

#### Mother saved six children

Ula Boudreau of Bathurst, New Brunswick, who lost her life after assuring the safety of her six children, when fire destroyed their home on January 28, 1972.

On detecting an odour of burning, the mother rushed to the second floor bedrooms to rouse her children. She brought three down the stairway and returned for the others. Because the spreading fire prevented further access to the stairs, Mrs. Boudreau helped one escape through a second storey window and another onto the verandah roof. She also succeeded in handing the last child from a window to those below. Mrs. Boudreau failed to escape when the building exploded shortly after.

#### Canoeing accident

Garfield George Babcock of Weston, Ontario, who died in a vain attempt to help two brothers drowned on April 15, 1972 when their canoe capsized in the Humber River, Toronto. Constable Joseph O'Hagan of the Toronto Metropolitan Police Department also tried to save one of the victims. He received the Medal of Bravery.

When the young canoeists shot over a weir on the river, their craft overturned. Garfield Babcock ran to the river bank and waded towards the victims. Despite much turbulence, he continued into the water until he was caught by the force of the current and dragged to his death.

When Constable O'Hagan arrived on the scene, the canoeists had been carried some distance downstream. He managed to grasp one of the boys, but in the fast-moving water he lost his grip. Constable O'Hagan was helped to shore by a bystander.

#### Medal of Bravery recipients

The following persons are to receive the Medal of Bravery:

Master Corporal Joseph Daniel Robert April of Canadian Forces Base, Ottawa; Mr. Terrance William Fagan of Ottawa; Mr. Eric Thomas Weir of Hamilton, Ontario; Mr. Clifton Walter Taylor and Mr. Lawrence Albert Taylor of Parish of Grand Manan Island, New Brunswick; Mr. Edward Sokolowski of Campbellville, Ontario; Mr. Claude Savard of Timmins, Ontario; Mr. William Campbell of Abitibi Canyon,

Ontario; Police Constable Joseph O'Hagan of Toronto, Ontario; Corporal Ihor Yaroslaw Dedish of Vanderhoof, British Columbia; Mr. Charles Edward Petersen, of Coronation, Alberta; Mr. Stuart Gregory Cousineau of Notre-Dame de Grâce, Quebec; Mr. James Flaherty of Kitchener, Ontario; Mr. John Maloney Jr., of Toronto, Ontario; and Miss Margaret Cornish and Miss Ann Dale-Harris, members of the staff of the Canadian Embassy in Peking.

#### New director for Stratford

Robin Phillips, the well-known British theatre director, was recently named artistic director of the Stratford Festival, and will take up his duties following the departure of Jean Gascon at the close of the 1974 season. Until then, the two will work closely together at the Festival. Mr. Phillips will remain in England until January to honour current commitments.

Although still in his early Thirties, Mr. Phillips has gained recognition with such distinguished theatres as the Royal Shakespeare and the Chichester Festival and has directed successful productions in the West End and on Broadway.

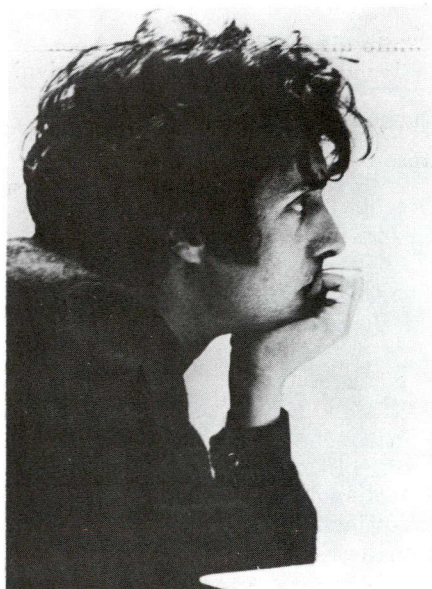
As an administrator, he held the position of associate director with both the Bristol Old Vic and the Northcott Theatre in Exeter. In 1973, he was appointed artistic director of the Greenwich Theatre where, in his first sea-

son, he staged *The Three Sisters*, with Mia Farrow and Keith Baxter, Tom Stoppard's new adaptation of *The House of Bernanda Alba* and Ibsen's *Rosmersholm*, with Joan Plowright and Jeremy Brett.

Mr. Phillips, who trained as a director, actor and designer at the Bristol Old Vic, had a long-standing association with the Royal Shakespeare Theatre when he was named assistant director to John Schlesinger on *Timon of Athens* and to Peter Hall on *Hamlet*.

Associated with the Chichester Festival in 1971 and 1972, he directed such successful productions as *Caesar and Cleopatra*, with Sir John Gielgud and Anna Calder-Marshall; *Dear Antoinette*, with Dame Edith Evans (which he later redirected for the Piccadilly Theatre in the West End); *The Lady's Not For Burning*, with Richard Chamberlain, and *The Beggar's Opera*. He also acted at Chichester in 1972, appearing in *The Doctor's Dilemma* as Dubidat. Following his two Chichester seasons, he directed *Norman Is That You?* with Alfred Marks.

Mr. Phillips has distinguished himself as an actor in such roles as Wilfred Desert in the British Broadcasting Corporation television series *The Forsyte Saga*, and Constantin in *The Seagull*. He played in the film version of Evelyn Waugh's *Decline and Fall*, the title role in *David Copperfield* and made his first horror film, *Tales From The Crypt* with Sir Ralph Richardson.



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#### Canada/U.S. exchange drug information

Health and Welfare Minister Marc Lalonde recently announced that Canada and the U.S. had signed an agreement to exchange information on drugs. This follows similar agreements signed in September by Canada with Sweden and Britain. Mr. Lalonde emphasized that while all these agreements were important the one signed with the U.S. was particularly important since Canada receives most of its imported drugs from that country.

"The excellent collaboration already existing between both countries, for example, to communicate information on situations involving hazardous drugs, will be strengthened by this agreement," stated Mr. Lalonde.