

Monteith Girl wins in Public Speaking Contest - 1975

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WINNERS OF the public speaking contest sponsored by the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 268, Matheson receive

ed crests. Back row from left are Monique Rondeau runner-up and Laurie Hart of Shillington, winner of the senior class. Front row are

John Penney of Shillington, runner-up and Laurel Matthew of Matheson, winner of the junior section.

Shillington Student Wins Talk Contest

MATHESON (SPECIAL)—Laurie Hart a grade eight student of Shillington was the winner of the public speaking contest sponsored by Royal Canadian Legion Branch 268, Matheson.

Her speech was on the Great Depression of Canada. The runner up was Monique Rondeau of the Immaculate Conception School, Va Gagne. She spoke about 'Une Aventure Aux Iles Canaries.'

The bilingual contest was open to schools from Val Gagne, Matheson, Shillington, Holyre and Ramore.

Judges for the event were Mrs C. Doiron of Matheson; director of secondary school board R.

Desmarais of Iroquois Falls; and French co-ordinator for public schools, Iroquois Falls L. Spada.

In the junior class, the winner was Laurel Matthew a grade four student from Matheson. Her topic was My Brothers Dog and the runner-up Johnny Penney a grade six from Shillington who talked about his dog Whiskey.

The winner will go to Timmins Feb. 9 for the zone competition which will be held at 1:30 p.m., at the Legion hall.

Bridge Change Chance Slight

MATHESON (Special) — Service which Black River-Matheson Township council considers essential for the safety of residents that it represents are being sought from the ministry of transportation and communications.

At a meeting this week councillors agreed to ask the ministry to install lights at the intersection of Highway 11 and the entrance to Val Gagne plus the intersection at Ramore of Highway 572 and Highway 11.

Reeve Frank Kinsella spoke to the ministry's assistant district engineer in regards to this matter prior to the meeting.

The entrances to the two townships are "very dark resulting in motorists driving by the turn-offs or having to brake their car rapidly," said Reeve Kinsella.

"It is hoped that lights would be a safety feature at this intersection," he said.

Council learned, however, from a ministry spokesman that replacement of the Bailey bridge on Highway 577 between Shillington and Monteith is one of the ministry's low priority items because of the limited traffic flow.

Replacement of this one-lane bridge has been requested for a number of years.

F. J. Clark of Shillington brought the issue to the attention of council in the fall of 1974. He expressed concern for safety especially when so many school buses cross this bridge daily.

UNICEF HELPED

Students of Monteith Public School sent \$44.83 to the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund instead of buying presents for themselves. Two classes participated in the project.