

Letter to the editor

Stokes on the Marathon Mill

February 16, 1983

Dear Editor:

Today in the Legislature I introduced the following motion:

That pursuant to Standing Order 34(a), the normal business of the House be set aside to debate a matter of urgent public importance, namely:

(1) the announced closure of the American Can mill at Marathon and the consequent loss of over 800 jobs in the mill and in woodlands that will result in severe hardship and a loss of a valuable resource.

(2) the reluctance of the government to consider all alternatives, including finding a Canadian purchaser, or taking over the mill themselves, or allowing the workers to participate in the Buy Back programme.

The Speaker ruled that it was of immediate,

urgent public importance and asked the House if it wished to proceed with the debate.

The Conservatives with their majority voted against this motion.

The Minister of Natural Resources, Mr. Pope stated that the government was actively negotiating with two potential purchasers and it wasn't necessary to take the time of the House to discuss the issue.

The Canadian purchaser is willing and anxious to finalize an agreement if an adequate supply of wood fibre is assured. They would require sufficient time to effect capital improvements which would make the Marathon Mill more efficient and competitive and meet environmental control orders.

To add to the confusion I am advised that the federal Employment and Manpower depart-

ment in Ottawa has convened a meeting to explore the possibility of relocating the Marathon work force.

We needed this debate so that we could bring our concerns into focus and to elicit from the Treasurer, the Minister of Industry and Trade and the Minister of Natural Resources an iron-clad assurance that the Marathon mill will continue to operate and to prosper. It is most unfortunate that we were denied this opportunity.

**Jack Stokes,
MPP Lake Nipigon**

[Editor's note: It was announced Friday that a tentative memorandum of agreement has been signed between American Can and the James River Corp. for the sale of the Marathon Mill. Buchanan Forest Products will hold 20% of the operation.]



The Halifax Ukulele Band on Tour.

Ukulele band to play

A musical group known across the country will be playing in Terrace Bay next week.

The Halifax Ukulele Band will be performing at the Terrace Bay Public School on Wednesday, March 9 at 8:00 in the evening.

The "A" Band is the senior performing ukulele ensemble of the Halifax Schools music program. There are some 1700 ukulele players in the school system and this is the band in which all of them eventually hope to play. The standards for being part of the group are very high and an individual player's level

of musical ability must be exceptional. Most of the students play at least one other instrument and also sing in the choir. When at home off the road in Halifax the group meets once a week for a two-hour rehearsal.

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*** As of February 16**

	G.P.	W	L	T	Pts.	G.F.	G.A.
Schreiber Sabres	29	17	8	4	38	215	165
Schreiber Diesels	30	13	13	4	30	166	206
Terrace Bay Superiors	29	7	16	6	20	135	147

Top Ten

	G.P.	G	A	Pts
L. McParland	24	47	38	85
Paul Martin	27	40	44	84
Dale Ross	25	33	51	84
Gord Fummerton	24	17	30	47
Terry Hanley	24	21	20	41
Rick Cosman	19	19	20	39
Don Mills	24	19	16	35
Bruce Hiller	10	14	16	30
Paul Malashewski	21	12	17	29
Dale Dereski	12	11	18	29

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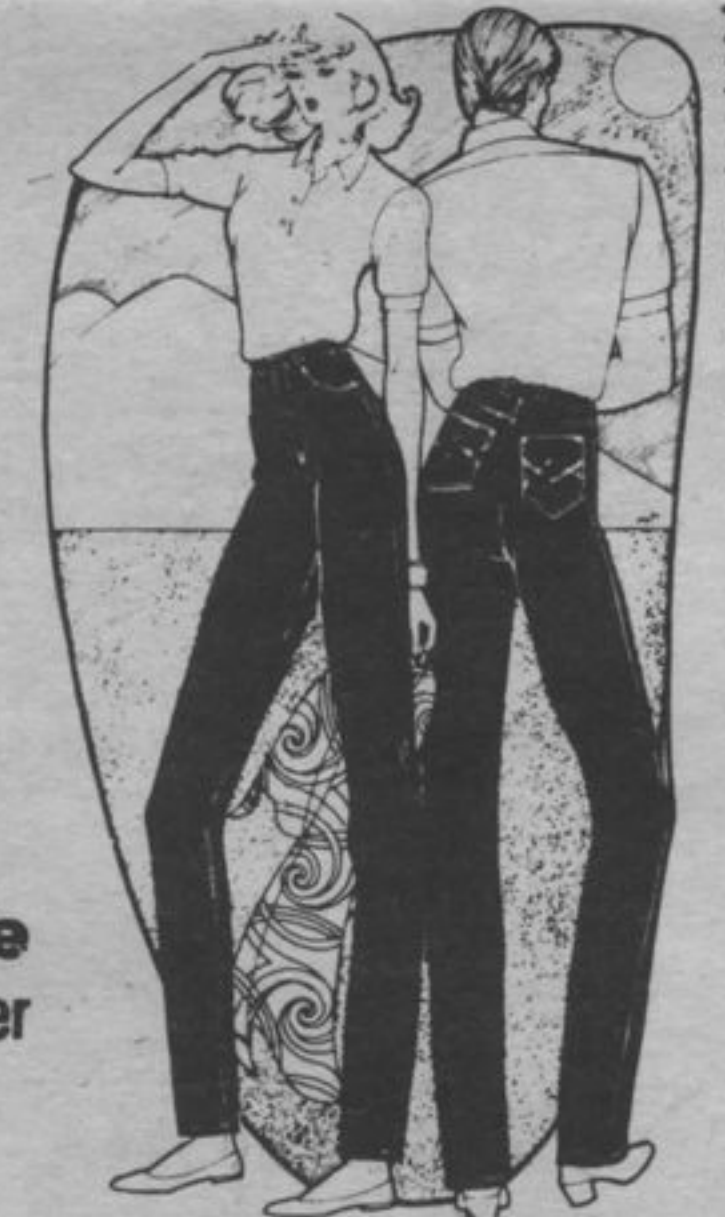
Andre Michel, Big Blue, Silver and Britannia for men.
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COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, March 15/83
8:00 p.m.

Library,
Lake Superior High School
Terrace Bay

An overview of the Community Corrections project will be presented along with an evaluation of the 1st year of this community based Justice Programme. All persons interested in Justice issues, local Courts, Probation Services, Rehabilitation and prevention are encouraged to attend.

For further information, call the
Community Correction Co-ordinator,
Judy Cooper at 824-3036

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