
Business hall of fame set up

A Canadian business hall of fame will be established high atop the CN Tower later this year.

The purpose of the business hall of fame is "recognizing men and women who have distinguished themselves as leaders within the private enterprise system and whose efforts have contributed significantly to the advance and prosperity of our country".

The plan is to hang a portrait of each laureate on the observation platform along with a 100-word summary — in both languages — of his life and achievements.

This year, at a date yet to be decided organizers will induct such businessmen as Frank McMahon, Alphonse Desjardins and Sir Herbert Samuel Holt.

Desjardins (1854-1920) began the *caisse populaire* movement with an investment of one dime. Today, the combined assets are about \$7 million.

Sir Herbert (1856-1941) described himself as "a civil engineer and capitalist" and had high regard for the work ethic. "Most tired businessmen get tired because of the things they do after business hours," he once told the Mount Royal Club.

The only living member of this year's inductees is Frank McMahon, now 78 and living in California. He went from the oil fields of Alberta into distilling.

Tax exemptions studied

Tax exemptions for children and for married couples will not be abolished until the Federal Government has examined the effects of such moves and possible alternatives, the Minister of National Health and Welfare Monique Bégin has announced.

Miss Bégin clarified her recent statement about the possibility of modifying the present tax exemption for children in order to double the child tax credit for families in need.

"The tax exemptions are given to every taxpayer and by their very nature benefit high income wage earners. By contrast, the child tax credit goes to those mothers who pay little or no income tax," said Miss Bégin. The child tax credit is now worth \$218 a child for families whose annual income is less than \$19,620.

Canadians judo champs

Canada placed first over-all at the Pan-American judo championships held recently in Isla Margarita, Venezuela.

The brother and sister team of Phil and Tina Takahashi of Ottawa added a gold and silver medal to the Canadian collection. Phil Takahashi won the under-60 kilo division while Tina took the silver in the women's under-43 class.

In the open category, Tom Greenaway of Lethbridge, Alberta finished second to Walter Carmona of Brazil.

"We expected to win two or three medals in each of the men's and women's divisions but not have all but one of our entries win a medal," said Clare Potvin of Judo Canada.

The women's team finished first ahead of Venezuela and Ecuador with five gold and one silver from the six entries.

Lorraine Methot of Sept-Iles, Quebec, gold winner in the under-65 kilo division, was named the top female participant. The men's team finished second to Brazil with three gold, two silver and a bronze.

Postmen keep watchful eye

Letter carriers in the southern Ontario city of St. Catharines have begun a service that promises greater peace of mind for more than 2,100 senior citizens living alone. They now know that the postman is watching out for them when he makes his daily visit.

Postmaster Henry Capeluck said the Postal Security Alert program, started early last fall by the Letter Carriers Union of Canada, seems to allay some of the fears of senior citizens. They do not appear to consider it an invasion of privacy, and membership in the service is growing. There is no charge for the service, but participants must register.

Mr. Capeluck said the letter carrier comes to know the habits of those he delivers mail to. If he finds the mailbox still contains mail from the day before or if the drapes are not opened by noon, for example, he immediately calls his supervisor. There have been three or four such calls so far. The service is also available in Windsor, Ontario and Calgary, Alberta.

Container gardening produces home-grown fruits and vegetables



Home-grown fruits and vegetables are no longer the preserve of home-owners. Apartment dwellers and townhouse occupants are growing their own fresh produce through container gardening. Containers can range from window boxes to discarded children's sand pails or wading pools or even a plastic bag of soil. Containers may be placed on balconies, patios and rooftops but Agriculture Canada experts advise that ease of garden access is necessary.