

# The Tumbleweed

CFS Alsask, Sask.

JUN 86

RISE IN SHARP relief from the flat prairie wheat fields which stretch away from it as far as the eye can see, a radar base has come into being for use by the Royal Canadian Air Force near the small town of Alsask, Saskatchewan, located right on the border of that province and Alberta. The construction crews which have almost completed this base in slightly less than a year, belong to the McNamara-Piggott-Brown & Root joint venture which is carrying out the project for Defence Construction (1951) Limited. Several of the buildings at the base's operations site have already been turned over, and the buildings at the administrative site should be completed by the end of August.

## CFS ALSASK "IN THE BEGINNING"

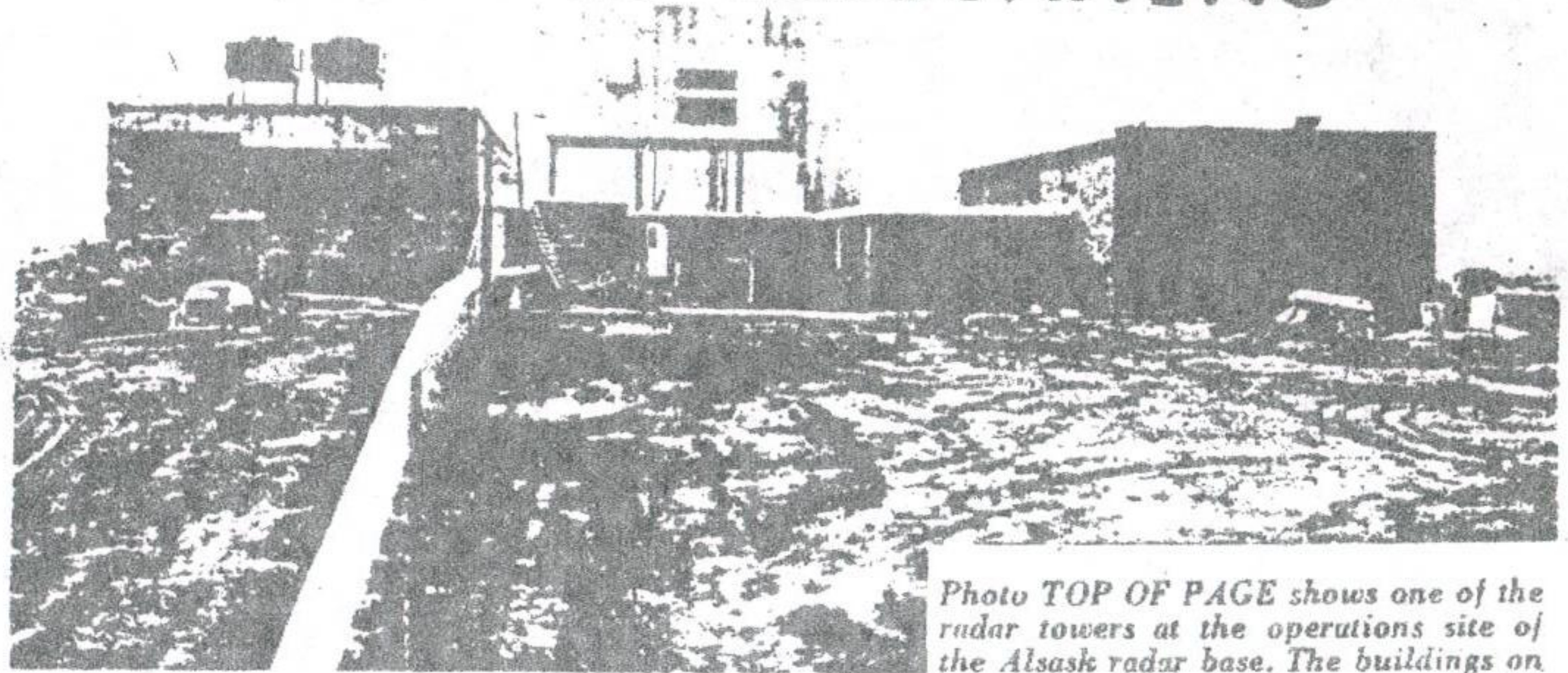


Photo TOP OF PAGE shows one of the radar towers at the operations site of the Alsask radar base. The buildings on either side are annexes connected with the operation of this unit. Pictured SECOND FROM TOP is the mess hall at the administrative site where the R.C.A.F. personnel manning the base will have their meals.

### Joint Venture Doing Work

Since September of last year the joint venture forces of McNamara Construction Western Limited, Edmonton; Piggott Construction Limited, Saskatoon; and Brown & Root Limited, Edmonton, have been busy erecting the 16 buildings

which make up this radar base. The operations site is located about a mile from the administrative site and the buildings which comprise it cannot be described in detail here because of their role as part of Canada's warning network for defence.

### Several Administrative Buildings

The administrative site contains the buildings erected by the joint venture construction men to serve the needs of the R.C.A.F. personnel who will man the base. Located here are the administrative building, which includes a hospital section; a mess hall, recreation building, single personnel living quarters and a chapel. Two Butler buildings have also been put up at this location and these are used for a fire hall and to house trucks and mechanical equipment. Other structures at this site are a pump-house and filtration plant, and a guardhouse.

While the buildings at the operations site are of steel beam and concrete block construction, those at the administration site are mostly frame buildings. The recreation building is supported by arches made of laminated wood glued together.

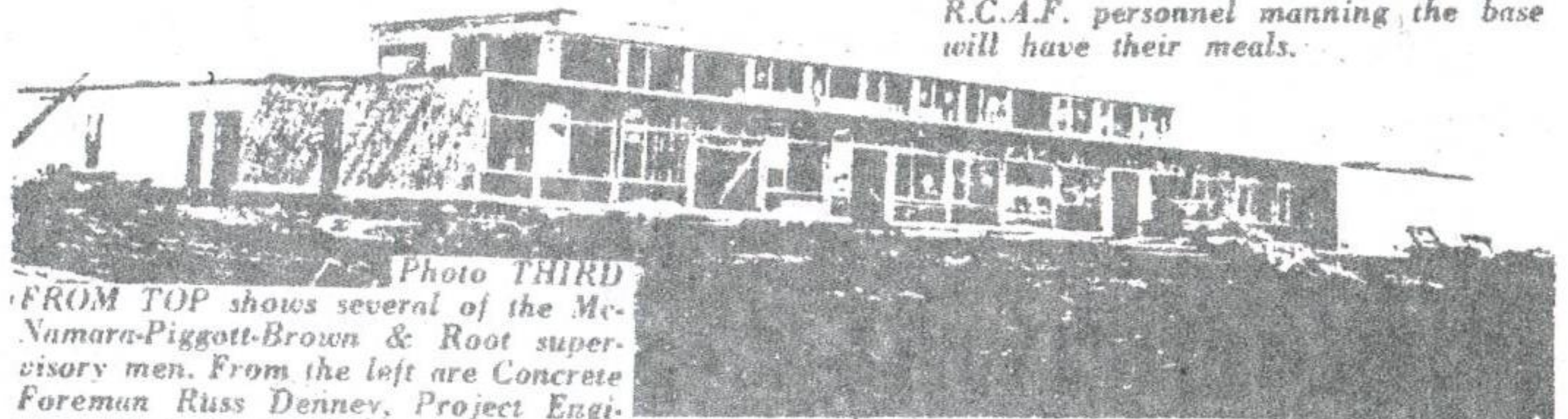


Photo THIRD FROM TOP shows several of the McNamara-Piggott-Brown & Root supervisory men. From the left are Concrete Foreman Russ Denney, Project Engineer Dick Stark, Carpenter Foreman John Dirk and Foreman Leo Angelantoni.

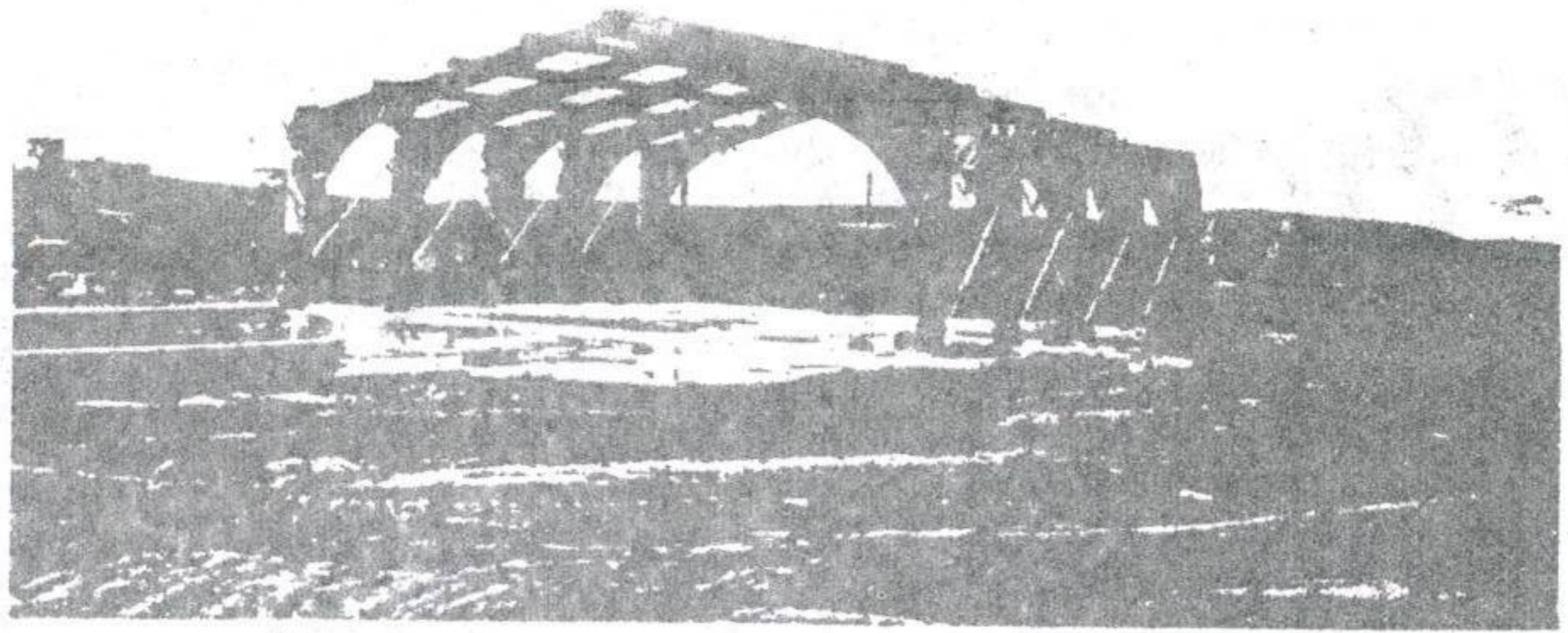


### Murray Nason In Charge

Murray Nason has been in charge of this project for McNamara-Piggott-Brown & Root during most of the construction period, and he has been ably assisted by Superin-

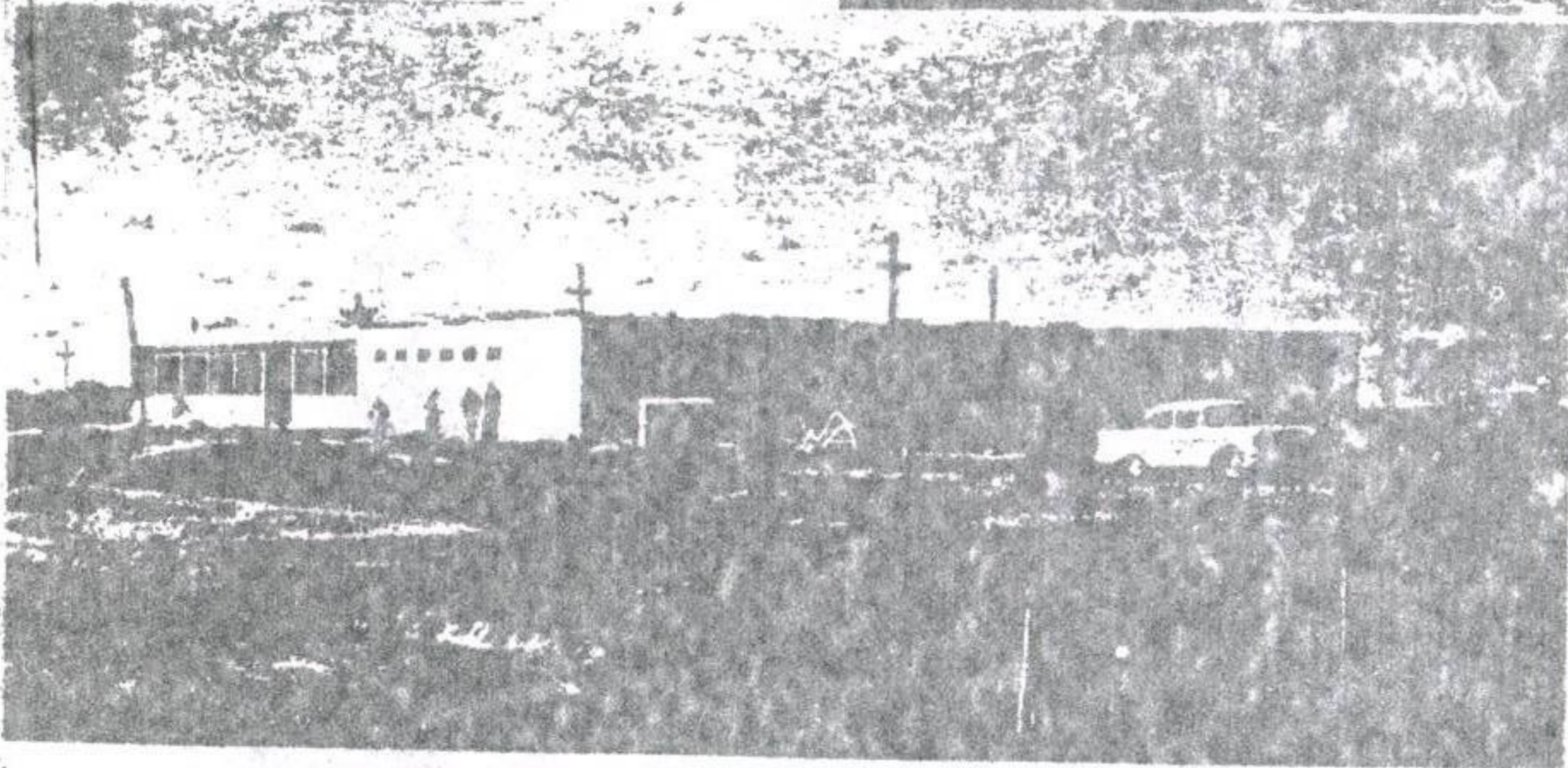
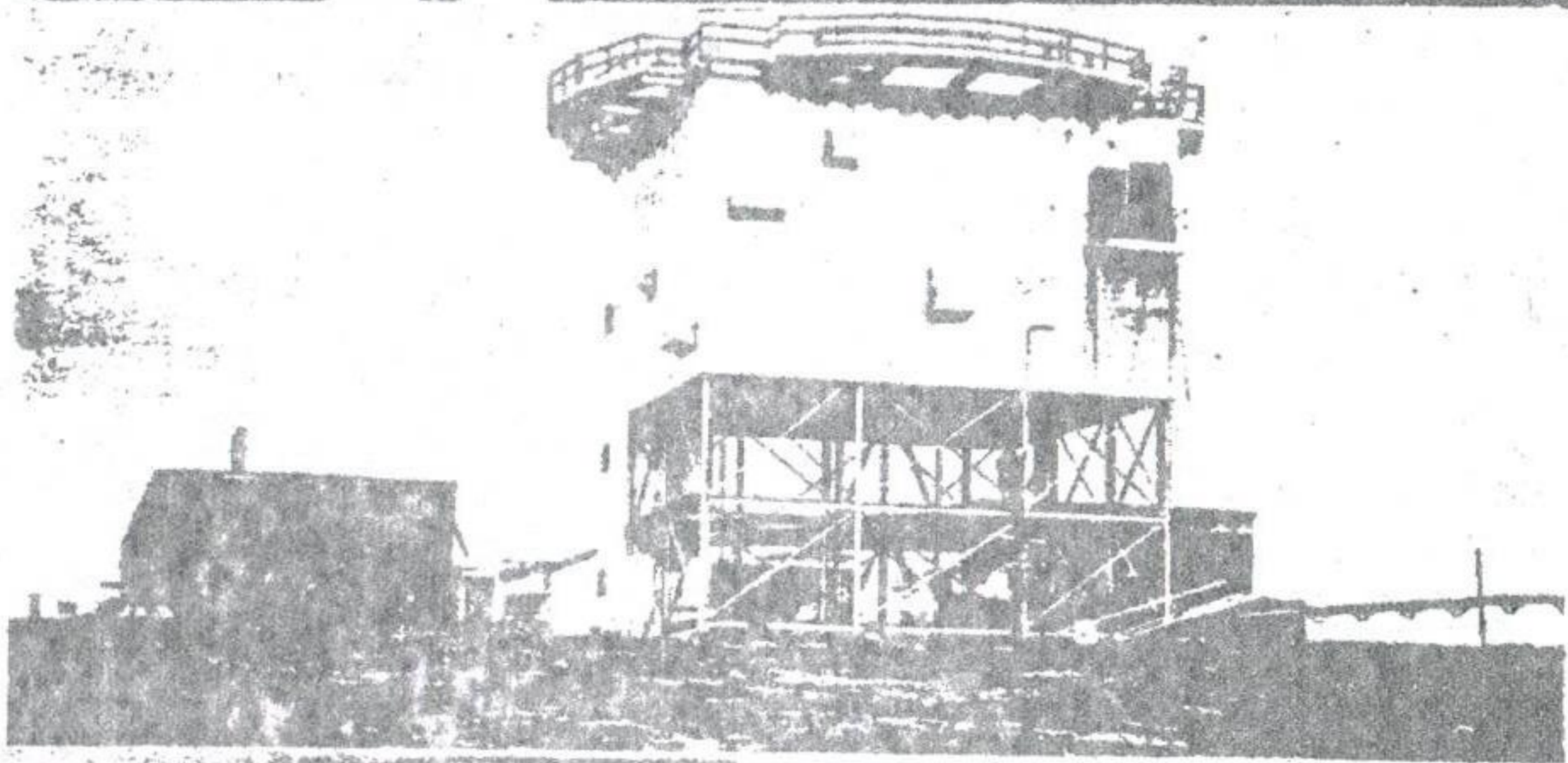
tendent "Ollie" Hermanson, Project Engineer Dick Stark, Concrete Foreman Russ Denney, Foreman Leo Angelantoni, Carpenter Foreman John Dirk, Labor Foreman Eric Parry and Master Mechanic Bob Campbell.

McNamara veteran Earle Merrithew is in charge of purchasing and is also camp manager, while Ron Dalsin is in charge of the office. Others on the project are Warehouseman Art Morrison, Stan Wright, who is in charge of contract materials; Payroll Clerk Dave Miller, Secretary Mrs. Peggy McLay and Clerk Bob Thome.

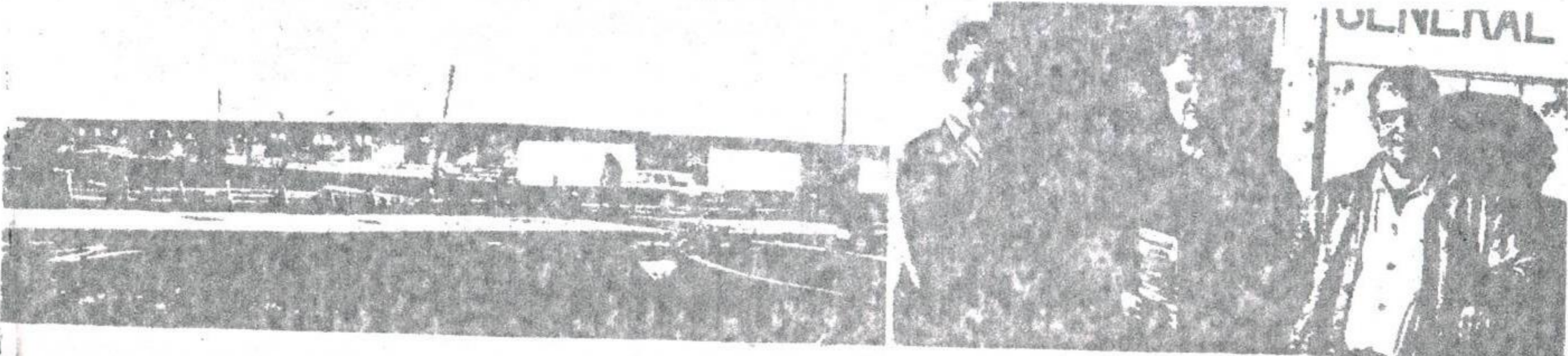


Murray Nason, Project Manager for the joint venture of McNamara-Piggott-Brown & Root, is shown ABOVE. The photo ABOVE, RIGHT, shows the laminated wooden arches which form the framework of the recreation building, which will include a gymnasium. The single living quarters and one of the Butler buildings can be seen in the background. At RIGHT are more of the supervisory men on the job. In the usual order, they are: Labor Foreman Eric Purry, Superintendent "Ollie" Hermanson and Stan Wright, who is in charge of contract materials.

View at LEFT shows one of the radar towers at closer range. Several of the buildings have already been turned over by Defence Construction Limited to the R.C.A.F.



Pictured at LEFT is the attractive administration building of the base, while the building BELOW, LEFT, will be used by the single R.C.A.F. men as living quarters. Pictured BELOW, RIGHT, are more key McNamara-Piggott-Brown & Root men on the project. From the left are Office Manager Ron Dalsin, Earle Merrithew, who is purchasing agent and camp manager; and Gene Brochu, pilot of McNamara Western's Piper Apache aircraft.



# LETTERS IN THINGS

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The Station Barbershop was the scene of a historic occasion on 14 May 86 when the Barber, Mr. George Belanger gave his last haircut to Major Bellemare the Commanding Officer.

George has accepted a transfer to CFB Wainwright and will be leaving the Station at the end of May. He has served as this Station's barber since November 1981.

Major Bellemare later presented Mr. Belanger with a lithograph print of the Station accompanied by a letter of thanks.

Mrs. Lisa Knight will take over as Station Barber. The new hours of operation will be as follows:

Tuesday: 1000-1200; 1230-1500

Thursday: 1830-2100 hrs.



**Deadline for  
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If you find mistakes in this publication, please realize that they are there for a purpose. We try to publish something for everyone, and some people are always looking for mistakes!

# Letters 'n things

## A Look Back To The Villiage of Alsask

The village of Alsask was incorporated November 22, 1910 and was established as a town November 1, 1922. It is said, that to ensure sufficient population to be established as a town, the emunerator counted everyone who happened to be in the town at that time. In 1947, Alsask was reverted to village status.

In the years between 1914 and 1960 the village encountered periods of prosperity and depression. In 1914 a fire hall with a fire engine was established. Today fire services are provided by the CFS Alsask auxillary fire fighters and firecruck, along with the village of Alsask firefighting trailer.

In 1934 a fire burned the buildings on the east side of Main Street. Little remains as evidence of the fire.

The present community hall was purchased from the Masons in 1954 and is operated by the Lion's Club. The curling rink and hockey arena were built in the 1950's by essentially volunteer labour.

The village of Alsask yearly hosts a rodeo held the first weekend in June.

In 1962 Canadian Forces Station Alsask was established as part of the Pinetree Line under the control of NORAD. The arrival of the Station resulted in the expansion of the local population and economy. The relations between the town have been mutually beneficial.

A homecoming in 1971 was a very successful adventure, drawing a large number of past residents to Alsask. It is hoped that the CFS Alsask reunion be equally sucessful.

## A Look Back To The Station of Alsask

Work on the Station began in June 1960; a year later the three towers had been constructed and electronic equipment installation was under way. By 1 November 1962 the Station was formally commissioned as an RCAF Unit. The Station officially went on the air early in 1963 and was declared fully operational in May 1963. PMQ's were ready for occupancy in fall of 1963.

The initial equipment inventory included an AN/FPS-7C heavy Radar with two Height Finders, an FPS-26 and FPS-507. The UPX-14 was installed as the IFF equipment. The FST-2 data processor sent information over land line to the site's control centre at Great Falls, Montana. Communications between the control centre and the aircraft were established through the Ground Air Transmitt-Receive site using the GRT-3 and GRR - 7 for two-way voice communication while the GKA-5 and FRT-49 handled the Ground - Air time division data link.

In 1972 the FST-2 tube type processor was replaced by a solid state FYQ-47/GPA 124 CD/Aims System, also the FPS-7C Sch Radar was modified to the present day FPS-107 type. On Apr 1 1975 the FPS- 6 radar was recommissioned. As a result of the ungoing modernization programme CFS Alsask will cease its military commitment on 1 Apr 87.

CFS Alsask and the town of Alsask will long be remembered for its joint efforts in establishing such things as, the Gopher Dip Pool, The CATV system, Operation Meridian, Winter Carnival, Alsask Stampede and Armed Forces Day, and many more endeavours too numerous to mention.

# Letters 'n things

## CANADIAN FORCES UNIVERSITY PROGRAM (CFUP)

### A SUCCESS STORY

The University of Manitoba program for members of the Canadian Forces and their spouses is truly a success story. With the May 1986 Convocation, over 230 participants will have completed Baccalaureate degrees, with seven going on to Graduate Studies completing Masters degrees and one candidate earning a Doctorate. (The graduate degrees have all been earned through on-campus study by students stationed in Winnipeg). During the 12-year history of the program about 3,500 members of the military community have undertaken studies. Approximately 20 per cent of those have been the spouses of service members. During 1985-86 some 900 participants were actively pursuing studies.

The Canadian Forces University Program, first introduced in September 1974, is a stepping stone for entry to the University Training Plans for Officers and Men (UTPO and UTPM). Each year 25 to 40 program participants are selected for these plans. Estimates indicate that close to 200 candidates are selected for full-time university attendance while many others have been chosen for Commissioning from the ranks.

The program came about following the approval of a proposal actually initiated by the University of Manitoba. The original three-year agreement between the University and DND has since been renewed three times for three-year periods. A fourth renewal extending it beyond September 1, 1986 is currently being negotiated.

The U of M program is one of a kind in Canada because of the distinct advantages it offers. Students can be granted up to a maximum of 30 hours of credit, which is equivalent to one year of study toward Bachelor of Arts (General) degree, in recognition of military training and service. A second advantage of the program (also available to spouses), is a provision that allows

a reduction - on an individual student basis - of the normal residence requirement for graduation when commitments to the service prevent a student from meeting this requirement. This means a student does not have to attend on-campus classes to meet the residence requirements, but can do so through correspondence study. As well, once a candidate becomes a University of Manitoba "Regular Student", permission to attend on-campus or correspondence classes at another University can be requested. The credit in this case is added to the student's Manitoba record after the completion of the approved course and the submission of a transcript. Students who remain in the Manitoba Program and attend universities elsewhere as visiting students do not have to worry about whether credits can be transferred from one university to another or if they can meet the residence requirement for graduation when they are posted elsewhere -- it is part of the Manitoba Program.

For those lucky enough to be transferred to CFB Lahr or Baden-Soellingen, the University of Manitoba offers on-base instruction at both locations, during the Regular Session (October-April) and the Summer Intersession (April-June). On-base courses in Europe are very popular and normally 150 students attend classes there each year. Several candidates have completed their entire degree during their tour at Lahr or Baden.

The University of Manitoba Program employs a full-time Co-ordinator who is available to assist students with any problems they may encounter. Major (ret'd) Michael J. Piercy has been the Co-ordinator since the program began and is there to provide potential students with application material, answer questions, offer guidance in the selection of study programs, provide information on degree requirements, transfer of credit, and certification for UTPM/UTPO, as well as help with difficulties that may arise in admissions and registrations.

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Those wishing to contact Mr. Piercy should write to:

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The University of Manitoba  
Winnipeg, Manitoba  
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Telephone: (204) 474-8005

Those contemplating enrolling in studies commencing in September, should note that July 2nd is the deadline for admission applications. For courses starting in January, November 2nd, 1986 is the cut-off date. Candidates who have attended another university should submit applications one month earlier and a transcript of marks should be ordered from the Registrar's Office to be mailed directly to the Admissions Office at the University of Manitoba.

Take advantage of this excellent program. Don't procrastinate, write or phone for your application today. Application material can also be obtained from your Education Officer.

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The Canadian Guards Association is making arrangements for a Reunion at the Connaught Range on the outskirts of Ottawa during the weekend of 4-6 July, 1986. Highlights of events are as follows:

4 July	Afternoon - Evening	Registration, Meet and Greet
5 July	Daytime	Miscellaneous activities
5 July	Evening	Beating Retreat, Reunion Dance
6 July	Morning	Regimental Church Services

All ex-members of the Regiment and those on attachment/posting from other Corps who wish further information should contact the Hon. Secretary-Treasurer at P.O. Box 972, Station "B", Ottawa, Ont, K1P 5R1.

On behalf of the community and council of CFS Alsask; I would like to thank all those who volunteered their time and service as prospective councillors. It is through the support and genuine interest of the persons who live in the community that makes the station life both enjoyable and entertaining.

As of this time, the positions on the council as Ward representatives have been filled. However, with the approaching Station Reunion and Closure Party in August and other community events which are up coming; your future involvement and possible assistance will be greatly appreciated.

Thanks for volunteering your time

B.J. Leadbeater  
Mayor  
Community Council

## THE EDITOR'S EFFUSE

How do I start this article. Well firstly I would personally like to thank MCpl John Horkey for his leadership and support given to this newspaper as Editor. This is not an easy job by no means, but John made it look easy through his strong leadership. Thanks for a job well done. May you go to Edmonton with the feeling of accomplishment. To those leaving CFS Alsask this year I would like to say farewell and hope to see you again.

A number of things have happened in the past few months. Congratulations to the recipients of awards presented on the Awards parade 5 June 86. Congratulations also to MCpl Ferguson for his recent promotion to that rank.

A reminder that the Station Reunion is being held on 2-3 Aug 86. A number of volunteers are still required. To those who will not be working and will be on the Station, come out and join in, it should be a real "Barn Burner".

I would like your assistance for the next issue, get your articles in early as the deadline will not be flexible because I will be away on vacation. The next issue will be the last issue before we break for the summer. Have a safe summer.

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## CANADIAN ARMED FORCES (News Release)

WINNIPEG--The Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba, The Honourable Pearl McGonigal, Mr George Minaker, Member of Parliament for Winnipeg-St. James, and the Chief of the Defence Staff, General Gerard C.E. Theriault, were among the dignitaries who gathered on May 7, 1986 at Canadian Forces Base Winnipeg to take part in ceremonies making the official opening of the new Air Command Headquarters building.

Federal Treasury Board approved construction of the new headquarters in March 1984. A budget of \$28,356,000 was allotted to cover the cost of clearing the building site, actual construction, landscaping and equipment and furnishings.

A number of factors were taken into consideration in the decision to build the new headquarters not least of which was the advanced state of disrepair of the older buildings. Their inefficiency in the climatic extremes sometimes encountered in Winnipeg, and the continued high maintenance expenditures were also very important factors taken into account in arriving at the decision to build the new structure.

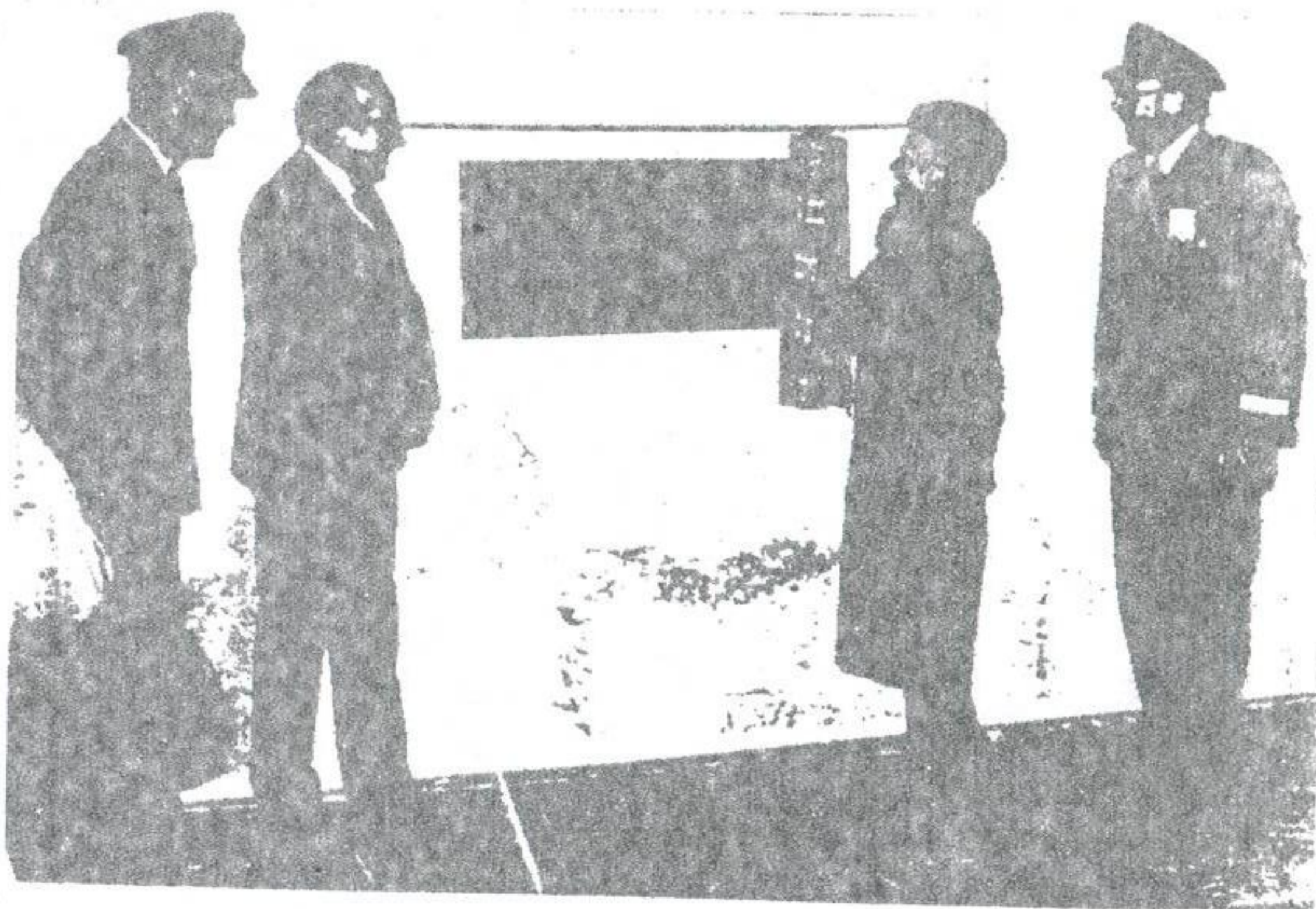
In his remarks at the ceremony, Lieutenant-General D.M. McNaughton, Commander Air Command, said, "It goes without saying that this is a very significant day for Air Command. Since the formation of Air Command in 1975, the Headquarters has been housed in ... 7 different ... old World War II buildings."

A distinctive four-level "wedge-shaped" design was selected for the new headquarters with a floor space totaling 177,000 square feet. This particular design was considered the most cost effective, energy efficient and flexible solution to meet the requirements of Air Command. Involved in the construction were the consortium AIRCOM Consultants and PCL Construction Group Inc.

"This distinctive new building represents an important milestone in the evolution of Air Command," LGen McNaughton said. "We now have our new home, a practical structure from which we can direct the activities of our air forces from coast to coast."

Other dignitaries hosted by LGen McNaughton included The Honourable Leonard S. Evans, Manitoba's Minister of Employment Services and Economic Security, Winnipeg Mayor Bill Norrie and former commanders and deputy commanders of Air Command.

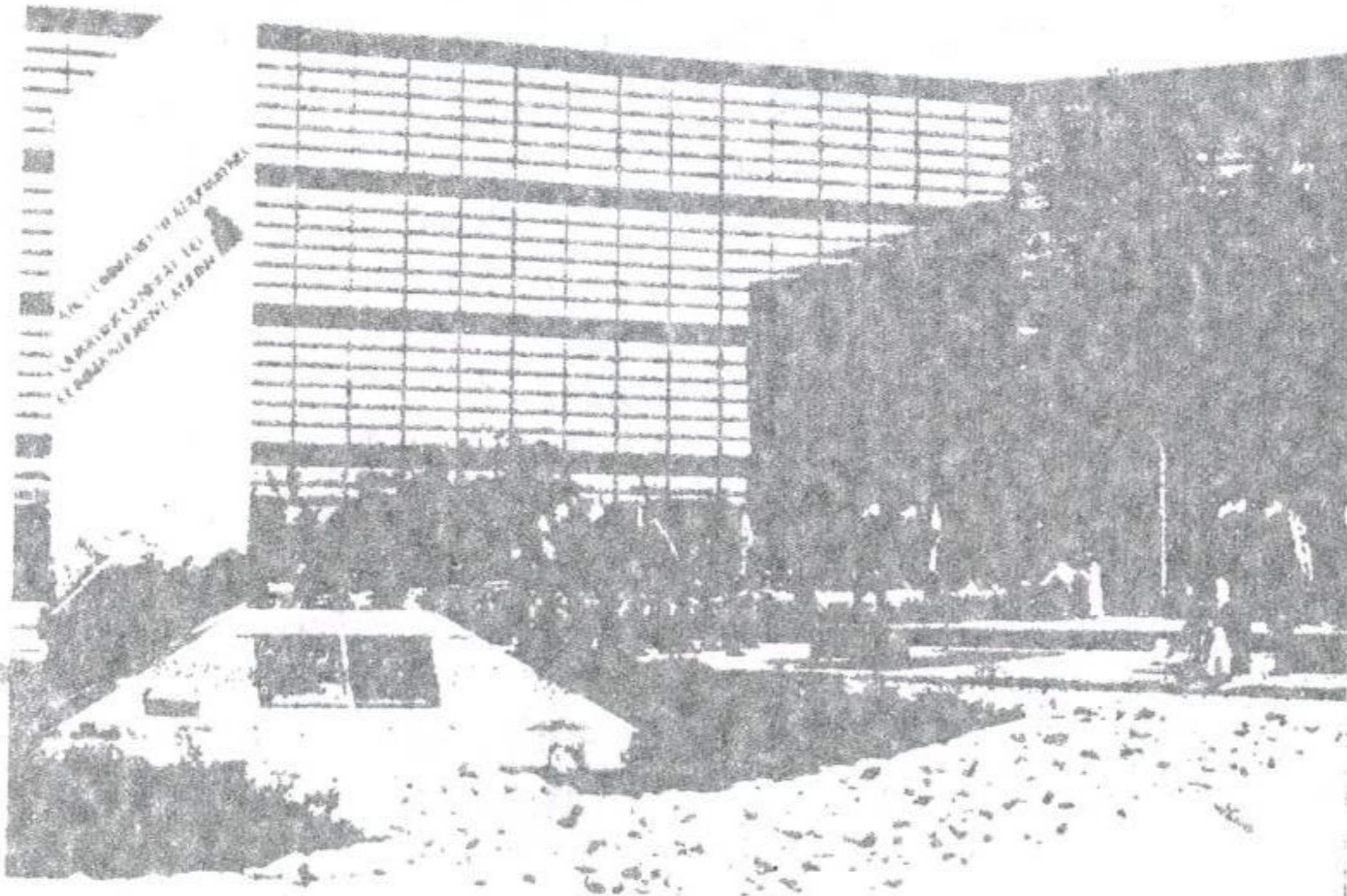
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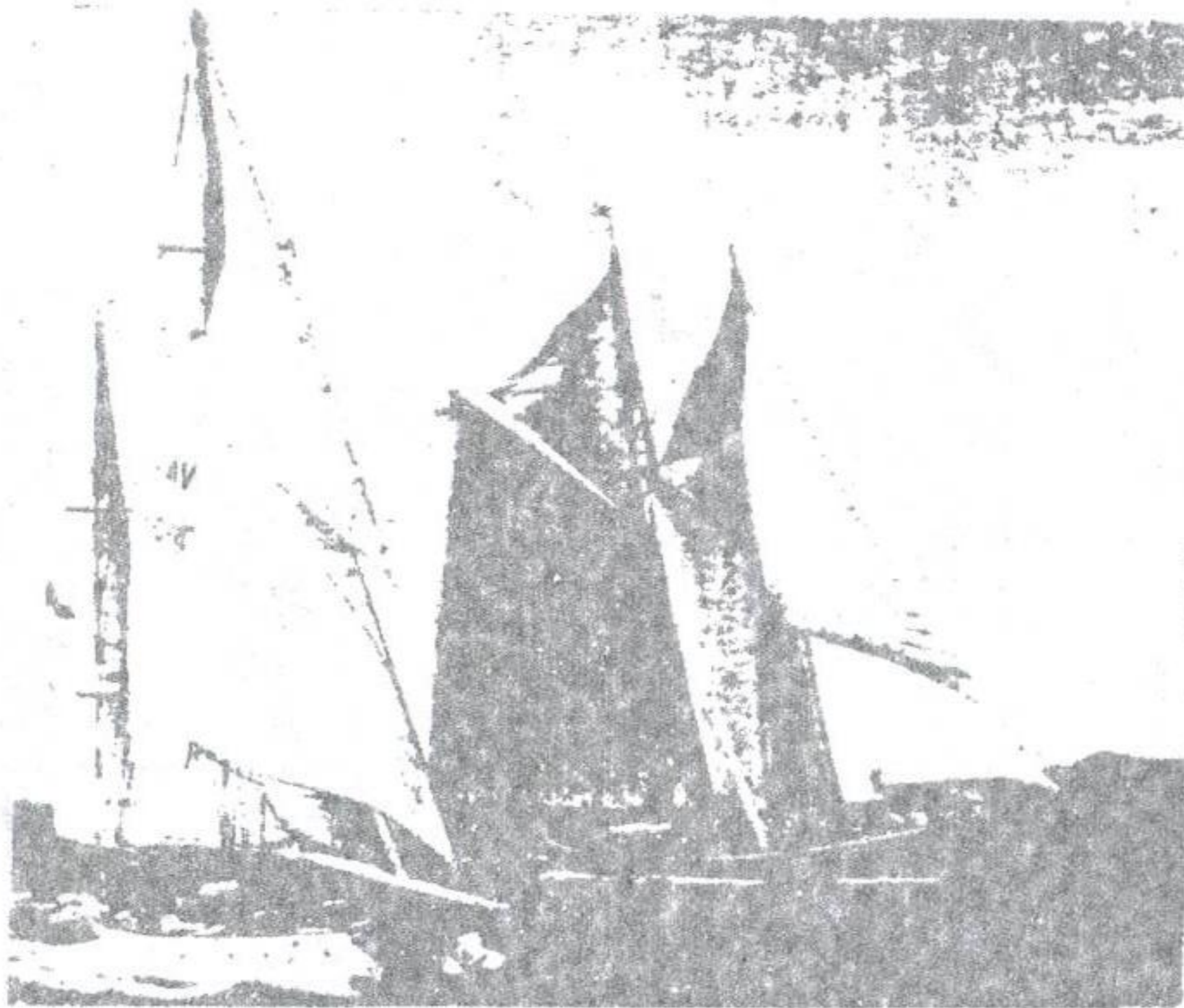
"Chief of the Defence Staff, General Gerard C.E. Theriault (left), Winnipeg-St. James M.P. George Minaker, Manitoba's Lieutenant - Governor, The Honourable Pearl McGonigal and Commander Air Command, Lieutenant - General D. M. McNaughton were among the dignitaries on hand at CFB Winnipeg for ceremonies making the official opening of the new Air Command Headquarters building."

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"The new four-story building has a distinctive 'wedge-shape' design."



EAST MEETS WEST ... Two of Canada's better known sailing ships, the Canadian Forces training ketch "HMCS ORIOLE" (left) meets Nova Scotia's "BLUENOSE II" at the entrance to Victoria Harbour. This is the first time the two vessels have met on this coast. Both then proceeded to Vancouver where the Bluenose will represent the Province of Nova Scotia at Expo 86. (CF photo by J.F. Smith)

DND Office of Information  
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CFB NORTH BAY, ONT. — The first operational deployment of Canada's CF 18 fighter to the Canadian Arctic will take place on June 10. Four CF 18's, and pilots, along with approximately 50 maintenance and support personnel from 425 Sqn and CFB Bagotville, Que. will deploy to Frobisher Bay, N.W.T.

The experience gained from this deployment will be used to develop procedures for operating front-line fighter aircraft from Arctic bases in support of Canada's NORAD role. To emphasize that function, the pilots and aircraft will participate in a NORAD exercise during their stay in Frobisher Bay.

As an indicator of the Canadian Forces' one-force concept, logistical transport will be provided by an Air Reserve Group Squadron. One Dakota and crew will be supplied by 402 (AR) Sqn bases in Winnipeg. The Crew and aircraft will provide logistics support flights between Frobisher Bay and CFB Bagotville, in support of the CF-18 operations.

Search and Rescue support will be provided by 103 Rescue Unit based at CFB Gander, Nfld.

Some personnel will be pre-positioned in Frobisher Bay prior to the arrival of the CF-18's. They will be there to set up maintenance facilities and to install Mobile Arrestor Gear (MAG) on the runways. This gear will enable the fighters to use their tail hooks for stopping in emergency situations.

While in Frobisher Bay 425 Sqn will conduct local flying training, practice Arctic navigation techniques and conduct air-to-air refuelling with a Boeing 707 tanker from 437 Sqn, CFB Trenton, Ont.



"Before you married mommy, who told you what to do?"

# Letters n things

## CFS Alsask's Honours & Awards Parade 1986

CFS Alsask held their Honours and Awards Parade for 1986 on 5 June 1986. The parade consisted of approximately 70 personnel, all ranks. The parade was under the Command of Captain Arlene McGuire. The Station Commanding Officer, Major J.L.A.R. Bellemare was the Reviewing Officer.

The flights were marched on by Sgt Gary Turner, the Deputy Parade Warrant Officer. Number one flight was led by Sgt Wayne Chahley (No 1 Flight Warrant Officer) and Number two flight was led by Sgt Andre Laliberte. The parade was turned over to the Parade Master Warrant Officer, MWO Frank Kraft. After dressing the flight, the parade was turned over to the Deputy Parade Commander, Capt Jerry Schock. The Officers were fallin in. Capt Rod Black took command of Number One Flight whilst Capt Vic Zilinskas took command of Number Two Flight. The Deputy Parade Commander turned the Parade over to the Parade Commander, Capt Arlene McGuire.

Upon the arrival of the Reviewing Officer (The Commanding Officer CFS Alsask) Major J.L.A.R. Bellemare the parade was brought to attention and a general salute was taken by Maj Bellemare. Maj Bellemare then inspected the respective flights. The Parade Commander, Capt Arlene McGuire requested permission to march past in column of route.

The Reviewing Officer (CO CFS Alsask) Maj J.L.A.R. Bellemare was asked to make the presentation of awards. The first awards presented were the Canadian Forces Decoration. The first recipient of this decoration was Sgt Gary Turner who received his first clasp to the Canadian Forces Decoration. Cpl Stu Jackson also received the clasp to the Canadian Forces Decoration. This award depicts 22 years of dedicated service.

The next awards presented were the Commanding Officer's Commendations. These are awarded to station personnel and dependants in recognition of outstanding service and support that they have performed for the Station and Community. The first recipient for this award was Maj George Deziel for his professional and dedicated service to CFS Alsask through a multitude of highly demanding social and military activities. For his support received in areas such as "the DNO School Board", "Station Recreation Council", "Station Awards Committee", "RC Chapel Committee" and "PMC of the Officers' Mess". The second recipient for this award was MCpl John Horkey for his major contribution to the Station and our Community as "Editor of our Station Newspaper", "Deputy Mayor and Mayor of our Community". Also in the organization of several events like "Station Awareness Week", "Station Winter Carnival 86" and many more.

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## CFS ALSASK'S HONOURS AND AWARDS PARADE 1986 (CONT'D)

The next award presented was the Community Service award. This award is presented to Station personnel, dependants and clubs for their recognition and contribution to the Station and Community. The only recipient of this award was Mrs Ardith Horkey for volunteering her time and devotion to our Community by serving on the "Community Council", "John A Silver School Board" and helping in the organization of various activities such as "Winter Carnival", "The Children's Winter Carnival", "The Station Thrift Shop" and many more.

The next award was presented to the Commanding Officer as the recipient of several awards as a result of the excellent MSE Safety Record at CFS Alsask. Receiving these awards on behalf of the Commanding Officer and the MSE Section were Capt Arlene McGuire, MWO Frank Kraft, and Sgt Ray Savoie. The first of these awards was the Air Command Safe Driving Trophy and Scroll awarded to the Air Command Station with the lowest overall accident rate. The second was the Canada Safety Council Plaque which was awarded to CFS Alsask for achieving the lowest MSE accident rate in "A" category vehicles for a Station in Air Command. Finally, the "Chief of Defence Staff" Plaque which was awarded to the Air Command Station with the lowest MSE accident rate in "B" category vehicles.

Individual safe driving awards were presented to three members of the MSE section. The first recipient was Sgt Ray Savoie for 15 yrs of safe driving. The second recipient was Cpl Martin Doyon for 10 yrs safe driving. The third recipient was Cpl Mike Hearn for 5 yrs safe driving.

Safe Worker Awards were presented to Mr. Morgan McReynolds and Mrs. Margaret McReynolds for 15 yrs of safe work. Mr. Hugh Machan received his 5 yr safe work award. In addition to the individuals awarded, several other individuals have recently been presented this award within their section. Mr. Gordon Denney and Mr. George Proud received 20 yr Safe Worker Awards. Ms. Florence Menzies and Mr. David Stauble received 10 yr Safe Worker Awards whilst Mrs. Carol Reum received 5 yr Safe Worker Award.

The last award presented was the "Merit Rebate Award 1986" accepted by Lt Jean Guy Desrosiers. This certificate is presented in recognition of efforts toward maintaining a safe work environment over the preceding three years. It was presented to the Employer from the Saskatchewan Workers' Compensation Board.

Maj Bellemare addressed the parade and thanked everyone for a fine turnout.

The Parade concluded with the Parade Commander, Capt Arlene McGuire requesting permission to advance in review order. The parade was dismissed shortly after.

# Letter to the editor

Dear Editor,

This year will see the introduction of a new book, *From Dinosaurs to Defence* to the Canadian literary scene. This book has been painstakingly written and compiled by a dedicated group of British Army soldiers and their wives. Led by Colonel James Emson, Commander BATUS from 1983-85, this group decided to express their admiration for the Suffield area in a manner that would bring pleasure to others for many years to come.

*From Dinosaurs to Defence* tells the history of the Suffield Training Range from the earliest ages through the years of Indians, settlers, experimental stations and the coming of the British Army in 1971. The book makes ample use of local research including interviews with still living pioneers and visits to many historical sites. Included are many attractive pictures and photos that well illustrate the narrative. I have also enclosed a copy of the Table of Contents and the foreword by General Sir Martin Farndale, himself a Canadian born near this area, as additional information.

An important point to note is that proceeds from the sale of this book, once publication costs are met, will be placed in a trust account and used for a special project — the reintroduction of the buffalo to the Suffield Range. This project is a Base/Community undertaking that will see the purchase and upkeep of a small group of buffalo on the Suffield Range. This *From Dinosaurs to Defence* will play a significant role in helping to preserve a famous part of our heritage.

This history of the Suffield Range makes informative and entertaining reading. Given the increasing use of this area for our training, the book will hopefully be of particular interest to military personnel in Western Canada.

The book itself will be professionally printed and bound attractively in soft cover. It is reasonably priced at \$9.80 a copy and you may reserve your personal selection by completing the enclosed order form. Of course, to be successful we must receive a large number of orders and I would ask your assistance in publicizing information about the book in your unit. I know you will enjoy *From Dinosaurs to Defence* and thank you for your attention.

Yours truly,  
Maj I. F. Malcolm

## FOREWORD

I am very pleased to write the foreword to this excellent book about Suffield on three counts. First, it provides a fascinating background into the life of those of us who live and train with the British Army Training Unit Suffield. It also records the history of this magnificent part of Canada and is an excellent piece of joint Anglo-Canadian work.

Second, it is dedicated to a wonderful project. What better memorial could we possibly provide to the great Blackfoot Tribes that so proudly roamed Alberta than to create a herd of their beloved buffalo and put them back on the range? Third, as a Canadian myself born only some 150 miles North West of Suffield at Trochu near Red Deer, I am absolutely delighted that this book should have been written as a contribution to Albertan history.

I congratulate Colonel James Emson and his team for all their work and research in collecting together all these fascinating details and photographs about South-East Alberta; about its archaeology, the Indians, the ranchers and the homesteaders who lived their lives on these great tracts of prairie so important now to the British Army. An Army which, along with that of Canada and the other NATO nations, is dedicated to maintaining the peace in the world by its high efficiency and competence. It could not do this without its training at Suffield.

I thank all the people of Alberta who do so much for the British in helping with this vital training and, as a Canadian whose family first came to Alberta as the Province was created in 1905, I can thank the authors of this book for adding to the heritage of our country.

I know that this book will further tighten the close bond between Albertans and Britain.

~~General Sir Martin Farndale~~  
Commander in Chief  
British Army of the Rhine

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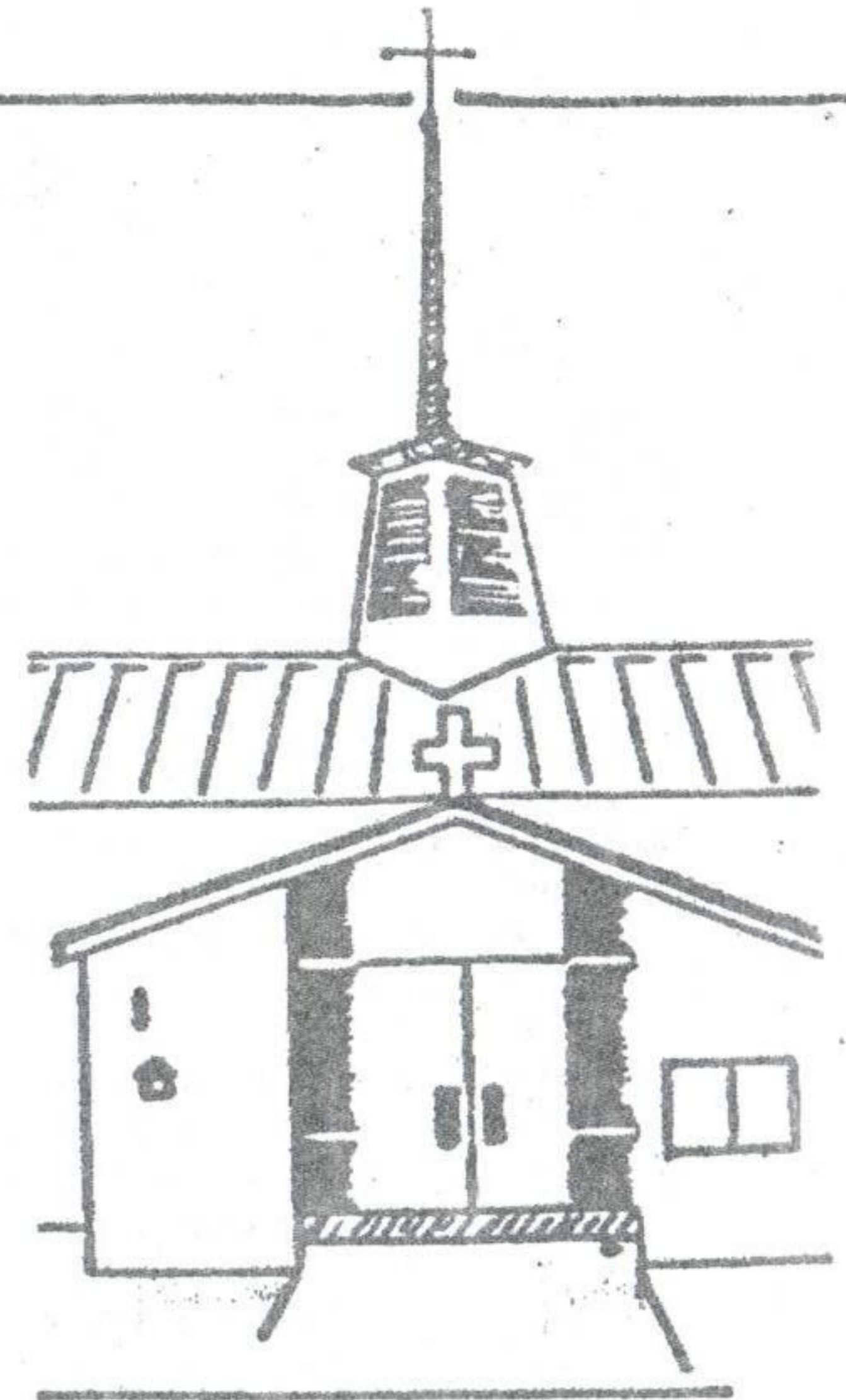
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FROM THE C.O.C.'s PEN

FATHER R.L. Kleiter



Last month I had the privilege to go on course and experience an enriching ecumenical awareness. In 1982 in Lima the Faith and Order Commission of the World Council of Churches released a very significant document popularly called BEM. It deals with the growing together in Baptism, Eucharist and Ministry within the Christian churches today. There is an amazing theological convergence occurring among the mainline churches which gives promise to agreement surrounding our understanding and practice regarding Baptism, Eucharist and Ministry.

Over one hundred and fifty laity and clergy attended this ecumenical symposium. Some of the special speakers were the Rt. Rev. Robert T. Smith, Moderator of the United Church of Canada; Professor Charles Davis, Concordia University and theologian at the 2nd Vatican Council; Rev. W. Lazareth, former director of the Secretariat on Faith and order, World Council of Churches and Rev. H. O'Driscoll, noted preacher and writer from Christ Church, Calgary. This list of notable speakers all emphasized that as the churches return to their roots and early traditions a greater solidarity is beginning to be noticed. An amazing theological convergence on many issues like the essential Christian sacraments - Baptism, Eucharist, and Ministry - is being experienced.

Even though the church's theologians may be coming to a deeper respect and appreciation of each other's rich traditions and practices, the average Christian - if he/she is going to be faithful to Jesus Christ's prayer "that they may be one" - will have to do his/her part to further the cause of Christian Unity.

What does that mean for the faithful in Alsask? The speakers repeatedly emphasized that the average Christian can best contribute to the cause of Christian Unity by making sure we all are making efforts in continuous spiritual self-renewal. Flimsy catholics, protestants and orthodox do nothing to further the oneness Jesus prayed for. Lukewarm, uninformed Christians are the best tools to assure division in the body of Christ, the Church.

May summer '86 when the usual pressures of life seem to slow down, perhaps a little more intentionality as regards our own faith life and its practise may do much to further the prayer of Jesus.



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REV L.K. Wright

Greetings,

Well folks, by the time you read this I will be on holidays. I will be "in jolly old," "across the pond," "over 'ome," in the United Kingdom until the end of June. Because of this I will be missing the departure of a number of Station personnel who are being posted this month. To you who are leaving I bid a fond farewell; to those who remain, see you in July.

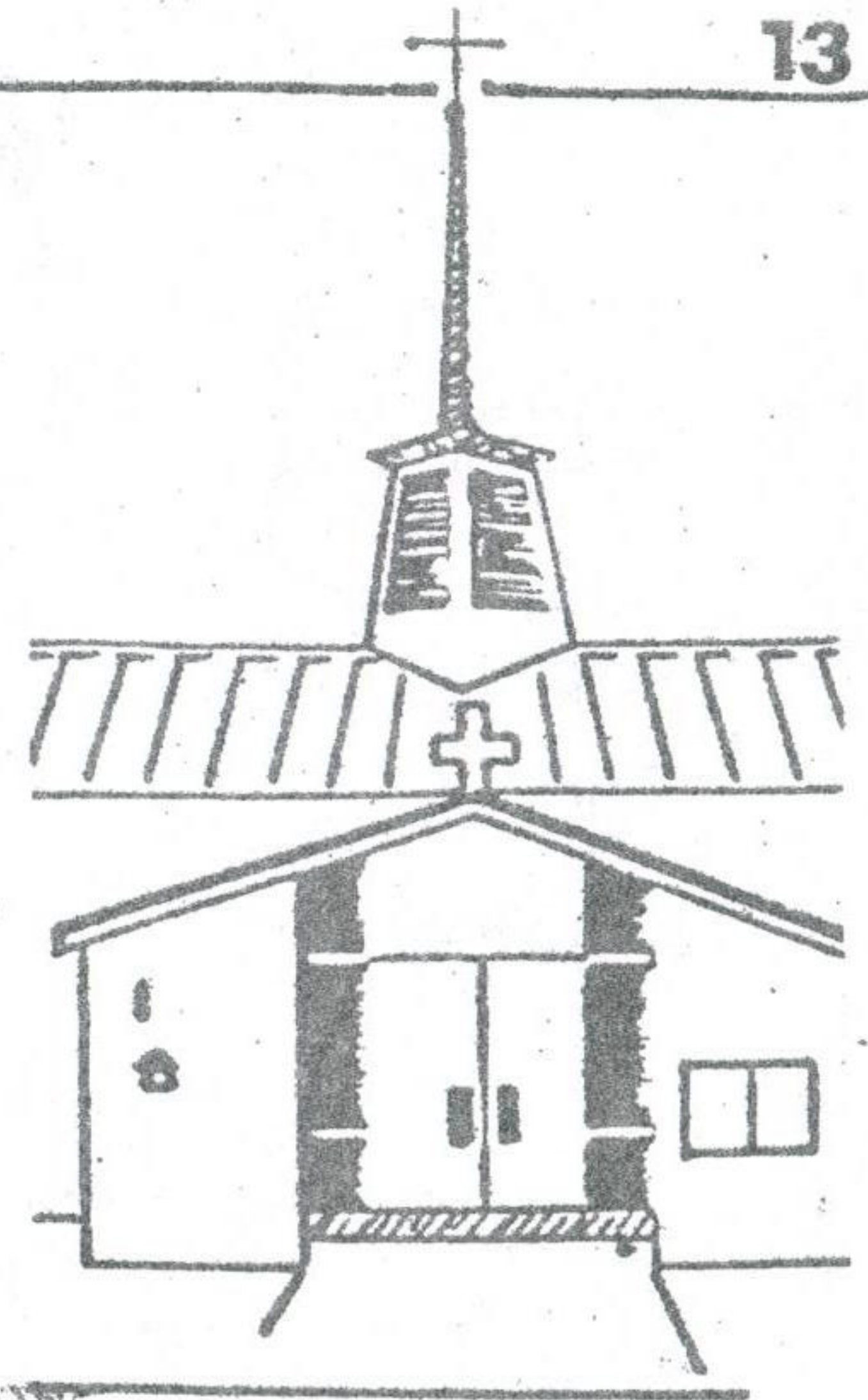
Now I will remind you that, although I am on vacation, God and the Church are not. During my absence, services will continue at the church in the village. They are being conducted by the members of the two Bible Study groups that have been meeting on the Station during the past year. The time of the service remains at 10:00 am. If for some reason you require the assistance of an ordained minister during the month of June, the SOR has a list of the clergy on call in the area.

When we go on vacation we usually try to get as far from our normal routine as possible. We need the change of scenery to refresh us. In days gone by, this included getting away from the weekly pattern of attending Sunday church services. Times have changed, attending church is no longer part of the weekly pattern for most of the people in this community. I hate to say it, but, let's be realistic, church is not part of the routine for most of you.

Now, I bet you can guess where this is leading. Right, if church is not part of your routine, and a vacation is a change in routine, why not try going to church while on vacation. In fact why wait until your vacation, try it any Sunday. True, there won't be any services on the Station during June, but, there are plenty of churches in the area, Alsask, Oyen, Marengo, Kindersley. Summer is a time to recall the beauty of God's creation, a time to revive and revitalize. Remember, God does not go on vacation. God is always ready to help us to new life, if we give our Creator the chance. To close, I have a scripture reading and a hymn for the summer. If you're unsure about finding the reading, ask someone from the Bible Study groups when you are at church on Sunday.

Scripture: Philippians 4: 4-9

Hymn: All things bright and beautiful  
#86 The (ACC/UCC) Hymn Book



#### PROTESTANT

Worship: 7:00 PM Sunday  
Baptisms and Marriage:  
Please contact Chaplain  
as soon as possible.  
Chaplain: Rev. L. Wright  
Station Ph: Loc 264  
Home Phone: 968-2396  
Church Secretary:  
Helen Thompson  
Phone: 968-2256

#### ALSASK UNITED CHURCH

Worship: 10:00 AM Sunday  
Sunday School: 10:00 AM  
Minister: Rev. L. Wright  
Phone: 968-2396

#### ROMAN CATHOLIC

Mass: 6:15 PM Saturday  
Confession: Before Mass by  
appointment  
Baptisms: Please contact  
Chaplain as soon as possible  
Chaplain: Father R. Kleiter  
Station Ph: Loc 264 Thurs only  
Home Phone: 463-2306 Kinder.  
Regular visits Thursdays

# Beaver Droppings



CAPTAIN'S LOG. STATIONDATE SC 2772

These are the messages of the Section C.E. Our two year mission - to seek out strange new work - to satisfy strange new life forms (MSE) - to boldly go where no man has gone before.

CFB Cold Lake has asked us to take time from our busy schedule to come to a Blue Jay Training Camp. Obviously they heard of our outstanding win over the weaker competition last year. Speaking of sports, congratulations to HQ who beat CE in the Floor Hockey, B Division final game. ~~Maybe with practice and hard work (definition to follow) they may~~ have a chance to take on the A Team next year.

Another summer rolls along and CE is busy as usual. Bugs Denney is out fertilizing the bugs again, while Snort is sticking flowers in the ground. Remember Snort, green side up!

The Electrical shop has gained another electrician; welcome to Ed "Nester Pister" Nowoselski. The Water Treatment Plant also has a new employee by the name of Kevin Sutter. We're sure he will use his college education to find his bunk and get into the routine quickly.

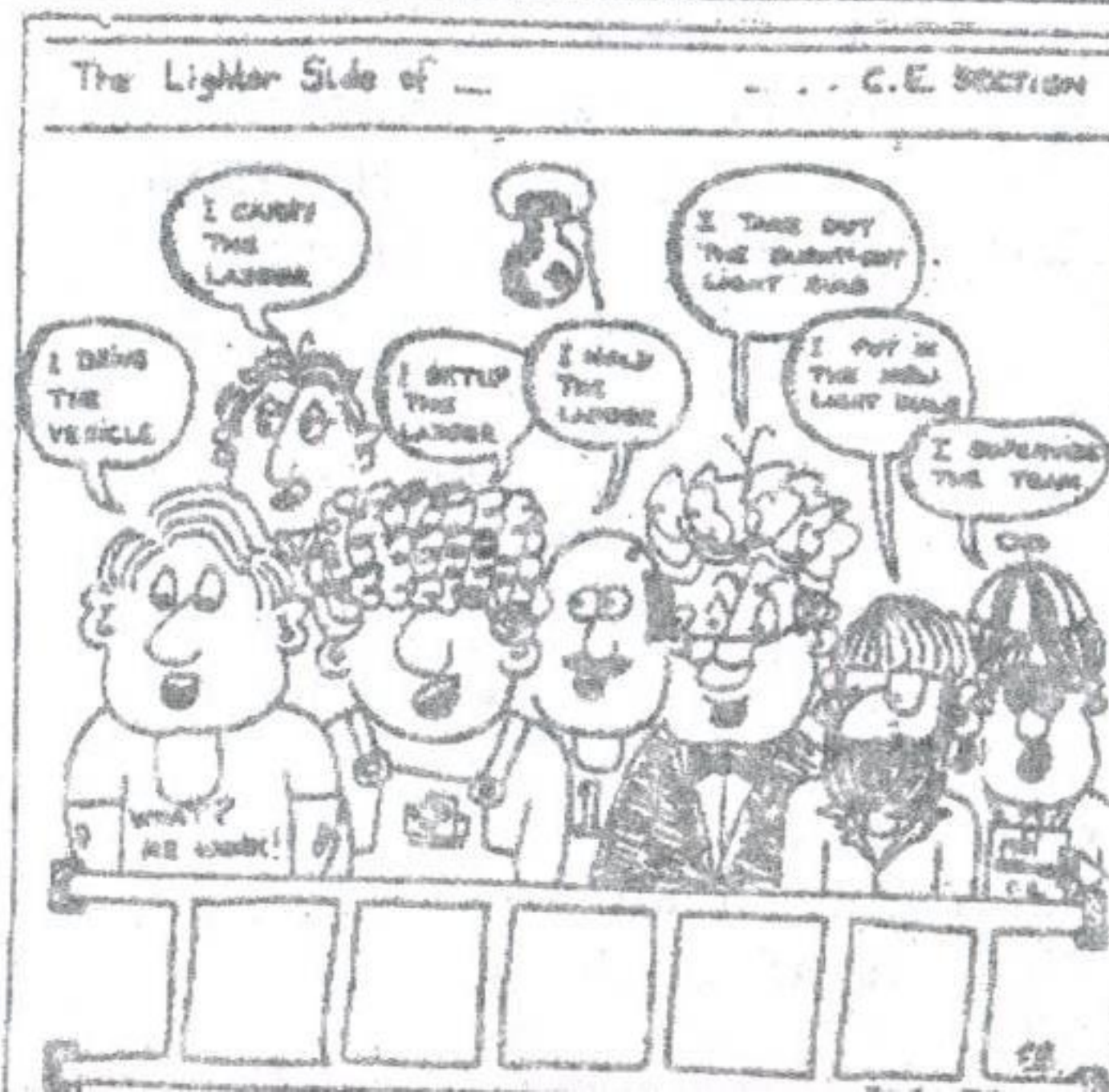
The plumbers are bewildered as usual, because everyone complains that they do nothing, but there are still complaints when they go out and do other trades tasks. Maybe they should have stayed in school two weeks longer and become doctors. MCpl (almost Sgt Mattia) is anxiously awaiting her appointment as the Production Officer. The countdown is under 50 days until we, at CE begin to retrain her again.

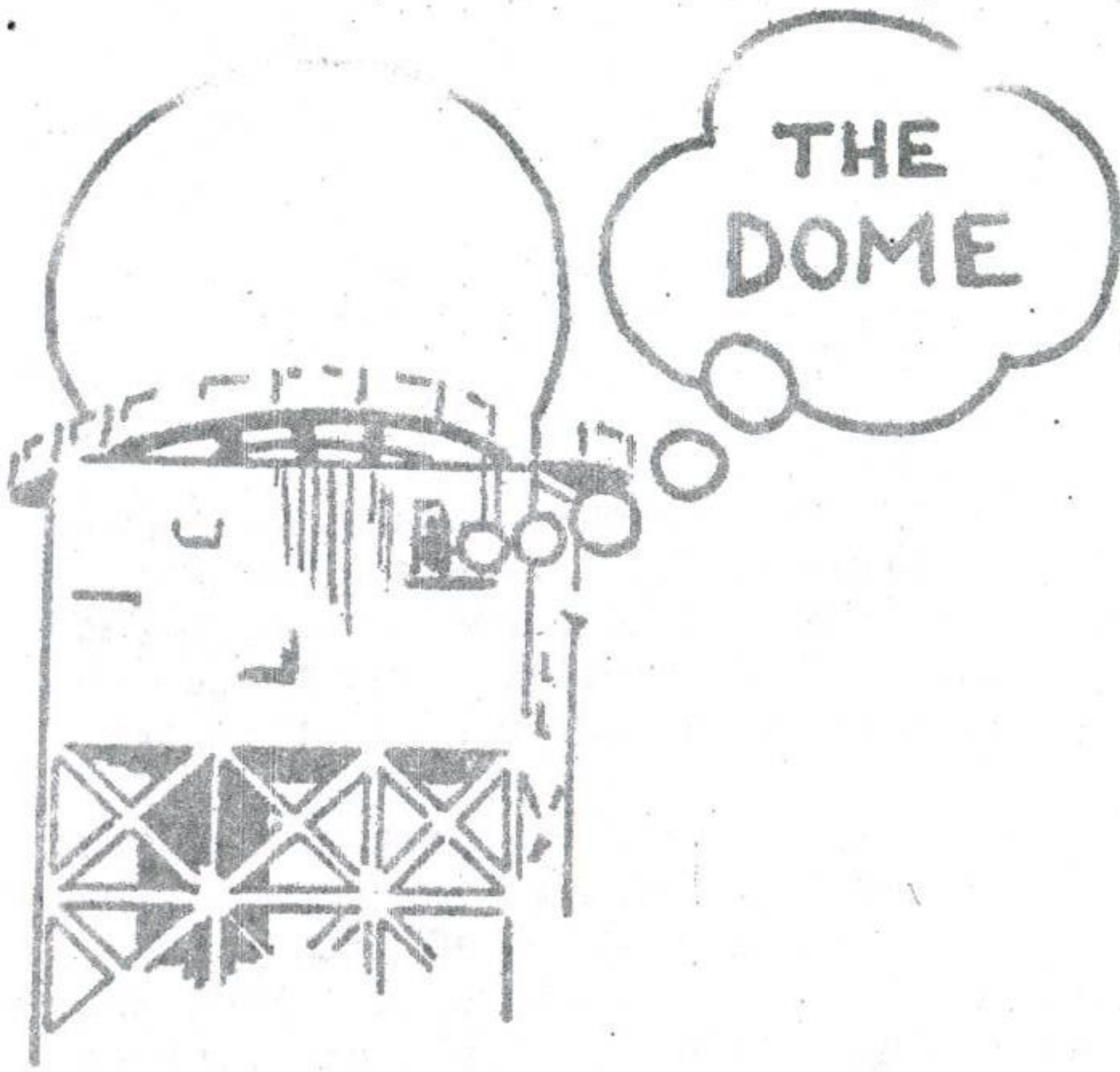
Thanks to everyone who came out for the breakfast we had. The breakfast was held to see how many people were up before 1000 hrs and sixty people passed of which 46 were CE.

We have nothing interesting to report from the RM Shop because that's what they've done since the last Tumbleweed.

Finally, a note to the Editor. Please get a large Garfield coffee cup, as the last Editor has a small one and you could never find him because he was always away filling his cup. Good Luck John!

NEXT MONTH SHORT PEOPLE IN THE WORKPLACE BY D.S.





### Tales of the Dark

Spring is here at last and with that nothing has changed.

Except one Cpl Pleau has left on his TQ3 civilian course to become whatever there is to become out there.

Soon to follow on his advanced civilian environmental course is MCpl R. Johnson.

But till then, there has been no openings for any civilian courses or postings.

Speaking of postings much to the displeasure of our leader one Capt Black. There is no posting now or -----. But fate has played strange tricks, Old Mother Bay will take anybody she can get.

Everybody here can hardly wait till the CGEO spring picnic, let's hope the Radioactive fallout cloud doesn't reach here and spoil our fun. Or we could also have a DTGO Dosey Meter contest highest count wins.

One more thing we are thinking of imposing minimize from now till the site closes. This is to keep up with training, so we can practice before SaskTel actually takes out the phones.

Mushroom  
DMCC



CPL. R.L. CASILL

# Power / a n t

The Power Plant is pleased to announce that it's Boat Repair and Storage facilities are now open. The farming scheme backfired, as trees have sprouted instead of wheat in the flower beds. Mr. Molloy is patiently waiting for a transfer anywhere, but preferably Quebec.

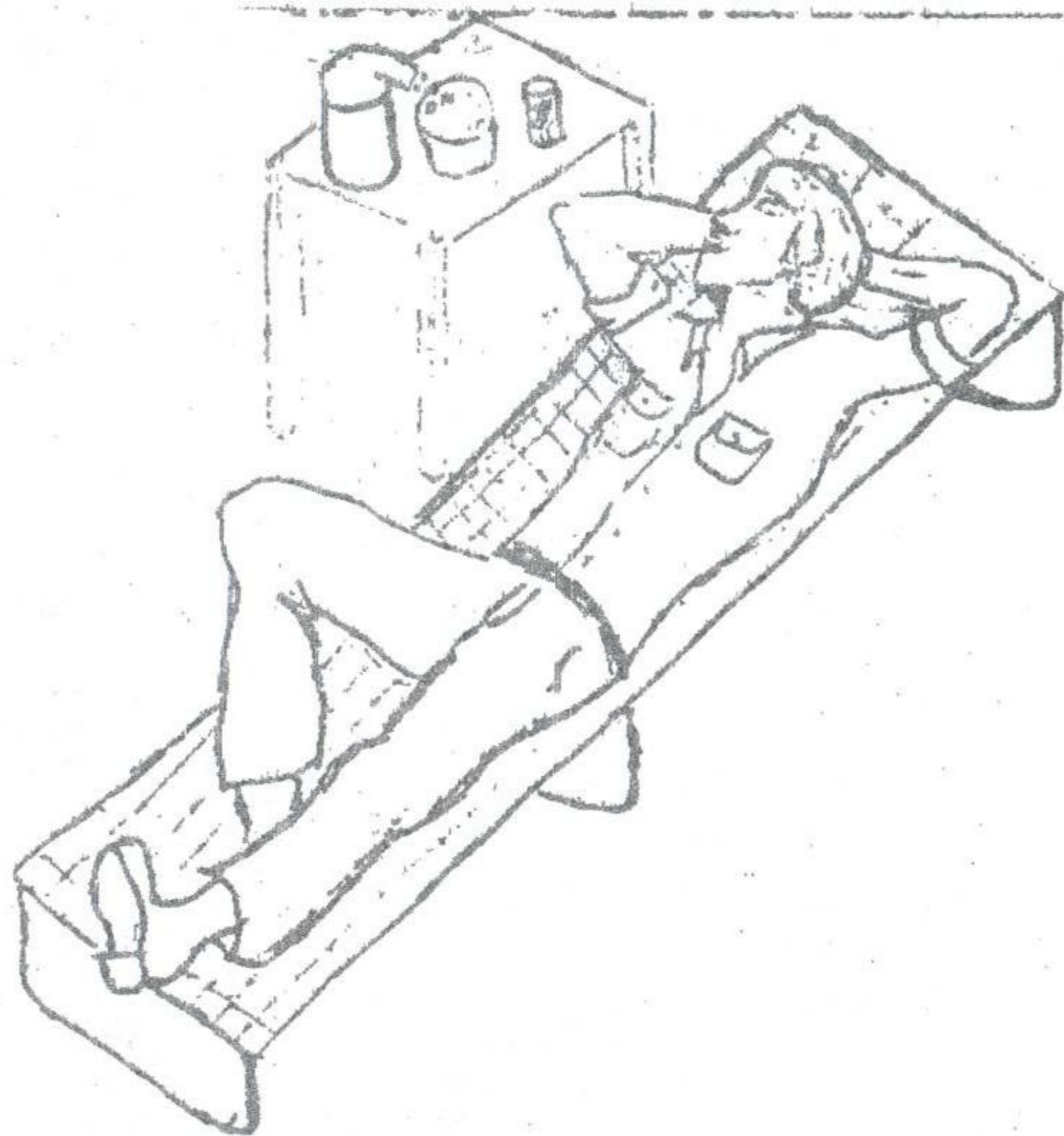
After a near fatal accident with a runaway moped, Mr. Romanchuk has decided not to put pedals on his dirt bike. Terry C and his shiny ATV had a road rally race against Bill Carr's 1926 Model T Ford and the Ford won. Will Sandy put a high performance exhaust system on his moped? Watch for further details. Duhn isn't done yet as our long distance commuter is still hard at it.

~~Unpopped popcorn has been found to be a~~ superior Turbing Blade Cleaner. Heavy fallout is expected in the near future. (pass the salt)

In the next issue: Will Hugh's boat, the USS Oldsmobile be decommissioned? Will Terry install high performance reflectors on his ATV? Does Bill secretly wish to own a Chrysler?

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George Michael and Andrew Ridgeley, the dynamic duo of WHAM! fame, are finally calling it quits after forming their group only four years ago!! The reasoning behind the split up is simple according to George, "Andrew and I decided about 7 Months ago that we had achieved what we set out to do."

With such hits as "Wake me up (Before You Go-Go)", "Careless Whisper", and recently "I'm Your Man", Wham! fans will now have to satisfy themselves with the solo "Different Corners" by George. There is a bright side to the split up and that is that WHAM!! will put out a few more singles and only one more farewell LP.

While on the topic on splitting bands I have good news for D<sup>2</sup> fans. In a recent interview with Simon Lebon, he announced that the band will get back together in May and true to his word as of May 15th, D<sup>2</sup> were back in the studio producing their new LP. The only problem facing the group is the fact that John Taylor is still secretly producing a solo LP at the same time. Word has it that if the LP is a success he will cut the band altogether. D<sup>2</sup> has to its credit such splinter groups as POWER STATION and ARCADIA so the new LP should be worth waiting for.

Speaking of new LPs, Billy Idol is finally putting out his latest entitled "Whiplash Smile". ~~With the rumour that he had tried to~~ commit suicide (which is not true) Billy was busy writing and recording this new LP which is sure to be a success after being out of the picture for so long.

In the concert scene we have the newest of Rock Stars, Charlie Sexton, performing in concert on June 26 in Vancouver. This young 17 year old Star climbed his way through the ranks with his smash single and video "Impressed". Also on the concert scene those of us who were fortunate enough to tune in to the right channel on 26 April would have seen a concert that was by all standards, quite impressive. The concert was organized and produced by the same people who organized 'LIVE AID'. Among the performers we could see Madonna, George Michael, Mr. Mister, Aretha, Sheena Easton and the ever popular Beach Boys. The all---day concert was called "The Concert That Counts". It was held in the Rose Bowl Coliseum in Pasadena California and a record and movie of the event should be coming out within the next few months.

Corey Hart has decided to do another LP on the upcoming year as his recent LP "Boy In The Box" reached the prized Diamond Record Level. Corey Hart has also stated that he is looking to go on to the movie scene. This would be a first for Corey but not for a few of the bigger names in Rock today. As we see Prince's second movie "UNDER A CHERRY MOON" and Madonna's second movie (with husband Sean Penn) "Shanghai Suprise".

BRITISH PHONOGRAPHIC INSTITUTE AWARDS (BPI)\*

Best Group	: Dire Straits
Best International Group	: Huey Lewis and the News
Best Male Singer	: Phil Collins
Best International Male Singer	: Bruce Springsteen
Best Female Singer	: Annie Lennox
Best New Singer	: Go West
Best Producer	: Dave Stewart
Best Video	: "Every Time You Go Away" Paul Young
Best Single	: "Everybody Wants To Rule The World" Tears For Fears

\* Courtesy of STAR HITS magazine

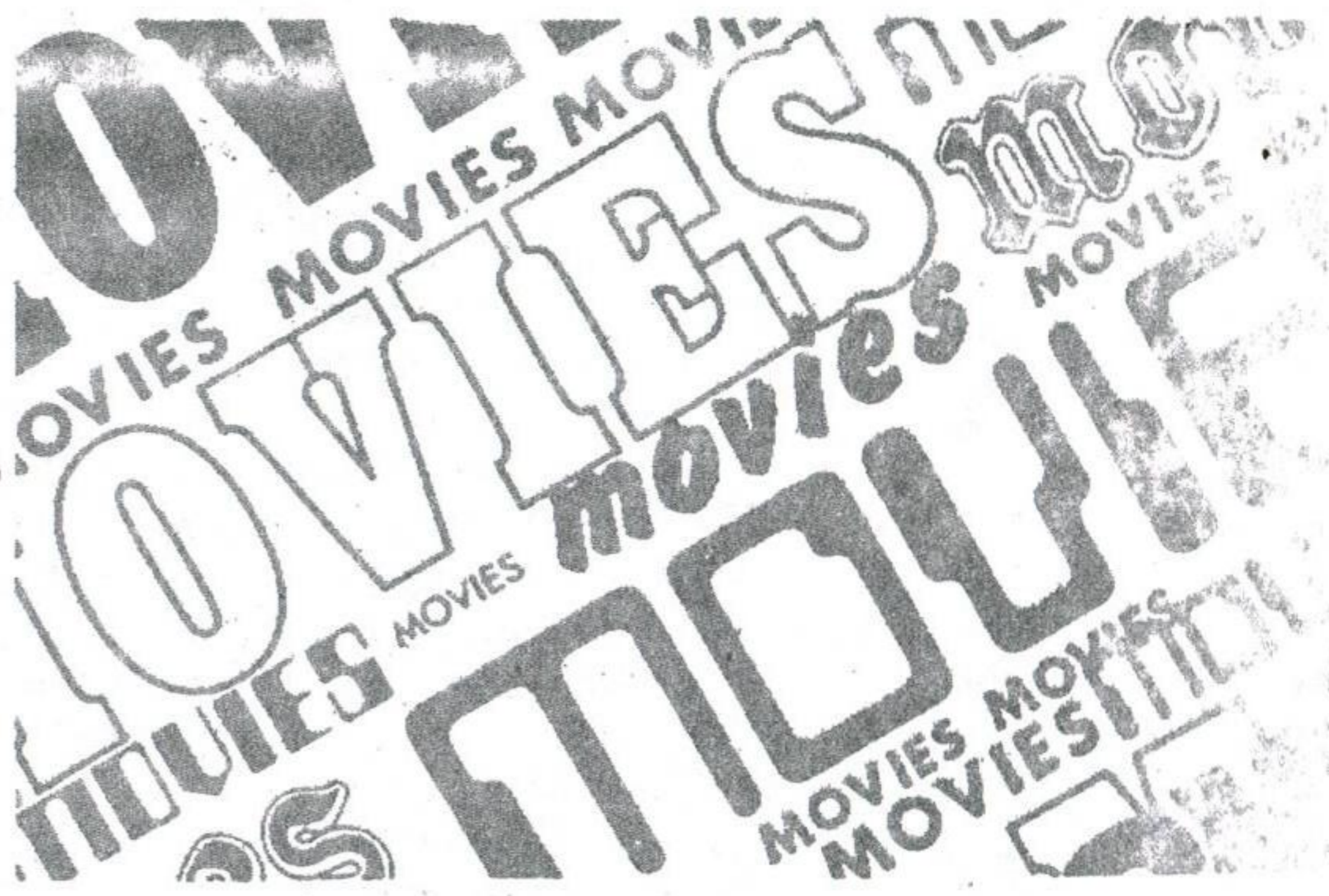
All movies shown in the Parish Hall are rated by the Canadian Forces Movie Guild. Admission to these movies is regulated as follows:

GENERAL (G) All ages may attend.

PARENTAL GUIDANCE (PG) All ages may attend, however, parents must decide suitability.

RESTRICTED (R) Anyone 17 years of age and under shall have written consent from one or both parents.

Parental consent forms are available at the guardhouse and in the Tumbleweed.



SHOW TIMES FRIDAYS: 7:00 pm, SUNDAY MATINEES: 1:00 pm

ADMISSION: 50¢ per movie shown

Fri.	6 June 86	White Nights	PG
		Prizzis Honor	R
	13 June 86	Spies Like Us	PG
		Teen Wolf	PG
	20 June 86	Back to the Future	PG
		Young Sherlock Holmes	PG
	27 June 86	Clan of the Cane Bear	R
		Brazil	R
	4 July 86	Dream Child	PG
		Quick Silver	PG
	11 July 86	Perfect	R
		To Live and Die in L.A.	R
	18 July 86	That was Then, This is Now	R
		Silerado	PG

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PERMISSION TO ATTEND RESTRICTED MOVIES  
AT PARISH HALL, CFS ALSASK FOR AGES  
17 AND UNDER

I give permission for my child: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

To attend: (NAME) (INITIALS) (AGE)

ALL RESTRICTED (R) MOVIES / ONLY THE RESTRICTED (R) MOVIE BELOW  
(Cross out phrase not applicable)

MOVIE TITLE: (If applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

PARENTS NAME: (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_

PARENTS SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

# Sunday Matinees

## Parish Hall

**Time: 1:00 pm**  
**Cost: .50**

### CLIP & SAVE

Up Coming Matinees

#### Sunday Matinee

Sun.	8 June 86	Cartoon Program # 42	G
	15 June 86	Alice in Wonderland	G
	22 June 86	Escapt to Witch Mountain	G
	29 June 86	Cartoon Program No 52	G
	6 July 86	Robin Hood	G
	13 July 86	Million Dollar Duck	G
	20 July 86	Forever Young Forever Free	G

# Tumble-weeds



## TUMBLEWEED ADVERTISING POLICY -

There is no fee charged for advertising in the Tumbleweed. Submit your ad to the editor in writing, along with the number of times you wish it to run.

If your ad gets results, please call the editor at 278/2631 to have it discontinued. The Tumbleweed staff is not responsible for errors in advertising.

Starting November 1, if you would like a cake for that special occasion maybe I can help you. I do all kinds (except wedding cakes) and in any desired flavor. A 2-week notice in advance is required. For more info call Raymonde (Ray) DeFrancesco at 2246.

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Diane Moss 968-2272

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              3:30-8:00  
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MILITARY CUT - \$7.  
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STYLE - \$10.  
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Jacquie Lindal.....2641  
Lesley Lindal.....2641  
Chris MacLean.....2982  
Ivan Peters.....2292  
Candice Reum.....2693  
Allen Roy.....2375  
Renee Savoie.....2276  
Grace Sommerville.....2335  
Jonita Sommerville.....2335  
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### For Sale

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Phone 968-2318.

# Tumble-ads



Could **YOU** stop

to save a child's life?  
Check your brakes ...  
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**AND STAY ALERT!**



## WANTED

## 1st ALSASK GROUP

Babysitter for 4 mo starting  
Aug 25

-2 boys; 4 yrs; 1 yr; oldest  
goes to playschool

- salary negotiable

- enquiries invited until June 30

- Contact Sherre McLenehan

Trailer Court 968-2674 after 5

## BOTTLE DRIVE

14 JUN 86

10:00 HRS

The 1st Alask Group will be holding a bottle drive on Saturday 14 Jun 86 on the Station and the village of Alask.

If you do not wish to be disturbed please place your bottles and cans at the end of your driveway.

Boys and Leaders are to meet at PMQ 28 prior to 1000 hrs in full uniform.

### For Sale

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