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A Peaceful New Year

Profile



Judith Scrimger

Judith Scrimger, chair of the Mount's Department of Public Relations, says she gets far more satisfaction from seeing her students' work published than she ever got from having her own byline on an article.

"I've always enjoyed teaching," she says, "although I've done other jobs, too, such as working in the newsroom at CFPO — a CBC affiliate — and reorganizing the CUSO office in London, Ontario.

"It's just so much more satisfying to watch a student develop and know that perhaps you had something to do with it."

She is now in her sixth year at the Mount, having come here with her husband, Norman, from London, Ontario where she was on the faculty of the School of Journalism at University of Western Ontario.

A native of Collingwood, Ontario, Scrimger graduated with an honors degree in English from University of Guelph, and later earned her Education degree from UWO. She taught high school in Ontario for a couple of years, then took a master's degree in journalism at UWO.

After her stint at CFPO and CUSO she went back to the University of Western Ontario at the invitation of the Dean of Journalism, to teach once more.

Then, when her husband came to Saint Mary's University on a nine-month contract, she found herself in Halifax. "We'd spent our honeymoon here," she says, "but at the time we didn't even care much for Halifax! Now it's a different matter — we like it so much that we've bought a house here and really feel this is where we want to settle."

Soon after they arrived Scrimger started to teach broadcasting on a part-time basis at the Mount. The following year she joined the faculty of the Department of Public Relations full time.

Scrimger believes that the practical aspect of teaching public relations and journalism is critical. "Hardly a day goes by when I don't get a request

from some organization for one of our students to help them out with their PR program. Our students do a tremendous public service in this way and I find that their understanding of the theoretical ideas they learn in class is much better because of the practical applications."

The co-operative education option is also an important component in the public relations degree program. "It really is one of the pluses in our program," Scrimger believes.

Mount PR students do extremely well compared with students in other Canadian universities. Last year, Scrimger says, DOW Canada interviewed 100 university students from across the country. Out of a short list of eight, four were Mount students and two of them were eventually offered jobs.

Scrimger considered herself a feminist even before she came to the Mount and is involved with a number of women's organizations, including Media Watch, Canadian Congress on Learning Opportunities for Women, Canadian Research Institute for the Advancement of Women, and MATCH.

The Mount is a family affair for the Scrimgers in the real sense of the word. Her husband, Norman, is now teaching in the Mount's Mathematics department and their five-year-old son, Ian, attends the Mount's Child Study Centre. "It's kind of nice knowing I can almost hear his voice through my office window," Scrimger says.

Off-campus interests include bird-watching for the whole family. "Ian has his own bird books and binoculars and can already identify birds that come to the feeder outside his window," his mother says.

Meet the author

Dr. William Hare, Professor of Philosophy and Education at Dalhousie University, on the invitation of Dr. John P. Portelli (Department of Education), spoke to Mount B.Ed. students recently on his book *Controversies in Teaching* (1985) which the students read and discussed during last semester.

Dr. Hare, who is author of two other books on the philosophy of education, *Open-Mindedness and Education* (1979), and *In Defence of Open-Mindedness*, (1985), commented on the development of philosophy of education during the last two decades, open-mindedness in education, and the major themes developed in his book (slogans in education, aims in education, teacher education and the role of the teacher). During this "Meet the Author" session, students had the opportunity to ask questions and talk informally with the author. The Education Society helped in the organization of the session.



The Mount's art gallery was the setting for the faculty Christmas party when the teaching staff had a chance to mix and chat about anything but the curriculum (perhaps?) Sister Margaret Young, Sister Elizabeth Bellefontaine and Mount chaplain Rev. Ruth Jefferson were among those attending.

Hersom supports AAU call for increase in base funding

Dr. Naomi Hersom, president of the Mount, strongly supports the call for an increase in base funding for Maritime universities made in the Association of Atlantic Universities' annual brief.

The AAU stated that an increase in base funding over the next five years is required simply in order to maintain a system of first-class universities capable of meeting the needs of this region.

Hersom pointed out that the increase is necessary "to offset a long period of time when universities have lagged behind. The system has suffered considerably for a number of years and needs an infusion of funds just to maintain facilities on campus. We have many problems at the moment, most critically with research facilities and the libraries which have suffered badly."

At the Mount some of the most overcrowded areas are the science labs. "There is not enough work space for students and they are trying to work with old equipment which in some cases is beyond repair. And our faculty, too, is lacking space for research."

Enrolment is still increasing at the Mount and, said Hersom, "our physical plant is being stretched to the

limit, at least until the new communications building can be completed."

She emphasized that the Mount identifies with the general concern, "All other universities face similar problems."

According to Dr. Kenneth Ozmon, AAU chairman, "Inadequate funding is undermining the best efforts of Maritime universities to retain the excellence that they once had, and to improve, if they are to remain internationally competitive."

Adult students invade Quebec

Adults have "invaded" Quebec university campuses, says the Conseil supérieur de l'éducation in a September report to Quebec's minister of higher education and science.

The increasing number of adults enrolled in regular degree or certificate programs represents a "new reality" as well as new challenges for Quebec universities, notes the council, an advisory body that works in conjunction with the ministry.

In 1984, almost 29 per cent of those (continued on page 5)

Pepsi Challenge goes on to bigger and better goal

Last October, Maritime Beverages Limited made history by offering Mount Saint Vincent University the "Pepsi Challenge." The first corporate sponsor for a university annual fund-raising campaign undertook to match all contributions to the Mount on a one-to-one basis for any amounts over \$25 up to a maximum of \$500 each.

Initially the Mount was challenged to reach a goal of \$20,000 (which would become \$40,000 when matched by Maritime Beverages). However, the company also offered to go a further \$10,000 if this challenge was met by November, 1986.

Debbie Pottie Matheson, chair of the Mount's first annual fund drive says, "We did meet that first challenge, having reached a combined amount of more than \$42,000, so now we're heading into the second phase, with a goal of \$60,000 by May 1987."

Reg Sinclair, president of Maritime Beverages Limited and long-time

supporter of regional universities, says the company was amazed at the response of friends and alumnae to the Pepsi Challenge. He adds that Maritime Beverages felt it was appropriate to add another corporate donation to the challenge to keep the momentum going. "We firmly believe in university support from those associated with the institution."

Valerie Burkimsher, co-ordinator of the fund drive says, "The response has been very encouraging. We're particularly pleased to have so many new donors. The Pepsi Challenge has fired up people's imaginations and we're really working to meet that \$60,000 goal by the spring."

The money raised in the Pepsi Challenge annual fund drive will establish the basis for scholarships, bursaries, research and future growth. It will also allow the university to plan expansions, purchase special equipment, and renovate labs.

On the move

Dr. Pierre Gerin, Professor Emeritus of Modern Languages, gave an interview for the Dartmouth cable television station on "Les parlers acadiens" in November. He also spoke on "La fidélité acadienne" at the Banquet de la francophonie in Yarmouth.

Dr. Terry Cox, Modern Languages, gave a paper on "Polysemy in Attributive Adjectives in a Southeastern Italian Dialect" at the 10th annual conference of Atlantic Provinces Linguistic Association, University of New Brunswick.

Dr. Lise Ouellet, also of the Modern Languages department, presented a paper on "L'impression des signifiants familiaux chez Claire Martin, Gabrielle Roy et Simone Monet-Chartrand" at the November meeting of the Canadian Research Institute for Women, held at the University of Moncton.

Ivan Blake, Director of Co-operative Education programs, addressed the annual general meeting of the South Shore Tourist Association on the subject "The History of Tourism" on November 29 in Bridgewater.

Prof. Wendy Doyle, chair of the Business Administration department, has been elected the first female board member of the Canadian Federation of Deans of Management and Administrative Studies.

Mount chaplain Rev. Ruth Jefferson, was the theme speaker at the Third Ecumenical Conference for Women of Cape Breton held in Baddeck recently. Her three presentations were entitled, Mirror, Mirror on the Wall; Adjusting the Rear View Mirror and Entering the House of Mirrors.

Prof. Carole Hartzman, Modern Languages, presented a paper at meetings of the Society for Ethnicity of Nova Scotia in October, entitled "Not Yet Canadians: Aspects of Integration and isolation of Latin Americans in Nova Scotia." She also conducted a workshop on the Host Family program at the annual conference of the Canadian Bureau for International Education in Banff, Alberta, in November, where she represented the Mount as international student advisor.

Mount Exhibitions Officer Michelle Gallant was in Vancouver and Toronto recently to do research for an exhibition of turned wood, blown glass and thrown clay which she will be curating. The exhibit will be in the Mount Art Gallery next May.

Dr. Rosalie Bertell, who received an honorary degree from the Mount in 1985, was recently awarded a Right Livelihood Award (sometimes known as the "alternative Nobel prize") for her work in promoting environmental health by opposing the use of nuclear power. Dr. Bertell travelled to Stockholm to receive the \$35,000 (continued on page 6)



VICTORY CELEBRATION — The Mount's women's cross-country running and women's soccer teams were both Nova Scotia College Conference champions this Fall. Team members were delighted when an anonymous fan donated a free dinner at Brandy's, in downtown Halifax, for a victory celebration.

Distance education channel on the cards for metro universities

A satellite distance education channel may be in the future for metro area universities. Northern Telecom, through its University/Interaction program, is loaning the expertise of a marketing executive for four months to the Metro University Presidents Committee (MUPC) to study the feasibility of developing a co-operative satellite channel for distance education for universities, industries and other institutions. Mount Saint Vincent University secured the executive loan on behalf of MUPC.

Len Moxon, account executive with Northern Telecom, explained, "Our University/Interaction program operates under a committee which deals with submissions from universities for projects or funding for special needs. We were pleased to be able to contribute both the expertise of

our marketing director, Dan Cullen, as well as extensive research capabilities of the corporation since we are most interested in furthering the cause of quality education."

Cullen is currently carrying out a feasibility study examining the possibilities for the development of a pilot educational satellite broadcast project for the metro universities and Atlantic Canada through Telesat Canada.

The study will include meetings with educational television practitioners and academics; exploratory meetings with potential industrial participants; market forecasts and alternative system modeling; technical and economic evaluations for alternatives.

The feasibility study, now underway, is expected to reach completion by the Spring of 1987.



Len Moxon, account executive, and Dan Cullen, marketing director, both with Northern Telecom, discuss with Mount President Dr. Naomi Hersom the type of equipment that may be used in the new pilot project for distance education.



by Pat Copeland

It was Dr. Ursula Franklin, one of the Mount's honorary degree recipients, who said that laughter is our best answer to the warmongers. With this in mind, and to start off the New Year with a smile on our faces, here's a lexicon of war words which appeared in the Globe and Mail.

Military industrial complex: A giant infrastructure of companies that will build you a hammer for only \$3,000. Free enterprise based on free money from free-spending government.

SALT talks: Talks designed to save the world from the people who are at the talks. From the phrase, "putting salt on open wounds."

Tactical nuclear weapons: Small nuclear bombs that won't lead to total war. Not much comfort to the people they land on.

Strategic nuclear weapons: Large nuclear bombs that will lead to total war. Greatly satisfying to those who were underneath the first few tactical ones.

Nuclear deterrence: Both sides possessing weapons so powerful they would destroy everything on Earth. It has been likened to everyone pogosticking blindfolded through a minefield while holding a loaded gun to everyone's head, including their own. Others see it as more dangerous than that.

Mutually assured destruction: Also known as MAD. The idea that no one can win in a nuclear war. MAD is the cornerstone for every cent the Soviet Union and the United States have spent on nuclear weapons. Everyone from U.S. President Ronald Reagan on down agrees that MAD is the only thing preventing total war.

Strategic Defence Initiative: A way of overcoming MAD.

Star Wars — the movie: An expensive, dazzling fantasy. Humorous cartoon characters using impossible technology and invisible forces to save the universe from what they see as evil.

Star Wars — the defence program: Same as the movie.

Cruise missile: A U.S. weapon originally designed to hit targets anywhere in the Soviet Union. So far, used only to hit Western Canada. The cruise missile has no pilot, although the stewardess is very nice. A computer guides the cruise missile to its target. Computers don't have scruples.



Dr. Bohdan Krawchenko (left) and Dr. Jaromir Cekota of the Economics Department, discuss the implications of the Chernobyl disaster just prior to a recent public lecture on the subject at the Mount.

Effects of Chernobyl felt strongly in the West

It is ironic that the political and psychological "fall-out" from the nuclear disaster at Chernobyl last April has been significant in the West, but not within the USSR, said Dr. Bohdan Krawchenko at a recent Mount public lecture.

His lecture, "Chernobyl: Its Impact on Soviet Politics and Society," touched on three aspects of the disaster: the construction of the nuclear plant at Chernobyl; the Soviet handling of the accident and the consequences.

"The Soviet nuclear industry is a nightmare," Krawchenko maintained. "Production practices are shoddy and the system is crying out for reform." However, he felt that reform within the industry will never become possible until Soviet society itself reforms. "The accident at Chernobyl was a result of the bureaucratic system and political decisions made within the USSR," he believed.

The handling of the accident was also bungled, he said, "because local officials are not allowed to make local decisions. All decisions must come from Moscow."

The explosion occurred at 1:23 a.m. on April 26. The top party leadership was informed but the first official announcement was not made until two days later. "Sweden had detected high levels of radiation," Krawchenko said, "and the Soviets could not hide it."

Four days after the explosion the Ukrainian press carried a small announcement about the disaster on the back page of the paper!

Five days after, Pravda and Izvestia carried short articles, but it was not until 11 days after the nuclear reactor blew up that Pravda finally published a more detailed account.

"Fifty million curies of radiation the same amount as Hiroshima were released," Krawchenko told his audience. "But workers at the plant

were not evacuated until 12 hours later. Others left the following day, but people living within a 30 kilometer radius of the plant were not evacuated until 11 days later."

The consequences of the Chernobyl disaster will be felt for many years to come, he said. "At the plant, 31 workers died. We don't know what the long-term effects will be."

Figures range from 10,000 to 500,000 people affected where long-term, low-level radiation is involved. There has been enormous psychological stress on the Ukrainian people. Four hundred square kilometers of land in the area is now uninhabitable and because the Chernobyl nuclear plant was built on marshy ground the radioactive particles have entered into the ecological system and have contaminated the Dnieper River which supplies 82 per cent of the drinking water to the Ukraine. An alternative (continued on page 6)

Planning to apply to BEd next year?

Students in their final year of BA or BSc degree programs who plan to apply to the BEd program for 1987-88 are urged to do so NOW. The program has a limited enrolment and applications are processed on a first-come, first-served basis. Forms are available at the Admissions Office, Rosaria Centre, and further information can be obtained from Sr. Yvonne Pothier, Program Co-ordinator, Seton 413, extension 183.

No butts about it

by Ruth Jeppesen

The Mount is not alone as a university looking at the issue of smoking in the workplace. When its Safety Committee was appointed in 1985, a few other Canadian universities and colleges were already thinking about sidestream smoke as a health hazard along with other consequences of smoking in the workplace — property damage, loss of employee productivity and absenteeism.

In November alone, three other Canadian post-secondary education institutions had front-page articles in their newsletters about campus smoking.

Mount Royal College, Calgary, has drafted a smoking policy following a campus-wide survey, which is expected to go into effect early in the new year. The *MRC News* says, "More than two-thirds of the college population (67 per cent) has indicated that it favors designated areas for smoking on campus, while 26 per cent have suggested a total ban on smoking on campus."

In the same city, the University of Calgary will also soon have a comprehensive smoking policy but as its *Gazette* reports, "whether the campus will become totally smoke-free remains to be seen." To date on that campus, smoking has been allowed in any area except where specifically prohibited such as the libraries and classrooms, and non-smoking sections of dining areas.

Like the Mount, the University of Calgary is looking at more than designated smoking areas. "If the university is serious about providing a safe working environment, we have to address the whole issue, including educational and cessation programs," says the chair of its ad hoc Committee on Campus Smoking Policy.

The University of Waterloo has already published its proposed policy which, if approved, will make most offices on campus smoke-free by early spring. Smoking will only be allowed in certain parts of the cafeteria and lounge areas, and in private offices which meet certain physical criteria.

From reports received to date, it seems that other universities are taking the same approach as the Mount — one of education and consultation; of getting as much input as possible from the various constituencies of the university community so that the final result might be accepted by the greatest number of individuals involved.

Anyone in the Mount community who has not responded to the recent smoking questionnaire is encouraged to do so at this time.



Grade 2 students from Ecole Beaufort, a French immersion school, were visitors at the Mount's language lab and were obviously fascinated with the equipment. The little girl on the right is Dr. Jane Gordon's daughter, Rachel.

Director appointed for Tourism and Hospitality Management program

Dr. Naomi Hersom, president of the Mount, has announced the appointment of Dr. Donald B. Smith as Director of the Mount's new Tourism and Hospitality Management degree program.

He will take up his new duties at the beginning of the 1987 Spring semester on January 5.

A native of the United Kingdom, Smith graduated with a B.Sc. (Hons.) and a Ph.D. in Chemistry from Bristol University. This was followed by two years post-doctoral research at the University of Illinois, U.S.A. On his return to the U.K. in 1957 he became a lecturer, a senior lecturer in 1959 and a department head in 1962. The latter position, in Food Science and Applied Biology at the Borough Polytechnic, he held from 1962 to 1966. For three years, he was visiting professor in food technology at the University of the Philippines — an appointment under the Ministry of Overseas Development, London, to evaluate and advise on the undergraduate and graduate courses and direct research.

In 1970 he became head of a newly-established Department of Food Technology at the Queensland Agricultural College, Australia. With the growth of the department he became Chairman of the School of Food Studies with the successful accreditation of a diploma course in food service management, a degree course in food technology and a

degree course in hospital management. The latter was the first degree course in Australia for the hotel, catering and tourism industry. In 1977, Dr. Smith



Dr. Donald B. Smith

became Principal of the College of Catering and Hospitality Services in Brisbane, which offered a wide range of courses.

He returned to the United Kingdom in 1980, taking up the position of Head of Department of Tourism Catering & Hotel Administration at the Dorset Institute of Higher Education. Degree and diploma courses, both in hospitality management and in tourism, are now well established.

One of his interests, interior design, has involved him in the design, manufacture and installation of feature

lighting in two international hotels.

His wife, Heather, is a trained nurse and they have three boys aged 13, 11, and 9 years old.

Women taking new directions

A growing number of women in OECD (Organization of Economic Co-operation and Development) countries are departing from the "traditional path" of enrolling in university arts, humanities, languages or education programs, according to a recent OECD report. Women have made "significant inroads" in faculties such as medicine, architecture, law and business management, states the report, which analyzes educational data from 24 OECD countries. Although women now make up half or more of the undergraduate university population in Canada, Finland, France, Norway and the United States, the report notes that some doors are still closed to the majority of women. Fewer women attain the highest levels of education — for example, the top scholarships or postgraduate degrees — according to the report. *Girls and Women in Education* is available for \$19 from Renouf Publishing Co. Ltd., 61 Sparks St., Ottawa, Ont. K1P 5A6, Tel. (613) 238-8985. (AUCC Notes)

Students remembered

The Mount's Modern Languages department will be offering a scholarship and a prize in memory of two students who died in the Fall of 1985 — Floyd Campbell and Danny Weston.

Dr. Josette Déléas says, "We are delighted that donations for the Floyd Campbell fund exceeded all expectations, so we will be able to use the \$6,000 for a scholarship, rather than a prize as we had originally intended."

Campbell died at the age of 27, "leaving an abiding impression of unfulfilled potential," according to Déléas. He was a gifted linguist and also had great dramatic talent, taking part in many of the Mount's theatrical enterprises.

A scholarship in his memory will be offered for the first time in the Spring convocation to a student majoring in French who achieves outstanding results in second or third year French courses.

Danny Weston had only been at the Mount for one semester when he was killed in a car accident. As a third year French major he had transferred here from Dalhousie University. He was an outgoing and popular student and a member of the campus police. A book prize will be awarded annually in his memory to a third year student who has shown outstanding progress in French.

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enrolled in bachelor level courses in Quebec were aged 25 and over and more than 82 per cent of students enrolled in short certificate programs were over 25. The popularity of such certificate programs is primarily a francophone Quebec phenomena, the Conseil des universités du Québec reported recently, with almost one-third of all undergraduates at francophone universities enrolled in short programs.

In fact, estimates the new report, altogether about half of Quebec's students are adults. Adult students surveyed by the council cited career changes, the economics of the job market or simply a natural curiosity to increase their knowledge as reasons for their return to schooling. The wave of student enrolment has changed the student profile in the province, the report notes, and their growing numbers are bound to affect universities' teaching methods and admission requirements.

The council recommends that universities intensify their efforts to set new admission equivalents for non-academic experience.

(Notes from AUCC)

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award from the Swedish-based Right Livelihood Foundation, in December.

Mount Librarian Lucian Bianchini, presided at the official opening of the Italian Cultural Centre on Agricola Street on November 23. He is president of the organization.

The following Department of Business Administration faculty attended the Atlantic Schools of Business (ASB) Conference at the University of New Brunswick in October.

Mallika Das presented a paper on marketing entitled, "Being Close Yet Being Far: The Concept Distance in International Trade."

Donald Shiner's paper was entitled, "Marketing's Role in Strategy and Planning in the Firm" and he received the Best Paper Award in marketing.

Dr. Malcolm Stebbings presented a paper on "Stock Price Performance of Canada," and on Organizational Behavior-Human Resource Management-Industrial Relations.

Rod Tilley presented a paper on "Canada's Reversal From Importer to Exporter of Foreign Direct Investment," co-authored with A. Rugman, Dalhousie University.

Ned Kelleher's paper was entitled, on the Labour Relations Regime in Canada." He also gave a talk on November 5 at a meeting of insurance agents on tourism and small business opportunities.

Randall Fisher presented a paper, "Management Decision Process and Decision Support Systems," and participated in a discussion on microcomputer education in universities.

Wendy Doyle attended a meeting of the Deans of Management of the Atlantic Schools of Business, and was elected to the Board of Directors of the Canadian Federation of Deans of Management and Administrative Studies in Ottawa in October.

Bruce Densmore's paper entitled, "A Studied Approach to UFE Success," was published in CA Magazine in September.

Also in October, Prof. Joan Ryan of the Office Administration department and Dr. Elizabeth Weber of the Business Administration department participated in a panel discussion entitled "Business Educators Communicate" as part of the Business Education Teachers Association 1986 Conference.

Apologies! Prof. Renate Usmiani was mistakenly given the title of "Doctor" in our last issue.



A reception to celebrate the completion of the Muriel Duxbury Jubilee Scholarship, valued at \$12,000, was held in the MacDonald Room. Joining Mrs. Duxbury for this photo were: alumnae president Mary Clancy; grandniece and current Mount student Caroline Knickle, and Mount president, Dr. Naomi Hersom.

Sign of the future?

Soon students at York University will be able to let their fingers, instead of their feet, do the walking to enrol in academic courses when a proposed "touch tone voice response enrolment system" comes on line in about two years' time.

In simple terms the enrolment system allows eligible students to choose any course they like by phone. Using the numbered pads on touch tones, students will be guided by a computer-controlled voice. For instance, the voice would tell students if a course is full, or if the student is already enrolled in another section of a particular course.

The new system means most students won't have to line up or show up at York during registration time.

Studies show that the average student will be able to fully register in six minutes. Presently, registering at York in the Faculties of Arts and Science often takes a full day.

York is the first university in Canada to have bought the \$200,000 system with its custom designed software, says Susan Salusbury, a project co-ordinator and co-ordinator of York's Student Advising Centre.

The service, which is modelled on a system used by Sears, a U.S. catalogue sales giant, was first developed by a programmer "twiddling his thumbs with nothing to do" at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, says Salusbury.

One possible snag in the system is that not everyone has touch tone phones — only one-third of Toronto has touch tone capability. However, according to Salusbury, this problem can be overcome by students using pay phones or by York providing a free bank of phones for the purpose.

If students do run into problems

they can still contact a human operator who will try to help them. The Faculties of Arts and Science are also publishing a booklet to guide students through the process so they won't tie up the lines. The time limit is now set at 20 minutes. (*York Gazette*)

Women helping

"We are 75 women from a community kitchen project in Latin America. Few of us have any education and most of us have more than four children to care for, with no support from our husbands. Many of us don't even know how to write our own names. Because of the community kitchen, we are starting to see that we can learn, that we have rights, can acquire skills and independence and improve our families' standard of living. It hasn't been easy. But we have come a long way and want to keep on learning..."

It was stories of groups like this that led to the founding of MATCH in 1976 and its incorporation a year later as the only women's international development agency in Canada.

With the help of Canadians, this agency has funded women's projects in 50 countries in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean — projects like helping women in Kenya to purchase a corn-grinding mill; buying seed and a tractor for a small agricultural project; providing a revolving loan fund for women in small business in India; and buying equipment for a child care centre in the Caribbean.

Every dollar donated to MATCH is tripled by the Canadian International Development Agency, and is tax-deductible (over \$10).

For information or donations, contact the MATCH International Centre, 401 - 171 Nepean, Ottawa, Ontario K2P 0B4.

CHERNOBYL (from page 4)

water supply has been found for Kiev, but the rest of the area has not been so lucky.

The clean-up cost is estimated at four billion dollars and 10 percent of the grain harvest in the USSR was ruined.

"Shortage of electricity is a serious problem," Krawchenko said, "and the USSR lost 2 per cent of its electrical power as a result of the accident at Chernobyl."

He said he was amazed at how few political repercussions there had been within the USSR as a result of the disaster. "A few people lost their jobs," he said, "but basically nothing was allowed to compromise the Soviet nuclear energy policy."

He pointed out that this was not just the case in the USSR. In 1958 there was a massive nuclear accident in that country when several villages were wiped out and 1000 kilometers of land were rendered uninhabitable. The Soviets kept quiet about it, but the American government knew what had happened and also chose to keep quiet in order not to discredit its own nuclear industry.

Probably the only positive result to come from the Chernobyl accident was the effect it had on peace groups around the world. "The peace movement in the West is trying to work together with the unofficial peace groups within the USSR," Krawchenko said.

Krawchenko is a director of the Canadian Institute of Ukrainian Studies and associate professor in the Department of Eastern European and Slavic Studies, at the University of Alberta.

What's going on?

STATUS OF WOMEN WORKSHOP, "Developing Strategies for Change," sponsored by the Canadian Association of University Teachers, to be held February 6-8, 1987 at the Skyline Hotel, Ottawa. Registration deadline is January 9. For further information contact Dr. Jane Gordon, extension 233.

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