



PROFESSIONAL disc player Mary Kathron gives John Mayes tips on handling a frisbee. Frisbee demonstration was a surprise event for participants of Parks and Rec's summer program. A native of Santa Cruz, Ms. Kathron holds the Canadian Women's freestyle record.

Protests La Pierre appointment

Campbell on hunger strike

A "fast" has been declared by Milton evangelist Ken Campbell to protest the Ministry of Education's involvement in a \$300,000 education research project. The ministry is contributing \$100,000 towards the project that will include an annual salary of \$90,000 for Laurier LaPierre, teacher-appointed commissioner. The remaining funds come from the Federation of Women Teachers' Associations of Ontario, the Ontario Public School Men Teachers' Federation, Association des Enseignants Franco-Ontariens and the Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association.

In his research on child education, Mr. LaPierre is looking closely at altering the present public school system to fit changing schedules and life styles of modern day family life. Mr. LaPierre's report is not due until next summer, but he has already indicated some personal recommendations. They include that schools are no longer the extension of the home, but instead that the home is the extension of the school. Schools must be adapted to the work schedules of modern families, said Mr. LaPierre, particularly where both

parents are working. In a letter to Education Minister Tom Wells, Mr. Campbell has called for an immediate withdrawal of the research grant provided to the CBC radio broadcaster. According to Mr. Campbell, president of Renaissance Ontario, the choice of Mr. LaPierre "strips the last pretensions from the teachers' federations to be servants of the parents and supporters of the family." "It unmasks their commitment to invade the privacy and to violate the sanctity of the home, to dictate to parents how the child must be raised for the state."

The Ontario Education Ministry earlier denied a request from Renaissance for a government grant to help them fund the costs for a four-year "back to educational basics" campaign. Mr. Campbell has vowed not to eat until he has received response from the minister's office. In a second letter to the education minister, dated Aug. 3, Mr. Campbell stated he continued to refrain from eating, "as a personal expression of anguished alarm."



A THOROUGH CLEANING must include getting the sand out of your nose.

Shepherd heads Ont. Firefighters

Ivan Shepherd of Milton was named president of the Ontario Firefighters Association during its 77th annual meeting and camping weekend in Aurora, civic holiday weekend. The Milton firefighter has been an active worker in the association for several years, and his daughter Kim was Miss Ontario Firefighter in 1977-78. She relinquished her crown on the weekend to the new title holder, a girl from Dunville. Cindy Marshall, 17, daughter of firefighter Don and fire department auxiliary president Caroline Marshall of Milton, was the local

brigade's entry in the Miss Ontario Firefighter contest this year. Many of the Campbellville and Milton firefighters spent the weekend camping at Aurora, and attending the games, meetings, dances and parades held in conjunction with the annual event. The Milton entries did not win many prizes in the parade, although they swept several awards last year. Firefighters and the auxiliary marched in uniform and displayed Milton's antique 1922 and 1947 fire pumps as well as an antique hose reel. The Sandhill Pipe Band from Bolton accompanied them. Local entries did well but didn't win any prizes in the water ball contests. Milton had two men's and two women's team in that event. One team placed fourth.

Teenage escapees arrested face armed robbery charges

Two teenaged inmates who recently made an escape from Maplehurst Correctional Centre in Milton will appear in Picton court today to face charges of armed robbery, break and enter and theft. Edward John Witt, 18, from Peterborough and Russell Badder, 16, from Windsor were arrested Sunday at 5 p.m. by Picton OPP following

a seven hour manhunt by OPP dogs, helicopter and police. The youths made their break from Maplehurst Sunday, July 30 after climbing a chain link fence with the help of coat hangers. Following a tip Saturday evening the hunt began for the two men early Sunday morning after a description of the

escapees matched suspects in the armed hold-up of a Becker's Milk Store on Highway 14 in Rossmore. The two also face charges for breaking into several residential homes in the Picton area and charges for possession of stolen goods. A 1969 Ford Fairlane believed stolen by the two youths is yet to be discovered. The car, owned by Linda Garbutt of 101 Noble Towers on Millside Dr. was taken Sunday evening from the parking area of the apartment building. Police at that time suspected the inmates stole the car after wading through the 16-Mile-Creek as far as the Millside Dr. apartment complex. Halton Regional Police said the theft is still under investigation and refused to comment on the matter. The two are being held at Quinte Detention Centre in Napanee. The two escapees bring to a total of 15 the list of inmates

who have made a break from the three-year-old minimum security provincial correctional centre in Milton. There have been six escapees this year, according to John O'Brien, assistant superintendent at Maplehurst, with four escapees in 1977 and five in the previous year. "We are reviewing security precautions," said Mr. O'Brien but added that the recent breaks will "not affect privileges" of other inmates. He continued to state that there will be "some" changes made. No staff increases are predicted, but he said the Centre "may change the deployment of staff." At the time of the latest escape, five correctional officers were in the recreational field. One female officer pursued the two inmates, but was unable to reach them in time. The four remaining officers were reportedly unable to leave their posts to assist the female officer.

Obituary

Leslie Peer

A lifelong resident of Halton County, Leslie Peer entered into rest at Burlington's Joseph Brant Hospital on Sunday evening, July 30. Les was the son of George Nelson Peer and his wife Margaret Dynes who raised their family on a Fisher's Corner farm which is now the site of the Fuller Brush Company. Les was predeceased by brothers Walter, Arthur and Vernon as well as his sisters Mrs. Bertha Rose and Mrs. Ella Eaton.

Les was baptized and confirmed in St. John's Church at Nelson as were his children, Donald, Frances and Anita. Through the years Les served as warden and sidesman. In the community Les served on both County and Municipal Councils and was a Trustee for Mount Nemo Public School. Twelve grandchildren and four great-grandchildren have been welcomed into the family circle and Les took great interest in their activities. Though confined by arthritis since his retirement, the years were made pleasant by wonderful friends who frequently dropped in for a game of cards or simply to chat. Rev. Pat Noble and Rev. Gordon Brownell were faithful in bringing the holy sacrament and friendship of the church to the Peer home.

—Another bluegrass music festival is being held this weekend, Aug. 12 and 13, in Collingwood. It's part of the Chamber of Commerce Summerfest, an annual event in the vacation centre.

Les and his wife Marjorie Richardson spent most of their married life on their dairy farm at Mount Nemo. Les joined the Holstein Cattlemen's Association in 1918 and with the help and interest of son Donald, the Peers developed a fine Holstein herd. Les was president for the Halton Holstein Association in 1957 and was proud to receive the organization's 40-year pin. Grandson Ken Peer became an avid dairyman and carries on the family vocation in partnership with Don at Mount Hope.

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