully made up for his role as jester in *The Stone in the Road*.

Budget cuts to local roads

by Linda J. Dalgliesh

The LGD of Alexander received a letter from Honourable Albert Driedger telling them that the grant-in-aid for 50-50 roads has been cut by \$29,000, from \$101,000 last year to \$72,000 this year.

This money is used for construction and maintenance of 50-50 roads and it includes snow clearing and grading.

At the same time the Department of Highways are going ahead with such projects as making Highway 75 into a four lane highway.



Rich man, Ryan Lemire, his wife, Celeste Chevrefils, and their servant Angel Bouvier consider the problem of *The Stone in the Road*.

Manitoba family physicians hold food drive

by Linda J. Dalgliesh

During the week of June 3-10, 1991, a food drive will be held at the Pine Falls Clinic to collect food for north eastern local residents. It is part of a province-wide drive held by Manitoba family physicians.

Did you know that over 600,000 Canadians receive emergency food assistance every month? This is a 30 per cent increase over 1989, more than 40 per cent of those using food banks are children. Manitoba has the third highest level of child poverty in Canada. Over 5000 Manitobans rely on monthly emergency food assistance and more than 40 per cent of these are children.

Food in Winnipeg will be distributed by Winnipeg Harvest. Food collected at the Pine Falls Medical Clinic will be distributed to families requiring assistance in this north eastern area by Margaret Richardson, coordinator of public health nurses.

What should you bring? Any non-perishable food items, with an emphasis on

nutritious food like peanut butter, canned meat or fish, canned fruit, powdered milk, rice, macaroni and cheese, hot cereals or canned stews.

Where do I bring it? To the Pine Falls Medical Clinic collection box.

When do I bring it? During the week of June 3-10.

Remember, people aren't just hungry at Christmas. Many food bank users are single parents, disabled, ill or elderly. Twenty-five percent of families needing emergency food support are working families. Many children do not receive enough to eat or are malnourished from eating improper foods.

Next time you're in the grocery store think about how privileged you are to be able to buy what you need to eat. Think about what you could give to a hungry child. Give generously. Good food develops good brains and bodies. Without good food, children may grow up unable to support themselves and a cycle of social assistance dependence is developed.

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