

...to rejoin family

In the Courts

One-man crime wave sentence tomorrow

An 18-year-old Milton youth described as a "one-man crime wave" by Crown Attorney Paul Stunt, will be sentenced tomorrow following his conviction on eight separate offences in Milton Provincial Court last week.

Michael Lindow of no fixed address, was found guilty of stealing a briefcase, public mischief, possession of a narcotic, theft under \$200, theft of a car, taking a car without the owner's permission and two counts of breach of parole.

Lindow, who has been held in custody since his arrest last month, committed the offences during the past few months while serving an 18-month parole sentence he received earlier this year.

One additional charge of defrauding the Farmhouse Restaurant at 395 Main St. E., May 31 was dismissed by Judge John Robinson for lack of sufficient evidence.

Lindow was accused of failing to pay for a \$27 food and liquor bill.

Lindow said in a police statement he had expected a companion from Milton to pick up the tab and that he had given him \$5 towards the bill.

The court learned it was not the companion however, who had accompanied Lindow to The Farmhouse Restaurant on the night of the offence.

Lindow was charged with public mischief when he admitted to police he had lied about his companion.

He said he gave the youth's name to police because he wanted to even the score after one companion who had apparently "ratted" on him.

On May 8, Lindow in the company of two other youths stole a briefcase from a car belonging to Bradie McFadden of Joyce Blvd. in Milton.

The case was dumped a short distance away

'Grow up' Judge says

A 19-year-old Halton Hills youth charged with assault after he swung at a second youth, was told to "grow up" and given a conditional discharge by Judge John Robinson in Milton Provincial Court last week.

John Barnes pleaded guilty to common assault after taking a swing at Danny Drum, also of Halton Hills at a Georgetown plaza.

Barnes was working as the manager of Games People Play, a pool hall and games shop, at the time of the incident.

He requested Drum to leave at closing time,

on a neighbour's lawn. It had contained papers, a pocket calculator and cassette tapes.

Lindow was found guilty of stealing a car owned by Fred Ross, also of Joyce Blvd. Milton on the same night.

On the following evening he took a car belonging to Janet Smith of Ontario St. without obtaining the owner's permission.

On the charge of theft under \$200, the court learned Lindow had kept \$55 that had been given to him by a deaf student from Ernest C. Drury School July 6.

The student had given Lindow the money for the purpose of buying marijuana.

One day later Halton Regional Police charged Lindow for possession of a narcotic.

He was found outside a Main St. shop with one quarter ounce of marijuana, in a small plastic bag.

Judge Robinson gave the youth the choice of a \$150 fine or 15 days in jail on the drug charge.

Lindow chose to go to jail.

The two breaches of probation included committing the various offences and failing to abstain from alcohol.

Lindow, who holds a criminal record for a number of offenses including obstructing police, theft under, possession of a narcotic, public mischief and having more than the legal amount of alcohol in his blood, has already served 60 days in jail.

Acting as his defence counsel, Milton lawyer Peter McWilliams said his client was not alone when he committed the various offences, but was with other youths.

He added the teenager had been kicked out of his home after failing to comply with house rules and was on his own.

Judge Robinson ordered an update sentence report on the youth to assist with the sentencing of Lindow.

but Drum apparently was in no hurry to leave.

He left finally, but was later accosted by Barnes outside the shop.

Jack Belleghem, acting as defense lawyer for Barnes, admitted his client along with other youths had all been drinking at the time of the fracas.

But he produced two letters of reference from Barnes' employer and hockey coach which spoke well of the youth.

Barnes has no previous record.

Back to Germany...

Exchange student says he'll miss Milton friends

By Linda Kirby
When West German Rotary exchange student Jens Frankensen left Milton last week, it was with some sadness.

The tall, handsome 17-year-old youth returned to his family home near Ruhwarden after spending almost a year in Canada.

Fluent now in English, he doesn't hesitate to admit he is going to miss very much the friends he has made while staying in Milton.

Canada's enormous size and the friendliness of its people made a deep impression upon him.

"Canada is like so many countries together," he said. "You see so many drastic changes as you travel through it."

Along with 19 other Rotary exchange students, he took a 24-day trip to the west coast through the Rockies.

He loved it and though the mountains were not new to him, he noted there is considerable difference in the shape of the Canadian Rockies compared to the European mountains.

The prairies, he said, reminded him of his family's farming community.

But he was quick to point out he rarely thought about home or suffered pangs of homesickness.

"I had a lot of fun here," he said.

Jens enrolled in grade 11 and 12 subjects at Milton District High School and didn't experience too much difficulty with the school work.

English was not too much of a problem, he said. He spent six years studying the language in Germany and his knowledge of Latin helped a great deal.

He found Canadian schools are "more easy going."

"In Germany, the students are much more serious about the last three years of school, because they are thinking of going to university."

"Here, many of the students just seem to go to get their credits."

But he noticed Canadian students are somewhat friendlier than their German counterparts.

Canadian students tend to enjoy drinking more than their limit, he said.

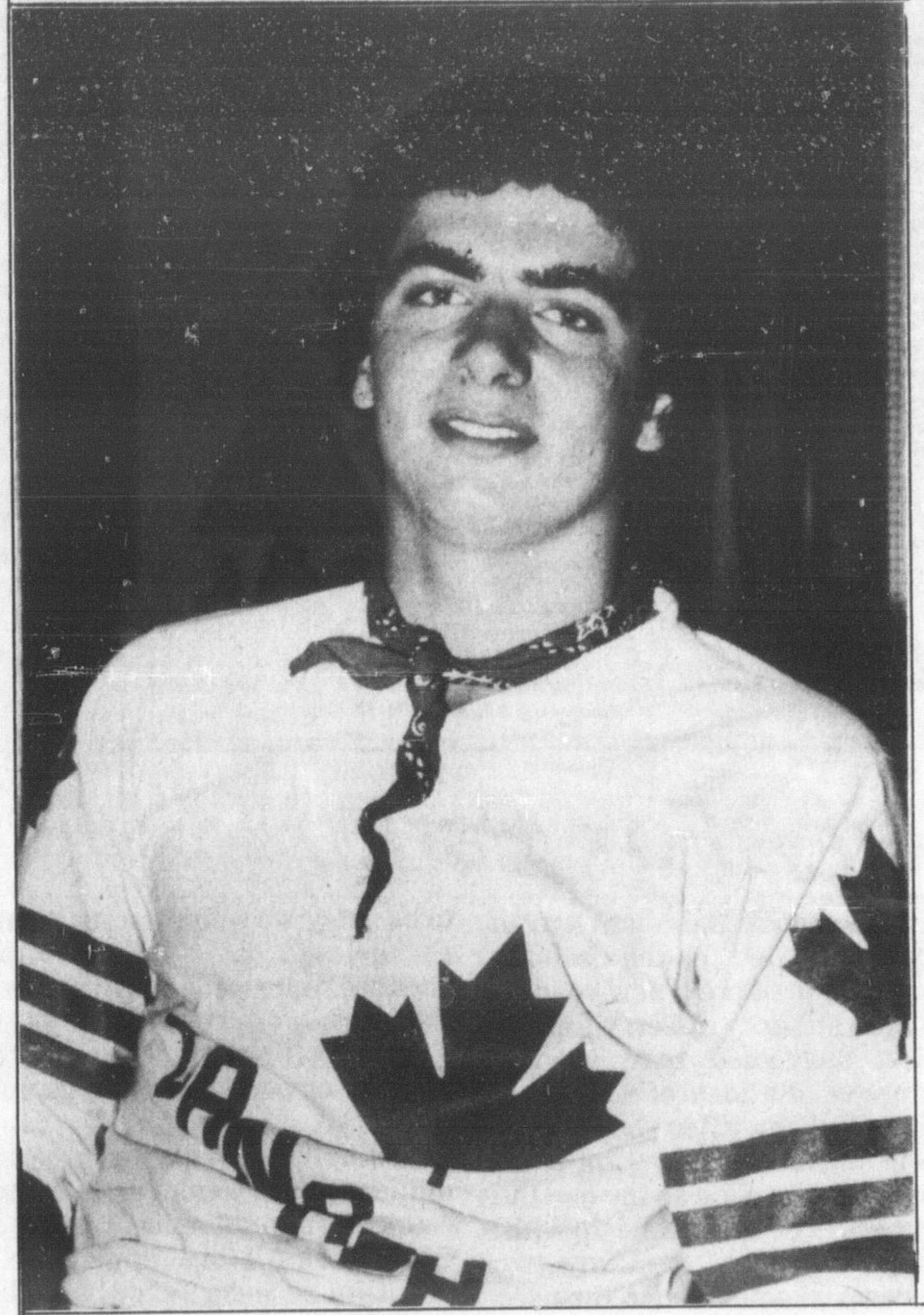
He felt this was because the drinking laws were readily broken.

In Germany, although there is a legal drinking age, (16 years for beer and 18 years for hard liquor) enforcement is lax and teenagers don't feel the need to over-indulge, for the sake of breaking the rules.

Some of the best memories of Jens' year included a trip to Montreal.

"Everything was great," he said, adding he enjoyed the historic features of the city, which reminded him of Europe.

Toronto was another favorite. He was impressed with its



Home again. After nearly one year in Milton, 17-year-old Jens Frankensen is back home with his family in Germany. The Rotary exchange student travelled across the country during his stay and lived with four local families.

and Mrs. Galipeau, Mr. and Mrs. B. Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. Don Bell.

"I would really like to thank them all very much and the Rotary Club of Milton for their kindness," he said.

Jens described his visit as an "invaluable experience" and "a great year"

She's off to Scotland for highland dancing

There can be no stopping local highland dancer Sandy Couper as she travelled to Scotland today leaving consecutive wins earned at three separate competitions behind her.

The 15-year-old started dancing several years ago to vent her abundant energy and has been winning highland dance contests ever since.

Her most recent wins began at Cambridge, Ont. where she took the Ontario Open Championship for her own.

This was followed Thursday, July 30 with another championship in Quebec, giving her two provincial titles. These contests proved to be indicators of what was to come as she walked off with the inter-provincial Canadian Championship Sunday, August 2.

The national competition held at Olympic Centre, Montreal was where Sandy scored her

winning points performing the highland fling, reel, sword and Sean Truibhas. These four dances are those which mark all highland dance competitions.

Sandy and her mother will travel from competition to competition in Scotland for several weeks and Sandy will attempt to bring home the world championship, an accomplishment she failed to achieve during last summer's tour.

Fire stats

As the second half of the year approaches, the Milton Fire Department notes the number of fire calls is still below the record pace set last year.

As of June 30, Milton Firefighters had responded to 202 calls, down 11 from the 213 during the same period last year.

Home inspections find fusing problem

Milton Fire Department's home fire inspection program has been going "very well", according to Firefighter Harold Penson who's in charge of fire prevention for the brigade.

have inspected about 50 homes, mostly in the Dorset Park area and he reports homeowners are giving "great co-operation" to the three-man teams of firefighters.

The firefighters tour the home looking for possible fire hazards and giving safety hints to homeowners. To date overfusing is the biggest problem found, as the men have found fuses too large in 80 to 90 per cent of the homes visited.

A lot of people are using extension cords for permanent wiring too, he said. Firefighters also recommend each home have a smoke detector and a fire extinguisher, if they don't have one.

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