

Albertans

Although **Kelita Haverland**, 27, grew up on a 1,000-head Charolais ranch just outside Claresholm (pop. 3,493), 42 miles northwest of Lethbridge, and had a great-uncle who was a world-champion trick cattle roper, a sister who rode cows and a mother who raised her daughter on a musical diet of Dottie West and Marty Robbins, Miss Haverland succumbed to the country urge less than three years ago. "I finally realized that it was always with me, but I had been fighting it inside," says the husky-voiced singer-songwriter who'll begin recording her second country and western album in Calgary this month. With help from manager-husband **Richard Sturtridge**, 29, she has released seven singles and one album for which she won a Juno nomination this year. She lost to Anne Murray, but *Country Music News* named her single "New Love" song of the year. Although Miss Haverland has yet to score a hit, she believes persistence and hard work will pay off: "I am determined to go to the top. I want to do it all."

With degrees in philosophy and English, **Joseph Isserlis**, 39, isn't your average boat repairman; but then, he doesn't repair your average boats. After two months of work, he has completed repairs to Fort Edmonton Park's only working model of a York boat, the 40-foot, 1½-ton craft used in the 18th and 19th centuries to haul furs the 1,700 miles from Fort Edmonton to York Factory on Hudson Bay. A carpenter and boat repairman at Fort Edmonton since 1979, Mr. Isserlis five years ago prepared the York boat for a 1,300-mile voyage to Fort Garry, Man., to mark Alberta's 75th anniversary. The York boats were modelled after fishing craft in Scotland's Orkney Islands whence many of the Hudson's Bay Co. men hailed. The latest repairs to this one involve replacing ribs that have become rotten after months of disuse. While Mr. Isserlis enjoys the woodworking, it's the historic aspects of his job that give it a special fascination.

Isserlis and the York boat. Fur trade fascination.



Country girl Haverland. Embracing them roots.

Says he: "I like the whole romantic connection with the fur trade."

crown so a diamond for Alberta can be fitted in."

After winning the Alberta High School Rodeo Queen pageant earlier this year, 16-year-old Lethbridge lovely **Patricia Kostelansky's** wholesome good looks and knowledge of rodeo arcana carried her to victory over 34 other hopeful horsewomen at the North American High School Rodeo Queen contest in Rapid City, South Dakota, last month. The fact she was the first Canadian to win the competition in its 24-year history, however, was something the local organizers hadn't counted on. A diamond is added to the crown each time a new winner is named; it has fittings reserved for each of the 50 states, but no place for a Canadian diamond. It was for this reason that Miss Kostelansky thought she couldn't win. "Now," she says, "my win has forced them to reconstruct the

Founded in 1903 by 17 hardy Danish pioneers from Omaha, Nebraska, the farming

Queen Kostelansky

