

**Terrace Bay  
Schreiber**

# News

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## Our Opinion

# Our Sports and Leisure

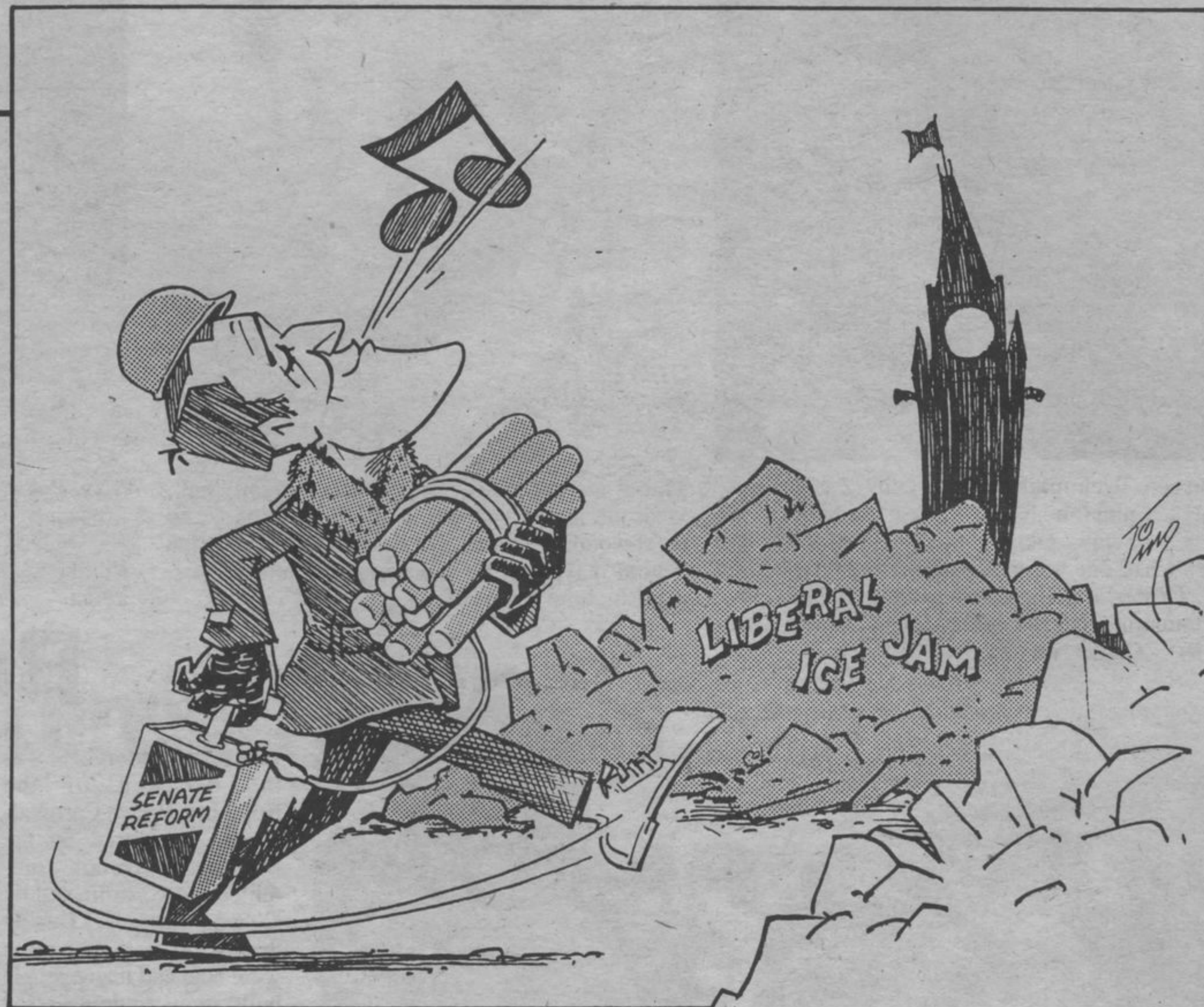
From the reactions of the people questioned this week, sports, recreation and leisure of any type, seem to be big on their list of priorities. Not only are we wanting facilities for ourselves, but also for our children. With the children, their attention span is short, and it is good for them to be able to try many diversified sports and leisure activities.

The communities in our region along with Terrace Bay/Schreiber and Rosspoint are beginning to grow, and the people as a group should be aware of that growth, and keep abreast of the changes that may need to be made. It is not until after a project, development or exercise has experienced trial and error, practiced routines and policies, and established a strong record history, that things begin to fall into place. The "routine" unfolds and becomes limitless, but goals and objectives remain clear.

There is much athletic talent in our area, and much artistic talent that lies untapped. We clearly see "our" hockey players becoming successful and soon our badminton players, gymnasts, basketball players etc. will prove their natural abilities. The News will always try to announce cultural activities taking place in this area. We believe music, arts, dance, etc. have soon to get their fair chance in the North. There have been many grants and loans from the government lately, big ones, to many galleries, museums etc. in our area. We I suppose don't get much out of that since we have none of those public buildings. Let's hope the government will continue to spend, to provide our area with recreational and cultural stimulation, so we may keep abreast of the growth of the province while offering our children the diversities of life.

## Did You Know

It was 40 years ago, March 18th, 1937, when the Schreiber Colts Senior Hockey Team defeated the Port Arthur and Fort William teams to win the Coleman Cup in the first year of competition.



## Letters to the Editor

### Melville Millionaires

Dear Sir:  
The Melville Millionaires in conjunction with the Saskatchewan Heritage Year, are sponsoring the Melville Millionaires Reunion, August 2nd, 3rd, and 4th, 1985 in the Melville Stadium.

The Reunion includes players from 1908-1985, who played either Senior, Intermediate or Junior Hockey with the Melville Millionaires. Also any coaches, executive, trainers, stick boys, team doctors, Millionaire Queens, or anyone who has billeted a Millionaire Hockey Player.

We are asking you, the readers, if you would kindly forward us information

concerning the above such as names and addresses. We truly don't want to miss anyone so your co-operation would be truly appreciated. Pass this information to your friends, maybe they know of someone. We are hoping to be mailing invitations out in the next two weeks. So we urgently require this information shortly so our mailing lists can be completed.

Please forward information to the Millionaire Reunion Committee, Box 2197, Melville, Sask. S0A 2P0 or phone Glenda at 728-4205, area code 306.

Sincerely,  
The Melville Millionaires Reunion Committee,  
Melville, Sask.

### Letters to the editor

The Terrace Bay-Schreiber News invites readers to write letters to the editor on any subject.

All letters must be signed, and it would be helpful to include a telephone number in case we have to check the veracity of the letter. However, the writer's name may be withheld from publication, if requested.

Although there can be no guarantee of publication, the "News" will attempt to publish all letters, space permitting. All letters are subject to editing for style, taste and length. The opinions expressed in letters to the editor are strictly the opinion of the writer, and not necessarily those of the newspaper.

Address your letters to: The Editor, Box 579, Terrace Bay, Ontario. P0T 2W0.

## Arthur Black

# "Well, you see, officer . . ."

A couple of months ago I decorated this space with some musings about excuses — specifically, excuses that inventive drivers have used when stopped by the police for speeding.

Personally, I'm a failure at that sort of thing. As soon as a policeman looks me in the eye I start to sweat and clear my throat and babble like an axe-murderer. But some folks don't suffer from a guilty conscience. As a matter of fact, it's rather amazing how fertile the human mind can be under duress.

My favourite excuse came from the fellow who kept a dead bee on his

dashboard. Whenever he was pulled over for speeding, he'd point to the corpse, apologize profusely, and explain that this damned bee had been flying around the car and he'd been trying to swat it and ... heh, heh ... "I guess the old foot just went down on the accelerator a little too hard."

Worked like a charm. Until a suspicious radar patrolman asked if he could just have a closer squint at the dead bee.

The driver had a lot of trouble explaining how a bee that had supposedly been buzzing around the car just minutes ago, came to have dust-caked wings.

That driver won the unofficial award for Most Creative Excuse for speeding.

He also won a summons for doing 85 in a 55 miles-per-hour zone.

In any case, my "Speeding Excuse" column seems to have stirred the brain pans of a dozen or so readers, all of whom sent in their favourite excuses which have or haven't pulled the wool over the eyes of the Boys in Blue.

Such as the tale out of San Antonio, Texas recently. Gerald Marple, an officer in the San Antonio P.D. swears that a driver told him the reason he'd been doing 110 miles per

hour was that he'd just left a car wash and he was trying to blow dry his car.

Says Officer Marple: "His story would have been more believable if the guy hadn't tried to hide his car behind a building."

Not a bad story, but definitely pale beside the one out of Stettler, Alberta, where 18 year old David Zurfluh went on trial last week. A few weeks ago, apparently after hoisting a few, Zurfluh had been nabbed by the Mounties and placed in the back seat of a cruiser to await a breathalyzer test.

According to RCMP Constable Bill Robinson, Zurfluh attempted to

beat the breathalyzer by absorbing the alcohol in his system. Zurfluh attempted to accomplish that by ... well ... eating his shorts, actually.

Working on the theory that cotton soaks up alcohol, Zurfluh ripped the crotch out of his shorts, stuffed the fabric in his mouth, then spat it out.

Many of the spectators in the courtroom had trouble containing themselves. An epidemic of snorts, chortles and guffaws rippled across the courtroom. The magistrate even had to evict a few onlookers, all of them with tears in their eyes.

I don't see what the big joke is. Just because a guy takes the label "Fruit of the Loom" too seriously ...

