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Boxer, Willie DeWit, has signed a professional contract worth a reported \$5 million and Shawn O'Sullivan (silver medalist boxer,) has also announced that he will turn professional because "he is not yet ready for the nine-to-five routine". For gold medalist, pistol shooter Linda Thom, "the only way she can make money, is to join the Mafia", jokes her husband. For Sylvie Bernier, Victor Davis, Anne Ottenbrite and others, there is nothing concrete at the moment, but hopefully things will work out for them too.



Steven Fonyo in Ottawa beside the statue of Terry Fox.

Terry Fox Run. The fourth annual Terry Fox Run was held not only in Canada, but also at some of our posts abroad. In New Delhi, India, our High Commission organized a run/walk that drew over 250 participants and raised over \$2 200. (The day also included a breakfast, a raffle, a swim and the film The Terry Fox Story.) In Canada, Steven Fonyo continues his run across Canada and has raised over \$375 000 since he set out from Newfoundland last March.

The Canadian Armed Forces may be getting distinctive uniforms. Within a year, Defense Minister Bob Coates hopes to have some of the sailors in dark blue, the air men in light blue and the soldiers either in the traditional green or khaki. Estimated costs range between \$26 million to \$100 million. (Since the amalgamation in 1968, everyone has been wearing the same green uniform.)

## LAW

The Grange Commission, investigating the 36 baby deaths at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children, has now ended. After 3 years of police investigations, two provincial inquiries plus preliminary hearings, the "most bizarre 'who dunnit' in Canadian history" still remains unsolved.

Lawyers - we have too many of them. With over 40,000 practicing lawyers in Canada, which is about 1 for every 667 people (up from 1 for every 1,240 just 10 years ago), the Law Society of Upper Canada wants to reduce the number of students admitted to the six Ontario law schools. They are worried that the increase in lawyers has led to a decline in the quality of legal services, plus an inability on the part of some young lawyers to make a living at it. It is still at the discussion stages.

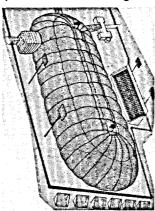
## **OTTAWA**

The "Sex-Wise Info-Line" for teenagers is now in operation. The eight teens (four male and four female from Grade 13 to university age) are "consultants acting as a referral service, not counsellors," says Dr. Steven Corber, medical officer of health for the region. A public health nurse is on hand at all times to supervise and answer the more difficult questions.



The hotline is set up by the Ottawa-Carleton Regional Health Unit, and is open from 4 to 8 p.m. Monday to Friday, 232-5522.

Sports Facilities. Ottawa is hoping for new sports facilities. The University of Ottawa has proposed a \$20 million sports complex that would include an indoor track, football stadium, hockey rink, squash courts, handball courts and multi-purpose gym. In addition, the Terry Fox Athletic Facility has been suggested as the site of a "bubble dome", so that track and field athletes and recreational runners can train indoors during the cold winter months. Both are seeking funding and both are optimistic about receiving it.



Proposed "Bubble Dome" over the Terry Fox Athletic Facility.

## **ENTERTAINMENT**

Pay TV. The CRTC decided that due to the financial difficulties of the two companies (losses of more than \$40 million in two years), that First Choice will be the only pay TV network operating east of Winnipeg while Superchannel will operate only in the West. In addition, though, seven specialty channels - Canadian sports and music plus five American networks - will be offered along with the movie channel for total costs of under \$20 per month. (The movie channel alone was \$15.98.) Hopefully the financial worries will soon be over.

Nabu Network Corporation, which has developed a system for distributing home computer software (educational programs and video games) over cable television lines, has given notices of termination to all but 35 of its 238 employees. The company has announced that it will run out of money in two months unless it can arrange new financing of at least \$1 million by November 13, but ideally it would like \$10 to 12 million in order to continue developing and expanding its technology.

Leisure Time takes up only 22% of the average Canadian's time. How then do we chose to spend these precious moments? The typical Ottawan spends eight-and-one-quarter hours sleeping, two hours and two minutes watching TV, 22 minutes talking on the phone or in person, 16 minutes on hobbies and "personal expression". nine minutes running or walking, and 60 seconds in theatres or concerts. These facts were compiled in 1981, when Ottawa/ Hull was the site of a pilot study to test the methods for the federal governments "Exploration in Time Use" study. The study was done to help determine Canada's cultural policy and...yes, it definitely does say something about our emphasis on cultural activities.



Ottawans spend 60 seconds per day in theatres and concerts.