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District Education Officer Commends School Consolidations; Portrays Many Handicaps Confronting Rural Teachers

Mentions Experiences in Visits Through Argenteuil and Neighboring Counties, in Report Before Prot. Education Committee

A resident of Harrington, Mrs. Donald McCabe, whose teaching experience qualified her for the position of "helping teacher" in this district under the inspectorate of Lewis J. King, was given an ovation by members of the Protestant Committee of the Quebec Council of Education, when she came before that body in Montreal last Friday to talk about conditions in rural schools.

She told of visiting 41 country schools, involving 3,705 miles of travel by train, bus, taxi and private automobile. On one of her trips the taxi she used was in the ditch four times in 12 miles. The trip took two hours. She commented: "I have become an expert at pushing cars out of holes."

The job provided many experiences. "In one community," she said, "the only people willing to take me were French and Catholic. They were inconvenienced by my stay, having to give up their living room to my use, but they treated me royally.

"One woman refused to accept payment because I had helped her after school. In another community I stayed at the boarding place of a number of the children and helped with evening prayers and stories and games."

Schools Lack Many Aids

Some of the schools she visited lacked many aids to modern education. "It becomes difficult for the teacher to overcome the handicap unless she dips into her own purse to purchase books, workbooks, subscriptions to magazines and supplies. In some schools conditions are very poor, as evidenced by the lack of fuel and unsanitary conditions. Fortunately this type of school is being eliminated with consolidation.

"The two consoldated elementary schools in my district are beautiful buildings. The principals, staffs and children are proud to take care of them. Libraries are being built up. In one a projection machine is being used to advantage. A radio is next on the program. One school has an interested home and school association, and the other plans to start one in the fall."

43 Years of Service

One of the teachers in her district had taught a long time. "When I asked her how many years, she stated she was ashamed to say and wrote the figure '43' on her blotter. I smiled at her and replied, 'You should be proud and we should be grateful that you have given so many years of your life to the service of the children.' "

"I have found that one of the most important aspects of my work is to find something that can be commended honestly. Children respond to judicious praise. Why not teachers? Many of these teachers are working in an atmosphere where they receive little or no appreciation of their efforts because the public does not understand the worth of the work they are trying to do.

Not Always Appreciated

"Are they appreciated? Not always. In the rural areas particularly, there is criticism of the teacher who attempts a physical training, music, art, or handicraft program. The old idea of the three R's and nothing else is a battle which still has to be fought and won in some areas."

Some of the principals, she said, supplemented "the lack of recreational facilities in the towns with school projects, clubs and concerts."

Members of the committee were so impressed with the report that they asked Dr. W. P. Percival, Director of Protestant Education, to have it mimeographed and distributed for further study by the members.

Presentation by Fellow Employees

Having served for the past two years as manager of Boyd's Lachute Express Ltd., Jack Davis relinquished his job last Saturday for reasons of ill health. A congenial and popular figure among the staff, he was presented with a wallet and sum of money in token of their good fellowship; Walker Scott, as senior transport employee, made the presentation.

Jack Davis, in accepting the gift and tribute to his services, recalled with regret the loss of a former friend and driver for the company, Fernand Pomminville, who was accidentally drowned last summer. . . Mr. Davis will enjoy a well earned rest before assuming another position.

Frost Brings Hazards, Children Skating on Newly Formed Ice

While youngsters, upon the first sign of ice, are anxious to don skates, it is important that prior to any skating a lengthy test should be made to be sure the ice can bear even the weight of a small child. Such testing should be made by an adult, declares the Province of Quebec Safety League.

Parents have a definite responsibility in this regard, and drowning accidents of this type will continue so long as parents refuse to safeguard their children during the early winter season.

While dangers of skating on thin ice may be stressed by educational and other bodies, in the final analysis it is the parents who must see to it that their children are informed of the hazards and forbidden to skate until such time as it is safe.

Council Session Held Last Night

CIVIC HOLIDAYS DECLARED; MEETING ADJOURNED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION

At an adjourned session of Town Council, held last Friday, it was voted to declare civic holidays for December 26 and for the second day of January next.

The regular monthly meeting was held last evening under chairmanship of Mayor Alex Bothwell, with all members in attendance, and following discussion on contentious issues, adjournment was made until December 10.

Routine matters passed without opposition were the approval of accounts amounting to $9,359.90, the homologation of the town's valuation roll, and a resolution to pay $1 an hour for hiring of a horse and driver as needed for winter clearance of sidewalks, etc.

FIREMEN PLAY SANTA CLAUS

Halifax (CP) — Members of the Halifax Fire Department are busy these days making wooden and metal toys to make kiddies happy at Christmas. Besides, they have sorted for delivery thousands of toys donated by citizens. One station alone has prepared for delivery toys valued at about $5,000.

Around the Country

Jim Greenblat

At Red Deer, Alta., the Advocate draws a big headline as 27 divorce cases appear on the Supreme docket there. . . Pictou, N. S., produces the champion gardener, John L. Scammel, who from a piece of land 45 ft. by 16, harvested 9 squash, 4 pecks cukes, 17 pecks tomatoes, 500 head lettuce, 4 pecks string beans, 5 lbs. seed beans, 2 pecks spuds, 2 pecks turnips, 162 lbs. carrots, 14 mangels. . . The Rosetown, Sask., Eagle, records that the two daughters of Thos. McGalughin of Glenellen, aged 12 and 6, on horses ran down two coyotes and were in at the kill. . . Starting early is Lynda Lou Nicholson, of Estevan, Sask., who at three months was up for her first plane ride with her parents, who are keeping a logbook of flying time for her for the future when she is ready to take lessons. . . Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Pasemko, of Peachland, B. C., built themselves a 37-foot trailer with four rooms which can all be bedrooms, and started off for California. . . Residents of Wasada, Man., remembering the drought years when Dauphin sent vegetables to the dried out areas, reciprocated by sending a load of vegetables to the district for those flooded out this year.

It is common to overlook what is near by keeping the eye fixed on something remote. — Samuel Johnson.

Your Opportunity To Encourage More Courteous Service

Thre is nothing so constructive as encouragement — the response is clearly illustrated in children, in adults, and in everyone of normal human reactions.

Voicing your appreciation to those with whom you come in contact, whether in business or in personal dealings, will go far in fostering courtesy and good will. This line of reasoning is urged by the Rotary Club in their Vocational Service program. The Brownsburg Rotarians invite you to write a letter describing some incident of this kind from which you have benefitted. Winning letters will be published in The Watchman, and $5 prizes awarded. Address your letter to—"Courtesy Contest", Rotary Club, Box 190, Brownsburg, Que.

X-Ray Outfit Here Purchased With Christmas Seals

ANNUAL CAMPAIGN GETS UNDER WAY IN THIS COMMUNITY

A modern X-ray machine, a valuable weapon in the continuous battle against tuberculosis, has just been delivered to the Argenteuil County Health Officer, Dr. L. Turcotte, by the Regional Anti-Tuberculosis League. The purchase of this machine was made possible by the annual sale of Christmas seals in this area in the last few years. Another machine has been placed at the disposal of the Health Unit at St. Jerome for use in the County of Terrebonne.

This X-ray outfit is for exclusive use of the people of this county. It is hoped that assistance may be obtained from local organizations towards accessories, maintenance and operation.

During the past few years a specialist from the Department of Health has been coming to Lachute twice a month with a portable X-ray machine. It has been evident for some time that this service was inadequate. Crowds of people awaited their turn at each clinic. Efforts were made to try to limit the number, but this proved unsatisfactory.

With this new equipment, it is now planned to make arrangements so that anyone may make an appointment for an X-ray examination, any day of the week. It may also be possible to place the machine at the disposal of industries or organizatoins in the county desiring to have their employees or members X-rayed. It is the intention of those in charge to be of service to the greatest possible number of people.

Horace Lamarche has been appointed regional president for the Laurentian district in this year's campaign for the sale of Christmas seals; the district includes the counties of Argenteuil, Two Mountains, Terrebonne and Labelle. Dr. L. Turcotte is the regional secretary-treasurer, and also president of the Argenteuil branch.

Plans are now under way to make this campaign the most successful yet. Dr. Turcotte states that if the public will give the League their wholehearted support a great deal can be done to reduce the terrible toll exacted by tuberculosis at the present time.

First Hockey

It seems only right that Canada should lay claim to the game of hockey, but, up to the moment, there has been little proof. The game evolved from the parent games of "hurley" or "shinny" that were relatively ancient English diversions. When the Englishman adopted the art of skating from the Hollanders in the early 17th century, they quickly put shinny on ice. So much for the ancient history.

Quite recently, however, a commission of McGill University, Montreal, put learned heads together in an effort to decide when and where the modern game of hockey was first played. Their investigations led to the discovery that the first hockey game was played between two nine-men teams at the Victoria Skating Rink in Montreal. The year, 1875. Unless someone can offer a better claim, this stands. — Joe Rutledge

GOOD ROADS AWARD

Winnipeg (CP) — Rosser Municipality showed the greatest improvement this year in municipal roads — both old and new — judges decided in the annual competition of the Manitoba Good Roads Association.

Contributions Provide Christmas Fare For Jail Inmates

A gesture on the part of the local hotels, two licensed stores and other contributors, has furnished a sum of $20 towards providing a Christmas dinner for jail inmates at St. Jerome.

Lachute being within the judicial district centred by St. Jerome, a collection is made yearly at this season by the local Chief of Police, to brighten the Christmas occasion for those unfortunates who are held in jail.

Horse and Sleigh In Highway Mishap

Anthime Robert, of St. Philippe, was brought here for medical treatment Tuesday afternoon, after a highway collision between his horse-drawn vehicle and a soft-drink truck owned by Chevrier Frères, Lachute. Mr. Robert, suffering a fractured nose and injuries to the right shoulder, was treated by Dr. Roger Lavigne, Lachute Mills.

The accident occurred around 2 p.m. The victim was driving an express sleigh on his way home from Lachute, when his horse shied at the approaching motor truck and swung into its path. The truck driver, Francis Raymond, applied the brakes, but his vehicle skidded into the sleigh, smashing it badly. The horse, a young animal, suffered a broken leg and had to be destroyed.

The crash occurred about 2½ miles west of town on the St. Philippe highway. Patrolman Howard Jones was summoned to investigate the accident.

Safety Prizes to C-I-L Ammunition Workers at B'burg

Brownsburg — For working 130 days without a lost-time injury 986 employees of the ammunition works of Canadian Industries Limited were presented on Tuesday with individual safety prixes for winning the C-I-L Group Managers' award.

In presenting the prizes, L. W. Haslett, manager of the company's explosives and ammunition group, noted that the plant was then only nine days from the president's award for completion of 195 days without a lost-time injury. While the Group Managers' Prize was won on October 5, the individual presentations were not made until this week.

BIRD TRAPPED IN ICE

Timmins, Ont. (CP) — A young loon, no match for Ol' Man Winter, was frozen into the ice of Gillies Lake, near this Northern Ontario community, in mid-November. Observers said the bird was resting on the lake overnight on a southward flight when the temperature dropped sharply.

"SOMETHING TOLD"

The Pas, Man. (CP) — Cree sign language now is being used on public notice boards in northern Manitoba Indian communities to help Indians report recovery of tagged speckled trout. Headed in Cree "Something Told", they are signed "This is me, Dan Austen, The protector of the Fish, The Pas."

Widow of Former Minister Dies

Late Mrs. J. L. George

The death of Mrs. J. L. George, widow of the late Rev. Mr. George, occurred recently at her home in New Glasgow, N.S. Mrs. George is happily remembered by many in this community, her husband having filled the pastorate of the Presbyterian Church before assuming the ministry of a Montreal congregation.

Mrs. George was the former Lydia Underwood, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George W. Underwood, and was born in New Glasgow 85 years ago.

She attended New Glasgow schools and the Mount Allison Ladies' College. Following her marriage she and her husband resided in different towns and cities—including Dartmouth, Sherbrooke, Belleville, Lachute and Montreal.

Upon his retirement from active ministry they returned some years ago to take up residence in New Glasgow. Mrs. George was predeceased by her husband in 1938.

Chamber of Commerce Shows Civic Vitality

Policeman Winner in Verdun Rotary Effort

Verdun, Que.—The subscription campaign conducted by the Verdun Rotary Club to help crippled children and for the social welfare work of the Club, came to a close Tuesday night, November 25, when A. Seguin, 4436 Bannantyne Avenue, Verdun, was declared the winner at a meeting held in the Savoy Theatre.

(Winner of the above event was a member of the Verdun police force. The subscription was received from him through Sam Ross, president of the Club and former Rotarian president at Brownsburg.)

Brownsb'g Erects Traffic Light, Buys Thawing Machine

DECISIONS ON EQUIPMENT PASSED BY COUNCIL AT REGULAR MEETING

"IN BROWNSBURG"
(Our District Correspondent)

Brownsburg — Everyone in Brownsburg has at some time or another commented on the necessity for control of traffic at what is commonly called McFaul's Corner. We have written of the many near-accidents, and also of the costly collisions which have occurred there. The Citizens' Forum noted the matter in its How-to-Improve-Brownsburg effort; the Rotary Club investigated the cost of a suitable light; and the ordinary pedestrian used the theme for a conversational item. So when a wide-awake salesman erected a temporary three-colored signal light there on Monday night, the inevitable happened — the Corporation purchased it. Although the unanimity of opinion we gathered since the purchase of this installation was unprecedented, it did not get through the discussion at the council without opposition. The opinion was expressed that it would be a deterrent to the free flow of traffic along Main St., causing possible delays. Councillors Somers observed that a minute's delay would be a small price to pay for the saving of a life or the added safety of school children. Another councillor expressed concern for the stoppages of autos and trucks on the hill of the cross-street. There is a stop sign erected by the council on this hill, anyway. The weight of opinion was against this view, and the council voted to purchase the signal.

The traffic light is to be installed within ten days and will be suspended at road centre at the four-corners. It is one of the most up-to-the-minute signal lights, capable of a great variety of changes in timing. It can be operated manually, but is fully automatic. During the few hours of its temporary setting, a very favorable impression of its usefulness and value was gained by the many who watched its operation.

Pipe-Thawing Machine

Last year the council placed an order for a pipe-thawing machine and imposed a tax to cover the cost of such apparatus. Delivery was refused when the delay extended into the summer months. Monday night the matter came up again, in the form of a letter from the Gatineau Power Co., that henceforth no connections will be made by the company for the purpose of thawing pipes. During the discussion it was learned that considerable efforts had been made by Mayor Legault to overcome the lack of means to perform this very necessary work, but without avail. Lachute is also without the services of such a machine, and no service is available within the area served by the light company. Other companies have adopted the same attitude, as the practice was not an approved one and was dangerous to domestic lines and employees. The Municipal Signal Co. had a machine on display for the council's approval. It was a compact unit mounted on a trailer of convenient size and of ample power to take care of any freeze-up on the local system. The council's finances were badly strained when the cost of $2,175 was considered, but consideration of an offer of Georges H. Héon, K.C., M.P., to endeavor to procure a goodly portion of the amount under the provision of fire protection from the Provincial Government, was a deciding factor in the council's decision to purchase. The machine was delivered that night, so protection is now fully assured.

Committeemen Report to General Meeting On Progress in Their Various Departments, Health, Industry, Local Improvements, etc.

A large number of the members of the local Chamber of Commerce attended the general meeting in the town hall on Thursday evening, November 27, under the chairmanship of President Bertrand L'Heureux.

In his opening remarks Mr. L'Heureux gave a brief outline of activities of the organization during the past year, and spoke of their plans for the future. He thanked the members for their splendid co-operation and stated that the Chamber of Commerce was becoming of increased importance as time went on. . . He particularly emphasized the need for intelligent Community Planning and warned that, with so much effort being devoted to the construction of low-cost dwellings, there was a great danger of these houses becoming the "slums of tomorrow". He drew attention to a recent publication of the National Research Council entitled "A Building Code for Smaller Municipalities", and informed the meeting there was no evidence that Lachute had a building code of any description.

The president also announced the formation of a new committee known as "National Affairs", under chairmanship of Roger Lagarde. He stated that this committee would be of service to the community in studying questions of national interest through literature, correspondence, conferences and educational films.

In closing, Mr. L'Heureux requested all members to complete the questionnaires which had been sent to them, in order that the executive might have a more definite idea of projects in which the majority of the citizens were interested, and that the directors might plan accordingly.

George Beaulieu gave a brief resume of the organization's finances.

Dr. R. Dumais, president of the Committee on Study and Investigation, stated he had heard criticisms to the effect that the Chamber was "inactive". He informed the meeting that it had been deliberately planned at the outset to proceed slowly. The executive committee meets at least two or three times each month, he stated, and re-emphasized the need to plan carefully before definite action was taken.

Laurent Lamarche, chairman of the Committee on Membership and Publicity, reviewed the work of this department in co-operation with various activities of other committees, the steps which had been taken to advertise Lachute throughout the country, and progress being made in the preparation of a comprehensive map of this town.

Linton W. Armstrong, chairman of the Committee on Local Problems and Civic Improvements, gave a brief outline of the work which had been done, and stated that each project had met with success. He solicited co-operation of the members in assisting the local council to improve the water supply, and recommended that an engineer be engaged to provide estimates for a filtration plant and for extending the intake to Lake Sir John. He also asked the meeting to support the town in their plan to extend the limits, to set up definite building by-laws, and the improvement of more streets.

Jim Lowe, chairman of the Committee on Industrial Expansion, informed the meeting that they knew of at least five new industries interested in establishing in Lachute, but that nothing could be done because there were no available buildings in town. He stated that one of these might be interested in constructing their own building, but that there were other difficulties, such as a suitable location, a shortage of power and, to a certain extent, a shortage of labor.

Dr. L. Turcotte, replacing Dr. M. Papineau, chairman of the Committee on Health and Welfare, spoke of the need for improvements in the Catholic schools in this town.

Stewart Jones, chairman of the Committee on Sports and Recreation, spoke of the work being done towards the organization of a film library, which would be at the disposal of all organizations throughout the district. He also stated that work had begun to develop Lachute as a skiing centre.

Walter Gordon, chairman of the Committee on Business Improvement, spoke of their efforts to have uniform closing hours and holidays. He also stated that a window display contest was being planned for later in the year.

During the general discussion a request was made to the meeting to take some action towards improvement of the present telephone service in Lachute. It was decided that this matter would be discussed in committee.

The meeting closed with the showing of a number of motion picture films.

The Watchman is on sale at 5 cents a copy at the following stores:

Lachute: Beaton's Pharmacy
Lachute Medicine Store.
Rex Café, Main Street.
Lido Restaurant

Lachute Mills: Z. Harbour Drugstore.

Brownsburg: John Castle's.
Choux Pharmacy.
Kilgour's Store.

St. Andrews East:
A. E. Ladouceur.

Brownsb'g Legion Reports Progress

Brownsburg — The Legion Rink officials gratefully acknowledge receipt of an unsolicited donation of $100 towards the cost of the community rink. The donor is Russell Morrow, formerly of Dalesville, Que., and now residing in Buckingham. He was so impressed with the efforts of the Brownsburg Legion that he felt he would like to help the work along in this manner.

Flooding of the rink was commenced last week-end, but the sudden mild spell will no doubt delay the opening of the rink for a few days. Season tickets are now obtainable at Hebert's Store on Main Street, Brownsburg, the price for adults being $3 and for children under 16 $1. Tickets are not transferable.

The next bi-monthly meeting of the Brownsburg Legion will take place in St. Onge's Hall on December 9, commencing at 8 p.m. Following the meeting, which will be of short duration, motion pictures of England and Sicily will be shown. All ex-servicemen are invited to attend the showing, which will be entirely without charge.

The installation of the officers-elect in the Brownsburg Branch and its Ladies' Auxiliary will be held in the Consolidated School at Brownsburg on Saturday, December 13, commencing at 8 p.m. All members are asked to attend, and it is anticipated that the installation will be conducted by high Legion officials from Montreal. It had been hoped that a joint installation of the officers of both the Argenteuil and Brownsburg Branches could have been held in Lachute. Circumstances have arisen, however, to prevent this. Instead, Comrade J. Pillage, the Zone Representative, will endeavor to arrange for a rally for the entire area at not too distant a date.

Quebec W.I's Gift to Princess Elizabeth

Typical of this province was the wedding present sent to Princess Elizabeth by the Quebec Women's Institutes. The articles, of exquisite design and workmanship, were selected from those prepared for the exhibit at the biennial conference of the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada this past summer. The gift consists of a wooden salad bowl and servers, four plates, salt and pepper shakers, all beautifully made of native cherry, and four place mats, made from Quebec grown flax and asbestos thread, and handwoven by a member of the North Hatley Women's Institute, Miss Emily LeBaron. A suitable card to accompany the gift was made by Miss Wren, of the Handicraft Department, Macdonald College, and the whole sent through the Governor-General, Lord Alexander.

Princess Elizabeth is a member of the Sandringham Women's Institute, and the best wishes of the Q.W.I go to one whom all are proud to claim as a fellow member in this great organization.

If one would be successful in the future, let him make the most of the present. —Mary Baker Eddy.

Seasonal

FARM TOPICS

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Growing Ladino Clover

Ladino is a triple-purpose crop, excellent for pasture, hay, and silage. It is permanent on well-adapted soils under favorable conditions of fertility and management. It is a promising legume for livestock farms.

Ladino is a giant type of white clover in contrast to the smaller types such as common white Dutch, English wild white, and native wild white clovers. It was introduced into this continent from northern Italy around 1890. The first official experiments with this crop are recorded in Bulletin No. 98 (1894) from the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station. Seed, from which our first commercial seed supply was developed, was imported in 1903 and used chiefly on irrigated land in southern Idaho. Oregon, Washington, and more recently, california, have further developed the crop and supply seed which today provides for the rapidly increasing acreage.

Like the wild white and white Dutch clovers, Ladino spreads by means of runners which take root at the joints to form new plants. It is distinguished from ordinary white clover by having much larger leaflets and taller stems. Owing to its more erect growth it is able to compete with tall-growing grasses and legumes. It is not so well adapted to closely grazed pasture sods as the smaller types, but with favorable management and liberal fertilization will persist over a period of years. It is a true perennial, and should prove a boon to grassland farming.

As a pasture plant Ladino appears to be at the top among the legumes in palatability for both dairy animals and chickens. Successful grazing of this crop requires rotational management, pasturing fairly heavily, then removing the stock when there are several inches of the top still remaining. This is to permit a full measure of recovery. It is important to let the plant go into winter with at least five or six inches of top growth. A light application of from five to six tons of well-rotted manure applied in late fall or early winter has been found very helpful in preventing winter-killing.

Ladino makes an excellent hay that is relished by all classes of livestock. In harvesting for hay, care must be exercised in handling to prevent shattering of the leaves. The crop should be mowed when about one-tenth of the flower heads have turned brown. The first cutting, which is ready about early June, has a moisture content often as high as 80 per cent. For this reason and because of the possibility of unfavorable weather, this early crop might well go into the silo. The experience of most growers is that in ensiling, from 60 to 80 pounds of molasses per ton of silage should be used to best preserve this feed and to increase its palatability.

Ladino clover is a high producer and a heavy feeder. It is a good crop to be grown on good land. It thrives best on the moist, lowland areas of the farm, those normally too wet for corn or alfalfa yet sufficiently well-drained to prevent standing water. While recommendations for fertilization vary in different sections, it is generally agreed that to produce the maximum yields the soil should be limed to around pH 6.0 and liberally supplied with phosphorus and potash.

The most satisfactory time of seeding Ladino is in the spring with a companion crop of oats, and it should be planted as soon as the ground can be worked. Successful seedings, however, have been made in August and early September without a companion crop, and also in March or April on stands of fall-sown grains or timothy. Whatever the method of seeding, the companion crop should be pastured early or made into silage. As Ladino seeds are small in size, best results follow shallow seeding. It is a common practice to broadcast on top of the ground, and to press the seed into the soil lightly by use of a roller. Ordinarily, from one to two pounds of seed added to a seeding mixture of grases and other legumes are recommended. Even for the seeding of pure stands of Ladino very satisfactory results may be expected from the use of from two to four pounds per acre provided a nurse crop is used to control the weeds. Once started, the vigorous spreading habit of Ladino soon completely covers the surface.

A small acreage of Ladino pasturage on every dairy farm to supply most of the grazing is a capital investment. Where there is some supplement grazing from old pastures, from one-fourth to one-half acre of Ladino pasture may be ample. However, as the clover may vary considerably with the season, age of stand, or fertility conditions, dairymen might well figure on one acre for each cow for a grazing period of 160 days. Early grazing should begin when the plants are from three to four inches high. Quite frequently as many as 8 or 10 cows per acre at weekly intervals may be necessary at this season of the year to make the most economical use of the herbage. The use of portable electric fences for dividing the Ladino pasture has been found to be an essential part of the management program. This or some other system of dividing the field will be found necessary in order to prevent excessive grazing, and to insure maximum utilization of the feed produced.

Young Ladino clover is laxative, and animals may lose flesh then grazing on it unless they are gradually accustomed to it. To guard against this, as well as against a bloat which may result if the animals stuff themselves on clover, they should be pretty well filled up on hay before being turned out, and for the first few weeks of grazing may be lengthened gradually and alternated wherever possible between Ladino and permanent grass pasture. Such a grazing program insures a high level of milk production, reduces the need for concentrates, and this keeps the cost of production of milk at a minimum.

(Extracts from "Growing Ladino Clover in the Northeast" by S. D. Gray, Washington, D. C.)

Bank of Nova Scotia Statement Shows Assets, Deposits at New High

Toronto — An increase of more than $85,000,000 in loans, the largest of any year in the Bank's history, features the 116th annual statement of the Bank of Nova Scotia, just released. Deposits and total assets are also shown at new high levels in the statement which covers the fiscal year ended October 31, 1947.

Net profits for the year after Dominion and Provincial Government taxes of $2,095,000 and depreciation of $399,443 were $1,992,277. This compares with $1,588,455 in 1946. After dividends of $1,440,000 and provision for extra distribution of $240,000 as compared with dividends of $1,380,000 last year, $312,277 was carried forward to profit and loss account.

The statement shows total assets at an all-time high of $714,444,000, as compared with $696,175,000 a year ago. Liquid position continues strong. Cash, clearings and balances due from other banks of $125,565,000 represent 18.58% of total liabilities to the public. Quick assets amount to $434,679,607 and represent 64.32% of liabilities to the public.

Total loans at the year end were $287,862,842 as against $172,234,605 in 1946. The greater part of the increase was in current loans, at $226,664,994.

Reflecting lessened need for short term financing by the Dominion Government, and also as a result of employment of a larger amount of the Bank's funds in loans, investment holdings were reduced by $70,750,000 to $289,789,297 during the year. Dominion government and provincial government securities are higher than a year ago. All securities are carried at amounts not exceeding market value.

Total deposits at $640,683,536 are $23,119,000 greater that at the previous year end.

The annual meeting of the Bank's shareholders was held yesterday, December 3, in Halifax.

SEA-GOING SHOP

St. John's, Nfld. (CP) — Something new in the way of marine enterprises is the floating machine shop put in operation here by James Baird, Ltd. Aptly named the Fixit, the 73-ton vessel, fully equipped with machinery necessary for the repair of marine engines and fishing craft, will cruise Newfoundland's coast engaging in this work.

Taking advantage of the well-established fact that light-colored paints reflect heat, at least one major railway on this continent has started to paint the tops and ends of all its livestock cars with aluminum paint. The paint reflects strong sunlight instead of absorbing its heat, thus keeping the interiors of the cars cooler. The railway has found that cool livestock lose less weight when en route to market.

Urge No Smoking In Stores During Christmas Season

While retail establishments earnestly desire that no smoking should be the order of the day in large and small stores, the Province of Quebec Safety League is now appealing to the public in general to abstain from smoking in such stores and thus ensure that the Christmas holiday season will not be marred by tragedy.

With all stores at this time of the year crowded with shoppers — should someone see the smallest wisp of smoke and yell "Fire", dire results would be the outcome should a panic take place.

The League therefore points out that to offset such a situation occurring, the public refrain from smoking in any store. In so doing they give the fullest consideration to each other, reduce fire hazards, and so spend a Christmas season free from misery and heartaches.

HONEY BRUIN'S DOOM

Norquay, Sask. (CP) — A bear in the bush country north of this village on the Manitoba border made a big mistake when he raided Victor Kochenski's 12 beehives and ate $200 worth of honey. Kochenski waited up for the bear for two nights, gun in hand, and the bear returned each night. Kochenski missed the first night, the second night he didn't miss.

LANDMARK TORN DOWN

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Unsung Heroes

IT IS EASY to forget that missionaries, nurses and others, fired with love of humankind, labor self-sacrificingly year in and year out in little-known outposts across Canada's northern rim.

Their service was dramatized by the accidental wounding of an Anglican missionary, Canon John H. Turner, at a lonely mission high within the Arctic Circle and the saga of his rescue by the R.C.A.F. plane and parachute teams.

Ordinarily, little thought is given to the hardships endured by missionaries in the course of their self-chosen tasks. They carry into the northland their own inpired concepts of the spirit of service. They relinquish not only the everyday comforts of civilization, but also the greater prestige and remuneration offered by large urban communities.

Even in the story of the accident at Moffet Inlet there is a further symbolization of service. As Canon Turner returned from hunting, he helped an Eskimo girl who was carrying a pail of ice for drinking water. It was as he entered the mission, burdened with the pail and his rifle, that the rifle discharged, wounding him in the head.

The expansion of communications into the north has ameliorated the lot of such pioneer workers as Canon Turner. The hazardous operation which effected his rescue was made possible by relatively recent experiments in cold-weather flying. Such a rescue would probably not have been attempted 10 years ago.

But the life of helping other people in the north still requires Spartan patience, good-will and unobtrusive courage. And the missionary ideal of service today burns as bright as it ever did in history.

It is time to remember that there still are men not unlike Jesuit Father Johnde Breboeuf, whose indomitable spirit under torture so awed the savage mind that his torturers drank his blood as a courage potion.

More Farm Labor

CANADIANS learned last week that 10,000 more immigrants are coming to Canada, this time from the Netherlands. It was announced that plans had been completed for movement of 10,000 Netherlanders, all farmers and their families. They will be settled on Canadian farms where their labor is needed, and the hope was expressed that eventually these immigrants would acquire farms of their own in the Dominion.

The 10,000 Netherlanders will be over and above the 20,000 persons Canada has agreed to accept from displaced persons camps in Europe. About 8,000 of these displaced persons are expected to reach Canadian shores before the end of the year for various types of work.

Problems of the Canadian farmer, in the war and post-war periods, have hinged largely upon the scarcity and high cost of labor. In this aspect of their difficulties at least, the Government's movement of Netherlands, Dutch and Polish farm help to this country should do much to effect some adjustment in the early future.

THE TRAGEDY in the world today is not that so many bad men are active in it but that so many good men are inactive and inadequate. There are too many who get burned up about everything wrong, but do not burn to put anything right.

— Acton (Ont.) Free Press

Christmas Brings . . .

CHRISTMAS brings — childhood's fond anticipations; tall stories and explanations; and Santa Claus. Christmas brings — the lights and decorations; ludicrous ties for Father; late hours, mince pies and indigestion . . . And the finer sentiments, the deeper meditations, on the blessing that Christmas brought to humankind two thousand years ago.

As the season approaches, Christmas also brings to this community two welcome opportunities to serve. Neither entails great effort or expense. Advertisements in these pages will direct our readers to the aims of two worthwhile local enterprises. . .

First is the Christmas Seals campaign, which enables every family to contribute a share in the fight against tuberculosis. A front-page news story also tells how previous campaigns have brought a notable benefit to this county, with the installation of an X-ray outfit at the Health Unit headquarters.

The second project commended to our readers is the Scouts' and Cubs' Toy Repair Shop. Through this agency, and thanks to the efforts of local boys and their leaders, many underprivileged youngsters will have toys and gifts to gladden their Christmas Day. All parents can aid in this work by handing in their children's discarded playthings.

Christmas brings — these two worthwhile projects which merit your support.

Overcrowded Civil Servants

REPORTING from Ottawa, Kenneth Cragg, staff correspondent of the Toronto Globe and Mail, recently wrote of the bad conditions in which civil servants have to work. "Shabbiness," said Mr. Cragg, "is a mark of a great many federal offices. But there is also overcrowding, far beyond accepted standards, inedequate ventilation, conditions of doubtful sanitation and plain dirt."

Mr. Cragg did not feel called upon to suggest a remedy, as he was writing a news story, not an editorial. But some of his readers, who knew what pleasant working conditions were enjoyed by the Ottawa civil servant before the war, must have wondered why, more than two years since the war ended, there should still be complaints of overcrowding.

There are two main factors in overcrowding, wherever it exists. One is too little space, the other two many people. Before the Department of Public Works begins a new building program to provide more working space for Ottawa's civil servants, the Auditor-General's department might be asked to make a survey to see whether a number of the employees on the public payroll are not luxuries that the taxpayers can no longer afford. (The Minister of Finance is authority for the statement that as a country we are living beyond our means). A conscientious survey, if its recommendations were implemented, might well bring about two savings. It would stop a building program, and would relieve the taxpayers of the necessity of supporting those civil servants who were no longer needed.

There is, however, one drawback to the proposed reform. The survey would require employment of extra staff and consequent overcrowding in the Auditor-General's department.

— The Printed Word

Corrects Impression Given by Watchman News Illustration

TO THE EDITOR

United Nations Association
In Canada,
Westmount Branch

4323 Montrose Ave.,
Westmount, Que.

Editor, Lachute Watchman
Dear Sir:

As president of the above Branch of the United Nations Association in Canada, I feel that I must draw attention to the inaccuracies in the first sentence of the explanation under the picture, "Korean People Denied Right to Speak to United Nations". (Page one, November 27, 1947).

I would greatly appreciate it if you would let me know the name and source of the "Report published recently" quoted in the third sentence. The objects of our Association include the dissemination of correct information and the stopping of false or misleading statements. We feel that it is difficult enough for the idea of the United Nations to grow without any active opposition. Public apathy is bad enough.

For the record, I might say that the policy of the United States has not been repressive nor has their policy been one of seeing that the Koreans "have no voice in determining their ultimate fate."

Let be quote from an official document of the United Nations, issued November 11, 1947.

"The United States resolution was necessary to prevent disorder, declared J. W. M. Snouck-Hurgronje (Netherlands). Referring to reports of 150,000 Korean troops in the Northern (Russian) Zone, he said that the withdrawal of foreign troops cannot fail to create a certain temptation for the military organizations in Northern Korea to exert pressure on the Southern part which is not organized in the same way from a military point of view."

Quotation from preamble of United States Resolution on Korea, "Recalling its (General Assembly) previous conclusions that the freedom and independence of the Korean People cannot be fairly or correctly resolved without the participation of representatives of the Korean People, and its decision to establish a United Nations Commission on Korea for the purpose of facilitating and expediting such participation by elected representatives of the Korean People . . ."

The United States Resolution was passed 41 to 0 with seven abstentions. This session also rejected a U.S.S.R resolution to defer examination of the Korean Question, 33 to 6, with 12 absentions. From these quotations I hardly think that the United States can be properly accused of seeing that the "Koreans have no voice in determining their ultimate fate." I believe that the shoe is on another foot.

I would be very pleased if you would give this letter the same publicity that was afforded to the picture in your November 27 issue.

Yours very sincerely,
G. F. W. Kuhring, president,
Westmount Branch,
U. N. A. in C.

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Editor's Note: We thank the writer for drawing attention to this mis-impression, and we commend his interest in the cause. It would seem, however, that the text of our illustration dealt with a situation, made no reference to the aims and intentions of the United Nations Assembly, and thus left its impression based only on a present condition. It may have erred in stating "the Koreans will have no voice . . ". Convinced of the high objectives of the Assembly, The Watchman may also have erred in featuring this item. True, the role of a rural weekly is constructive, but it cannot be expected to purge its columns of every unhappy incident and every unfavorable impression. Moreover, the item in question was syndicated by a reputable organization with a wide coverage, and we found no reason to question its interpretation. The "report published recently" was a report accompanying this picture in a newspaper of earlier issue.

VETERANS' AFFAIRS

— By M. V. Trayers —

This was my brother
At Dieppe,
Quietly a hero
Who gave his life
Like a gift,
Witholding nothing.

His love, his youth,
His enjoyment of being alive,
His future, like a book
With half the pages still uncut.

This was my brother
At Dieppe,
The one who built me a doll house
When I was seven,
Complete to the last small
picture frame,
Nothing forgotten.

He was awfully good at fixing
things,
At stepping into the breach when
he was needed.

That's what he did at Dieppe;
He was needed.
And even Death must have been
a little ashamed.
At his eagerness.

— Mona Gould.

The above poem was written by a sister in memory of her brother, Lieutenant-Colonel Howard McTavish, of London, Ont.

What of the many who have come back? What have we done to repay the sacrifice which they made, even in small part?

Experience of the Department of Veterans' Affairs has shown that the Canadian veteran has assumed his responsibilities in peacetime living as he assumed them in war and that the trust and confidence placed in him by the Minister of Veterans' Affairs, the Right Hon. Ian MacKenzie, K.C., P.C., and the department has been amply justified.

Since V-J Day vast amounts of money have been paid directly to the veterans or on their behalf. For instance, in the fiscal year 1946-47 there was paid directly to the veterans of Canada or on their behalf through re-establishment credits, a total of $592,000,000. There is no evidence that there has been any widespread dissipation of this money. On the contrary, the evidence all points to the fact that the money has been wisely used.

Under the War Service Grants Acts, veterans have made down payment on urban homes of almost $45,000.000 — $33,000,000 of this from their re-establishment credit, the remainder from their own resources. If we take those down payments as representing 25% of the selling price of the properties, we find that Canadian veterans have committed themselves to the purchase of very urban real estate. In addition to close to $200,000,000 worth of this, through the Veterans' Land Act they own rural properties valued at a figure in the neighborhood of $125,000,000.

Veterans have a real stake in this country's future.

Their record in universities and vocational training institutions across the country is equally impressive, with the universities reporting the vast majority of university scholarships and prizes won by veterans.

Figures indicate that close to 98% of men and women who served in World War II are either employed, training for employment or have found their niche in business or professions of their own. Veterans have made use of approximately $19,000,000 of re-establishment credit either for the purchase or commencement of a business or profession or to provide working capital for one they owned.

Vocational Training. — Up until the present time, a total of approximately 74,700 young veterans have been assisted in vocational training.

University Training. — Most recent figures show that a total of 50,600 veterans have received assistance by way of payment of fees and living allowances. The record of these young veterans has been outstanding.

Awaiting Returns Allowance. — This grant recognizes the fact that a man starting his own business or going farming must wait some time for a cash return. It is a subsistence allowance designed to assist veteran business, professional and farming men. Up until the present time the allowance has been paid to 41,500 ex-service men.

Out-of-Work Allowances. — To date the allowance has been paid to 155,800 veterans, but it is a tribute to the veterans that in very few cases was it necessary to pay the allowance for more than a few weeks.

War Service Gratuity. — The most recent total shows that war service gratuities have been paid to 941,311. The total amount paid out was $461,000,000.

Re-establishment Credits.—This was designed as rehabilitation assistance to those veterans not interested in training or assistance under the Veterans Land Act. Up to the end of July of this year a total of $150,177,000 had been paid out to or on behalf of veterans. This has been a real contribution to the Canadian economy; of the $150-million $33,000,000 has been used for purchase repair or reduction of mortgages on homes.

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DEATH

ROURKE — At her residence, 8205 Wiseman Ave., Park Extension, Montreal, on November 25, 1947, Mary Gladys Dowd, beloved wife of George L. Rourke, in her 46th year.

IN MEMORIAM

MURRAY — Today recalls sad memories of a dear mother, Mrs. Agnes Murray, who passed away December 4, 1944. — Always remembered by her son, Fred and Therese.

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And those who miss her most
Are the ones who loved her best".

MURRAY — In loving memory of our dear grandmother, Mrs. Walter Murray, who passed away December 4, 1944. — Always remembered by Reggie, Frances, Violet and Murray.

IN MEMORIAM

BROWN — In loving memory of our dear father, W. J. Brown, who passed away December 5, 1935 — Ever remembered by his son, Moses.

"Gone, dear Father, gone forever,
How we miss your smiling face,
But you left us to remember
None on earth can take your place".

MacMILLAN — In loving memory of Mother, also Grandmother, who passed away December 4, 1945. — Silently remembered. Willie, Bella and family.

MURRAY — In loving memory of Mother and Grandmother, Agnes Murray, who departed this life December 4, 1944. — Ever remembered by Jessie, Ed and Walter.

"How often you come before us,
Your dear face fond and true,
For death can never take away
Our memories, dear Mother,
of you".

STACEY — In loving memory of dear Dad, who passed away in Montreal, December 4, 1941. — Always remembered by his daughter and son-in-law, Hazel and Harry Turner.

YOUNG — In fond and loving memory of our dear wee son, Delmar — died November 29, 1939. — Always remembered by Dad, Mom and little sisters.

"You are not forgotten, Delmar dear,
Nor ever shall you be,
As long as life and memory last
We shall remember thee".

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Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Craig with their son, John, were in Montreal last week-end to see Mrs. E. Jackson off aboard the "Empress of Canada". Mrs. Jackson had spent the past three weeks visiting with her daughter and son-in-law, and is now returning to her home in Sutton, Surrey, England.

Mr. Willard Dubeau, of Montreal, spent the week-end at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Dubeau.

Mr. John Mountain was here from Montreal to suend the week-end with his sister, Mrs. Roy Smith.

Mrs. A. Larose is spending the present week in Montreal at the home of her daughter, Mrs. K. Cowan. Mr. Cowan's many friends here are pleased to know that he is making good progress in the hospital and hopes to be home soon.

Mrs. Donald McCabe, of Rivington, is spending the present week here, the guest of Mrs. E. J. Craig.

Mrs. D. Williams returned home Saturday after spending the past fortnight visiting her sister, Mrs. W. Jones and Mr. Jones, at London, Ont.

Mrs. W. H. Owen is spending some time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Guay in Buckingham.

Mabel

Mrs. Robt. Black has returned after spending several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. John Mahon and Mr. Mahon, at Calumet.

Miss Shirley Heatlie, of Montreal, spent the week-end at her home here.

Mr. Perley Clark and Robt. Jackson visited Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Cunning at Vankleek Hill on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. McFaul have moved to Lachute for the winter months.

Farm Forum Meeting

The Mabel Farm Forum group met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Jackson on Monday evening, with 14 adults and four children present. The evening was spent discussing the topic "What's New In Health". After making plans for the Christmas banquet to be held on Monday, 22nd, refreshments were served by the hostess.

Cushing

Mr. and Mrs. J. Douglas, also Mr. and Mrs. Graham, motored to Montreal on Monday.

Mrs. Geo. O'Brien, of Lachute, has been visiting friends in this community.

Grenville

Mr. John Gauley was the guest of his brother, Mr. Eddie Gauley and Mrs. Gauley, in Chatham recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel McIntyre, of Vankleek Hill, visited his brothers, Messrs. Willie and Hubert McIntyre, here recently.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Morrow and Mrs. McCallum motored to Lachute Friday to meet Miss Eileen Morrow, of Montreal, who spent the week-end here.

Use Watchman classified ads.

Bell Falls

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. Campbell during the week-end were Misses Helen Campbell and B. Del-Hay, Mr. Lloyd Gauley, Mr. John McMahon, Charles and Leslie Campbell and Mr. James Dorion.

Miss Ruby McNeil and Mr. John Shearman were guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McNeil over the week-end.

Misses Isabel and Edythe MacCallum visited their parents here last week-end.

Mrs. J. John is spending a few days in Montreal.

Mr. Joseph Stewart, who has been on the sick list, is now recovering.

Friends of young Melvin McLeod, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McLeod, regret to hear of his recent accident and wish him a speedy recovery from his injuries.

Mr. Sandy Geegan, of Lachute, was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. Neil MacCallum and of Mrs. A. I. Brown.

Church Notes

The service held in the Campbell Hall on Sunday last was well attended. Devotions will be held this Sunday at the usual hour, 11 a.m., in the church; Mr. John Shearman will officiate.

Sunday School will be held in the Campbell Hall at 1.30 p.m. on Sunday.

Avoca

A specal service will be held at St. Andrew's United Church next Sunday, when the Rev. N. D. Keith, a former minister, will be guest preacher. The Rev. S. J. Pike will conduct the service. Mr. Keith will be pleased to renew former acquaintances here on this occasion.

Morin Heights

Mrs. Mattenberger spent a few days in Montreal last week,

Mrs. F. T. Watchorn and Miss Barbara Watchorn spent a couple of days in Montreal last week.

Mrs. M. Stapleton, also Miss E. Eddge and niece Juanita, have returned home after visiting friends in Ontario for the past couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Eddge, of Montreal, spent Sunday here visiting their friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Dey returned home after spending a few days in Montreal with Mrs. Dey and visiting their children, Shirley and Ronald, who are still in the Royal Victoria Hospital. Little Ronald underwent an operation last Thursday, and is reported to be doing well.

Mrs. Willis Seale and daughter, Doreen, spent the week-end in Montreal.

Mrs. Burse, of Montreal, is visiting with Mrs. Goldthorpe this week.

Mr. J. Dixon is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Watchorn. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dixon, of Dalesville, visited here last Friday.

Miss Doris Watchorn entertained a number of young couples at a "court whist" on Saturday evening last.

A reception was held in honor of Mr. Elwood Kirkpatrick's marriage, at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. M. Kirkpatrick, on Saturday last.

Brownsburg

Mrs. Wm. Prosser was in Montreal last week.

Mr. Dennis Staniforth was in Montreal this week visiting Mrs. Staniforth, who is a patient in the Western Hospital.

Women's Institute

Miss Evelyn Walker, secretary-demonstrator for Quebec W. I., will give a demonstration in the Brownsburg United Church on Wednesday, December 10, at 2 p.m. This will deal with practical methods of meat cooking. The Brownsburg W. I. are sponsoring the program. Everyone is welcome; afternoon tea will be served.

Mrs. R. H. Morrison was in Montreal on Sunday visiting Mr. Morrison, who is a patient at the General Hospital.

Mr. Duncan McGibbon, from British Columbia, spent part of this week visiting friends here.

The Rev. N. D. Keith, B.A., will be preacher at the United Church next Sunday in connection with the Missionary and Maintenance annual service.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Forrest, of Montreal, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Summers.

Mr. Warner Norman, organist and choir director of St. James Church, in Montreal, is having marked success in the choral work both with the mixed choir and men's group in their practices Thursday evenings at the United Church. A special Christmas carol service and New Year concert are now in preparation. A cantata, "Stainer's Crucifixion", has also been discussed for presentation next Good Friday evening.

OBITUARY

Mourn Death of Montreal Lady

Late Mrs. George L. Rourke

Calumet — The death occurred in Montreal, on November 25, of Mrs. George L. Rourke, the former Mary Gladys Dowd, in her 46th year. Although the deceased had been in poor health for many years, her death came as a shock to her family and friends.

She leaves to mourn her loss, her husband, two daughters, Jean and Geraldine, two sisters Mrs. Robert Bigelow and Mrs. Sanford MacVicar, and three brothers, Ernie, Rollie and Leslie, besides numerous other relatives and a host of friends.

Many beautiful flowers bore silent tribute to her memory. She will be sadly missed in her home, and by all who knew her.

Member of Family Active in Church And Mission Work

Late Mrs. Herbert Dwyer
Mourned by Relatives in This District

(By Our District Correspondents)

Grenville —

Mrs. Herbert Dwyer, formerly Miss Jessie Chamberlain, passed away at her home in Hudson Heights on November 24, and was laid to rest in the cemetery at that place. . . . She was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Wyman Chamberlain, of Plantagenet, Ont., and a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthurs, of Avoca. Sympathy of this community is extended to her husband and her only remaining sister, (Effie) Mrs. Haskins, of Ottawa, as well as her relatives in the district and elsewhere.

The late Mrs. Dwyer was one of six daughters born to Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain, of whom Mrs. Haskins is the only one surviving. Active in the Baptist denomination in Ottawa, she is one of the leading workers in mission and church work. A sister (Mary), widow of the Rev. Dr. E. Smith, died about two years ago in Toronto, soon after she was honored for long service with her husband in India as a teacher and nurse; while another sister, Sarah, predeceased the late Mrs. Dwyer, with whom she was residing at Hudson Heights, only a few months ago.

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ASSETS

Cash, clearings and due from banks	$125,565,290.47
Government and other public securities not exceeding market value	267,202,339.98
Other bonds and stocks, not exceeding market value	22,586,958.29
Call loans (secured)	19,325,019.07
Other loans and discounts (after full provision for bad and doubtful debts)	238,537,823.29
Liabilities of customers under acceptances and letters of credit (as per contra)	32,526,669.12
Bank premises	6,234,038.32
Shares of and loans to controlled companies	1,459,984.55
Other assets	1,006,556.07
	$714,444,679.16

LIABILITIES

Notes in circulation	$ 1,726,765.67
Deposits	640,683,536.81
Acceptances and letters of credit outstanding	32,526,669.12
Other liabilities	884,385.88
Capital	12,000,000.00
Reserve fund	24,000,000.00
Undivided profits	2,623,321.68
	$714,444,679.16

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COAL VERSUS OIL

Kentville, N.S. (CP)—While coal is still the main basic fuel and also the most essential; S. A. Willis, retiring president of the Mining Society of Nova Scotia, told delegates in his presidential report that an authoritative survey states oil supplies are running out.

AMONG THE CHURCHES

Churchwomen's Groups At St. Andrews East

Women's Guild

St. Andrews E. — The regular meeting of the Women's Guild of the United Church was held November 26 at the manse. In the absence of the president, the vice-president Miss A. L. Wales was in the chair. After the regular business period Miss Wales acted most capably as auctioneer to dispose of some articles left from the sale, and some lovely Chinese needlework donated by Miss Lamb. It was decided to send a food parcel to Britain — donations to be left at the manse. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Lilly. . There will be no meeting in December.

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Christ Church Auxiliary

The W. A. of Christ Church met Thursday afternoon, November 27, at the home of Mrs. David Morrison. Mrs. F. A. Robertson presided. Mrs. Fred Whitehouse assisted the hostess in serving refreshments.

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W.M.S. Service

A candlelight service to be held on December 9, was planned at the November meeting of the W.M.S. of the United Church, held at the home of Miss Pitcairn.

Bible Soc'y Secretary

The Rev. W. H. Hudspeth, the British and Foreign Bible Society's general secretary in China for the last eleven years, is to succeed the late Dr. J. B. M. Armour as general secretary in Canada and Newfoundland.

Change in Local Trucking Business

Argenteuil Transport Limited—operating between Montreal, Lachute, Brownsburg and vicinity — has changed hands this week. Starting December 1, the business will be headed by D. D. Mitchell from his Sales and Service Station on Bethany Road.

Del Mitchell is well known locally, and has had considerable experience in handling this type of business, having been in charge of all Army Transport for Eastern Canada, including Newfoundland and Labrador, during the past war. Prior to this he had also been connected with the automotive business for 25 years.

Arrangements have been completed to have available all types of trucking equipment, such as vans, semi-trailers, floats, gasoline and fuel-tank trucks, as well as specially equipped vans for delivery of live stock.

Special service to local customers has been added. Any order telephoned to the warehouse **before 1 p.m.** will be passed along to the Montreal warehouse for goods to be picked up the same day.

The Lachute telephone number is 53, and Montreal FA 3751 with warehouse at 1670 Parthenais Street.

CREATE ISLAND PARK

Victoria (CP) — The provincial government by order-in-council has set aside two islands in Spout Lake, 14 miles north of Lac La Hauche, for park purposes.

Special Features Planned At Brownsburg United

Brownsburg — Next Sunday being Missionary and Maintenance Day in the United Church, the Rev. D. N. Keith, B. A., of Montreal, will be the guest preacher. Mr. Keith, who has been here on former occasions, will be happy to renew acquanitances.

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The following Sunday morning, December 14, there will be a unique observance in which the Sunday School will join, when a White Gift service, arranged by Miss Winnie White and her committee, will take place. Preparations are going forward for this gathering and a striking program has been drawn up, to include the placing of gifts by the children and others. A lady representative of the Salvation Army, of Montreal, to which organization these gifts will be presented at the close of the service, will be present and give a short address.

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The Y.P.U. concert, under the direction of Earle Morrison, to be held Friday evening, Dec. 12, promises to be one of the highlights of the year. It will be of a varied character, with special carols rendered by the girls and boys now under Mr. Morrison's leadership. The setting of the several parts and Nativity will have particular attention, as will the costumes and scenes.

Northern Winter

Tall spruce like cathedral spires,
Standing dark and still,
A sting of frost in the air that drifts
Down from the distant hill,
While the Northern Lights like thrusting sabers,
Pierce the lofty blue.

The great owl from his frosty perch,
Drops through the gloomy light,
Then startled hares for shelter scurry,
To shiver through the night
Where the forest brooks in ice-locked beauty shine.

The small fawn sleeps by its mother's side,
As watch she keeps by night.
Then they nibble a bit of frozen twig,
In the cold grey morning light.
They shiver with dread as their keen ears catch
The sound of a hunter's gun.

Billowing snow clouds gather
Low in the western sky,
From the darkening hills we hear
At dusk the grey wolf's cry.
And the wild geese, in formation true,
Wing their southward way.

They in their flight, escape the woes
And perils of the frozen snows.

— Sarah Beaven Bennett.
Weir, Que.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. K. I. Mosher, of Cantic, Que., and their little son Arthur, spent a few days recently with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Campbell, Dalesville.

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Miss Shirley Leggett, who was injured in a recent automobile accident, arrived home from Montreal yesterday, and friends will be glad to hear that she is convalescing satisfactorily. . . Miss Leggett has latterly been attending Macdonald College.

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Miss Marjorie Leggett arrived home last week-end, after completing her nurse's training and graduating from the Royal Victoria Hospital.

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Christening Ceremony

The christening of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest J. Boyd, of Montreal, took place Sunday afternoon in St. Matthew's Church, Hampstead, the Rev. Mr. Truman officiating. The baby was given the names Robert John. The godparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Staniforth, of Brownsburg. Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Boyd entertained at tea.

Successful merchants know that newspaper advertising brings results.

Mrs. James Beech and Mrs. Shepherd, of Montreal, were recent guests of Mrs. Robt. Millar, East Ward.

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Miss Ruth Todd of Montreal has been the recent guest of Mrs. M. Tillotson, following a visit to her brother at Kiosk, Ont.

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Mr. and Mrs. Donald Boa and infant daughter, Dianne, and Mr. and Mrs. Chapman Meyer, spent Sunday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dent in Thurso, Que.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Menzies and infant son, spent the week-end visiting relatives in Montreal.

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Mr. George Y. Deacon attended a meeting of the Protestant Committee of the Quebec Council of Education in Montreal last Friday.

Mr. J. S. Giles, as District Deputy Governor of the Lions International, visited the Iroquois-Morrisburg and Almonte Lions Clubs this week — also renewing acquaintance with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bishop, of Gananoque, former residents of Lachute.

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Bank of Montreal Appointments

Gordon R. Ball

B. C. Gardner

Montreal—Appointment of Gordon R. Ball as general manager of the Bank of Montreal, succeeding B. C. Gardner, who becomes executive vice-president, was announced by George W. Spinney, president of the bank, following its 130th annual meeting in Montreal this week. One of the bank's key executives, Mr. Ball, who has been head of the institution's New York agency for the past three years, brings to his new post a broad experience in banking. Similarly, to the newly created post of executive vice-president Mr. Gardiner brings outstanding experience in the B of M's operations, including Newfoundland, the United States and Canada.

COMING EVENTS

TEA AND SALE, BROWNSBURG

An afternoon tea and sale of home-cooking, aprons and fancy work, will be held in the basement of the Maple Avenue Baptist Church on Saturday, December 6, from 3 to 5 p.m. 02.D4.2c

CAROL CONCERT

A Christmas carol concert will be held by the Lachute High School Glee Club at 8.15 p.m. on Thursday, December 18, at the Auditorium. Admission 50c. D11.3c

ST. SIMEON'S BAZAAR

St. Simeon's Church Ladies' Guild will hold their annual Bazaar in the Presbyterian Church hall on Friday, December 12, from 3 to 6. Fancy work, Christmas novelties, aprons and home-cooking. D11-2c

LEGION

There will be an election of officers for the Argenteuil Branch of the Canadian Legion on December 10, in the Lachute Auditorium. All members are urged to attend.

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LACHUTE UNITED CHURCH
Rev. W. B. Rosborough, B.A., B.D.
10 a.m. Sabbath School.
11 a.m. Morning Worship. "The Light of the World".
7.30 p.m. Evening Worship. "The Gates of Life".
2.30 p.m. East Settlement.
Y.P.U Wednesday at 8.15 p.m.
Christmas concert, Friday, December 19, at 7.30 p.m.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND
Rev. C. R. Lang, L.Th., Rector
Sunday, December 7.
St. Simeon's, Lachute
10 a.m. Sunday School.
11 a.m. Morning Prayer.
St. George's, Brownsburg.
11 a.m. Sunday School.
7 p.m. Evening Prayer.

MARGARET RODGER MEM'L PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rev. Charles Maclean, B.A. Minister
10 a.m. Sunday School.
11.00 a.m. Morning Service.
3 p.m. Brownsburg.
7.30 p.m. Evening service.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Maple Avenue, Brownsburg
Rev. Robt. Dicks, Pastor
10 a.m. Bible School.
11 a.m., Morning Worship
7 p.m. Gospel Service.
Bible study and prayer, Wed. at 7.
Chatham West at 2.30 p.m.

LAKEFIELD SERVICES
Rev. C. W. P. Baugh, Rector
Morin Heights 11 a.m.
Mille Isles 2 30 p.m.
Lakefield 7 p.m.

LACHUTE BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. W. H. Britton, Pastor
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SUNDAY SERVICES
10 a.m. Bible School.
11 a.m. "Believers".
Baptismal Service and Communion
7 p.m. The Gospel.
Tues. at 8, Y.P. Fellowship.
Wed. at 8 - Cottage Prayer Meet.
Friday at 6.30 — Happy Hour.

REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCHES
Rev. Geo. B. Hicks, Pastor
BROWNSBURG
Bible School 10.00 a.m.
Church 11 a.m.
Happy Hour Monday 7 p.m.
Monday at 8. — Y.P. Fellowship.
Prayer Meeting, Thurs., at 8 p.m.
DALESVILLE
Bible School 2 p.m.
Church 3 p.m.
Wed., 8 p.m. — Prayer Service

BROWNSBURG UNITED
Rev. S. J. Pike, Minister
10 a.m. Sunday School.
Missionary and Maintenance Day.
11 a.m. Rev. N. D. Keith, B.A.
7 p.m. The Minister, assisted by the Men's Choir.
Tuesday. at 7 p.m. Y.P.U.
Friday, December 12 at 8 p.m. Carol Concert by Y.P.U. in the Church Audjtorium.
Sunday, December 14, at 11 a.m., White Gift Service, in which the Sunday School joins.

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DISTRICT NEWS FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

Arundel

Mr. Leslie May was a week-end guest at the home of his mother, Mrs. J. May, who had as her guests the previous week Dr. and Mrs. Ward and family, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward.

Mrs. Homer Cooke spent a few days in Montreal.

Miss Mary McArthur spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. McArthur.

The monthly meeting of the W.A. of Grace Church was held at the home of Mrs. Wm. Morrison, who was hostess for the afternoon.

Women's Institute

The Women's Institute, Arundel Branch, will hold their next meeting on December 10 in the church hall. This will take the form of a Christmas party, when small gifts will be exchanged, a sing-song will be held, and a film will be shown. Every member is expected to be present, and is allowed to bring a guest. The meeting will start at 8 p.m. sharp.

Farm Forum

Farm Forum Group No. 4 met at the home of Mrs. J. May on Monday of last week. Sixteen, out of a membership of 24, were present, and intense interest was taken in the broadcast, after which a lively discussion took place. Refreshments were afterwards served by the hostess.

The W. A. of Grace Church held a Day of Prayer, in observance of St. Andrew's Day.

Girls' Guild

The Girls' Guild of Arundel United Church met at the home of Mrs. Robert Allan, at Bevan's Lake, where final plans were completed for the Christmas sale of work, to be held in the church hall this Friday.

A letter was read from the Arundel Council, replying to a request from the Guild that they erect a community Christmas tree, in which they stated they would concede to the request, also providing the tree, the lights and paying for the illumination. The thanks of the Guild are hereby extended to the Council for their generous response, and by the residents in general. This tree will be erected in the centre of the village.

The meeting was concluded and refreshments were served by the hostess.

Correction

At the last meeting of the Teachers' and Parents' Association, held in the Arundel School, Mr. F. Royal of Lachute delivered the address, and not Mr. Melvin Graham as previously reported. We regret this error.

Apologies are in order from your district correspondent for not contributing her column last week. — Reason, a jaunt to the big city!

Grenville

Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Waters, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Patterson, of Verdun, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Campbell.

Mr. Edward Moncrieff motored to Cornwall and spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Burke.

Week-end visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Barron were their daughter, Miss Vietta Barron and Mrs. Leslie Conway, of Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Owens, and Miss Phyllis Owens, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Hurley, motored to Monklands, Ont., on Sunday and spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. J. St. Louis.

Miss Merle Gauley, of Cassburn, Ont., spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Corl Gauley.

Mr. Donald Pridham spent the week-end at his home here.

Veterans' Affairs

(Continued from page 3)

Another $16,000,000 has been used to provide working capital for businesses or professions while another $2,670,000 has been used for the purchase of businesses.

That veterans are home-minded is evidenced by the fact that they have used approximately $84,000,000 for the purchase of furniture and household equipment while approximately $12,000,000 has been used in the purchase of tools, instruments or equipment of the veterans' trades or professions.

Under the Veterans' Land Act, a total of 28,510 applications for financial assistance have been approved. This has involved a total of well over 3,000,000 acres of land from coast to coast, and has involved an expenditure of $139,000,000.

Full-Time Farming. —Applications approved numbered 13,952. The amount of loans approved for land and buildings for stock and equipment was $73,000,000 and the acreage purchased, 2,780,000.

Canadian Pension Act

Approximately 185,000 pensions are now being paid to ex-servce men and their dependents on account of the two World Wars under the Canadian Pension Act. Of these more than 80,000 are being paid to veterans of World War II alone with 70,000 of the veterans of World War I still receiving pension for their own disabilities. The annual liability for two World Wars totals approximately $71,500,000.

Employment

At the present time there are about 25,000 veterans temporarily unemployed. When it is taken into account that in Canada today there are 1,500,000 veterans of the two world wars, the percentage of unemployment is extremely low.

— Don't forget the Veterans' Hospital during the Christmas. "A good soldier then — a good citizen now."

St. Andrews East

Mrs. Milton M. Yale, of Outremont, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. K. R. de la Ronde over the week-end.

Mrs. Herbert Flower, of Outremont, was the week-end guest of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Rodger, at "Rodgerdale".

Other week-end visitors noticed were Misses Alison Rodger, Marjorie Gates, Dorothy Halsey, Messrs. Leslie Gates, George De Witt, Robt. Robinson and Alner Snowdon.

Mrs. Robt. Robinson and daughter, Beverley, were overnight visitors to Montreal recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Burwash have moved into the house which they own on the main highway. Mrs. Anna MacAdam is residing with them.

Miss Mary Pitcairn is staying with her cousin, Miss Mary Lamb.

Miss Kittson, of Berthierville, Que., arrived Friday to stay with her sister, Mrs. C. J. Armstrong, at Carillon.

Mr. Dawson Burwash visited friends in Montreal for several days.

Mrs. Douglas Rodger and little son, Kenneth, were in Montreal on Friday.

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(Intended for last issue)

Miss Edith Simpson, of Montreal, was the guest of Miss Beatrice Robertson over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Heggie and little son, David, visited Mr. and Mrs. David Heggie in Montreal for the week-end.

Mr. Ron Beaumont, of Montreal, visited Miss Audrey Eaton recently.

Mrs. Alice Kerin is a patient in the Royal Victoria Hosptal. Her many frends here wish her a speedy recovery.

Miss Mildred Douglas, of Westmount, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. John Wharton, of Butte, Montana, were guests of Mrs. R. F. Roth.

Miss Kay Sinclair and Mr. Ronnie de la Ronde were guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. K. de la Ronde, for the week-end.

Mrs. John McLeod went to St. Eugene for several days with her brothers, Messrs. Thos. and Ernest Hyde.

Mrs. Vernon Rayson, Mrs. Hyde and little son Wendell, spent the week-end in Montreal.

Miss Gladys Hyde, of Montreal, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hyde.

Miss Alison Rodger, of Montreal, was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Geo. Rodger, Sr., for the week-end.

Roadwork

Considerable gravelling of the River Road, Queen St., and connecting road, have been completed by the council. With the consent of the owner, the old roothouse on the river bank was demolished to allow the levelling and widening of the road for the passage of the snowplow.

FOWL LIFE

Calgary (CP) — Summer is over for members of the Calgary Zoo's large waterfowl family. They have moved from summer pens to the new animal building still under construction. Larger animals and big game will remain in their present pens throughout the winter.

REFLOATED SHIP BACK

Halifax (CP) — The French Freighter Maurienne, which burned and sank at pier 28 during the war and was later raised and repaired here, was scheduled to return to the Halifax Shipyards last month for installation of a refrigeration system.

Cushing

Mrs. Roy Dobbie accompanied Mrs. Joseph Bradley, of Carillon, to Ormstown, where they spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. McComb.

Miss Margaret Canning, of Chateauguay Basin, and Mr. George Drew, of Montreal, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Canning.

Mr. and Mrs. John Innes left for Ottawa this week to spend the winter months at the home of their daughter, Mrs. C. L. Meservey.

The Rev. and Mrs. A. G. Moore spent several days in Montreal this week.

Miss Elsie M. Graham, of Verdun, spent the week-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Graham.

Mrs. T. W. Weir is spending a few weeks in Montreal visiting her daughters, Mrs. R. Casement and Mrs. A. Stalker.

Mr. and Mrs. Don McDiarmid, of Montreal, were guests of the Misses Cleland on Sunday en route to the city from Toronto and Carleton Place, where they had been spending some time witn relatives.

The December meeting of the Cushing W.M.S. was held at the home of Mrs. W. Usher on Monday, with an interesting candle-lighting service.

Cushing West

Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Larose, of Verdun, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Desforges at Grece's Point.

Miss K. Whelehan, of Montreal, visited relatives here on Sunday.

Mr. D. Hubert Brookes, of Montreal, spent Sunday at his home here.

Miss Mary Lois Wishart, of Belleville, Ont., was the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. W. Usher, on Sunday last.

Miss Myrtle Densmore, of Montreal, spent last week-end at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Bissett and son, Tommy, spent the wek-end at their residence.

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The purpose of initiations is to give a feeling of belongingness (to coin a word), to help newcomers to throw off their shyness and to instil in the initiates the germ of school spirit. It is odd, but as the years pass, people remember their school initiations long after more seemingly important aspects of school life have been forgotten.

— Virden (Man.) Empire Advance

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Women's Interests

Chicken with Variations

Chicken dinner for Sunday or any other day is relished by the family. But the homemaker becomes a magician when, with a long handled spoon she turns a stewing fowl into chicken pie, fricasseed chicken or even roast chicken. The home economists of the Department of Agriculture offer a few hints to help in the home sorcery.

It may be that there are some old birds that are not paying their way and should be culled from the flock, or the quantity of fowl on the market at an attractive price, may appeal to the good buyer.

Braised Chicken

1 Chicken (3½ to 4 pounds), ¼ cup flour, 1 teaspoon salt, 3 tablespoons mild-flavored fat, 1½ cups hot water or scalded milk, salt and pepper, paprika, cooked noodles.

Cut fowl into serving pieces. Place flour and salt in a paper bag with pieces and shake until meat is coated. Brown in the hot fat. Remove browned pieces to a casserole, sprinkle with salt, pepper and paprika. Dot each piece with a bit of fat, add the water and cover closely. Bake in a moderately slow oven, 325°F., for 1½ to 2 hours, or cook in a heavy pan on top of the stove. Remove chicken to a hot platter and surround with a ring of buttered noodles. Thicken remaining liquid with a little flour, stirring until smooth and adding a little more liquid if necessary. Serve over chicken. Six servings.

Chicken Johnny Cake

2 Tablespoons chicken fat or other fat, 2 cups diced cooked chicken, ¾ cup corn meal, 1¼ cups sifted pastry flour, 1 tablespoon sugar, ½ teaspoon salt, 3 teaspoons baking powder, 1 teaspoon celery seed or celery salt, 1 beaten egg, ¾ cup milk, 1 tablespoon minced parsley, ¼ cup melted chicken fat or other fat.

Melt the two tablespoons fat in a 7 x 11 inch baking lish. Spread the chicken evenly over the bottom of the pan. Sift dry ingredients into bowl. Add egg, milk and parsley, stirring lightly; quickly fold in the ¼ cup melted fat. Pour batter over chicken, spreading evenly. Bake in a very hot oven, (425°F.) for 20 to 25 minutes. Unmold, inverted on platter or serve from baking dish. Garnish with parsley and pimiento. Serve immediately with chicken or giblet gravy or seasoned cream sauce made with part chicken stock Six servings.

Need for Nurses

As will be seen by appeals in the papers, the need for more candidates to train as nurses is becoming greater than ever.

Nursing is one of the finest professions that a girl can enter, but it requires a lengthy and rigid training. On the other hand, this training is of real benefit to any woman troughout the rest of her life, no matter what she may do after graduation.

The trouble is that too many girls today are only interested in getting a job as soon as possible that will enable them to live until they can get married, and whether that job is of any use to them in later life never enters into their thoughts.

Girls with the necessary qualifications, education and character, would do well to seriously consider the idea of training as nurses.

— Granby Leader-Mail

A paint technician has listed 27 different delicate instruments used to measure the hardness of new paint. While these gadgets are no doubt necessary in many highly-technical painting processes in industry and elsewhere, we suspect that they will take a long time to replace the old standby of the average householder who usually tests for hardness with his finger-nail.

List of Exhibits and Prizes for W. Institute Display at 1948 Fair

Articles to be exhibited at the Women's Institute display for Lachute Spring Fair 1948, with prizes awarded in each case, are listed as follows :

Pieced Crib Quilt (not flannelette) — $2, $1.50, $1. Appliquéd Quilt—$3, $2.25, $1.50, $1. Pieced Quilt — $3, $2.25, $1.50, $1. Pieced Appliquéd Quilt — $3, $2.25, $1.50, $1. Work Apron — $1, 75c, 50c.

Embroidered Tea Apron — $1, 75c, 50c. Child's Fancy Mitts — 75c, 50c, 25c. Embroidered Table Cloth (large) — $1.50, $1, 75c. Boy's Knitted Suit (2 years, 4-ply wool) —$2, $1.50, $1. Man's Fancy-Knit Socks (3-ply wool, 11-inch leg)—$1.50, $1, 75c. Embroidered 3-piece Vanity Set — $1, 75c, 50c.

Cotton Crocheted Set (gloves, hat, belt; No. 30 thread) — $1.25, $1. 75c. Baby's Knitted Outfit (bonnet. booties, sweater; 3-ply wool) — $1.75, $1.50, $1. Crocheted Bed Spread (No. 20-30 thread)—$2.50, $2. $1. Cut-Work Pillow Cases — $1.50, $1, 75c. Hooked Rug (yarn) — $2, $1.50, $1. Boy's Knitted Sweater (10 years; 4-ply wool) — $1.25, $1, 75c. Ladies' House Coat (cotton; size 32-40) — $1, 75c, 50c. Braided Rug — $2, $1.50, $1.

Large crocheted Table Cloth (No. 30-50 thread) $2, $1.50, $1. Child's Cotton Dress (size 2-6 years) — $1, 75c, 50c. Cut-Work Luncheon Set and Serviettes (size 36x36)— $1.25, $1, 75c. Crocheted Afghan (4-ply wool)—$2, $1.50, $1. Child's Sun-Suit (cotton, size 2-4 years) — $1, 75c, 50c. Doilie (approximately 6 inches; No. 50 thread) —$1, 75c, 50c. Child's Flannel Dressing Gown (size 2-6 years)— $1.25, $1, 75c. Knitted Shopping Bag (lined; 4-ply wool) —$1, 75c, 50c. Girl's Knitted Outfit (hat, scarf, mitts; 4-ply wool; size 4-8 years)—$1.25, $1, 75c. Anything made from a flour bag — $1, 75c, 50c. Doll, dressed to represent a country — $1, 75c, 50c. Framed embroidered picture (flowers), embroidered floss —$1, 75c, 50c. Handicraft in Leather (anyone in member's house belonging to the family).

Children under 16 years

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Flowers

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Cookery List to be published later.

(Members or branch representatives intending to compete in this display, are advised to clip the above list for future reference. — Ed.)

REAL BREAD AT THE PAS

The Pas, Man. (CP)—Mrs. J. B. Moors, a tourist camp operator at Clearwater Lake, 25 miles north of The Pas, has had many requests in her life but the latest one takes the cake. An American who fished in the district this summer wrote her to express two loaves of the Pas bread. He said he wanted to show his neighbors what "real bread looked like."

ROUGH GAME

Carstairs, Alta. (CP) — Irene Riddle of Carstairs, 35 miles north of Calgary, may not like music after this experience. Children playing tug-of-war at a mission band meeting, backed into the piano. It toppled upon the Riddle youngster and broke her leg above the ankle.

Heard in Latin Songs

Songstress Alys Robi, who recently returned to her native Canada from singing engagements in Europe, and now adds her voice to the "Latin American Serenade" program, broadcast Sunday at 10.30 p.m. over the CBC Dominion network.

Household Chores Irksome to Women

Survey Indicates 50 Per Cent Want Improved Kitchens

Toronto (CP) — Three pet peeves of Canada's average housewife are dishwashing, dusting and scrubbing the kitchen floor — anyway, that's the findings of a survey conducted by Chatelaine Magazine. And you could almost count on your thumbs the number who like pressing their husband's trousers or washing junior's diapers.

Are the nation's women suffering from kitchen fatigue? The survey shows that 90 per cent of women interviewed find their household workshop an unsatisfactory place for their chores.

At least 50 per cent of the women polled reported that their kitchens were poorly planned and not arranged to save time. Lighting was poorly placed, the height of working surfaces could be improved and equipment was not organized to save steps.

More than a third of the women questioned spend five to six hours daily in the kitchen, with city women putting in as long a shift as their rural cousins.

The kitchen is the busiest room in the house. It is in use off and on for 18 hours daily.

NO OFFSPRING CROP

Peterborough, Ont. (CP)—Mother Nature by-passed the zoo this year, and hard luck contributed its share in reducing the offspring crop, said Jim Harrison, custodian. In the deer population, dogs killed three, and one with an unborn fawn was killed on the highway by a car. Recently twins were born, but the rigors of life were too tough and they died.

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Housewives Work To Boost Exports

London (CP)—British housewives are harnessing their traditional skill with the needle to the nation's export drive. In all parts of the country they have started work producing hand-made articles of the highest quality for overseas markets.

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AT THE ARENA
By John H. Dunne

The curtain attraction of the hockey season at the Arena will take place Tuesday evening, December 16, with Lachute meeting an improved Hawkesbury club. The Ontario team have plugged up their few weak spots of last season and should be strong contenders this year. They have a new goal-keeper — this position was their marked weakness in last winter's drive—and also a stand-out centre-man in Poirier, who has played here with Belle Riviere and at the present time calls Hawkesbury his home, where he has been transferred. (Yours Truly, on behalf of the Quebec-Ontario hockey circuit rules, as appearing in the forthcoming Arena Annual, will check on Mr. Poirier's eligibility, as well as all the players of the five outfits. All players must be classified as residents by their own communities — St. Placide alone having the right to players in the outlying districts, Oka, St. Eustache and Ste. Therese). The Lachute Hockey Club will miss the services of Ronald Hebert, captain, now a resident of Brownsburg. He will most likely play for the 'Burg, as he is in the Sporting Goods business there and a good salesman of that line must keep an eye on the right spot to sell his goods. Ronny is a fine team player, and the Lachute aggregation will miss him, for a few games at least. Also on the missing list for the coming season will be the lad with the perennial smile, Maurice Campeau. He is now working for Lucien Leduc, part-owner of the Valleyfield Braves. Possibly Maurice was not destined to become a star like his better known brother, "Tod", but he was a sound steady hockeyist with a fine "esprit de corps". "Flash" Landriault will also be among those missing, if he is unable to secure employment in Lachute. He was a star for last year's club, playing under a few handicaps, and we know he looked forward with enthusiasm to the prospect of playing again under the Lachute colors. Roger Gagné has retired, and Sidney Drew's intentions are unknown up to the present. However, Lachute still has the nucleus of last year's good team. They have the No. 1 line of Romeo Gauthier, Pitou Girard and Gaston Millette intact, also the combination of Reynald Desjardins, Dick Muir and Maurice Beauregard; Frankie Bedard and Red Martin for goals; and Guy Larocque, the stickhandler-de-luxe, either at centre ice or defence. Maurice Miron, a strong back-checker, is back to play after his unfortunate accident last season; and two very good defencemen in Rolland Gervais and Jack MacKimmie. Rolland was the best rusher on last year's team; Jack is a fine blocker with lots of experience. Conrad Gagné with a few games in his system should be a stand-out on defence and an adequate replacement for Gervais and MacKimmie. Jean Lys Millette (barring accidents, "Mr. Perpetual Motion Himself") will be just short of terrific. There are many others trying out for the club, all with an equal chance of playing for Lachute. No person can hazard a guess at this time as to who will make the club. All teams have until January 3 to sign their complete rosters. Included among others possible for Lachute are — Ralph Monette, Henri Plouffe, Maurice Pilon, Germain Lemay, Laurent Lavoie, Laurier Desforges, Julien Gauthier, Fernand Desforges, Ken Dawson, Gerard Sauve, Reggie McRae, M. V. Duchesneau, Gilles Belanger, Owen Riddell and Laurier Carriere. Laurier is 1st vice-president of the club, and told this observer that he will try out and play only if he can help on defence, but his feelings will not be hurt in the least if a younger player edges him out.

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The Lachute Hockey Club executive are selling a block of four tickets to subscribers of the team. This booklet replaces the donation list, a practice formerly carried out by previous club sponsors. These four games are to be held in the Arena during January, with Lachute meeting in turn St. Placide, January 3; St. Jerome, January 10; Hawkesbury, January 17; and Brownsburg, January 22 — with the local club receiving the receipts of both clubs. This was decided because all the outside clubs retain their own gate receipts. (Explanatory details in Q-O League Rules, Arena Annual.)

Gabriel Valois, secretary-treasurer of the local club, is chairman of the ticket drive and booklets can be purchased from him or from Manager André Lacroix, vice president Laurier Carriere, Mr. Townsend at The Lido, Reg McRea of the B. A. Oil Co., or Yours Truly. The club have already purchased new uniforms, colors being red and white with a sprinkling of blue.

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There is a good foundation of ice at present in the Arena, but the surface will not be ready for any activities until around the 10th, unless the mercury drops around the 20 mark for a few days at least. If this occurs, then St. Placide will meet Oka in a practice game on the evening of the 8th.

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In next week's column we will endeavor to cover the line-ups of other clubs in the League.

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Perfume Specialist Has $250,000 Nose

Vancouver (CP)—Jimmy Durante isn't the only person who has his nose insured — Dr. Jules Marton, Seattle perfume manufacturer, had Lloyd's of London hang a $250,000 guarantee on his proboscis.

The 64-year-old "nose", as he is known in the perfume business, is in Vancouver to investigate possibilities of establishing a factory and laboratory here.

Claiming to be able to distinguish between 300 and 500 separate fragrances, Hungarian-born Dr. Marton says he must keep his high-priced nose continually to the grindstone, describing the delicate operation necessary to concoct "imperial violet" perfume for royalty during the coronation of George V in 1911.

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Canadian Press SPORTS CAMERA

By EDGAR SIMON

Gradually sport fans are learning — some of them the hard way — that there are few "sure things" in athletics.

Wartime dislocation hit some teams harder than others, and most baseball, hockey and football leagues developed top-heavy favorites who could be depended on to come through with a degree of regularity, at the expense of weaker competitors.

Lots of people came to accept this as the normal state of things and pre-season betting tended to favor the previous year's champion. It turned out that way for some time — but not this year.

Take a look at the baseball season. In the major leagues the champion Boston Red Sox and St. Louis Cardinals finished a city block away from first place. New York Yankees — promptly established as the "solid" team of the year, squeaked through to World Series victory over the underdog Brooklyn Dodgers, needing the full seven games.

Montreal Canadiens, perennial National Hockey League champions during the war, finished first in 1946-47, and were knocked off by Toronto Maple Leafs for the Stanley Cup. This year Canadiens and Leafs are just a couple of clubs in the middle of a four-team scramble for first place.

With The Ameateurs

In amateur hockey, Montreal Royals won the Allan Cup last season. This year they're a poor fourth in their own league. The finalists, Calgary Stampeders, aren't much better off.

Toronto St. Michael's College, a lead-pipe cinch for the Memorial Cup last season, are mired in the second division of their junior circuit. Their best friends don't give them a chance to repeat.

The football picture looks a little more orthodox — on the surface. Toronto Argonauts and Winnipeg Blue Bombers are repeaters as Grey Cup finalists. But a second peek at the record shows it could easily have been different.

Argonauts, looking like your hometown junior high school club, took some bad pastings early in the season. They finished second in the Big Four and produced some brilliant playoff football that carried them the rest of the way.

Bombers, who haven't been beaten out of a western title since most of their present roster started to shave, played like palookas for the last half of their regular schedule and had to come from behind in a sudden-death game to oust the troublesome Calgary Stampeders for the western title.

It all goes to prove we're regaining our athletic health. We've got enough athletes to prevent any kind of a sports monopoly, now that they aren't all wearing khaki-colored uniforms, and nobody is going to win any silverware without working for it.

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Chummy Gathering

At the end of the recent football season, with all playoff positions decided, Toronto Balmy Beach and Sarnia Imperials were playing out the Ontario Rugby Union string at Maple Leaf Stadium. As the teams prepared to kick off, one of the corporal's guard in the stands broke the deathly silence.

"Has everybody been introduced?" he quipped.

COMMEDY COSTS $10

Vancouver (CP)—Abraham Dick, recently fined $10 for assaulting a man in a restaurant, said he pulled the complainant's hat down over his eyes because he was feeling "a bit high" after a birthday celebration. The incident happened on a Saturday night.

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Accident Victim Buried at Rivington; Sister in Hospital Critically Injured

A sympathizing countryside was represented Tuesday at Rivington, at the funeral of Willis Smith, victim of a highway tragedy at Wakefield, Que. The 24-year-old motorist, formerly of Rivington, was killed when his car plunged into the Gatineau River late Saturday night. His sister Miss Patricia (Hannah) Smith, 19, lies semi-conscious in the Ottawa Civic Hospital, with probable arm and skull fractures. The brother was latterly a resident of Hull and his sister of Ottawa, but they are related in this county — their mother being now Mrs. Norman McRae, of Rivington.

Other occupants of the car injured during an ill-fated trip to visit David Smith, a brother at Amherst, Que., were —

Miss Theresa Coughlin, 21, of Ottawa, suffering from a possible fractured skull, internal injuries and shock.

Miss Star Bracegirdle, 22, of Ottawa, suffering from facial cuts, and injuries to the right hip and left shoulder.

Also in hospital, but in a less serious condition, is Norman Hache, 22, of Ottawa, while the sixth occupant, Joe Allen, 23, was allowed to return home following treatment.

Willis Smith, the driver, was dead when helpers pulled him out of the partially submerged vehicle. Death was attributed to drowning, although the man suffered a fractured skull and other injuries.

It was learned that Smith and his companions left Ottawa early Saturday evening. Travelling on the Hull-Maniwaki highway, the driver came to a traffic light at Wakefield, indicating a left turn to Maniwaki or right to Hull. Straight ahead lies the C.P.R. crossing, and a few feet farther, the Gatineau River. When the Smith car reached this point, the driver apparently failed to see the traffic light and the double turn in the road ahead. He drove the vehicle on a straight line, over the tracks and into the river. The car landed partially submerged, in four feet of water.

Son of Mrs. N. McRae and her first husband, the late John E. Smith, of Rivington, Que., Willis Smith was born in Rivington. Enlisting with the Cameron Highlanders of Ottawa in 1941, he served overseas for four years, and went to Hull, where he found employment with a city contracting firm. Unmarried, he had been residing in Hull for the past two years.

Surviving, besides his mother, are five brothers, Gordon, Kilmar, Que.; Clifford, Hull; David, Amherst; Herbert and George, both of Rivington, and two sisters, Hannah, Ottawa, and Jean, Rivington.

The funeral was held at the home of his mother in Rivington, service being conducted by the Rev. W. B. Rosborough, of Lachute. The remains were laid to rest in the local graveyard.

Fire Chief Dies in Hawkesbury Blaze; Lachute Rushes Crew and Equipment

Stalking through the ruins of a $75,000 blaze they had battled through the night, volunteer firemen of Hawkesbury last Monday morning found the body of their chief, Albert Cayen, on the second floor of the charred two-storey structure.

Wearied from a six-hour battle in which three fire brigades were hampered by a driving sleet storm, they missed Cayen only after the "all-out" signal had been given and they had returned to the fire station. There they checked hospitals and homes and finally returned to the scene of the blaze to find the chief, his dead hand clutching the knob of a door in an upstairs sunroom.

The blaze, which occurred during the night, destroyed the large general store, butcher shop and two apartments contained in the Omer Laurin property on Main Street. The eight occupants escaped unharmed.

Fanned by a sleet-laden easterly wind, the fire was fought by the Hawkesbury brigade and fire-fighting equipment from the Canadian International Paper Company, where Mr. Cayen had worked as a millwright for the last 30 years.

When it was feared the fire might wipe out an entire business block, an emergency call was sent to Lachute at 5.15 a.m., and Chief Geo. Y. Deacon with a crew of firemen raced to the scene to lend assistance.

After the body of the fire chief had been found, it was recalled that Mr. Cayen had been overcome by smoke about an hour after the blaze broke out in an office at the back of the store.

Firemen said they had seen the chief stagger groggily from the blazing building but that he declined offers of assistance. "If I don't feel better in a few minutes, I'm going over to the hospital for treatment," he told a fellow-fireman.

Left homeless by the fire were Reeve Omer Laurin, owner of the building, his wife and two daughters, and Provincial Police Constable George Nault, his wife and two children. All escaped through choking smoke, forced to leave their belongings behind them, and were given temporary shelter by neighbors.

It was believed defective wiring may have been responsible for the blaze. Chief Deacon stated the downstairs premises and complete Christmas stock of the Laurin store, were smoke-ruined and literally water-logged.

Former Townsman Died in Montreal

Late James H. McIntyre

A former resident here, James Harry McIntyre, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert McIntyre of Lachute, passed away suddenly at his home in Montreal last Thursday, December 5.

The late Mr. McIntyre was in his 55th year. Educated here at the Lachute Academy, he served with the forces in World War I, and was active in the lumbering business till 14 months ago, when he suffered a severe heart attack from which he never fully recovered. Mr. McIntyre was a member of the Argenteuil Masonic Lodge.

He leaves to mourn his loss his wife, a son, Stewart, and a daughter, Helen, also three sisters, Mrs. J. H. Dumouchel, of Montreal, Mrs. L. M. Hooker and Mrs. S. S. Campbell, of this community.

Funeral services were held Monday at Collins' funeral parlors in Montreal, conducted by the Rev. Mr. Spencer of St. Luke's United Church, and interment was made at Lachute where the Rev. W. B. Rosborough officiated.

Pall-bearers were his son Stewart, his brothers-in-law Alex and Wm. Larkin, Messrs S. S. Campbell, Harold Gill and Edgar Hooker.

Incorporation Granted For Orange Orphanage

Letters patent have been issued at Quebec incorporating the "Orange and Protestant Children's Home for Quebec." The organization may own up to $100,000 in real estate. The purpose is to operate an association in connection with the acquiring of property already built or construction of a home for Protestant children of this province.

The incorporators are R.E.C. Werry, K.C.; Lemuel Willey James, master printer; and Robert Henry Butler, mail clerk.

Lions Give Good Record of Service

A review of finances presented by Treasurer W. M. Steeves at last meeting of the Lachute Lions Club revealed an appreciable list of expenditures for public welfare. The items included the following gifts and gestures on behalf of local boys and girls during 1947:

Music for Saturday Night Hops	$10
Ping-Pong Tables for Saturday Night Hops	$54
Glasses for school children	$37
Clothing for school children	$50
Agricultural Society, Prizes for Boys and Girls	$50
Donation, Catholic School Rink	$100
Donation, Lachute High School Rink	$100

In addition the following expenses were met by the Club:

Pulmotor for use of community	$103.70
Guard Fence for Highway Bridge	195.17
Relief, Sick and Poor —	
Fuel donations 90.25	
Sickness 25.00	
Medical accounts 13.00	
Hospital accounts....14.00	142.25

Food parcel sent to a family in England each month; value about $10.

In the foregoing outlays, which amount to more than $842 (excluding parcels to Britain), the Club gives a creditable account of its services to the community.

Plans for the early future include an ambitious venture for the children of less privileged families, in the form of a large-scale Christmas party. Also, sometime in February the Lions are sponsoring a program featuring an outstanding violinist to entertain the local public. This performance is not a money-raising idea, but an effort to foster music appreciation and provide entertainment of the highest order.

It requires a surgical operation to get a joke well into a Scotch understanding. — Sidney Smith

Corn for Europe

Doing their bit to help feed the starving peoples of Europe, citizens of Elburn, Ill., in one day, collected 100 bushels of corn. Don Iverson (left) and Bonnie Entwistla (right) empty buckets of corn into one of the first wagon loads as C. F. Iverson, head of the Elburn Co-operative Co., and C. V. Amenoff, Elburn editor, look on.

NATURE'S SCULPTURE

Halifax (CP) — To most of us, pebbles on the beach are just pebbles no matter how we look at them. But not to Donald MacKay, principal of the Nova Scotia College of Art, who treasures three samples of nature's sculpture — pebbles shaped into miniature figures by erosion and contact with harder rocks.

LORD SELKIRK VISITS

Winnipeg (CP) — Lord Selkirk, direct descendant of the earl whose name is a by-word in Manitoba's history, stopped off in Winnipeg recently. The fifth Earl of Selkirk brought to the fork of the Red and Assiniboine rivers in 1812 the pioneer settlers of Greater Winnipeg, which now has a population of more than 300,000.

Christmas Edition — A Special Request

The Christmas edition of The Lachute Watchman will be published on Tuesday, December 23, to permit delivery in the district in time for Christmas Day. The annual greetings from local business firms will appear in this number, and in order to permit publication on the 23rd, the editor requests that all news, district correspondence and special advertising be sent as early in advance as possible.

Stewart Jones Is Legion President

Comrade Stewart Jones was named by acclamation as president of the Argenteuil Branch of the Canadian Legion last evening, when an election of officers was held in the Lachute Auditorium.

The following members were elected to office — Roger D'Aoust, 1st vice-president; Sam Milnes, 2nd vice-president; Fred Stein, treasurer; Carl Demerse, secretary; J. Mahon, sergeant-at-arms.

Members elected to the executive committee were — E. M. Jones, J. Pillage, B. Townsend, E. MacMartin, D. MacKimmie, J. Clark, G. Owens.

Building Fund

A drawing is now in progress for a radio-phonograph, in aid of the building fund for a Legion hall in Lachute. Tickets are available from all veterans and the radio is on display at Hammond's Radio Shop. The prize will also be displayed at various places in this vicinity until the lucky ticket is drawn on February 25 at the Rio Theatre, Lachute.

As a last official act in his capacity of president, Jim Duncan initiated Comrade Troy into the branch.

The next monthly meeting will be held January 14, when the installation of officers will be held in the Lachute Auditorium. Comrade C. Duncan will officiate for the installation.

Blue Cross Plan Pioneer Honored

Montreal—At the official opening of larger Blue Cross premises at 1200 St. Alexander Street recently, tribute was paid to Dr. George F. Stephens, former general superintendent and secretary of Royal Victoria Hospital, and a pioneer in the Blue Cross plan of group hospitalization and medical care.

Dr. Guy Hamel, vice-president; George C. McDonald, immediate past president, and E. D. Millican, executive director, were hosts to Blue Cross governors, hospital superintendents, officials of local hospitals and medical boards and other medical and business men.

Speaking of the growth of Blue Cross, Dr. Hamel pointed out that since the launching of the first Blue Cross enrolment program in 1942, more than 350,000 people in Quebec Province are covered through the hospital plan; those having surgical protection total 160,000; those covered through the medical plan total 100,000. Within five years Blue Cross has paid more than $3,000,000 in hospital bills.

It is recalled, Dr. Stephens' interest in Blue Cross began in 1933 when he was president of the American Hospital Association and the first plan to be organized in Canada was with his co-operation in Manitoba. His interest in the Quebec Plan began with his arrival at the Royal Victoria when he found that some groundwork had been accomplished by the Junior Board of Trade.

Dr. Stephens is a graduate governor of McGill, the recipient of the Award of Merit of the American Hospital Association, and served on many medical and social organizations.

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St. Andrews East:
A. E. Ladouceur.

Earnest Effort for Success of Anti-TB. Christmas Seals Campaign in This District

Start Work Repairing Lock at Grece's Point

(Our District Correspondent)

Cushing W. — Work has commenced on the job (which will be on quite an extensive scale) of repairing lock No. 3 at Grece's Point. A number of men are already employed — much to the satisfaction of the village residents.

— Send your Courtesy letter to the Rotary contest: Box 190, Brownsburg, Que.

Authoritative Talk Facts About Poisons

Before the Study Group of Lachute Women's Institute recently, Mrs. S. W. Milnes, of Lachute, gave a short address entitled "Some Facts About Poisons". Mrs. Milnes has the Bachelor of Science degree, and following her graduation from McGill spent nine years engaged in laboratory research under Dr. J. M. Rabinowich of Montreal, noted specialist in the treatment of diabetes.

The speaker stated that all drugs could be regarded as poisons if taken in sufficient quantity, and that, conversely, many poisons were valuable drugs.

Among the compounds discussed were the barbiturates, examples of which are luminol and veronol. These are used as sleeping pills, too often without the advice of a physician, and have caused many deaths. The danger of improper use of these drugs was stressed.

Other dangerous remedies mentioned were various pain-killers and reducing pills. Some metallic poisons and industrial hazards were described briefly.

The discussion ended with a short outline of first aid procedures to be followed in cases of acute poisoning. The first and most important of these is "Call a physician."

Rowley Trial Is Delayed Till May

St. Jerome — While Madeleine Parent and Azellus Beaucage, A. F. of L. organizers, are now standing trial on charges of seditious conspiracy and intimidation, arising from the Ayers strike last spring, Kent Rowley, Canadian director of the A. F. of L., facing similar charges will not be tried before next May.

This is the result of a decision reached Tuesday by Mr. Justice Philemon Cousineau in Superior Court, in postponing all of the 13 cases of the current assizes until May 3.

His Lordship gave his ruling after Georges H. Héon, K.C., M.P., Crown Prosecutor, told the court that he had an interview with Chief Justice O. S. Tyndale and Premier Maurice Duplessis acting as Attorney-General of the Province of Quebec.

"The length of the Ayers Ltd. cases will make it almost a physical impossibility to continue the assizes during the winter months", Mr. Heon said. "The majority of jury members are farmers. It will be practically impossible for them to travel during the winter months. Furthermore, the calling of the jury to the court house would become a very heavy expenditure for the province".

His Lordship then adjourned the 13 cases on the roll until May 3. Hearing was then resumed in the case of Beaucage and Miss Parent.

Laurentian Resort Destroyed by Fire

Fire destroyed the Pinehurst inn at Val Morin last week-end, and all that remained of the well-known Laurentian resort after firemen battled for three hours was one tall chimney standing amid the ruins. No one was injured in the fire which is reported caused by an explosion in the cellar of the structure. Of undetermined origin, the single blast rocked the building. The occupants were safely evacuated as the flames leaped into the first storey and fanned by a strong wind, worked into the upper floors. Firemen from Ste. Agathe were assisted by volunteer workers from the district. Damage was estimated at over $200,000.

Service Club Talk by Chairman Views Aspects Affecting Argenteuil County

"It is almost certain that, at some time in our lives, each one of us will be infected by tuberculosis in one form or another," was a disturbing statement voiced by Dr. Lorenzo Turcotte, M.D., D.P.H., county health officer, addressing Lachute Lions Club at their regular meeting. The topic was timed to give impetus to the Christmas Seals campaign of the Anti-Tuberculosis League, for which Dr. Turcotte is the district chairman.

If various age groups are tested for tuberculosis it is found that the number of positive reactors increases according to age, said the speaker in the course of his subject. For example, very young babies are 100% negative, while from 80% to 90% of older people living in cities or towns react positively to the test.

When middle-aged or older persons are X-rayed, evidence of old tuberculous infection is almost invariably found, although very few people remember ever being sick from the disease... In view of this it very often happens that, in the event of a lowered resistance, the disease flares up, with disastrous results. Statistics show that this occurs most often between the ages of 15 and 35. As the disease develops slowly, periodic X-rays will reveal the spreading of a lung infection before it becomes serious. If found in this early stage, tuberculosis is easily cured. Instead of two or three years' treatment in a sanatorium, a few months' rest might be sufficient.

In fact, in many cases it might not even be necessary to stop one's work completely. Additional rest, plenty of fresh air and good food, may be all that is required to arrest the infection.

"That is why every effort is being made to have people X-rayed, as many and as often as possible", declared Dr. Turcotte. "The objective here is to make this periodic examination available to everyone in the county. In order to make this possible, the Anti-Tuberculosis League requires the financial support of the public.... You can do your share by buying Christmas Seals liberally."

Dr. Turcotte was introduced by Lion President Dr. R. A. Dumais; in conclusion Lion Horace Lamarche thanked the speaker, and suggested the Club donate $100 to this worthy project.

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Evidence at hand suggests the Christmas Seals campaign for Argenteuil District is commendably organized. The seals and accompanying letters have been widely circulated, and it is hoped by the committee that the response in this community will far exceed the previous returns.

In further explanation the following paragraphs are quoted from Dr. Turcotte's letter in connection with this appeal:

"During this season of charity, joy and family reunions, it is only right that we should remember those less fortunate who must spend this happy time in hospital or sanatorium. This misfortune could have been avoided if the majority of those patients had had the advantage of being X-rayed at the beginning of their illness.

"So that everyone may have this free X-ray examination, the Laurentian Division of the Anti-Tuberculosis League has purchased four portable X-ray machines, one of which is now in use in this county. These machines were purchased with the money derived from the sales of Christmas Seals. Thanks to the combined work of the League and the local Health Unit, 2025 persons were X-rayed, free of charge, in this county during 1947.

"If everyone from 15 to 35 years of age were examined every year, we would be well on the way to victory over this dread disease. But each examination costs over one dollar, and the population of the County is 25,250. We need money; every dollar will help to further this very important work, and perhaps save a relative or a friend.

"Tuberculosis is the enemy of all; we must all join in the fight. In aiding the Anti-Tuberculosis League you protect your own family. — Be X-rayed regularly. — Buy Christmas Seals".

Man Drowned, Rowboat Swept Over Carillon Dam

Philippe Seguin, 52, a well known figure on the Carillon canals where he had worked for several seasons past, lost his life last Saturday night while crossing the Ottawa River to his home just below Chute à Blondeau, Ont. Seguin, who was working until midnight as watchman around the canal works, walked to his boat on the shore about a mile above the Carillon dam. The rowboat was found next day on the opposite side below Pointe Fortune; although it had been swept over the dam, the craft appeared little damaged.

Dragging operations have been carried on by search parties intermittently, but so far no trace of the man's body has been found.

Awaiting her husband at their home on the river highway, Mme Seguin looked out at daylight Sunday and saw the boat was missing from its regular place across the river. She sent her son to make enquiries, and it was learned the victim had left his shift at midnight to return home.

Philippe Seguin is the father of a large family, three sons and eight daughters, the youngest being ten years of age.

IN BROWNSBURG

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One of the Million

An auto belonging to Mr. Charbonneau met with a damaging accident when it went out of control at the top of St. Onge's hill and turned turtle down the slope. The car, a Kaiser taxi, was unoccupied by passengers at the time.

Fire Hazards

The members of the Brownsburg Fire Brigade extend their sincere sympathies to the Hawkesbury Fire Brigade on the loss of their chief, also to the late chief's bereaved wife and children. The Hawkesbury Brigade rendered valuable service here on the occasion of the conflagration on Main Street in 1944.

Street-Sanding

The Rotary Club sent a delegation — Mr. Trickey and Mr. Wm. Graham — before the Council to ask that the street around McFaul's corner be sanded, and kept sanded during the winter months. Councillor Wilson said that the roads committee had that matter in view and were placing a pile of sand close to this corner so that it could be conveniently spread without the necessity of taking a truck out on each occasion.

Your investment in TB prevention pays dividends to the whole community. Buy Christmas Seals. Each sheet is a block of shares in healthful living.

THE WEEKLIES SAY..

TEACHERS UNDERPAID

There is no doubt that many teachers are being underpaid, especially in rural schools... and should be given more encouragement as to financial status.

Prince George (B.C.) Citizen

GIVE AND TAKE

The greatest objector to paying school taxes is the man who has had no children attending school, but he forgets the days when he learned to read and write, when other people paid towards his education.

Lindsay Watchman-Warder

JACK OF ALL TRADES

Chemist, veterinary, mechanic, electrician, agronomist, meteorologist rolled up in one. That's the modern farmer.

— Manitoulin Expositor

CHRISTMAS CHEER

You don't have to go more than a few steps in any direction up and down the street to tell what season of the year is coming if it isn't already here. The finest display of toys in many years are on the shelves and in the windows.

— Humboldt (Sask.) Journal

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FARM TOPICS

Edited by E. H. PETERS, B.S.A.

Farmers Should Order Seed Oats at Once

Available supply of seed oats for the next coming season is very limited. Farmers should gather and place their orders as soon as possible with their customary purveyors so that importation from the West should be made accordingly. Such is the recommendation made by the Quebec ial Board on result of a special meeting of the executive called to study the seed grain situation. Furthermore, the Board brings to the attention of Quebec farmers the following facts:

1. It is estimated that Quebec will have to import from the Prairie Provinces large quantities of seed oats for the 1948 seeding season.

2. According to information given out by the Dominion Department of Agriculture, it might be possible to get from Saskatchewan and Alberta quality seed oats of varieties suitable for Quebec.

In decreasing order of quantities, the following varieties are available: Victory and Banner (semi-late), Ajax (early) and Vanguard (semi-early).

3. The Provincial Seed Board urge farmers to group their orders through their agricultual organizations (co-operatives, syndicates, agricultural societies, farmers clubs) so that arrangements be made to import in time, suitable varieties.

Quebec farmers should join together and cooperate if they wish to seed down next spring suitable varieties of seed oats in sufficient quantity.

To Clean Milk Cans

Where it is impractical to have proper equipment to clean milk cans, pails and other dairy utensils thoroughly with steam or scalding water, chemicals may be used with good results.

Repeated tests have shown that it is not enough just to wash or rinse dairy utensils with clean water. Something has to be done actually to kill the bacteria in the cans or pails. Experiments indicate that chlorine compounds now on the market in either liquid or powder form are effective if directions are carefully followed.

While chlorine sterilization is cheap, convenient and effective, it does not take the place of thorough cleansing. The first step is to rinse the utensils with cold or lukewarm water. Then scrub vigorously with a stiff brush, using hot water containing sal soda or any good dairy cleanser. Finally give a rinsing in clear water and put the pails or cans on a draining rack to dry until the next milking time.

Sterilization with chlorine is done just before milking. One pail is filled with clear cold water and the proper amount of chlorine added. This is stirred and allowed to stand in the pail for a quarter of a minute. The solution is then poured into the next pail until all the utensils used are treated. Each should be drained before coming in contact with the milk.

No taint of chlorine has ever been noticed on the milk in pails so treated and marked improvement in the quality of milk has been noted where chlorine sterilization has replaced hot water rinsing. — Ottawa Farm Journal

Dry Cow Must Get Special Attention At This Period

Though in Non-Productive Period She Must Be Well Fed

Do not fail to dry off cows at least eight weeks before they are due to calve, is good advice to dairymen. No matter how much milk the animal may be producing eight weeks prior to calving, she must be dried off at this time if she is to be expected to produce a decent calf and give milk in the coming year in the quantitiy of which she is inherently capable.

It is a fact not generally known that a cow during her lactation period throws out of her body, through the milk produced, urine and feces, more mineral content (chiefly calcium) than she takes in and this unbalance would continue even though she were fed as much calcium as she could be made to take.

It would seem under such conditions that the animal would eventually excrete every morsel of bone in her body. It so happens, however, that this process makes a right-about turn in the very late period of lactation and principally during the dry or rest period. Consequently, the storage of sufficient amounts takes place during this period to allow for the requirements of the embryo calf which is developing in her body, and for milk production in the ensuing year of lactation. Storage will be ample if minerals of quality and quantity are provided for her throughout this important rest period.

Unbalanced, scantily-fed rations certainly will not make for proper provision. We must remember that the mineral content of milk does not change to meet existing conditions of mineral supply in the feed, but on the contrary, the milk production is reduced to the point necessary to meet the supply provided.

During the dry period, the final development of the calf embryo is finished off. In fact, about two-thirds of its total growth takes place in the eight-week period prior to parturition. It takes minerals, vitamins and proteins of quality to produce this growth and unless these are adequately provided in the diet of the dam, the dam herself must provide them from her own body which may not be too adequately supplied with such food nutrients just at this time. Inadequacy of the feed supply may very definitely result in a weakened calf, if not one that is actually stunted.

The dry priod is the time to condition the cow for easy calving and for sustained high production in the coming milking year. So often are animals left in a rather depleted or poor condition after a strenuous year of production that unless something is done to build them up, they will have little chance of calving well or producing at economical levels in the ensuing year. An extra 100 pounds of weight put on a cow at this time may easily result in the production of an extra quantity of milk next season.

The good cows (those inherently capable of producing much above average levels) cannot eat enough in the fore part of the lactation cycle to procide nutrients for the milk they produce. Consequently, they must call upon stored-up supplies to provide such nutrients. A cow has difficulty in doing this when proper conditioning during the resting or dry period is not provided. Losses in weight that occur in the fore part of lactation, are more difficult and expensive to make up. It is far more economical in feed outlay to put surplus weight on the animal during the dry period than to attempt to do so after calving. — Ottawa Farm Journal

HITS TROPHY HUNTERS

Edmonton (CP) — The practice of shooting just to obtain a trophy was criticized by D. E. Forsland, superintendent of the Alberta lands department's game branch, in an address here. Anyone who shoots an animal and leaves the carcass lying "is committing a crime against posterity", he said.

'COPTER AIDS RANGERS

Port Arthur (CP) — Used experimentally for forest protection last summer, a helicopter proved itself "of tremendous value" in inspection and communication during forest fires, in the opinion of district foresters, chief rangers and forest protection specialists.

SHELTER FOR DUCKS

Moose Jaw, Sask. (CP) — The city parks board voted recently to sell eight or 10 of the mallard ducks in a city park to obtain a shelter for the 10 or 12 who remained.

Buy Christmas Seals!

"Irish Eyes" Presentation By Dramatic Group Was Well Received

"A very creditable performance of quite a difficult play", was the generally satisfied comment heard among those who saw the presentation of "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling," last Thursday evening at Lachute Auditorium.

The scene of the play was the boarding house of the Geroghties, New York City, at the time of the last depression. The part of Pat Geroghty, a one-time prize fighter, was ably portrayed by Captain Ernest Johnson, who handled the Irish character and brogue with ease and ability. Pat Geroghty was confined to a wheelchair and this factor must have added considerably to the difficulty of the part. Aside from this, Mr. Johnson also directed the play.

Junior Heatlie portraying Jimmie Duggan, a young man very much in love, delighted the audience, who welcomed the return of a former favorite well known to this community. Roy Johnson as Bob Geroghty, the mystery man, Harry Riner, taken by Woodrow Brigden, the villain of the play, each made good contributions; while Melvin Vogan as Tim Casey, an Irish cop, was much appreciated by the audience, especially for his dancing between acts.

The leading female role of Eileen, Pat's ward, was taken by Miss Marion Ross, who gave a very capable and pleasing presentation of the sweet Irish colleen whose good common sense made her skeptical of the sincerity of the hero, who returned after many years. Mary Higginson as Mrs. Mulrooney, Pat's housekeeper, added much to the interest of the story, as did Mrs. John Smith with her clever impersonation of the part of Mrs. Feinberg, owner of the boarding house. Mrs. Allan Barker in the character of Mamie, an ambitious playright, gave a good interpretation and added much zest to the story. Doris Kelly and May Mathews, as Mary Mulrooney and Lou, two young girls in love with Jimmy and Harry, provided the thrill of romance so essential to a good story.

The play was sponsored locally by the Young People's Union of the United Church.

GROWS BIG CARROTS

Lethbridge, Alta. (CP) — Grant Duff is well satisfied with his gardening efforts this year. One of his carrots weighed three pounds 12 ounces and others have been large enough to serve six people.

Community Life, Next Forum Topic

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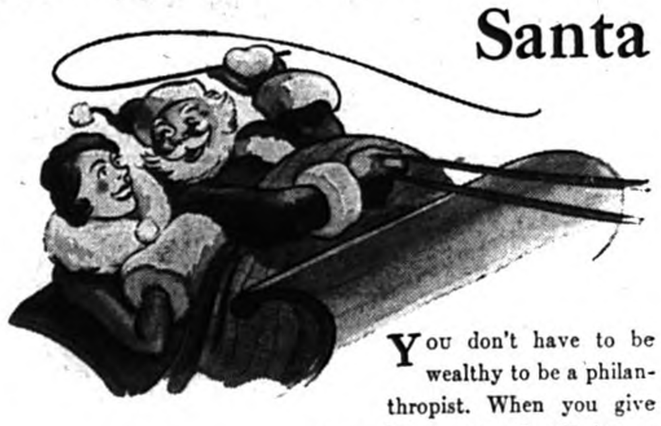

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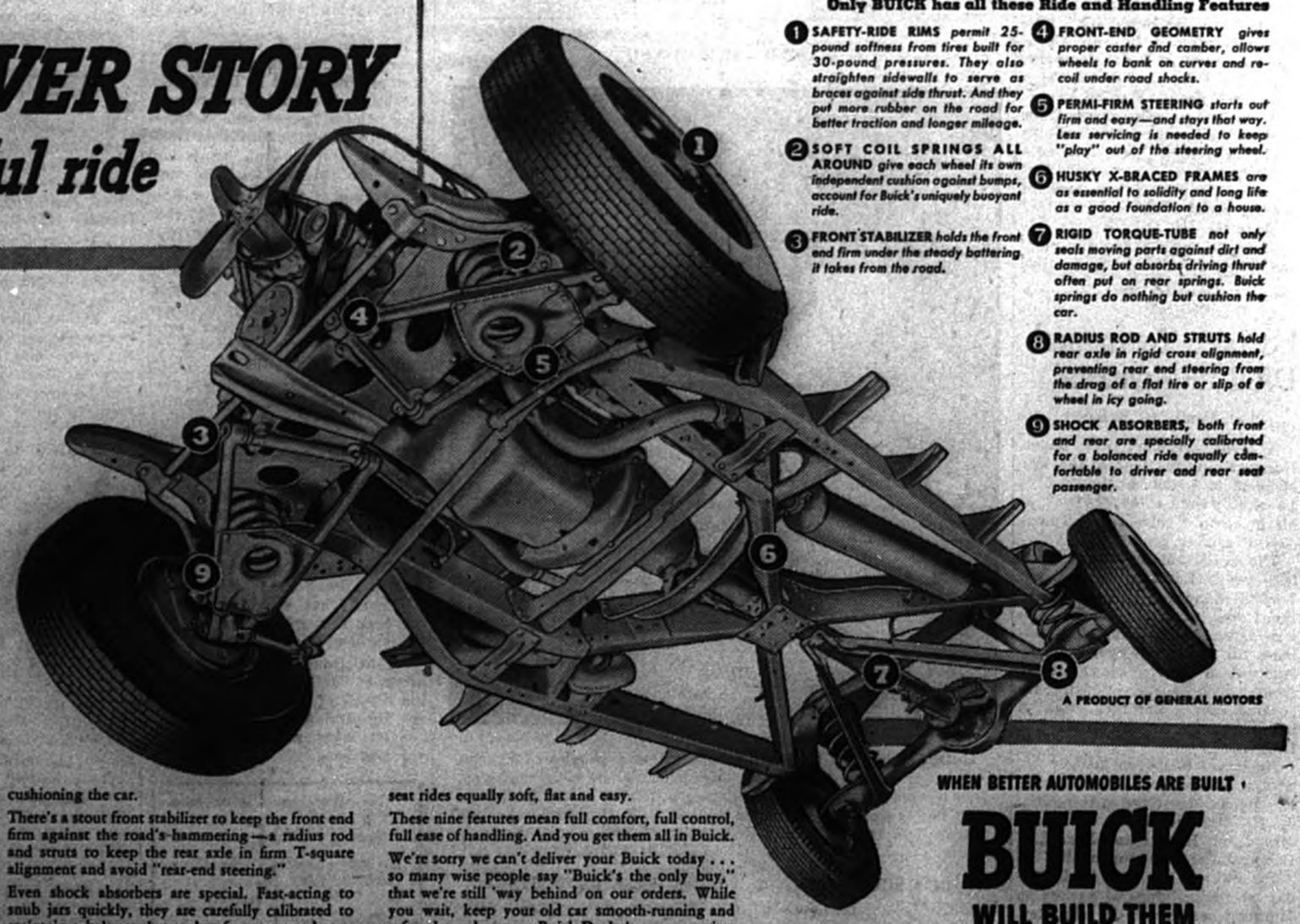

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A Voice from Lakefield

THE GOVERNMENT'S obligation to those who live "back of beyond" is impressed upon the editor from that remote and nebulous latitude. Actually, however, the source is more specific; the letter comes from Lakefield, and is inspired by announcement of the Federal Government's intention to boost the Laurentians as a winter playground. The writer is of the opinion that the Laurentians "can boost themselves if given a reasonable chance". He draws attention to the fact that the highway to Lakefield was not plowed last winter, and "when you consider that we were snowed in for three months, what would be the use of boosting the district of Lakefield!"

The writer points to many scenic and recreative attractions in his district — some in prospect, others but visualized (such as ice-yachting on Sir John Lake). But the fact that the road is not kept open, is a monkey-wrench in the wheels of progress, and our friend maintains the situation is not reconcilable with the present tax receipts on gasoline.

The Watchman is asked to publicize this condition. We do so, with the utmost sympathy. But we suggest that only organized action can improve matters. Sound representations on the potentialities of this district and justification for its development, will be the only means of "selling" the authorities on the costly project of snowclearing. . . Our columns are open for the expression of opinions.

To Conserve Wildlife Resources

THE ESTABLISHMENT of a Dominion Wildlife Service under the Department of Mines and Resources at Ottawa, shows a growing concern for the conservation of Canada's wildlife resources, and it is a move which will meet the approval of all legitimate sportsmen (to use a contradictory term).

The new unit will be in charge of Dr. Harrison F. Lewis, who will deal with questions of policy and method with reference to wildlife under control of the Dominion Government. He will be responsible for the administration of the Migratory Birds Convention Act, the Northwest Game Act, and the Fur Export Ordinance of the Northwest Territories.

The new Wildlife Service will attend to conservation of the game and fur resources and other wild creatures in the Northwest Territories, the management of wild animals, birds, and fish in the National Parks of Canada and the handling of national and international problems relating to wildlife resources as a national asset, and will co-operate with other agencies having similar interests and problems.

The Service will also carry on certain lines of reasearch in connection with wild mammals and birds, including furbearers, game of all kinds, and insect-eating birds, in order to obtain the information required for wild-life conservation and management.

Dr. Harrison F. Lewis has been employed in conservation work by the Department of Mines and Resources and its predecessor since 1920.

MORE THAN 61 per cent, or about 7,000,000 Canadians, live in places including towns of not more than 10,000 population, which means that probably 4,000,000 people read the rural press every week. Hence the weeklies have an important national status—remarks the Campellton (N.B.) Tribune.

Treasures of the Snow

YOU HAVE TO live in the country to appreciate the fine points of the snowbound season. City dwellers often overlook its attraction when snowfall slows traffic and makes driving hazardous, damages communication lines and generally makes life uncomfortable.

But in rural areas, it's different. In the first place, people count on heavy snow and prepare for it. Snowplows stand ready to keep main roads clear. Farmers switch from wagons to sleighs; mackinaw coats, thick socks, warm mitts and caps that can be pulled down over the ears, are all part of the country dweller's defence against winter.

Warm barns, well-stocked with hay and grain, shelter his livestock. Hardwood fires in big heaters keep the farmhouse comfortable. Secure aganst the elements, the rural family can wait out a storm with relatively little invonvenience.

In the matter of winter sports, the country man has the edge over the city resident. Ski and toboggan slopes are right at hand — and it is small wonder that country children look forward to the winter as the best season of the year and whoop with glee when the snow takes over.

Nor does the farmer overlook the benefits conferred by the snow. Its thick covering conserves the heat of the earth and protects vegetation, and in the spring, it swells rivers and streams which water the countryside.

Not least of its merits is the glittering mantle it spreads over land, rocks and trees, turning drab leafless trees into a fairyland of pristine whiteness and sparkling crystal. Again the country man is more likely than his city cousin to revel in the beauty of fresh snow. As his eye delights in winter's ever-changing panorama, he may well ask, as did the writer of the Book of Job: "Hast thou entered into the treasures of the snow?"

The World Food Shortage

IN THE report "The State of Food and Agriculture, 1947" discussed at the third annual session of the Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) at Geneva, it is stated that one thing stands out clearly, namely that the world shortage of food and several other agricultural products is not, as was thought earlier, a short time affair of one or two years. It will stretch out through 1948, 1949, and perhaps 1950. For example, the grain deficit will continue for at least another year, because the 1948 harvest, however bountiful, will not permit the abolition of bread rationing in all countries. The world scarcity of fats and oils and livestock products is likely to last at least to 1950.

WE ARE PLEASED to know that a moderate-priced adding machine has been developed for use in the home. Remember when one could add one's bills with just the aid of a pencil and paper?

— Minnedosa (Man.) Tribune

WITHHOLDING information because it is not in the best interest of the public is one thing; withholding it for any other reason is not playing fair with the public. And "not in the best interest" covers a much smaller scope than some of our citizens, public and otherwise, seem to think.

— Chilliwack (B.C.) Progress

On Parliament Hill

— By M. V. Trayers —

Parliament, which had been prorogued on the 17th day of July, 1947, met on Friday, December 5. It is the fourth session of the 20th parliament.

Parliament is formally opened by His Excellency the Governor General in the Senate Chamber by the reading of what is known as the "speech from the Throne". After the reading of the speech the members of the House of Commons return to their own chamber, where any alterations in the representation of the house are communicated to the members by the Speaker. Death had occasioned two changes since the house last met. The Hon. H. F. G. Bridges, of York-Sunbury, was replaced by the Hon. Milton Fowler Gregg, and the Hon. Grote Stirling, member for Yale, was succeeded by John Horace Dickel, Esq. The Right Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King then moved to introduce Bill No. 1, which is a mere formality as the bill on being read the first time will never be heard of again.

The speech from the throne, which is something in the nature of the agenda of the business before the new session, opened by calling attention to the difficult and disturbing conditions throughout the world. Shortages of the necessities of life, particularly of food, are still acute, and recovery of Europe is prevented by failure to agree on peace settlements with Germany and Austria. The Canadian Government would welcome an early conference on the peace treaty with Japan. Canadian delegates were active in support of the charter of the United Nations armed with the power of a seat on the Security Council.

Although unsettled conditions prevail in Europe and Asia, general prosperity was enjoyed by Canadians. Employment was at its highest levels, national income was never higher, but our export was complicated by the inability of our trading nations to pay for our goods. A bettering of the position would have to await the revival of world trade.

The house was asked to consider the new provisions taken to conserve United States dollars which was having the effect of limiting Canada's ability to render further economic assistance to other countries; and also to approve the continuation of some controls of domestic supply which expire on December 31 of this year. It was also asked to take steps to prevent unjustified increases in the cost of living and restore price ceilings in some instances. A plan for the provision of low rental houses for veterans would be submitted, and a revision of the income tax law, the Dominion Elections Act and the Canada Shipping Act considered. The speech concluded: "To Her Royal Highness the Princess Elizabeth and to His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, the people of Canada extend all good wishes for their future happiness".

After the speech from the throne has been read, it is customary for the leader of the house to make a motion that a day be fixed for the debate on the speech. On this occasion Mr. King had other views, and presented a motion which would have the effect of delaying the debate for several weeks while more urgent business was proceeded with. As the motion was not on the order paper for that day's discussion, it would require the unanimous consent of the house to pass. This was not forthcoming. All the leaders of the other parties rose in opposition, and the motion had to be withdrawn.

The debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne is a free-for-all in which every one of the 245 members of the House of Commons may discuss anything under the sun, untrammeled and unhindered by the rules of procedure which govern the discussion of specific subjects, so long as the speaker keeps within the bounds of parliamentary language and his allotted time of 40 minutes.

Mr. Graydon, Progressive Conservative house leader, put the opposition case very succinctly when he stated: "I listened to the Prime Minister on a previous occasion when he took exactly the same stand he is taking today with respect to the postponement of the debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne. I will never again take his advice with respect to adjournment of a debate. . The result on that occasion was that it washed out altogether the address in reply to the speech from the throne. If the house adopts this motion then that is practically the end — and the Prime Minister knows it — of all debate on the speech from the throne".

NECESSARY LUXURY

The government decided that additional taxes should be placed on automobiles, electrical appliances and various other articles, but why, in the case of a washer, it should be called a "luxury" tax is hard to understand. Washing, as all housewives will agree, can hardly be classed as a luxury, magazine advertisements to the contrary notwithstanding.

— Pembroke (Ont.) Bulletin

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BIRTHS

HODGE — At Niagara Falls, to Mr. and Mrs. William Hodge (née Gladys Cruise), the birth of twin boys.

KELLY—At Dr. Smith's Hospital Hawkesbury, Ont., on December 4, 1947, to Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Kelly, of Calumet, Que., a son.

MURDOCH — At the Providence Hospital, Lachute Mills, on December 4, 1947, to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Murdoch, a daughter.

DEATHS

DAWSON—On December 2, 1947, at the White House, Mille Isles, Que., Isabella Parker, beloved wife of the late T. James Dawson and daughter of the late John Parker and Esther Rogers of Lakefield, in her 74th year.

McINTYRE — At his home, 4423 Wilson Avenue, Montreal, on December 5, 1947, James Harry McIntyre, youngest son of the late Robert McIntyre and the late Elizabeth McGrandle, in his 55th year. Interment made at Lachute.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

WOOD — Mrs. Hattie Wood and family wish to sincerely thank all those who so kindly helped, and for acts of kindness, messages of sympathy, and floral offerings received during their recent bereavement.

IN MEMORIAM

ANDREWS — In loving memory of our dear Lyall, who passed away December 13, 1937. — Always remembered by Father, Mother and family.

CASTLE — In loving memory of a dear mother, who passed away December 17, 1946. — Always remembered by her children.

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And the hill was hard to climb,
So He closed your weary eyelids
And whispered 'Peace be thine'."

DEWAR — In fond and loving memory of our dear brother and uncle, Fraser, who died December 8, 1941. — Always remembered by Ella, Herbie, and family.

"You are not forgotten, Fraser dear,
Nor ever shall you be,
As long as life and memory last
We shall remember thee".

DISTRICT NEWS FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

Morin Heights

The Guild of Trinity Church held an afternoon tea and sale of work in the Red Cross room on Thursday afternoon.

Sympathy is extended to the family of the late Miss E. Kinlock, who passed away this week at her home here. Burial was in Montreal.

Friends of Miss Annie Seale are pleased to learn that she is progressing favorably after a fall on the ice which she suffered a few weeks ago.

Mr. Wm. R. Bell spent the week-end with his family.

Miss M. Ashton spent last week-end in Montreal.

Miss Mary Smith visited her parents in Arundel over the week-end.

Preparations are under way for a Christmas Tree to be held in the Davis Hall. The teachers are arranging the program.

The December meeting of the Women's Institute was held in the Red Cross rooms on Tuesday evening, with Mrs. S. Munsey and Mrs. Millard as joint hostesses.

Mrs. O. Aldom has taken up residence in the village for the winter months.

Mrs. H. Gillingham, Jr., spent a couple of days in Montreal last week.

WANT TAXES CUT

The entire personal income tax rate schedule is too high. Take the enormous tax pressure off and wage demands will decrease.

— Kelowna (B.C.) Courier

IN MEMORIAM

McFAUL — In loving memory of a dear wife and mother, who passed away December 16, 1929. — Always remembered by her husband and daughters, Ruby and Elva.

MacMILLAN — In loving memory of Mother and Grandmother, who left us December 4, 1945. — Ever in our thoughts. — Sandy, Gladys and children.

WHITE — In loving memory of a dear husband and father, William Henry White, who passed away December 14, 1930; and a dear grandma, Caroline White, who died December 15, 1945. — 'God's greatest gift, remembrance' — The Family.

Cushing West

Mr. Franklyn Keatley, of Arnprior, called on friends here on Sunday. On his return he was accompanied by his mother, Mrs. W. Usher, who has now closed her residence and intends spending the winter months with friends in Ottawa, Arnprior, and with her son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wishart, at Belleville, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Yardley, of St. Jerome, visited the latter's father, Mr. Donat Dupuis, at Grece's Point last week-end, and also motored to Montreal where Mrs. Yardley's mother has recently undergone a serious operation at the Royal Victoria Hospital. Mr. Dupuis also went to the city on Monday to visit his wife, and reports favorably on her condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Hartley, of Montreal, were guests of Mr. and Miss Whelehan here on Sunday. Mrs. Hartley returned last week from Concord, N. H., where she visitied relatives, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. J. D. O'Brien of Montreal.

Arundel

Miss Laura Davis spent the week-end at her home.

Mr. Leslie May was a guest of his mother Mrs. J. May over the week-end.

Mr. Alfred and son Grant spent the week-end at their home here.

Misses Francis and Lillias Davis won the first prize on the Ken Soble Amateur Hour that was held last Sunday over C.J.A.D. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis on their two such talented daughters.

Mrs. Rosario Miller states that Bark Lake has at last frozen over. This will be of some interest to our Barkmere subscribers. We hope to see some of them occupying their cottages for the Christmas season.

(Arundel news also on page 7)

(Special request — correspondents please write on only one side of paper. — Ed.)

St. Andrews East

Miss Betty Dorion and friend, of Montreal, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dorion.

Mr. Wm. Perks, of Montreal, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Perks, over the week-end.

Mr. J. P. Lanctôt and son, Mr. Jean Lanctôt, of Montreal, occupied their house here on Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. David Heggie and granddaughter, Sandra May, visited Mr. and Mrs. Donald Heggie for several days.

Mr. Herbert Woods returned Monday from a five weeks' stay in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. St.Pierre and little daughter, Judy, were in Montreal on Saturday.

Miss E. J. Bartlett visited her brother in Montreal for the week-end.

Mrs. V. F. Lilly was the guest of Miss G. D. Daly while in the city for the week-end.

We regret to report that Mrs. Ross Hyde is a patient in Dr. Smith's Hospital, Hawkesbury. Mrs. Hyde was operated on for appendicitis last week and is now making a good recovery.

Mrs. Alice Kerin is convalescing at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Foley, in Montreal.

Miss Gladys Hyde was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hyde, for the week-end.

Mrs. Wylde, of St. Lambert, visited her parents over the week-end.

— Give a gift subscription to The Watchman; a year-round remembrance of old friends and surroundings.

Mabel

Mr. John Heatlie, Jr., spent the week-end with friends in Montreal.

Mrs. Chester Gain and children are spending the winter months at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Murdoch.

Farm Forum

The Farm Forum meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Perley Clark, with eleven persons present. The subject for discussion was "The Teacher in the Community". The general idea among the members was that the rural teacher held an important position and carried a great responsibility which deserved much greater remuneration than the salary they usually receive.

Buy Christmas Seals !

Rouge Valley

Mr. Constant Courte left this week for an extended trip to the West Coast. He expects to visit several friends in British Columbia, also his daughter Miss Florence Courte of Vancouver, and she will accompnay him to Los Angeles, Calif., where they expect to spend a few weeks at the home of his sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Godin and family were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McMillan at Lost River.

Mrs. Wm. Staniforth, of Arundel, visited at the homes of her sons, Chas. and Roy Staniforth, for a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Downing spent the week-end with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. McTavish, in Harrington.

Maple Creek, Sask. (CP) — The original headquarters of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police still stand near this western Saskatchewan village. The buildings now are used as a clubhouse for the local golf course.

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OPEN LETTER TO HOUSEWIVES AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC

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Lachute, Que., Dec. 11, 1947

We notice by the press the Thorold Board of Trade has sent a resolution to all Boards of Trade and Chambers of Commerce in Canada for the purpose of enlisting support for their resolution favoring the sale of margarine in Canada.

While it is true that oleomargarine is a convenient spread, it is definitely inferior to butter as a food, and many good food products just recently have been prohibited by the Dominion government in the interests of the general economy of this country. However, the basic question involved is not whether margarine should be sold in Canada as a substitute for butter, but rather DO THE CANADIAN PEOPLE WANT TO JEOPARDIZE THE WHOLE DAIRY INDUSTRY ?

If margarine is permitted, naturally butterfat will drop considerably in price and this will have a very ruinous effect on all dairy farmers, as a low market for one dairy product soon depresses all other dairy products.

There are no harder working people in Canada today than the dairy farmers. They get no days off, not even Sundays. Their average work-week would total over eighty hours.

When the prosperity of urban communities is so dependent on agriculture, would you want to see the dairy industry imperilled?

It is realized that, if farmers do not earn sufficient income from agriculture, they will sell out (as has often been the case in the past) and will invade the urban centres, thereby creating a surplus of manual labor.

It is quite natural that a large percentage of the population of Canada would appreciate a substitute for butter at a lower price than butter. There are also tens of thousands of Canadian farmers, and others in the dairy industry, who would appreciate lower prices for tools, many other farm essentials, and processing equipment. On a great many such items the manufacturers enjoy tariff protection, and the country as a whole seems to favor this protection in order to keep these industries healthy and to maintain a high level of urban employment. Scores of other manufacturing industries are likewise protected.

No doubt a large percentage of our population would appreciate lower freight rates, which would reduce the cost of living, but would it be a good thing for Canada to jeopardize the stability of our railroads and the safe and valuable service they render?

Tens of thousands of Canadian people would greatly appreciate 1 or 2 per cent higher interest rates on their savings deposits, but if this were done it might imperil the stability and soundness of all our chartered banks.

WHY SHOULD THE DAIRY INDUSTRY BE SELECTED FOR PERIL AND SACRIFICE ?

Is this the gratitude Canada should extend to these farm people who labored so effectively, long and hard, all through the war years? If you are going to jeopardize this industry, for the sake of probably an insignificant reduction in the cost of living, are you prepared to be consistent and pass resolutions jeopardizing other industries and services in Canada, for the same cause?

Would Industrial Labor in Canada be willing to have industry import slave labor and Chinese coolies, for the sake of reducing labor costs, and thus reducing cost of living to ALL Canadians?

There are many pro and con arguments regarding the sale of margarine in Canada, but may we repeat, the basic question is: DO THE CANADIAN PEOPLE WANT TO JEOPARDIZE THE WHOLE DAIRY INDUSTRY OF THIS COUNTRY ?

If you were to visit the farms which supply the cream for Canada's butter, you would find thousands of them which still cannot afford any semblance of modern stables, milking and cooling equipment.

Compare this condition to gasoline companies, where money is spent so lavishly in services and equipment, yet there was no newspaper outburst about the recent further advance in gas prices, and this was the second advance in less than a year. Is it the hope of securing advertising that is the motive behind the efforts of some of the press to obtain the re-establishment of margarine in Canada?

Unlike manufacturing industries which are permitted to sell their goods in some of the high foreign markets, dairy farmers or any other farmers are not permitted to ship their produce across the border to one of the closest and highest agricultural markets today. What kind of British justice would it be, when farmers' marketing is so restricted, to force margarine competition upon them? Would you just "Fence Them In" and squeeze them economically into a state of depressed hopelessness comparable to that of peasantry?

Remember also, it is Canadian taxpayers' money, through the extension of credits, that is being used to pay Canadian manufacturers for the very lucrative business they are doing with foreign countries. Moreover, Canadian farmers and other classes of Canadian consumers are being forced to "go short" on the tools and goods they need while these manufacturers obtain better than domestic prices on their exports.

Surely most Boards of Trade and Chambers of Commerce, in Canada, are capable of much greater vision and wisdom than that displayed by the Thorold Board of Trade (which seems so anxious to plant the seed for depressing not only one industry but many), for, if the Dairy Industry is so depressed, it will soon reflect on general prosperity all across Canada.

We submit that, in the interest of all the people of Canada, you should support the continued ban on the manufacture and importation of margarine.

A prosperous agriculture is a prosperous Canada. Let none of us take any step today that will jeopardize the general prosperity of ALL in this country.

Sincerely yours,

— Lachute Creamery Limited

NOTE: It should be noted here that the Lachute Chamber of Commerce, deliberating on this subject, took no action — the members feeling they were not sufficiently informed on all the aspects involved.

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AMONG THE CHURCHES

Special Events at Brownsburg United

Brownsburg — The Y.P.U. concert on Friday, December 12, in the United Church bids fair to be one of the year's highlights. After some weeks of preparation, on Tuesday evening the final rehearsal took place. Specially arranged programs will be handed to attendants, by which they can follow the entire text. Carols, instrumental and vocal numbers, readings and a Nativity pageant will form the major parts. The auditorium will take on new dress for the occasion, together with spot and subdued lighting. Mr. Earl Morrison will direct the choral features, assisted by Mr. R. Stark. Costumes, scenes and position of characters have taken study and patience to truly represent the various parts. The concert will open at 8 p.m. and the public are urged not to miss the event.

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The "White Gifts" service next Sunday at 11 a.m. will be under the auspices of the Sunday School, and the pupils will join with the congregation. Major A. Uden, of the Salvation Army, Montreal, will be present to give a brief address and receive the gifts in the name of the Army.

Church Gatherings At St. Andrews East

St. Andrews East — A candlelight service was held Tuesday evening in the United Church under the auspices of the W.M.S. A vocal solo was sung by Miss Elsie Dorion.

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The W.M.S. of the Presbyterian Church held their annual meeting at the manse on Wednesday afternoon, December 3. The officers of 1947 were all re-elected. Dr. W. MacMillan installed the officers, after which he gave a short talk on the situation in India.

The hostesses, Mrs. MacMillan and Mrs. Henry McOuat, served refreshments at the conclusion of the meeting.

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"White Gifts" of food for Britain will be received at the United Church on the Sunday preceding Christmas Day and the Sunday following.

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The Rev. J. S. Nickerson has accepted an invitation to become pastor of Westminster-Central Church, Montreal, effective from January 1, 1948.

GO TO CHURCH ON SUNDAY

THE WEEK'S SERVICES

LACHUTE UNITED CHURCH
Rev. W. B. Rosborough, B.A., B.D.

10 a.m. Sabbath School.
11 a.m. Morning Worship.
"The City Which Could Not Be Measured".
7.30 p.m. Evening Worship.
"Emmanuel".
11 a.m. East Settlement.
2.30 p.m. Thomas' Gore.
Y.P.U Wednesday at 8.15 p.m.
Christmas Program.

At the morning service on Sunday, December 21, special Christmas music will be rendered by the choir, and in the evening a Candle Lighting service will be conducted by the C.G.I.T. groups.

Monday, December 22 at 7.30 p.m., Christmas concert by the Sabbath School and Mission Bands.

MARGARET RODGER MEM'L PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rev. Charles Maclean, B.A.
Minister

10 a.m. Sunday School.
11.00 a.m. Morning Service.
3 p.m. Brownsburg.
7.30 p.m. Evening service.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Maple Avenue, Brownsburg
Rev. Robt. Dicks, Pastor

10 a.m. Bible School.
11 a.m., Morning Worship
Guest speaker:
Rev. W. E. Cholerton.
No evening service.

REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCHES
Rev. Geo.-B. Hicks, Pastor

BROWNSBURG

Bible School	10.00 a.m.
Church	11 a.m.
Happy Hour Monday	7 p.m.

Monday at 8. — Y.P. Fellowship.
Prayer Meeting, Thurs., at 8 p.m.

DALESVILLE

Bible School	2 p.m.
Church	3 p.m.

Wed., 8 p.m. — Prayer Service

LAKEFIELD SERVICES
Rev. C. W. P. Baugh, Rector

Lakefield	10.30 a.m.
Shrewsbury	2 p.m.
Louisa	3.30 p.m.
Dunany	7 p.m.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND
Rev. C. R. Lang, L.Th., Rector

St. Simeon's, Lachute
10 a.m. Sunday School.
11 a.m. Morning Prayer.
Sunday School and Service in McArthur's Hall.

St. George's, Brownsburg.
11 a.m. Sunday School.
7 p.m. Evening Prayer.

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SUNDAY SERVICES
10 a.m. Bible School.
Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.
Tues. at 8, Y.P. Fellowship.
Wed. at 8 - Cottage Prayer Meet.
Friday at 6.30 — Happy Hour.
Christmas concert, Friday, December 19, at 7.30 p.m. Everyone welcome.

BROWNSBURG UNITED
Rev. S. J. Pike, Minister

10.30 a.m. Sunday School.
11 a.m. White Gifts Service, in which the Sunday School will join.
Speaker: Major A. Uden, who will accept gifts for the Salvation Army.
7 p.m. The Minister, assisted by the Men's Choir.
Tuesday. at 7 p.m. Y.P.U.
Friday, December 19, at 7 p.m., Sunday School Christmas Tree.

DISTRICT NEWS

Bell Falls

Mrs. J. John has returned home after spending a week in Montreal.

Miss Edyth MacCallum and Miss Freda MacVicar spent the week-end visiting in Burlington, Vermont.

We are glad to report that Melvin McLeod Jr., is recovering from his recent accident.

Sympathy is extended to the bereaved relatives and friends of Willis Smith, son of Mrs. Norman McRae, Rivington, who was killed in a car accident on Saturday last; also to Miss Hannah Smith, a sister, who was critically injured. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

The Bell Falls School and Sunday School will hold a Christmas entertainment in the Campbell Hall on December 20.

Service will be held in the Harrington United Church at 11 a.m. next Sunday.

Brownsburg

Mrs. Wesley Doran has returned home from St. David's, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert James, of North Bay, Ont., were the recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Foster Campbell.

Miss Eleanor Hanson, of Montreal, was home for the week-end.

Mrs. P. MacAdam and Mrs. Wm. Petley were in Montreal last week.

The Rev. Robert Dick is visiting relatives in Cornwall, Ont.

The Rev. N. D. Keith, who preached at the Missionary service in the United Church last Sunday morning, was the guest of the Rev. and Mrs. S. J. Pike at the manse.

The United Church Christmas Tree entertainment and party will take place Friday evening, December 19, in the church hall. Parents and friends are cordially invited with the children.

Mr. D. Staniforth was in Montreal on Sunday visiting Mrs. Staniforth, who is a patient in the Western Hospital; we are pleased to report that she is making a satisfactory recovery.

Mrs. J. T. Seary is at present a patient in the General Hospital, Montreal. Friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Major A. Uden, of Montreal, will be speaker at the White Gifts service in the United Church next Sunday at 11 a.m., and will receive the gifts on behalf of the Salvation Army.

Women's Institute

The December W.I. meeting was held in the Social Club on Thursday evening last; the meeting was well attended. After the usual business was finished, Christmas carols were enjoyed, also an exchange of Christmas gifts; refreshments were served in conclusion. Plans were made to send another "personal parcel" to England, and donations to the Children's Memorial Hospital and to the Grace Dart Home.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Simpson, of Toronto, spent the week-end visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Underhill, Grace Street.

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Mr. Garry McAdam left last Friday for Vancouver after spending several weeks visiting friends and relatives here.

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Mr. J. Ralph Kirk, M.P., of Antigonish, N.S., paid a brief visit to his sister, Mrs. W. B. Rosborough and the Rev. Rosborough. Mrs. Edith Clark, of Montreal, also visited her parents at the manse last week-end.

Lake Keatley

Masters Sandy and Richard Jones, of Calumet, have returned home after spending two weeks with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave MacVicar, at "Hedgerow Cottage".

Mr. Fred Parent, Gordon and Norman Parent, Ken Ford and Tony Ford, spent Sunday at "Oak Bend Cabin".

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jones and family were visitors on Friday with Mrs. Jones' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave MacVicar.

Principal G. J. Bennett, with his wife and two sons Stuart and Gordon, spent the week-end at their camp, "Echo Valley".

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whinfield and daughter spent Sunday at the home of Col. and Mrs. H. White.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert White and son, Michael, have moved to Calumet for the winter months.

Sympathy of this community is extended to Mrs. Sanford MacVicar in the death of her sister, (Minnie) Mrs. Geo. Rourke.

Many neighbors here attended the funeral of the late Willis Smith, who was a veteran of four years in World War II. Sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

Miss Anne Stewart, of Montreal, was a week-end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Burgess.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ralph FitzGerald and family left last week to reside for some time in Lachine, Que.

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Mrs. Nason, of Verdun, is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Cunningham

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Miss J. Dickie, of New York, is the present guest of her sister, Mrs. W. M. Steeves and Mr Steeves. Mr. Jack Steeves, attending Bishop's College, is also home to spend the holiday season with his parents.

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Mr. and Mrs. Anders Paulsen and infant son left Monday to spend the holiday season with Mrs. Paulsen's parents near Regina, Sask.

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Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Elliott on Sunday were — Mrs. Robert Elliott, of Lachute, Mrs. Wesley Doran of Brownsburg, Mr. and Mrs. Desmond Doran and son Jimmie, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Steele and daughters, Peggie Ann and Linda Ann, of St. David's, Ont., Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Kettyle and son Lee, of East Settlement.

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Marriage Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. William Smith, of Montreal, wish to announce the marriage of their daughter, Veronica Katherine Smith, to Harold Chandler Laviolette, also of Montreal, which took place on Saturday afternoon, December 6, at 3.30 o'clock. The couple left later, after a reception at the home of the bride's parents, for an extended trip to Windsor, Ontario, and parts of the United States.

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SCOUTS PLAYED THEIR PART

In addition to the 1,000 Boy Scouts who sold the official programs along the route of the royal wedding in London, there were 26 King's Scouts and ten Boy Scout Leaders on duty inside Westminster Abbey, while two Middlesex Senior Scouts, Gordon Lawrence and Peter Marsden, were on duty every day looking after the wedding gifts at the Royal Wedding Presents Office at St. James's Palace.

ROVER MOOT IN GERMANY

British Rover Scouts, the older members of the Boy Scout Movement, in Germany, recently held a Rover Moot at Bad Oeynhausen. The Army Commander, Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard McCreery was present and officially opened the new headquarters of the 1st Bad Oeyhausen British Scouts. Mr. A. W. Hurll, General Secretary of the Boy Scouts Association in Great Britain, who visited Canada in 1946 with Lord Rowallan, Empire Chief Scout, was also present.

SCOUTING SPREADS NORTHWARD

With 89 boys interested, one large Scout Troop and three Wolf Cub Packs have been organized at Fort Vermillion in Northern Alberta.

Representing the communities of Lambert Point, Stoney Point, North Vermillion and Fort Vermillion, a sponsoring committee has been formed made up of a Roman Catholic priest, an Anglican rector, the Chief of the Tall Cree Indian Reserve, two Hudson Bay Company managers, the superintendent of the Dominion Government Experimental Farm, two half-breed Indians, a free trader and the local magistrate.

Specially Written for
The Watchman
By FRED KERNER

It made a bright front-page story right across the Dominion—and no doubt elsewhere—when Field Marshal Wavell took a slap at the ancient and honorable sport of cricket the other day.

Speaking at his installation as chancellor of Aberdeen University, the famed soldier said, "that twenty-two grown-men (or 25, if umpires and scorer are included) should spend three, four or even more days on a game and should go on doing so for months on end, seems to an outsider the height of absurdity".

It may be that the famed Field Marshal was pulling somebody's leg—or perhaps he was serious, in which case it might be that Wavell has lost sight of a simple and important fact. That is: man is but a boy grown up. He carries with him through life the love of spirited challenge for adventure and contest which the world of sports alone presents.

It seems that more cricket might make for fewer commandos and atomic bombs.

To the average Canadian who says "Cricket?" with a sneer — and that goes for the American sneers even harder—MacDonald Hastings of the BBC recently broadcast an interesting commentary on the game.

He remarked that the reason cricket looks dull to the spectator from non-cricket-playing countries is that they don't understand the game and its finesse.

Must Be Understood

"The non-cricketers who look in to see what a cricket match is like complain that the game is dull. . . Cricket, like any other game, can be dull, and cricket cannot help being dull to somebody who does not understand the rules.

"I remember hearing a crowd in Glasgow, watching a demonstration game of baseball, complaining that they did not like it because it was too slow.

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DISTRICT NEWS FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

Cushing

Mr. Donald Fuller was the week-end guest of his aunts, the Misses Bryerton, at Verdun, Que.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Carelton and family, of Ottawa, also the Misses Myrna and Eileen Keen, and Master Austin Keen, have taken up residence in Cushing.

The Cushing Ladies' Aid held a work meeting at the home of Mrs. A. Starnes on Tuesday.

An interesting meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held at the home of Mrs. J. A. Bradley, Carillon, on Wednesday.

An interesting children's party was held by Frontier branch of the Women's Institute, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Douglas, on Friday night.

Weir

Mr. and Mrs. D. MacKimmie, of Lachute, with their little daughter Linda, and accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Royce Morrison, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Morrison.

Mrs. Chas. Staniforth, of Rouge Valley, was a recent guest at the home of Mrs. Stanley Craig.

Mrs. W. H. Williams, and her daughter Jean and twin sons Phil and Hugh, are spending the present week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Philips, in Montreal.

Mrs. Roy Staniforth, of Rouge Valley, spent Wednesday visiting friends here.

W.A. Annual Meeting

At the annual meeting of the W.A., which was held in the church hall on Thursday afternoon last, the following officers were elected for the coming year:

President, Mrs. R. A. Craig; vice-pres., Mrs. R. H. Weldon; sec.-treas., Mrs. E. M. Schippel; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. J. D. Williams; U.T.O. secretary. Mrs. W. Morrison.

The Rev. L. N. Temple-Hill acted as chairman for the meeting. The W.A. had experienced a very successful year in 1947. . . In conclusion, refreshments were served by the hostess, Mrs. Robt. Williams and Mrs. P. Dubeau.

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Mr. Evan Bates, who recently returned from Baie Comeau, Que., is spending a short holiday with his parents. Mr. Leslie Kerr, of Macdonald College, was also a week-end guest.

Mrs. E. McCallum and little daughter, Marilyn, have returned home from Montreal where they visited friends.

Mrs. Alvin Campbell and two children, of Harrington, returned home after visiting friends in Port Colborne, Ont.

Mr. Earl Wilson, of Kingston, Ont., called on a few friends here last week.

Miss Flora MacLeod, of Lost River, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Evan Bates for a few days.

Mr. Everett Young spent the week-end with his family, who are visiting in Kilmar.

Mrs. George Bissett, of Lachute, spent the week-end at her home here.

Mr. Tomachevsky, of Montreal, visited his family for a couple of days.

Mrs. Harry Young, who has spent the past month with her son Nelson and family, in Sheffield, Mass., has now returned home.

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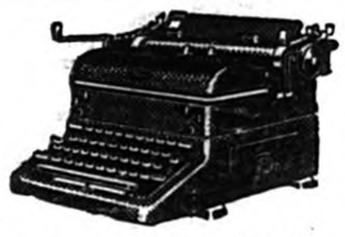

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Butterscotch Crunch Coffee Muffins

1½ Cups of sifted all-purpose flour, or 1⅔ cups sifted pastry flour, ¼ cup sugar, 2 teaspoons baking powder, ¾ teaspoon salt, 1 egg, ½ cup milk, 3 tablespoons mild-flavored fat, melted.

Sift together dry ingredients. Beat egg; add milk and shortening. Stir into dry ingredients. Mix only enough to moisten flour. Pour into lightly greased muffin tins. Sprinkle with the following topping. Bake in a hot oven (400°F.) 25-30 minutes. Yield: 9 muffins.

Butterscotch Crunch Topping

1½ Tablespoons butter, ¼ cup brown sugar, ½ tablespoon flour, 1 tablespoon water, 1 cup of cornflakes (or wheat flakes).

Melt the butter and stir into it the combined sugar and flour. Add the water and cook over low heat, stirring to blend, for about 3 minutes. Quickly pour over the cereal, mixing thoroughly. Spread in a shallow pan and cool. Sprinkle over muffins.

Luncheon Cheese Cakes

2 Cakes compressed yeast, ½ cup lukewarm water, 1 tablespoon sugar, ¼ cup shortening, 1 teaspoon salt, 2 eggs. 1⅓ cups grated cheese, 1½ teaspoons dry mustard, 1¾ cups all-purpose flour.

Dissolve yeast in lukewarm water and add sugar. Cream shortening and salt together. Add eggs unbeaten, one at a time, and beat well after each addition. Add grated cheese and beat until thoroughly blended. Add dissolved yeast. Sift together the mustard and flour and add gradually to first mixture. Beat well. Drop a heaping teaspoonful into greased muffin pans or onto a greased baking sheet, allowing about 2 inches space between each. Let rise until light and spongy, about 1 hour. Bake in a moderately hot oven, 375°F., for 20 minutes. Makes 24 rolls.

Oatmeal Farls (Scones)

1 Cup sifted pastry flour, 3 teaspoons baking powder, ½ teaspoon salt, 1 cup fine oatmeal, 3 tablespoons mild-flavored fat, ⅔ cup milk.

Sift together the flour, baking powder and salt. Add oatmeal. Blend in the fat and add milk. Knead lightly on a floured board until smooth. Roll out to ¾-inch thickness and cut into triangular shapes or rounds. Brush top of each with milk and bake in a hot oven, 425° F., for 15 minutes. Makes 12 medium-sized Farls or Scones.

Case of Cruelty To Teacher Cited

Cruelty to teachers is not a thing of the past, as disclosed by Dean Sinclair Laird, head of the Macdonald College school for teachers, at the recent meeting of the Protestant Committee of Education, in Montreal.

"I wish to report on one school", he said, "where the students behaved in such a fashion as to cause three successive teachers to resign last year, and the conditions were so bad that the teacher this year sent in her resignation at the end of September and was only induced to stay after much persuasion. We cannot be proud to think that any of our teachers have to submit to such treatment".

The greatest and sublimest power is often simple patience.—Horace Bushnell.

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Social Worker Keeps Tab on 35,000 Youngsters

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Young Miss Campbell, red-haired social worker, pays about 1,200 visits annually to homes of oft-absent pupils as part of her job of keeping tab on attendance of 35,000 children.

"Truancy," she said, "is rarely the child's fault. You can't blame a child if he has no clothes or if his parents can't control him because they didn't train him when he was younger".

She has her own little rogues gallery of habitual Wednesday afternoon theatre-goers who ought to be at school, one of which became so well known to her that he now calls her by her first name.

As a last resort, children can be called to juvenile court for truancy, and there have been 10 such cases since Miss Campbell was appointed in June, 1946. Chronic offenders are sometimes referred to the school psychiatrist.

To help eliminate truancy, she recommends establishment in elementary schools of counsellors who might aid students in matters of social training and sex education.

Good intentions need two legs to get anywhere.

DISTRICT NEWS

Arundel

Mr. Proudlock, accompanied by his daughter Mrs. R. Moss, is spending a few days in Montreal.

Mrs. Gordon Cooke returned home after a week's visit to Montreal.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. Hugh Cooke is confined to bed with an attack of the grippe. Friends hope for her speedy recovery.

Congratulations to Mr. Angus McFaul, who joined the ranks of benedicts last week. Best wishes of the community are extended to the happy couple. Mr. and Mrs. McFaul moved into the Prevost house (now the property of Mr. Gordon Cooke), this week.

Farm Forum

The Farm Forum group No. 4 met at the home of Mr. E. A. Bulley on Monday last. Twenty members were present, and after the broadcast the questions were discussed. It was unanimously decided that Centralized Medicine was needed, also that the erection of a modern hospital would be to the advantage of the rural district. At the close of the discussion refreshments were served by the hostess.

Church Ladies' Group

The Ladies' Union of the United Church met at the manse for their monthly meeting. Quilting took up the first part of the afternoon, followed by the business of the meeting. The ladies accepted with regret the resignation of their capable president, Mrs. Wm. Swail, who under the doctor's orders had been obliged to resign. During the afternoon a silver communion plate was presented to the Union for use in the church, by Mrs. E. A. Bulley. This plate, matching the one presented at Easter, was given in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smart — Mr. W. A. Smart, her brother, being co-donor. Hostesses for the afternoon was Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Moncrieff and Mrs. S. Swail.

Sale and Tea

A successful sale of work and Christmas tea was held by the Girl's Guild in the church hall on Friday last. Although the attendance was not notably large owing to the fact that there are quite a few on the sick list, the sum of $79 was cleared to carry on their work in the church. The Guild are to be congratulated for the effort and time spent on this project, and appreciation is due to the friends who braved the icy roads to make the event a success.

Friends welcome home Mrs. Tom Graham, who has been away visiting for the past few months.

It is learned that Miss Stella Cooke will spend the winter here with her parents; Miss Cooke has been missed for her various activities in the community.

The regular fortnightly bridge club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Graham, the winners for the evening being Mr. J. Veit and Mrs. Homer Cooke. The next meeting will be held on December 17 at the home of Mr. Homer Cooke.

Mr. K. Fenton has been on the sick list; his place in the pulpit was taken by Mr. T. Eddy at the Sunday morning service.

We are pleased to report that Mrs. Delmar Cooke is making satisfactory progress although it will be some time yet before she returns home.

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CHRISTMAS FLOWERS—In the Albright & MacAdam Building, opening December 15 — pot plants and cut flowers. (See list on page 4.) — Lachute Nursery Reg'd., A. B. Ogilvie & Son. D18-2c

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Miscellaneous

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Curling Teams Visit Montreal

A ladies' team and two men's rinks were featured in the season's first events for local curlers, competing in Montreal during the past week.

Mrs. George McGibbon (skip), with Mrs. W. S. MacKimmie, Mrs A. Ogilvie and Mrs. Delbert McTavish played a friendly game at Montreal West on Tuesday, being defeated 9-7 by the home quartet (Mrs. Heath, skip).

Last week, two men's teams played at Caledonia Club for the annual bonspiel by that name — John A. MacKimmie skipping his foursome to a 14-7 triumph, and Albert Ogilvie losing, also to the count of 7-14.

More Accommodation For Curlers at Quebec

Quebec City — Strain was eased on the lengthy waiting list for the 35th Province of Quebec International Bonspiel with the announcement that five additional sheets of ice will be available for this year's event, scheduled from January 19 to 24 with headquarters at Chateau Frontenac.

Capacity of the bonspiel was increased from 96 rinks to 126 when the Quebec Winter Club, revived several weeks ago after wartime suspension, offered its five ice surfaces to the Bonspiel association.

In the past, only 16 sheets were available in the week-long bonspiel — six ices at the Coliseum, three at Quebec Curling Club, three at Victoria Curling Club, two at Jacques Cartier and two at Etchemin.

In addition to ice accommodation, the Quebec Winter Club has placed its entire facilities, including swimming pool, badminton, squash and racquets courts and dining room, at the disposal of the curlers during the bonspeil.

Entries have been so heavy that it has been necessary to introduce a change in the British Consols Competition. Under the new plan, ten district playdowns are held throughout the province, with each district winner playing off for the provincial title in the International Bonspiel.

Province of Quebec rinks not competing in the British Consols event will play in the Val D'Or Tournament. In the visitors' section, the Goodwill Trophy will be at stake. On completon of these tournaments, the rinks will mingle in international competition.

NO PEPPERMINTS?

Lindsay, Ont. (CP) Recent items collected from town parking meters were: defaced coins once used as jewelry, lead slugs, copper medals, several meat tokens — and the cover from an automobile door lock.

Organize for Badminton Season

R. J. UNDERHILL ELECTED AS PRESIDENT

At a general meeting of the Lachute Badminton Club held recently in the Auditorium, a new slate of officers and members of the various committees were elected to office for the current season.

Ian Gordon, past president, voiced appreciation of the co-operative effort extended by last year's committee members, which had enabled the Club to stage a most successful series of tournaments and inter-club activities.

Following is a list of executive officers for the 1947-48 season :—

President, Raymond Underhill.

Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Mary Priestly.

Match Committee — Edmund McFaul (chairman), Stewart Jones, George Troy, Ian Gordon.

Refreshment Committee — Mrs. Stewart Jones (chairman), Miss Mabel Hadley, Miss Mary Low, Miss Katherine Langille, Miss Bobbie Ogilvie.

COMING EVENTS

ST. SIMEON'S BAZAAR

St. Simeon's Church Ladies' Guild will hold their annual Bazaar in the Presbyterian Church hall on Friday, December 12, from 3 to 6. Fancy work, Christmas novelties, aprons and home-cooking. D11-2c

CAROL CONCERT

A Christmas carol concert will be held by the Lachute High School Glee Club at 8.15 p.m. on Thursday, December 18, at the Auditorium. Admission 50c. D11.3c

SALE AND TEA

The Brownsburg United Church Senior Women's Association will hold their Christmas bazaar and tea on Saturday, December 13, at 3 p.m. Fancy work, aprons, novelties, home-cooking and candy will be on sale. -1c

DANCE

At McArthur's Hall on Saturday, December 20. Come and bring your friends for a good time. Music supplied by Legault's Orchestra. Adm. 50c. — Sponsored by Lawrence Ward and George McKenzie. D18-2p

Appreciation

The undersigned wishes to thank all who assisted and cared for her last Thursday evening, when she suffered a fainting spell at the Lachute Auditorium. Not knowing who her benefactors were, she takes this means of expressing her appreciation.

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Encouraging Response in First Report on Christmas Seals Fund

In his first report on the Christmas Seals campaign, Dr. L. Turcotte, chairman, states that most of the stamps were sent out about a week ago, and the returns are very encouraging to date.

It is really gratifying to realize the public interest in the fight against tuberculosis. It would be inspiring to publish all letters received with these returns, which show the spirit of those who are contributing to the campaign, but this would require too much space.

Following is a list of subscriptions received before December 16. The total receipts to that date are $407. A subsequent list will be published next week. — It is not too late to subscribe. The committee will receive contributions until January.

List of Donors

Lachute Creamery $5, Rev. Thériault (Grenville) $5, Geo. Y. Deacon, $4, Dr. W. L. Morrison, (Arundel) $3, T. McOuat & Son Ltd. $3.

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Quebec Province "Out of Balance"

IN FARM AND URBAN POPULATION

Montreal — The Province of Quebec was "out of balance" because Montreal was "much too big — a monstrosity", Rt. Rev. Msgr. Lugi G. Ligutti, executive secretary of the National Catholic Rural Life Conference of the United States, told the Canadian Club of Montreal this week.

Holding that the roots of Christian democracy and peace were in the people of the farms and rural areas all over the world Msgr. Ligutti pointed a stern finger at his audience of "businessmen and white collar urban dwellers" and warned that "every 10 of you here will be represented by only 3½ descendants in 100 years time while any 10 farmers or rural workers will be represented by 40 descendants".

The farm, Monsignor Ligutti held, was "the natural habitat of the family" and farm life was the most conducive to democracy, respect for private property and the basic virtues and moral values on which world peace depended.

He called upon his audience to support all efforts to better the life of the farmer and rural worker and to help bring to the farmer "and particularly to the farm wife" the benefits of modern technology.

"Respect for the rural life and for the dignity and worth of little people everywhere is the basis of peace", he said.

Closing Event At High School

The last social event of the season prior to the closing of Lachute High School for the holidays was a Christmas party held in the Grade I classroom on Friday evening last.

Miss Marjorie Cottingham, chairman of the entertainment committee of the Students' Council, was master of ceremonies. The room had been appropriately decorated by the students, complete with a Christmas tree. Music was supplied by records purchased by the Students' Council and played on the school's radio-phonograph.

Many members of the staff took part in the festivities, which terminated at 12.15 a.m. It was generally agreed to be one of the best social events of its kind yet held in the school. Everyone joined wholeheartedly in the fun, which consisted of an assortment of dances — Paul Jones, round and square dances, a jitter-bug contest, an elimination dance and congas, etc.

Farm Forum Meeting Thomas' Gore Group

The weekly meeting of Thomas' Gore Farm Forum was held Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Titley. Members of the Hill Foot branch were also present at this gathering. Moving pictures were shown by Guy Smith, through the co-operation of Lachute High School authorities, to whom grateful thanks are expressed by the Forum group. Refreshments were served and an enjoyable evening was spent.

School Extension At Arundel Viewed By Central Board

The regular meeting of the Central School Board was held in the Lachute High School on Thursday evening, December 11, with the Chairman, W. M. Cottingham, presiding. All members were present—the Rev. C. W. P. Baugh of Lakefield, Carl Seale of Morin Heights, James W. McGibbon of Lachute, and the Rev. A. E. Hawes of Grenville.

The secretary-treasurer, Linton W. Armstrong, reported the delivery of six new "L'Auto-Neige Bombardier" snowmobiles for use in various districts throughout the County.

The committee set up to assist the local Board of Arundel in preparing plans for the extension to that school, reported that the preliminary drawings did not appear entirely satisfactory. One of the chief difficulties is the limited amount of ground available. It was agreed that enquiries be made to ascertain whether addituioinal land could be obtained.

As numerous enquiries had been received concerning the Christmas holidays, it was recommended that all schools close on Friday, December 19, and re-open on Monday, January 5.

Some discussion took place regarding the establishment of more definite boundaries between the school municipalities of Cote St. Gabriel and Shawbridge. The former, which forms a part of the Central Board area, was set up many years ago consisting of certain lots, then owned by Protestants, in the first four ranges of the western half of the municipality of St. Sauveur. So many changes have taken place in the meantime that it is often exceedingly difficult to determine whether or not certain properties belong to one school district or the other. A committee was named to meet the Shawbridge Board in order to arrange a settlement of this problem.

Many routine matters were discussed, most important of which concerned the re-engagement of teachers, conveyance contracts, finances and problems in connection with certain schools.

Fire at Hawkesbury

Hawkesbury (CP) — Seven persons, two of them children, fled early Saturday as fire swept a two-apartment frame building at Hawkesbury, causing an estimated $3,000 damage. Left homeless were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Delorme, Mrs. Joseph Delorme, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Denis and their two small children. All their belongings were destroyed.

Section Man Wins Railway Award

R. Chalifour, of Staynerville, Canadian Pacific Railway section foreman, has been awarded the Laurentian divisional superintendent's prize of $25 in the railway's competition for the best kept section of track, held each year to promote safety and efficiency. A subdivisional roadmaster's prize of $10 went to G. Lahaie, of Buckingham Junction.

Winner of the general manager's prize of $100 for the best maintained section of track in the entire Eastern Regon of the C.P.R. was awarded to A. Levert, of Piedmont, Que.

Christmas Carollers

On Sunday evening next, a group of young carollers will raise harmonious voices in this ancient custom, and visit homes in all sections of Lachute. The contributions they receive will be donated to the committee sponsoring the Christmas Seals campaign. It is hoped that the public will give every encouragement to the singers and the worthy cause they are supporting.

Brownsb'g Legion Officers Installed

JOINT CEREMONY WITH BRANCH AUXILIARY

Brownsburg — In an impressive ceremony, conducted by Vice-President A. B. Morris of the Quebec Provincial Command and the Provincial Managing Secretary, Keith Woolley, the 1948 officers of the Brownsburg Legion and its Ladies' Auxiliary were jointly installed into office at the Consolidated School in Brownsburg on Saturday, December 13. Officers elected in the Legion branch have been previously reported; in the Ladies' Auxiliary Mrs. B. Enlow was re-elected as president for another term, Mrs. Tom Williams and Mrs. R. Belanger became 1st and 2nd vice-presidents, respectively, Miss M. MacAllister will act as secretary and Mrs. T. Cocksedge as treasurer for the forthcoming year.

Hector Steele, new president of the Legion Branch, in an excellent address expressed his thanks for past support and outlined some of the activities of the branch to be undertaken next year. Following the ceremony refreshments, provided by the Auxiliary, were served to the members and guests, which included two senior officers of the Quebec Command of Ladies' Auxiliary, Mayor O. Legault, of Brownsburg, the chairman of the School Board and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. A. Dixon.

Citizens of Brownsburg are being invited to place gifts at the Christmas Tree, arranged by the Ladies' Auxiliary, in G. I. McFaul's store. After providing gifts for local boys in hospital the surplus will be sent to Provincial Command in support of the wider campaign to ensure a gift to every serviceman presently in hospital. With regard to the Polio campaign, under the direction of Mrs. Tom Williams, nearly $500 has so far been collected in Brownsburg and forwarded to Command headquarters.

Further contributions towards the cost of erecting the Legion Community Rink have been received. They consist of $50 from the Ladies' Auxiliary and $25 from C-I-L Ammunition Division. In additon, the C-I-L Plant was kind enough to loan the Legion its flood-lighting equipment. The Legion also gratefully acknowledges the co-operation of Walter MacVicar and Mr. Longtin in providing portions of their land to make the rink possible. Tom Hall and W. Mosely donated the use of their steam shovel and trucks for removing excavated earth from the site. The rink surface is now adequate to allow children to enjoy skating.

En Route to Ceylon For Winter Season

(Our District Correspondent)

Cushing—A radiogram received here by Mr. B. Noyes on Saturday, informed him that his niece, Miss Mildred Douglas, of Montreal and Cushing, had passed through the Strait of Gibraltar on the S.S. "Gulfside" en route to the island of Ceylon, where she expects to spend the winter. Interesting ports of call which will be made by this steamer, of the Canada Asiatic Line, are — Limassol, Cyprus, Fort Bombay, India; Colombo, Ceylon. Miss Douglas, who will spend the greater part of her time while in Ceylon at Kandy, is accompanied by Miss Carol Owens, of Rosemere.

600 Members of K. of C. Attend Initiation Rites

Annual initiation ceremonies of the Knights of Columbus, Council 2752, were held last Sunday, when 600 members gathered in Lachute for this auspicious occasion in the program of the local fraternity.

The day's proceedings opened with special mass and communion at Ste. Anastasie Parish Church, at 8 a.m. During the morning session at Lachute Auditorium the first and second degrees of Knighthood were conferred. Officers conducting were ex-Grand Knight Gaetan Cousineau, acting as Grand Knight for the ritual; Romeo Legault as Deputy Grand Knight; Horace Lamarche as Chancellor; J. A. Gosselin as Warden; and Bros. C. Couvrette and R. Lemay as Guards. J. E. Dumais, the financial secretary, was assisted by Bernard Gosselin.

In the afternoon the rites of the third degree were conducted by the District Deputy, J. Albert Filiatrault, of Ste. Therese, with his team.

Notables present for the ceremonies were Dr. E. Lalande, Deputy for District No. 10 and a member of the local council; Hon. Gaspard Fauteux, Speaker of the House of Commons, who witnessed the initiation of his son; Geo. H. Héon, K.C., M.P., who is a past Grand Knight of the council.

A total of 70 candidates were initiated into the K. of C. on this occasion. J. G. Lamontagne, Grand Knight of the Lachute Council, presided. Breakfast, luncheon and supper were served at the council hall on Foundry Street, and altogether the event was rated highly successful.

Post-Office to Close on Holidays

Local mail-goers are advised that the Lachute and Lachute Mills post-offices will be closed all day on Christmas and New Year's. The lobbies will be closed to the public on these days.

World's Largest Asbestos Mine

The world's largest asbestos mine, at Asbestos, Que., is being worked around the clock to produce half the world's supply of this mineral. Approximtely 300,000 tons has been produced in 1947, and there is enough left for 100 years. The mile-wide, 345 foot deep pit is now more important than ever in supplying material badly needed by a world in the process of reconstruction. Mining in the giant pit is done with explosives, huge power shovels, and railroad trains. Work at the mine continues 24 hours a day at this Quebec site.

"SCOUT NIGHT" AT ROTARY REVEALS KEEN ADULT INTEREST BEHIND BOYS' MOVEMENT

Governor General's Warrant of Office Presented to Commissioner C. Duncan

Inspiring Talk by Provincial Fieldman Is Commended to Leaders, Teachers, Parents

Brownsburg — The regular weekly dinner meeting of the Rotary Club of Brownsburg was held at Hotel St. Onge last Thursday.

Of special significance was the presentation to Mr. Charles L. Duncan of Lachute, of the Governor General's warrant as district commissioner of the Laurentian District Council of the Boy Scouts Association, by Mr. C. E. Richardson, president of the district, representing Mr. W. H. Miner of Granby, provincial commissioner.

The meritorious service of Mr. Duncan for Scouting in Lachute, was pointed out. Having started as a boy in Scotland, after reading Baden Powell's book, "Aids to Scouting", Mr. Duncan showed an early and keen interest. As lieutenant and gymnastic instructor with the Boys' Brigade and member of the boys' brass band in Aberdeen, much experience was gained with boys.

His start actually preceded Baden Powell's founding of the Boy Scouts Association by a few years.

Volunteering with the Imperial Army, he served on many of the historic fronts of Belgium and France in World War I. Shortly after the Armistice he came to Canada and spent a few years in the West.

His last 22 years spent in Lachute have been busy and profitable ones for the Boy Scouts. Starting the present troop with Mr. Dave Trotter and Mr. George Leggett, in 1926, he was its Scoutsmaster continuously until 1946, except for a few weeks at the start.

In 1946 he resigned as its active leader. The Boy Scouts Association recognized his splendid work by presenting the Scout Medal of Merit in 1945 and the Scout Long Service Medal and Bar, in 1946.

Recently he was appointed district commissioner — and Rotary President Wes Freeland stated at this meeting, it was an honor and pleasure for the Rotary Club to be able to have the warrant of office, signed by the Governor General, Viscount Alexander of Tunis, presented at its annual Scout Night meeting.

Most Scout officials and leaders in the district, were able to attend.

The support accorded the Boy Scout Movement is indicated by the fact that many busy men attended. R. A. Giles, vice-president of the district council; H. M. Gall, Lachute Group Committee chairman; Dr. W. Hooper, committee secretary-treasurer; George Y. Deacon, committee member; the Rev. W. B. Rosborough; the Rev. C. Maclean; Eugene L'Heureaux, president of Lachute Chamber of Commerce; and Mayor O. Legault of Brownsburg, were present, along with Brownsburg Scout Committeemen E. Smillie (chairman), G. H. Quinn (secretary-treasurer) and members T. Pascoe, T. Izzard, J. Connelly, J. Duncan, W. Mason and R. B. Johnston.

Scout leader guests included J. Robinson, Scoutmaster at Lachute, with Assistants Sam Milnes and Frank Bedard, as well as Troop Leader Gordon Jamieson.

Brownsburg Scoutmaster Barrie Elliott was accompanied by his assistants, J. Prell, A. Waller and D. Cordick. Bert Potter, Brownsburg Cubmaster, was a guest. Other Cub leaders in Lachute and Brownsburg were unable to attend, as was the case of Lion President Dr. R. A. Dumais and Mayor A. Bothwell of Lachute.

Very appropriate for the occasion was an address on Scouting, delivered by Frank Hicks, provincial field commissioner for the Boy Scouts Association. The speaker was introduced by Rotarian Stewart Jones, a former Scout and Scoutmaster under Mr. Hicks' jurisdiction. Dennis Staniforth expressed the thanks of the club.

During the evening an appeal was made for support of the current Christmas Seals campaign for the prevention of tuberculosis. Members and guests responded well. It was mentioned that the Rotary Club are much impressed with the excellent work that Dr. L. Turcotte is doing and his program planned for this county. The club is extending financial and co-operative support to Dr. Turcotte, and the Rotarians hope that the public will realize the need — the death rate from tuberculosis being almost three times greater in Quebec than Saskatchewan — and the great benefit that can result, and that they will support the Christmas Seals and X-ray campaign accordingly.

Following is the address of Scout Commissioner Hicks on this occasion:

Aims and Ideals of the Boy Scout Movement

If Scouting is different from school, it is that the Boy Scout program approaches the boy not from the logical, but from the psychological point of view.

The aim of Scouting is to promote the ability of the Scout to do things for himself and for others, rather than having things done all the time for him. Manhood, not scholarship, is the aim of Education as in Scouting. . . . Scouting should turn out boys who will be distinguished, not by what they know, but by what they will do with what they know — boys who will know that life essentially calls for co-operation everywhere. Boys like to live dangerously. This is dangerous advice, but life is a dangerous and wonderful business. Living dangerously does not mean living foolishly. It is not the duty of Scouting to take the place of the home, church or school, but to supplant their work and assist them in moulding character and good citizenship.

Scouting is distinctly religious in its aims. It encourages every boy to follow his religion and live up to its ideals, to attend the church of his Faith and to follow the teaching of its pastors. Belief and trust in God, and love and honor of the home are encouraged by every angle of the Scouting game. Never has the future held such a great hope of good, such a great danger of evil. The papers show turbulence in the world. The need for tomorrow is — leadership in the right channels; church, school, state — all need leaders.

Scouting can and does play an important part in the present need.

Two Advantages of Scouting

1. The goal itself: To develop in boys those qualities that will make them of use to themseles and the community in which they live. Success of that goal is apparent now that the first generation of Scouts have taken their place in the world. War record — 125,000 in the armed forces, two Victoria Crosses.

2. The means by which the goal is attained: The technique of the Scouting program and training. It is amazing how many of Baden Powell's ideas on teaching and training are used by schools today; visual education, physical education, learning by doing. We can see the great responsibility that rests with the Cubmaster and the Scoutmaster. They run delicate machinery, they handle delicate material and their results are intangible, hard-earned. Backing these two technical men are the Group Committees, men who bear the same relation to officers as the School Board do to teachers. A good Committee makes a Troop; a poor one can break it.

The Teacher and the Scout:

As a teacher you come in contact with many boys. Some of them are Cubs or Scouts. If yours is a country school, you may have a Lone Scout or two. Perhaps you understand the Scout program, but in the event you do not, an outline of just what Scouting is and does may help you assist those of your pupils who are Scouts and may be the means of helping other boys who could benefit from Scout training.

You know that the first requisite for a successful teacher is knowledge of the nature of the boy. The boy is not a small edition of a man, not a piece of blank paper on which the teacher should write, but every child has his own peculiar curiosity, his inexperience, a normal mysterious frame of mind which needs to be tactfully helped, encouraged and moulded or modified or even suppressed. It is well to recall, as far as possible, what your ideas were when a child yourself, and you can then much better understand his feelings and desires.

The following qualities in the boy have to be taken into consideration: humor, courage, confidence, sharpness, love of excitement, responsiveness, and loyalty. Loyalty, this is a feature in a boy's character that must inspire boundless hope. Boys are usually loyal friends to each other and this friendliness comes almost naturally to a boy. It is the one duty that he understands. He may appear selfish outwardly, but, as a general rule, he is very willing under the surface to be helpful to others and that is where Scout training finds good soil to work upon. I would say that boys have a world of their own — a world that they make for themselves and neither the teacher nor the lessons are admitted to this world. A boy's world has its own events and standards and code and gossip and public opinion. In spite of teachers and parents, boys remain loyal to their own world. They obey their own code, although it is quite clearly a different code to the one that is taught to them at home and in the schoolroom. They gladly suffer martyrdom at the

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Costly Blaze in Main St. Premises

LOCAL FIREMAN SUFFERS BROKEN SHOULDER

A stubborn blaze in premises over the Lachute Motor Sales garage engaged the efforts of the local fire department late Sunday evening, and drew a large crowd of spectators to the scene. The outbreak occurred around 10 p.m., in the wall of the garage where the furnace pipe entered the brick chimney. The fire spread upwards through the wall of the second storey to the attic, and the firefighters had difficulty in attacking the flames. Dense smoke prevented access to the roof of the building.

Occupants of the upstairs tenement, Urgel Frappier and family, were absent — only Mr. Frappier's father remaining at home. Asleep at the time of the outbreak, he was awakened by the garage attendant who discovered the fire.

Willing helpers removed the many cars housed in the spacious garage, also much stock and equipment. Damage to the Lachute Motors establishment, however, resulted only from smoke and water, which deluged the premises. The firm is operating again as usual.

A recurrence of the fire brought members of the brigade again to the scene, around 2 a.m. on Monday, some time after the men and equipment had left the site.

An unfortunate incident occurred as the last few feet of hose was being replaced on the truck, when Fireman George McKenzie, of Foundry Street, slipped on the ice and sustained a broken collarbone. He received medical treatment at the Providence Hospital.

Estimate of the loss has not yet been ascertained. The building, previously owned by Alderman Don MacRae, now belongs to Ed. Bourbonniere, who formerly operated the garage.

Ottawa Visitor Piano Tuner Dies Suddenly

The death of Paul Roy, of Ottawa, occurred suddenly on Thursday last at the Windsor Hotel, where he was staying during one of his periodic business trips to this district. Mr. Roy, aged 40, was a piano tuner by trade, and an advertiser in this journal with whom the staff — through his friendly manner and capability — had been pleased to co-operate.

Mr. Roy, in apparent good health, suffered a heart attack Thursday morning. A doctor was summoned by the hotel management, but he succumbed later in the day. The body was taken to his home in Ottawa.

The Watchman is on sale at 5 cents a copy at the following stores:

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Lachute Mills: Z. Harbour Drugstore.

Brownsburg: Chez Maurice.
Choux Pharmacy.
Kilgour's Store.

St. Andrews East:
A. E. Ladouceur.

GOOD OLD DAYS

Port Alberni, B.C. (CP) — When the B.C. Power Commission asked customers to conserve electricity to avert power shortage, Harvey Mills, merchant, placed an old-fashioned kerosene lamp in his display window.

Seasonal

FARM TOPICS

Edited by E. H. PETERS, B.S.A.

Farm Income Tax Undergoes Revision

From the
Macdonald College Journal

Basic herds free from income tax may be set up under new regulations. This puts agriculture on the same basis as other industries — something farmers have been asking for.

Farmers may establish basic herds as capital assets, under new regulations expected to be announced soon by the Department of National Revenue. This is a step that has long been urged by many stock breeders.

Under the basic herd principles a farmer may establish a basic herd of say 35 head of cattle, and will not be taxed on the proceeds of sales which reduce the herd to less than 35 head. Sales which leave the herd above the 35 mark will, of course, be treated as taxable income.

Under the new regulations farmers are divided into two groups for income tax purposes. Any farmer who has regularly filed income tax returns and paid his assesment is automatically included in the first group. Any farmer who has not filed regular income tax returns goes into the second group.

Farmers in the first group will decide for themselves at the end of any one calendar year the number of cattle they consider their basic herd and will advise the district office of the taxation divisons of this when filing their income tax returns for the year.

Provided the rturn is in good order, the district office will accept the taxpayer's own figure.

For this class of taxpayer, these results will ensue:

1. The proceeds of the sales of all animals above that number will be taken into income each year.

2. The cost of any new animals will be allowed as a deduction from income each year, unless it is desired to increase the number of the basic herd.

3. If in a subsequent year it is desired to increase the number of the basic herd, a statement to this effect must be made to the district office at the time the relative income tax return is filed. The cost of the new animals, if purchased, will not be allowed as a deduction from income. If additions come from home-bred animals their estimated market must be added back to the taxable income.

Provided the return is in good order, the district office then will accept the increased figure for the basic herd.

4. If a dispersal sale is held of the total herd, the department will accept as capital realizations and treat as non-taxable the proceeds of the sale of the number of cattle constituting the basic herd. Unless, before the sale is held, the taxpayer gives the district office a list of the animals constituting the basic herd and then takes care to keep the proceeds of these animals separate, the proceeds of the basic herd will be calculated at the average of the proceeds of the sale of all animals with the provision that where a baby animal is sold with its mother, this is to be treated as a sale of one animal, not two, in calculating the average.

5. Where a taxpayer sells off animals to such an extent that he has less than the number of his basic herd on hand at the end of the calendar year — so that he has had in effect a partial dispersal sale — the same principles will apply. If the taxpayer specifies in advance the animals he is selling out of the basic herd and keeps the proceeds separate, the total will be accepted as the amount of the capital receipts. Otherwise, the average price realized for all animals sold will be used in determining the non-taxable amount.

Second Group

The second group classified under the regulations are those who have not filed tax returns regularly. In their case it is largely a question of proof and the procedure follows:

1. A taxpayer who can demonstrate reasonably to the satisfaction of the district office that in time past — perhaps a long time ago or over a period of years — he purchased a stated number of cattle and at no time deducted their cost in calculating income for taxation purposes or would not have been taxable even had such deduction been made and further can satisfy the division that he possesses at least that number of the same kind of animal ever since, will be entitled to establish his basic herd at that number, provided he files an income tax return for the year in satisfactory form.

2. Where the taxpayer is not in the above class, but can prove that a certain number of livestock were on hand at a certain date, and maintains that they were capital assets by reason of having been built up over a number of years in which he had no taxable income, by the retention of natural increases or small purchases from time to time, his claims will be carefully examined and be admitted if they are found to be reasonable and if the district office becomes convinced that the cash value of fodder and other costs of raising animals, if added to the taxpayer's other income, would still have left him in the non-taxable class. In his case also, an income tax return in good order must be filed for the year in which the basic herd is fixed.

3. In other circumstances, no part of the livestock holdings will be admitted as capital assets.

May Change to First Class

Taxpayers in this latter class, having established their basic herd, will be regarded as being in the first class if they thereafter file an income tax return each year. The same results will ensue for them in the event of dispersal or partial dispersals as for those who have always filed returns.

The department will lay down that the policy as to taxable income will be this:

1. Where the basic herd principle is accepted, it follows that the proceeds of the sale of livestock which do not reduce the basic herd are taxable income for the year of sale.

2. Where no claim for basic herd is made, or, if made, is such that it cannot be admitted and taxpayer has filed return for several years, the proceeds of dispersal sales may be spread over a number of years, not exceeding five, appropriate to the circumstances.

A herd of cattle bought out of income in one year for finishing and re-sold the next would not be spread back at all. The proceeds of cattle bought from income as yearlings and carried through to maturity before sale might be spread over two or three years, according to circumstances.

Avoid Delays — Repair Farm Machinery

Because machinery is one of the largest and most important factors in the production of crops, it is essential that it be kept in as good repair as possible. Most of this repairing can be done on the farm during the winter months or at some other slack season.

To do much repair work the farm should have a reasonably well equipped work shop, says K. E. Bowren, Dominion Experimental Station, Melford, Sask. This means there should be a fairly large building where the tools are kept and where the whole machine or a good portion of it can be taken inside to be repaired. The shop should be equipped with a stove or some other means of heat to make winter work possible. It should also be equipped with a large bench space, drawers and pegs for holding tools and spare parts, a bench vise and possibly a forge. Although the forge is not absolutely necessary for minor repair work it is necessary for straightening harder metals and can be used, with a little experience on the part of the operator, for soft iron welding.

To avoid unnecessary delays during the busy season, all machinery should be given a complete checking over at least once a year. This makes it possible to change or repair worn parts before they cause serious damage to other parts.

In checking a machine all the moving parts should be removed and thoroughly washed in gasoline to remove dirt and dust which mix with old grease to form a grinding compound. The bearings should all be removed, cleaned, and checked for wear, if worn they should be replaced. Any bent or broken parts of the machine should be taken down, straightened, repaired or replaced with new ones.

It is far cheaper to replace a bearing than to buy a new axle or other shaft, just as it is cheaper to repair a slightly used machine rather than to buy a new one at present day prices.

SAWMILL OUTPUT UP

Halifax (CP) — A forest department survey shows that Nova Scotia sawmill production increased 10¼ per cent over last year in the first seven moths of 1947. The mills turned out 211,567,000 board feet of sawn lumber in that period compared with 191,887,000 in the same period of 1946.

VOTERS INCREASE

Windsor, Ont. (CP) Windsor municipal 1947 voters' list contains more than 59,000 names, a city record. Last year there were 58,565.

Claims Flooding of Land Through Municipal Dam at Brownsburg

"In Brownsburg"
(Specially Contributed)

Brownsburg — A claim by Mr. H. Morrow, that the dam built by the municipal council to retain the water at a sufficient head to provide for the supply being adequate in dry season, was the cause of damage to his property at Dalesville — was discussed at the last council meeting in Brownsburg. Mr. Morrow stated that flooding had taken place, endangering the lives of his cattle, and the continuous depth of water around his timber stand had killed numerous trees. Councillor N. Somers rebutted that the amount of damage if any was very small, and that, while he was in agreement with the suggestion of the Mayor that a small token payment be made to compensate Mr. Morrow — he would like to point out that he was informed by one of the conservation forestry experts that fifty per cent of the Birch all over Canada was dying from some unascertained disease. Councillor Wilson agreed that the Birch had been ravished by disease, but he felt that water would not hurt trees; in fact trees required a lot of water. Mayor Legault said the council could not accept responsibility for any flooding. The council did not build the dam above the high water mark and were within their legal rights in doing anything that they did. Nevertheless, he would rather satisfy the claimant's request and was willing to grant Mr. Morrow the sum of $500 without prejudice to the legal position. Mr. Morrow stated his brother was part owner of the land in question, and he would have to consult him before accepting any compromise.

CAMERA GUILD FORMED

Halifax (CP) — Open to members of the three Maritime provinces and claimed to be the first such group organized in Eastern Canada, the Color Photographic Guild was formed here recently.

Christmas Edition — A Special Request

The Christmas edition of The Lachute Watchman will be published on Tuesday, December 23, to permit delivery in the district in time for Christmas Day. The annual greetings from local business firms will appear in this number, and in order to permit publication on the 23rd, the editor requests that all news, district correspondence and special advertising be sent as early in advance as possible.

HEALTHY SIGN

It is a healthy sign when ratepayers offer constructive criticism of municipal management. In fact members of municipal bodies wisely welcome suggestions and ideas; and organizations, whether they be municipal, church, service club, political bodies or other civic institutions, where everything goes along serenely are apt to become stale and dormant.

— Lindsay Watchman-Warder

FREE CATTLE HERD FROM DISEASE TOLL

B.C. Livestock Division
Expands Clean-Up Program

Victoria (CP) — Inonoaklin Valley, in the West Kootenays, is the only dairy farming area in British Columbia rated 100 per cent free from tuberculosis and brucellosis in its milk-producing herds.

Tests just completed on every animal in the valley showed a clean bill of health, Dr. W. R. Gunn, provincial livestock commissioner, has announced.

Immediate result of the announcement has been signing of new contracts for the valley's entire milk production at higher prices than previously prevailed.

There are now about 600 head in the area, which has potentialities for 1,500.

Freedom from disease has resulted from a clean-up program by the livestock division during the last few years. Cattle found to be infected were removed. The program is being expanded to clean up other districts. Department officials, worried by heavy calf losses in East Kootenay due to Vitamin A deficiency, are working on a feeding formula designed to remedy the situation.

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Danger of Thin Ice

THE BY-LINE, "Our District Correspondent", appears frequently in these pages above such items as the editor selects for their general value and public interest. This week our St. Andrews East contributor steps out of her customary role to offer some timely advice. We take liberty to transplant this paragraph in order to achieve (we hope) a wider effectiveness through this column. Commenting on the construction of a village skating rink, this correspondent hails it as "good news for parents and teachers, as there will be less temptation for children to use the river". To which she adds the following exhortation :

"— But make your protests and warnings about skating on too-thin ice, very practical. It is not enough simply to forbid it unless you promise to investigate conditions yourself. For the boy old enough and capable of swimming, will not realize the danger unless you ask him to step into a tub of cold water, and let him feel the weight of a wet, woollen sweater when you are washing one. Tell him it is foolhardy, and not brave or wise to risk one's life or the chance of a long siege of pneumonia, for an hour's pleasure. True, it would be really courageous to risk one's life across the ice in an emergency. But then use a long pole, so that, if you break through, the ends of the pole may hold on thicker ice. That is what the man does who first tests the river for crossing — and then only after several successive days of zero or sub-zero weather. Get someone who knows the river well in summer to show where the current is strongest, because there the ice may be worn from underneath or air pockets may have thinned the ice".

Festival of Song

CHRISTMAS has no more joyous by-product than the music it evokes.

Staid adults and squeaky-voiced children, choristers, professional musicians, and folks who normally can't be persuaded to sing above a whisper, unite in praise of the Child of Bethlehem.

An institution almost as old as Christianity itself, Christmas carols were sung in medieval times as parishioners danced around the symbolic crib in the church. Many of the carols, set to popular dance tunes, provided a precedent for "White Christmas" and other latter-day favorites.

The happiest of Christian festivals has always been an inspiration to composers and several present-day musicians have added to the repertoire with new carols composed in the traditional style. Others have re-introduced old tunes, long-buried on library shelves, which have taken their place along with the established favorites.

The enterprising youngsters who pick up pocket-money by going from door to door singing carols are following a custom that dates back to Norman times.

The carols themselves give glimpses of customs prevailing through the ages. The feasting of Norman times is reflected in the Boar's Head carol, while the familiar "Good King Wenceslas" recalls the early practice of Christmas charity by men of good will.

But most of the carols simply re-tell the familiar story of the Nativity, in English, French, German, Latin — all the tongues that have learned to sing the praises of the Christ Child, and to spread His messages of peace on earth.

These hymns of praise, common to so great a portion of mankind, constitute the greatest and most eloquent "peace-mongering resolution" in the world's history.

Bright Spot in Britain

LUXURY and living comforts in Britain may be at a low mark, but in certain aspects the overseas picture is more encouraging. One of these aspects is the industrial situation — judging at least from official government reports. Industrial disputes in Britain since V.E. Day have caused a loss on an average of no more than one hour and ten minutes a year per worker. The Minister of Labor stated in the House of Commons recently that only six and a half million working days had been lost because of industrial disputes (including all unofficial as well as official strikes) since May, 1945. Since there are, on an average, 18 million people engaged in United Kingdom industries, this is roughly equivalent to a loss in working time per worker of less than 3 hours over the two-and-a-half-year period, or one hour and ten minutes for twelve months. These figures appear in a still better light when contrasted with those for the corresponding period after the first World War. At that time 89½ million working days were lost — fifteen times more than the present post-war figures.

Election Probs

THE PRIME MINISTER'S hint of a general election, in the Commons last week, is not to be taken too seriously, it seems. This hint caused a minor sensation on Parliament Hill and a lot of newspaper headlines. But later in the week Liberal members of the Commons, following a caucus, predicted that international developments would be the guiding factor in what might transpire in federal politics.

These Liberals express the opinion that Mr. King, who was expected to retire at the national Liberal convention next August, now would not fix the date of his retirement until he was sure the international situation was on the road to improvement. They believe he would not feel his wartime task complete until he had seen definite possibilities of a lasting peace. . . The mandate of the King administration runs until 1950 and most Liberals believe there will be no attempt to renew it until the international scene clears.

That the international scene is a subject of concern was emphasized by Mr. King himself. Just returned from Europe, he told the Commons flatly that the situation in Europe now is more threatening than at any time since before the outbreak of the Second World War. He painted a dark picture of the Big Four foreign ministers' meetings in London and declared that the "deplorable" condition of France could be traced to Communist influence, directed from Moscow, which had been fomenting trouble and undermining progress. The aim of the Communists, said Mr. King, was to create unrest in continental Europe.

— So, if the election probabilities hinge upon settlement of the international chaos, it appears there is no immediate purpose in scurrying through the voters' lists.

A Housewife's Opinion On Debated Question – Import of Oleomargarine

TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir:

Judging by an advertisement in your paper last week, the dairy industry is on the brink of disaster and is being victimized by that big bully "the general public".

If oleomargarine is "definitely inferior to butter as a food" why should the dairy industry fear competition?

Canadian manufacturers do enjoy tariff protection — but one hears many complaints from "the general public" about the resulting higher cost of electrical equipment, cars, etc. Doubtless many people feel that U.S.-Canadian trade should be as free of restrictions as trade between our provinces. Certainly the Geneva trade agreements recently announced by Ottawa are a step in the right direction. Why should the dairy industry try to remain in the restricted, isolationist world of yesterday?

However, in speaking of tariffs, lower freight rates, etc., the advertisement is dealing in prices — not substitutes. The railroads did have to face the competition of substitutes — truck transfers and air freight — and they seem to have survived. "Industrial Labor" has faced and is facing the competition of increased immigration. Advertisements in the daily papers show that many of our precious American dollars have gone to import pianos, shoes, handbags, nearly all types of wearing apparel and household furnishings. These are all manufactured in Canada too, and our industries are still in business.

I doubt if the general public is "picking" on the dairy industry in particular. Complaints are about the increased living costs in general. Butter and milk are mentioned more because every family in Canada uses (or did use) them three times a day. They are staple foods, now on a "luxury level" for many people. Surely the veteran university student and his wife, the wage earners in the lowest income bracket, the various pensioners with their fixed monthly pittance, have long since found butter to be a treat enjoyed most sparingly. Why deny them a substitute?

The advertisement says: "There was no newspaper outburst about the recent further advance in gas prices, and this was the second advance in less than a year". The protest against this increase has been of lesser volume because gasoline is not a daily need in the diet of every Canadian. May I ask, has the price of butter increased only twice in the past year? Household accounts tell me otherwise. Has the price of gas almost doubled in the past year? I don't think so. Has the price of butter almost doubled in the past year? . . If an efficient, cheaper substitute for gas were available — but completely banned in Canada — would the dairy industry complain?

An official of the dairy industry was reported as saying the general public was to blame for the high cost of butter. If it is a case of insufficient supply, why should the dairy industry resent a partial filling of the demand with a substitute?

Does the industry fear a resulting over-supply of butter and falling prices? With the whole world crying out for food, surely they can dispose of the surplus "through the extension of credits" to "obtain better than domestic prices on their exports".

I believe Canada, at this time, is about the only country which still bans the production and sale of margarine. Does that mean the Canadian dairy industry is the only one in the world so weak that it cannot compete with margarine? If it is in such a precarious position, I am surprised they have not long since asked for the banning of shortening, which, like margarine, is made chiefly from vegetable oils.

I really don't think that margarine will prove very detrimental to the dairy industry. It would be a great help to all households—barely able to provide for the necessities of life these days.

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SCHOOL ATTENDANCE UP

Halifax (CP) — Provincial education department authorities stated that attendance in Nova Scotia schools has reached an all-time high of 88.7 per cent of enrolment for the term of 1945 and 1946. In 1876 the percentage was only 56 per cent.

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BIRTH

BEECRAFT — At the General Hospital, Toronto, on December 14, 1947, to Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Beecraft (née Dorothy Copeland), a daughter.

DEATH

IVALL — At the home of his daughter, Mrs. Walter Kilpatrick, Cote St. Gabriel, Que., on December 12, 1947, George Ivall, husband of Harriet Ruth Tatchell, aged 92 years. Funeral held December 14. burial in Mille Isles Cemetery.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

PROSSER — The family and mother of the late Mrs. George Prosser (Mary) wish to express to their many friends and relatives their heartfelt thanks for tokens of sympathy tendered during their recent bereavement. -1c

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Miss Nancy and Bess Marshall and Mr. Grant Robinson, of Montreal, were week-end guests of the latter's mother, Mrs. A. R. Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McGibbon, of St. Jerome, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. McGibbon recently.

Miss Aileen Fee, of Montreal, spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. C. G. Foreman and Mr. Foreman.

Mr. Banks Foreman spent Sunday in Montreal visiting his brother, Mr. Laddie Foreman, who is in hospital there.

Miss Mildred Brigden spent a few days last week visiting her brother, Mr. Ronald Brigden and Mrs. Brigden, in Longueuil.

The deepest sympathy of parishioners and many friends is extended to the Rev. and Mrs. Hawes in the loss of their only little son, Billy.

Arundel

Mr. Curl Staniforth spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Staniforth.

Mr. Fenton has recovered from his recent illness, and was able to take his usual place in the pulpit Sunday morning.

Farm Forums

Farm Forum Group No. 2 met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Scott on Monday evening. After the broadcast and discussion, the guests celebrated the birthday of their host, Mr. Scott. Good wishes were extended, after which the party enjoyed a card game. Refreshments were served, at which the guest of honor blew out the candles in the old traditional manner. Miss Ina Scott was a guest of the group for the evening.

Forum Group No. 4 met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Heron. Chairman for the evening was Mr. Melvin Graham, principal of Arundel School, and the subject under discussion, "A teacher's standing in the community and an adequate remuneration". At the close of the meeting refreshments were served by the hostess.

Women's Institute

The Arundel Women's Institute met in the church hall Wednesday evening, with the president, Mrs. Gordon Cooke, occupying the chair. At the conclusion of the business, the meeting took the form of a Christmas party, and gifts were exchanged. During the time following, Mr. Melvin Graham showed three films entitled "Thoroughbreds", "Loose Relations", and "Scotland Yard". The serving of refreshments concluded this enjoyable evening.

Christmas Party

A Sunday School Christmas party for the United Church children will take place Saturday afternoon, December 19. Weather permitting, the children will meet at 2.30 p.m. and will be treated to a sleigh drive, after which they will return to the church hall to greet Santa, who will arrive at 4 p.m. Supper will then be served. Those parents who have children of pre-Sunday School age, are requested to meet at the hall in time for Santa's arrival.

The drawing for the doll's bed which is being raffled by the Women's Institute will take place in Graham's General Store Friday evening, December 19.

Christmas Sunday will be observed in the Arundel United Church on December 21 at 10.30 a.m. Special Christmas music will be sung by the choir.

On Christmas Eve a midnight service will be held in the United Church beginning at 11.30 o'clock. Christmas carols will be sung, the Christmas messages will be read, and special music will be featured by the choir.

MOBBED FILM STAR STUDENTS PUNISHED

Paarl, South Africa (CP) — Tyrone Power's visit had a sequel in a Western Province town recently. A sports meet was held there and several scholars from a girls' school were not permitted to take part.

It then transpired that when the movie star visited the town, the girls concerned were among those who had mobbed the star and asked him for his signature. Their action was not considered becoming for schoolgirls.

SEASONAL SLUMP

Montreal (CP)—Volume of hotel registrations has dropped here during December. Hotel men say the drop is seasonal, adding that people don't take annual holidays at Christmas time because they want to be at home. For the same reason, few if any business conventions are held in December.

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Mrs. L. Kennedy spent a few days in Montreal this week.

Mrs. Wm. Nesbitt has returned home from the Montreal General Hospital where she was under treatment for the past two weeks.

Mr. Keith Seale and Leonard McCambley spent the week-end in Montreal.

Mission Band Social

The Mission Band held their social evening and sale of work on Thursday evening of last week, under the capable leadership of Mrs. C. S. Jamieson. The children entertained with an interesting program, after which Mrs. W. Malcolm, representative of the Mission Band from the Montreal Presbytery, gave an address to the children and entertained them with a story. Refreshments were served and games were played in conclusion

Women's Association

The Women's Association held their business meeting and social evening on Tuesday. The election of officers took place, resulting as follows: Mrs. Willis Seale, president; Mrs. H. Lacken, vice-president; Mrs. M. Dey, 2nd vice-president; Miss Doris Watchorn, secretary-treasurer.

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Vancouver (CP) — Karen Lindgren, Stockholm journalist, here on a tour of Canada and the Western United States for article material, said in an interview that Swedish women "are all for Canada" and are keen for information about this country.

Referring to numerous letters she has received since arrival on this side, she said: "The girls want to know how to come to Canada — what they could do here. The letters pour in.

"Canada was the unknown country before the war. Now all Sweden seeks information. English is now a 'must' in primary schools where once it was only for senior schools.

"The Swedish women are roughly divided into three sections. One group wants to know all about the picture stars and fashions; another goes for matters connected with the home — and then there are the teen-age group.

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Reviewing Grey Cup Sensational Football Final

By Fred Kerner

The snows of many a winter will cover the gridirons before the 1947 Canadian football final is forgotten.

It was a final — called the most thrilling in Grey Cup history, by men who've seen most of them — that was marked by a recalled touchdown, a touchdown that might have been illegal and a miscalled play . . all of which could have changed the whole complexion of the game and the history of the Cup.

The recalled touchdown certainly is the play that will be replayed from year to year when football comes into discussion. Whether the Winnipeg player, receiving the spectacular pass from a fake placement, was over the line of scrimmage or not will never be clarified to the satisfaction of many persons.

The one official who called it, saw it as an illegal pass; but some of the players on both teams thought it was legal and so did many of the crowd at the game.

The one Toronto touchdown that paved the way for Argos 10-9 victory over Winnipeg was thought to have been tossed to an illegal receiver — but there's no comment from any quarter. No one recalls just what did happen.

The miscalled play was the last of the game when Winnipeg's hero paved the way for Argos' 10-9 vic- the ball by making yards. Instead he lost it and Argos were able to kick the winning point at the whistle.

Sandberg claims he thought there still was three minutes to play — the scoreboard said so, for excited watchers working the board forgot to change the figures. But the one-minute flag had been up for some time . . Sandberg didn't see it.

Regardless of the outcome, it was a great team that came out of the west — everyone agrees — to try to wrest the cup away from Toronto.

It might be that Canadian football got the shot-in-the-arm it so badly needed from that Sandberg-led squad.

Block That Kick

Many are the football fans who have asked why more kicks aren't blocked, especially when the rules don't forbid one player standing Bob Sandberg attempted to keep the trick.

Actually that has happened. It took place in 1933 in the U.S. professional ranks. A Cincinnati player who was an expert acrobat worked out the play with a fellow backfielder.

He started to run towards his teammates just as the kick was about to set into motion, It worked all right — for only one play.

The trouble was that the man on the ground had his back turned to the play so that he'd be able to give his acrobatic friend a boost. That made him an easy target for the opposition to tackle, dumping the two-man pyramid block with ease.

The team overcame this by assigning two men to guard the sky-high combination and the Cincinnati team worked the play successfully several tmes during the season.

Why it never reappeared in football is hard to say. Especially in the Canadian game in which the single-point kick can be so damaging. Some smart coach ought to re-introduce the play.

LONG HAUL

Dawson Creek, B.C. (CP) — En route to Fairbanks, Alaska, from Pontiac, Mich., C. Wells passed through here driving a specially-built semi-trailer of two-deck type carrying four new automobiles over Alaska Highway. The loaded truck covered the 2,744 miles from Pontiac to Dawson Creek in eight days.

RADIO "HAMS" USEFUL

Lethbridge, Alta. (CP) — When George Truman and Clifford Evans, globe-girdling fliers, reached here en route to Los Angeles, a local radio "ham", George Peat, enabled them to talk to their families and friends there. The two received weather reports from Hollywood and Los Angeles on Peat's home-made radio set.

WOMAN PROSPECTOR PIONEER OF NORTH

Miss Mabel Fetterly Has Staked More Than 100 Claims

Swastika, Ont. (CP) — Driving horse teams and chopping cordwood do not appeal to most women. Miss Mabel Fetterly is no exception and she gave up these to become a gold prospector in northern Ontario.

That was in 1912 and now Miss Fetterly rates in the colorful tales of the north as one of the veteran prospectors who "made the grade".

With a high-powered rifle, a pick and a packsack heavily laden with provisions she set off for the north from here with a pack of hardy, gold-hungry prospectors. She didn't fare so well at first but with the help of experienced mining men she soon improved her geological eye.

Miss Fetterly has staked more than 100 claims and has made gold strikes on some of them. A number are now in operation.

When prospecting turned sour, she cooked in camps and once when a long trek failed to bear fruit she returned to Swastika to open a bakery in a tent. Miss Fetterly has a heart of gold as evidenced by her stories of prospectors who say she nursed them as efficiently as any doctor.

A crack rifle shot, Miss Fetterly can light a match at 25 paces and put out a cigaret at 50 feet.

She has settled down in Swastika but whenever old timers of the north meet, they always praise the adventurous spirit of Mabel Fetterly.

HUMAN POLAR BEAR

Peterborough, Ont. (CP) — Gavin Shearer lived up to his boast that he would be "last in" at the old swimming hole in Indian River near here. On November 29 friends bashed a hole in ice thick enough to hold a team of horses and before a crowd of 100 people Shearer dived in. The temperature: 20 above zero.

NEW LOOK

North Bay, Ont. (CP) — Should the well-dressed man carry two pairs of gloves when he goes for a stroll? This question was answered in the magistrate's court here recently when Joseph Sweeney explained a surplus of gloves in his pockets by saying one pair matched his overcoat, the other his scarf. He was found guilty of shoplifting.

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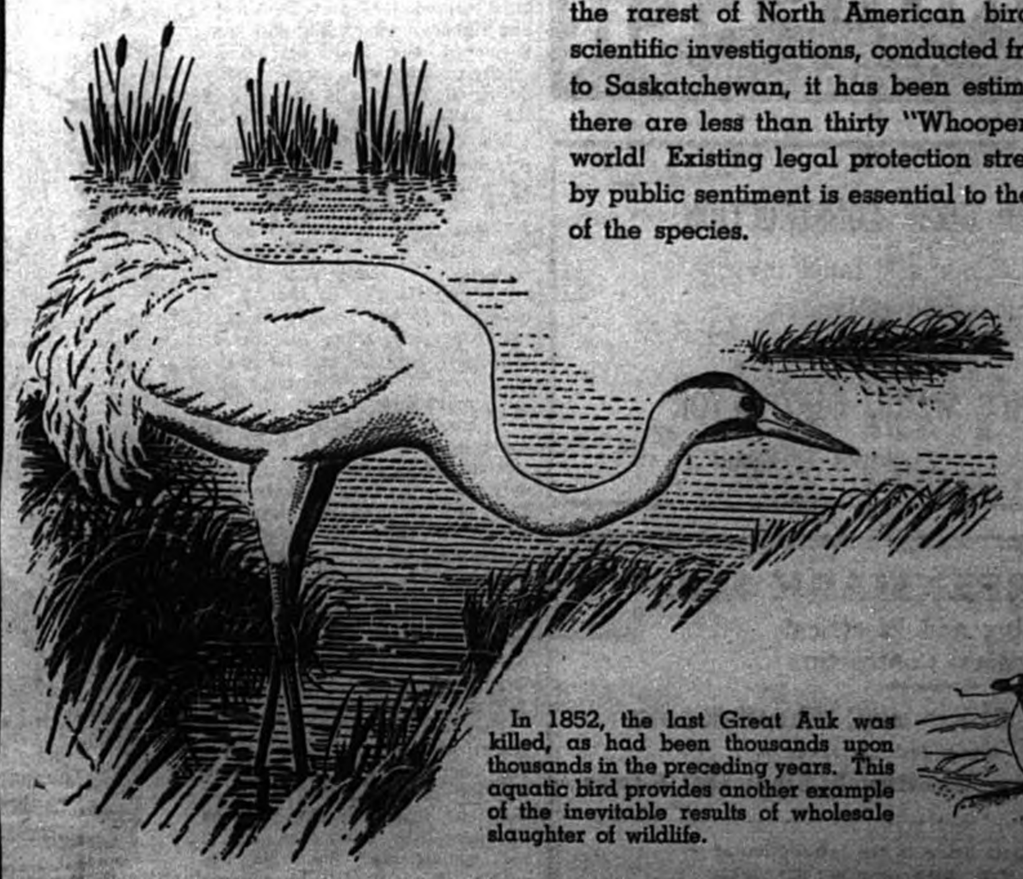

The spectacular Whooping Crane was once common in Canada and the United States, but in the last thirty-five years it has become the rarest of North American birds. After scientific investigations, conducted from Texas to Saskatchewan, it has been estimated that there are less than thirty "Whoopers" in the world! Existing legal protection strengthened by public sentiment is essential to the survival of the species.

In 1852, the last Great Auk was killed, as had been thousands upon thousands in the preceding years. This aquatic bird provides another example of the inevitable results of wholesale slaughter of wildlife.

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Vancouver (CP)—Theatricals and entertainment will go out of doors next summer with construction of a $5,000 stage at nearby Kitsilano Beach. Kitsilano Chamber of Commerce and the Vancouver park board have already raised $2,000.

PENNY-WISE DONATION

Climax, Sask. (CP) — When canvassed for a donation to the memorial hospital planned for this southwestern Saskatchewan village, John Goodman said he had a few pennies lying around. He arrived at the bank the next day with 3,160 of them.

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Aims of Scouting Told to Rotary

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hands of uncomprehending adults, rather than be false to their own code. The code of the teacher for instance is in favor of silence and safety and decorum. The code of the boy is diametrically opposite. It is in favor of noise and risk and excitement. Fun, fighting and feeding, these are the three indispensable elements of the boy's world.

These elements are basic. They are what boys are in earnest about and they are not associated with teacher or school books. According to public opinion in Boydom, to sit for four hours a day at a desk indoors is a wretched waste of time and daylight. Did anyone ever know a boy plead with his mother to be allowed to stay lying around the house? Certainly not! A boy is not a sitting-down animal. He is a boy full to the brim of fun and fight and hunger and daring mischief and noise and observation and excitement. If he is not, he is abnormal.

We need sympathy, derived from the Greek, meaning to feel with; often in the common problems of the boy regarding discipline. It is absurd to hold adult standards for boy conduct. We strive to make them come up to our point of view. It is not merely that we forget our own boyhood, we forget theirs as well. The gift of sympathy enriches and benefits the life of the person who bestows it quite as much as it does the person who receives it. Sympathy pays in happiness in a fuller sense of living and in an increased realization of the brotherhood of Scouts. Good work can never be expected from a boy without encouragement. Never miss the opportunity to give encouragement.

Activity is Aid to Discipline

The discipline of boys can be maintained by keeping them busy. They should have something to do that interests them tremendously, summer and winter. "Scouting for Boys" will supply this something. If we give ourselves and the youngsters time to think quietly, through periods of silence, many difficulties and problems solve themselves. We need discipline, whether old or young, and every person should realize the limits of his own liberty. We cannot go beyond the point where our liberty transgresses another's liberty.

People's individual rights insure the thing called "Democracy". There is an over-insistence upon high moral values which becomes boring to a boy. A boy does not have to be told over and over that he must be decent, truthful, fair to others and helpful. He will soon learn through living outdoors with other boys that he will be these things, or else! To the boy, Scouting is a game and one to be played to win. It is full of things the boy likes; its ritual, its totems, its birds and wild animals. Patrol Calls appeal to him, and a hundred and one boyish things different from the staid realities of adult life. In playing the game of Scouting, the boy is playing himself into the ability to do a man's work when the time comes. He is improving himself physically, mentally, socially and morally, and is making of himself the kind of man the community needs and welcomes.

This will be true because he will have learned to respect the desires and rights of others and will have developed the ideal of service through rendering service daily during his boyhood in the form of the daily "Scout Good Turn".

The training of boys is full of responsibilities.

We think of our school days and think we might have been better. Scouting makes boys come up to their ideals in every respect that is possible. Every part of the boy, every faculty of the boy is developed to the fullest. It is a very wonderful thing this Scouting. It has proved itself by stretching all over the world in a most marvellous fashion.

It has not been taken up by some great propaganda. It has stretched out by itself and it is the only one of the boys' organizations that has spread throughout the world. Scouting was founded on a thorough understanding of the boy's nature. Boy nature is divided into three periods: The period from eight to eleven, then from twelve to sixteen and from seventeen without limit at the other end. We call them Cubs, Scouts and Rovers.

They were not organized all together, they grew gradually, but they each have a different nature. The nature of the Cub is one of fictitious reality. The boy has had very little experience. He is not sophisticated, he tells lies openly. He is used to his parents and immediate family, but if a stranger comes in, he is full of observation. He knows it is no use to talk about real persons. He lives in a make-believe world. He does not believe that Kim and Baloo and Mowgli (in Kipling's Jungle Book) really talked. He knows he is safe, and that all the time they are not real, but it is a safe way of talking. He derives his lessons through these fictitious characteristics.

Next stage of the boy's nature is where they all turn to gangsters and heroism. They are gangsters by nature — they can be gangsters without being criminals. Every boy will tell you of his hero. They are familiar with the names and we supply the hero in the form of the Leader. They learn of authority from the Patrol Leader, just as the Cubs do from their Sixer and the Rovers from their Mate. We go on to the boy of sixteen. He sees many things to be put right. As a Rover he is full of enthusiasm and devotes his attention to service, etc. There was no one man in the wide world who knew Scouting better than B. P., but he got the best advice he could. The Patrol System is the distinguishing mark of the Scout method of training. If a troop is not run on the Patrol System, it is not a Scout troop, it may be excellent in many other respects. Mainly the training consists of two things:

The Promise:—

"I promise on my Honor to do my best,
To do my Duty to God and the King,
To help other people at all times,
And to obey the Scout Law".

The Cub Law is simple:—

"The Cub gives in to the Old Wolf,
The Cub does not give in to himself".

The Scout Law says that a Scout's Honor is to be trusted. A Scout is loyal, helpful, brotherly, courteous, kind to animals, obedient, cheerful and smiles under difficulties, is thrifty, clean. Besides the moral side there is the great mental training in the form of play.

The motto of Scouting is "Be Prepared". Every Scout is expected to anticipate emergencies and decide in his own mind what he would do if such and such a thing happened and do it.

"Good Turns" come in opportunities too numerous to mention.

The key activity of Scouting is woodcraft. The heroes of Scouts are the explorers, the backwoods and the frontiersmen. Anyone who has anything to do with boys and young men will realize that their greatest ambition is for adventure and romance and to do things, accomplish something for which they receive recognition. That is why B.P. carefully laid out a system of training, a ladder of achievement. The Scout who means business passes through the stages of Tenderfoot, Second Class and First Class, and eventually, if he has it in him, will become a King's Scout. There are seventy-six Proficiency Badges. From these he chooses his hobbies and frequently develops an aptitude that becomes a life work. Boys who are kept busy doing things they like, do not as a rule get into trouble. Scouts are not often found in our police courts; in Scouting we believe in biulding a fence at the top of the hill rather than a hospital at the foot. Good predominates in most boys and the higher you regard a boy the greater becomes his self-respect and the more worthy he thus becomes of your regard. It seems a case of "putting the cart before the horse", but, although it is a puzzling paradox, it is nonetheless a fact that if you act towards the average boy as if he occupied a more lofty moral position than he actually does, he tends to rise to that position.

I think I would like to give a few "Dont's". We are shy of saying "do not" in Scouting, but although we avoid it with boys, it is useful for ourselves.

1. Never hold a boy up as a pattern to his comrades.
2. Do not always appear to notice a fault or omission at the time; wait for a favorable opportunity for showing the boy that it has not escaped you.
3. Do not nag.
4. Don't keep boys standing about; free time is harmful.
5. Don't use sarcasm.
6. Never break a promise.
7. Be a square-shooter.

Personal example by the Leader is the soul of discipline. Loyalty to one's superiors creates loyalty to oneself on the part of one's own followers. Imagination is essential for making instruction novel and attractive to the boys. See things from the point of view of those under you.

A word to teachers and to those parents serving on Group Committees, or in any other capacity: It is of vital importance that you take your job seriously and attend meetings when called upon to do so and to back up the Scouters who are giving generously of their time for the good of the community and its youth. I am sure that teachers will endorse this emphasis. Anyone who is training youth has enough of a battle in their work; they have no time or energy to fight the indifference and carelessness of parents. Perhaps you will forgive a brief digression with regard to the particular value of Scouting in a bilingual province like ours — the need for closer co-operation and greater friendship between our English and French speaking population cannot be over-stressed, and Scouting is playing an even bigger part in bringing this fraternity about.

May I thank all who have helped in any way to get the present Group here started. I commend your good work and good Scouting.

The wealth of a land is not all in her mines,
Not all in her forests and farms;
A country's real worth are her women and men,
The strength of their minds and their arms.

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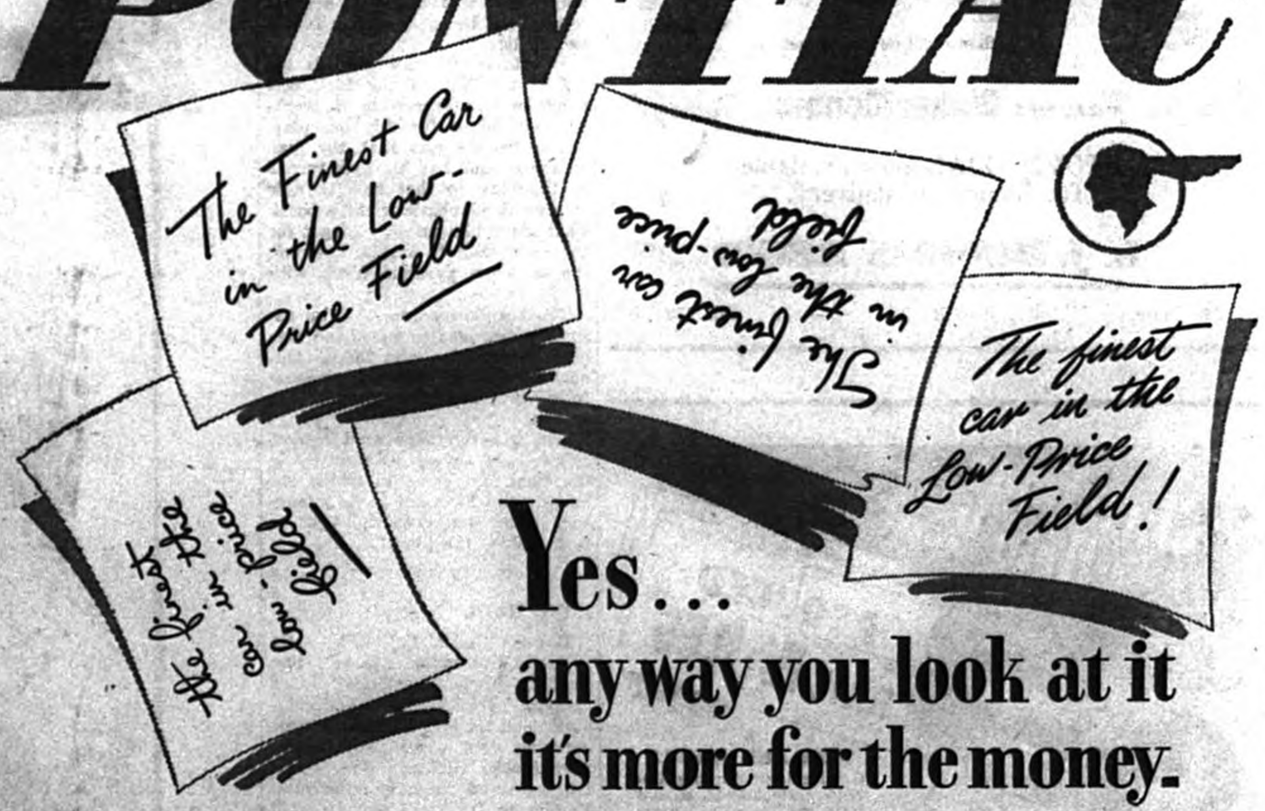

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Annual Meeting of Lakefield Auxiliary

Lakefield — The annual meeting of Holy Trinity Church Women's Auxiliary was held at the parsonage on Wednesday, December 10. The Rev. C. P. Baugh acted as chairman. Officers for the coming year are — Hon. presidents, Mrs. A. E. Mount, Mrs. Thos. McCambly; pres., Mrs. C. Baugh; vice-pres., Mrs. Geo. Peet; sec.-treas., Mrs. C. Dunn; U.T.O. secretary, Mrs. L. Legg; delegates to annual conference, Mrs. H. Neill and Mrs. A. Dawson.

Tribal Scenes in Mission Film at Saturday Night Rally

A colored sound film, "Tribe Hunting in the Jungles", will be shown by the Rev. Paul Fleming, director of the "New Tribes Mission" with headquarters in Chico, California — at the Lachute Baptist Church this Saturday night at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Fleming has just returned from a visit to the mission fields of Europe, and will relate some of his experiences and observations of conditions on that continent.

Besides the singing of the Christmas carols, the Rev. Fleming will be accompanied by a Gospel musician who will play and sing. Everyone is urged to see this unusual "up-to-the-minute" film depicting some of the mission fields of the world.

Lachute Baptist Christmas concert will be held this Friday, December 19, at 7.30 p.m. in McArthur's Hall. All are welcome.

A Watch-Night service will be held New Year's Eve at the Baptist manse, 47 Grace Street.

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CHURCH ANNIVERSARY

Winnipeg (CP)—Two recent Sunday services brought a total of nearly 1,000 worshippers to St. John's Anglican cathedral here to commemorate the 125th anniversary of the first church built on the site. The present structure is the fourth constructed on the site of the original building, which was the first church west of the Red River.

For Young Readers This Christmas

Here in a Toronto department store autographing copies of two popular books for children, many of which will no doubt turn up under the Christmas tree, are radio actress Beryl Braithwaite (left) and Mary Grannan, well-known children's story-teller of the CBC. The books are "Maggie Muggins" and "Just Mary", both by Miss Grannan. Beryl Braithwaite is the juvenile star of a weekly CBC drama series based on the 'Maggie Muggins' stories. On December 25, Miss Grannan is to broadcast her own version of the Christmas story, at 3.15 p.m. over a special CBC network.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Marion Slater, who has been on nursing duty in Montreal for the past month, returned home on Saturday. She was accompanied by Miss Isabel Kearns, who spent the week-end here.

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Mr. E. Emmett returned home on Tuesday from a two weeks' business trip to the Maritime Provinces.

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Hon. Gaspard Fauteux, Speaker in the House of Commons, was the guest on Sunday of Mr. Georges H. Héon, M.P., and Mrs. Héon. Mr. Fauteux attended the Knights of Columbus initiation ceremonies held here on that day.

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Among those who visited the city this week were Mrs. K. Campbell, Miss Bernadette Dallaire, Mrs. A. M. Vessie and son Ian.

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Mr. and Mrs. Nat Boyd and son Douglas were in Montreal to visit the former's mother, Mrs. Stuart Boyd, in hospital. Having undergone an operation at the Royal Victoria Hospital recently, Mrs. Boyd is now making a satisfactory recovery.

GIFT FROM ATHLONE

Ottawa (CP) — A new portrait of the Earl of Athlone, former governor-general of Canada, will shortly be presented to Government House as a gift from the Earl, it was learned from Henry Carr, British artist who painted the picture.

Mr. and Mrs. Gavin Walker and daughter Joan, with Mrs. Walker's brother, Mr. Bill Fish, of Montreal, leave today by automobile to spend the holiday season in the South. They will visit Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Fish, Mrs. Walker's parents, who are wintering at Clearwater, Florida.

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School Teachers Departing For Holidays

School closes on Friday, and many members of the staff plan on visiting their homes or relatives during the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. J. Royal intend going to Rawdon; Mr. and Mrs. A. Thompson plan on spending part of the holidays in Lennoxville; Mr. E. Morrison is going to Campbellton, N.B.; Mrs. Smith will visit with a sister in Waterville, Que.; Miss G. E. Styles is leaving for St. Stephen, N.B.; Miss E. Ness and Miss N. McClenaghan go to Masson and Mrs. S. Kerr plans on visiting relatives in Aylmer, Que. Miss V. Elliott, whose home is Saint John, N.B., plans to remain in Lachute for the holidays, and Miss P. J. Grainger is visiting her home in North Hatley, Que.

Miss A. Kirkland has been obliged to resign on account of ill health, making it necessary for the Board to find a replacement for the remainder of the school year. Miss Kirkland is leaving immediately for her home in Rothesay, N.B.

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7.30 p.m. Candle-Lighting Service conducted by C.G.I.T. groups.

2.30 p.m. East Settlement.

Monday, December 22 at 7.30 p.m., Christmas concert by the Sabbath School and Mission Bands.

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CHRISTMASTIDE SERVICES

St. Simeon's, Lachute
10 a.m. Sunday School.
Sunday, December 21 — 11 a.m. Carol Service.
Wednesday, Dec. 24, 11.30 p.m. Holy Communion.
Thursday, December 25, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
Services in Lachute Auditorium.

St. George's, Brownsburg.
11 a.m. Sunday School.
Sunday, December 21, at 7 p.m. Carol Service.
Thursday, December 25, at 9 a.m. Holy Communion.

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Sunday, December 21 at 11 a.m. Holy Communion.
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Friday, December 19, at 7.30, Christmas Concert in McArthur's Hall.

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10 a.m. Sunday School.

11 a.m. Christmas Sunday service, with the Sacrament of The Lord's Supper.

3 p.m. Brownsburg—Christmas Sunday Service. The Christmas Film, "A Saviour is Born", will be shown at this service.

7 p.m. Christmas Carol Service and showing of the Christmas film "A Saviour is Born".

Friday, December 19 at 5.30 p.m. Children's Supper and at 7 p.m., the Christmas entertainment by the Sunday School.

BROWNSBURG UNITED
Rev. S. J. Pike, Minister

10 a.m. Sunday School.

Carol Services at 11 a.m. and 7. Men's Choir to assist at evening service.

Christmas Tree, Friday, Dec. 19, at 7 p.m.

LAKEFIELD SERVICES
Rev. C. W. P. Baugh, Rector

Morin Heights	11 a.m.
Mille Isles	2 30 p.m.
Lakefield	7 p.m.
Christmas Day.	
Lakefield	10.30 a.m.
Louisa	3 p.m.
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On Parliament Hill

— By M. V. Trayers —

Last week's report concluded with the statement that, failing to pass unanimously the motion to devote only one day to debate on the speech from the throne, the motion was withdrawn. On Monday Mr. Mackenzie King renewed his effort to have this motion passed and amidst much opposition from the Progressive Conservatives and cries of "straight-jackets" and having "parliament manacled", the motion was passed on division. The debate was opened on Monday by the two new members to the house, Mr. J. Alfred Dion (Lake St. John-Roberval, Que.) and Mr. John H. Dickey (Halifax). Both members spoke in French and English, and received hearty congratulations from all parties. The Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Bracken, moved an amendment which was in effect a motion of non-confidence in the government, and during an exchange with the Prime Minister, Mr. King, said the last five by-elections were won by his party. "What about the sixth?" queried Mr. Bracken, to which Mr. King hinted it might be a general election. Later Mr. King elaborated — if there were an election Mr. Bracken would be disagreeably surprised.

One day was, however, not sufficient to dispose of all the party leaders had to say on the throne speech, so on Tuesday Mr. Coldwell resumed the debate. The C.C.F. leader wanted controls continued and quoted figures to support his contention that huge profits were made by merchandising, food, textile and lumber companies amounting to an increase of two and three hundred per cent, and in one case 522%, since controls were taken off. The leader of the Social Credit party, Mr. Low, was also in favor of controls that were exercised through the compensated price discount and the payment of subsidies.

Mr. Abbot wound up the debate for the present in a trenchant reply to the three opposition leaders, during the course of which the minister was repeatedly interrupted by questions. He did not favor controls, as controls were impossible without price and wage regulations — which were never imposed in a democracy unless there were a war on.

During the course of Mr. Bracken's speech the previous day, the Leader of the Opposition referred to the radio address of Mr. King from London and the address of Mr. Abbott fifteen minutes later on the same date. This is what he had to say: "In about fifteen minutes after the Prime Minister had finished, the new Jeremiah came on the air. I am not an authority on Biblical affairs but I understood that Jeremiah was the man who wrote the book of Lamentations. He was a prophet of gloom who prophesied, among other things, the coming of Nebuchadnezzar, the King. The modern Jeremiah went on the air and said, 'We've been telling you that Canada was in splendid shape, but we are finding now that that was all a mistake — that, as a matter of fact, she is in pretty bad shape. I am appointed to tell you what the decrees are that we have prepared behind closed doors to fix everything up'."

Mr. Abbot denied he ever delivered such a gloomy message, and quoted from his radio address: "The truth is that we in Canada have been living somewhat beyond our means during the last year or more — not beyond what we could afford if the rest of the world was restored to economic health, but beyond what we can afford in the world as it is today. We cannot expect to be completely prosperous when much of the rest of the world in which we live, and on which we depend for a large part of our trade, is just beginning to recover from the terrible destruction and dislocation of the war. . For most of us, this moderate measure of austerity will mean inconvenience, and for some it will create difficulty. But a problem of this magnitude cannot be solved painlessly."

During question period on Tuesday the Minister of Finance was asked if any consideration had been given to allowing the banks to cash war savings certificates. Mr. Abbott in reply said: "The whole question is still under consideration, but no final decision has yet been reached."

In the matter of Veterans' Affairs, the Right Hon. Ian A. Mackenzie stated in reply to a question that "the whole question of cost-of-living bonus as applicable to widows of non-pensioned veterans, burnt-out pensioners, and veterans on disability pension, has been studied now for two or three months by a cabinet committee". He was not yet in a position to state definitely when action or what action shall be taken.

Extra Trains for Holiday Traffic

Montreal — Extra trains will be operated in the Montreal and Ottawa areas to handle the anticipated heavy traffic over Christmas and New Year's, it is announced by Frank Fortier, district passenger agent of the C.P.R.

Fourteen special trains, four of them carrying parlor cars, are scheduled for the period between December 24 and January 1 on the Laurentian line.

On the north shore line between Montreal and Ottawa the railway will operate specials carrying buffet parlor cars, both ways, on December 24 and 31, leaving Montreal at 1.10 p.m. and Ottawa at 2 p.m.

Commentary on Olympics

By FRED KERNER

With all the wrangling that has gone on in the last year in regard to the Olympic Games slated to be held in Great Britain next year, it seems to this observer that much of the spirit of the Olympics has been lost.

The major dispute has been, of course, the problem of broke-time pay — remuneration to amateur athletes for the many long hours they spend away from their jobs. The holders-out for amateurism in its strictest sense obviously are putting the finger on good harmony, for which the intertwined circle Olympic flag stands.

These objectors are persistent in their refusal to accept the dictates of modern sport and have caused all the verbal fights among the Olympic committees.

The rumor that the games might have to be abandoned because of the delay in a return of normal conditions in Great Britain gave rise to a wise thought — that the officials of the Olympics spend the next four years in completely revising the interpretation of the amateur code, and bringing it up to date.

With the current wrangling, it almost seems as though there is little reason for the games to be held.

Australian cricketers, playing in the test matches in Great Britain are recognized as amateurs. Yet each player — who must be away from home several months — is given broken-time pay amounting to about $2,500.

And there seems to be no reason why this should not be. They are away from their homes and jobs for several months and someone has to pay the bills.

The interpretation of amateurism which is being argued by the reactionaries was acceptable to all not so very long ago — though why it remained through the late '20s and the '30s is hard to understand. That was a period of recession and money was a scarce commodity.

Possibly in 1896 when the games were formulated, there were a lot of amateur contenders around; men who could actually qualify and had no need for remuneration for the time they spent practising and participating.

It is, however, a far different matter now and if the Olympics are to mean anything and are to continue, then the amateur situation affecting athletes all over the world has to be clarified.

This seems the best time to do so.

Nature's Snowplow Used on Highways

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Winnipeg (CP)—Manitoba's highway engineers are going to team up with nature this winter — and in others to come — and let the wind clear the roads of snow.

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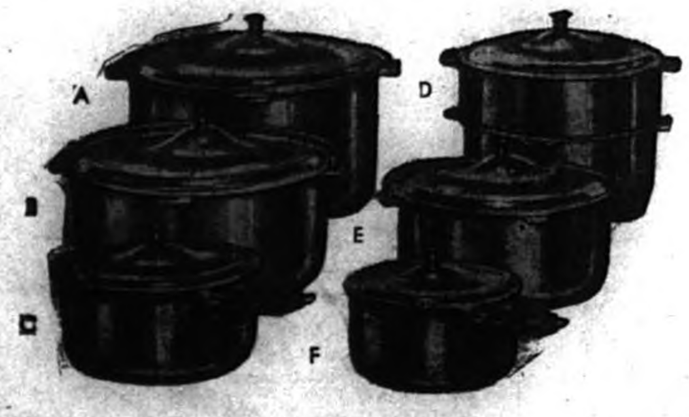

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Miss Margaret Canning, of Chateauguay Basin, also Mr. Geo. Drew, of Montreal, were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Canning.

Miss Elsie M. Graham, of Montreal, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Graham.

The Misses Cleland entertained St. Mungo's Ladies' Association on Tuesday afternoon of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Stalker, of Montreal, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Weir.

The Ladies' Association of St. Mungo's Church are holding their children's party in the Community Club room on Saturday evening

Mr. Stanley McKiddie and their daughter Margaret, also Mr. H. Phillips, of St. Andrews East, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dobbie on Sunday.

Avoca

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Evan Bates on Sunday were — Mr. and Mrs. Jos J. Bates, of Hawkesbury, Messrs. Elden Bates of Lachute and Evan Bates of Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Doherty have returned from a few days' visit to Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Smith, and Mr. Edward Smith and Allan Copeland, spent Monday in Montreal.

Mr. Edward Andrews met with a painful accident last week — now being under a doctor's care in Montreal.

Mr. Garnet MacLeod, of Montreal, spent the week-end with his parents.

The Rev. S. J. Pike will conduct the Christmas service in St. Andrew's United Church on Sunday, December 21, at the usual hour.

The Rev. and Mrs. Owen Prichard, of Montebello, were here for service at Mrs. Karr's on Tuesday evening last.

Mr. and Mrs. Sandy Bates, of Harrington, visited members of their family here last week.

Grenville

Mr. and Mrs. Chase, of Ottawa, spent the week-end with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Morrow.

Miss Vera Gauley, of Montreal, spent the week-end here with her father and sister.

Our sympathy is extended to the Rev. and Mrs. A. E. Hawes in the loss of their little son, whose death occurred last Monday.

St. Andrews East

Mr. and Mrs. Leighton York, of Outremont, occupied their cottage for the week-end.

Miss Kay Sinclair and Mr. Ronnie de la Ronde, of Montreal, spent the week-end with the latter's parents.

Other week-enders here were — Misses Helen Rayson, Marjorie Gates, also Leslie Gates, Russel and Lloyd Bryson, Robt. Robinson and Jack Entwistle.

Mrs. Ross Hyde, who was a patient in Dr. Smith's Hospital, Hawkesbury, returned home on Saturday.

Mrs. Lloyd Bradley is staying with her parents in Montreal while her husband is undergoing treatment at the Queen Mary Road Military Hospital.

Sister Marie Jean de Breboeuf (Obeline Order), eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Crevier, is on the staff of the Providence Hospital at Lachute, after many years' service in Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Romeo Hebert and two children, of Montreal, were week-end guests of the latter's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Leedham.

Skating Rink

A skating rink, under construction at the same location as last year, is almost ready for use. It is being financed by the Boards of the Protestant and Catholic Schools and by the Council. —Good news for parents and teachers, as there will be less temptation for the youngsters to use the river.

Christmas Tree Entertainment, Mission Band Activities

The Christmas tree entertainment for the Protestant Sunday Schools will be held on Friday evening, December 19, in the hall of the Presbyterian Church. The Mission Band are practising carols to sing on that occasion. . The Mission Band has been meeting since October on every second Monday, at the Consolidated School. The group is under the leadership of Miss Lamb, with Phyllis McLeod as assistant. At one meeting Jean Turner, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Turner, told about the Eskimo children who were her only playmates during the seven years she lived in the far north with her missionary parents. She sang in the Eskimo dialect.

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UNUSUAL HOBBY

Halifax (CP)—The fame of Nova Scotia handicrafts is once again being brought into the limelight. A recent issue of the School of Arts magazine devoted a full page to the unusual hobby of Rosamond Pipes, Amherst, and Mrs. R. Murray, Halifax, who spend their spare time creating dolls fashioned to the likeness of historic and storybook characters.

Morin Heights

Mrs. Melvin Dey returned from Montreal on Monday bringing her two children, Shirley and Ronald, home from hospital, where they had been under treatment for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Davis and daughter, Margaret, left last week to spend the winter in Florida.

Mr. Wm. R. Bell spent the week-end with his family.

Mrs. Robt. J. Seale, accompanied by her daughter Miss Joyce, was in Montreal for a couple of days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Marsdon and son, of Montreal, visited her father, Mr. Scott, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gillingham on Sunday.

Mrs. Millard spent a couple of days in Montreal recently.

Women's Institute

The Morin Heights Women's Institute held their annual Christmas party in the Red Cross rooms on December 9. A large gathering enjoyed the pleasant event. A special feature of the meeting was the presentation of life membership badges to Mrs. H. Lacken and Mrs. Robt. J. Seale.

Christmas Party

On Thursday evening the Mission Band of the United Church, under the leadership of Mrs. C. Jamieson, met at the United Church for their Christmas party. Games were played and refreshments served.

Christmas Tree

The annual Christmas Tree will be held in the Davis Hall this Thursday evening. The program is being sponsored by the teachers of the Intermediate School, Miss M. Ashton, Miss M. Smith and Miss E. C. Bell, with Mrs. Robt. J. Seale as pianist.

— Women's Interests —

Festive Touch for Holiday Meals

The hostess who is to enjoy the holiday week fully must have a few extra tricks up her sleeve, so that she can, with little extra effort, turn a simple meal into holiday fare.

Perhaps this may be done with a special garnish for the cold meat plate or by the addition of a crisp and colorful salad.

The home economists at Ottawa have ideas for colorful salad combinations.

Jellied Beet or Cranberry Salad with garnish of parsley or cress.

Apple and Celery Salad with some of the red skin left on the apple; garnished with green pepper and cranberries.

Moulded cabbage salad in green tinted jelly. Pour a little of the gelatine mixture into lightly greased moulds and arrange sliced cranberries to form a wreath. Allow to set before adding cabbage and the rest of the gelatine mixture.

Vegetable garnishes may be made ahead and kept cool for a day or so.

Vegetable Garnishes

CARROTS: Frills. — Wash and scrape or thinly peel large carrots. Make slits a quarter of an inch deep and a quarter of an inch apart, lengthwise, round carrot. Cut in paper-thin slices, and chill in cold water until the slices frill.

Curls. — Cut in paper thin shavings lengthwise from cleaned, scraped or peeled carrots. This is easy to do with a small vegetable peeler. Curl around the finger and chill in cold water. Thin shavings of turnips may be curled the same way.

CELERY: Celery Roses. —Separate stalks from bunch. Wash thoroughly. Fill with colored cream cheese or peanut butter. Replace talks as in original bunch. Wrap in wax paper, chill and slice in half-inch slices.

CAULIFLOWER : Flowerettes. — Wash head of cauliflower thoroughly, separate into flowerettes. Chill. Sprinkle flowerettes with paprika or dip into sandwich spread.

Jellied salad will keep several days and will give that added touch when occasion demands.

Holiday Salad

20-oz. Tin tomato juice, 1 teaspoon Worcester sauce, 2 teaspoons lemon juice, salt to taste, 2 tablespoons gelatine, ½ cup cold water, 2½ cups diced, cooked potatoes, ½ cup diced celery, 1 tablespoon chopped green pepper (optional), 1½ tablespoons chopped onion, salt and pepper, mayonnaise or salad dressing to moisten.

Combine seasonings with tomato juice, heat to boiling, add lemon juice. Meanwhile soak gelatine in cold water then add to boiling tomato juice. Oil or grease a flat bottomed round mould, put in half the tomato mixture and allow to set firmly. Arrange on this the potato salad, cover with remaining, partially set tomato jelly. Chill till firmly set. Unmould to serve. Eight servings.

Apple Juice Salad

2 Tablespoons gelatine, ½ cup cold apple juice, 1¾ cups apple juice, ¼ teaspoon salt, 1 tablespoon sugar, 1 tablespoon vinegar, ½ cup finely chopped celery, 1 cup chopped apples, 2 tablespoons finely chopped green pepper, ½ cup finely chopped peanuts.

Soak gelatine in ½ cup cold apple juice for 5 minutes. Heat remaining apple juice to boiling point, add soaked gelatine and stir until dissolved. Add salt, sugar and vinegar, blend well, When mixture begins to set, fold in remaining ingredients. Pour into moistened moulds and chill until firm. Unmould on salad greens and garnish with apple wedges. Crackers sprinkled with grated cheese and toasted go especially well with apple salads. Six servings.

100 Cows Are Value Of Royal Zulu Bride

Pretoria, S. Africa — Zululand has had a Royal wedding (states a special despatch to the Montreal Gazette). The bride, Esther Calalimi, daughter of the last Chief Solomon, was unable to get a reproduction of the British Princess' bridal dress so she bought a white satin gown for $400.

As was the case in London, the bride held the higher rank at the ceremony, for the bridegroom, Bhekubukosi, son of Chief Mhlangaswa, belongs to a relatively minor tribe.

Although the principals and their guests wore western garb, native traditions were respected. The bridegroom paid 100 head of cattle for his bride. Oxen were roasted whole and there was dancing by warriors in feathers and leopard skins.

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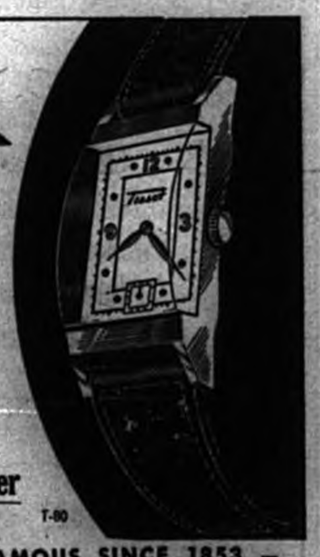

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DELIVERED.
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IDEAL CHRISTMAS GIFT. — A year-round magazine is always an acceptable gift. Write for complete list of publications.—J. F. Gorman, P.O. Box 465, Lachute. -x

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FOR SALE — 6-dwelling apartment house, recently built, east end of Robert Street. — O. Hotte, 84 Bédard Blvd., Lachute, phone 564. -xc

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Report New Poison For Orchard Pests

West Summerland, B.C., Dec. 10 (CP) — British Columbia fruitgrowers are looking forward to bugless orchards as the result of recently concluded experiments at the Dominion Entomological Laboratory here.

A new poison with which to battle the red mite, foremost orchard pest, has been developed to supplement DDT, known as a killer of every other predatory insect.

Dr. James Marshall, director of the laboratory, said the new insecticide, monoethanolamine dinitrocyclohexylphenolate, has been through six years of experimentation and was used successfully by a number of growers in the South Okanagan district.

DDT, while killing bugs other than red mite, also killed bugs which formerly preyed on them, placing them ahead of the coddling moth as number one orchard enemy.

Successful merchants know that newspaper advertising brings results.

Lost & Found

LOST — Sunday, December 14, lady's Solar wrist watch, between Rex Theatre and Robert St. Finder please return to 58-A Robert St. or to Box 503, Lachute Post Office. Reward. -1p

PERDUE — dimanche, 14 décembre, montre bracelet Solar pour dame, entre Théâtre Rex et rue Robert. Si trouvée, retournez à 58-A rue Robert, ou case postale 503, Lachute. Récompense. -1p

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WELL DRILLING — Anyone in need of a drilled well, place your order now. — B. Campbell, The Driller, Box 11, Chesterville, Ont. xc

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Night and day service.
Phone 654-R evenings
ARRANGEMENTS FOR WEEK-END TRIPS.
E. R. Duncan -1c

Tenders

TENDERS — to supply 100 cords of two-foot Birch and Hard Maple Body Wood to the Chatham Consolidated School at Brownsburg, will be received by the undersigned up to 7.30 o'clock in the evening of December 29, 1947. The wood to be piled on the grounds of the school at Brownsburg, on or before the first day of March, 1948. Lowest, or any tender, not necessarily accepted.

— G. Scudamore, sec-treas.
School Trustees,
D18.2c Brownsburg, Que.

Lachute Outclasses Hawkesbury 6-3

BROWNSBURG TO MEET ST. PLACIDE TONIGHT

"AT THE ARENA"
By John Dunne

The Lachute hockey squad started off the 1947-48 season by copping the first game of the Quebec-Ontario League in an encounter with Hawkesbury on Tuesday evening. The locals, although taking a total of 13 minor penalties totalling 26 minutes in the box, seemed to have enough in reserve to outlast the Ontario boys. Both teams performed well for so early in the season, and the work of 15-year-old Maurice Pilon in the Lachute nets was a stellar show. He is an acrobatic goaler on the same style as Frank Bedard, who is at present on the convalescent list.

Frankie will be ready to go in the nets again after New Year's and will be out to win his goaling position all over again. The locals will meet the rejuvenated St. Jerome team this coming Saturday in the last scheduled league game until after Christmas.

There will be skating at the Arena in the afternoons and evenings throughout the holiday season.

This column will be resumed after New Year's with up-to-the-minute reports and comment on the games.

The Arena Annual

The Third Arena Annual will be off the press this week, and the hockey and skating enthusiasts will find this publication of continued help throughout the season.

The main editorial deals with the timely topic of Olympic Games, and is prophetic in the present furore of Canada's hockey representatives.

Another new feature attached to this Annual is the contest for a K & M Speed-Mix, this electric machine being on display at the Arena box office.

Wanted To Buy

WANTED — pair of boy's skates and boots, size 1, good condition. — Phone Lachute 340-M -1c

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Vide Sac Montée winter fence will be sold on December 20 a 1 p.m. Fence to be sold on the premises.

— By Order, Fred Desjardins,
-1p Road Inspector.

Notice:

This is to inform the public that from January 1, 1948, I am no longer connected with the firm of Northland Automotive Equipment Reg'd, 47 Main St., Lachute, and that all commitments made by me prior to this date are hereby cancelled.

(Signed) Andrew Cleland,
R.R. 1, Lachute, Que.
D24-2p

Businesses for Sale

FOR SALE — grocery store including residence, in Lachute. Phone 697. D25-2p

"BOLODROME" For Sale :

Good operating business on Main Street, Lachute; 8 alleys, restaurant, kitchenette, etc.

— Apply Proprietor,
104 Bedard Blvd., Lachute.

Snow-Loader in Demonstration

Demonstration of a snow-loader operating on a new principle, was featured here Wednesday afternoon by Northland Automotive Equipment, Lachute. The loader, mounted in front of a 3-ton truck, was put to work on the central section of Main Street, and removed an appreciable pile of snow in an hour's demonstration. The operation was viewed by town officials from Lachute, Brownsburg and neighboring centres, and by many interested spectators.

Operated from the cab by the driver, the scoop — capable of handling ½-yard of gravel or sand, or 2 yards of snow at each lift — raises its load vertically over the cab and deposits it into the truck box. The truck then dumps its load automatically where required.

It is stated by the agents here that this equipment, only two months on the market in Canada, is creating a highly favorable impression.

COMING EVENTS

Notices of Entertainment, Concerts or Meetings, etc., 10 cents per line each insertion. Minimum 50 cents. If billed 60 cents.

DANCE

At McArthur's Hall on Saturday, December 20. Come and bring your friends for a good time. Music supplied by Legault's Orchestra. Adm. 50c. — Sponsored by Lawrence Ward and George McKenzie. D18-2p

CHRISTMAS TREE ENTERTAINMENT

The Maple Avenue Baptist Sunday School intend holding their Christmas Tree entertainment on December 22 at 7.30 p.m. Silver collection. Everybody wlcome. N27.D18-1c

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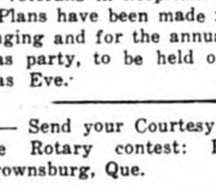

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Buy Christmas Seals !

CHRISTMAS TREES for sale — delivered.

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Brownsburg Girl Guides

Brownsburg — The local Girl Guides company have been making a special effort to do their "good turn" for Christmas. This included — toys collected for children's hospitals; stuffed animals made for the Red Cross; and also some local welfare work.

At the last meeting the Guides made 12 lbs. of candy to be sent to veterans in hospital.

Plans have been made for carol-singing and for the annual Christmas party, to be held on Christmas Eve.

— Send your Courtesy letter to the Rotary contest: Box 190, Brownsburg, Que.

Notice to Householders

The town water supply may be turned off for repairs next Monday and Tuesday nights between the hours of 11 p.m. and 5 a.m. Householders please make provision accordingly.

1c — Robt. Todd, town officer.

Your investment in TB prevention pays dividends to the whole community. Buy Christmas Seals. Each sheet is a block of shares in healthful living.

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Deanna Durbin, Tom Drake
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Albert Dekker, Catherine Craig
THE PRETENDER
Also a Selected Short

A Timely Suggestion

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MERRY CHRISTMAS 1947

To our Readers, Contributors and Advertisers

Sincere Christmas Greetings

The Watchman - Publishers & Staff

Carol Concert Strikes High Note In Audience Appeal

The Christmas carol concert held by Lachute High School Glee Club last Thursday evening in the Auditorium was about the finest presentation ever given by this group since its inauguration a few years ago. After many weeks of hard work on the part of the choir and its leader, Earl Morrison, the results proved their efforts highly justified.

The Glee Club, under the baton of W. Norman, choir director and organist of St. James United Church, Montreal, with Mr. Morrison at the piano, really excelled itself in the rendition of carols of international origin.

The first group of English, French and Ukrainian selections—"Deck the Halls with Boughs of Holly", "Il est né" and "Carol of the Bells" — proved popular with the audience, and the last item, sung unaccompanied, seemed to bring out the best from the choir.

Guest soloist of the evening was Arthur Perlin, of Montreal, who has assisted the Club on other occasions, and his renditions of "I Hear a Thrush", "Morning" and "From the Land of Sky-Blue Water", won warm acclaim.

The second group of carols by the choir included "Good News from Heaven" (German) "The Coventry Carol" (English), and "Silent Night" (German), and Mr. Norman followed with two piano solos. The junior choir of the school, under the direction of Miss Elva Ness, then gave three selections of popular carols in two-part arrangements; their efforts brought forth enthusiastic applause and appreciative comments.

A second group of tenor solos by Mr. Perlin included the favorite classic, Handel's Largo.

On several occasions during the program, the audience had a chance to join in the group singing of well-known carols, and the response was hearty.

Three selections by the girls' chorus were also well done, and during the evening scriptural stories of the Birth of Jesus were read by students.

A fitting climax of the program was the rendition of the Christmas classic by Clement Clark Moore, " 'Twas the Night before Christmas", in a breezy and descriptive musical number, which gave the right musical atmosphere to these favorite Yuletide words. The choir responded excellently to the direction of Mr. Norman, and Mr. Morrison at the piano seemed to lend the color necessary in the changing moods and rythm.

The program closed with the national anthem, after which, the Glee Club presented Mr. Norman and Mr. Morrison with tokens of appreciation for the time and effort given in the production of this concert.

A decorative program sheet was distributed at the door, being creditably executed by the art class, under supervision of Miss Gladys Styles.

Open Verdict in Grenville Death

At the Desforges funeral parlors in Grenville recently, jurymen reassembled to render decision on the death of Willam Rodger Densmore, who was killed on the night of July 12 last in a hit-and-run incident at Grenville.

The inquest held following the victim's death was adjourned pending investigations by the police to discover identity of the driver who had struck the man. On instructions from the Attorney General's department, Coroner Jules Lafleur, M.D., reconvened the inquest recently, and the jurors gave their decision as an open verdict — holding an unidentified driver responsible for the man's death.

REBIRTH OF SPIRIT

Without rebirth of the spirit in men and nations, the Marshall plan can only prolong Europe's suffering. It can only float a little longer on a flood of dollars the grim effort, relentless privation and stern legislation which are not, and never will be, an adequate substitute for a flood tide of initiative and inspiration.

— Malartic (Que.) Star

"Seals" Campaign Attains Figure Double That of '46

The Christmas Seals campaign is meeting with outstanding success, according to this week's report from the district chairman, Dr. L. Turcotte, county health officer. The total amount subscribed to date is $1,300.37, which is more than double the sum collected last year. The total for the week ending in December 20 is $893.27.

Dr. Turcotte wishes to point out that, whereas the public were requested to forward their contributions before December 15, the books will not be closed for at least another two weeks.

Any contribution, regardless of the amount, will be gratefully received until the end of the month, or possibly to the end of the first week in January. The chairman feels there are still many people who would like to play their part in this important work.

The committee wishes to express appreciation to Ayers Limited and the Argenteuil County Council for their generous contributions of $230 and $200, respectively. Lachute High School is also deserving of special mention. Through wholehearted cooperation of the principal, F. H. J. Royal, who enlisted the support of the pupils, a net amount of $156.12 was raised — constituting almost 60% increase over last year from this source. Grade X pupils contributed personally $8.16, and Grade XI $10.50. Among other special names are—Lachute Lumber Co'y, $10; Wesley Wilson, Brownsburg, $5; counter sales at the Bank of Nova Scotja, St. Andrews East, $5.

A list of subscribers since last reporting in The Watchman, appears elsewhere in this issue.

More D.P.'s Arrive

Hon. Humphrey Mitchell announced the allocation of 856 men and women from the Displaced Persons Campa of Germany, who arrived in Halifax on December 12.

The occupational breakdown is as follows:

Domestics, 109; garment workers (mostly for employment in Toronto and Montreal), 82; miners (for Northern Ontario and Quebec mines), 230; railroad maintenance workers, 175; heavy labor Ontario Hydro developments (Chalk Fiver, Ont.), 92; near relatives, 168. (Under the movement of Displaced Persons to Canada, provision is made for residents of Canada who have relatives in many parts of Europe to arrange through the Immigration Authorities for them to come to Canada, provided they are in good health and of good character.)

Household Science Group Visits Mills

Twenty-seven students of the fourth-year Household Science class at Macdonald College, witn their class teacher of textiles and clothing Miss M. Jenkins, and Dr. Margaret McCredy, director of Household Science at the college, visited here recently and found much to interest them in a two-hour tour of inspection at the Ayers Ltd. mills.

The party were afterwards welcomed at Lachute High School by a group of Women's Institute ladies, and entertained by them at the St. Simeon's Church supper and bazaar in the Margaret Rodger hall.

3 Farm Forums Report Meetings

At the Jerusalem-Bethany Farm Forum meeting last Monday, deliberating on the subject "Community Action", it was decided to approach the Local Farm Forum Council to try to get some help for the parish in the matter of a ditching project.

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At the North River Farm Forum meeting on this date, projects suggested for community action included — winter roads; artificial insemination; pasture improvement; combatting the warble-fly pest; and, with government assistance, the formation of Bang's Disease control area, including also mastitis in cattle.

In order of importance this latter project was given priority, with winter roads next worthy of consideration.

The meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Peters, in Lachute.

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Farm Forum Group No. 4 at Arundel met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. Davis last week. The theme of the meeting was "community planning", and after deciding that the most pressing need in the community was a new school house (the plans of which are already under way) the meeting voted the next pressing need was the study of ways and means of suppressing the destructive warble fly. The secretary, Mrs. Henry, was instructed to write and get information as to the method used to combat this menace. The meeting was brought to a close with the serving of refreshments by the hostess. On Monday, December 22, there will be a rally in the church hall of all the local forums.

Agricultural Soc'y Names Directors And Committeemen

At a special meeting of the directors of the Agricultural Society, held on Saturday, December 20, the following officers were named for the year 1948 :

President, J. H. Black; vice-president, C. Tremblay; secretary-treasurer, Alex Bothwell.

Horse Committee — Gilbert Arnold, chairman.

Cattle Committee — Erskine Rodger, chairman.

Sheep, Swine, Poultry and Rabbits Committee — W. H. Robert, chairman.

Finance Committee — C. Tremblay, chairman.

Advertising, Attractions and Space Committee — E. K. Wilson, Chairman.

Grounds and Buildings Committee — J. H. Black, chairman.

Races Committee — James McKimmie, chairman.

Reception Committee — A. G. Munich (County Warden), chairman.

Junior Agriculture Committee—J. P. Fleury, chairman.

Gates and Police Committee — Theodore Murdoch, chairman.

The following dates were set for the 1948 Spring Fair — June 16, 17, 18 and 19.

Two Business Firms Victimized By Thieves

Thieves broke into the premises of two business establishments here last Friday night and made a substantial haul. At the Farmers' Supply Co. building on Foundry Street, goods to the estimated value of $2,000 were taken, and during the same night the Lucien St. Jacques builders' supply establishment was robbed of materials valued between $400 and $500, besides $20 in cash.

In the Foundry Street robbery, the thieves gained entry by a window in an unoccupied blacksmith shop at the rear of the warehouse. From the store, goods including cartridges, guns and three radios were removed; the haul also included a milking machine.

Losses at the St. Jacques establishment included a number of quality paint brushes and other removable wares. In this case the marauders entered the premises through a side window into the office.

Provincial police took over the investigation, two detectives and a fingerprint expert being despatched from Montreal headquarters. However, although there was evidence the miscreants had attempted to break into a safe, it appeared they had worked with gloved hands, and there was no clue to their identity in this respect. The investigation is continuing.

Christmas in the Store Windows

There is no lack of the Christmas atmosphere in Lachute, as storekeepers approach the climax of a busy shopping season, and anticipate the anti-climax of slack days to follow. Right now, however, the shopping sections are a hive of activity.

Merchants, without exception, have introduced decorative themes in their windows and interiors. . . Following a mark of originality set last year, Bédard Ltée on Main Street again features an arresting window display of local appeal. In the Christmas season of 1946, this store featured a model layout of Main Street. This time the display shows replicas of all the town churches, set in snowy surroundings, and in the background a medieval figure appears in a belltower tolling the Christmas chimes. Harmonizing with this theme, a loudspeaker placed in the entry may be heard playing seasonal records from the store's music selection. . . The realistic models in the window were constructed by Geo. Donaldson, of Brownsburg.

While there is no community Christmas tree in sight, many of the stores and business places have brightly illuminated trees. One of the most striking of these is erected over the facade of the Rio Theatre. Blue illuminations on a tree outside the Assaly residence, Main Street, also attract passing attention, and a spectacular Christmas tree appears near the entrance of the Ayers Limited plant at the western extremity of the town.

Store interiors are equally attractive. John McFaul & Son strike a new note in tree coloring, with a series of Christmas trees spray-painted in blue. New cabinets and fixtures in these premises also give a distinct advantage to the displaying of Christmas goods.

Many other retailers have put commendable effort into their decorations, and the result is an up-and-coming aspect to the entire business community.

In the Municipality of Big Stick, Sask., in the vote for reeve there are 210 possible votes, and it ended up with Albert Jaster and Walter Melrose each getting 105 — the winner was pulled out of a hat.

Lions Club Holds Christmas Party For Town Kiddies

A well arranged program was presented at the Rio Theatre this afternoon (Tuesday) by the Lions Club for the children of Lachute.

Through the generosity of Lion Angelo Fassio the Rio Theatre was made available for this party, which was held between 3.15 and 5 p.m. The entertainment opened with suitable moving pictures and lantern slides depicting Christmas novelties. A marionette show under the caption of Punch and Judy was staged by Montreal artists, and a sing-song was enjoyed by the boys and girls, the singing being both in English and French.

The final highlight was the appearance of Santa Claus, who descended down a large chimney which had been erected on an attractively decorated stage. At the conclusion of the program gifts were distributed to every boy and girl present, as well as a treat of candy.

The number of children entertained was in the vicinity of 500, and the enthusiasm displayed by the youngsters gave sure indication of the success of the party.

Fire Chief Warns Of Holiday Hazards

Special precaution against fire hazards at this season is urged upon the local public. Fire chief Geo. Y. Deacon cites the particular danger surrounding Christmas trees.

There is no such thing as a fireproof Christmas tree. Quoting advice of the Province of Quebec Safety League, Chief Deacon recommends that the tree be kept outdoors until needed. . . Then cut the base, at an angle, at least one inch above the original cut. Set it with the base in water. The tree will "drink" steadily. Keep water in the receptacle at a level above the tree cut. This will keep the branches from drying out.

Set the tree as far as possible from any radiator, stove or other source of heat. Turn off the tree lights before retiring or leaving the house.

Keep all decorations away from light bulbs and sockets. When the tree starts to shed its needles, it has become dangerously dry. When this occurs, take down the tree.

Great danger lurks in using strings of electric lights that have done service before, unless they have been thoroughly examined and tested before being put up. The wire should be carefully inspected for worn parts in the insulation or outer cover. If a worn place is discovered, friction tape wrapped around it will help to prevent accidents. Often cords become worn where they enter the plug. The wire must be removed, wrapped separately with tape, and re-connected.

Without care, the kindliest of people may be setting a danger trap for their childen. Christmas decorations generally are made of inflammable material, and it is courting trouble to have a naked light anywhere in the vicitity. Lighted candles in paper lanterns, or an improperly insulated string of electric lights, may prove beacons of danger. With children romping about in their finery, the greatest care must be exercised.

No Midnight Shows For Quebec City

Quebec — The Quebec section of La Ligue du Dimanche (Sunday Observance League) announced that no midnight shows will be held in Quebec City either Christmas or New Year's.

A league statement said managers of entertainment houses had decided against holiday midnight shows and added:

"Quebec will finally enjoy an atmosphere truly worthy of Christmastide".

At Christmas play, and make good cheer,
For Christmas comes but once a year.
— Tusser

Christmas *approaches . . its spirit permeating every nook and cranny of our lives . . surrounding every humdrum association with its mystic charm. Comes the soft sentiment of kindliness, the attitude of charity, to humanize the routine which too readily steels us into creatures of mere efficiency.*

The cold calculation, the selfishness and distrust, unconsciously injected in our daily doings — are they necessary, are they helpful to our personal aims, or constructive to the common weal? Christmas proves it otherwise. How much more charitably, more cheerfully, more amicably our affairs proceed — yet suffering no detriment to progress, for all the mellow sentiment of Christmastime.

Here, then, is the moral of the season — simple as the Birth which this glad time commemorates — real and compelling as Christ's example to all men. With tolerance and understanding let us perpetuate the Christmas spirit, in every day and hour that follows.

Seasonal

FARM TOPICS

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Seasons's Greetings to Friends and Readers of the Farming Community !

— Sincerely, E. H. PETERS.

A Balanced Ration For Cows — Different Food Ingredients

— James Henry, in the Ottawa Farm Journal

What constitutes a balanced ration for a dairy herd. Basically it is a ration consisting of the different food ingredients necessary to carry on the complete work of a productive dairy animal. The principal food ingredients are protein, carbohydrates and fats.

Of the three, protein is considered the most important. The percentage of protein is comparatively small in most plants. The only source from which animals can procure this protein is the protein of food. The value of the food turns very largely on the protein it contains.

Protein enters largely into the composition of the bones, muscle, lean meat, blood, skin, hair, and the larger part of other tissues of the body. Since these are the tissues that largely determine the vigor and quality of the animal, and since they are formed rapidly in the early stages of growth, a ment demands an abundant supply of protein food. No other element can take the place of protein.

Feed Contents

Protein is found in almost all feed, but especially large quantities in alfalfa, clover and pea hay, bran, cottonseed, linseed and gluten meals, also in nearly a pure form in lean meat, the white of an egg and curd in milk. No other element can take the place of protein.

The other two substances supply heat to keep the body warm, fat to be stored in the tissues as body fat, or put into milk as butter fat, and energy to keep up the functions of the body. The carbohydrates are present in large quantities and in nearly all grains, such as corn, wheat and barley, and in corn fodder and timothy hay, in the form of starch. In other plants such as sorghum and sugar beets, it is found in the form of sugars. The fats are found in varying quantities in all common grains.

All properly balanced rations must contain protein, carbohydrates and fat, and no amount of carbohydrates or fat can take the place in the body of protein. A cow secreting milk must produce substances in the milk of each of these classes. In 100 pounds of average milk we find about 3.3 pounds of protein in the form of casein (curd) and albumin, 5 lbs. of carbohydrates in form of milk sugar, 4 pounds of fat in form of butter fat. These three kinds of solids must be present to furnish them in the feed in sufficient quantities and in about the right proportion, so there will be no loss. When this is done, the ration is properly balanced.

Larger Yield

If a cow be supplied with sufficient material in her feed to produce 30 pounds of milk per day, but on account of lack of protein produces but 15 pounds, it is useless to further increase the fat-producing material and expect the flow of milk to be increased. The surplus fat in the feed will not be put into the milk and make it unusually rich. The results of numerous experiments carried on by various investigators show that as far as the practical feeder is concerned the proportion of butter fat in cow's milk cannot be changed appreciably by the kind of feed given. The richness of cow's milk is a natural characteristic.

Housing Condition, Cows in Wintertime

The dairy herd to do its best work during the cold winter months must be comfortably housed. Too close stabling in poorly lighted and ventilated barns is not only detrimental to the health of the dairy herd, but also lowers its efficiency to convert feed into profitable returns. To keep the dairy herd in good working condition the stable should be well lighted. Some stables, however, are quite difficult to light on account of north exposure. Such stables can be greatly improved by whitewashing.

Some dairymen confine their herds to the stable almost continuously throughout the winter months, while others carry out the reverse extreme by sending them out to the yard every day. Both practices are extremes, and both incalculably impair the productive efficiency of the dairy herd. Good judgment is necessary in handling dairy cows in winter in order to obtain best results. The average dairyman follows the practice of turning his cows into the yard to water and exercise. If the weather is cold and severe, water in the stable. It is best for the dairy herd to have daily exercise during the winter when the weather is favorable. It is not a good practice to allow the cows to stay out in the yard until they become chilled, as this impairs large yields of milk and increases the cost of production.

— Ottawa Farm Journal

SERVICE CLUB EXPANDS

Winnipeg (CP)—A men's service club that originated in British Columbia during the visitation Evangelism of the 1929s now has three club charters in Manitoba and is fast gaining popularity. Its name, "As One That Serveth", is from a Bible quotation.

The coal bin should be as close as possible to the boiler or furnace and be well lit, advises the Canadian Institute of Plumbing and Heating. It should have a door of edequate size which is easy to open, and it should be dust-tight. Moreover the bin should be easy to fill from the outside.

Y.P.U. Choristers Heard at Brownsburg

Brownsburg — The United Church Y.P.U. carol concert and Nativity pageant was attended by a large audience, who were able to follow the various parts by a text program of the items. Earl Morrison was musical director of the groups, assisted by Ralph Start in the lighting effects and arrangement of scenes.

Carols rendered by the group included "The Wassail Song", "I Saw Three Ships", "The Holly and the Ivy", "Deck the Halls with Boughs and Holly", "Il Est Né", and "Silent Night". Solos were taken by Misses Kay Mosely, Marjory Vowles and Maureen Cumbers. Instrumental numbers were given by Mrs. C. J. Wheeler, Miss M. Cumbers and Earl Morrison. Others taking part were Messrs. R. Cumbers, C. J. Wheeler and the Rev. S. J. Pike.

The pageant included a number of shepherds, angels, the three Kings, Mary, Joseph and the manger scene — with R. Start as reader. Connie Hosgood, Keith Quinn and Kenneth Donaldson played the parts of the Kings, Kay Mosely as angel, R. Cumbers as Joseph, and M. Vowles as Mary. As a special item during proceedings, the Rev. Pike on behalf of the Y.P.U. presented Mr. Morrison with a fountain pen for his leadership in connection with the concert.

At the close of the entertainment a social hour was spent in the church hall and refreshments were served. Mr. Morrison thanked the group for their token of appreciation and expressed his pleasure in any service he had been able to render.

Festive Fare for Hotel Menus

It's quite a tall order to provide traditional Christmas dinners for the thousands of guests registered in the Canadian Pacific Railway's chain of hotels, and judging from the picture of one of the buffets at the Chateau Frotenac in Quebec City, presided over by chef-de-cuisine Louis Baltera (right), and his assistant Frank Toro, they will not slip up on the job. Turkey heads the list of food ordered — 7,450 pounds, or over three tons of it — followed by 2,775 pounds of beef, 495 pounds of goose, 1,775 pounds of plum pudding, 665 pounds of fruit cake, 355 pounds of mincemeat and 315 pounds of nuts. Three thousand pounds of turkey went to the Royal York in Toronto, the Palliser in Calgary's cattle country ordered 1,500 pounds of beef, and the Cornwallis Inn in Kentville, N.S., plans for 75 pounds of lobster. Ten suckling pigs are on the menu at Victoria's Empress Hotel for the Christmas pageant of Old England.

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SASKATCHEWAN'S CO-OP VENTURES MAKING HEADWAY

More Than 14,000 Acres Now Under Cultivation In Community Schemes

By GEORGE V. FORSTER
Canadian Press Staff Writer

Regina (CP) — On eight co-operative farms in Saskatchewan, some 94 men and their families look to the day when their joint efforts will bring financial security and the comforts of city life to their isolated farms.

By pooling their labor and resources they believe they can farm more efficiently and more effectively and by developing model communities on co-operative farms they hope to have a community life hitherto unknown in sparsely-settled sections of rural Saskatchewan.

More than 14,000 acres now are under cultivation on co-op farms and most farms will break more new soil next summer. But only in general outlines are they alike.

Three are machinery co-ops where individual farmers jointly own equipment for use on their own farms. Two specialize in dairy farming and are, in some cases, sidelines for their members. On the other three, land, houses and equipment are owned co-operatively with model villages growing up at communal living sites.

But all follow strict accounting methods and must file annual financial reports with the provincial co-operative department. Some have financial assistance from Saskatchewan's co-op-conscious government and all have government encouragement.

On the three 'complete co-ops'—at Matador in the southwest and at Meskanaw and Sturgis in the northeast — members working the farms receive regular wages — usually the "going-rate" for farm help. Any profits are reinvested or distributed as dividends to members on the basis of time worked during the year.

Profits For Workers

Only those who work share the profits. Members who contribute nothing but capital get nothing but interest — limited to five per cent by provincial legislation.

Supporters of co-op farming claim it permits more specialization and diversificaton. With as many as 19 men working as much as 8,000 acres they can keep more livestock, buy better machinery and grow sufficiently-diversified crops to protect themselves if one crop fails.

They say too, their communal living projects will make possible modern comforts that would not be possible if they lived in scattered holdings. Seven miles of roads, for example, link the Matador farm with the nearest village — 60 miles would be needed if the 17 members split the farm's land into separate holdings. Electrification rates apply to electric power and water supplies.

Regular — sometimes weekly — meetings decide farm policy on a "one member, one vote" basis with an elected board of directors supervising the farm between meetings.

To frequent charges that Saskatchewan's co-operative farms resemble the U.S.S.R.'s collective farms, members reply that co-op farming is the quickest way they know of becoming "big farmers". Most of them have a long way to go—financial reports issued by the co-operatives department at the end of 1946 show an average member's equity of a little more than $3,000 and an average dividend in 1946 of $245 to members of the fully-co-operative farms.

So far, it's been no easy road to riches. But few of them would return to individual farming. This way, they say, they have security and a newly-found social life.

A Problem Solved

— Give a gift subscription to The Watchman; a year-round remembrance of old friends and surroundings.

HONEST CITIZENS

Edmonton (CP) — Edmontonians proved themselves "honest citizens" in the long period of wartime rationing now ended, said Lawrence Wight, ration officer for the prices board. Albertans weren't trying to "get away with anything", he said. The province's 53 ration boards distributed 795,000 books six different times.

Adversity makes a man wise, not rich. — Thomas Fuller

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Christmas Tree Party For Blind People

Montreal — Over 200 parcels were distributed at the annual Christmas Tree party of the Montreal Association for the Blind last Friday, including all kinds of articles, from Christmas puddings to toys for the kiddies.

A large turnout of parents and relatives from all parts of the province attended the event, added Yuletide interest being created by joint donations of some 50 toys and games by the Boy Scouts Association, Western Area Headquarters, and Montreal Westward Rotary Club.

The party was made possible through the generosity of many of Montreal's leading merchants and manufacturers, who donated suitable articles for these Christmas gift packages.

Tea was served by the ladies of the I.O.D.E., Canon Scott Chapter; and Christmas carols and hymns were sung by children of the school.

Tenor Bell's 1947 Christmas Strokes

A quaint English Christmas custom is the tolling of the "Devil's Knell" at the Parish Church of the Yorkshire town of Dewsbury. Every Christmas Eve for 700 years this ceremony has been performed — only broken by World War II when, for security reasons, the church bells of Britain were silent. The tenor bell of Dewsbury is tolled once for each year since the birth of Christ, and this year the 1947 strokes will take about an hour — the final stroke being timed exactly to fall at the midnight hour. A legend connected with the custom tells how a local baron named Thomas de Soothill, bick in the 13th century, killed one of his servants, and to expiate his crime presented the tenor bell to the church with the request that it should be tolled annuallly. It is said the inhabitants of Dewsbury of those days believed that the tolling of the bell would keep the devil away from the parish for another year.

The Christmas Cracker

London — Christmas crackers were first made in Britain about 70 years ago. It was a confectioner and maker of ornaments for wedding cakes with the typical English name of Tom Smith, who brought back from a holiday on the Continent the idea which evolved into the cracker. He saw that a French confectioner made his sweetmeats more attractive by wrapping them in tissue paper. A few weeks before Christmas he set his assistants wrapping sugared almonds in this way. The cracker came a little nearer when he thought of making the package more entertaining by placing a loving message inside.

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Season's Greetings

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On Christmas Day

ON CHRISTMAS DAY we repeat the old familiar greeting that, each year, in some mystic way rings fresh and true — "Merry Christmas". Like such words as "hello" and "goodbye", there really isn't anything else to say that pulls at our heartstrings as do these dear old words. And so again we say:

Merry Chistmas — to the littlest ones who skip downstairs in the gray dawn to explore their stockings and the wondrous tree and to look at Christmas with the special radiance of youth . . . who lend to the rest of us little glimmers of the real Christmas glamour.

Merry Christmas — to father who'll strain a point any day to give us all the things we want . . . who probably works much too hard and yet keeps younger and more alert because of the responsibility of a family and the competition of business . . . who makes the gesture of tut-tutting all the fuss and feathers yet beams with affection and excitement.

Merry Christmas — to mother who really calls the tune for the holidays and does the planning and pulling together . . . who flutters and bustles radiantly for weeks ahead and undoubtedly has the best and busiest time of all.

Merry Christmas — to the butcher, the baker, the candlestick-maker, not to mention all those who sold us shoes and ships and sealing wax . . . for what would Christmas be without them? For through them we've all been able to share our own little prosperity in the most wholesome way of all — by spending it.

Merry Christmas — to dear friends far and near who've sent us greetings and gifts . . . most especially do we cherish the greetings because even more than gifts they express the true spirit of Christmas.

Merry Christmas — to the droppers-in who come with holiday cheer and friendship . . . who come to our parties or stop by to leave a glass of extra elegant jelly or an original privately invented relish.

Merry Christmas — to ourself, for that matter. But then we feel pretty sure that we'll have one for we've put so much work and excitement and loving getting-ready into it. For of course we all get out of Christmas just about what we put in.

A Seasonal Danger

DEATHS, injuries and damage to property are caused by fires due to carelessness every Christmas; and among the happier sentiments of the Yuletide celebration, it behooves us to sound a note of caution and urge our readers to take special care. We recommend the following "don'ts":

Don't strike matches beside the Christmas tree.
Don't strike matches with your thumb nail.
Don't smoke while decorating the Christmas tree.
Don't place matches within the reach of children.
Don't place the tree near a fireplace or hot electric bulbs.
Don't play the part of an amateur electrician.
Don't permit tissue wrappings to collect around the tree or room.
Don't allow children to use gasoline, alcohol or kerosene-powered toys unless they bear the "approved" label.
Don't permit the use of anything but safety film in movie projectors.
Don't attend crowded halls with improper exit facilities.
Don't stuff paper into furnaces, because of the danger of back drafts.

If the above suggestions were rigidly followed, there would be far less suffering and fewer fires at Christmas time.

"When I Was Your Age . . "

MANY YOUNG people consider that today's most persistent irrelevancy is the thinly-veiled advice which opens up with "When I was your age. . . . " and seems as if it will never stop. The scowling expression on the listener's face usually reflects the opinion that what happened then is of no significance now, and not even interesting. The expansive look of the one who ladles out the advice shows clearly what he thinks of the good old days and particularly of his stout-hearted and altogether commendable part in it all.

Comparisons are odious, and anyone who thinks of the enormous changes of the last forty years or so knows that comparisons between then and now are almost useless, or only approximate at best, whether you're delving into wages, morals, transportation or what-have-you. So, if he accepts the probably laughable assumption that wisdom always comes with age, the listener is forced to the conclusion that the sally into the past actually seems from a desire to talk about oneself — one of the most often denied and frequently felt urges of man.

This has been going on for centuries, satisfying the talker, nettling the talkee. People, however, persist in disliking advice unless they are giving it, which is probably why the young scowl at it, and eventually wind up saying, "When I was your age . . . "

— The Printed Word

Triumphs, Tragedies, Trivialities

A SELF-APPOINTED task of the editor each year at this season, is to scan through The Watchman files of the past 12 months, to review the highlights of local news for our readers. Many times in the course of our work, however, we have reason to refer to these files — sometimes many years back — and the experience stirs some sentiment akin to reverence for the past, and a respect for these ancient volumes which record its narrative.

There is a poem (also in our files) which aptly expresses this reaction. It reads as follows:

FILES ON PARADE

In the boundless vast
Of things that were,
Out of the past
The echoes stir
And live once more
Where the presses roar.

Who says that a paper can't feel and think?
Yellowed pages, ancient ink
Volumes dusty and touched with mold —
Yet how much of the life of the town they hold!

Star-aimed faiths of the men who dreamed,
And hoped, and strove, and surmounted trials —
All set forth in the musty files —
Accounts of times when the "eagle screamed",
Accounts of days when the town's heart bled
Solemnly mourning heroic dead,
Stories of triumph and stories of pain,
Days of sunshine and of rain,
Witty lines and commonplaces,
Old friends' half-forgotten faces,
Birth for youth, and death for age —
Tidings that make folk weep or laugh,
Borne in column or paragraph
Marching across the weekly page.

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Trains Are Not Invisible

THE Woodstock Sentinel-Review observes that the terrible level-crossing accident recently at Tillsonburg and the virtual wiping out of a family "does not appear to be enough to stir up action to remove the cause of such tragedies".

Every level crossing is a potential danger spot, and there are many thousands of them in Canada. To protect them all with gates or watchman or automatic devices is beyond our means and beyond reason.

Every level crossing is, as we have said, a potential danger spot — but no level crossing is dangerous to the driver who is careful of his own life and of his passengers. There is no case on record of a train leaving its tracks and pursuing a motor car down the highway, and it is always possible for the driver to avoid a collision.

The pitiful tragedy at Tillsonburg was not unavoidable. It happened, as all level-crossing collisions happen, because the driver of the car was not attending closely enough to his duty as driver. To spend hundreds of millions of dollars to save such drivers from the consequences of their folly seems to us hardly the part of wisdom.

— Ottawa Journal

I strove with none, for none was
worth my strife;
Nature I loved; and next to Nature, Art.
I warmed both hands against the fire of life;
It sinks and I am ready to depart. — Landor

To see the world in a grain of sand,
And a heaven in a wild flower;
Hold eternity in the palm of your hand,
And an eternity in an hour. — William Blake

"MY WEEK"

By R. J. DEACHMAN

I read yesterday the Diary of Samuel Marchbanks. It is, to sty the least, interesting. Not long ago I met a friend who asked me if I knew him. I said, "I am not sure about that, but I have met him once or twice". Said my friend: "He is a big fellow, writes darned well and looks like St. Paul". Now this was, I thought, a rather fine compliment, I wrote to Samuel and quoted the remark of my friend. Promptly came back this note: "I am delighted to know that I look like St. Paul. If I only knew what St. Paul looked like, then I would know what I look like".

In his diary I read one sentence with which I am not in accord: "If we were all robbed of our wrong convictions, how empty our lives would be". Nothing of the kind! Nature abhors a vacuum. Emptied of our wrong convictions we would promptly fill our minds with right convictions. What a dreary prospect that would be. To Marchbanks it would be disaster. He is a journalist. Far back from distant ages there rolls into my mind this little verse:

"If streets were clean
And skies were bright
If men and politics were right
And everything beneath the sun
Exactly suited everyone —
Say wouldn't that bring great distress
To makers of the daily press
Who couldn't get a paper out
With nothing left to kick about."

In the interest of Mr. Marchbanks and the world in general, I hope we never get rid of our wrong convictions, they are more interesting, more revealing, than our right ones.

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This world is a pretty nice place. It's going to be nicer some day. Recently a number of scientists found a means by which they could inject poison into the blood of animals and the animals would not be injured in any way by these injections, but it was sure death for lice, flies, bugs or any other thing which might try to feed on the animals which had been so treated. They, the lice, I mean, died at once.

This seems to be a small matter in itself, but it is important. It would improve the health, contentment and happiness of animals, and incidentally the happiness of mankind. Who is there born on a farm who doesn't recall the sweeping movement of a cow's tail as he sat on the milking stool. That is all over now; we use milking machines, but think of the effort of the cow in keeping that tail going. There will be no future for such effort. Give the cow an injection of 23Z4X, the insects will die, the cow will be happier, she will give more milk, the price of butter will fall, and the farmers will be annoyed.—Is it, or is it not, a nice world?

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I have been reading recently a copy of "Freedom". It is an opposition paper published in New Zealand. There they have a Labor government. Yet even in these circumstances there are happenings of a rather unpleasant nature. For instance, this item: Although you can give free samplees of home-made root beer to friends, if you grow tobacco in your back yard you are liable to a fine if you make a gift of the leaf. However, there is nothing to stop a person from growing tobacco for his own use. Funny, isn't it?

It seems that quite lately at a place called Greymouth—the name is appropriate, a super-annuittant (a good word) was fined twenty-five pounds sterling for being in possession of un-customed tobacco. Earlier a Nelson man was fined a hundred pounds for carrying on a business as a tobacco manufacturer without a license. They catch them both ways in New Zealand I was glad when I read that item. It shows that, no matter what government we have in power, it becomes more and more interested in the life and prosperity of the people, especially at election time; and as everybody knows, the more regulations there are and the more people are taxed and advised, the happier they become!

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Then down there they have a National Film Board. There are 80 people employed in it and at times its performance is rather costly. Some years ago it produced a film to advertise the centennial exhibition. It cost between twelve and fifteen thousand pounds, and it is said that this film was never screened because of its inferior quality.

Please understand that all these remarks are not intended as a reflection upon anyone in the Southern Commonwealth; the New Zealanders are a lovely people. These are only the passing remarks of some person writing about things that are done by the government in power, and that happens among all well brought-up British people. It is only in Russia that a shut mouth is an asset — and who wants to live in Russia, or cash in on that type of asset?

Christmas, 1947

ONCE AGAIN the Christmas Season is upon us, and it will be unnecessary to enlarge at any extent the unprecedented changes which have taken place throughout the world, combining international politics, financial maladjustments, as well as personal privations.

The year, about drawing to a close, has been a time of much uncertainty, which periodically reached the danger point between the nations of the world as to the manner of agreeing on a widespread principle of give-and-take.

Looking back over 1947 it is hard to believe that such hatred, individually and collectively, could have been tolerated. If the coming of the baby Jesus could have been better remembered by the Christian world, now instead of tumultuous rumblings of discontent we should have been enjoying Peace on Earth, Goodwill Towards Men.

This particular time is so uncertain, as to the immediate future of the international situation, that Christian people are more or less perplexed about what to expect during the coming year, but may the hope be expressed, that a more sensible attitude will brighten the horizon of the international outlook.

As for our own Dominion, we who inhabit this portion of the continent have every reason to expect that Canada will remain free of intrigue, or participation in questions that would swerve us from our determination to help promote agreement and harmony in international affairs.

It can be said, without fear of contradiction, that Canada's stand for a better world is being generally commended, and may we keep up this record until the world becomes more reconciled.

It is not necessary to dwell in detail upon the situation in far-off Eastern countries. Revolt, mistrust and hatred among different tribes and nationalities is a serious threat, and surely the leading powers have the ability and the courage to continue their efforts to bring about the cessation of all disturbance and unrest.

Let us look at a little brighter picture in this continent of North America. We are told by industrial and financial leaders, both in Canada and the United States, that general business is beginning to show signs of normalcy, and it is predicted that 1948 will experience a broad and profitable trade revival. Labor has been a little restless during the past year or two, but it is anticipated by leaders in industrial and union circles, that common sense will prevail in the ranks of these particular interests, and it may not be too much to expect that a more patriotic stand will soon display itself.

We must not forget the prominent part which the industrious and hard-working farmers have contributed, towards supplying the necessities of life, and if the rural population is enjoying fair remuneration, they deserve what is coming their way. It may be noted that prices for nearly all commodities have made considerable advance, but hope is expressed that levels will soon reach their peak and that a more equitable downward trend will begin.

Just a passing word on what the United States and Canada are doing to help out the hungry and sick throughout Europe and the far East, in the supply of huge sums of money and the general distribution of food. It might be mentioned that our banks retain their strong financial position and that during the past year or two deposits have been at a high level. Railway and inward steamship traffic is reported in fair volume. Altogether we have reason to look forward to an easing of the international situation, and that Canadians will continue — even to a higher degree — to carry on their good endeavors.

The Watchman takes this opportunity of extending to our citizenry its hearty good wishes for a pleasant and joyous Christmas, and that the New Year will be ushered in with a generally encouraging outlook.

— J. S. GILES

Pity the Man of 40!

(Saturady Evening Post)

Forty is the real Awkward Age; you are old enough to realize that you would look silly doings things you are still young enough to wish you could do.

Forty is when young girls who are your natural playmates get to acting a little strange. They start calling you "Mister" in very much the same tone they would use for Lionel Barrymore, and they treat you in a curious way, which, it dawns on you, is disinterest in its purest form. They regard you as one with the trees, the hills, the Gettysburg battlefield. Now you are an interesting example of the game in mother's day, and that's all. They ought to tremble when they see a roue like you, but instead they yawn.

The way to look at this development is to say that it keeps you out of a lot of trouble that you'd sure like to be into. Look at it this way; forty is a kind of vaccination against a lot of things, most of which you'd like to catch a heavy case of.

Christmas Hospitality For Overseas Students

London — For 25 years Britain's East and West Friendship Council has been working hard to ensure that students from Africa, China, India and the West Indies (as well as many other places) shall have an opportunity of seeing how Christmas Day is spent by private families in the United Kingdom. Although it has a hospitality scheme which is in force all the year round, the Council introduce as many students as possible to those private residents who will entertain them at Christmas. This year offers of hospitality have been received from many parts of Britain.

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Avec nos souhaits les plus sincères pour Noël et une année prospère et heureuse durant 1948 —

Le Maire et les Conseillers du Village de Brownsburg

CABBAGE WISDOM

The cut worm, and other beasties that favor the cabbage, start at the outside and work in. So they prove themselves wiser than we humans. We chip off the outside leaves and toss them away. These six flaring outside leaves contain the greatest quantity of the important vitamins B1, B2, and C. The trouble is, we don't enjoy sharing our vitamins with the cut worm.

— J. L. Rutledge

TAX-PAYER'S LAMENT

Even since the major decontrol of prices we have been unable to reconcile ourself to the idea of the federal treasury's building up a huge surplus, largely from taxation, while the Canadian public could do with some extra income to offset the rising cost of living.

Dauphin (Man.) Herald

Yule Means December

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A Message from The Mayor

At this festive season I wish to extend to all the citizens of Lachute Town my very best wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

Un Message de Notre Maire

Aux citoyens et aux contribuables de la Ville de Lachute — il me fait plaisir de vous offrir mes meilleurs souhaits à l'occasion de Noël et du Nouvel An.

— Alex Bothwell

Mayor Lachute Town.
Maire Ville de Lachute.

OBITUARY

Grief Strikes in Local Family

SUDDEN DEATH OF WELL KNOWN LADY RESIDENT AND CHURCH WORKER

The death of Mrs. Jack Lavis occurred suddenly at her home in Mountain View on Monday evening. A well known lady in various welfare activities, and an ardent worker in the Anglican Church, Mrs. Lavis was taken ill on Sunday, and the following day suffered a stroke from which she failed to recover.

She is mourned by her husband, one son Norman, and two daughters, Mrs. L. Cruise (Grace) and Miss Jean Lavis.

Funeral service will be held Wednesday at 2.30 p.m. at the Margaret Rodger Presbyterian Church.

In the sorrow that has afflicted them at the Christmas season, the bereaved family have the deep sympathy of this entire community.

Births, Marriages and Deaths

Births, Marriages, Deaths and In Memoriam, etc., 50c; 5c per type line extra for verses with In Memoriam. . . Birth and Marriage notices accepted only from the persons concerned, or near relatives; also may be sent through regular correspondents.

DEATH

LAVIS — At Lachute, Que., on December 22, Jenny Davies, beloved wife of Arthur John Lavis. Funeral service at the Margaret Rodger Memorial Church on Wednesday, December 24, at 2.30 p.m.

IN MEMORIAM

DONALDSON — In loving memory of my dear wife, Nancy Ann Donaldson, who passed away December 26, 1946. — Her loving husband.

"God took her hand, we had to part,
He eased her pain, but broke my heart;
Wherever I am, whatever I do,
There always is a thought of you,
For I have lost my sole companion,
A life linked with my own,
And day by day I miss her more
As I walk through life alone".

DONALDSON — In loving memory of our dear mother, Nancy Ann Donaldson, who passed away December 26, 1946. — Sadly missed by the family.

"A wonderful mother, woman and aid,
One who was better God never made;
A wonderful worker, so loyal and true,
One in a million — that, Mother, was you.
Just in your judgment, always right,
Honest and liberal, ever upright;
Loved by your friends and all you knew;
A wonderful mother — that, Mother, was you."

MORRISON — In loving memory of a devoted father, Thomas Barron, who passed away December 29, 1936. — Sadly missed by Erma.

The weeklies say...

BY THE CANADIAN PRESS

DON'T NEED INQUISITION

Regardless of the rate or particular type of taxes, what Canadians want to see eliminated from the department of finance — and quickly — is the inquisition department. The majority of Canadians are honest, hard-working and conscientious.

— Chilliwack (B.C.) Progress

HARD WORKING HENS

It seems that the hen is developing a sense of responsibility. Without any increased inducement or any discussion of hours it has upped the production of eggs from an annual total of a little less than 3,000,000,000 eggs in 1940 to better than 4,250,000,000 in 1944.

— Manitoulin (Ont.) Expositor

FAIR SHARE FOR ALL

There is no doubt that rationing allowed that all persons obtained a fair share of the needed goods and foods and nowhere in Canada did anyone suffer through shortages. Perhaps we did not all have as much of this kind and that as we would sometimes have liked, but at least everyone got a share.

— Huntingdon Gleaner

WELL, WHY NOT?

In the past there have been women elected to councils who did not "go well" in the predominately male atmosphere of the council chamber. Sponsors of nominees should avoid being led astray by . . . shall we say, a pretty face or persuasive tongue. Off-hand, there are three or four business women in town who could well run for council. Why not?

— Cobourg (Ont.) World

DON'T GIVE A HOOT

In the countries boasting the most "isms", are people who haven't tasted roast chicken and ice cream for ages. When a man has a full stomach he generally doesn't give a hoot about any of those brands of politics that are being jammed down the throats of weary, hungry people.

— Elmwood (Man.) Herald

IN MEMORIAM

DONALDSON — In loving memory of our dear mother, Nancy Ann Donaldson, who passed away December 26, 1946.—Sadly missed and lovingly remembered by her son Stanley, daughter-in-law Dorothy, and grandchild, Malford Grace (Toronto, Ont.)

"Her thoughts were all so full of us,
She never could forget,
And so we think that where she is
She must be watching yet,
As angels keep their watch up there,
Please God, just let her know
That we down here do not forget,
We love and miss her so".

MacNAUGHTON — In loving memory of our dear mother, Mrs. Wm. Thomas MacNaughton, who passed away December 29, 1943 — Ever remembered by Ruth, Eleanor, Albert and Clarence.

LOTTERY PLEBISCITE?

Throughout South America lotteries are the popular way of raising taxes. Perhaps if the government should take a plebiscite of the Canadian people upon the wisdom of their course with a view of stopping this flow of money to Ireland, they would be surprised at the reply they would get.

— Pembroke (Ont.) Bulletin

WOODSHED DISCIPLINE

Boys who think they are tough and above the law and decencies of society, would benefit greatly by the effective method our fathers used in the woodshed, the old-fashioned whacking that hurt where one sits down. Misguided kids should be brought up with a jolt before they harm themselves, spiritually and morally.

— Swift Current (Sask.) Sun

PRODIGAL PEOPLE

Without turning a hair the Canadian people are compelled to admit that, last year, fire destroyed property in Canada amounting to nearly $50,000,000 or about 55 per cent more than the losses five short months ago. And in the short space of 12 months, in 1946, 408 Canadians lost their lives through fire. Yet year by year we continue . . . unperturbed, along the path of destruction.

— Campbellton (N.B.) Gleaner

DISTRICT NEWS FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

Cushing West

Messrs. D. Hartley and E. Whelehan, of Montreal, were Sunday guests of Mr. E. Whelehan, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy and little daughter Marilyn, of Sudbury, Ont., have arrived to spend the Christmas vacation with Mrs. Murphy's mother, Mrs. C. L. Cooke.

Miss Agnes White has returned to Cushing after an absence of several weeks in the city.

Mrs. Filoon, of Calumet, is at present a guest of her niece, Mrs. C. L. Cooke.

St. Andrews East

Reunion

Mr. Herbert Woods is leaving Friday for Uno, Manitoba, to visit his sister, Mrs. A. Pritchard, whom he has not seen for 39 years.

Photograph Graves Of 100,000 Servicemen

London (Reuters) — About 100,000 photographs of the graves of British servicemen killed abroad during the war have been sent to the next of kin, War Secretary Emanuel Shinwell told the House of Commons recently.

Asked when all next of kin would get photographs, Shinwell said many thousands of graves, all over the world, had to be concentrated into special British military cemeteries before photographs of the final resting place could be taken. Efforts were being made to complete the work at the earliest possible moment.

THE RISK YOU TAKE
(Peterborough Examiner)

A medical columnist writes: "Neglect your health year after year and you will wake up some morning to find that it has left you". If it has left you completely, of course, you won't even wake up.

Arundel

The Misses Lillias and Francis Davis have arrived home to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Davis.

School Party

A pleasant event took place on Friday evening when the Students' Club of the Arundel School were hosts to Grades VI and VII. About 40 guests were present. A Christmas tree and Santa Claus were in evidence and after an exchange of gifts, dancing was enjoyed. Refreshments were served in conclusion.

The drawing for the outfitted "doll's bed" took place in Graham's store on Saturday evening; the lucky winner was Mrs. Sidney Swail, Sr.

Christmas Tree

The Arundel United Church Sunday School held their Christmas Tree and sleigh drive on Saturday afternoon. Twenty-three happy children were bundled on the sleigh, accompanied by a group of just-as-happy adults, who were delighted to be able to turn back the hands of time again for a short period. Afterwards, Santa Claus arrived at the church to the accompaniment of "Jingle Bells" by the excited children. After hearing all their wants the genial visitor departed until next year, and the happy group sat down to a tasty supper.

Mrs. J. Veit entertained at bridge Saturday evening, on the occasion of her birthday. Congratulations and good wishes are extended.

Mrs. J. May and Mrs. Newton are spending Christmas Day with relatives in Montreal.

Mr. R. Moss spent the week-end at his cottage in Arundel, with Mrs. Moss and his daughter.

The semi-monthly bridge club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Cooke. The winners of the evening were Mrs. Cooke and Mr. A. Heron.

On Sunday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Cooke entertained a number of friends at a carol singsong. The old carols were sung, and a pleasant evening was brought to a close with the serving of refreshments.

Mrs. Hugh Cooke, who has been confined to the house with grippe, is now convalescing.

On Parliament Hill

— By M. V. Trayers —

The Canadian parliament adjourned on Friday for five weeks to allow the members to be with their families for the festive season. It was a brief prelude, but a very hectic one. The regular session was slated to be called in January but was advanced because of the emergency legislation required to enable this country to provide powers to conserve U.S. dollars, the supply of which was dwindling at an alarming rate, and also to confirm by act of parliament the Geneva trade pacts. Neither was done. Another pressing matter, to continue the recently imposed price controls till next March, was passed, but would have been in force till that time even if the house were not called into early session.

The mellow influence of the approaching festive season was not very apparent during the session. The opposition, both official and aspiring, found fault with nearly everything the government proposed, with the way it was proposed, and with the time it was proposed. It was evident that, in between sessions, the ordinary forgotten voter let his and her M.P. know quite clearly that the country was not in the satisfying condition which government spokesmen and publicists would have the world believe; in other words that it was in a mess. The opposition must be particularly subject to plain speaking from the electorate, as its members came into the house fighting mad. There was not much they could do about it, as the government majority deterred any action on their part beyond mere words and there were quite a lot of words and harsh words spoken. It is also possible to detect discontent from within the ranks of the opposition parties themselves, and the shadow cabinet did its best to answer that criticism by a less accommodating attitude to the government proposals.

When Mr. King came back from Europe, he referred to the Big Four conference as being the most important held since the war, from a world peace viewpoint. Well, that conference has now ended, and ended in failure. This is not a happy omen for the rehabilitation of Europe; the division of Germany may be absolute, and with the division of Germany comes the division of Europe — the Europe from which Canada expects to recoup some of her lost trade and rebuild her economy and balance the great excess of imports over exports which results from her U.S. trading.

This deficit with the U.S. is nothing new. For many years we have been buying much more from the U.S. than they bought from us. We have always been able to offset this by our exports to other countries, especially to Britain, and convert the sterling thus obtained to American dollars, but with the stepping-up of our purchases from the States to nearly $2,000-million per annum — in October it was $190-million — and the loss of our markets in Europe and Britain, our position became precarious. Advocates of "funny money" wanted our dollar devalued to its pre-war reduction of 10 per cent in the exchange rate. When the Progressive Conservatives joined in the cry for devaluation, Mr. Abbott scoffed at the idea that such devaluation would reduce our imports from the States by about $500-million. We have to buy coal and oil from the States, these would cost us an extra 10 per cent. Latest information is that a reduction of our fuel imports will be forced on us anyway.

Taken by and large, the position is not at all clear, and it is known that responsible government officials are gravely concerned.

The question of a general election is also uncertain. The Liberals are holding a full federation meeting next month, and until it is concluded no indication of Mr. King's intention to run or not to run can be expected. During a demonstration in the house on the occasion of his 73rd birthday, though he did not refer to any personal plans, he did not say regarding the future, "It is from day to day, to the best of one's judgment and ability, to perform the duty which is closest at hand". In accepting the basket of roses presented by his colleagues the Prime Minister said, "No one knows what the future holds in store. As, however, I look at the beautiful basket of flowers immediately in front of me, and see the number of roses represents 73 years, I realize only too well that, with the years, the number is rapidly becoming too large".

A great deal of legislation was initiated, but not much was consummated. The prelude has been acted and the curtain rung down. The main play has yet to come, and what its theme may be is as yet in the lap of the Gods.

Exchange

After quoting from a radio broadcast delivered by the Right Hon. C. D. Howe, Mr. J. M. MacDonald was asked by Mr. Howe: "A good speech, wasn't it?" Mr. MacDonald replied: "I might say of it what Churchill said of a certain speech, 'Parts of it were true and parts of it were trite; the parts that were true were trite and the parts that were not trite were not true".

Consumer's Letter Draws Comment on Margarine Dispute

TO THE EDITOR

Ottawa, Dec. 20, 1947.

Editor, The Watchman.

Sir: It was a bright consumer who gave the housewife's opinion on oleomargarine in your issue of December 18.

I am not at all sure that the introduction of oleomargarine would reduce the price of butter, at least not in present conditions. Butter is generally higher in the United States than in Canada and oleomargarine is sold there, though with rather high taxes and other restrictions.

Once an economist at Des Moines, Iowa, published a booklet in which he advocated the removal of restrictions against oleomargarine and giving it a freer position in the market. Everyone admitted that his contentions were right, but he was kicked out for his effort. However, he went to another university and got a better job, all of which goes to show that even in this materialistic age honesty is sometimes the best policy.

I was in Des Moines shortly after this happened and one of the college men said that the farmers frequently sold their butter and bought oleomargarine. What they really wanted was to have "oleo" banned during the week when they sold their butter and have it free on Saturday night so that they could buy it at a low price. We are a savagely selfish people; we might have a happier world if it were not so, but after all, that is one of the primal instincts of the human race — we are not likely to get rid of it in the balance of this year or in the next.

— R. J. Deachman

Good Luck Charm

Rings of mistletoe were worn around the neck in Sweden to prevent sickness.

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AMONG THE CHURCHES

White Gifts Service At Brownsburg

Brownsburg — The White Gifts service held recently at Brownsburg United Church under auspices of the Sunday School, proved both fruitful and inspiring. A special order of service was followed, prepared by Miss Winnie White and her committee, giving the children the opportunity to present their gifts at the manger scene, which was strikingly arranged with the wise men in Eastern costume. Major Alice Uden, of the Salvation Army, Montreal, received the gifts on behalf of the Army — to which were added the large basket of gifts from the entrance of the church, given by the congregation on entering. The Rev. S. J. Pike, introduced Major Uden, who gave a brief address touching on her work with the underprivileged, to whom these gifts will be disposed, as well as other phases of the Army's work.

Christmas Rite by C.G.I.T. Group at Lachute United Church

An impressive pre-Christmas candle-lighting ceremony was held in Lachute United Church Sunday evening by the Lachute group of the C.G.I.T., under the leadership of Miss Freda MacVicar. A large congregation joined the girls in this festive service.

The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion with trees, evergreens and colorful brilliants, and the stained glass windows were effectively spotlighted, giving a subdued richness of color.

The service opened with the processional, "O Come All Ye Faithful", followed by prayer read by Miss June McArthur. Appropriate scripture lessons were read by Miss Joyce Gordon and Miss Olive Underhill. The congregation were then led in prayer by Miss Betty Brown. The announcements were given by Miss Jean McMahon.

A timely Christmas story entitled, "The Black Madonna", was ably read by Miss Evelyn Laurin, the theme for racial tolerance and understanding being strongly presented.

The annual candle-lighting ceremony then took place, as the leader, Miss MacVicar, and the Misses Betty Brown, Helen Underhill and Ruth Rae Walker gave the invocation to this part of the service. After the chain of lights was complete, the girls sang "Silent Night" as a recessional, followed by "Taps".

Organist for the occasion was Mrs. S. S. Campbell, whose services were duly appreciated by the girls. Miss MacVicar and the C.G.I.T. group also acknowledge with thanks the assistance given by Mr. and Mrs. W. K. MacArthur for the lighting effects, also the co-operation of Miss V. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Gorman in preparing programs, and Mr. A. Mitchell.

Ministerial Association

The Argenteuil Protestant Ministerial Association will hold its monthly meeting in the Presbyterian Church, Lachute, on December 29 at 10 a.m. All members of the clergy are welcome.

Services for Universal Week of Prayer

The Universal Week of Prayer will be observed in Lachute as follows:

January 6, in the Presbyterian Church.

January 7, in the Baptist Church.

January 8, Church of England (using the United Church by courtesy).

January 9, in the United Church.

Services each night commence at 8 o'clock. Collections on Tuesday and Thursday are for the Canadian Council of Churches, and on Wednesday and Friday for the Bible Society.

MINISTERS HARD HIT

Chatham, Ont. (CP) — Ministers too are victims of the high cost of living, Rev. E. M. Cook told a meeting of the Kent Presbytery of the United Church. The minimum salary of $1,800 paid ministers today is not worth more than $1,300 computed on the basis of 1939 standards, Mr. Cook said.

GO TO CHURCH ON SUNDAY

LACHUTE UNITED CHURCH
Rev. W. B. Rosborough, B.A., B.D.
10 a.m. Sabbath School.
11 a.m. Morning Worship.
Both services will be appropriate to the closing of an old year, and the starting of a new one.
11 a.m. East Settlement.
2.30 p.m. Thomas' Gore.

REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCHES
Rev. Geo. B. Hicks, Pastor
BROWNSBURG
Bible School 10.00 a.m.
Church 11 a.m.
DALESVILLE
Bible School 2 p.m.
Church 3 p.m.
Wed., 8 p.m. — Prayer Service
Watch Night Service — 10 p.m. New Year's Eve.
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CHURCH OF ENGLAND
Rev. C. R. Lang, L.Th., Rector
CHRISTMASTIDE SERVICES
St. Simeon's, Lachute
Wednesday, Dec. 24, 11.30 p.m. Holy Communion.
Christmas Day
Thursday, December 25, 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion.
Sunday, December 28.
10 a.m. Sunday School.
11 a.m. Morning Prayer.
Services in Lachute Auditorium.
St. George's, Brownsburg.
Christmas Day
Thursday, December 25, at 9 a.m. Holy Communion.
Sunday, December 28.
11 a.m. Sunday School.
7 p.m. Evening Prayer.

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10 a.m. Sunday School.
11.00 a.m. Morning Worship.
3 p.m. Brownsburg.
7.30 p.m. Evening service.
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BROWNSBURG UNITED
Rev. S. J. Pike, Minister
New Year Services
10 a.m. Sunday School.
11 a.m. Worship Service.
7 p.m. The Minister, assisted by the Men's Choir.
Sunday, January 4 at 11 a.m. The Communion Service.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Maple Avenue, Brownsburg
Rev. Robt. Dicks, Pastor
10 a.m. Bible School.
11 a.m., Morning Worship
Evening at 6.30 p.m.
Guest speaker: Rev. W. E. Cholerton.

LAKEFIELD SERVICES
Rev. C. W. P. Baugh, Rector
Lakefield 10.30 a.m.
Shrewsbury 2 p.m.
Louisa 3.30 p.m.
Dunany 7 p.m.

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Mr. Quirk Sees It Through

Mr. Quirk quailed before the spectre of Christmas shopping. Long before advertisements began to tell him how many days were left, he lay awake nights torturing himself in a purgatory infested with cards and presents. Mr. Quirk was a thin man and this apprehensive struggle with the joys of Yuletide seemed to make him even thinner.

He spent eight lunchless days in strenuous combat with surging counter crowds, fighting his way between stout, complacent men and sharp-elbowed women who always found the most vulnerable spots in his frail body.

On Christmas Eve, he and Mrs. Quirk extracted every morsel of news from the paper. It was all an act — to lull the three children into a delusion that nothing was in the wind. It didn't work. Eleven o'clock came and went before the little darlings were in bed.

He caught Jimmy, the eldest, stealing downstairs at 3 a.m. as he and Mrs. Quirk trudged upstairs, exhausted from loading the tree.

Three hours later, bedlam broke loose, waking him out of a sleep that was just on the near side of death. He scooped up a pillow and groped his way up the attic stairs — the time had come for his annual thespian interlude.

What a morning! — even if Santa Claus' face was scrubbed raw by his beard. Three rampaging Indians, berserk with toy hatchets, horns, drums, xylophones, mechanical spiders, jeeps, tobogganing down the stairway, skiing on the front-room carpet. But that palled by noon. "Take us t' the hill, daddy, we wanna try 'em out!"

Air crisp, sun bright, snow blue-shadowed between the deep drifts — a day for Vikings, but Mr. Quirk, alas, was no Viking.

He pulled them uphill on their skis because otherwise they only slid backwards. He rescued them from snowdrifts. He took one toboggan ride to show them how and crashed into a tree.

It was late afteroon when he shepherded them home. His thin body was so tired and full of pains he was almost sick. Mrs. Quirk had been working on the turkey dinner for four hours. . .

That night, Mrs. Quirk said: "Dear, why don't we go to Florida next year — no presents, no Santa Claus, no tobogganing, no cooking, nothing — just disappear?"

"What!" exploded Mr. Quirk. "And miss all the fun? Not on your life!"

The Doctor's Christmas Eve

He cannot say that any hour is best.
When he is called or wakened, he must go,
Whether in summer rain or winter snow,
Pain has no mercy and it takes no rest.

He has no day that he can call his own;
For him, one night is like another night,
When the young mother cries in sudden fright
At the sharp sickle in the blood and bone.

Now on this holy evening, from his car
He sees above him like a beacon, high
In the great ocean of the winter sky,
The Christmas star which is the loneliest star.

He draws the buckle of his mittened glove,
And checks his bag — the shining stethoscope,
The row of little bottles, and the hope —
The knife, the endless courage, and the love.

— Robert Nathan

(Written for "What's New, 1947")

PLUCKING THE GOOSE

Jean Baptiste Colbert, possibly the greatest of French statesmen, who ruled France in the golden age of Louis XIV, was noted for his extreme skill in providing the gold. His formula was simple. "The art of taxation", he wrote, "consists in so plucking the goose as to obtain the largest amount of feathers with the least possible amount of hissing".

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All set for a festive New Year's Eve with plenty of laughs are Charlie McCarthy, radio's wise-cracking woodenhead, and Edgar Bergen, the man who made him famous. The two entertain the CBC Trans-Canada network listeners every Sunday at 8 p.m. on the 'Charlie McCarthy Show', a half-hour variety program.

Ford Motor Company railroad workers who tend the 135 miles of track in the Rouge plant now are equipped with a "cannon" that will shoot holes in steel rails. Called a velocity powerrail punch, it is fired by a tap with a light hammer. Firing a cartridge slightly larger than .45 calibre, the punch is capable of shooting holes up to one and one-half inches in diameter in three-quarter-inch steel.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. B. Mitchell, of Richmond, Que., is spending the Christmas season with her daughter, Mrs. Bert Miller and Mr. Miller, Grace Street.

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Mr. Harry MacKrith, of Macdonald College, is spending the Christmas holidays at home.

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Mr. and Mrs. Chapman Meyer will visit friends in Namur, and spend Christmas Day with the former's parents at Rivington.

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Miss Glenys Bradford and her friend Miss Joan Allison, of Trail, B.C., are on Christmas vacation from Queen's University, spending the season with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Bradford, North River. Mr. Bob Bradford will also be home from Ottawa to spend Christmas with his parents.

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Mr. Bill Painter left Saturday to spend the holiday season with his son Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Painter and family, and his daughter, Mrs. Cecil Fillimore and Mr. Fillimore, at Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Mr. and Mrs. Donald Boa and infant daughter are spending Christmas with Mrs. Boa's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Meyer, Rivington. Miss Mabel Boa will also visit her home, remaining over the holiday season.

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Mrs. T. B. Millar, of Montreal, was the week-end guest of her sister, Miss Ruby Parsons.

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Mrs. Adam Lenton and three small sons are spending the Christmas season with her parents at Gramont, and will be joined by her husband, from the Seigniory Club, on Christmas Day.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Graham and Miss Margaret Graham, of Montreal, spent the week-end here.

BOOK LEAGUE HONORS BRITISH ESSAYIST

London (CP) — A month-long exhibition of books and manuscripts was held by the National Book League to mark the 100th anniversary of the birth of Allice Maynell, poet and essayist who died in 1922.

A memorial volume of the writings of Mrs. Meynell — one of the few well-known women essayists in English literature — was issued simultaneously.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Lightbown, of Toronto, are here for the Christmas season visiting their son, Mr. Harry Lightbown and Mrs. Lightbown, Bedard Blvd.

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Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jas. W. Gall, who celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary on December 18. They entertained a number of friends at their home to mark the happy occasion.

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Miss Sadie Bruce, of Montreal, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Morrow. Their guests on Saturday were Mrs. Haddon McDonald and the Masters Brent and Wayne, Mrs. Donald McDonald and Masters John and Wilson McDonald, of Lakefield.

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Mrs. Stuart Boyd returned Sunday from the Royal Victoria Hospital after undergoing an eye operation, and is now making a satisfactory recovery.

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Mr. Bill Martin, who has been working with the Ontario Hydro Commission at Cameron Falls, near Nipigon, arrived home Monday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl McMartin.

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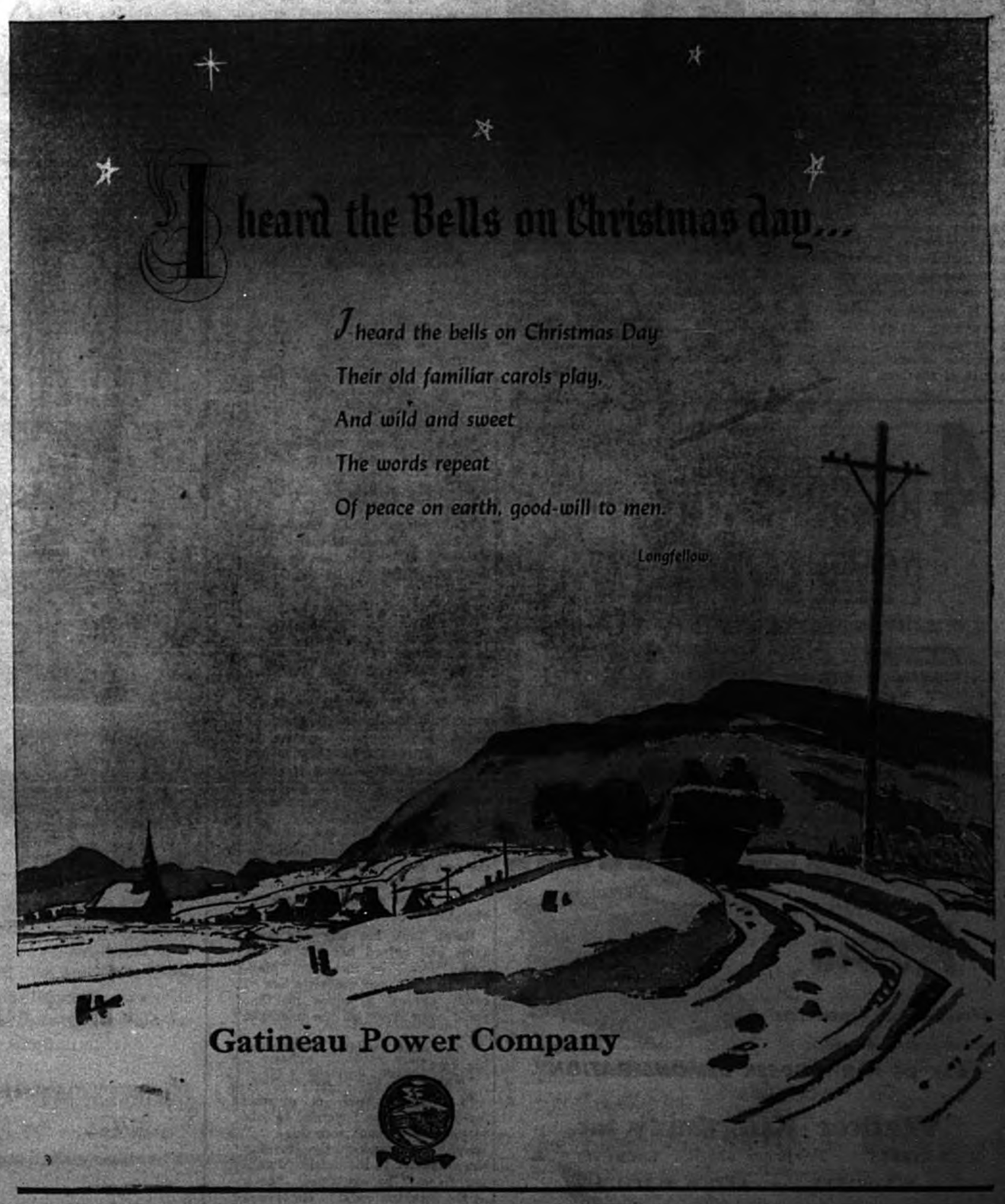

CALL THE WITNESS!

• By NAT W. JACOBS, K.C.

It is doubtful if the law has ever been better described than it was by George Bernard Shaw when he said:

"We look for too much from the law; we expect it to be ideal and almost inspired, whereas it is only an imperfect, rough and ready device to keep people from sending one another to the devil."

Then again, there is another picture of the law:

"This then is the loom of the law — its threads are human souls. Into its weavings are woven many colors, white and black, gold and gray. It is a fabric of joy and sorrow, of laughter and tears, and across it, breaks at times the sunshine of faces, and sometimes the shadows of broken hearts.

"This loom has been built up, piece by piece throughout long generations.

"This loom weaves the thread of love and hate, of lust and greed, of stain and blood.

"This loom kills men, breaks hearts of women and makes orphans. Every soul is within the reach of its machinery.

"Who knows his destiny — a frailty, a hidden vice, a secret sin or the weakness of a moment. . ?"

As a general rule, we are too prone to forget that the law is a two-edged weapon, protective and dictatorial, and in the hardship of the latter we lose sight of the former.

A law suit is much like a duel — one or the other of the parties is going to win or lose; one or the other is wrong to begin with, but who will win and who will lose, takes a costly suit to find out. Either could have settled it when it began, but neither was disposed to give in, even a little. Both go in to win. It is humiliating to be defeated, and great anxiety follows litigation from beginning to end.

Into the court room come all phases and conditions of life and business. No school on earth can compare with the education and experience one receives in court, and which become impressed on the memory like a painting. There, the things we come in contact with, and in which we participate, are part of our very existence.

Everyone is interested in the drama of a great trial, where the property, reputation, liberty or life of a human being, is often at stake. This was most strikingly exemplified by the keen public interest in the Canadian spy case and the Nurenberg trial of war criminals, accounts of which were published in newspapers the world over. The Drefus Case, the Parnell enquiry, and countless others are still fresh in the memory, as further illustrations of the intense interest throughout the world taken in arriving at the truth or falsity of any important legal controversy.

The newspapers nowadays publish detailed accounts of every occurrence of general interest long before such matters reach the stage of litigation, with the result that the whole reading public becomes a jury.

The general public in some way and at some time or other enter the court room not only as spectators but as participants. They spend at least "a day in court", as parties, witnesses or jurors.

The luxury of pleasing others, enjoyed alike by actors, artists and speakers, is also shared by lawyers. They show it in looks, express it in words, and tell it in tones of speech, that seem to captivate their listeners.

The lawyer above all men, should know much about life and much about human nature. Lawyers are men who make contracts and unmake them; who make money out of trouble, and make trouble out of money; who hear and conceal secrets and drag out faded letters in divorce cases . . . and lawyers, too, please and displease. This probably sums up what a lawyer is, and my reference to them is made because there is logical connection between the witness and the attorney.

Why Do People Go to Court?

Assuming that litigants will battle to enjoy the luxury of a law suit, let them pay for it. The best purpose of a law suit is to convince people that they are in error; and I add, even if they win, they are in error — they never dreamed it would be so costly, so bitter and so lengthy an experience.

Time is no import when it comes to court cases or litigation. I am reminded of the story told of the retired lawyer, who had left his practice to his young son and retired to California to live. One day the old man received a telegram from his son, as follows: "Dad, congratulate me. I have settled the Smith case". . . To which the father replied by return wire: "You fool, I made a living on that case for over forty years".

One thing above all that should be remembered, is that a case should be properly prepared, and the most important preparation is with proof. To that end, witnesses are vitally necessary; which puts me in mind of Rastus, a colored fellow, who was charged before the court but had no lawyer to defend him. The Judge asked Rastus if he wanted a lawyer. "No sah", answered Rastus, "I'se don't need a lawyer — I'se need witnesses".

Like a talented singer, a good witness should stand alone. He should remember that in telling the truth no one is ever puzzled, no one need hesitate. It is always the same story, a witness should be truthful.

The influence of witnesses is so great that stern sanctions are imposed by law to compel the truth, for the offence of lying under oath, commonly called perjury, is severely punished; the punishment for perjury is fixed by the Criminal Code at a maximum of fourteen years' imprisonment.

"Call the Witness" — these seem terrifying words for the layman. At the very sound of them, his heart beats fast, his blood pressure rises, as he fears he will be torn to pieces by lawyers, especially by the cross-examining lawyers, whom he visualizes as wolves in sheeps' clothing.

This is not generally true, and I can speak from some experience of over thirty years as a practising attorney. In my opinion, it is more an ordeal for the lawyer, who is usually more

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Progress in Britain's Production Drive

London — More encouraging news of the progress of Britain's production drive was given recently by Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, at a press conference in London. Sir Stafford announced that steel output was still running at an annual rate in excess of the 1948 target of 14 million tons. The cotton industry has also responed to a call for higher production and in eight weeks the Spinning Section had reached its immediate target of a 10% increase.

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Spring Fashions Shown in London

London — An interesting collection of clothes of the type for which Britain is so well known, was shown at Grosvenor House, London, just recently. It comprises suits and coats, mass-produced and man-tailored. That is, they were in the tradition of men's tailoring as opposed to the softer "dressmaker" line, which is often seen in afternoon suits. In the middle-price ranges they were made in gabardine suitings and woollen twills with hard wearing woollens. In some more dressy suits and coats a gasyarn crepe, which hangs and drapes well, was used. These model clothes all showed the neat clean line, together with many interesting fashion points. Skirts were 14 inches from the ground — a length which seems definitely accepted for the spring — waists and hips were well accentuated, for some of the mannequins wore wasp-waisted corsets. Contrary to expectations, shoulders were not rounded. They were fairly wide but not exaggeratedly so.

Future Foretold by Drowsy Hens

Divinations were an important part of the Christmas festivities in Czarist Russia.

After a special family Christmas dinner, the girls of the household placed five piles of grain upon the kitchen floor: each pile was given a name, such as Hope, Ring, Money, Thread and Charcoal. A drowsy hen was fetched from the henhouse and allowed to walk around the kitchen floor and choose a pile of grain.

Obviously the hen's choice of Money meant wealth; Ring, foretold a wedding within a year; and Hope, promised the fulfillment of a wish or a long journey. If the sleepy chicken chose the grain designated as Thread, a life of toil was predicted for the marriageable maiden of the household; and Charcoal was considered an omen of death in the family.

Old songs were sung to accompany such goings-on, while the girls and women vied to devise complete stories based on the anties of the hen.

GUEST SOPRANO

Mary Morrison, of Winnipeg, will be the soloist with Paul Scherman and his concert orchestra on the Northern Electric Hour on Monday evening, December 29. The broadcast is heard on the CBC's Trans-Canada network.

HOLIDAY AT HOME

A CHRISTMAS STORY

It was three nights before Christmas and Margaret was packing to go home. Contrary to traditonal sentiment she was not happy about it, for she had planned to stay in New York with Ralph. With considerable forethought she had even planned the day; church in the morning, Christmas dinner with Amy and Bill, a walk down Fifth Avenue at twilight, a snack of supper, and the theatre.

But Ralph had been invited to a "swell house party in Philadelphia". Margaret slammed down the top of her suitcase. She could have borne up under a Christmas with a lonely mother, or a widowed sister.

"What about me?" she had longed to cry out, but she had, instead, smiled, and said that is was just too marvelous, wondering meanwhile if Mr. Johnson would let her have an extra day off. Ralph had only to go to Philadelphia, two hours away, while she had no one within 500 miles.

Now she was ready, bag in hand, for the midnight train. As she waited for the taxicab, she smoothed her black tailored woolen frock over her slim hips. If New York hadn't been particularly kind to her, it had at least taught her how to dress.

She couldn't sleep on the train. Closing her eyes, she saw the cluttered desk which she had left at Roswell's Advertising Agency, and Mr. Johnston's kindly face when he had told her to go home for Christmas. She saw Ralph's desk in the manager's office. Ralph dancing in Philadelphia, Ralph opening Christmas gifts — and just Ralph, with whom she would never again share good times.

There was a three-hour wait for the local train at Pittsburg, but Margaret was too tired and depressed to leave the station. After buying a magazine featuring an article on men, and an astrological delineation of her birthsign, she settled herself into the practical task of trying to determine her future in this most unpredictable world. Several hours later, not much wiser but much more weary, she stood on the porch of a white frame house.

The door opened and Margaret blinked.

"I win!" shouted Ralph triumphantly. "She came on the midnight train!"

Mrs. Brown rushed out to the hallway and enfolded her daughter in an ample, motherly embrace. "Margaret! Your face is as black as coal."

Margaret withdrew herself from her mother's arms and looked at the two of them coolly. "Well, if it isn't asking too much, just what is this? Not a week-end in Philadelphia, I believe!"

Ralph took her bag and magazine and helped her out of her coat. "Don't be like that, Margaret! I bet your mother a box of candy against a mince pie that you'd come down on the midnight train."

"And what, exactly, are you doing here?"

"Margaret!" chided her mother.

"I invited myself. A surprise for you, and then I wanted to talk to your Dad about something . ." Ralph was awkwardly turning the magazine in his hands. "Jumping fishes!" he explained. "Look at the little red book!" He opened it to a centre page and read: "The natives of this sign are more than likely to have short tempers."

"Give it to me!"

Ralph held it tandalizingly out of reach and Margaret stamped her foot. "Ralph Wells," she said, "I come home for a rest and the first thing you do is make fun of me. If I have a complete breakdown it's your fault. Give me that book!"

"There, there," comforted her mother. "You go upstairs and get washed. You'll feel better."

Margaret started up the stairs, then turned in sudden remembrance. "Are you staying over Christmas?" she asked Ralph.

"I had expected to."

"You might as well. There's a dance Christmas Eve."

At the top of the steps she turned again. "And don't forget, half of that pie is mine. After all, I did the coming home!"

"Okay."

"She's tickled to death to see you," whispered Mother Brown cautiously. She patted his arm, and Ralph understood.

LACK OF VISION

The trouble is that too many girls today are only interested in getting a job as soon as possible that will enable them to live until they can get married, and whether that job is of any use to them in later life never enters into their thoughts. — Granby Leader-Mail

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DISTRICT NEWS FROM OUR COUNTY CORRESPONDENTS

Brownsburg

(Intended for last issue)

Mrs. George Ball and Mrs. H. Ball spent a few days in Montreal.

Mrs. Russell Warwick spent the week-end in Mabel with her mother, Mrs. Robert Black, who is ill at present.

Mrs. T. Dowling and Mrs. Percy Wood, of Montreal, spent the week-end with friends here.

Mr. Chester Fletcher, of Montreal, was a recent guest of his mother, Mrs. Wm. Fletcher.

Miss W. Clarke, of Montreal, was home for the week-end.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Seary was recently baptized by the Rev. S. J. Pike, receiving the names Wayne Allan.

Sympathy is extended to the relatives and friends of the late Mrs. Mary Prosser, who passed away at her home here recently.

Major A. Uden, of the Salvation Army, Montreal, speaker at the White Gifts services in the United Church, was the guest of Miss Winnie White while in town.

Weir

Mr. Raymond Rumbolt, of Montreal, paid a short visit recently to his sisters, Mrs. D. Labrosse and Mrs. A. Turmel.

Mr. Harland Schauffer, of Montreal, spent the past week-end as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sobey.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Bowie and daughter, Carole, of Montreal, are spending the holidays at their home here.

Mr. Bazil Kerr spent a few days in Montreal recently visiting his sister, Mrs. E. Booth and Mr. Booth.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Clifton and son Gerald, of Montreal, have opened their house here for the holidays.

Mrs. J. D. Sobey spent Friday in Montreal.

Christmas Tree Party For School Children

School closed here on Friday and the teacher, Miss Joyce Graham, left to spend the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Graham, in Arundel. . The children were entertained after school to a Christmas Tree in the church hall. Games were played to pass the time until Santa arrived, when they all received acceptable gifts. The children had drawn names to exchange gifts, and each also received a gift from their teacher. Refreshments were served by the ladies of the W.A. Christmas carols were sung, and in conclusion the "Jingle Bells" chorus sent Santa Claus cheerily on his way.

Around the Country

Jim Greenblat

An old-time two-cylinder 1909 Reo has been shipped to North Battleford, Sask., for the provincial museum. . . 80 Years of age, J. A. White still travels the west selling bibles, as he did years ago with team and covered wagon . . . On his 100th birthday, C. T. Daykin of Haney, B.C., received telegrams from the King and Queen and from Prime Minister King. . The annual rate-payers' meeting of Wetaskiwin, Alta., this year was streamlined, with an added attraction being movies of city projects. . At Radville, Sask., there is no rivalry, where the Masons and Oddfellows got together to build a lodge hall, members working evenings to do the job.

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Traditional Prayer

Children of Provence, France, reverently recite the following prayer before the Christmas cribs in that vicinity:

Little Jesus of the Crib —
Give us the virtues of those who surround you.
Make us as philosophical as the fisherman,
Carefree as the drummer,
Merry for exploring the world as the troubadour,
Eager for work as the bugler,
Patient as the spinner,
Kind as the ass,
Strong as the ox which keeps you warm.

Give us the sacred leisure of the hunter.
Give us also the desire of the Shepherd for earthly things,
The pride of the trade of the knife grinder and the weaver,
The song of the miller.
Give us the knowledge of the Magi,
The cheerfulness of the pigeon,
The impulsiveness of the cock,
The discretion of the snail,
The meekness of the lamb.

Give us the goodness of bread,
The tenderness of the wild boar,
The salt of the haddock,
The good humor of old wine,
The ardor of the candle,
The purity of a star.

Propriety of a few of the metaphors may be disputed, nevertheless, nostalgia prompts speculation regarding a world of humanity endowed with the virtues so earnestly and innocently enumerated by the little ones.

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Call the Witness!

(Continued)

worried than the witness. He constantly fears what his own witnesses will answer, or what replies he will receive from his cross-questions to opposition witnesses. Frankly, it is virtually a war of nerves for the lawyer.

It is said that persons who make the best witnesses are women and children, the reason being that they do not stop to consider the effect their answers may have on the case but just speak out what is in their minds. Experience has also shown that the female of the species will tell falsehoods and stick to them in the most determined manner, if she has made up her mind to do so. As Shakespeare once wrote: "Convince a woman against her will, she is of the same opinion still".

All legal proceedings in a major part are determined by the evidence of witnesses, and so it follows that the witness is the most important of all persons in court, more important than the judge, the lawyers and even the jury, if there be one in the case.

In spite of their apparent importance, in the conflict of wits which takes place between the lawyer and the witness, especially in cross-examination, the parties are not on even terms and the dice seem to be loaded against the witness. The lawyer is at home in the surroundings of the court but the witness is generally nervous and perplexed, and when questions are put to him which challenge his accuracy — or worse still, his credibility—not unnaturally, he becomes irritated and loses himself completely. The witness is at a further disadvantage, because he does not know the rules of the game in which he is pitted against a professional or expert.

One wonders sometimes, how many who at present appear to be leading unblemished lives, would come through in the ordeal of the witness box. There is a story told of a distinguished lawyer who was cross-examining a witness, of whose testimony he had grave doubts. Finally the attorney hurled this question at the witness:

"Sir, do you know that you are commanded by the Holy Book, not to bear false witness against your neighbor?"

"I am", came the indignant reply, "but to be sure, I am not bearing false witness against my neighbor, I am bearing false witness for him".

Another story shows the danger of going too far. . . A witness had been called to testify as to the supposedly good character of the prisoner. Having stated that he had known the accused for twenty years, that he was a man of blameless reputation and especially of great honesty, the witness was asked by counsel a final (and apparently conclusive) question, whether the prisoner in the dock was likely to be guilty of stealing money.

"Well", answered the witness, "How much was it that he stole?"

In another case, the defence put up was that the accused, instead of being drunk, was merely in a state of considerable excitement. In support of this contention, an Irish doctor, a friend of the accused, went into the witness box. After putting a few preliminary questions, the answers to which were encouraging, the examining lawyer asked:

"Doctor, have you on occasions seen the accused excited?"

"Yes", replied the man of medicine, thinking he would make the case sure for his friend, "constantly, even when he was sober."

Many gems of humor are to be found in the evidence given in court, such as the following:

"I searched the prisoner", said the constable, "and I found nothing on him, which I afterwards gave back to him".

"There were two of us *alone*", answered the rookie.

"The prisoner made no reply, and which I entered in my note book", replied another rookie.

"He fell on the ground, while running several times", said an inexperienced witness.

"He was sober enough to know he was drunk", was the conclusive evidence of another amateur witness.

A female defendant in a slander suit, was heard to remark: "All I said to her, Judge, was that I hoped all her teeth would fall out but one, and that should stay in for a toothache."

"He is the only one of my many children who has rale affiction fir me" said an Irish witness; "this lad would never strike me when I was down", continued the parent in all sincerity.

As long as human nature remains as it is, so long will attempts be made by witnesses to score off opposing counsel. There is an old story of a tilt between a King's Counsel and a physician, in which the latter had to admit that sometimes even doctors make mistakes, but he added to this confession, "So do lawyers".

"But doctors' mistakes", said the K.C. in his most sarcastic tone, "are buried six feet under ground".

"Yes", snapped the medical man, "and lawyers' mistakes usually swing six feet in the air".

Not the least humorous situation occurs when counsel leads a witness into a trap. The classic story in this category, is told of Daniel O'Connell, a brilliant Irish lawyer in his day, who was defending in a murder trial.

The chief evidence for the prosecution was that of the clerk of the murdered landlord. The witness produced a hat which he swore he saw falling from the head of the prisoner as he ran away, and which hat he and several other witnesses identified as the one worn by the accused, charged with the murder.

O'Connell, with the hat in his hand, questioned the witness : "You saw this hat fall from the prisoner's head?"

"Yes", came the prompt reply.

"I suppose you examined the hat inside and outside", fired the attorney.

"Yes" was the answer.

"And I suppose you read on the lining", and O'Connell here spelt out the letters of the prisoner's name.

The witness, assuming that O'Connell was reading from the hat, answered promptly, "Yes".

"My Lord — Gentlemen of the Jury — I submit this case is ended and the prisoner should be acquitted. . . There is no name whatever on the hat or in the hat", exclaimed the lawyer.

In this article I have tried to present my impressions in a simple, untechnical manner. If I have made it appear in places somewhat humorous, it is to invite the busy man's interest in what otherwise might be a dry topic.

Halifax Fortress Attracts Tourists

The star-shaped fortress carved in stone atop Citadel Hill, is going to be high on the attraction list for next year's bi-centennial visitors to Halifax. Mayor J. E. Ahern has announced plans for restoring tourists' interest to the old fort.

Built by the Duke of Kent, father of Queen Victoria, the fort was one of Canada's first and is one of the few remaining in the Dominion. Old field pieces will be remounted for sight-seers and guides will be appointed. The time gun, which has been fired daily at noon for almost 200 years, will also be on view.

Smoke Control

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GIVES ACCOUNT OF FIRST CAROL HERE

An account of the origin of "Within a Lodge of Broken Bark", believed to be the first carol ever sung in Canada, is to be given in a breadcast on Friday, December 26, by Dr. Charles Peaker, organist at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Toronto. Dr. Peaker's program, to be illustrated by him at the organ, may be heard at 4.18 p.m., EST, over stations of the CBC network.

"Within a Lodge of Broken Bark" was translated into the Huron tongue from the French in 1643 by Father Breboeuf, French missionary in Canada. (It was translated into English some years ago by Edgar Middleton.) In his Huron version of the hymn, Breboeuf made the Christmas story easier of comprehension by the Indians by calling the Bethlehem stable "a lodge of broken bark", the shepherds "wandering braves", the three kings "chiefs from far", and gold, franincense and myrrh "gifts of fox and beaver pelts".

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ISLANDS ISOLATED IN WINTERTIME

(Saint John Telegraph-Journal

When winter sets in, several thousand New Brunswickers are as isolated as Eskimos in the Arctic circle. They're the people who live on islands off our northern coast — islands like Miscou and Shippegan.

At this time of the year the ice of the Gulf of St. Lawrence closes in around them, cutting off travel to the mainland by boat. And, often, the ice itself is not safe to cross on, because it is torn and churned by the winds and tides.

During the war the government recognized the difficult conditions under which residents of Miscou and Shippegan exist for six months out of twelve, and exempted them from rationing. It was found that where a whole winter's supplies had to be laid in before the freeze-up coupon rationing just wouldn't work.

Aircraft has proved a blessing to the islanders, because, for long periods, it is only by air that the treacherous shifting ice can be hurdled. Take the case of a woman who has just been flown from Miscou to Bathurst, for medical treatment not available on the island. The chances are that this relatively short trip, which could not have been made otherwise, saved her life.

Miscou and Shippegan are two of the loveliest parts of the province — in the summer months. In the future it may be possible to say that of them in the winter, too, if there is some way of providing them with a plane service that will be an adequate substitute for the summer boat service.

Meantime it seems too bad that the 6,000 people of Miscou and Shippegan should lack a doctor. Among the displaced persons in Europe, there must be many a physician who would like to come to these islands and build up a new career caring for these quiet, kindly hardworking people.

Men's Curling

The opening supper of the men's curling club was held last Thursday with the president, Fernand Legault, as chairman.

Friday evening at the club, two Hawkesbury teams met the local male curlers in friendly games.

James MacKimmie skipped a Lachute foursome to a 13-3 triumph against Dr. H. Rutherford. J. R. Charron's Lachute quartet meanwhile defeated Bob Allen's team, 12-3.

Two Vankleek Hill teams visited here Monday night — John Falconer defeating Mr. Woods' visiting team 15-5, and Dr. McPhee of Vankleek Hill defeating D. J. Bates' local rink 12-8.

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Intended to bring the families into one community and to raise their standards of living, the farm scheme did not prove as successful as hoped. Farms of 40-acre size, provided for the Metis, along with some equipment, were being deserted.

Now, a local sawmill run by the local improvement district provides work winter and summer for the Metis and allows them to continue as they desire their former trades of fishing, hunting, trapping.

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Says Women Panic Quicker Than Men

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Women panic more quickly than men, he adds, but most persons whose homes catch fire display courage and presence of mind. Same apparently calm persons, however, betray confusion by salvaging their most useless possessions.

There is a case of a woman who kept her jewelry in a vase, but rushed from her burning home with the coal scuttle. An elderly gentleman who for years had refused to wear collar or tie took time to search for the despised articles when fire broke out in his home. He donned them meticulously, added a stickpin and left the premises with great dignity.

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On The Record — 1947

The Year's Chapter of Triumphs, Tragedies and Trivialities

From Files of The Lachute Watchman

Jan. 1 — Canadian Citizenship Act came into effect.

Jan. 2 — Mr. and Mrs. Jean-Bruneau Ménard parents of first 1947 babe born in Lachute.

Jan. 9 — Bevan's Creek, Arundel. completely frozen over — first time in over 30 years.

Jan. 9 — Jas. Donaldson receives felicitations on retiring from mayoralty of Brownsburg. Succeeded by Omer Legault.

Jan. 16 — Rev. H. D. J. Brosseau, for 15 years parish priest of Grenville, is elevated to the dignity of Prelate of the Catholic Church.

Jan. 16 — James Duncan installed president of Argenteuil Legion No. 70.

Jan. 23 — Snowloader used in local street-cleaning.

Jan. 30 — Nucleus of Chamber of Commerce formed at inaugural meeting.

Jan. 16 — Paul P. Harris, Chicago, founder of the Rotary movement, dies at 78 years of age.

Jan. 25 — Alex Bothwell elected mayor of Lachute, succeeding Leopold Carrière.

Feb. 5 — Oddfellows Grand Lodge delegates snowbound here over week-end.

Feb. 20 — Lachute fire crew saves River Rouge farmhouse after 10-mile trip to early morning blaze.

Feb. 20 — Highway plow takes ditch near level crossing at Arundel — hauled out by locomotive.

Feb. 20 — 50th Anniversary of Women's Institutes observed by district branches.

Feb. 20 — J. H. Black receives honorary life membership at Ayrshire Breeders' Association annual meeting in Montreal.

March 6 — 50th Anniversary under present ownership of J. S. Giles, marked by special issue of Lachute Watchman. . . Editor feted at old-timer gathering in Desjardins Hotel. .

March 6 — School suspended one day when severe snow drifts block highways.

March 6 — Aquila Bedard, of Lachute, has been active in local business well over 50 years.

March 13 —— Syrup-making delayed by deep snow in woods.

March 20 — Chamber of Commerce formed, with B. L'Heureux elected president.

March 27 — Fernand Legault new president of Lachute Curling Club.

March 27 — Quebec Livestock Breeders annual meeting in Montreal voices request to Government (1) to prohibit importation and manufacture of oleomargarine; (2) to take steps to assure regular supplies of western feed grains.

April 1 — Opening of Food Lockers Ltd. plant in Lachute.

April 24 — Ayrshire cattle from this district form part of shipment to Chinese Government.

April 10 — Strike at Ayers Limited textile mills.

April 24 — High School choristers take part in International Music Festival in Montreal.

April 27 — Last devotions held in St. Simeon's Anglican Church before demolition to make way for new building.

May 1 — Sydney Berry, Louisa, received word of an honor conferred by the Belgian Government — the Croix de Guerre with Palm and Insignia — for his gallantry in World War II.

May 8 — Four-week strike ends at Ayers Mills.

May 12 — Clean-Up Campaign is opened with parade of cars and floats.

May 8 — Hawk with 7' 10" wing spread caught in trap at Harrington.

May 8 — Boyd's Lachute Express transport services extended to Buckingham.

May 7 — Joseph Decoste, 65, fatally crushed by farm wagon near Dunany.

May 19 — Train wreck at Grenville obstructs rail traffic for 24 hours.

May 17 — Bank hold-up stirs serenity of old St. Andrews East; thugs escape over country roads.

May 17 — W. K. McArthur, of Lachute, elected Provincial Grand Master of Oddfellows.

May 29 — Housing program started at Mountain View townsite, on Brownsburg Road.

May 17 — Mr. and Mrs. Robert Williams celebrated 53rd wedding anniversary at Weir, Que.

May 19 — Lakefield W.I. hostesses to annual meeting of County Women's Institutes, at Lachute High School.

May 31 — Mrs. Archie MacKenzie, 29, victim of auto fatality at Ste. Anne de Bellevue.

June 1 — Georges H. Héon, K.C., M.P., host to Lachute and Brownsburg school groups on Ottawa tour; meet Col. C. C. Merritt, V.C.

June 3 — Disastrous fire consumes 50-60 purebred horses at Arnoldwold, Grenville.

June 5 — Large areas flooded along Ottawa River; extensive damage to properties.

June 12 — Over 1,000 livestock entries at Lachute Spring Fair.

June 14 — Douglas Cameron, of Lancaster, wins Dodge car in Lions Club charity drawing.

June 12 — President Truman of the United States visits Seigniory Club.

June 19 — Dr. Roger A. Dumais president-elect of Lions Club.

June 22 — Five young people drowned in canoe tragedy at Grenville.

June 22 — Heavy traffic through this section to attend Marian Congress at Ottawa.

July 4 — Death of William F. Drysdale, descendant of St. Andrews pioneers and an engineer of international repute.

July 9 — Four-year-old William J. Drennan drowned in swollen creek, just east of Lachute.

July 12 — Triple auto-drowning in Rouge River at Avoca.

July 12 — Wilfred Densmore, 56, victim of hit-and-run fatality at Grenville.

July 24 — Jas. W. McGibbon elected new chairman of Lachute Protestant School Commission.

July 31 — Dr. Alexandre Rodrigue retires after 10 years as chairman of the Catholic School Commission; succeeded by Fernand Legault, B.A., LL.B.

July 27 — Fernand Pomminville, 27-year-old transport driver drowned at Lake Louisa.

Aug. 7 — Pierre Cangardel, of Montreal, scores hole-in-one at Lachute golf course.

Aug. 14 — A total of 75 fines have been imposed by town police officers in a renewed drive to enforce traffic regulations.

Aug. 21 — Ernest Robinson, well-known townsman and foreman of the Gatineau Power Company, electrocuted by a high voltage power cable at local transformer station.

Aug. 28 — J. P. Bradley & Son, Lachute Road, were among cattle breeders this week at Toronto Exhibition. J. H. Black was also at Toronto, acting as judge in the Ayrshire breed.

Sept. 4 — N. T. Truell, early principal of Lachute Academy, died in California at the age of 81.

Sept. 11 — Saw mill at The Glen owned by Wilfred Morrison completely destroyed by fire. Lachute Fire Brigade with their auxiliary pump were able to save the surrounding lumber piles.

Sept. 11 — Local exhibitors of Clydesdale horses at the Ste. Scholastique Fair were A. T. Cleland, M. & D. Smith and W. Erskine Rodger.

Sept. 18 — Local Red Cross credited with pioneering the Sick Room Supply plan in this country.

Sept. 18 — Georges Beaulieu, Gaetan Cousineau and Gabriel Valois prize winners in the Civic Beautfication Contest conducted by the Chamber of Commerce.

Sept. 25 — Electronic chimes installed in the United Church, as a memorial to the late Mrs. J. S. Giles.

Oct. 2 — Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Sinclair, Sr., celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary last week at their home in Rockway Valley.

Oct. 2 — Fire Chief G. Y. Deacon, who for the past 30 years has headed the local fire brigade, was speaker at Rotary Club in Brownsburg, on the topic of Fire Prevention.

Oct. 2 — Argenteuil Historical Society's 13th annual meeting held at Carillon Museum. Large gathering indicates a wider and increasing interest.

Oct. 9 — School opening ceremonies at the Lachute Auditorium drew a capacity audience. Principal F. H. J. Royal stated: "We naturally aim for academic standing, but that is not our ultimate aim. The school exists primarily for the pupils, and and it is qualities of character, health and general well-being which we seek to foster in the pupils".

Oct. 16 — Provision for recreation of mill workers at Ayers Limited taking the form of a well rounded program, including bowling, hockey, skating. A bathing pool and recreational centre are now being planned.

Oct. 26 — Provincial Convention of the Dairy Industry held in Lachute. Horace Lamarche, of Lachute Creamery Limited, is the president, and Mr. Raymond Beaulieu the secretary, of the Federation of Dairy Products Manufacturers.

Oct. 30 — A Lachute Mills man held criminally responsible for the death of Ovila Pilon, 25, in a hit-and-run incident at St. Philippe.

Nov. 11 — A bronze plaque was unveiled at the Armistice ceremony in memory of 20 Lachute servicemen who gave their lives in the second World War. . . Following the two minutes' silence, Lt. Goodfellow presented the ship's bell from the Corvette, "Lachute" to Comrade James Duncan on behalf of the local Legion.

Nov. 1 — Death of Dr. H. B. Cushing occurs in Montreal. Dr. Cushing was president of the Argenteuil Historical Society for many years and a notable figure in the medical profession.

Nov. 20 — Messrs G. Filion and P. Lefebvre, proprietors of the Desjardins Hotel, have sold the establishment to Paul Lussier, who has previously owned and operated two such hotels.

Dec. 11 — Philippe Seguin, 52, lost his life Saturday night while crossing the Ottawa River to his home at Chute-à-Blondeau.

Dec. 4 — Under presidency of Bertrand L'Heureux, the local Chamber of Commerce has been active since it inception, sponsoring many projects for community progress.

Nov. 27—Consolidated School proposed for Harrington and Avoca. Six schools are concerned — Harrington East, Shaw, Rivington, Bell Falls and two in Avoca.

Dec. 11 — Willis Smith, former Rivington boy, killed in automobile mishap at Wakefield, Ont.

Dec. 11 — A review of finances by Treasurer W. M. Steeves of the Lions Club revealed an appreciable list of expenditures for public welfare.

Dec. 11 — Stewart Jones elected Legion president for 1948.

The Royal Wedding

H.R.H. Princess Elizabeth and her husband, Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten, R.N. (now Duke of Edinburgh), whose marriage was solemnized in state November 20th at Westminster Abbey.

King to Speak on Christmas Day

A Christmas message by His Majesty the King, to his people throughout the Commonwealth and Empire, is to be brought to Canadian listeners on all CBC networks during Christmas morning. His Majesty's message may be heard at 10 a.m. and again at 10.15 p.m. Christmas Night, when it is to be re-broadcast.

Stress World-Wide Goodwill in B.B.C. Christmas Broadcast

With world-wide good-will as its theme, the BBC's annual round-the-world program for Christmas Day this year will be carried over a special CBC network from 9 to 10 a.m. EST, on Thursday, December 25.

The program will bring greetings from continental Europe, the British Isles and many parts of the Commonwealth, presenting word-pictures of how people there are spending Christmas Day. Following this, Sir John Boyd Orr, as a spokesman of the United Nations, will point out how international co-operation can help feed a hungry world.

To reveal how the spirit of Christmas still lives in Europe, despite the ravages of war and its aftermath, the broadcast will take listeners to a battle-scarred area of France, a ruined city of eastern Europe, the home of a Dutch family who helped our airborne troops at Arnhem, and to a displaced persons' camp.

Next, messages from people in the British Isles, indicating how austerity regulations affect their celebrations, will be broadcast, following which listeners will be brought the voices of new settlers in the Dominions, telling what Christmas 1947 means to them.

A Canadian contribution to the BBC program this year will originate in Winnpeg. It will bring as speaker Rita Bladt, an Esthonian girl who came to Canada from a displaced persons' camp in Germany. A Ukrainian male choir, on a Christmas visit to a local hospital, will also be heard.

To My Fellow Citizens:

Ottawa, December 16th, 1947

Christmas will soon be here. . . .

For all of us who believe in the Christ-Saviour, this will be a day of consolation, filled with hope and promise of security. Every Canadian is anxious as to the issue of the most recent international gatherings. But let us remain firm in the principles which the Saviour preached, and let us be resolute and courageous in our intentions to maintain the doctrine for which Christ died. Our situation is not as complex as we have been led to believe: the issue is simply — shall the Christian forces triumph over the forces of evil ?

Let us, at this anniversary of Christ's birth, resolve to apply ourselves so that every word, every thought and every deed will help the social doctrine of Christ to triumph.

Mrs. Héon joins me in wishing every one — a Very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

— Georges H. Héon, K.C.
M.P. for Argenteuil.

A tous mes Concitoyens:

Ottawa, le 16 décembre, 1947

La Noël approche ! . .

Pour ceux qui croient au Christ-Rédempteur, ce sera une fête consolante, remplie d'espoir et de sécurité.

Nous sommes tous inquiets, puisque les derniers évènements de la politique internationale nous autorisent à croire que l'humanité, que le Christ a rachetée, est bien près de sombrer. Demeurons fermes dans les principes que l'Evangile a prescrits, et n'ayons pas peur de la proclamer et de les défendre.

La situation est bien simple et très facile à comprendre: les forces chrétiennes triompheront-elles des forces du mal? A l'aurore de cette nouvelle année, tâchons de prendre la résolution bien nette de nous appliquer à faire triompher la doctrine sociale du Christ !

Madame Héon se joint à moi pour souhaiter à tous, un Joyeux Noël et une Bonne, Heureuse et Sainte Année.

— Georges H. Héon, C.R.
Député d'Argenteuil.

Christmas 1947 Brings Revolution in Toymaking; Child Psychology Aspects

There's Much More Than Meets A Casual Eye in Santa's Bulging Pack

By DOROTHY ROE

New York (AP) — When you start to buy that little red wagon for Johnny's Christmas, look out!

Be sure it is suited to his age group. Consider his personality, and decide whether he really needs a little red wagon, or whether a chemistry set would be more useful at his present stage of development. Inquire whether the wagon is play-tested, and what skills it is planned to develop. Ask yourself if Johnny is the wagon type or whether he has advanced to the station wagon set.

Toy buying is no casual matter these days of advanced psychology. Child experts warn that the wrong toy may not only be wasted on Johnny, but actually may give him psychoses. A too-intricate construction set for instance, might discourage a little boy forever from becoming a great engineer.

And if toy buying is complicated just think what the toy manufacturers are up against, since psychology has become a part of toy making. No longer does a manufacturer just turn out a bright rubber ball and sell it.

Before most toys reach the market, they are passed by the board of consultants retained by the toy manufacturers. They are play-tested to be sure they have the right amount of bounce, that the paint is non-toxic, that the size is right for small hands, and so on.

Nowadays there's almost as much research connected with toy-making as with splitting the atom. Toys are graded not only as to suitability to age groups, but also as to their purpose — active play, creative play, dramatic play or social play. They are selected to fulfil a certain function — for individual or group activity, for out-door or indoor use, for rainy days, for travel, for educational development.

Roster of Experts

Among experts who advise the toy manufacturers at association headquarters in New York are Dr. Grace Langdon, child psychologist and play specialist who was retained by the government as consultant on toy selection for day nurseries throughout the nation during the war; Miss Lillian Rifkin, originator of the "play-testing" theory for toys; Dr. Arthur T. Jersild, chairman of the committee on child development, National Research Council, professor of education at Columbia University and author of the book, "Child Psychology"; and Lawrence K. Frank, director of the Caroline Zachary Institute of Child Development.

This learned board has changed the concept of toy making and buying in the U.S.A. until for a while Santa didn't recognize his old workshop. But now he's up on all the new terms.

If mom and pop don't choose the right toy for junior this Christmas, it's not the fault of the manufacturers. In spite of all precautions, however, parents or doting relatives still are all too prone to select a toy which appeals to themselves and forget the interests of the child, says Dr. Langdon.

"Most people don't understand what toys mean to children. They're not just something with which to kill time. A child works with his toys and learns from them. That is why toys should be suited not only to the age of the child but also to his individual capacities and preferences".

Miss Rifkin says: "All our research on child psychology has made a great improvement in the manufacture and merchandising of toys. But you still can't gauge a toy's usefulness accurately until you have tested it in actual play".

Another sign of a hard, cold winter is that a tramp arrested in London, Ont., was found to be wearing three overcoats.

— Exch.

Season's Greetings

The year's end brings its hour of celebration . . but to serious-minded folk there also comes a time of quiet review. Our lot and status as Canadians cannot help but stir our pride and gratitude in being citizens of a privileged country. The hardship and the unrest in distant lands today, impress forcefully upon us the benefits of peace and plenty which we now enjoy. . I take occasion to remind my friends and fellow-constituents of this good fortune — to plead for every effort that will maintain our production, foster fellowship and strengthen our nationhood. I rejoice again in the example set by this fair county — the harmony, integrity and industry of its people — which may be counted a valuable contribution to Canada's progress.

The year's end also brings its personal privilege, of renewing old friendships. The traditional greetings of the season sound a note of sincerity seldom spoken, but deeply cherished, in every day's affairs. And I am happy to profit by this occasion — to wish my fellow residents in all ranks and occupations, Good Health, Happiness and Prosperity in the coming year.

Georges-E. Dansereau, M.L.A.

Souhaits de Noel

La fin de l'année apporte son heure de réjouissance — mais aux esprits sérieux, elle fournit aussi l'occasion de réfléchir.

Notre statut de Canadiens ne peut que stimuler notre fierté et notre gratitude d'être les citoyens d'un pays fortuné: les conflits et les malaises des pays lointains en ce moment, nous font apprécier les bienfaits de la paix et du progrès qué nous connaissons.

J'en profite pour rappeler à mes concitoyens notre bonne fortune et leur demande de multiplier leurs efforts pour assurer au pays son développement par une production intensifiée au milieu d'une population vivant dans l'harmonie.

Je me réjouis de nouveau de l'exemple qu'apporte notre magnifique comté où des gens industrieux et honnêtes, en parfaite intelligence, contribuent de façon notable au progrès de notre Canada.

La fin de l'année nous permet aussi de renouveler de vieilles amitiés — les souhaits traditionnels laissent percer la sincérité des sentiments toujours appréciés mais rarement exprimés au cours des affaires de tous les jours. Et je suis heureux de mettre à profit cette opportunité et de souhaiter à mes concitoyens, à tous sans exception, une bonne santé, du bonheur et tous les succès en cette prochaine année.

Georges-E. Dansereau, m.a.l.

Food-Parcels A Welcome Aid to Rationed Britons

By T. TAGGART SMYTH

By the grace of God, and the strength of purpose of England — aided and abetted by the Commonwealth and subsequently by our American neighbors — Canada is unscarred by the evils of war. I am sure that we are most humbly thankful for our manifold blessings; but I am not as sure of our willingness to render thanks in the only coin that counts. Of course, we have poured out lavishly of our blood and treasure to merit the enjoyment of these blessings; but could we have compassed that end had England folded up? It is no argument to say that England was only defending her own tight little island. None of us is foolish enough to put forward that plea. Of course, she was defending herself; but in so doing she was also defending us. She was fighting the battle for world freedom and world security. If England *had* capitulated we might possibly not now be suffering the fate of France and Europe; but we certainly would be in an infinitely less enviable situation than that which we enjoy today. We can never repay England for what she has done and suffered for the world, and particularly what her resistance has meant to us, even though we duplicated the full monetary cost of the war and handed it over to her. But I feel very strongly that we can, and that we should at the very least, show our appreciation of her privations, hardships and sacrifices by sending all the food that we can spare to her hard-pressed people. Unfortunately, it is beyond our power to return to her her brave sons.

I have just been able to obtain from the British Office a list of present day rations, two and one half years after the war, and it is pitiable beyond words. For an adult, it is a shilling's worth of meat per week per person, with an ounce of bacon or ham; seven ounces of fats, of which three ounces each of butter and margarine; 19 ounces of sugar; 2 ounces of cheese and tea; 5 pounds of bread; 2 pints of milk, etc.; soap, clothing and fuel are doled out in the same measure. The maximum for coal, for instance, is 1 7/10 ton for 12 months in the southern region and 2½ tons in the northern part — gas and electricity being rationed on the same scale. In fine, all England is still paying for the war; *our* war just as much as her own — the war of humanity against brute force and aggression.

In presence of conditions such as these, it would be nothing less than criminal for us to sit idly by, indifferent to the fate of our best and dearest friends. I am sure that we shall not do so. Quite a number of us are deterred from sending percels to England because of the cost of transportation, postage, etc. In the United States our American cousins have organized an agency called C.A.R.E. — Co-operative for American Remittances to Europe, which undertakes to forward all parcels entrusted to it at minimum cost. We have a similar agency in Canada (Room 209, 103 Sparks St., Ottawa), where terms and conditions upon which parcels may be sent, are available to those who apply. The time is here now, when everybody who is anybody should feel it a bounden duty, a duty of affection, appreciation and gratitude, to send food to the hard-pressed people of England. Let us do it today, and continue doing it, to the extent of our means, all during the winter. We shall never regret it. And do not let us imagine that we are being generous or giving alms. We are doing no such thing. We are only paying simple interest, at a very low rate, on a debt that, try as we may, we shall never be able to repay.

It costs money to run for the Montreal mayoralty, and the first expense is a $1,700 deposit for a list of electors. Once nomination is over the money is refunded. The reason for the deposit is to discourage candidates who might seek the mayoralty post if it didn't cost anything.

For Future Highway Users

The Bristol Society for the Prevention of Accidents has evolved a new publicity device for the road safety campaign. Two mobile exhibition vans have been designed to carry propaganda to rural areas and other places where people can be assembled out of doors so that instead of expecting the people to come to the show, the show is taken to the people. By the skilful use of space, a complete road safety story is presented. Simultaneous entry and exit is provided so as to ensure uncongested and safe use by the public. By means of diagrams and illustrations, attention is first focused on the road accident problem and answers to it are presented on panels which visitors illuminate for themselves by pressing a series of knobs; thus casualty stories and good and bad road conduct tell their story vividly to every type of road user. An attractive feature of the exhibition is the driver's reaction tester. A replica of a driver's seat, with accelerator, steering wheel and brake pedal, is installed; in front is a white board with two pointers, a red lamp, and a dial marked in fractions of a second. The instructor, by means of an independent hand control, moves one of the red pointers from left to right, and the "driver" follows this with his pointer by turning the steering wheel. Depression of the accelerator pedal results in a rapid flick-over of the hand of a speedometer, worked by a fractional horsepower motor. At an appropriate moment the instructor flashes the red light and the pupil must then brake. The time lag between illumination of the red lamp and the driver's operation of the pedal is recorded on the dial, and reference to an illuminated panel showing braking distances gives the pupil an idea of his competence. Another feature of the exhibition is a screen on which a series of cartoons illustrate the curb drill; a sound commentary accompanies the pictures, and the synchrophone as the device is called is a highly popular item with young spectators. The unit is self-contained and can function on any site.

— Municipal Journal, England

Noted Violinist

One of Canada's best known violinists and musical ensemble conductors, Harold Sumberg is directing the weekly broadcast program, "Symphony for Strings," in its second season on the CBC Trans-Canada network.

UP MEDICAL GRANTS

Vancouver (CP) — An increase in the monthly grant from $4,000 to $5,000 to Vancouver Medical Association for services rendered social assistance cases was approved by city council recently. It was reported the provincial minister of welfare has approved the increase.

KEPT RIGHT, THOUGH

Montreal (CP) — It may be oh-hum to you, but don't drive motorcycles on this city's sidewalks, says Jum Chu, 32. After pleading guilty and being fined $15.50, Recorder E. J. McManamy termed Hum's traffic violation "very stupid and dangerous" but admitted he had observed one law — driving on the right hand sidewalk.

Kills 200 Birds With Slingshot

Predatory Crows and Magpies Felled by Modern David

Sounding Lake, Alta. (CP) — David, the Biblical figure who killed the giant Goliath with a sling, has a namesake in Alberta who is himself so handy with a slingshot that he probably could keep a whole army of Philistines at bay.

David Somers, 15-year-old youth of this community 211 miles northeast of Calgary, is interested, however, in a war against the Philistines of the game world — such predators as crows and magpies.

This year he killed more than 200 crows and magpies with his slingshot. Altogether he turned 680 pairs of predators' feet over to the Castor Fish and Game Association, chalking up a record for the most birds killed by one person among 40,000 school-age boys and girls.

The birds which didn't fall before his slingshot were killed by his old .22-calibre rifle, which broke down on him at the first of the season, forcing him to turn to the more primitive weapon.

David's 680 victims had a cash value of 10 cents for each pair of feet — five cents from the Castor group and five from the Alberta Fish and Game Association — but David declined the cash. He could kill 1,000 each year, he said, if he could get a rifle. He got his rifle.

Gophers, ducks and even geese have fallen before the young marksman's weapon. His record was set during the annual campaign of fish and game groups and the game branch of the Alberta government to reduce the numbers of predators destroying nests, killings birds and breaking eggs in the province.

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Norwegian Ship Never in Norway

Vancouver (CP) — The crew of the Norwegian motor vessel Villanger love their vessel — but they don't depend on her to take them home.

The Villanger, en route to England following cargo loading in British Columbia ports, has never been to Norway in her 18 years afloat.

Chief Officer Anders Severud explained by saying: "Built in England, she has always traded in waters outside Norway.

"Crew members sign on for specified periods, then go home on other ships."

The vessel has no conventional funnels, giving it the appearance of lacking something in the superstructure. The oil exhausts are served by a series of long pipes.

It was last in Vancouver in 1941, shortly before Officer Severud left her to become a lieutenant with the Norwegian navy and a gunnery officer on merchant ships.

Voice of the People

"My Week"

By R. J. DEACHMAN

A Western paper recently contained an item based upon these facts:

"Walter Tucker, Liberal Leader in Saskatchewan, invited the electors of two northern constituencies to a round-table conference. He was seeking information. He wanted them to tell him exactly what was wrong with the fishing, lumbering and fur industries and what policies they, the people of that area, would like the government to follow.

"The result was a political meeting in which the audience made speeches and Mr. Tucker and his chief lieutenant listened for about two hours. Both spoke but not for more than 15 minutes.

This meeting was exceptional — it was exactly as it is here described. The speakers wanted to gather facts and on the facts base their policies. It would be much better for the country if the habit became general. The men who are in business, or those who live on the farms, know something of the work they do and the difficulties they face and those who direct the government of the country would do well to listen to them.

* * *

I would like to see all political meetings in country areas arranged in exactly this fashion. It would be a friendly meeting. There would be a discussion, and no attempt to drive down the throats or into the minds of the people a long argument on the merits of one party — it is measures not men that count. The candidate would, of course, express his opinions. He would expect to be questioned. He would answer according to the best of his ability. The voters would be free to question and to discuss freely the questions which to them seemed vital.

The general adoption of the policy here mentioned would revolutionize political methods. It is the only true method. The people of Canada are intelligent. Let us put their intelligence to work. They can understand the issues if they are presented to them. Sometimes, of course, they are blinded by prejudice, they cannot see the facts or cannot recognize them when they are shown to them. These are exceptional cases, and a meeting conducted on a different basis, in which all shared, would enable the audience to take a part. It would prove refreshingly interesting to people who have tired of old fashioned meetings.

In a meeting of this kind the discussion would not consist of an attempt to convince the audience that the particular speaker had all the wisdom on his side or that the arguments upon the other side were not worth consideration. It would be a poor question if there was only one side. In meetings of this kind there is a chance to find out what the people want and in the discussion which follows all sides of the issue are brought out. Not only is this highly advantageous to the audience but very much to the advantage of the candidates themselves.

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Needless to say I am not thinking of one particular party but of all parties. Thoughtful men do not want to see changes in our system of government. A balanced parliament in which all sides are represented is more likely to give the country efficient government. Besides, and this is important, a fighting House of Commons develops the minds of the members, makes them work — and therefore increases their usefulness.

Of course, all meetings would not be of this kind. Larger meetings are necessary, but the quiet meeting in which the candidate hears the voice of the people is a helpful method and should be more widely expanded.

Provincial Boy Scout Commissioners from across Canada or their assistants, will attend a special training course in Ottawa from April 17 to 19, 1948, it is announced by Maj.-Gen. D. C. Spry, C.B.E., D.S.O., Chief Executive Commissioner at Dominion Scout Headquarters, Ottawa.

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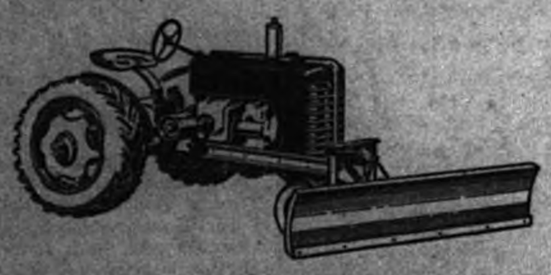

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Miracle Play in Modern Texas Town

Los Pastores, the hybrid Spanish-Indian miricle play introduced to Mexico centuries ago by Spanish monks and presented in San Antonia during the Christmas season, is enacted primarily for its spirituality.

A group of amateur actors go from house to house by invitation and because it is traditional that no one prompted by idle curiosity should witness the performance, only the initiated can find the scene of presentation.

Usually someone's back yard becomes the stage; the doorsteps serve as background for the Nacimiento. Manger scene: various objects are set on the stairs; pieces of crockery, tinsel, pincushions, patron saints — anything the household considers especially beautiful. In the centre of the lowest step, the Christ Child (a life-sized doll placed on a platter with diverse gaudy candy) is surrounded by plaster shepherds, donkeys, etc.

A tent opposite the Nacimiento gives evidence of representing hell: a bonfire has been built within and live devils emerge therefrom.

The play has no definite time for beginning, but, finally, a girl starts to walk back and forth reciting. Overdressed shepherds drone a seemingly endless song. Ermitano, the comic relief, carrying a rosary of spools, also represents the soul of its earthly journey and is often accompanied by the white winged Archangel Gabriel.

It is a never-ending performance: seven devils, six in sequined black with animal masks and the fork-tailed Lucifer in brilliant red, are finally vanquished; likewise, a wild Indian is overcome and kisses the Christ Child; the shepherds and all in attendance kiss the Child, solemnly and as slowly as possible.

Formidable Test For B.C. Drivers

Vancouver (CP) — British Columbia imposes a stiff driving test and many motorists are disillusioned when they apply for a license. In the first six months of this year, of the 6,000 applying more than 1,000 failed.

Chief examiner S. J. Hamilton and his six assistants are the rocks on which one on five applicants founder — "chiefly", he says, "because they do not know how to park a car or omit to give hand signals when starting or stopping.

"Veterans who have driven vehicles ranging from Churchill tanks to jeeps are mightly surprised when we tell them their driving is not good enough for a license"

Before a practical driver's test is given by examiners, a series of written questions must be answered. These range from how to park on a hill to the height from the ground a fog-light should be suspended. They must also answer numerous technical questions and have an intimate acquaintance with by-laws.

Eyesight is tested for reaction to traffic signals and hearing ability is checked.

Hamilton says the tests have proved that women are just as good drivers as men.

BUSY WIRES

Toronto (CP) — Canadian telegraph offices handled an average of 12,758,976 telegrams originating in the Dominion during the 10 years 1936 to 1945. Highest number in a year was 15,758,247 in 1945.

SOME EGG, SOME HEN

Burns Lake, B.C. (CP)—Ed Stone, farmer, proudly showed an egg laid by his New Hampshire hen. Weighing more than four ounces, the egg was seven and three-eighths inches in circumference.

Britain's Largest Landplane

The Brabazon, 126-ton aircraft named after Lord Brabazon of Tara, the first man in Britain to gain a pilot's license, is the largest landplane in Britain. This Bristol 167, which has a wing span of 230-ft. and fuel capacity of 13,000 gallons, has been designed for non-stop flights between London and New York. Later versions will carry from 70 to 100 people in bunks or 120 in seats. To add to the comfort of passengers the aircraft will be fitted with a "gust detecter" in the nose; this apparatus automatically adjusts the positions of the ailerons, thus damping down the effects of a "bump". . . Picture shows the Brabazon, dwarfing the hundreds of workers who helped to build her, just prior to the naming ceremony.

Parish Priest Aids Dutch Immigrants

Settles Two Families on N.B. Farm While 200 More Await Similar Opportunity

Minto, N. B. (CP) — The Rev. H. M. Dobbelsteyn, parish priest here, is a one-man immigration service. Two Dutch families have been settled on a farm at nearby Hardwood Ridge as a result of his efforts and he has a list of 200 more waiting in Holland for a chance to emigrate.

He conceived the plan while serving overseas as a padre with the Canadian Army. Father Dobbelsteyn, a Netherlands native, bought the 300-acre abondoned farm at Hardwood Ridge last spring and arranged immigration of the two families after assuring authorities the newcomers would not become public charges. The parish priest recently obtained a second farm, borrowing the purchase price, and is bringing in another Dutch family to cultivate it.

The first two families, those of John and Anthony Daamen, comprise 29 persons and are living in one frame dwelling until sufficient snow comes to pack down the roads and enable skidding of another house onto their land. The Daamens arrived this autumn and have been busy clearing land and cutting pulpwood while waiting for spring and their first seeding. The brothers, who worked "postage stamp" farms in Holland, describe their new holdings as "a whole country."

Father Dobbelsteyn, an advocate of large families, says:

"I admit that bringing families with a great number of children to Canada is more difficult and perhaps riskier. Still the added difficulties are insignificant when compared to the benefits such families represent.

"Take the case of the two families in question. There are two matured men and their wives. Already three young people among the children are ready to step out for themselves and they will not be too far removed from their parents to forego their guidance and helping hand.

"Lastly, there are more than 20 children of school age who will enjoy the privileges of being in this country along with other children born and brought up here — 20 children who in a very short time will become indistinguishable from their schoolmates."

CANADA'S DAIRIES

Ottawa (CP) — There were 2,270 dairy factories in operation in Canada last year, reports the bureau of statistics. Of the total, 1,130 were creameries, 927 cheese factories, 184 combined butter and cheese and 29 concentrated milk plants.

PIECE-RATE CATCHER

North Battleford, Sask. (CP)—A dog catcher has been appointed on a piece-rate basis for this west-central Saskatchewan town. He receives $1 for each dog caught. The dogs are destroyed if not claimed after 72 hours of impounding.

SECRET DEFENCE?

Winnipeg (CP)—John Gpowython thinks he's lucky. He was working in a shed steaming barrels when one of the drums exploded in his face. A few seconds later, after the smoke had cleared away, he was standing in his usual spot unharmed by the blast.

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Effects of Population Changes

By Victor Roterus, University of Chicago

Certain factors of common knowledge among social scientists are sometimes overlooked in planning developments in cities, states and regions. Yet the implications of these factors are of direct concern to anyone concerned with future developments and services, either of a private or public nature. Fundamentally in any forward-looking analysis or programme are the facts and trends of population. Two factors of population are deserving of special emphasis: (1) family size and (2) age.

The size of households is declining and will continue to decline. Of what significance is this factor in planning and development? Let's take housing, for example.

In the Cincinnati area the master plan studies estimate that the average household size will decrease from 3.3 persons in 1940 to 2.9 persons by 1970. Now, even if the total population of the Cincinnati area remained stationary during that period, this single fact of smaller family size would mean that an additional 31,000 housing units would have to be built to house the same population in 1970 as existed in 1940. In other words, 14 per cent more housing units would be needed to accommodate the same population simply because of shrinking family size.

This factor of household size should be taken into account in other ways. Many engineering firms in planning water supply systems still measure future demands in terms of estimates of *total* population. In their calculations the estimate of future population is simply multiplied by the present-day per capita consumption figure of water in order to get probable future demand. Now if there are 45 more households to every 1,000 persons, as is estimated for Cincinnati, every 1,000 persons in the future will have many more lawns to water and more dishes and cars to wash than is true at the present time. Obviously an estimate of future size of population alone is not an adequate basis for housing needs, water or most other plans related to consumer demands.

Another population factor of growing significance is the inevitable trend toward an older population. Whereas the population under 30 years of age will be a little less in numbers in 1975 than now, there will be about five and one-half million more between 30 and 50 years of age, and about 16 million more of 50 years of age and older. In 1975 the United States will have almost three times as many persons of the ages 50 and over as there were in 1929, according to estimates.

Of what significance to planning and development is the trend toward an older population? For one thing, the political power of the older persons will grow. With it there will be more and more demands for social security. Old-age insurance will become more important. Business will be giving more attention to annuity and pension plans. Taxes for the support of old persons will increase substantially. Positions of importance in government and business are more apt to be held by older persons, and perhaps the conduct of our affairs may become less venturesome.

Another factor not to be overlooked in future planning and development for a region or community is the trend ever with us, except in abnormal short-term periods, of increasing productivity — the growing ability of persons to turn out a greater amount of goods or services in an hour's time, due to better tools or techniques. From 1929 to 1941 the output per man-hour of all goods and services increased at a rate of about 2.5 per cent each year.

— "Public Management", Chicago

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HISTORY MADE ON THIS FARM

But Owner Prefers to Talk of Canadian Citizenship

Ottawa, (CP) — It's no use quizzing George Atkins of Bronte, Ont., about William Lyon Mackenzie's cave hide-out — the 30-year-old farmer prefers to talk about Canadian citizenship.

Ask him a couple of questions about his ancestors and he'll admit they came over two years ahead of the Mayflower — but then he'll go on to tell about the citizenship training course which the Junior Farmers Association of Ontario new has under way for young persons throughout the province.

"We've found out that most young people know little about the goings-on in parliament and our idea is to have them take a course in these thinks . . no one can be a good citizen unless he knows the workings of his own government", said Mr. Atkins, who is executive director of the association.

There is a cave on his fruit farm, which lies 28 miles west of Toronto, he said. Yes, it happens to be the one in which William Lyon Mackenzie hid during the rebellion of 1837.

"But now about the citizenship course — when young persons get around to voting age that's when their interest in government should be stimulated".

He agreed that tourists dropped in frequently during the summer to see the cave. One woman — she must have been nearly 80 years of age — insisted on climbing down the bank of Twelve-Mile Creek just to get a good look at it.

"Now as for this citizenship course of ours, we'd like to see it become nation-wide, then sooner or later we'd see a difference in the type of people being elected to parliament."

Mr. Atkins was born in Virginia. His family had come to North America in 1618. He'd been living on the Bronte farm for the last 26 years. Sir Thomas White, former finance minister, was born on the farm. Yes, it also was the site of the race track on which the first Queen's Plate was run.

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Our Best

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J. A. Pregent, Prop. Bethany St., Lachute

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Argenteuil Transport Ltd.

Montreal — Lachute — Brownsburg.
Bethany Road — Telephone 53

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Brownsburg Quebec

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Thanking the public for their kind support in our business, and with sincere good wishes —

Veuillez agréer les souhaits les plus sincères et nos remerciements de votre patronage.

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Cabinet Maker Tel. 231-W Factory, Robert St.

We count each client as a link in the fellowship of this community — we appreciate the friends who favor us with their patronage. Our thanks and good wishes.

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Insurance, Real Estate 256 Main Street

Greetings

Pride in our craft — the satisfaction of having served you well — these pleasures we owe to you, our customers. Many thanks, and sincere good wishes.

Lachute Woodcraft Reg'd

Martin Niederkorn, Proprietor
Telephone 460-W 168 Main Street

To You and Yours

May the Holiday Season bring you an abundance of Joy, Love and Fulfillment.

Geo. Paul

Grocery, Drygoods Main St., Lachute

Merry Christmas

. . . And may the New Year be full of bright hopes, good health, happiness and prosperity.

Joyeux Noel

. . . et puisse la nouvelle Année être remplie de brillants espoirs, de bonne santé, de bonheur et de prospérité.

Lachute Lumber & Manufacturing Company Limited

Chatham Street Lachute Mills

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS

R. McArthur & Son

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We may have modernized our premises — but the old-time sincerity and friendship remain unchanged in all our dealings. We thank our customers, and wish them all

— A MERRY CHRISTMAS

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H. E. Carson, Proprietor Our telephone, 29

Service — Friendship

In rendering loyal service, we cherish the friendship we receive in return . . . Our thanks and season's greetings to all.

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We solicit

the privilege to serve you in the future as we have served you in the past. Our warm thanks and the season's greetings.

Lucien St. Jacques

Sash & Door Factory Building Materials
Chatham St., Lachute Mills

With the compliments of the season and all good wishes

Avec les compliments de la saison et les meilleurs souhaits

Rex, Rio and Capitol Theatres

Lachute — Brownsburg
Fassio Brothers, proprietors

The Glow of Christmas

stirs a warmth of sentiment — for we value our long association with this County and its progress. Our sincere good wishes to old friends and new.

A. D. McGibbon & Sons

Lumber Merchants — Lachute Mills

Christmas

brings this opportunity to greet new friends, and also to thank the customers who have made our proprietorship both pleasant and profitable.

— RENE PAQUIN.

Venus Café

(Lachute Medicine Shop) Main Street

A Wish, a Message

It has been a privilege to serve you, and in the coming year we solicit your continued patronage . . . Our thanks and hearty wishes for the Christmas season.

Roger Lamarche

Furniture, L'Islet Stoves & Ranges
Phone 313, Res. 319. Main Street

The approach of Christmas brings with it our appreciation of your kind support.

May your tomorrows be still brighter than your yesterdays — mellowed by the friendships you have made along the path of years.

P. E. Leger

Hairdresser Lachute

Christmas Cheer

We send you a message of Good Will with the Festive Day . . . May the spirit of Christmas and all it means abide in your home to bring you cheer. . Cordial thanks to our customers.

McFaul Brothers

Drygoods, Clothing, Provisions
Main Street W. Lachute Mills

Season's Greetings

Joy be with you this happy season. We are mindful of our debt to our friends who have favored our business, a debt of gratitude we can never repay fully.

Wilson & Gordon, Reg'd

Paints, Hardware Main St., Lachute

Renewing our pledge to serve you well — to maintain our stock in keeping with your needs — and thanking you, once again, for your past encouragement . . .

J. U. Nadon, Jeweller

Clock and Watch Repairs. Gift Jewelry
Opp. Muir Service Station. Main St., Lachute

With the Compliments of the Season and all good wishes

Avec les compliments de la saison et les meilleurs souhaits

Lachute Undertakers Reg'd

J. B. Menard, Proprietor — R. Menard, Director
Funeral Parlors — 70 Foundry St.

Accept herewith our sincere greetings and grateful thanks.

Veuillez agréer les souhaits les plus sincères et nos remerciements de votre patronage.

Leger Garage

H. C. Leger, Prop. Lachute, Que.

Without good patrons, business would not exist. Without good neighbors, this community would be just a place to live in. We are happy in our role of service, and we thank you all for your support. . . The season's greetings !

G. I. McFaul

Merchant Brownsburg, 312

A Merry Christmas to One and All !

The charm of the Yuletide
Season lies in the thought
that we live in the memory
of our friends.

Boyd's Lachute Express Ltd.

N. W. Boyd, Pres. Bethany Road, Lachute

To the business entrusted with us, whether big or small, we have given of our best. Every customer commands our attentive service — and our warm appreciation.

Geo. Y. Deacon

Tinsmith, Hardware, Auto Repairs, Accessories
Lachute Mills

Peace, Friendship

If small-town neighborliness could rule the world, this old planet might be a happier sphere today !

A sincere THANK-YOU to all whom it has been our privilege to serve.

Rubin's Store

Outfitters to the Family Main St., Lachute

A tous mes clients et mes amis
JOYEUX NOEL
et
BONNE ANNEE

To all my friends and customers, best wishes —
MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR

Z. Harbour

Drugstore Phone 332

Thanks again for your loyal support. We trust we have "filled the bill" in courtesy and service.

Our best wishes !
A Merry Christmas !

Muir Bros.

Service Station Main Street

To fill a need in your everyday life, is a privilege we truly appreciate. We thank you for your confidence, and wish you one and all "A Merry Christmas, A Prosperous New Year".

Beaton's Pharmacy

Phone 164 Main St.

While striving to serve you with courtesy and consideration, so we feel ourselves associated in friendship with your daily doings. We thank you, and greet you today as friends.

John McFaul & Son

Hardware, Clothing & Sports Outfitters
Main Street, Lachute

The privilege of serving you has brought great pleasure. In our dealings we hope that sentiment has been mutual — and we add, at this season, our warm gratitude.

J. D. Lepine

Wholesale Lumber Dealer
Brownsburg, Que.

Striving for the best in service — we trust we have fulfilled our aims. Thanks to our patrons, and hearty Christmas Greetings !

Helmer Radio Service

George Helmer Phone 335-W Lachute, Que.

Appreciation

to our many customers — and to our near and distant friends, Good Wishes one and all.

Champlain Service Station

D. M. Hay — J. M. Duncan
Main Street Lachute

With the Compliments of the Season and all Good Wishes.

Avec les compliments de la saison et les Meilleurs Souhaits.

Alex Gervais

Tobacco - Candy Main St., Lachute

Christmas Greetings

Like the voices of Angels
On that first glad Christmastide,
May the songs of joyous children
Again ring far and wide.
To tell a weary, troubled world
The glory of Christ's birth,
And bring again His promise
Of "Peace, Good Will on Earth."

Argenteuil Bazaar Store

Phone 156 Main St.

The Glow of Yule Logs

reflects the spirit of Christmas in a manner which best expresses our sincere good wishes to everyone. — Thanks for your business, and a MERRY CHRISTMAS to all.

J. P. MacKimmie & Sons

Bottlers, Distributors of Coca-Cola
Foundry St., Lachute.

Good health, good friends, good fortune ! Thanking our customers for past favors, and anticipating a mutually pleasant relationship in the year ahead.

Fernando Carrière

Epicier - Grocer Restaurant
45 Foundry - Telephone 683

We thank the customers whose support we have enjoyed in the past year. Best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

Romeo Giroux

Butcher, Grocer 78 Main W. Phone 109

Greetings — Bons Souhaits

To those who have favored us with their patronage in the past year — we extend our appreciation and the heartiest Season's Greetings.

J. R. A. Carignan

Plasterer Telephone 43 Lachute, Que.

Our appreciation for the patronage which we have enjoyed in the past year—and our assurance of courteous service in all future business dealings.

Our best Wishes
HAPPY CHRISTMAS — JOYEUX NOEL

N. Héroux Plumber - Plombier

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Main Street, Lachute

We share that wholesome good will that exists among our townsfolk, and we are grateful to them for their confidence expressed in every business dealing.

Paul & Graham

Geo. Paul Court Street, Lachute Geo. Graham

Thanks for the support you have extended. I trust to give good service during 1948, and I wish you now — Good Health and Happiness, the year through !

John Lemay

Building Contractor
Thomas St. Phone 445 Lachute

Harmony

Of French and English speaking citizens alike, we think the kindly thoughts and cherish the good-will born of mutually happy contacts. Our thanks to all.

Tessier Furniture & Hardware Stores

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In step with modern methods and facilities, we also want to be "up front" with the season's sentiments — to wish our friends and fellow citizens A Merry Christmas ! . . And thanks again to all our customers.

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CHRISTMAS WISHES
AND
SINCERE THANKS
FOR YOUR PATRONAGE

Lachute Upholstering Reg'd

Aimé Trudel Main St. W., Lachute

Thanks !

We are sincerely grateful for your patronage and good will. Our warmest greetings at this season. Nous souhaitons de continuer à vous servir fidèlement, en vous rendant la vie plus agréable par le service que nous fournissons.

Joseph B. Dion

Plumber Lachute Phone 37

The spirit of Christmas is ever new, though the centuries echo with the story of old. . . . It is a grand custom to be able to greet our customers and friends with a hearty handshake at Yuletide, and to one and all we say, "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!"

Frank Earle — Jeweller

Main Street, Lachute

Season's Heartiest Greetings

We see glad faces every day, and we are grateful for the friendship of customers old and new. Our sincere thanks and good wishes at this festive season.

Lido Restaurant

Provincial Transport Bus Terminal
Main Street Lachute.

APPRECIATION TO THE PUBLIC

Often as we have called at your door, should we not cherish your acquaintance and wish you now the Season's Greetings? —Our thanks and good wishes to all.

Lachute Bakery
J. A. Menard, Prop. Phone 106

Cordial Wishes for A Merry Christmas

During the year now drawing to a close you have been good friends and loyal customers, and at this season we wish to take this means of extending to you our sincere wishes for a
MERRY CHRISTMAS

Romeo Roussel
Butcher 55 Bethany Street Lachute

As Main Street passes by, we are proud each day to feel ourselves a part of the life and business of this town. We greet you all, both customers and fellow citizens. —
A MERRY CHRISTMAS !

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The Compliments of the Season

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A tous les bons clients et clientes, passés et à vènir, je souhaite une Joyeuse Année, et je les remercie de leur encouragement.

To my customers, past and future, I extend the Season's Greetings — thanking them for their generous encouragement.

Mme Paul-Emile Lafleur
(Représentante des Corsets "Spencer")
Téléphone 231-J rue - Foundry - Street

Assuring our customers of our warm appreciation and of our utmost endeavor to meet their demands with courteous and satisfactory service . . . . Our thanks and season's greetings.

Lachute Creamery Ltd.
Water Street, Lachute

IN APPRECIATION of your support and friendship, the Season's Greetings are extended for a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Mac E. Walker, Insurance
Office, Phone 693 Res., Phone 918-r-2

Sincere wishes for health, happiness and prosperity.

Meilleurs souhaits de santé, de prosperité et de bonheur.

Hector Charlebois
Ice Dealer Lachute

Good Health !

With confidence we commend our products and cater to your daily needs — and at this festive time we wish you Health, Contentment through the coming year,

Nos REMERCIEMENTS . . . Sincere THANKS

A. Lacasse
Dairyman Brownsburg, Que.

Appreciation — Good Wishes

To the friends who have so cordially supported us, and made our venture into business both pleasant and successful — we tender our warm thanks and the season's good wishes.

Food Lockers Ltd.
Clyde Street, Lachute

Think of Us

as we think of you — not merely as a contact in good business but as a friend sharing the pleasures of neighborly association. We appreciate your kindly patronage.

Lowe Bros' Dairy
Lachute
Milk Products - Cream - Chocolate Milk

Christmas Wishes

We're wrapping up every good wish we can think of — in this little message which comes to say, "Christmas Cheer" to you, and everyone in your household.

Pariseau Bros.
Meat & Provisions Lachute & Brownsburg

Merry Christmas . . . Happy New Year !

To our friends we wish both health and joy, and may prosperity bless you all. Thanks for your business. . . We solicit your support in the coming year.

Graham's Dairy
Geo. Graham, Prop. Grace Street, Lachute

To our patrons and friends:
A MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR !

M. G. Assaly
Drygoods Store Main St., Lachute

To the many old friends in this community, and those whom it has been our pleasure to serve, we extend the season's greetings. . Your Health, Success and Happiness in the coming year !

D. D. Mitchell Reg'd
Mercury and Lincoln Dealers
Bethany Road Lachute, Que.

AT YOUR SERVICE — To this ideal we have directed our business. We trust we have given satisfaction, and we look forward to pleasant dealings with old friends and new, this coming year . . . Good wishes from —

Hammond's Radio Shop
Main Street Lachute

SERVICE is our motto. . And we have aimed to keep our service up to precision in all things. . . in workmanship, in reliability and cordiality. To our friends and clients we say, "Thanks for your support", and "Merry Christmas".

Gordon & Lyster Reg'd
E. S. Gordon M. Lyster
Berry Street Phone 308-M

THANKS to all who have encouraged our enterprise. In their satisfaction we have been well repaid.
MERRY CHRISTMAS — JOYEUX NOEL !

Lachute Drive Yourself
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Romain Desjardins Phone 541-R (Res. 537-M).

We take pleasure in extending to our many friends and the community at large our Sincere Greetings for a Very Merry Christmas

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Main St., Lachute

Thanks — and Greetings

Here, in the small-town business, one meets the true spirit of community fellowship . . . Our wishes greet you now, as both a customer and a friend.

Gordon's Garage
Service & Repairs Brownsburg, Que.

Our Business . .

has thrived with the support of our many friends, both old and new. Through this medium, we extend to all our associates the wish for a Merry Christmas, and may the New Year be full of Health, Gladness and Prosperity.

Bill's Restaurant
Main Street Lachute, Que.

Business is inevitably linked with sentiment. As its scope and activity increases, so are friendships cemented more firmly . . . . We thank those customers whose support we have enjoyed in the past year.

J. A. Campbell
Lumber Merchant Dalesville

If we have been of service in your farm or business needs — we feel our role well justified, and our efforts repaid. Thanks and sincere good wishes to all our customers.

Lachute Farm Equipment Ltd.
J. A. Fraser E. Raymond S. T. MacAdam
Telephone, Lachute 114-W

We thank our past customers — but would not limit our thanks to mere words. We hope for the privilege of serving them again, and often, to express our feeling in the very best this establishment can offer.

Reg. Courtien
Agent for Harrison Bros' P.O.M.
Bakery, Family Groceries Lachute Mills

In appreciation of your support and friendship, the Season's Greetings are extended for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

H. D. Parsons — Photo Studio
265-A Main Street Lachute, Que.

Through the years, still conscious of our role in the business of this town and striving to serve you to the utmost . . . And now, thanking you and wishing you —
"A MERRY CHRISTMAS—JOYEUX NOEL."

H. M. Lavigne Store
Roland Lamarche, Mgr. Lachute West End

Season's Greetings — and sincere thanks to all our customers.

Souhaits de Noël — et sincères remerciements à tous nos clients.

Rex Café
René Deschamps, prop. Main St., Lachute

A Merry Christmas

May the glow of your Christmas candles reflect all of the joys and fulfilled desires of the past year . . . and may that radiance forecast the coming year as the best and brightest of them all.

Gall & Jones
E. M. Jones — W. S. Jones
Insurance, Real Estate Phone 491-W

YOUR SUPPORT has enabled us to maintain good service and give our best. We cordially thank our customers, and extend to them the season's greetings.

Speight Meat Market
Telephone 232 Water Street

It's the loyalty, good faith and fellowship that make this town worth-while. Your friendly support is a factor which makes the home-town a pleasant place in which to live and work. Our sincere appreciation !

Gordon Elliott — Taxi Service
47 Bethany Street Telephone Lachute 135

G. R. Campbell — Bell Falls

takes great pleasure in extending good wishes to all, for a Merry Christmas and a New Year rich in health and contentment.

Thanks to our district friends and customers.

It's Yours, It's Ours

—this community we live in. And we appreciate the pleasant relations that have been our mutual contribution to the home-town harmony.

Assad's Store
Phone 177 Main St.

A measure of modest satisfaction is ours — for we have given of our best. We promise, again, a continuance of our considerate service, and thank you for your kind support.

Oscar Hotte
Building Contractor Lachute Telephone 564

A tous nos concitoyens, nos meilleurs souhaits de santé, de prospérité et de bonheur.

To our fellow townsmen, the best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

Deslauriers & Rozon
Insurance Bedard Blvd.

Thanks to the public for their past support. For the betterment of the community, and the welfare of those who served, we pledge our earnest endeavors in the year to come.

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Housing Costs

House-building costs in Canada — according to a reliable report — continued to rise during the second quarter of 1947 and at the end of June were estimated 11 per cent higher than at the beginning of the year. The estimate is based on a 16 per cent rise in wholesale prices of building materials — unprecedented since 1920 — and an estimated 7 per cent over-all increase in average hourly wage rates paid to building workers during the period.

The production of ten selected building materials during the first half of 1947 indicated a substantial improvement over 1946 levels of output for the same period, the report states. The most impressive gains, 52 per cent and 25 per cent, were recorded in the output of bath tubs and cast-iron soil pipe, respectively, but records of sales and stocks show that the building industry continues to press on available material supplies. Despite the gains in production there is little evidence that stock piles are accumulating.

Employment and earnings in the building industry continued to rise during the second quarter of 1947 and were well above the levels of the corresponding 1946 period. Data obtained from employers having 15 or more employees engaged in industrial, commercial, institutional and residential building, showed an average of 78,600 employees from January 1 to July 31, 1947, with 90,134 in July. During the first seven months of 1946 the same group of employers reported an average of 58,200 employees, with 69,201 in July. Weekly earnings of these employees averaged $36 during the first seven months of 1947, as compared with $33 during the first half of 1946, and $34 during the whole of 1946.

Reporting on population trends, *Housing in Canada* states that the high rate of net family formation that developed during the war years is continuing. Marriages were slightly lower during the first half of 1947 as compared with the same period in 1946, and deaths were slightly higher but births, which have a longer-run effect on net family formation, increased markedly from 74,500 during the first six months of 1946 to 91,900 in the corresponding period of this year.

Reflecting the seasonal upswing of building activity, completions of dwelling units reported in metropolitan areas and municipalities of 5,000 population and over totalled 11,269 in the second quarter of 1947 as compared to 6,509 in the first quarter. July completions numbered 3,586, bringing the total for the first seven months to 21,364. In view of the fact that 27,588 dwelling units were under construction in these areas at the beginning of the year, this completion rate indicates a lengthy construction period for the average Canadian home.

Dwelling unit starts during the first half of 1947 proceeded at considerably below the 1946 rate. In the same metropolitan areas and municipalities, the number of starts reached a peak of 7,393 in May and totalled 24,875 for the first seven months of 1947. Although there are no comparable data for 1946, *Housing in Canada* reports that units for which residential building permits had been issued in 204 municipalities for the first half of 1947 numbered 17,624 as against 26,723 in 1946, a decline of 34 per cent.

Chief factors responsible for the decline of starts in 1947 are given as:

1. contractors building on order are finding it more difficult to interest prospective home-owners at current building costs;

2. speculative builders anticipate increasing difficulty in disposing of finished dwellings at prices determined by still-rising building costs.

And then there is the large carry-over of more than 40,000 dwelling units under construction at the end of 1946 — the completion of which has competed with new starts for available materials and labor — together with inclement weather early in the spring.

Factor in Parking Problems

By BURTON W. MARSH, Director, Traffic Engineering and Safety Dept., American Automobile Association, Washington, D.C.

Public transportation must be greatly improved, with much more express or "limited" service, better routings, less delays and shorter trip-times, wise use of "feeder" bus lines, better terminals, etc. The more attractive public transportation is made, the more people will use it and the more sensible will be the "balance" between it and private car use. Obviously, the more who are attracted to public transportation, the less will the parking problem be in zones of traffic concentration. But the public must be *attracted* — the choice as to mode of transportation will inevitably be a free choice by the people. Fortunately many transit executives are showing a new progressiveness as to their service and their place in the transport picture.

Drama for English Schools

About 93,200 children in London secondary schools will see plays during this winter as part of their school work. Two professional companies are being engaged, and in addition Shakespeare plays ("Twelfth Night" and "Julius Caesar") will be presented by the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art. The total cost of the scheme will be around $40,000. The plays so far chosen for presentation are Clifford Bax's "The Immortal Lady", "Everyman" (traditional), Thomas Dekker's "The Shoemaker's Holiday", and André Obey's "Noah".

A big new reservoir at Staines on the outskirts of London was opened recently by H.M. the King. It holds nearly 4.5 billion gallons and will provide a substantial addition to the water reserves of Britain's capital city.

That Seal on The Back of Your Letters

DEATH AT THE WHEEL

If drivers, before drinking, saw someone else do that, they would probably condemn the driver as a fool or worse. There is only one safe rule about driving and drinking: "Don't do both!". Automobile driving requires a motorist's every faculty, undimmed.

— Yorkton (Sask.) Enterprise

The self-important people are important only to themselves.

WANTED — FENCE VIEWER

Halifax (CP)—It would seem that finding a suitable person to inspect city fences for a dollar an inspection is a tough job. Formerly, it was filled by a member of the Halifax staff. Last year a part-time man filled the role. But now he wants to resign because of low pay.

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Mistletoe Distinct As Yuletide Decoration

Mistletoe, that distinctive Christmas green so common in many parts of America, is usually thought of as merely a good holiday decoration or as a creator of open season on ladies fair for otherwise bashful swains.

Mistletoe did not always hold this position in our lives. The Druids called it "all-heal," and thought it held many miraculous virtues. The Scandinavians dedicated it to their goddes of love, Friga. Probably this goddess of love is responsible for the custom of kissing under the mistletoe.

The power to heal, to protect against sickness, to perform magic deeds—all these and more are the qualities ascribed to this plant in legends, traditions and even in ancient histories and literature.

Mistletoe is a parasite, which infests branches of various trees of both hardwood and conifers, but mainly in hardwood. One species is found exclusively, however, on conifers.

Among the Celts and others, mistletoe which grew from the oak was considered to have peculiar magical virtues not possessed by that from any other trees. Some even considered it so rare as to be only cut with a gold knife.

Another old tradition is that the mistletoe supplied the wood for the holy cross, as previous to that time it was a forest tree but after the crucifixion was condemned to exist only as a dwarf parasite.

Mistletoe was taken over into the Christian tradition in due course and dedicated to the Christ Child. An old rhyme reads:

The mistletoe bough
At our Christmas board
Shall hang to the honor
Of Christ our Lord.

1947 Centenary of A Beloved Hymn, and Its Author's Death

"ABIDE WITH ME"

— Heather Bradley — in New York Times

In the Poet's Corner in Westminster Abbey recently, a memorial plaque was unveiled to the memory of Henry Francis Lyte, author of one of the most popular and beloved hymns, "Abide With Me". Beneath the statue dedicated to the great evangelists and hymn writers, John and Charles Wesley, are inscribed the words:

In memory of the Rev. Henry Francis Lyte. 1793-1847.

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide.

The ceremony at Westminster Abbey was part of a world-wide centenary celebration to commemorate the final revision of the hymn in November of 1847, only a few days before the poet's death.

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As a special memorial tribute, the British Broadcasting Corporation broadcast a service of hymns entirely by one writer, Henry Francis Lyte. Among them was "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven," which was chosen by Princess Elizabeth as the opening hymn for her wedding to Lieut. Philip Mountbatten. It was also sung at the wedding of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth.

The popularity of "Abide With Me" has steadily increased for a century. It has been sung by armies before battle, by heroes and heroines before meeting their doom, at family parties at Christmas, and even once at Wembley Stadium in London before the Football Association Cup Finals.

From the last war came stories of its wide adaptation as a prayer in time of danger and stress. Tommies on the beaches of Dunkerque sang it to an accordion. The words were sung recently by a dying 19-year-old soldier in Palestine. Its strains have been on the lips of trapped miners, pinioned beyond all hope of rescue. Repeating its comforting words, Nurse Edith Cavell faced the German firing squad during the first World War. And countless times the hymn has been on the lips of men and women shipwrecked and perishing at sea.

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Henry Frances Lyte was born on June 1, 1793, at Ednam, Kelso, Scotland. He took holy orders in the Church of Ireland in 1815, just before the Battle of Waterloo. He changed to the Methodist Church some years thereafter.

Throughout Lyte's life he had the conviction that, one day, he would write a message to his fellow-men which would be inspired by God and be of supreme beauty and comfort to the world. But it was not until his retirement because of ill health that his great inspiration was to come. After preaching his last sermon at the little parish church at Lower Brixton, he sat on the cliffs at the bottom of his garden overlooking Torbay, viewing the seas through which the Pilgrim Fathers started on their perilous voyage into the unknown wilds of America.

As he gazed at the autumn sun setting on the horizon, it reminded him of the line from St. Luke's Gospel — "Abide with us; for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent." Suddenly inspiration came. He had received the message which for so many yeears he had been convinced he would one day convey to mankind.

Lyte returned to his study and in less than an hour wrote the words of "Abide With Me". A few days later he departed for France in search of health. There he completed his final revision of the hymn. On November 20, 1847, he died in Nice. His remains are in the English cemetery there.

Lyte died — but his hymn lived on. From England, where its popularity was wide, it travelled to many countries and was translated into many tongues. With the years its universality was so taken for granted that its source and author were well-nigh forgotten.

Ukraine Rituals

In the Ukraine an elaborate Christmas Eve supper breaks a 39-day fast during which no meat has been eaten. Twelve courses are served, one for each of the tewelve Apostles: buckwheat and mushroom soup, pancakes in flax, prunes, fish, bread, and nuts are included in the menu.

An additional course of honey and porridge is also served; called Koutia, the dish represents the holy crib: the porridge represents the straw—as in the manger—and the Holy Infant is symbolized by honey and fruit: the honey is also considered symbolic of the spirit and blood of the Saviour.

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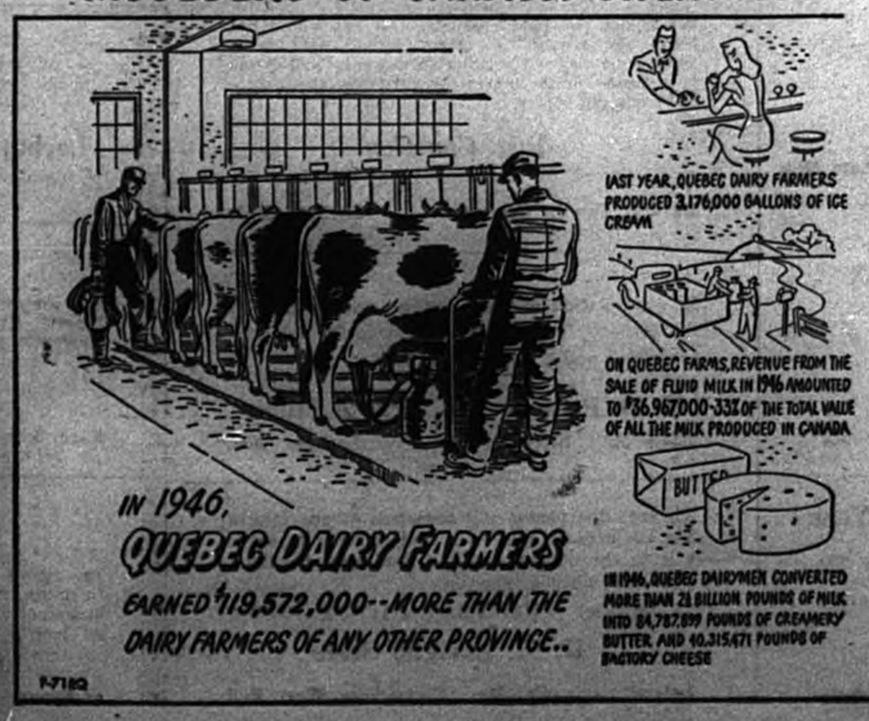

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WOMAN VETERINARY ENJOYS HER WORK

Prefers Animals to People, Says Graduate of Two Colleges

Saskatoon (CP)—The only woman veterinary in the Saskatoon district, Dr. Jean Morgan, claims her occupation is not an unusual one for women and candidly admits with a smile that she likes animals better than people.

Following graduation from the University of Saskatchewan in 1931 with a bachelor degree in science, the slight, dark-haired girl entered the veterinary laboratory at the university intending to study medicine.

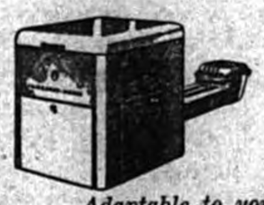
But instead, Miss Morgan became very interested in helping sick animals. She was one of two women to complete the four-year course in 1946 at Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph but she says that the graduating class the previous year included five women.

Her ambition now is to start a pet hospital in Saskatoon — if accommodation can be found — where her practice will be confined chiefly to small animals. She says that at present the only pet hospital on the prairies is at Winnipeg.

FOR P. T. TRAINING

London, Ont. (CP) — The new Physical Education building of the University of Western Ontario, tenders for which are expected to be called shortly, will be named "Thames Hall", the board of governors announced recently.

Fairbanks-Morse Stokers



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DELAYED ROMANCE SPANS SEA, WAR, LONG SEPARATION

Couple Married Despite All Obstacles

Harrow, Ont. (CP) — A romance that had its real beginning more than a decade ago in the tiny mountain hamlet of Davidov in Czechoslovakia spanned the ocean recently when John Fejko arrived in this Essex County town for reunion with his pretty, blonde wife, Anne.

It was a coincidence that brought the two together after they had drifted from childhood friendship and virtually forgotten each other. One day before Czechoslovakia was plunged into war in 1939, John happened to notice the picture of a pretty girl on the mantle of a friend's home.

Interested, he asked who it was. It turned out to be Anne, who by this time had come to Canada with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hric. Anne, who now is 22, six years younger than John, had left her homeland at the age of 10.

John found that his friend was a relative of Anne. He wasted no time in renewing acquaintance with her through the mails.

Then the Second World War began and John joined the Czechoslovak army. At the end of the war he renewed his courtship. He still had hopes of coming to Canada but the process was slow.

Finally, last fall, Anne tired of waiting and sailed for Czechoslovakia where she met John for the first time since childhood. They were married.

Plans were immediately made for the bride and groom to sail to America but shortage of shipping space posed a problem. Anne was able to get passage for herself and she returned to Harrow. Then John followed a few weeks later.

Although he can't speak English yet, John is learning fast under the tutelage of his bride. And aside from being one of the family, he was a welcome addition to the farm help at harvest time in this fertile district.

"Be Thou Well" On Christmas Day

Among the happy customs of Christmas is that of drinking a wish for health and happiness to the assembled guests — the early name used was "wassail".

The name "wassail" is a contraction of the middle English "waes hael" meaning "be thou well".

Wassail was usually prepared in a large wooden bowl. The base of the drink, which was cider, was placed in the bowl and other ingredients added for seasoning. It was then set on the hearth in front of a log fire and apples were tied above. As the apples began to roast, the juice dripped into the wooden bowl.

Here is a recipe for wassail today:

1 gallon cider, dash of grenadine, 6 egg whites, separated and whipped. Add allspice, cinnamon, crushed cloves to suit and one pint of milk or cream.

A Factual Report

The following originally attributed to a Wisconsin daliy, is reprinted from Civvy Street, produced at the School of Printing Trades, Red Deer, Alberta, by a student editorial staff under a supervisory council:

Some years ago an interesting experiment was conducted by Robert Quillen, then editor of The Fountain Inn (South Carolina) Tribune. Mr. Quillen, irked by complaints that his paper often colored or distorted facts, decided to write a 100 per cent truthful account of the wedding of a young couple in his home town. After stating the names of the bride and groom and the place of the wedding, Mr. Quillen bravely wrote:

"The groom is a popular young bum who hasn't done a lick of work since he got shipped in the middle of his junior year at college. He manages to dress well and keep a supply of spending money because his dad is a soft-hearted fool who takes up his bad cheques instead of letting him go to jail where he belongs.

"The bride is a skinny, fast little idiot who has been kissed and handled by every boy in town since she was 12. She paints like a Sioux Indian and drinks corn liquor when she is out riding her dad's car at night. She doesn't know how to cook or keep house.

"The house was newly plastered for the wedding and the exterior painted, thus appropriately carrying out the decorative scheme, for the groom was newly plastered and the bride newly painted.

"The groom's pants were held up by pale green suspenders. In addition to his jag he carried a bunch of keys and his usual look of imbecility.

"The young couple will make their home with the bride's parents —which means that they will sponge on the old man until he dies and then she will take in washing."

— Canadian Keekly Editor

WOMEN'S INTERESTS

Recipes for Your 1948 Food File

By Betty Barclay

Here are some tested recipes for your 1948 recipe file:

Peach Ice Cream Tarts

1 Box of quick-frozen sliced peaches thawed, 8 baked 3½-inch tart shells, 2 teaspoons of lemon juice, 1 tablespoon flour, 3 egg whites, 6 tablespoons sugar, 1 pint vanilla ice cream.

Drain peaches, reserving juice; arrange peaches in bottom of tart shells and sprinkle with lemon juice. Add peach juice slowly to flour, stirring until smooth. Cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Cool and pour over peaches. Beat egg whites until foamy throughout; add sugar, 2 tablespoons at a time, beating after each addition until sugar is blended. Then continue beating until mixture will stand in peaks. Cover peaches with hard ice cream. Pile meringue on top, being sure ice cream is well covered. Place under broiler 3 minutes, or until meringue is browned. Serve immediately.

Quick frozen peaches, orchard-fresh and flavorsome, are all ready to serve as soon as they are thawed. All their deliciousness was sealed in by quick-freezing within a few hours after they were picked.

Celery Knob Ragout

4 Small celery knobs or roots (about 1 pound) or 3 cups coarsely diced celery, 2½ cups of boiling water, ½ teaspoon salt, ½ pound ground beef, 1 cup of 40% bran flakes crushed, 5 tablespoons of water, ½ teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon finely chopped onion, ½ cup cold water, 4 tablespoons flour.

Peel and cut celery knobs into small cubes. Cook, covered, in boiling water and salt 20 minutes, or until done. Remove from liquid.

Combine meat, bran flakes, 5 tablespoons water, salt, and onion and mix well. Shape into small meat balls and drop, several at a time, into hot celery stock. Simmer. As balls rise to surface, remove; keep hot.

Measure stock and add water to make 1½ cups. Add cold water gradually to flour, mixing to smooth paste; pour into celery stock, stirring vigorously. Cook until thickened. Add celery and meat balls. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Glazed Ham Patties

1 Pound ground smoked ham, 1 pound ground fresh pork, 1 cup raisin bran, ¼ teaspoon salt, dash of pepper, dash of thyme, 2 tablespoons finely chopped onion, 1¼ cups of milk . . . . ½ Cup brown sugar firmly packed, ½ cup corn syrup, 3 tablespoons of vinegar, 1 teaspoon dry mustard.

Combine ham, pork, raisin bran, salt, pepper, thyme, onion, and milk. Roll into balls and place in custard cups or large muffin pans. Bake in moderate oven (350° F) 20 minutes.

Mix together in saucepan brown sugar, syrup, vinegar, and mustard. Bring to a boil and boil 1 minute. Pour 1 tablespoon of mixture over each patty and bake 20 minutes longer. Serve with remaining sauce. Makes 12 patties.

Coffee Creamy Rennetized Milk Drink

2 Cups milk (not canned), 2 teaspoons instant coffee, 1 package vanilla rennet powder, 1 cup cold milk.

Dissolve instant coffee in milk. Warm slowly, stirring constantly. Test a drop on inside of wrist frequently. When COMFORTABLY WARM (110° F.), not hot, remove at once from heat. Add rennet powder and stir quickly until dissolved — not over one minute. Pour at once, while still liquid, into serving pitcher. Do not move until set — about 10 minutes. Then chill. Just before serving, add cold milk. Beat well with rotary beater.

Improves Figure Lifting Weights

Vancouver (CP) — Pretty, 112-pound Rose Hardy says women may improve their figures by taking up weight-lifting.

George Jones, her 75-year-old instructor in the art of body-building, and 1898 winner of the Sandow medal for the most perfect physique in the United Kingdom, claims that his 27-year-old protege has already beaten the United States weight-lifting record for women.

However, she is not out for the title. "I do not call myself a weight-lifter", Rose says. "I only took up weight-lifting to improve my figure. Most people think a female weight-lifter is a muscle-bound moron".

"Look", she invited, stretching forth a leg. "Do you see any ugly muscles there?"

She has never had to use her strength to subdue a man, she says, but admits it does come in handy.

"I have found that it greatly helps my violin playing", she said, toying with a 250-pound weight.

"It gives me a surer and firmer touch than I ever had before."

Women's Organizations Doing Much to Aid Displaced Persons

The warm-hearted manner in which Canadian women individually and through their organizations have welcomed the young women from the Displaced Persons Camps in Germany is a credit to our womanhood and to Canada, Hon. Humphrey Mitchell, Minister of Labor, stated in commenting on the immigration project under which these young women were offered the opportunity of coming to Canada for domestic employment in hospitals, institutions and homes hard-pressed for assistance.

Mr. Mitchell said that the success of this immigration project was clearly indicated by the unsolicited letters of appreciation from employers of these women now being received by his department. The project, which was designed to give these people the opportunity of re-establishing themselves in a free country and at the same time assist in alleviating an acute shortage of domestic help, was working out to the satisfaction of both these new prospective Canadians and their employers.

It was clear from the letters, the Minister said, that these girls were being received with commendable understanding on the part of those in charge of the hospitals and institutions to which they were allotted for employment, and that their employers were giving them assistance in re-establishing themselves far beyond immediate or minimum requirement. Local educational authorities were in many cases providing language classes, and employers were oc-operating in making it possible for the girls to attend.

In addition to this, excellent assistance in innumerable ways, including the provision of winter clothing, had been advanced by various organizations in the localities where the girls were located throughout Canada.

Mr. Mitchell reported that the employers of these girls spoke highly of their suitability as employees.

Mexico Did Away With Santa Claus

In 1930 the authorities in Mexico decided to abolish Santa Claus during the Christmas festival as they considered him out of place in a country where snow is seldom seen.

The well-known bearded figure was ousted by Quetzacoatl, the Indian god, half bird, half snake, who was worshipped by the Aztecs before the Spanish invasion.

In its new Christmas program, the southern country has made a feature of the distribution of presents to thousands of needy children by the plumed serpent, and every year this big-scale present-giving takes place on December 23.

Women's Institutes' Tweedsmuir Contest

Members of the Quebec Women's Institutes are already making plans for the next Tweedsmuir competition. These are held every two years to coincide with the biennial term of the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada. This time the entries are to consist of — a hooked rug of original design, 27" by 45", made from old wool; an essay not exceeding 1,000 words, entitled "Our Women's Institute Takes a Forward Look"; and he usual "Tweedsmuir Village Histories". The last is to be compiled in the same manner as previous competitions and it is hoped that this province will make a creditable showing. Full information will be supplied on request by the provincial secretary, Miss Evelyn Walker, office of Quebec Women's Institutes, Macdonald College.

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DETERRENT TO CRIME

It would be an advantage to have car license plates welded right into the body of the car to remain there during the life of the vehicle. It would certainly clip the wings of those stealing cars, and changing plates to make a get-away. It would also act as a deterrent against robberies.

— Langley (B.C.) Advance

GUARD AGAINST FIRE

When lack of regard for safety rules, with which everyone should be familiar, results in fires which destroy life and property, the tragedy is doubly regrettable, and it appears that many of the mounting number of fires which occur in this country each year are the result of carelessness and disregard of proper precautionary measures.

— Humboldt (Sask.) Journal

WHAT PRICE PROPERTY

Local assessors have their own individual standards of value, and many places which would bring an equal price on the real estate market show a wide difference in assessment. It is a job for an expert, equipped with a sound knowledge of values, to be applied over all the county.

— Perth Courier

COMPETE OR COMBAT

Competition — the life of trade — is also the life of democracy. For, if democracy fails to compete with other world ideas, it will have to resort to combat.

— Campbellton (N.B.) Tribune

COMMUNITY PLANNING

When you see a town where the streets are clean, and unsightly firetraps are forbidden, and every new home and business building is as modern and attractive as the owner could afford to make it, and home owners plant trees to beautify their yards, you know the people aren't wholly selfish. They have community pride, and do their part to make the town a good place to live in. But community spirit isn't doing enough when it thinks only of the present. It must plan for the future.

— Shaunavon (Sask.) Standard

MEANING DRIVEN HOME

Canadians have become accustomed to hearing the word "austerity" as applied to Great Britain and they have come to think of it harshly. Now Canadians are brought face to face with the word in their own country.

— Huntingdon Gleaner

GETTING A VETERINARY

The Lunenburg county farmers association has taken action toward securing a veterinary that is worthy of some attention. The South Shore farmers plan to select a local boy and to encourage him to attend a veterinary college, with loan toward defraying the cost, if such is necessary. The mutual understanding that the boy will return to practice in his home county seems to be reasonable enough.

— Windsor (N.S.) Tribune

Damage of more than $5,000,000 is done each year to Canadian homes due to fires from faulty furnaces or boilers.

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TIME STUDIES HELP LESSEN FARM HOURS

Cows Faced Wrong Way, Poor Feed Location, Combine to Steal Farmer's Time

By LAWRENCE N. ELDRED

Chicago (AP) — United States farmers, who are working an average of 65 hours a week—and most of it in the barnyard — are beginning to wonder whether they are running an efficient operation.

They are asking themselves such questions as:

Which way do my cows face? Are my gates and doors well located? Will a machine do this job better than my muscles? How should my pigs eat and drink?

Answers to questions like these are giving today's farmer a new blueprint for shorter workdays, higher hourly income and more pleasure. Despite field work reductions of 30 to 80 per cent, the farmer still works an average 65-hour week.

Government surveys show chores and barnlot routine make up 75 per cent of the work week on dairy farms. The University of Illinois found farmers in the heart of the Illinois cash grain area worked 62 per cent of their week around the buildings and feedlots.

So now the nation's agricultural schools and experimental stations are focusing stop-watches and measuring-tapes on the food producers to help them do their jobs easier and faster.

Theyer Cleaver, agricultural engineer at the University of Illinois, said studies have been completed of dairy farms in Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin showing appreciable differences in the amount of time consumed for feeding, milking and caring for the cows.

Most dairy barns are built to accommodate two rows of cows, facing either toward the outer walls or in toward the centre alley. Those facing in require 14 per cent more time for the milking operation than those facing out, it was found.

At the University of New Hampshire, time and motion studies, long a handy service for discovering labor-saving methods in manufacturing industries, were reduced to algebraic formulas for dairy barns.

100 Miles a Year

The milking operation covering 40 cows totalled 2,420 feet to and from the milkhouse at one end of the barn if the cows faced in, but if they faced out this distance was only 1,840 feet, the testers discovered. The saving in steps amounts to more than 100 miles a year.

Farm economists expect electricity to be a great labor-saving means. Government rural electrification experts estimate there still are 3,500,000 farms in the nation without electricity. They estimate the demand backlog at $5,000,000,000 for new electrical farm appliances and the power lines and equipment necessary to energize them.

These include an electrically driven silo unloader, a milking machine for small herds which will be practical for as few as five cows, a home-size milk pasteurizer and one for the producer-retailer of 25 to 200 quarts a day, an electric drinking fountain, thermostatically heated and adjustable for cattle, hogs and sheep.

Hog production investigators at Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind., found some of Indiana's farmers produced hogs with 1.7 hours work per hog. This was about one-fourth the average time consumed by Indiana hog raisers in general, and represented a saving of 500 hours for each 100 hogs.

For beef production the Purdue study suggested the most important labor saving factor was convenient layout and arrangement of the corn crib, feed grinder and feeding sheds or lots.

HEAR "MESSIAH" CHORALE ON THE AIR

A Christmas performance of Handel's "Messiah" will be given by the Mendelssohn Choir and the Toronto Symphony Orchestra under Sir Ernest MacMillan tonight, Tuesday. First part of the oratorio is to be broadcast over stations of the CBC network, beginning at 8.30 p.m., EST.

Soloists for this historical choral work will be Audrey Farnell, soprano; Nellie Smith, contralto; William Morton, tenor; and Eric Treadwell, bass.

First performed in Dublin, in 1742, the "Messiah" has been sung continuously for over 200 years. Although Handel originally intended the oratorio for theatrical performance, it has become famous as both a concert and a religious work.

CHRISTMAS IN THE TROPICS

Boston — Christmas trees, turkeys, mince pie and plum pudding were stored aboard the Canadian National Steamships "Lady Rodney" here to provide its passengers with a traditional yuletide holiday when the liner docks at Trinidad on December 25. The "Lady Rodney" sailed recently carrying 104 passengers bound for Bermuda and the British West Indies.

CITY LIGHTS STILL LURE RURAL YOUTH

United States Census Experts Believe Trend Will Continue For Years to Come

By ROBERT E. GEIGER

Washington (AP) — That old question of how to keep 'em down on the farm still hasn't been solved. In fact it's getting tougher all the time.

A study of the growth of metropolitan districts has just been completed by the United States census bureau and the Scripps Foundation for research in population. It shows the lure of the big city has attracted the farm boy and girl all through the years.

Lean depression years dimmed but didn't extinguish it. The war spurred it on, and now the census experts say the signs indicate the trend will continue at least into the next decade.

But they point out that the last 20 years the older industrial areas have not expanded at the same rate as new areas. The report says:

"The general conclusion justified by such a study is that the relatively rapid and steady regional increases in metropolitan population in the West and South will continue and that these regions will absorb metropolitan population at the expense of the Northeastern and North-central states."

In discussing farm-city population, the report says:

"The non-metropolitan rural population will remain about stationary, or decline, depending on the magnitude of the movement to metropolitan districts."

That is, few people are expected to move from the city to the country. But the proportion of "cliff dwellers" living in big city apartments may decline. People—and industries — appear to be seeking the elbow room of suburbs and rural areas hugging the large metropolitan centres.

Metropolitan Areas

In 1900 there were 44 metropolitan areas in the United States with a "central city" containing 100,000 or more population. These contained 25.5 per cent of the U.S. population. By 1940 there were 140 metropolitan areas, and they contained 40 per cent of the population.

These figures aren't exactly comparable because the census bureau has made changes in defining metropolitan population. Nevertheless, the growth of huge metropolitan areas is steady and strong. A study of 34 metropolitan areas by the census bureau last April indicated they contain one-third of the nation's population.

The most startling fact to emerge from warime population studies has been the huge increase in western population. The three Pacific Coast states gained 3,281,000 people, or an increase of one-third. All the other 45 states increased only 3,712,000 or three per cent.

But the report adds:

"There is of course nothing inevitable in this southward and westward movement of industry. People go where jobs are to be found."

As for the trend toward a decreasing proportion of "cliff dwellers," the experts found that in most metropolitan areas the greatest gain in population has been in "satelite" rural areas, apparently as the result of automobile transporation.

When Skirts Were Really Long !

Here are three of the radio artists who evoke a "gay nineties" atmosphere for CBC Trans-Canada network listeners every Tuesday night at 10.30 o'clock, on the "Leicester Square to Old Broadway" show. Orchestra conductor Harry Pryce offers a gallant arm to songstress Belle McEwan, while Eric Vale, as "the old stager", indicates that he still has an eye for feminine beauty. The program features music, songs and yarns reminiscent of the days when the latest in plastics was a celluloid collar.

"Around the Country"

Jim Greenblatt

A baby girl born to Mr. and Mrs. John Jamieson at Nordegg, Alta., is the first girl to be born to the Jamieson family in 148 years. . . At Sceptre, Sask., a village of a few hundred, the George Baird farm sale brought an estimated attendance of 2,000 people. . . Not a bull, but a calf being unloaded by Lester Bros., at Forest, Ont., bolted, crashed right through the window of the John W. Gregg home and really scattered things around in the living room. . . The Watford, Ont., Guide-Advocate is tickled with this story of a prominent citizen who entered the living room, dropped on his hands and knees, braying like a donkey; found a dead silence and looked up to discover dinner guests regarding him with disgust or maybe alarm; the children's party was next door! . . . They sang without an organ at All-Saints' Church when night thieves broke in and stole the motor which operates the organ. . . . At Spiritwood, Sask., after an all-night search by R. C. M. P. and local citizens, one of them returned home and found the "lost" six-year-old Jimmy Cook calmly sitting in the parlor reading a book . . At Cadillac, Sask., Lacombe boys set a trap for a weasel, caught a rare bobcat or lynx.

NEW SKI TRAIN

Montreal — To accommodate skiers using the hills between Montreal and Montfort, the Canadian National Railways will inaugurate, effective December 26, an additional train service in both directions between these points. The service will operate on Fridays only.

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What Is A Carol ?

"Peace on earth: goodwill towards men!" . . Church bells throughout the Christian world will ring out this message of hope again on Christmas morning. Likewise with seasonal music, particularly carols, which will be heard everywhere Christians gather in fellowship and goodwill.

What is a "carol"? Essentially it is a hymn of praise, such as is sung at Christmas time. Some authorities suggest that the word is derived from "chorus". Others say it is from "corollo", a garland or coronet, the earliest sense of the word being apparently "a ring dance". Technically, the word "carol" should be applied to lyrics written to dance measures. This is probably why most carols are rythmic in character and not difficult to sing. The earliest printed collections of carols was published in 1521.

DON'T HIDE IT

Liquor is one of those things which should be out in the open. The harder it is to get the more it is wanted and the more it is drunk. Make it a common thing and people will treat it as such.

— Kelowna (B.C.) Courier

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