

Look who's presenting inconsistencies

It seems that the Telegraph Journal in Saint John has some marvelous inconsistencies but we will dwell on one in particular. It concerns two levels, the National with regional participation and the international level with national participation.

The reference to national level with regional participation deals with the Telegraph Journal's handling of the allocation of the Canada Summer Games to be held in 1977 in the Atlantic area. The first procedure was choosing between provincial proposals which boiled down to Fredericton-Oromocto and Saint John. For no rationally known reason the Telegraph Journal came out in support of the Saint John bid, despite what all the experts said, it came down to straight common sense according to the Telegraph Journal and, of course, there was nothing political about the awarding of the proposed New Brunswick site to Saint John. When all the Atlantic bids were in, St. John's Nfld. was awarded the 1977 Games.

Now that's dirty politics according to the paper and this should be investigated because Saint John got screwed, didn't it?

What all this points out is that the Telegraph Journal supports the idea of a heavily subsidized federal project just as long as it is held in Saint John. This is the only obvious conclusion.

Moreover the Telegraph Journal ran an editorial (January 8, 1975) about the Olympics "Fool me once, shame on you; fool me twice, shame on me."

They refer to the fact they were fooled once by Expo and now

wouldn't like to be fooled by the Olympics, and Montreal should be forced to pay for all of it.

New Brunswick gets some benefit from the Olympics. Some of her athletes will be national team members. There will be officials and administrators from here bringing back invaluable experience.

New Brunswick also gets a share of the sale of tickets from the Olympic lottery. The Telegraph Journal ran a large photo on page two showing Youth Minister Jean-Pierre Ouellet receiving a cheque for \$56,554.00.

Sir John A.

sadly neglected

It seems a sadly neglected fact in Canadian history that tomorrow is Sir John A. MacDonald's birthday. Sir John was of course Canada's first Prime Minister and the chief architect of confederation.

With the nostalgia kick on one would assume things were getting better and that he would be a more celebrated and revered figurehead in Canadian history but this is subject to dispute.

Recently some young school kids were asked who he was and 7 out of 10 replied that he owned the hamburger chain. Need we say more. Tomorrow toast one to Sir John A. We know he would appreciate it.

That's like the Brunswickan denouncing queen contests and then running a huge photo of the queens the same week.

There are even benefits for the newspapers like the Telegraph Journal. The Olympics is news and that helps sell newspapers. As well they are all receiving advertising revenue.

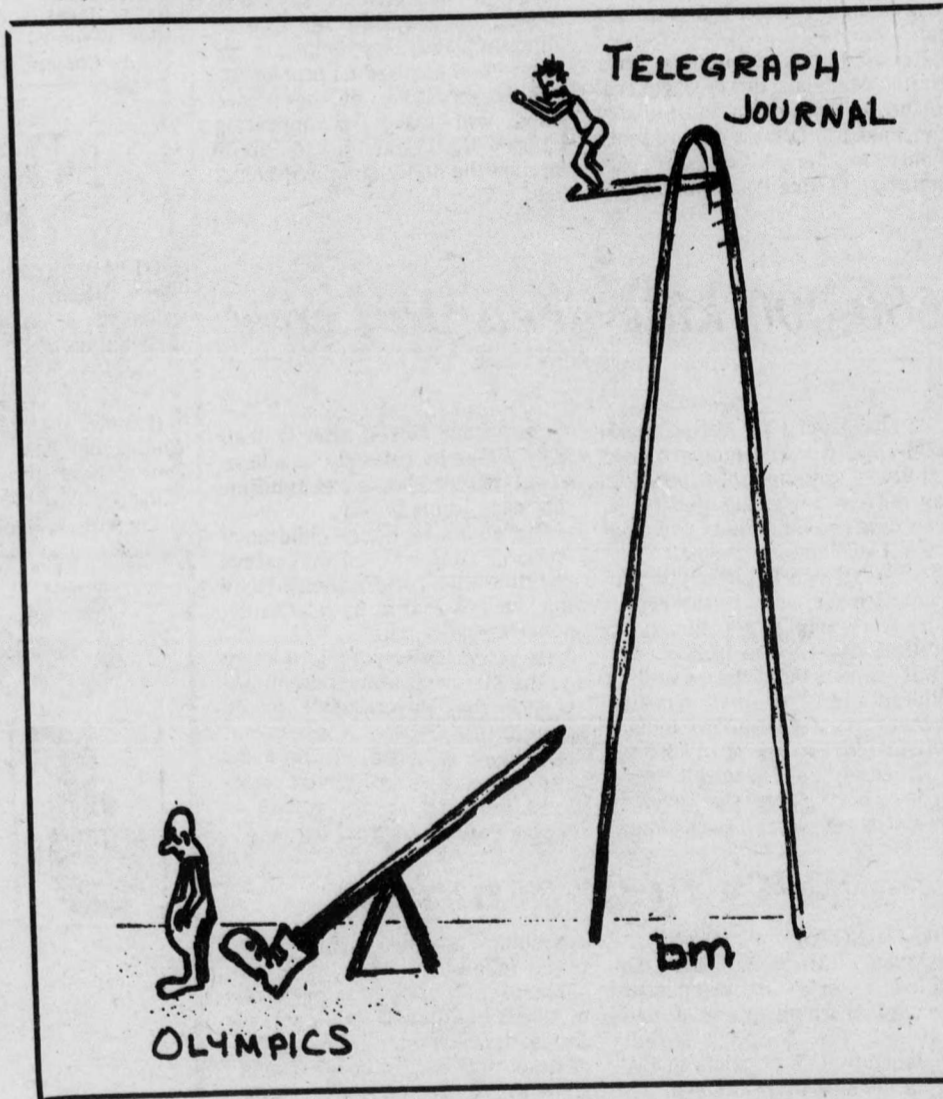
Now if the Telegraph Journal won't support it, maybe they shouldn't get any revenue, but we don't think they would accept that.

Montreal Mayor Jean Drapeau

is doing far more to finance this project than anyone thought possible. If we have more positive thinkers the project might even be a success in keeping the certain deficit to a minimum.

The Olympics demand national unity and not back water bickering.

It is obvious that the Paper accepts the idea of federally supported projects such as the Canada Summer & Winter Games and the Olympics but the problem now is how do we get the Telegraph Journal to accept the two of them together.



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