

# Chamber will hire new manager

A new manager for the Midland Chamber of Commerce should be announced by the middle of this month, according to the president of the Midland Chamber of Commerce Gordon Teskey.

When Moffatt, the present manager will be retiring at the end of this year after some 20 years at the job.

A new manager will be chosen by the board of directors after sufficient applications have been received and the board is ready to make a decision. Teskey said the chamber has already received quite a number of applications from all over the province.

The new manager will take over from Moffatt at the end of this year.

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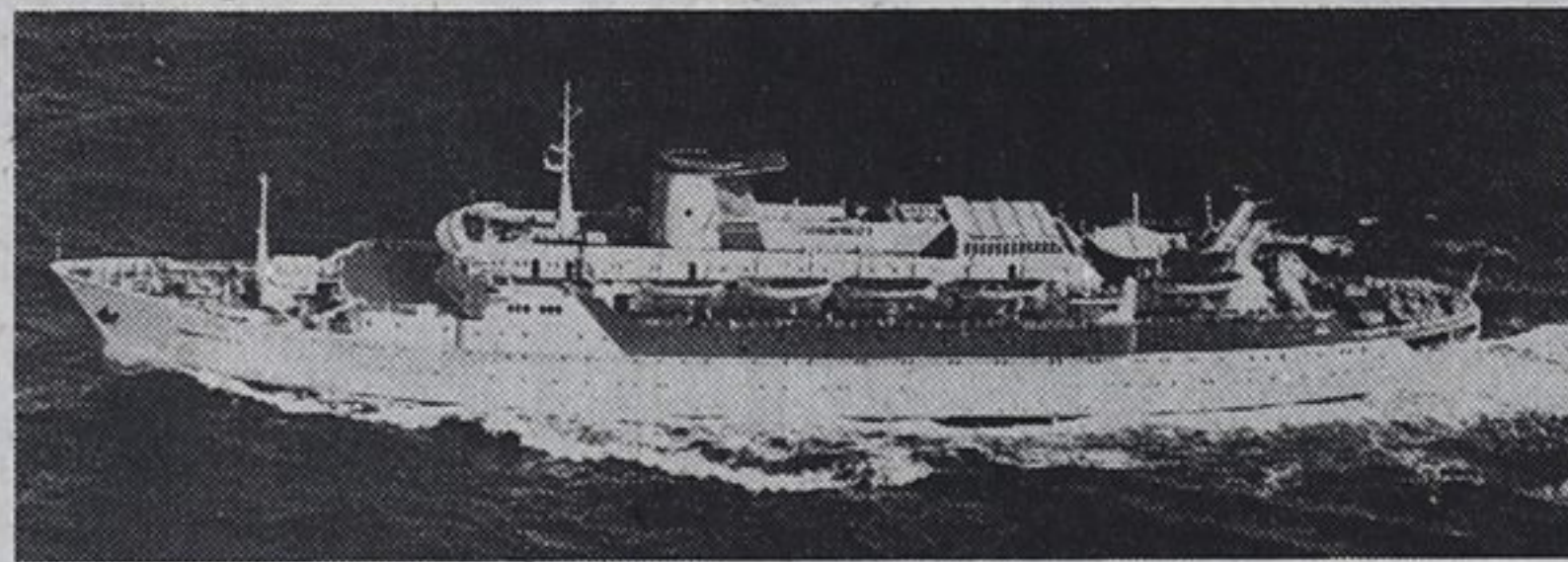
The Midland Tennis Club gathered on the court yards for the presentation of trophies to their championship winners. From left to right at back are: Mark Rintoul, Terry Archer, Bill Hartman, Jeff Attwood, Dave Olgivie, Beth Murphy, Hugh Bremner and Mike Laurin.

Front row: Peter Mount, Paul Mount, Stephan Cramp, John Friesen, Jim Patchel, Kathy Rintoul, Becky Bremner and Camilla Murphy. Margol Rutherford, Sharon Beatty and Jim Holden were absent.

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## Canada Pension

### A few answers

1. Q. Is there any provision in the Canada Pension Plan to keep benefits in pace with the cost of living?

D.O., Midland  
A. Yes. All benefits are adjusted annually, in January, to reflect increases in the Consumer Price Index. In January 1976 the increase was 11.2 per cent over 1975.

2. Q. My husband is presently receiving Old Age Security and I receive Spouses Allowance. Am I entitled to receive free drug benefits as well as he?

M.C., Waubushene  
A. No. The Drug Benefit provides, free of charge, more than 1,500 drugs listed in Ontario's Drug Benefit Formulary only to persons 65 years and older who receive Old Age Security. Guaranteed Annual Income System (G.A.I.N.S.), or who have resided in Ontario for the past 12 months. When you begin receiving Old Age Security at age 65 you will receive your Ontario Senior Citizens Privilege Card which can be used to obtain not only free drugs, but an increasing number of special privileges.

3. Q. When I become 65, I will have made maximum contributions to the Canada Pension Plan for twenty years, starting in 1966, with the exception of two years that I was outside the country. Will my pension be less than the maximum, when I reach age 65 because of the two year gap?

G.D., Elmvale  
A. No. You are permitted a 15 per cent "drop out" of the months in your contributory period. This "drop out" provision, of low or non earnings months, has the effect of offsetting the two year gap in contributions and will leave your retirement pension on a maximum basis.

4. Q. I am 55 years of age. I contributed to the Canada Pension Plan from January 1, 1966, until January 1975 when I took a severe heart at-

tack. My doctors now advise me that I probably will not be able to work for some time — if ever. Would I be eligible for any benefits under the Canada Pension Plan?  
R.T., Perkins  
A. You should submit an application immediately for a disability pension, as delaying the application could result in loss of benefits. A decision on whether you would be considered disabled under the Canada Pension Plan legislation would be made by the Administration.

5. Q. My company has transferred me to England to work for a period of two years on a special project. My wife and three children will be coming with me. Is my wife eligible to receive Family Allowance during our absence from Canada?  
J.C., Midland  
A. Yes. A parent who has resided in Canada may be absent from Canada indefinitely and still be treated as though he were a resident in Canada if throughout the whole period of absence his income is subject to Canadian income tax. A child who has resided in Canada and who is absent for an indefinite period may also be treated as though he were resident in Canada if throughout the period of absence by a parent whose income is subject to Canadian income tax. Allowances will continue to be paid to, or on behalf of, such persons. A child who has not resided in Canada is treated as though he were resident in Canada if he is maintained by and resides with a parent whose income is subject to Canadian income tax.

If you have any questions, please address them to Sue Asbury, Canada Pension Plan, 70 Collier Street, Barrie, Ontario, L4M 4Z2. I am in Midland every Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. if I may be of further assistance phone 526-9726.

## St. Andrew's births

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Muller announced the birth of a daughter on September 1 at St. Andrew's Hospital. The Mullers live at 16 Everton Road, Midland.

On September 1, a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Pellet of 35 Limestone Road in Port

McNicoll. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Lavigne of Woodland Beach on September 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Hartman of Fuller Avenue in Penetanguishene announced the birth of a daughter on September 5.

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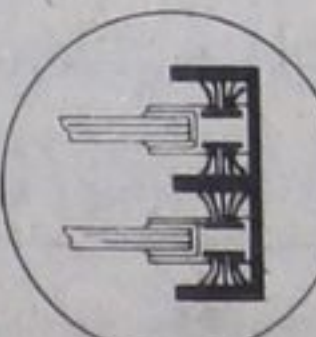


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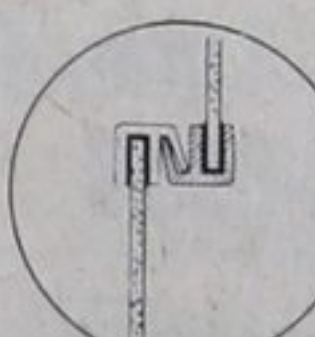
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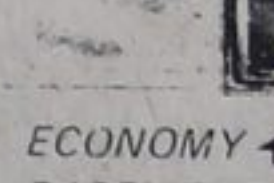
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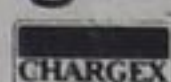
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