

# Letters to the Editor

Early this September, the Minister of Health and Welfare, Jake Epp, introduced a Bill (Bill C-70) in the House of Commons to de-index Family Allowances, taking away money necessary for raising children. The Bill calls for the reduction of family allowances by 3 per cent, starting in 1986. New Democrats have been leading the fight in the House of Commons to oppose this Bill and other Budget measures that will hurt families.

The universal family allowance recognizes the value which society places on child rearing. It is not just an amount of money, it is a recognition that our children are the future's most valuable resource. Family allowances are paid for by all; those of us who do not have children contribute to the next generation. Bill C-70 is an attack on children and especially on women who receive the monthly family allowance cheque.

The proposed changes to family allowance are proof of more broken Conservative promises. Like pensions for seniors, family allowances are part of

Canada's social policy, a "sacred trust" of our social contract. Bill C-70 is indicative of the Conservative's following in the footsteps of their Liberal predecessors, who also eroded family allowance.

By 1990, including the changes to personal income taxes and to the family benefits package, a two-earner, two-child family earning \$15,000 a year will lose nearly \$2,000 in purchasing power as a result of this Bill. A family earning \$80,000 will only lose \$1,125. Low income families will lose more per year than high-income families and middle-income families will lose three times as much as high-income earners.

The Government, in proposing this change, argues that we have to cut back because of the deficit. How can the Conservatives say we have no money for our children when they can give a half a million dollars capital gains tax holiday to the wealthy in our country; give 9 billion dollars to the oil companies; and when they bail out the banks with a billion dollars of our tax dollars. New Democrats have proposed tax reforms

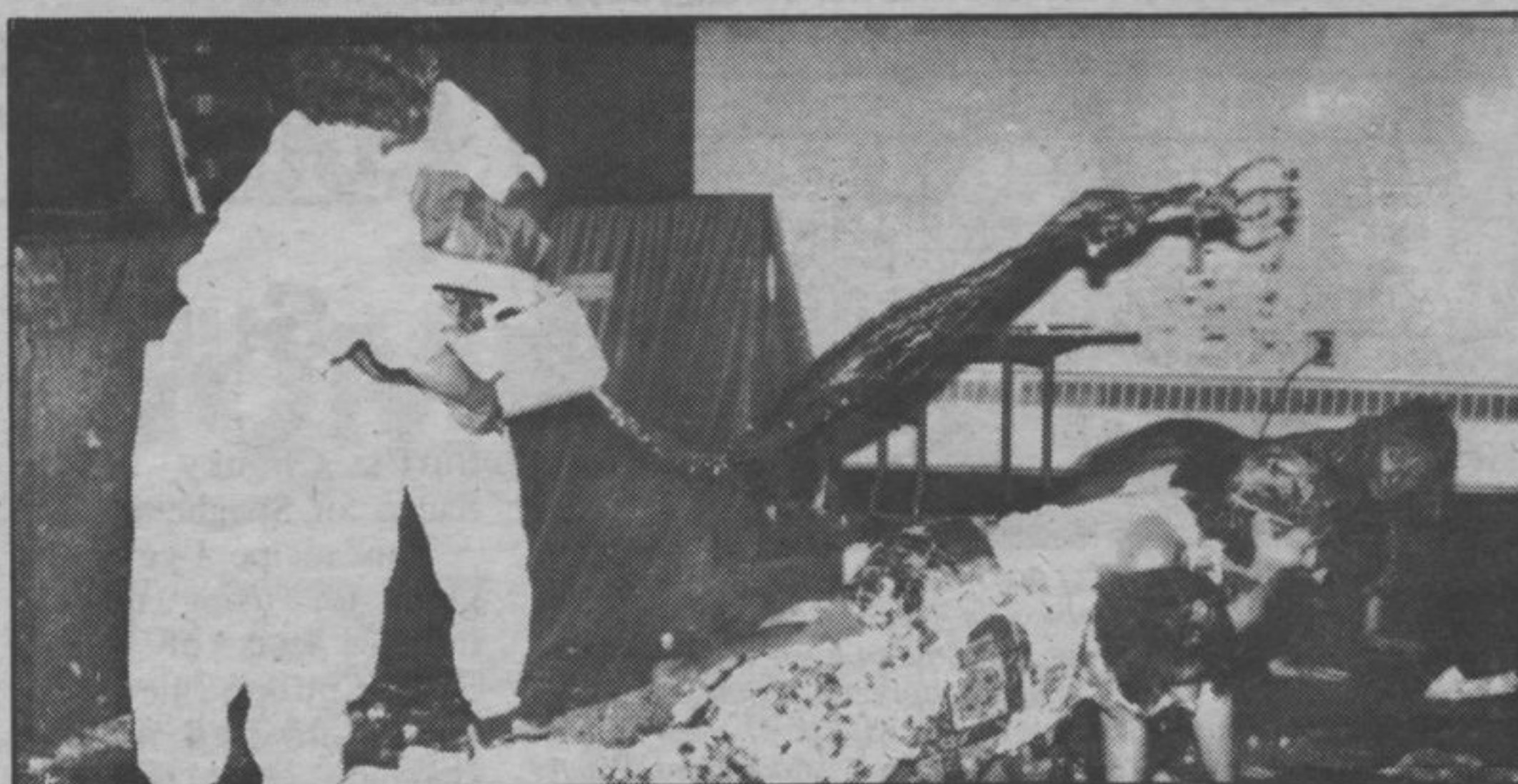
that will more than pay for improved family benefits.

The history of family allowances is one of constant erosion. Twenty years ago, family allowance represented a 6 per cent expenditure of Canada's gross national product. By 1973, the Liberals reduced it to 3 per cent of the gross national product. In 1974, during the minority government years, New Democrats fought to have family allowance doubled and won. Now the Conservatives are attempting to take the benefit of fully indexed family allowances away from children and families.

I call on all Canadians who care about families and children to show you

care: Write to your Member of Parliament and to your Prime Minister. Start petitions. (Copies available at my office). Talk to your neighbours. Show you care for Canada's kids.

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## THANK YOU

To our friends of Terrace Bay and Schreiber - a hearty thank you for the flowers and cards we received in the passing away of our dearly loved Mother and Grandmother Elizabeth MacKenzie, of Bathurst, N.B. A special thank you to Ann Querry and Rick Johnson for their help and kindness. Your thoughtfulness will stay with us always.

Warren, Anita and family

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Dear Editor:

I am looking for people across Canada who are concerned about Canadian Pacific Railways Pensioners losing their passes.

Would it be possible to have the enclosed petition printed in your paper? We are hoping all readers will clip it out and mail it to their member of parliament

or to myself. Also, I am looking for a delegation to go to Ottawa for October 21st.

If you do print this, thank you for your concern and space.

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## Falconbridge gets go ahead

By David Carswell

According to Anne O'Quinn of Corporation Falconbridge Copper, the company has received the go-ahead to begin work at Winston Lake, 17 miles north of Schreiber. Falconbridge has been running feasibility studies on its Winston Lake property for some time now and the \$7 million underground exploration project has produced positive results.

Early indications are that the company shall begin construction immediately and production could begin as early as 1987.

Copper, Zinc, Silver, and Gold have been found on the property, but it appears that the main interest lies in the amount of Zinc present.

The News will attempt to keep the public informed as to the progress and implications of the operation at Winston Lake and in the near future we hope to be able to give you figures on the number of employees Falconbridge plans to have at Winston Lake and other important information to the surrounding communities.

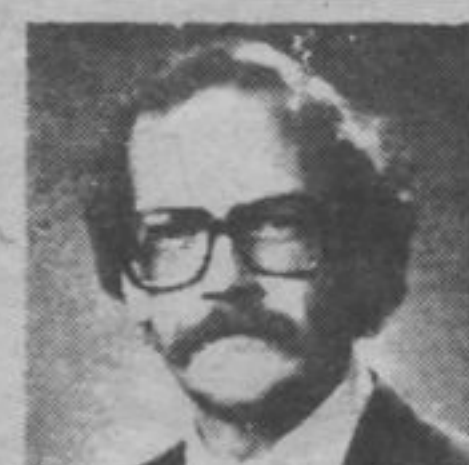
## Senior bowling

by Pam Jones

The "Under 100 Years" Bowling League has once again started and welcomes new members. Bowling and shoes are compliments of the Terrace Bay Recreation Department. Anyone 55 plus is welcome to come out and Bowl on Wednesday morning 10 a.m. Bowl 1, 2 or 3 games. Statistics are kept, but the morning bowling is really a fun time. Games over 200 last week were Bob Fournier (215), Gib Gerow (239), Russ Macadam (205), August Rentz (246), Borden Ross (253) and Rena Ross (215).

Standings to date: High Single Men - August Rentz (246); High Triple Men - Borden Ross (649). High Singles Ladies - Rena Ross

(295); High Triple Ladies - Rena Ross (700). Come out and join us! We challenge 6 people from the Township, you name the day!



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