



The people behind Portarama

The 1986 Portarama committee is shown at work, in the Port McNicoll council chamber, last Thursday, preparing for the Victoria day weekend big event in the village.

Sitting from left are Barb Wilson, Donna Jackson, Pat Armstrong, Frank Kelly, Rita Miller, Eleanor Lattimore (chairman), Cass Duncan (secretary), Ken St. Amant,

Dave Strachan (treasurer). Standing from left are Diana Crawford, Richard Crawford, Cheryl Kelly and Vic Kelly.

Canada Malting accepts better offer

Canada Malting Company of Toronto lost interest in buying a grain elevator in Midland because it got a better offer, Midland Economic Development Commissioner Matthew Parry says.

Canadian National Railways and Canadian Pacific Ltd. made Canada Malting "a better deal to stay in Toronto". Parry doesn't know the details; he speculated that Canada Malting might have been offered a special rail rate.

Last month Canadian National Railways offered for sale its Tiffin No. 2 grain elevator, located in east Midland. Last week Canadian National Railways public relations co-ordinator Mike Matthews said that no bids were received, only two expressions of interest.

The sale of Tiffin No. 2 to

any company interest in building a plant adjacent to the elevator would be an important development for the town, Parry says.

The federal government cost cutting task force lead by Deputy Prime Minister, Erik Nielsen, has suggested that the federal subsidy on

Legion Pipes and Drums returning

Penetanguishene's Royal Canadian Legion Branch 68 is busy these days arranging their annual blitz for the local chapter of the Salvation Army.

According to Public Relations Officer Bill Stevens, every year at this time, branch members go door-to-door to help collect donations for the area organization.

grain moving to the east coast be dropped.

If the subsidy is dropped, grain elevators without processing plants are more likely to close than elevators with plants, Parry says. Tiffin No. 2 does not have a plant. Canadian National Railways says it would


prefer to sell the elevator, although it claims it is a money maker, because the company is not in the grain elevator running business. Tiffin No. 2 is the only grain elevator owned by Canadian National Railways.

Tiffin No. 2 has been offered for sale previously, also without a sale resulting.

Between 40 and 50 people are expected to take part in the canvassing in the Town of Penetang on May 12.

Members and anyone interested in supporting the local Salvation Army can get in on the blitz by contacting the Legion (549-7971).

Stevens said helpers are needed for the event.

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