

Profile This Week

Meet Donald Smith - 'Your money isn't his only interest'

If you just happened to have noticed a strange face around the Bank of Montreal in Schreiber, that's o.k. His name is Donald Smith, and he just happens to be your new bank manager.

Donald has been transferred to Schreiber from Assiniboia, Sask. which is quite a change of scenery as far as Don is concerned. Donald has been with the Bank of Montreal for the past 11 years so if you're worried about his competence or experience, stay calm - he's more than qualified to handle your banking needs.

In general Donald is quite pleased with his new transfer. "I'm very positive on my new job,

the town and its people," stated Donald. "The people here are more than friendly; they seem to go out of their way to make sure that you're comfortable in Schreiber."

Changing of bank managers isn't something new. It's been a standard practice of all the banks for quite some time now. Donald stated that he has indeed been placed on transfer on more occasions than he would care to admit.

"The transfers are beginning to slow up and the normal length of stay has not been averaging about three years," he told us.

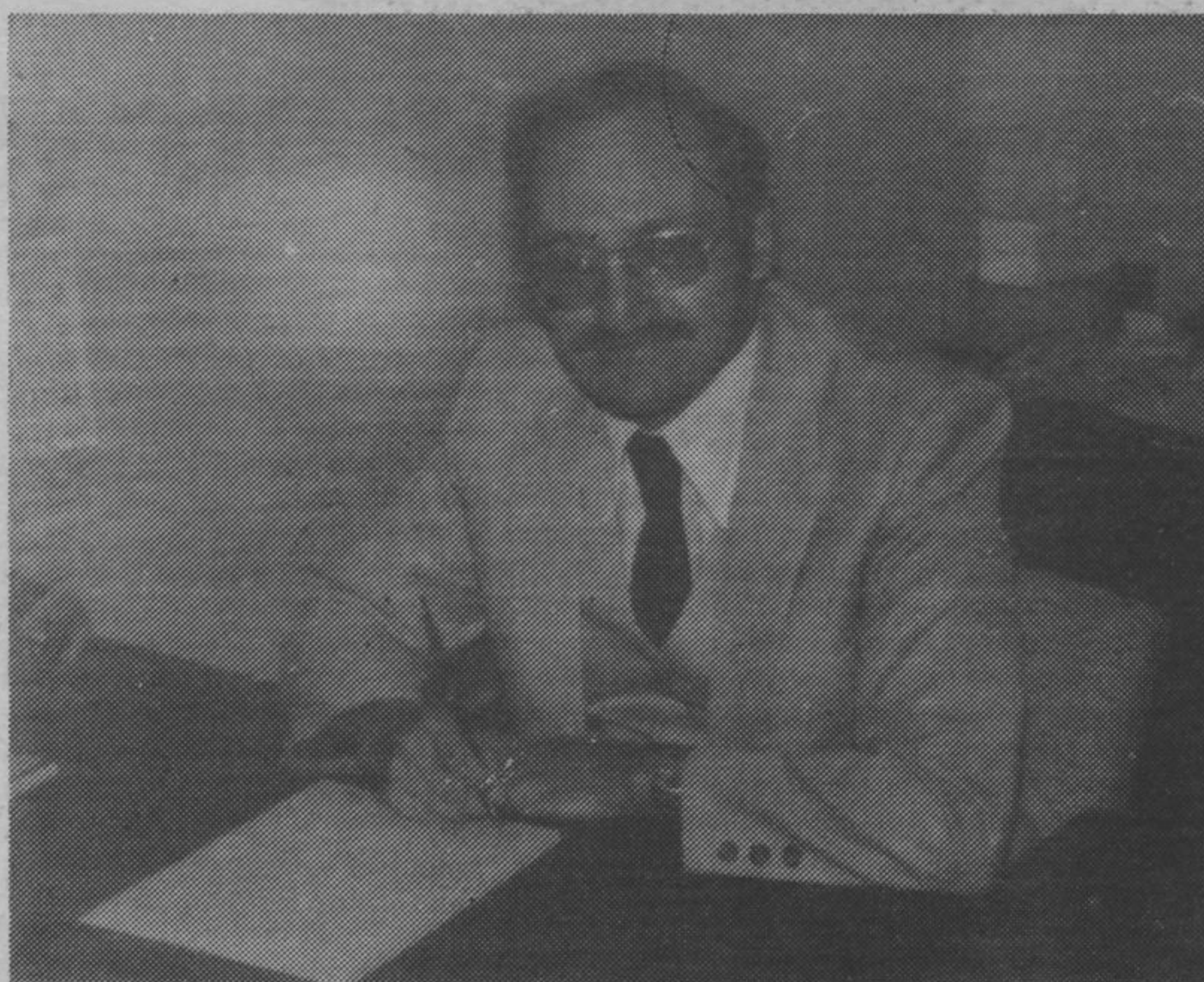
Donald knows that he has just taken up resi-

dence in one of the oldest towns on the North Shore but he looks upon this as an advantage. "Schreiber is an old, established town and filled with old families. Everybody either knows everybody else or they are related to each other. But there's enough new blood moving in and out of Schreiber to keep things from going stale."

Aside from the banking end of his life, Donald stays busy keeping in shape. A walking example of "Participation", Don can easily fit in with all kinds of recreation that the area has to offer. If a recreation complex filled with all the modern

types of equipment isn't available, that's alright. He's content to hunt or dip his line into the nearest watering hole. If a facility is available however - Don's right in his glory. Not only is he happy participating in sports ranging from golf to long-distance running - he's also a qualified organizer. While in university, he majored for two years in physical education plus another year in physio-therapy. To top things off, he was employed as the Sports Co-ordinator for a mining camp out west, and that was a challenge in itself.

So - with what Terrace Bay and Schreiber have



Donald Smith may be found behind his desk at the Bank of Montreal in Schreiber.

to offer him in the line of recreation facilities, plus our expansive golf course, he ought to be in his element.

If you have a few minutes to spare and are near the bank, Donald suggests that you drop by and say hello. But

don't be surprised to find him dressed in a suit and tie with a pair of sneakers attached to his feet!

Environment Ontario charges E.B. Eddy Forest Products

The Ontario Ministry of the Environment has laid four charges under the Federal Fisheries Act against E.B. Eddy Forest Products Ltd., and two charges under the same legislation against each of two company officials for discharges into the Spanish River from the company's Espanola mill.

Environment Minister, Mr. Andy Brandt said the decision to take legal action was taken in consultation with Natural Resources Minister Alan Pope, after exten-

sive investigation by staff of the Ministries of the Environment and Natural Resources, coordinated by Environment Ontario's special investigation unit.

All charges under section 33(2) of the Fisheries Act relate to the deposit of deleterious substances in water inhabited by fish. Three counts against the company involve discharge of a contaminant, July 4, 5, and 6th, resulting in high biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) in the river. The fourth re-

lates to the July 5th spill of soap material from the plant.

Douglas McMullan, Vice President of manufacturing and Darwin Howard, Superintendent of pulping at the Espanola plant, each face two charges of permitting the discharges causing high BOD July 4th and 5th.

BOD-causing substances are material which combine with oxygen in water depleting the dissolved oxygen which fish need to survive. The soap material,

reported spilled July 5th is toxic to fish.

Mr. Brandt said he was working in close cooperation with Natural Resources Minister Alan Pope to ensure proper cleanup and rehabilitation of the river and that discussions had been held with John Lane, MPP for Algoma-Manitoulin on the impact on the community.

Brandt stated that en-

vironment staff were on the scene as soon as the spill was reported and that they worked as quickly and effectively as possible to investigate the situation, gather all the evidence and work with the legal staff to prepare the appropriate charges.

Cleanup on the river is still continuing under the direction of the Environment Ministry and

Natural Resources crews are starting studies to determine the remaining fish population in the river.

Natural Resources Minister Alan Pope stated that he is determined to see that the river is restored to its former condition as quickly as possible. He also stated that a "quick fix-up" is unlikely but suggested that options

might include: the transfer of adult fish from other waters; rehabilitation of fish spawning and nursery areas; stocking of hatchery-reared fish such as muskellunge, smallmouth bass and possibly an experimental attempt to culture wall-eye fry at a site near the Spanish River.

Area Bicentennial Co-ordinators appointed

Eight Bicentennial co-ordinators have been appointed to areas in Ontario by the Ministry of Citizenship and Culture, to encourage communities to celebrate the province's 200th birthday in 1984.

Dorothy Gregory has been named co-ordinator in the northwest area, which includes the counties of Kenora, Patricia, Rainy River and Thunder Bay.

The co-ordinators will assist in developing local Bicentennial com-

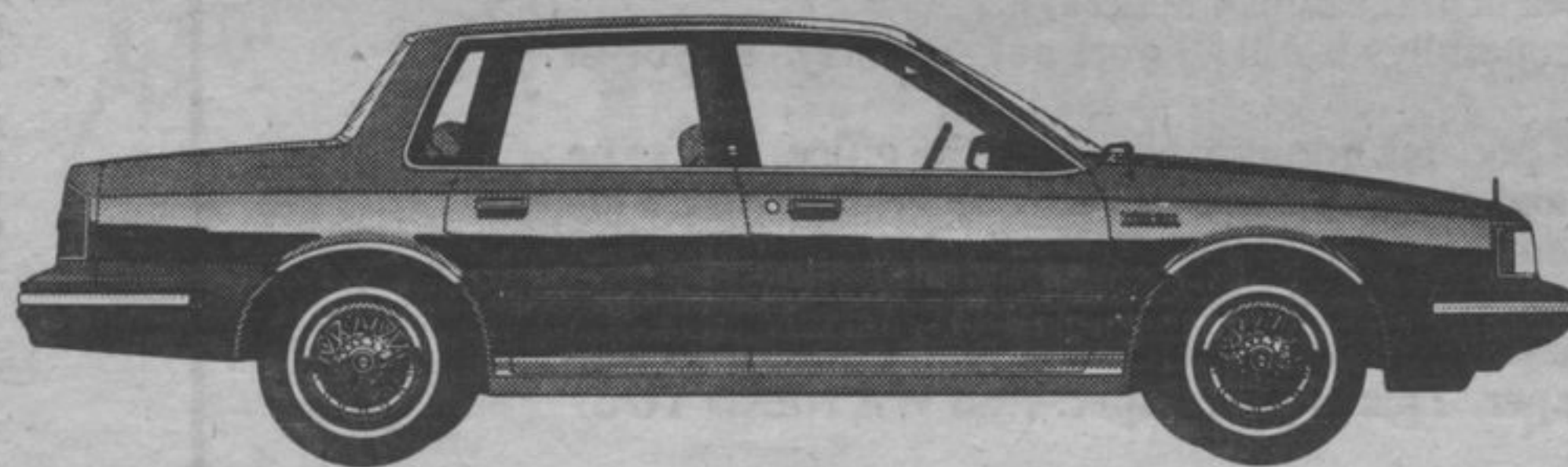
mittees as well as act as a liaison between the communities and the Ontario government. They will be able to provide information regarding grants and other bicentennial programmes throughout the province. In addition, these area representatives will be encouraging organizations and communities to co-ordinate their activities to prevent overlapping of events.

"The Bicentennial theme, 'Celebrating To-

gether' depicts exactly what we are trying to do," says the Honourable Susan Fish, Minister of Citizenship and Culture. "Every community will have the opportunity to celebrate its heritage. We want everyone to join in saluting the lives and achievements of those who have made each community great, and therefore, this province great."

Ms. Gregory can be contacted in Thunder Bay at (807) 623-3223.

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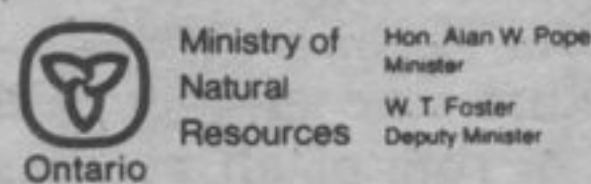
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