CP responds to questions

By Dave Chmara

Problems encountered during the first winter of operation and with haulers of the mineral concentrate, TransProvincial, led to difficulties which CP plans to have corrected in the near future regarding the mineral transfer facility located in Schreiber.

Paul Thurston, Manager of Public Affairs for CP and Neal Foot, Assistant General Manager of Operations and Maintenance for CP, came to Terrace Bay last week to take The News up on its invitation to have an open discussion concerning the transfer facil-

"I thought we'd take the opportunity to clarify where we're going with the facility," said Thurston.

He said the reason for the facility being there is to provide an access point between the mine and CP's facilities.

"We're aware of, and have been for some time that the residents in the area have some concerns about the way it's been run," said Thurston.

He said CP has taken measures recently to improve the situation and with vigilance the situation should improve.

"Unfortunately we didn't get the pad into operation early . enough last year to get all the bugs ironed out of the system," said Foot. He said the winter conditions were very different from the summer and, "our contractor who's in there to do the trucking wasn't as prepared as we would have liked.

"I think we'll get through the summertime very well and by next winter we'll have solved the problems we had this winter and it won't happen again," said Foot.

Thurston said Sam Graham, the Medical Officer of Health in



Last Friday marked the birthday of Friedrick Froebel, the founder of the first kindergarten. Senior Kindergarten students and their teacher, Diane Malashewski, from Schreiber Public School marked the day by sharing some songs with the Birchwood residents and enjoying some cake. Photo by Dave Chmara

Thunder Bay, was consulted by CP about the possible health hazards regarding the concentrate and told CP that based on what he knew he didn't think there was that much cause for concern.

Foot said CP has recently written a letter to TransProvincial asking them to ensure the trucks are covered while loaded and unloaded.

Foot said TransProvincial encountered some mechanical problems with their trucks and this is the reason for the extra trucks hauling concentrate to the transfer facility.

"We've asked them to make sure that they provide the proper types of trucks," said Foot. He added, "We made a commitment to two trucks and we want to honor that commitment. We've gone back to them (TransProvincial) and outlined that's what the commitment was for and that's what we want them to provide."

Thurston said a total of five rail car loads are shipped to the site each day totalling 100 tons of concentrate. This should work out

to 12 trips per day by truck. As for the wastewater holding tanks, a previous report in The News indicated if it overflows onto the ground it leaches into the drinking water. This is not the case. Contractors for emptying the tank and bringing the wastewater back to the mine site are located in Red Rock and Marathon. Foot said if somebody locally would be willing to take on the contract, CP would consider this.

As for moving the site, Foot said, "We would prefer to work with the township of Schreiber and try to solve the problems and live up to the agreement that we signed with them rather than take the problems somewhere else.

CP officials Paul Thurston, left, and Neal Foot, right. have to be complied with whether or not we're off where no one can see us or if we're in the middle of town. The Ministry of the Environment is going to be just as concerned no matter where we are."

As for possible legal action by Concerned Citizens Committee of Schreiber, Foot said, "We'd prefer to solve the problems in harmony with the

residents rather than confronting people in court or in shouting matches. But if they do decide to pursue legal avenues and the court rules, we'll have to live with what the court tells us to do. We'd hope that before that happens we'd be able to solve the problems they're experiencing and come to some sort of solution that allows us to continue to do business in Schreiber."

Crimestoppers

The Christmas spirit was dampened for some rural Thunder Bay residents when they discovered their homes were broken into and several items stolen valued at over \$10,000.

The victims live in various areas just outside the city limits including Ware Township, Lakeshore Drive, Onion Lake Rd. and Hazelwood Drive. Most of

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the break ins occurred during the day light hours in early December.

Once inside the homes the culprits ransacked various rooms looking for cash. Some of the stolen articles were placed in suitcases and carried out to a vehicle that was parked on the road away from the victims home.

Some of the stolen items include a Yamaha turntable model P700, an Alpine cassette deck model AL80, a General Electric Satellite Receiver model 2600R a Maranza amplifier model 50DC a Hitachi VCR model VT 2130A as well as other electronic equipment.

One possible suspect vehicle may be a 1970's light green Ford pickup with a red driver's door. Police can identify some of the

stolen property. Crime Stoppers will pay up to \$1,000 this week for information that leads to the arrest of the per-

son (s) responsible for this crime. Call Crime Stoppers, toll free, at 1-800-465-6844, if you have any information regarding this crime.

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Dear co-workers and good friends

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ALL PERSONS having claims against the estate of

JOSEPH PHILIP ALBERT SMITH (also known as Albert Smith),

late of the Town of Schreiber, in the District of Thunder Bay, who

died on or about November 28, 1988, must file their claims

with the undersigned before the 31st day of May, 1989,

after which date the estate will be distributed.

DATED this 26th of April 1989

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Please accept my humble and most sincere thanks for my beautiful gift given with much friendship. I will long remember it and add it to the fond memories of the kitchen where I used T. L. C. It leaves me sad but I feel I am a very lucky person. Nice things have happened to me throughout my life always doing the job I loved, and making a wealth of good friends. But now it comes time to realize that I have to say good bye to the kitchen; but not to my friends.

I will see you around I thank you very much again Kitty

Thank you

McColeman: Geraldine & Fred

We wish to thank all our relatives, neighbours and friends for the love shown to us following the tragic and untimely deaths of Geraldine and Fred. Special thanks to all who came to our need to babysit and be with us that unforgettable night. To those who phoned from so far away, sent food, flowers and plants. Also those who sent mass cards, notes of sympathy, monetary donations and gave to their charity of choice. Thank you to Mike and Joe King, Father Campbell and Father Rademaker for the funeral mass. To all the pallbearers and honorary pallbearers for carrying Geraldine and Fred. To those who made time to attend the funeral services and who called and offered support. We also wish to thank the Ladies of the Moose for the lovely luncheon following the funeral and for the use of the hall. Geraldine and Fred had so many friends and loved ones that words alone cannot express our heartfelt thanks to all for being there when we needed you most. They will be missed terribly. Thank you all again.

> Mima, Jane, Lorne, Kerri Kim, Louella, Keith, Kathleen, Colin, Katherine, Darryl and Scott.





